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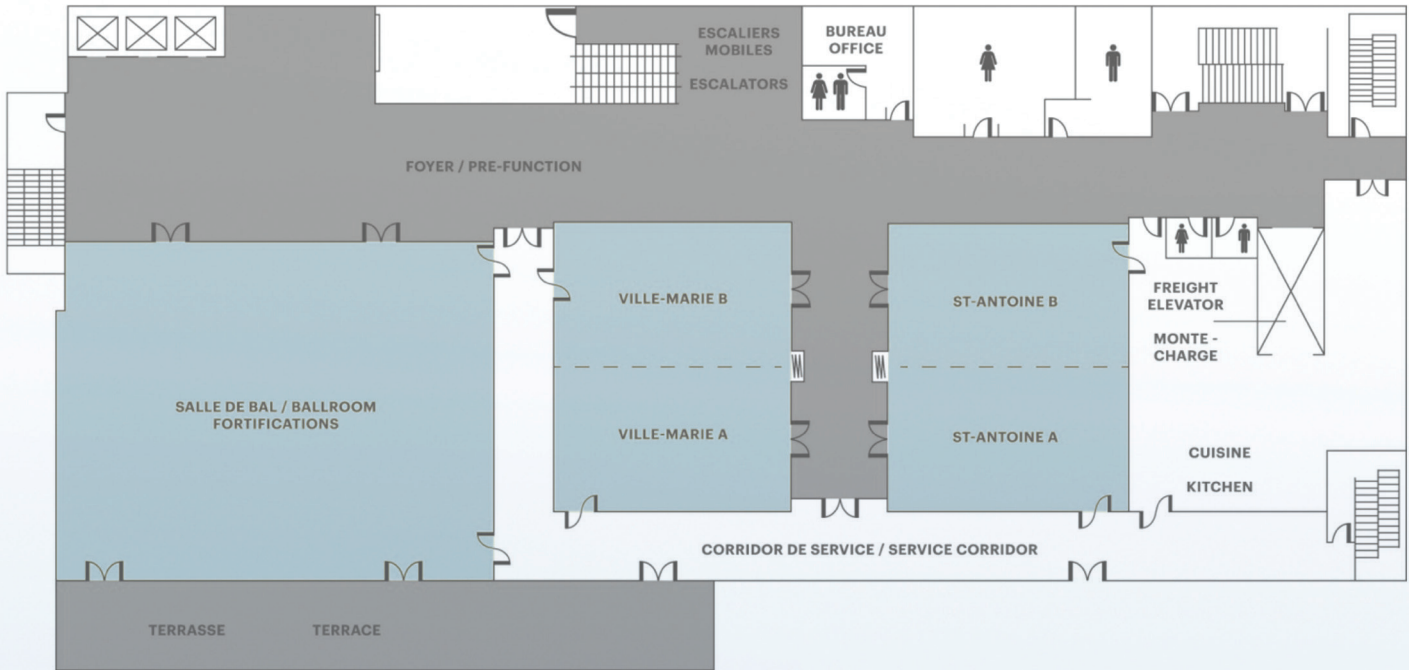
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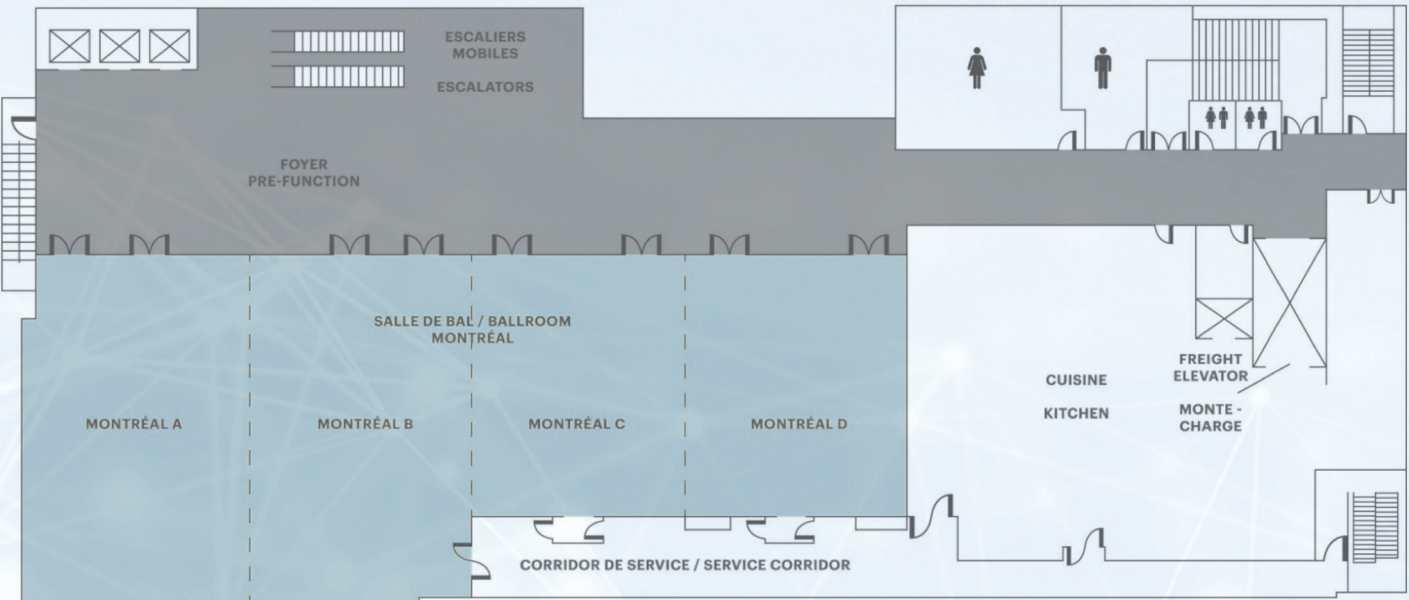
# Floor plans

