

VIETNAM'S RENEWABLES REVOLUTION:

Solutions with Satellite image, Forecasting combination, and AGC





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Background

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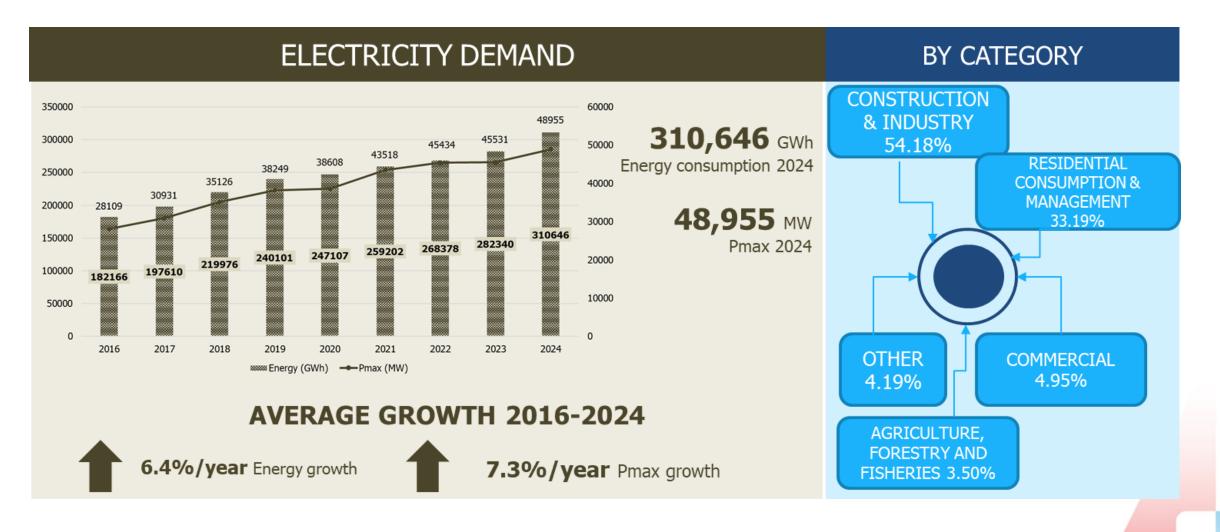




Overview of Vietnamese Power System and Renewable Energy Development

Electricity Demand Development in Vietnam





Renewable Energy in Vietnam



Wind Farm:

5,106 MW



Solar Farm:

8,974 MW



Rooftop Solar:

7,660 MW



Small Hydro:

5,927 MW



Biomass:

439 MW

Total Installed Capacity (Renewable Energy)

28,319 MW

 $(\sim 34\%)$

Rapid capacity growth in a short time (03 years: 2019-2021), concentrated in specific regions







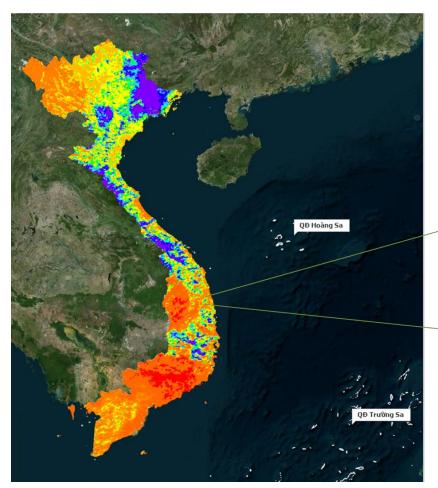
NSMO's solutions in Renewables Operation

- Satellite Image
- Forecasting Combination
- AGC

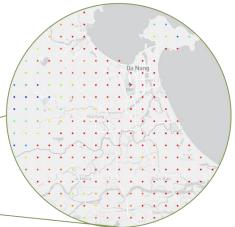
Solar Rooftop - Satellite Image Data

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Near-real-time Solar Irradiation Map



15-minute resolution 4 km² / Radiation Measurement Point





Estimation of Rooftop PV Generation for All 110kV Substation in Whole Country



Rooftop Solar Installed Capacity Inverter Characteristics Satellite Irradiation Data



MW and Energy of Solar Rooftop in Vietnam

Solar Rooftop - Satellite Image Data



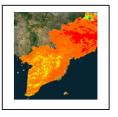
Estimation of Rooftop PV generation















Himawari-9 Satellite image

- Resolution of 10 minutes per image
- Spatial resolution of 2 5km
- 5 observation zones providing up to global coverage
- 16 image channels
- Real-time updates

Server Provider (Domestic)

- Receiving satellite image with ~30min delay
- Calculation of solar irradiance parameters from satellite image, applying specialized models and modules
- Assessment of atmospheric reflectivity and cloud index available

