

ABB Ability Energy Management for Sites

OPTIMAX® for Virtual Power Plants

Empower your participation in energy markets

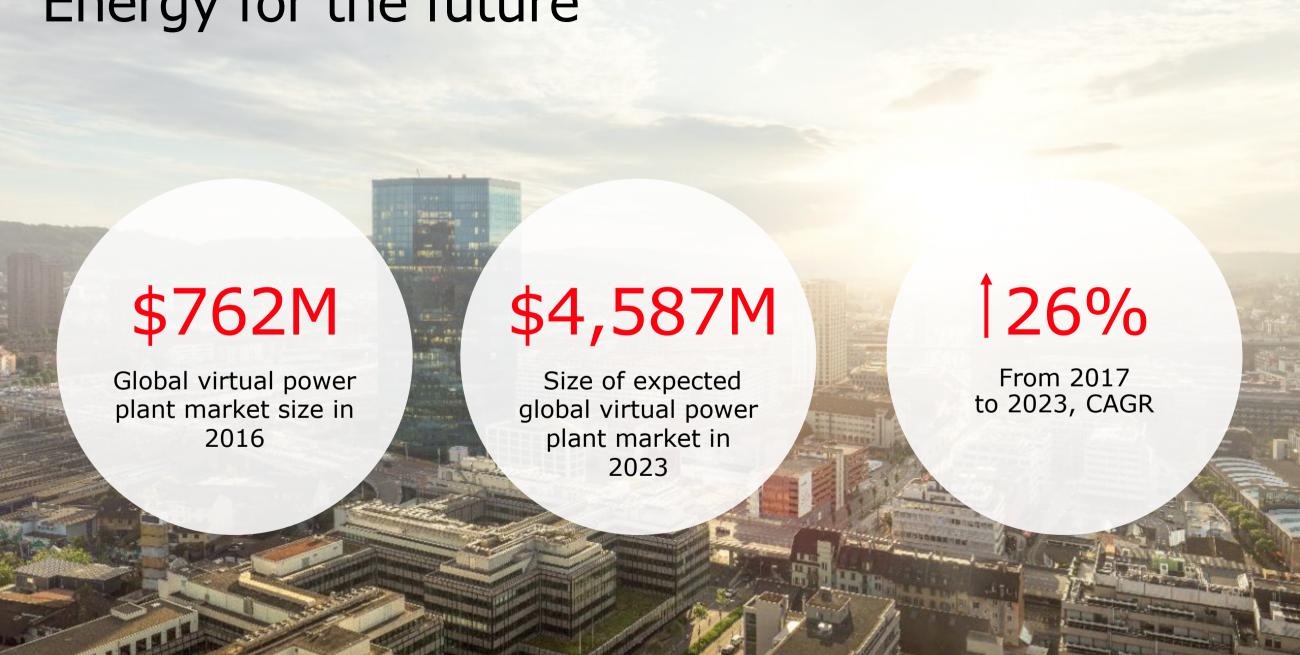




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Energy for the future



Energy transformation challenges

Coordinated asset control

In this decentralized energy environment customers must maximize reliance on their own generation resources. This minimizes their energy costs and empowers them to avoid peak energy consumption and time of use charges.

Shift in business model

Energy suppliers are looking to expand into new markets or would like to offer new functionalities to their customers, but have current limited capacity to support or scale energy optimization solutions.

Transformative. Sustainable. Scalable

OPTIMAX® for Virtual Power Plants (OPX-VPP) seamlessly integrates, controls, and optimizes thousands of distributed energy resources (DERs), into virtual power plants so that the energy they produce can be optimized for inclusion in wholesale energy markets—and more.





Control costs and requirements

OPTIMAX® for Virtual Power Plants aggregates and dispatches decentralized generation resources (DER) and monitors operations for greater control of energy costs, complying with emissions regulations and other reporting and trading capabilities.



Enables distributed energy providers to seamlessly integrate, optimize, and trade energy from small-scale generators

Engage in many aspects of virtual power plant operation and energy production, including trading, operating, monitoring, and more.

