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# **Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator - Singapore**

An ERI@N Flagship Project

Systems & technologies for a sustainable & affordable energy access-for-all in Southeast Asia

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## NTU structure









"High-quality global education"

### **COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS**, e.g.

- Nanyang Business School
- College of Engineering
- College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences
- College of Science
- Lee Kong Chian College of Medicine

Students: 33.000

Faculty and research staff: 4.300



### **RESEARCH INSTITUTES**, e.g.

- Energy: ERI@N
- Water: NEWRI
- Media: IMI
- Healthcare: NIHTM
- Consumer Insight: ACI
- Catastrophe Risk: ICRM
- Maritime: MI@NTU
- Complexity Institute



### **NTU 2020 Research Focuses**

- Sustainable Earth
- Global Asia
- Secure Community
- Healthy Society
- Future Learning

## ERI@N structure



### Energy Smart, Research Innovation

## Flagship Projects : Eco Campus & REIDS





Electro mobility Wind & So Marine Renewables So

Solar Energy & Solar Fuels

**Maritime** 

Clean

Energy



**Sustainable** 

**Building** 

**Technologies** 



Energy

Storage



**Fuel Cells** 

Materials, Simulation & Modeling, Electrical Power / Control, Reliability

Colleges of Sciences, Engineering, Humanities, Arts and Business



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REIDS

### **Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator - Singapore**

REIDS is a Singapore-based RD&D platform dedicated to designing, demonstrating and testing solutions for sustainable multi-activity off-grid communities in Southeast Asia

# Rationale for REIDS

- 1.2 billion people on this earth do not have access to electricity.
- An even higher number do not have access to proper sanitation, including drinking water.
- Most of this population live in Africa, in Southeast Asia and in Latin America.

Given the shear geographical size of the territories involved, in the near term, it is unrealistic to access these populations by way of interconnected transmission systems.

### The solution must be localized networks - off-grid microgrids.

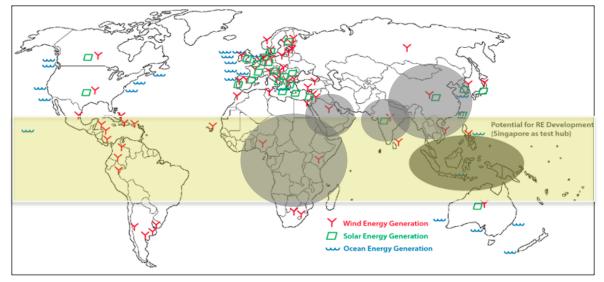
The deliberate focus of REIDS is on microgrid applications for:

- Islands
- Remote villages
- Emergency situations earthquakes, tsunamis, refugee camps, etc..
- Remote mining operations
- "Fringe" networks
- Military bases

## Economic development opportunity

#### While challenging, energy transitions also represent formidable technology

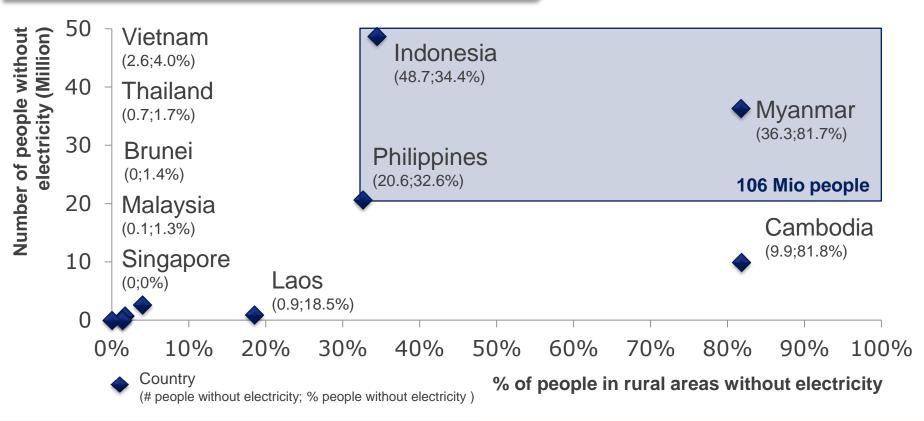
and economic development opportunities for energy infrastructure and systems solutions providers.



