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Conference schedule

17th Global User Conference

October 28-29th, 2025

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Global User Conference
October 27-30th, 2025
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28th Global Conference | Morning

Room : Chicago 7 Ballroom

8:45-9:00 AM	Registration
9:00-9:30 AM	Keynote Speaker : Opening Session Brett Beranek General Manager at OPAL-RT Technologies
9:30-10:00 AM	Keynote Speaker : Software Tool Needs to Support the Energy Transition, Models, Algorithms and Integration Jian Sun Professor of Electrical, Computer and Systems Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
10:00-10:30 AM	Power-Electronics-Enabled Autonomous Power Systems: Hardware-based Case Studies Dr. Qing-Chang Zhong Founder & CEO at SYNDEM
10:30-10:45 AM	Coffee Break - Networking
10:45-11:15 AM	Validating Cloud-Based Detection of False Data Injection Attacks Using OPAL-RT and Edge Devices Sunho Jang Postdoctoral Research Associate at Brookhaven National Laboratory
11:15-11:45 AM	Real-Time Simulation of PV Inverter Systems with Grid Protection and Load Profiling Using OPAL-RT HiL Platform Marcin Szlosek R&D Manager at ABB
11:45-12:15 PM	De-Risking Grid Forming Battery Energy Storage Projects. Grid Code Compliance Testing of a 50 MW BESS Using Hypersim for CHIL-Simulations Andreas Bammes Research Associate at FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg
12:15-01:30 PM	Lunch Break - Networking



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1:30-2:00 PM	HIL Model Development for XFC Co-located BESS Charging Sites Incorporating Real-World XFC Load Profiles Sadam Ratrout Consultant at Argonne National Laboratory
2:00-2:30 PM	TBD Nirmal Sharma Test Architect at S&C Electric Company
2:30-3:00 PM	Testing protection functionalities of IntelliRupter fault interrupter with OPAL-RT HiL testbed Jiahao Xie Senior Engineer at S&C Electric Company
3:00-3:30 PM	Enhancing Power System Protection by Leveraging OPAL-RT Systems at Dominion Energy Carlos Velez Electrical Engineer at Dominion Energy
3:30-3:45 PM	Coffee Break - Networking
3:45-4:15 PM	Multilevel Multiport Multiterminal High-Voltage DC (MT-HVDC) Systems Omid Beik Assistant Professor at Michigan State University
4:15-4:45 PM	TBD Lina He Associate Professor - Electrical and Computer Engineering at University of Illinois Chicago
4:45-5:15 PM	TBD Sundari Ramabhotla Assistant Professor at Florida Polytechnic University



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9:30-10:00 AM	Keynote Speaker : Transforming Grid Modernization: Advancing Optimal Dispatch for Resilient and Reliable Grids Zongjie Wang Director, Grid Modernization Initiative, Energy Institute at Colorado State University
10:00-10:30 AM	SPS Software : Powerful, forward-looking Simulink™ simulation platform designed for those who build the future of power Pierre-Francois Allaire Executive Vice-President, Sales & Marketing at OPAL-RT Technologies
10:30-10:45 AM	Coffee Break - Networking
10:45-11:15 AM	High Fidelity Testing and Validation of Energy Storage Controls Ujjwol Tamrakar Senior R&D Engineer at Sandia National Laboratories
11:15-11:45 AM	Development of enabling power converter technologies to accelerate renewable integration Jared Paull Power Electronics PhD Candidate at University of British Columbia Okanagan
11:45-12:15 PM	From Complexity to Cohesion: Developing Multi-Phase Motor Drives through Simulation and Testing Akm Arafat, Ph.D. Principal Engineer at Drive System Design
12:15-1:30 PM	Lunch Break - Networking



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Driving Innovation for the futur

Martin Bélanger | Director of Sales, North America at OPAL-RT Technologies

2:00-2:30 PM

Electrifying Regional Aviation – Integrating Real-Time Simulation into Electric Propulsion Development

Dr. Youcef Abdelli | Entrepreneur at ZT1 Technology

2:30-3:00 PM

Special Session : Fireside P-HIL chat with Trane Technologies

Sushen Kashyap | Power Electronics Applications Engineer at Trane Technologies

3:00-3:30 PM

Cyber-Physical Security Testbed at Texas Tech University

Manohar Chamana, Ph.D. | Technical Director, Assistant Professor and Graduate Advisor at Texas Tech University

3:30-3:45 PM

Coffee Break - Networking

3:45-4:15 PM

Accelerating Reinforcement Learning Training for Power Systems Applications using OPAL-RT

Timothy M. Hansen | Associate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Colorado State University

4:15-4:45 PM

Integrated Transmission and Distribution Testbed for Seamless Renewable Energy Penetration

Moazzam Nazir | Research Scientist at Clemson University

4:45-5:15 PM

2025 Update on IREQ PHIL simulator

Olivier Tremblay | Researcher, Hydro-Québec's research institute (IREQ)

5:15-5:30 PM

Closing Session - Brett Beranek | General Manager at OPAL-RT Technologies