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## 9<sup>th</sup> floor



## 11<sup>th</sup> floor



# Agenda

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>

REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST		ROOM: BEAVER HALL		
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM		Breakfast sponsored by <b>ABB</b>		
TRAININGS	ROOM: RAMEZAY		ROOM: VIGER	ROOM: PALAIS
	TRAINING		TRAINING	TRAINING
8:30 AM - 10:15 AM		Bringing Your Model Into Real Time	The Behind-The-Scenes of Inter-FPGA Communication Using High Speed Serial Links	Using HYPERSIM Advanced Features - Part I
10:15 AM - 10:35 AM		BREAK		
10:35 AM - 12:00 PM	TRAINING		TRAINING	TRAINING
	Achieving Test Automation With eMEGASIM		How to Use State Space Nodal Efficiently	Using HYPERSIM Advanced Features - Part II
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM		LUNCH Sponsored by <b>ABB</b>		
1:00 PM - 2:45 PM	TRAINING		TRAINING	TRAINING
	Large Grid Model Import Made Easy		A New Way of Interacting with Your RT-LAB Model	Power System Protection, Control and Monitoring Applications - Part I
2:45 PM - 3:05 PM		BREAK		
3:05 PM - 4:30 PM	TRAINING		TRAINING	TRAINING
	ePHASORSIM: User Defined Modeling		Integrating your Controller with our Multi-Level Modular Converter (MMC)	Power System Protection, Control and Monitoring Applications - Part II
REGISTRATION		ROOM: REPORTER		
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM		Registration period		
WELCOME COCKTAIL		ROOM: REPORTER		
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM		WELCOME COCKTAIL* *BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE PROPOSED		
		Evening sponsored by <b>tripphase</b>		





WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>



REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST		ROOM MONTREAL C-D	
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	—	Breakfast	Sponsored by
PRESENTATIONS		ROOM: MONTREAL A-B	
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	—	Welcome to RT17! A New Era of Real-Time Simulation at OPAL-RT TECHNOLOGIES	
9:15 AM - 10:40 AM	—	Power Systems Keynote by Étienne Leduc, OPAL-RT <b>INCLUDING SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:</b> The Role of Microgrids in Grid Modernization Initiatives by Sima Seidi, TetraTech, Canada	
10:40 AM - 11:10 AM	—	<b>BREAK</b> Sponsored by	
11:10 AM - 12:00 PM	—	Digital Transformation - Disrupt or Be Disrupted! by Denis Gaudreault, INTEL, Canada	
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	—	<b>LUNCH</b> Sponsored by	