Indonesia : 17,508 islands - Philippines : 7,107 islands

World's top five fastest growing electricity production regions from 2010 to 2030

# Rural electrification in Southeast Asia

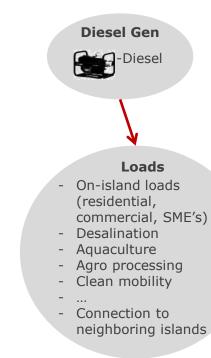


## Semakau Island – An emblematic site for REIDS



Legacy

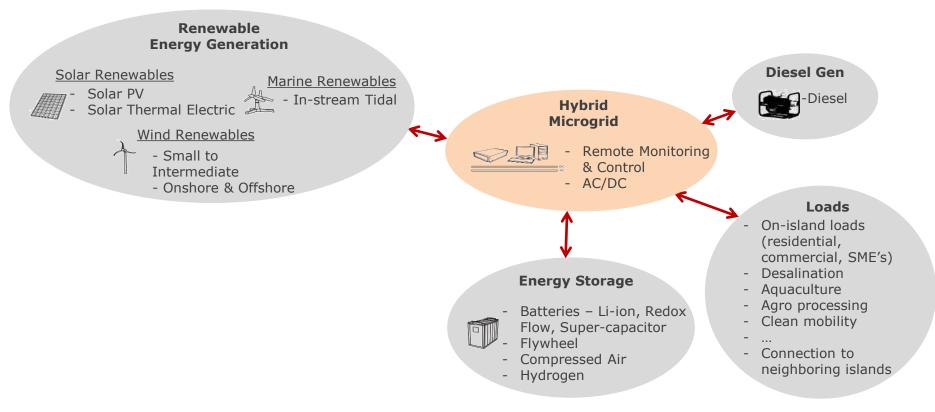
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## REIDS Technology Road Map – 2/4

