

The Voice of the Networks



**Energy
Networks
Association**

**Knowledge sharing
and dissemination**

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Knowledge dissemination is an essential component of the innovation funding mechanisms as facilitated by Ofgem, in particular the Low Carbon Networks (LCN) Fund and moving into RIIO.

DNOs must display that they have taken appropriate measures to aid and assist the dissemination of the key learning demonstrated by their projects.



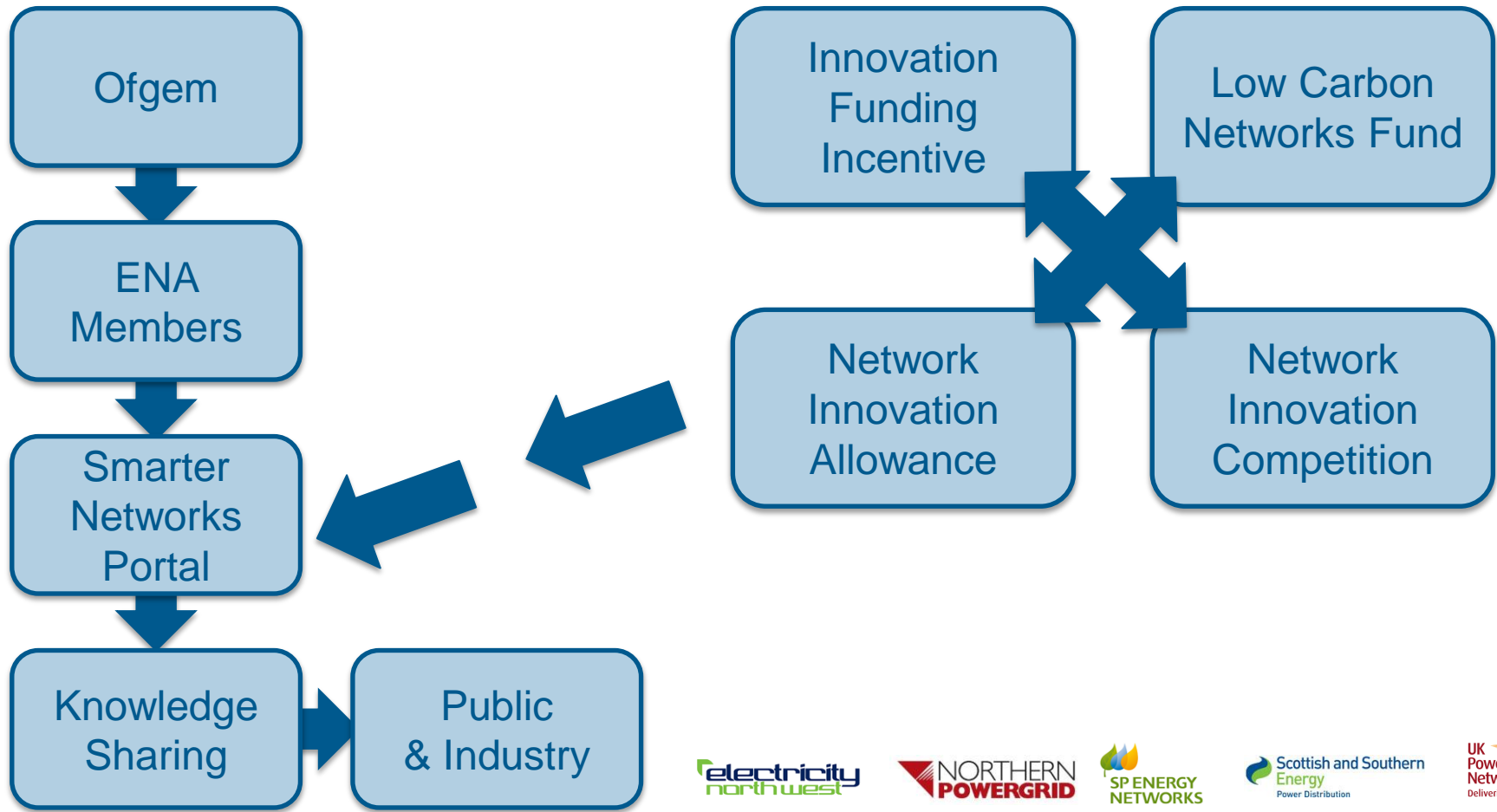
Why share knowledge?

The benefits are clear:

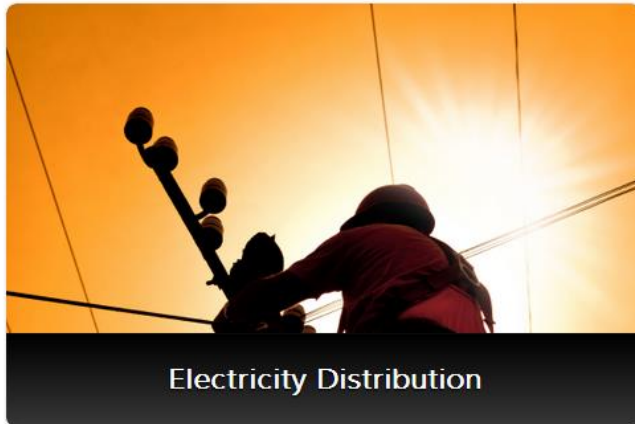
Customer money provides a stimulus for innovation. As a result the benefit of such funding should be shared with customers and other network licensees...

- To aid the transition of successful projects into 'business as usual'.
- To share potential financial savings with the customer and other network licensees.
- To support the potential for carbon, safety and environmental savings to be realised.
- To assist in the transition to a smarter network.