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS	ROOM: VILLE MARIE		ROOM: ST-ANTOINE	ROOM: MONTREAL A-B
	TRACK 1 - LARGE POWER SYSTEMS		TRACK 2 - POWER ELECTRONICS & ELECTRIC DRIVES	TRACK 3 - MICROGRID & CYBERSECURITY
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	—	HQ Experiences in Case of Using Control System Replica Interfaced With HYPERSIM Real-Time Simulator in Recent HVDC Upgrade Projects by Alpha Oumar Barry, IREQ, Canada	ETAP – OPAL-RT Integrated Platform, by Fabian Uriarte & Shervin Shokooh, ETAP, USA	OPAL-RT/Scalable Integration, by Lloyd Wihl, Scalable Network Technologies, USA
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	—	HIL-Grid Model on OPAL-RT for Testing Future Grid Control Centers by Eric Glende, OVGU University Magdeburg, Germany	Model-Based Systems Engineering of Synchrophasor Systems and Technologies, by Luigi Vanfretti, ALSETLab, USA	Real-Time Simulation of Predictive Control of DC Vehicular Microgrids by Ali Mehrizi-Sani, Washington State University, USA
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	—	The Use of Real-Time Simulation to De-risk and Manage HVDC and FACTS Schemes - Experiences on the French Transmission Grid by César Martin, RTE, France	Real-Time Control of Doubly Fed Induction Generator, by Kader Chaker, SCAMRE Laboratory, ENPOran Algeria	Real-Time Co-Simulation for Microgrids With OPAL-RT by Quoc Tuan Tran, CEA-INES, France
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	—	New Travelling Wave Fault Location at SEL and the Need for Advanced HIL Solutions, by Armando Guzman, SEL Inc., Canada	How to Use Real-Time Simulation for a Better, Modern and Interactive Teaching Experience for Power System and Electric Motors by Danielle Nasrallah, OPAL-RT TECHNOLOGIES, Canada	Real-Time Hardware-in-the-Loop Co-Simulation Platform for Microgrid Analysis by Martine Chlela, McGill University, Canada
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	—	<b>BREAK</b> Sponsored by		
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	—	Assessment of the Mexican Interconnected Electric Power System Operation considering Non-Conventional Renewable Energies by Dr. Arturo R. Messina, Mexico	OPAL-RT Simulators in ABB MV Drives: Overview of Usage and Latest Developments by Mathieu Giroux, ABB, Switzerland	Proven Strategies and Key Concepts to Develop Successful Microgrid Control Systems by Abdel Rahman, SEL, USA
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM	—	AC Power Systems for Grid Simulation, by Mahesh Thaker, Ametek Programmable Power, USA	Automatic Verification Test Bench for MV Drives Based on “HIL” Simulation by Alain Dutrey, Schneider Electric, France	Modeling and Real-Time Simulation of Wind Power Systems Using RT-LAB Platform by Mounir Khiat, ENPOran, Algeria
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	—	Design and Implementation of a Modular Multilevel Converter Supported by HIL Simulation by Frédéric Colas, L2EP Ensam, France	High-Fidelity Power Motor Emulator for Testing Inverter and Control by Danielle Nasrallah, OPAL-RT TECHNOLOGIES, Canada	Shared Power System Models: Accelerating Microgrid Testing and Integration by Christopher Smith, MIT-LL, USA

COCKTAIL AND DINNER		ROOM: FORTIFICATION	
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	—	<b>RECEPTION COCKTAIL</b>	Evening sponsored by
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	—	<b>GALA DINNER*</b> <small>*FORMAL ATTIRE PROPOSED</small>	

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>



BREAKFAST		ROOM: MONTRÉAL C-D	
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	—	Breakfast	Sponsored by
PRESENTATIONS		ROOM: MONTREAL A-B	
8:30 AM - 8:40 AM	—	Welcome!	
8:40 AM - 9:40 AM	—	Power Electronics and Power-Hardware-in-the-Loop Keynote by Christophe Brayet, OPAL-RT	
9:40 AM - 10:10 AM	—	Innovating in a IoT, IoP World by Greg Farthing, ABB, Canada	
10:10 AM - 10:40 AM	—	<b>BREAK</b> Sponsored by	
10:40 AM - 11:20 AM	—	Automotive Keynote by Herve Pollart, OPAL-RT	
11:20 AM - 12:00 PM	—	Aerospace & Defense Keynote by Alexandre Leboeuf, OPAL-RT	
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	—	<b>LUNCH</b> Sponsored by	

