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Medium-voltage gas insulated switchgear Technologies for a smarter and greener network



Technical session Medium-voltage gas insulated switchgear

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Society having higher demands on power distribution Challenges in today's energy sector

- World's increasing demand of power & increasing urbanisation
- Balance big investments on electrical distribution infrastructure with environmental concerns
- Grid reliability & space utilization





Overview of this session

This session addresses how MV GIS supports the key aspects:

- Part 1 : Further improving the environmental footprint
- Part 2 : Smart technologies to maximize grid reliability
- Questions and answers





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Medium-voltage gas insulated switchgear Part 1 Technology leap – Eco-efficient GIS



Eco-efficient switchgear technology Introduction



- Switchgear history and trends
- Challenges and future requirements
- Insights on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆
- ABB's answer to the climate challenge
- Summary
- Questions and answers



Switchgear history and trends Air-insulation switchgear (AIS)



Switchgear from 1910

- No operator safety
- Huge dimensions
- Low reliability

Todays' air-insulated switchgear (AIS)

- Increased personal safety
- Reduced dimensions
- Higher reliability





Switchgear history and trends Comparison of AIS and GIS switchgear technologies



Gas-Insulated switchgear with SF₆

- SF₆ insulates 3x better than air
- Independent from environment conditions

AIS	GIS
Compact	Very compact
High reliability	Highest reliability
High safety	Maximum safety
Low maintenance	Maintenance-free





Switchgear history and trends ABB as pioneer in gas-insulated switchgear (GIS)



1967: World's first GIS switchgear

- High-voltage 170kV
- Swiss utiliy ewz, Zurich



1984: First medium-voltage GIS with 3-phase encapsulation (ZV2)



1994: First medium-voltage GIS without gas-works at site (ZX1)

2015

First high- and medium-voltage GIS with alternative gas



Challenges and future requirements Why has SF₆ been such a success?



Electrical performance Thermal properties Inert and self-healing Non-toxic Easy handling





High global warming potential (GWP 22.800)



Switchgear history and trends Sustainability in current ABB MV-GIS portfolio





Challenges and future requirements Global warming as driver



- Increased environmental awareness and emphasis on green solutions
- Climate change policies
 - 1997: Kyoto protocol signed
 - 2006: EU regulation on fluorinated greenhouse gases
- SF₆ reporting obligation and taxation in certain countries
- 2010: New promising fluids are developed
 ABB starts research of application



Challenges and future requirements Alternatives need to fulfill various criteria

- Possible alternative needs to meet a lot of requirements:
 - Climate impact
 - Technical performance
 - Stability and operating conditions
 - Safety and handling
- Although research has been ongoing over decades, still no 1-to-1-replacement for SF6 is known





Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆ Extensive research on various options



Years of extensive research

- ABB Corporate Research Centers
- External partners

Evaluation criteria

- Global warming potential (GWP)
- Dielectric properties & compactness
- Material compatibility
- Self-healing insulation
- Toxicity & flammability
- Recycling & sustainability



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Research on eco-efficient alternatives to ${\rm SF_6}$ Dry air and ${\rm N_2}$

Evaluation	Dry air	N ₂
Global warming potential (GWP)	++	++
Dielectric properties & compactness	0	-
Material compatibility	+	++
Self-healing insulation	+	+
Toxicity & flammability	++	++
Recycling & sustainability	++	++



- Dry air has slightly better dielectric performance than N2
- Pure N₂ does not contain O₂, so better material compatibility than air
- Dielectric performance limited, but solution for lower voltages



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Research on eco-efficient alternatives to $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SF}_6}$ Solid insulation

Evaluation	
Global warming potential (GWP)	++
Dielectric properties & compactness	+
Material compatibility	++
Self-healing insulation	
Toxicity & flammability	-
Recycling & sustainability	_



- Not self-healing, no repair possible (partial discharge)
- No recycling possbile, energy intensive production
 - \rightarrow No reliable and sustainable solution for ABB



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Research on eco-efficient alternatives to $SF_6 \ SF_6 \ mixes \ with \ N_2$