Knowledge sharing



ENA Smarter Networks Portal



The Smarter Networks Portal provides:

- An overview of the technical and commercial coverage of current smart grid projects in GB.
- Identification of activity areas and gaps.
- Informing the joint ENA/ERA (CUE) demand response work.
- An understanding of likely sources of Cost/Benefit data.
- Information of relevance to the next round of LCN Fund bids.
- Information of relevance to the next round of Price Controls.
- Assistance to ENA, its members and other interested parties in tracking progress of projects and promoting the sharing of information and learning.
- Links to Industry Collaboration Portal.

ENA has been tasked by Ofgem to organise an annual conference to promote the work of the LCN Fund projects and to provide:

- An opportunity to update on progress and learning from projects.
- The only distribution network focussed engineering conference.
- Unparalleled opportunities to discuss and debate innovative developments.
- A platform to aid the transition of key project learning into business as usual.

Year	Presenters	Presentations	Sponsors	Exhibitors
2011	23	23	1	N/A
2012	66	30	4	33
2013	67	49	4	40
Total	156	102	9	60

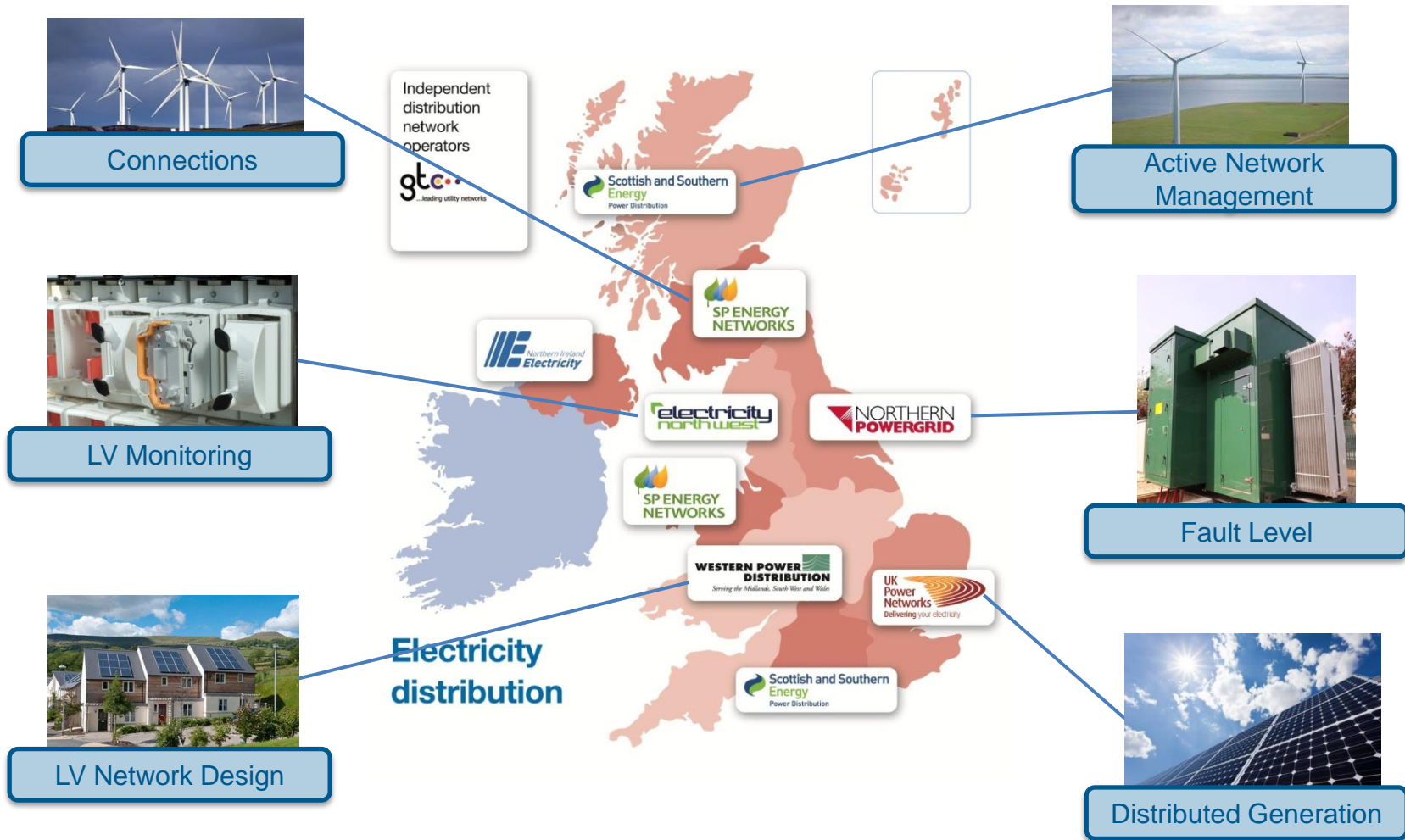
Annual conference – 2014 onward

As of 2014 the format of ENA's Annual Conference will change, providing:

- A network wide collaborative approach to knowledge dissemination.
- An opportunity to engage with those responsible for maintaining and operating the 'wires and pipes' networks in GB.
- A conference that represents GB network innovation.
- A 'go-to-place' for those wishing to engage with network operators and their partners.



GB innovation map



In order to continue to develop successful methods of knowledge sharing, ENA and its members must continue to:

- Develop and improve current methods of knowledge dissemination.
- Continually work to aid the transfer of knowledge both with other network licensees and internally.
- Moving into ED1 it is not only essential that we take on lessons learned but continually adapt and integrate new methods and policies.