Solar irradiance data for the whole territory of Vietnam

- Stored on FTP server
- Each point simulates an area of 4km2
- Standardized irradiance for each district, ward
- Delay compared to realtime: 40 - 60min

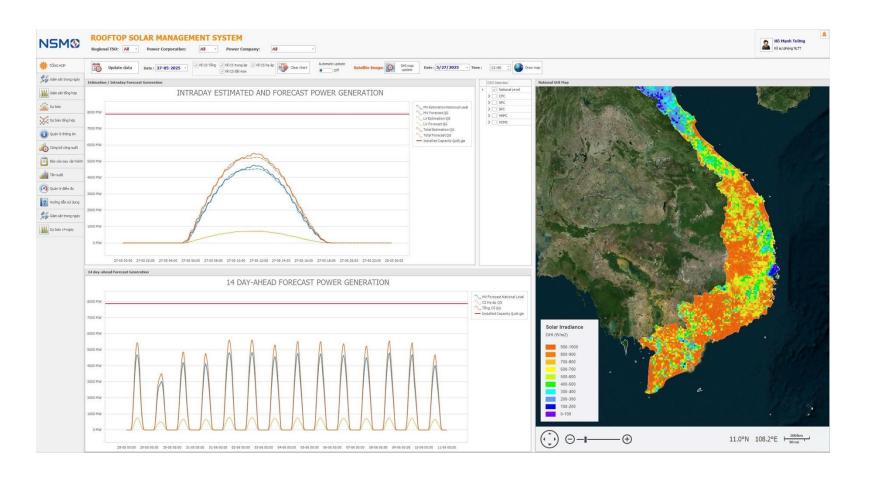
Solar Rooftop monitoring capacity

- Details to each and every 110kV substation of provincial Power Companies, for 2 levels of Medium and Low Voltage connection
- Resolution 15 minutes
- Minimum update frequency: 5 minutes

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Rooftop solar management tool



2x2km resolution irradiance

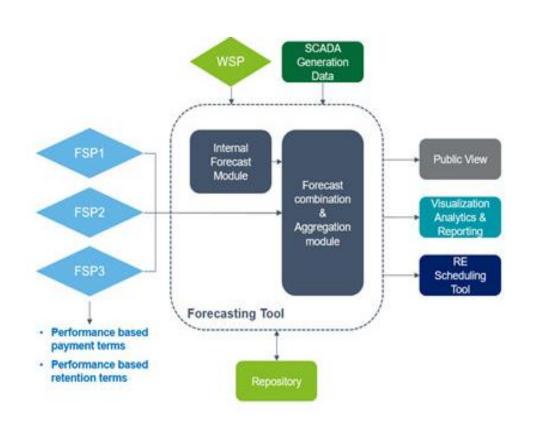
> 800 110kV Substations (for Whole Country)

