

SMART GRID INITIATIVE CONTINUES TO BUILD MOMENTUM: The Smart Grid Initiative <<http://smartgrid.ieee.org/>> is making significant progress toward achieving its goal of having IEEE be recognized as the professional home for those focused on Smart Grid. Some activity highlights include the following:

* The Smart Grid Web portal continues to see growth with more than 35,000 visits from 137 countries.

* Smart Grid Day video presentations from the recent IEEE Transmission and Distribution PES Conference (April 2010) are available at <<http://tinyurl.com/ieee-pes2010transvid>>.

* International Conference on Communications (ComSoc), May 2010 contained a Smart Grid Workshop.

* The first issue of IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy was published in April, and the first issue of IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid was published in June.

* Standards Board approved IEEE P1815 (Standard for Electric Power Systems Communications - Distributed Network Protocol (DNP3)) - as an IEEE standard on June 17, 2010.

* There are various upcoming Smart Grid Conferences <<http://smartgrid.ieee.org/conferences>>.

The Smart Grid Initiative continues to seek to broaden the number of Societies, Technical Councils, and Geographic Regions involved. In particular, it is looking for Smart Grid-related content from across the globe to post on its Web portal. If you have such content, please e-mail Larry Pickett, IEEE Staff, at <MailTo:pickett.l@ieee.org>.

If you are working in the Smart Grid area and want to participate in the project, you can get involved at <<http://smartgrid.ieee.org/get-involved>>. Please e-mail Harold Tepper, IEEE Staff, with questions or for more specific information at <MailTo:h.tepper@ieee.org>.