
CESI : applied research for the electrical sector

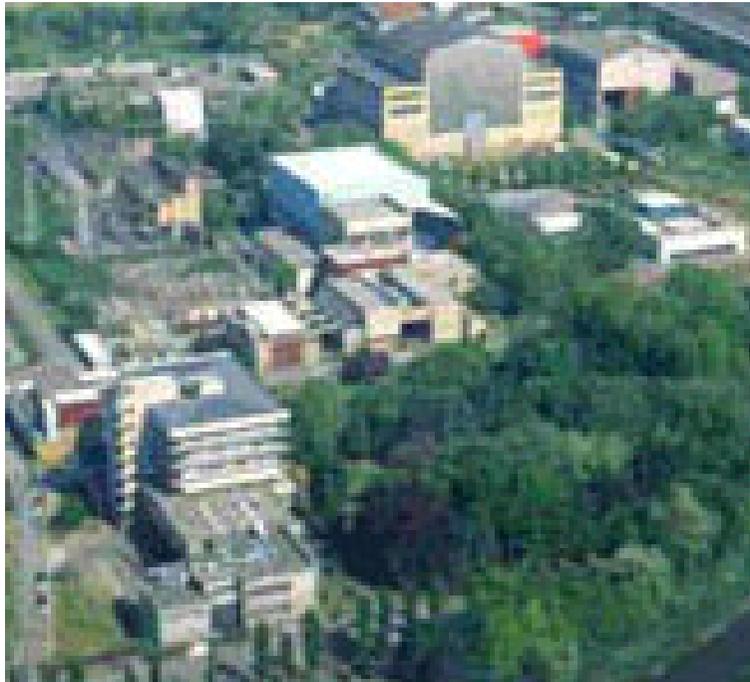
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Research and Development

The mission of CESI

To provide the stakeholders of the electrical sector in Italy and world-wide with :

- Research
- Consulting engineering
- Testing and certification
- Technical information and training
- Laboratory facilities

CESI (Centro Elettrotecnico Sperimentale Italiano)



CESI has been operating for 50 years in 35 countries.

It is market leader in testing of electromechanical apparatus and in electrical grid consulting, and features a complete offer in the electrical sector, including the environment and RES.

CESI SpA

Following the liberalisation of the electrical system in Italy in 2000, CESI has assured the support to the Italian electrical sector, incorporating ENEL's Research Division and dedicated companies.

It has now 1,000 employees at the sites of Milan, Piacenza and Seriate.

The main shareholders of CESI are ENEL, Terna, other utilities and manufacturers.

Main research fields

- ***Evolution of the electrical system*** (the market liberalisation, in the context of the European system, implies a rapid change in the structure and functioning of the system)
- ***Environmental issues*** (the interaction of the electrical system with the environment is especially important in Italy, due to its complex orography and high population density)
- ***Energy use*** (Italy imports a large share of its primary energy, with consequences on costs and security of supply)

Main research projects

Sustain the market liberalization

- Transition toward a liberalised market
- New planning strategies (distributed generation, congestions, network transmission capacity)

Improve security and quality

- Security and safety of plants of power electric systems
- Vulnerability to natural disasters and man attacks
- Improvement of the quality

Improve the interaction with the environment

- Environmental compatibility
- Technologies and processes to improve the compatibility

Achieve a rational use of resources

- Innovative generating system
- Renewable energy sources
- Rational use of energy

European research

CESI has been involved in several European projects on renewable energy sources, such as:

CDMED : Scenarios and Strategies for the Implementation of the Clean Development Mechanism of the Kyoto Protocol in the Mediterranean Region

HYBRIX : Plug and Play Technologies for Hybrid Power Supplies

THESEUS : 50 MWe Thermal Solar European Power Station Frangokastello, Crete

MED 2010 : Large Scale Integration of Solar and Wind Power in Mediterranean Countries

REMAC 2000 : Renewable Energy Market Accelerator 2000

ENIRDGnet: European Network for Integration of Renewables and Distributed Generation

DISPOWER : Distributed Generation with High Penetration of Renewable Energy Sources

PHOTEX : Experience Curve Analysis for PV Energy Systems and Components

Dissemination

CESI is committed to disseminate the knowledge of its research activities to the benefit of the operators, regulators and users of the electrical system.

The dissemination of the results has been assured through publications, research reports, workshops and courses.

The participation in the Realise-Forum Project is part of CESI commitment towards the application of research in the field of RES and support policies.

The workshop

CESI is the Italian partner of the REALISE-Forum project and has been running the Italian Desk for consultations with the Italian people involved in the sector of renewable energy.

We have been pleased to organise this first workshop in Italy as one of the major events of the overall Project program, coming at the end of the first year of work.

Claudio Casale, CESI representative in the Project, and I will be happy to help you throughout your stay at CESI