Monitor and report functions that improve communication and reduce time-spent on corporate or regulatory requirements.

Provides VPP operators with improved data visibility and data consolidation across multiple sites.



Maximize trading opportunities

OPTIMAX® for Virtual Power Plants enables maximized revenue from optimal participation through intelligent trading of surplus energy on wholesale energy markets using the forecasting, planning, and real-time optimization capabilities of this software.



Key capabilities of OPTIMAX® software will help you manage your energy portfolio, plan trades, and optimize real-time operations.

The forecasting and trading capability can help you understand the current load and forecast renewable sources of energy.

Gain insight into today's and tomorrow's power production, to see how much energy will be generated, sold, or stored.

Balance your power pool, dispatch assets automatically, and plan for and execute ancillary services and demand response calls with **Real-time Optimization**.



Expand into new markets

OPTIMAX® for Virtual Power Plants can help you expand into new markets and offer unique business models, based on its flexible architecture, that will provide new functionalities to existing and potential customers and can scale to accommodate additional DERs.



Move from operating as utility to functioning as an aggregator.

Create new and flexible business models by combining hardware, software, operations and more into energy as a service (EaaS).

Allows aggregators and energy service providers simple access to a broad portfolio of assets with the flexibility to enter into the market.

Scalable cost-effective offerings that gain efficiency as your customer portfolio grows.

Built with Azure

Optimize power consumption and production with the Microsoft Cloud











Case study: Making a Caribbean island grid fossil-fuel free



WEB Aruba supplies the island with electricity and drinking water, using 134 MW capacity produced by thermal (fuel oil), wind, and solar plants. By 2020, WEB Aruba plans to generate half its energy from renewables and half from alternative fuels.

Experience counts

WEB Aruba selected ABB due to its extensive microgrid experience and microgrid portfolio.

Maximize renewable usage

The ABB solution maximizes the use of renewables while minimizing the consumption of fuel oil.



Practice sustainability

With day-ahead optimization based on weather and load forecasts, real-time optimization to balance fluctuations in supply and demand, and dynamic load shedding to ensure grid stability, the system readily accommodates the intermittency of wind and solar — and the goals of its fossil fuel-free future.

Case study: 20 units to 2,800 in just 3 years



When Next Kraftwerke contracted with ABB six years ago, they were a VPP startup with just 20 bio-gas production units. Now they have grown into one of the largest VPP operators in Europe.

To accomplish this feat, they needed a solution that was scalable, offered real-time operation, standardized open interfaces and provided easily configurable optimization modules. OPTIMAX provided all these features without the risk of downtime.

Critical flexibility

New customers and generating units are added continually without interrupting operations because all hardware and software additions are made without system shutdown.

High scalability for rapid growth

With the help of OPTIMAX, Next Kraftwerke grew from a pool of 20 units to 2,800 in its first three years. It now manages more than 5,400 producing and consuming technical units across eight countries. They manage 4.5 GW of capacity, largely from renewable sources. The smallest unit generates a few kilowatts of solar power, while the largest, a biomass plant, produces 20 MW.





Next steps

- → We'll connect you with the sales team for ABB OPTIMAX for Virtual Power Plants: <u>us-energyindustries.</u> <u>communication@abb.com</u>
- → Learn more about ABB OPTIMAX for Industrial and Commercial at: https://new.abb.com/power-generation/in-control/in-control-01-2017/virtual-power-plants





Virtual Power Plant Energy Asset Mgmt. ABB OPTIMAX Reference Architecture



System Integration

Our solution integrates operational

data from all your energy assets

across all facilities and analyzes it

against your power plan and goals.

Energy optimization algorithms review each facility and asset against the plan and recommend changes to production / capacity.

Energy Optimization

Energy Forecasting

Production data is merged with info from traders in reports that help you accurately adjust forecasts and maximize returns.

Cloud Services

Microsoft's Azure cloud provides a scalable, resilient, secure platform for your operational data and for our solution components.

Your team uses Power BI to review

Mgmt. Experience

energy assets and production, improve efficiencies and meet continuous improvement reg's.