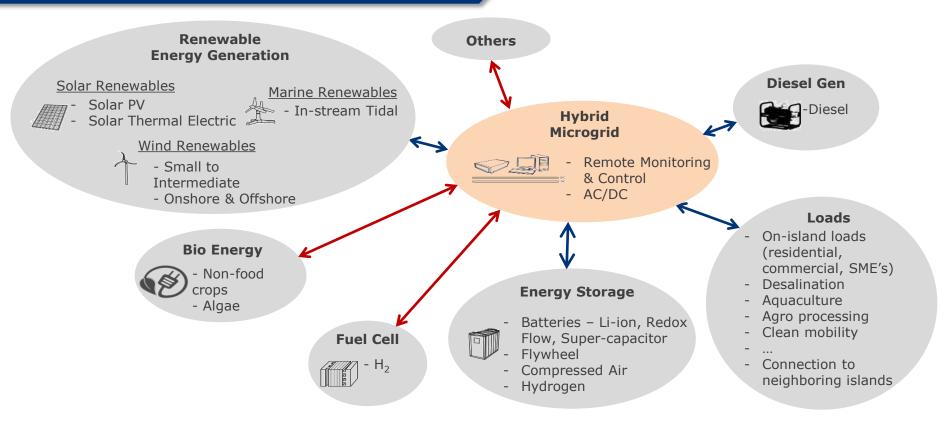
### **Microgrid Infrastructure**

Renewable & storage enabled Phase-out of diesel as primary provider

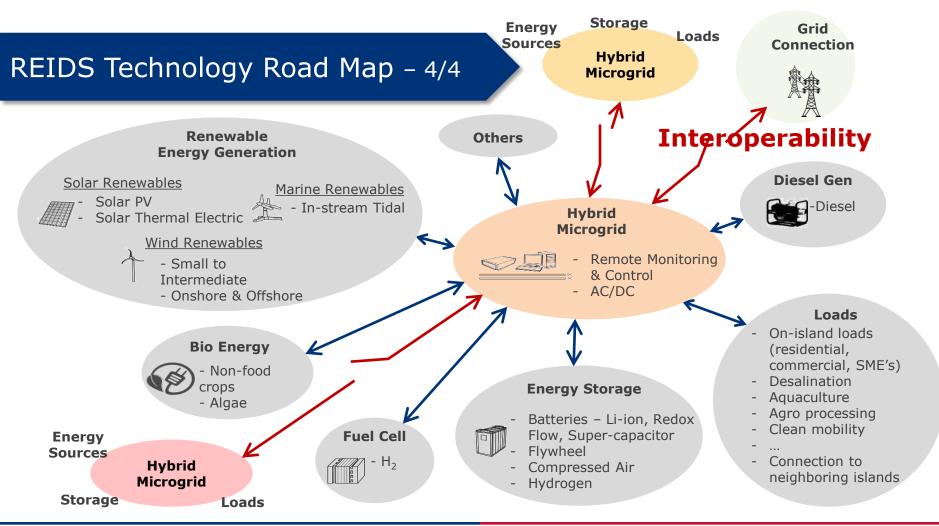


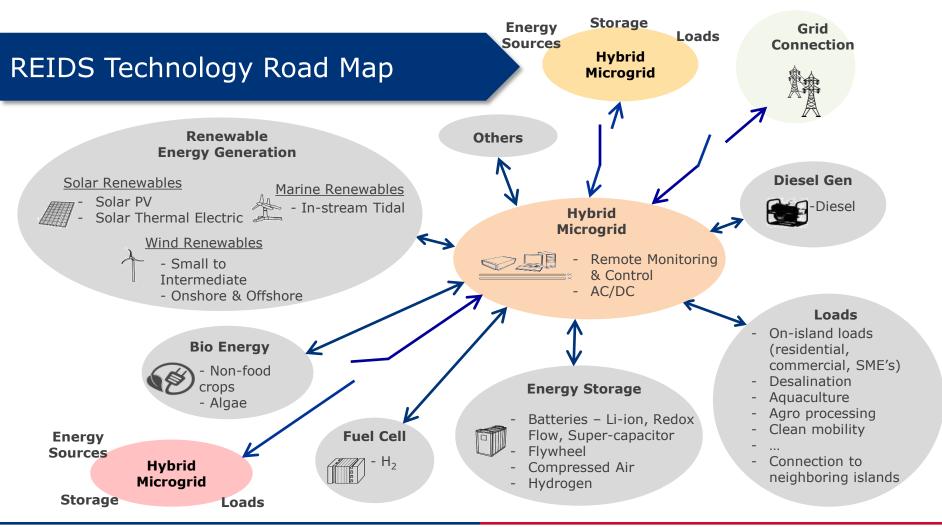
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## **Plug & Play expansion**



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## The three pillars of our long-term strategy for excellence

### Microgrid R&D

- Solving engineering, economic, environmental and societal energy transition challenges for off-grid communities.
- Partnering with Southeast Asia private, public and civil society organizations.

Microgrid systems demonstration and equipment testing

- Implementing large-scale microgrid system demonstrations under Southeast Asia climatic conditions.
- Designing and executing equipment performance assessment tests in a neutral environment under inthe-field operating conditions.



### Outreach: engineering support, seminars, presentation & publications

- Broadly disseminating the REIDS message in Southeast Asia: conference participations, seminars, executive education Singapore and off-site.
- Road-mapping energy transition strategies in Southeast Asia.
- Enrolling REIDS public and private sector members in Southeast Asia.