40-60 minutesNear-real-time

Forecasting Combination for Utility-scale RE Power Plants



Vietnam Forecasting Model



Forecasting Sources

Third party supplier 1

Third party supplier 2



Power plants forecast



In-house forecasting

Forecast resolution: $30 \text{ min } \rightarrow 15 \text{ min}$

Forecasting Combination for Utility-scale RE Power Plants

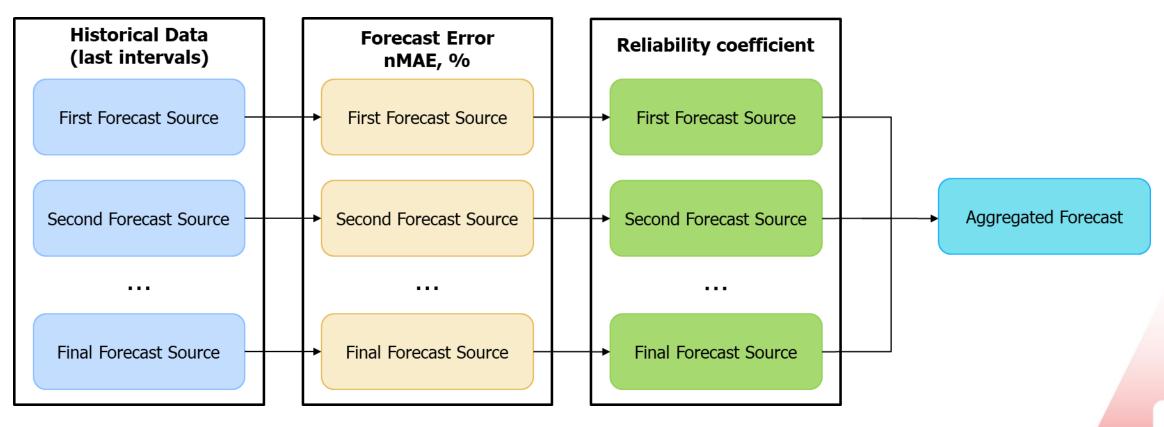


Forecasting combination algorithm







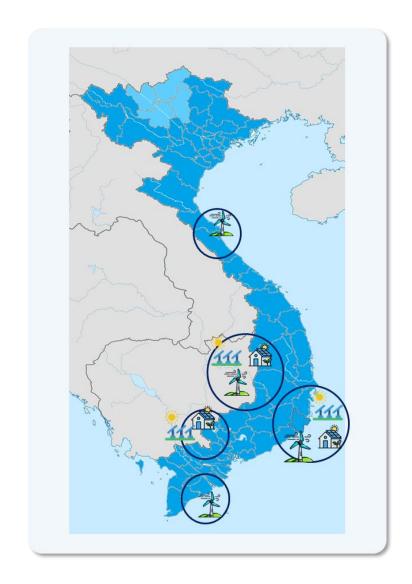


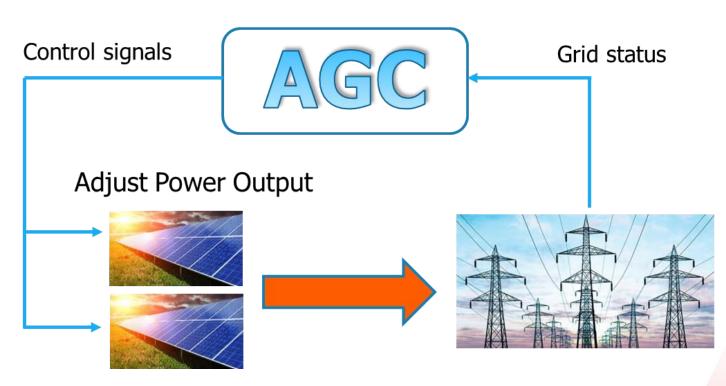
$$nMAE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{|F_i - A_i|}{P_{installed_capacity}}$$
 F_i : Forecast values Actual values

Grid Overload - Automatic Generation Control



Online control RE plant





Grid Overload - Automatic Generation Control



Online control RE plant







Online control

Calculate every 4s, send control signal every 8s



Overload areas

Covers 220/110kV network & inter-area 500kV AC lines



NSMO Innovation

NSMO inhouse algorithms: the power ceiling and sequential line





Operational challenges and solutions under study

Distributed Energy Resource Management System (DERMS)



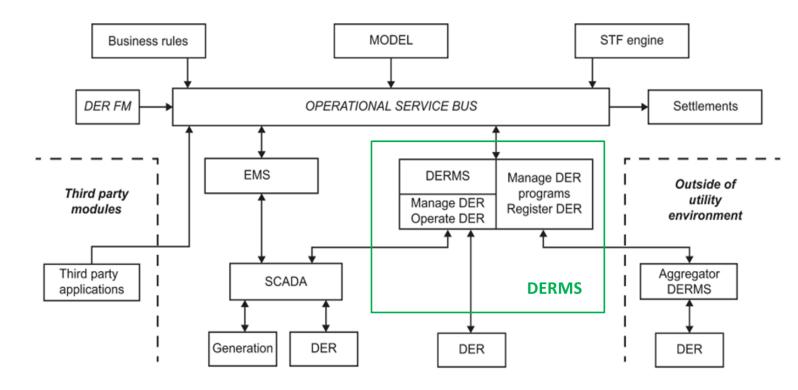
OBJECTIVES

DERs include

- Rooftop
- Small Hydro
- BESS
- EV

FUNCTIONS

- Data collection: telemeter, data logger, SCADA/EMS
- Utilizing existing data to produce reliable data
- Monitoring and forecasting power generation
- Automatic connect to TSO/DSO



Source: IEEE Guide for Distributed Energy Resources Management Systems (DERMS) Functional Specification," 2021.

Upcoming Event: G-PST Workshop on DERMS & AI Applications



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Enterprise Service Bus (ESB) – Message Bus

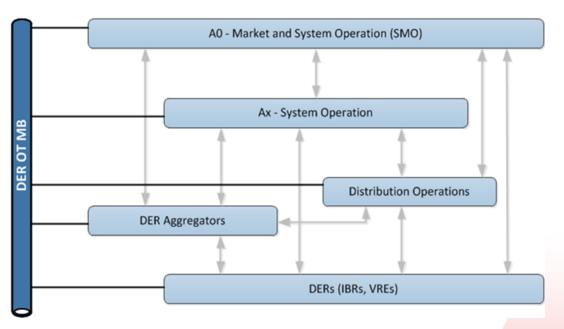


OTMB/ESB Architecture from Oracle



Source: https://www.oracle.com/ie/a/ocom/docs/industries/utilities-integrate-operational-tech.pdf

Proposed model for Vietnamese TSO- DSO Coordination



Thank you!