Evaluation	
Global warming potential (GWP)	-
Dielectric properties & compactness	+
Material compatibility	++
Self-healing insulation	+
Toxicity & flammability	++
Recycling & sustainability	-



- Still rather high GWP
- Recycling of gas mixture difficult
 - \rightarrow No eco-efficient solution



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Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆ Nitriles mix with air

Evaluation	
Global warming potential (GWP)	o/-
Dielectric properties & compactness	+
Material compatibility	+
Self-healing insulation	+
Toxicity & flammability	+
Recycling & sustainability	+



- Technical performance close to SF₆
- GWP still in range of 1.000
 - \rightarrow No real eco-efficient solution



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- Dielectric properties & compactness
- Material compatibility
- Self-healing insulation
- Toxicity & flammability
- Recycling & sustainability



Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆ Ketones mix with air

Evaluation	
Global warming potential (GWP)	++
Dielectric properties & compactness	+
Material compatibility	+
Self-healing insulation	+
Toxicity & flammability	+
Recycling & sustainability	+



- Very low GWP < 1
- Technical performance close to SF₆

 \rightarrow Technically and environmental-friendly best alternative



Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆ GWP vs Performance

Identified "Low GWP" alternatives:

GWP = 0:

- Dry Air and N₂ are possible candidates
- Dry Air has better performance than N₂

GWP > 0:

- Ketones and Nitriles close to SF₆ performance
- Ketones much lower GWP than Nitriles

	GWP *
Ketones / Air mix	<1
Nitriles / Air mix	1.500 - 2.000

* for MV GIS applications





Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF_6 ABB's two eco-efficient insulation gases

Two technologies with GWP <1

- Alternative to SF₆ shall have minimal GWP
 - Dry Air for lower voltage ratings, GWP 0
 - AirPlus Ketones/air mix for higher ratings, GWP <1

AirPlus

<1

Dry Air

0



New Ketones gas mixture achieves close to

Global Warming Potential

100% reduction of GWP;

Dry Air has NO GWP

 SF_6

22'800



Research on eco-efficient alternatives to SF₆ Details on ABB's two eco-efficient insulation gases

DryAir technology

- Dry Air is technical air with a limited amount of water.
- The technical performance limits the use of Dry Air in MV applications to the 12 kV range without increasing switchgear dimension.



AirPlus technology

- New gas mixture consisting of DryAir (N₂, O₂) with Perfluoro Ketones (C5 FK).
- Pure gas of C5 FK has much better dielectric strength than SF₆. Dielectric strength of mixture close to SF₆.
- C5 FK has boiling point of 25°C, but high vapor pressure. When mixed with carrier gas, stays gaseous for temperature range of indoor switchgear
- If gas used for current breaking (i.e. HV):
 CO₂ can be added to the mixture





ABB's eco-efficient switchgear Eco-efficient products for primary distribution



ZX2 Primary GIS

- Pilot 1: ewz, Zurich, Switzerland
 - 50 panels 24 kV with AirPlus ketone technology
 - Switchgear commissioned in June 2015
- Pilot 2: Germany
 - 8 panels 24kV with AirPlus ketone technology
 - Switchgear installed in Jan 2016





ABB's eco-efficient switchgear Eco-efficient products for secondary distribution

SafeRing Secondary GIS (RMU)

- SafeRing AirPlus pilots
 - SafeRing 24kV with Ketone technology
 - First units delivered in Sep 2015
- SafeRing Air product 12kV already available
 - Available since 2013 in Northern European countries
 - Now launched for other regions





ABB's eco-efficient switchgear ABB continues writing history in GIS technology



1967: World's first GIS switchgear High-voltage 170kV



1994: First medium-voltage GIS without gas-works at site





1984: First medium-voltage GIS with 3-phase encapsulation

2015: World's first MV & HV GIS with eco-efficient gases



Eco-efficient switchgear technology Summary and key messages

ABB eco-efficient switchgear

- Combining reliability, safety and compactness of traditional GIS with environmental sustainability
- New technology is an alternative for SF₆, not a replacement
- ABB is currently completing eco-efficient switchgear portfolio.
 First products planned for end of 2016







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Medium-voltage GIS portfolio Part 2 Smart secondary distribution switchgear



Society having higher demands on power distribution Benefits of smart grids



- Increase distribution network reliability and quality by providing fast fault location, isolation and restoration.
- Enable integration of renewable sources into Power Networks
- A smarter grid will provide greater control over energy costs and a more reliable energy supply for consumers.