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS	ROOM: VILLE MARIE		ROOM: ST-ANTOINE
	TRACK 2 - POWER-HARDWARE-IN-THE-LOOP		TRACK 3 - AERO, AUTO, MARINE & AUTOMATION
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	—	Vehicle-Grid Integration HIL for Designing Advanced Ancillary Services for Power Systems by Yutaka Ota,Tokyo City University, Japan	Presentation by Amine Smires, CS Canada, Canada
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	—	Power-HIL and the KIT Energy Smart Home Lab Environment by Sebastian Hubschneider, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany	Real-Time Cooperative Localization With Extended and Unscented Kalman Filters for Intelligent Vehicles by Farid Bounini, Université de Sherbrooke, Canada
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	—	@NREL Using OPAL-RT, by Przemyslaw Koralewicz, NREL, USA	Describing the NCREPT Test Facility and Research With Regards to the Dyno and the Associated Driving Schedules by Chris Farnell, University of Arkansas, USA
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	—	A Power-Hardware-in-the Loop Test Bench for Electric Machine Emulation by Amitkumar K. S., Concordia University, Canada	Real-Time Application of Proprioceptive Tactile Sensing With Robotic Graspers by Bruno Belzile, McGill University, Canada
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	—	<b>BREAK</b> Sponsored by	
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	—	Status of Energy Lab 2.0 and Overview of PHIL Activities by Jörn Geisbüsch, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany	A Novel Parallel Robot for Fast Pick-and-Place-Operations by Peyman Karimi Eskandary, McGill University, Canada
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	—	Testbed for Power System Stabilizer Tuning Using Synchrophasor Measurements and eMEGAsim by Jaime Cristóbal Cepeda, CENACE, Ecuador	The Importance of Electrical Fault Insertion in HILS Applications by Brennan Caissie, Pickering, USA
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM	—	Model-Based Design Using Substation Hardened Universal Relay by Jean Philippe Gagnon, GENTEC, Canada	

COCKTAIL AND DINNER		TERRACE OF THE PALAIS DES CONGRÈS OF MONTREAL	
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM	—	 <b>CLOSING CEREMONY AND OPAL-RT'S 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!*</b> <small>*FORMAL ATTIRE PROPOSED</small> 	Evening sponsored by:



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>

BREAKFAST		ROOM: REPORTER
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	—	Breakfast Sponsored by 
VISITS (GROUP #1)		Westin lobby
8:00 AM - 8:05 AM	—	Bus #1 pick-up of group #1
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	—	Hydro-Quebec Research Institute (IREQ) Visit – Group #1
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	—	OPAL-RT Headquarters Visit & Poster Sessions
VISITS (GROUP #2)		Westin lobby
9:00 AM - 9:05 AM	—	Bus #2 pick-up of group #2
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	—	Hydro-Quebec Research Institute (IREQ) Visit – Group #2
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12:00 PM - 1:00PM	—	LUNCH Sponsored by 
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	—	OPAL-RT Headquarters Visit & Poster Sessions continue
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	—	Buses drive out, back to Le Westin, end of RT17
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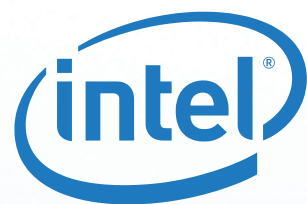


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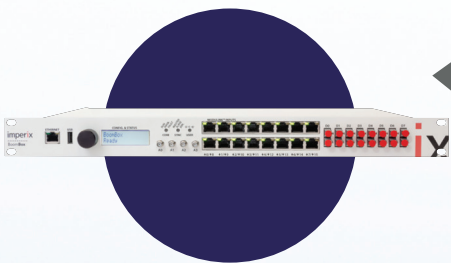


Imperix Ltd. is a company established in Sion, Switzerland. Its name is derived from the Latin verb imperare, which stands for controlling – or ruling – and refers to the company’s core business: the control of power electronic systems. It is a spin-off of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne (EPFL).

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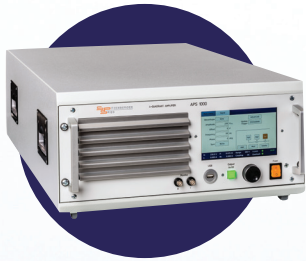
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