### REIDS Key R & D challenges

- 1. Power and Energy management
- 2. Systemic integration of supply, demand and storage
- 3. Supply-side and demand-side requirements reconciliation
- 4. Plug & Play operations
- 5. Centralized vs local monitoring and control
- 6. Energy road mapping for off-grid communities
- 7. Economic performance evaluation of microgrid solutions
- 8. Standardization





REIDS key technological building blocks

- 1. Renewable energy generation (solar, wind, in-stream tidal, ..)
- 2. Energy storage (batteries, hydrogen, flywheel, compressed air, ..)
- 3. ICT architectures
- 4. Energy management systems
- 5. Aqua and agriculture energy systems integration
- 6. Desalination and fresh water production
- 7. Sustainable mobility
- 8. Power-to-gas and fuels
- 9. Micro-algae and others





1. Presenting REIDS results at conferences and symposia in the region

2. Delivering seminars and executive education in collaboration with REIDS partners

Outreach value propositions for REIDS Members

- 3. Enhancing knowledge of local market dynamics for REIDS partners
- 4. Providing additional information channels complementary to existing corporate M & S
- 5. Participating in REIDS microgrid technology and market intelligence watch
- 6. Gaining enhanced insights of Southeast Asia regulatory and legislative dispositions
- 7. Benefiting from proactive engagement in REIDS marketing and showcasing programs

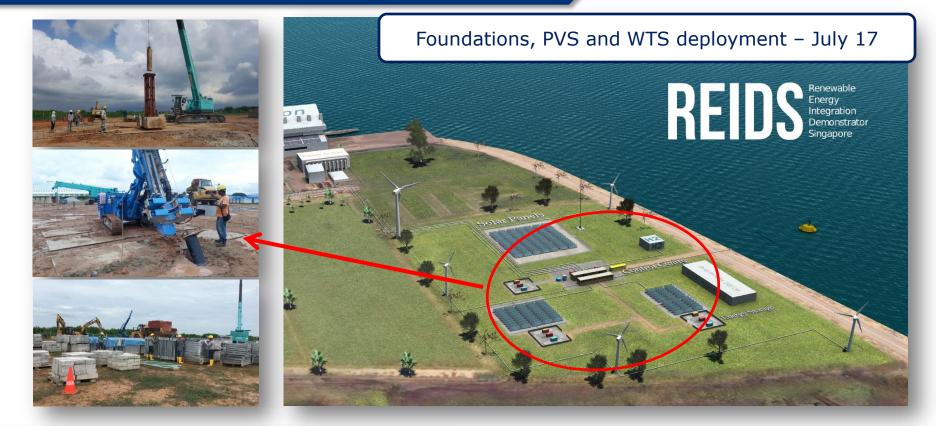
# REIDS 3D rendering



## REIDS Development status – "Microgrid 0"

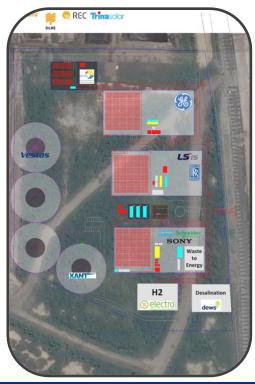


## REIDS Development status – "P2 plot"



# Microgrids 1, 2 and 3 on a 64'400 m<sup>2</sup> greenfield – Plot 2 (P2)

### P2 plot conceptual diagram:



### Three separate microgrids

400 VAC – DC distribution possible

Within each microgrid:

- PV several 100 kWp
- Wind 50 to 200 kW
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- Possibility to connect to shared loads and sources

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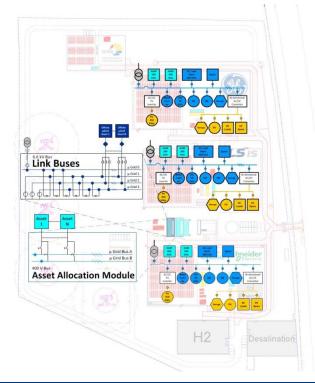
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