



20th Edition

# MICROGRID

## AND OFF-GRID INNOVATION FORUM

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The 20th edition of the **Microgrid & Off-Grid Innovation Forum**, September 30 - October 1, 2025 in Austin, TX brings together technology innovators, project developers, utilities, energy providers and policy makers for focused networking and in-depth information sharing at the cutting edge of microgrids in North America. The emphasis is on how key enabling technologies, applications and business models can unlock power quality, timely energy access, and cost savings for a range of end users.

Topics to be covered include:

- Microgrids for servicing data center, building electrification and EV charging loads
- Off-grid, remote, and rural use cases and deployments
- System feasibility, design, and implementation
- Ownership models and benefits for multiple stakeholders
- The state of enabling technologies
- Utilizing microgrids to cope with grid outages and crisis situations
- Utility-driven microgrids and deployment partnerships
- Public-purpose, city-community, and commercial microgrid deployments
- Integration of microgrids into the larger grid
- Determining the correct technology mix for hybrid renewable energy systems
- Advanced battery, fuel cell, LNG and flow battery technologies
- Microgrid power control and performance management
- Regulatory and public policy developments impacting microgrids
- Standards and interoperability issues
- Market drivers and opportunities worldwide

The audience for the Forum includes microgrid project developers, owners, and entrepreneurs; C&I end users; mining and energy development companies; utilities and renewable energy providers; energy storage companies; technology researchers, investors and regulatory representatives, and more.



"This was a great networking opportunity. Speakers were interesting in and of themselves, but the mix (tech, policy, regulatory, markets) made for deeper conversations than most events provide."

-- Paul Roege, Vice President - Strategic Initiatives, Typhoon HIL

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- Editor
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- Energy Solutions Manager
- Energy Storage Marketing/Strategy Manager
- Engineer
- Engineering Manager
- Executive Director
- Founder & Managing Director
- Founding Partner
- General Manager
- Global Sales Manager Microgrids
- Global Sector Co-ordinator, Innovative Finance
- Head of Direct Sales
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- Program Director, Sustainable Energy Transformation and Microgrid Project
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"I enjoy this conference for its deeper discussions on grid and microgrid issues, new challenges, new opportunities, and changes in business models. This is not Microgrid 101. These are "graduate-level" microgrid discussions. Wonderful"

-- Steve Pullins, CEO, ReSET

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