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**Course on Power Electronics Technology for Renewable Energy and Microgrid**  
(December 03 to 08, 2018)

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Course Overview:
Extensive research in power electronics technologies in renewable energy area is predictable to grant efficiency improvements in smart grid evolution. The generated power output from renewable energy source, such as photovoltaic panel or wind turbine, is generally difficult to control. Therefore, a power electronics converter capable of implementing high-speed and high-accuracy control is required for the mass adoption of renewable energy in smart grid. A smart grid will allow connectivity of the photovoltaic and wind turbines as intermittent source of energy. Use of photovoltaic and wind turbines with power electronics converters and enhanced control techniques can support a grid with reactive power and protect the equipment during severe grid disturbances. These are important issues to be addressed in smart grid technology. Soft switching converters operated at high frequency results in efficiency improvement and reduction in size and weight of the system which is the prime requirement of power electronic converter for renewable energy applications. It also improves the converter power density. This course tries to explore the relationships between power electronics converter and renewable energy in smart grid. Sufficient laboratory sessions will also be scheduled during the course on power electronic converters for renewable energy integration.

Course Objectives:
The primary objectives of the course are:

- To understand smart grid standards, compliance and control
- To understand the power electronic control concept of smart grid
- To expose the participants with the latest trends in smart grid technology
- To understand the improved converter topology and control strategies for efficient transmission of power

Who Can Participate?

- Electrical Engineer or research scientist interested in designing power electronics and renewable energy system with current technology.
- Industrial professional working on power electronics and renewable energy system and wish to share and learn in the area.
- Student or faculty from academic institution interested in learning how to do research on power electronics and renewable energy system, and to know current research trends in the area.

Registration Fee:
The participation fee per person for attending the course is as follows:

- **Participants from industry/research organisations**: Rs. 10,000/-
- **Academic Institutions**:
  - **Students**: Rs. 3,500/-
  - **Non-students/Faculty/Scientist**: Rs. 6,500/-

The above fee includes all instructional materials, free internet facility, working lunch, tea and snacks. The course fee is inclusive of 18% GST as per institute norms.

Mode of Payment:
On registration in the course, selected candidates will be intimated through e-mail. They have to remit the required course fee to the bank through NEFT (If fee is to be paid by NEFT, clearly mention “GIAN 2017-2018<NAME OF THE CANDIDATE> in the mentioned space) as per the details given below.

Name of the Beneficiary : Director, VNIT
Name of Bank : State Bank of India
Branch Name : VRCE Branch, Nagpur
Branch Code : 06702
Beneficiary Account No. : 10259420288
Bank MICR Code : 440002005
Bank IFSC : SBIN0006702

If paid by DD, it should be in favour of “Director, VNIT, Nagpur” payable at “Nagpur”. In addition to the above fee, one-time online fee of Rs. 500/- is to be paid for registration in the GIAN web portal. (See registration process Step 1 in next column)

Accommodation:
The participants may avail single bedded shared accommodation and food (breakfast and dinner) if requested on additional payment and availability basis in institute guest house or hostel.

Note: Maximum number of participants is limited to 40 only. Selection will be made on first-cum-first-serve basis.

Registration Process:
Registration for any GIAN course is a two-step process.

**Step 1: Web Portal Registration**
One Time Registration with the GIAN web portal of IIT Kharagpur by paying Rs. 500/- (non-refundable) through the online payment gateway. (Individuals who have already registered to GIAN earlier may skip Step 1).

**Step 2: Course Registration**
Course registration with the course coordinator.

- Institute registration process is an offline process. The participants are required to fill the Registration Form.
- He/she then may proceed for the course registration by filling out the registration form and paying the registration course fee.

Documents to be sent online:

- Scanned copy of filled in “Registration Form”
- Scanned copy of “Demand Draft/Details of NEFT”

Above documents must be sent to Course Coordinator via email: pc220774@gmail.com

Documents to be sent by post:

- Original registration form
- Demand Draft/receipt of NEFT

The above documents must be sent by post to:

Dr. Pradyumn Chaturvedi
Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering Department, Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology, Nagpur-440010, M. S., India

Important Dates:

- Last date for receipt of Registration form and DD/NEFT Receipt by post: Nov 25, 2018
- Course Dates: Dec 03 - 08, 2018
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REGISTRATION FORM

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Seal & Signature of Sponsoring Authority ....................................................