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### **Tanhu Island Microgrid Project**

What is the Dongao Island megaWatt-level independent smart microgrid project?

Banner image: The Dongao Island megawatt-level independent smart microgrid project was China's first megawatt-level microgrid system with complementary wind, solar, diesel, and energy storage, and was also China's first commercial-run island smart microgrid system. The power supply is flexible and especially suitable for island and remote areas.

#### Do Island microgrids work in the East China Sea?

Three representative island microgrids in the East China Sea are demonstrated. Key technologies such as control technology and energy management for island microgrids are studied. Renewable energy penetration is discussed for the design and operation of island microgrids.

#### How many island microgrid projects are there in the world?

There have been several island microgrid projects in the world. In Europe, the Kythnos Island microgrid project is built on an island located in the Aegean Sea , which includes 10 kW of PV, a 53 kWh battery bank, and a 5 kW diesel genset. This project aims to test the centralized and decentralized control strategies for islanding.

#### Where is the Dongao microgrid built?

In China, the Dongao microgrid is built on an island in the South China Sea, which comprises an ESS of 500kW,WTs of 750kW, and a DE of 1MW. A hierarchical control strategy is proposed to maintain the frequency stability on multiple time scales. The different types of island microgrids are summarized in Table 1.

#### Are there bottlenecks in the development of Microgrid technology in China?

Although the development of microgrid technology in China has achieved some remarkable results, there are many bottlenecks in the comprehensive application and operation and control mode of microgrids involving advanced power electronics, computer control, communications and other technologies.

#### Are microgrid systems a good option for Islands?

With the technological advance and the declining comprehensive cost, the advantages of microgrid systems on islands will be increasingly pronounced. We acknowledge the financial supports from National Natural Science Foundation of China (51507094 and 51537003). Chris Marnay.



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