Transmission and distribution grids Present situation

Traditional Automation Areas

- Distribution Control Centers
 - Network management SCADA/DMS
 - Outage Management
 - Workforce management
- Primary Substation Automation
 - Integrated Protection,Control and Monitoring





Transmission and distribution grids Focus on secondary distribution

New Automation Areas

- Secondary Distribution MV Network
 - Fault Passage Indication
 - Monitoring of Voltages and Currents
 - Remote Control of switches
 - Selective Protection with breakers
- Secondary Distribution LV Network
 - Intelligent breakers for protection and control of the LV grid
 - Smart meters with fault indication capabilities
- Asset Management
 - On-line Condition Monitoring





Solutions for smart secondary distribution The right grid automation level to meet your needs


Solutions for smart secondary distribution Situation awareness

Functions

- Indications of switch status
- Fault passage indication (FPI)
- LV Measurements
- Condition Monitoring

Benefits

- Fault Location
- Voltage Stability even with intermittent distributed generation
- Reduce Maintenance cost



Monitoring





Solutions for smart secondary distribution Fault isolation

Functions

- Remote Control of switches
- Remote network configuration

Benefits

- Centralized fault isolation and restoration with reduction of the time of outages
- Increase network efficiency









Solutions for smart secondary distribution Power flow measurement

Functions

- High accuracy Measurements V, I, P, Q, f

Benefits

- Voltage Stability even with intermittent distributed generation
- Increase network efficiency



Measurement





Solutions for smart secondary distribution Protection selectivity

Functions

- Directional overcurrent and earth fault protection
- Reclosing for overhead lines
- Protection interlocking

Benefits

Reduced number of outages



Protection

























ABB's Grid Automation products and solutions Optimal solution for entire value chain





Medium-voltage gas insulated secondary distribution switchgear portfolio





Gas Insulated Indoor Switchgear / RMU Available up to 40,5kV



Safelink 2

Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear Available up to 17,5kV

- A complete and comprehensive portfolio across all segments.
- Arc Fault contained switchgear design
- Global Portfolio with local value customization to meet market demand

Enabling a stronger and smarter power network



Medium-voltage gas insulated secondary distribution switchgear portfolio



Safering /Safeplus

Gas Insulated Indoor Switchgear / RMU Available up to 40,5kV Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear Available up to 17,5kV Safelink 2

Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear

vailable up to 17,5kV

- Suitable for breaker and switch Fuse applications
- Front Cable termnination access
- Modular and RMU solutions available

Enabling a stronger and smarter power network



Medium-voltage gas insulated secondary distribution switchgear portfolio



Safering /Safeplus

Gas Insulated Indoor Switchgear / RMU Available up to 40,5kV

Safelink CB

Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear Available up to 17,5kV Safelink 2

Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear

Available up to 17,5kV

- Suitable for Circuit Breaker application
- Extendible / Non-Extendible solutions
- Side and Rear Cable
 termnination access

Enabling a stronger and smarter power network



Medium-voltage gas insulated secondary distribution switchgear portfolio



Safering /Safeplus

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Gas Insulated Outdoor Switchgear Available up to 17,5kV

- Suitable for Switch Fuses application
- Ultra compact solution for new and replacement installations with space constraints
- Outdoor / Indoor solutions available

Enabling a stronger and smarter power network



Take away from this session

Medium-voltage gas insulated portfolio – implementing the future already today





- Products and solutions in place to support modern Power Distribution infrastructure
- ABB resources and Laboratories available to support assessment, justification, project planning and execution
- Smart solutions, from refurbishing existing secondary substations and adding wireless communication, to turnkey switch, automation and communication systems
- Even MV-GIS itself, which represents the highest level of availability is brought to the next level through use of the new eco-efficient insulation gas : AirPlus based on Fluoroketones.

ABB Medium-voltage gas insulated switchgear - new technologies for a smarter and greener network



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