

Eco Bairros team

Eco Bairros demonstration project:

Towards a net zero island: Distribution and demand side





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The Origins: GIFEM Project Scope

GIFEM Monitoring Network

General Information Platform

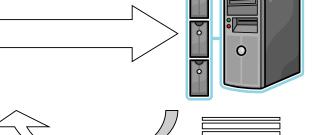
100 Monitored households



20 Monitored households with micro-generation equipment

Family Recruiting Program (green familly)

Green Islands Field Energy Monitoring



Green Islands

Feedback

R&D Projects

Socio-Economic impact Studies

Simulation Models

Social Impact

PhD Programs

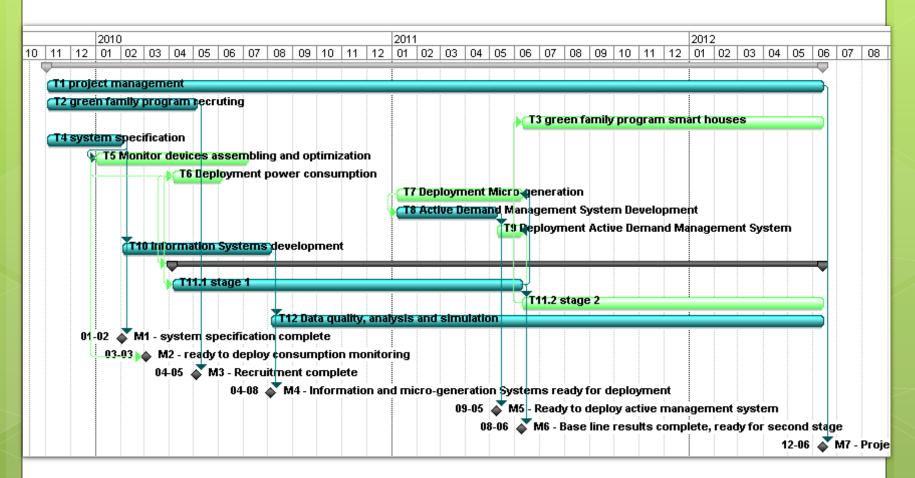
Regulatory Framework

The Origins: GIFEM Project Goals

- To monitor energy consumption:
 - characterize the energy consumption, through its continuous monitoring.
- To provide the households under study with information regarding their energy consumption profile in order to promote efficient behaviors moving towards the smart houses reality.
- To share our monitoring network with other projects studying compatible topics.
- To evaluate the performance of micro-generation equipments in Azorean households:
 - the equipments: photovoltaic, wind energy generators and solar water heating;
 - the outcome: to provide information to energy market to evaluate the economical strengths of micro-generation energy in the Azores.



The Origins: GIFEM Project Scheduling



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Why Eco Bairros centers on Intelligent Power Networks?

- Our electric generation, transmission, and distribution infrastructure is rapidly aging and out of synch with new digital technology;
- Core utility workers needed to operate and maintain the grid are also aging and getting more difficult to replace
- Central generation energy production is becoming more capital intensive, leading to an increase in distributed generation resources
- While T&D spending is increasing, the allowed rate of return will require greater focus on longer-term horizons and greater project benefits
- Carbon legislation is on the horizon and new technologies and practices are needed to meet our sustainable needs
- Sensors and controls become truly autonomous, driven by self-correcting, intelligent algorithms, operationally embedded
- Utilities and energy providers are making the investment decision a priority, with intelligent controls a design standard for asset management
- New stakeholders and market participants offer a larger array of new products and services
- Regulators and policy makers enable effective cost recovery schemes, not tied to the current regimes

 MIT Workshop, 26 May 2011
- Consumers demand the flexibility and fully engage as active participants

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Eco Bairros Objectives

Change the relationship with the energy consumer

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Accelerate the integration of renewable energy sources to decentralized energy

production

Improve power network operations and manage the energy in a more secure and flexible way



Eco Bairros Solutions:

Design and implementation of a smart grid

Analysis of São Miguel's power network for renewable energy integration Transform
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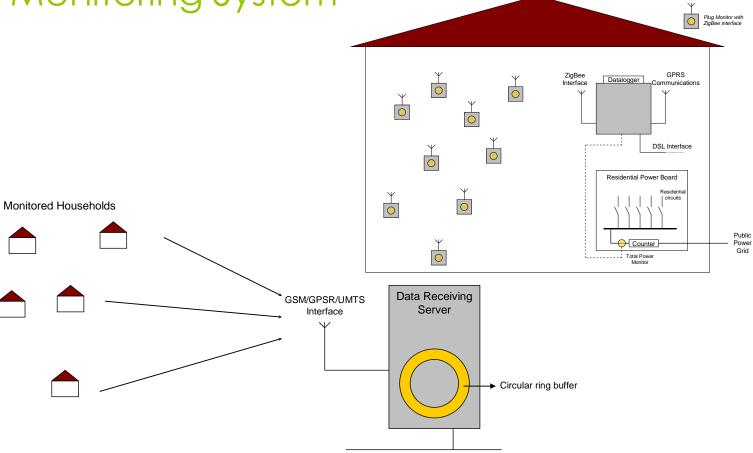


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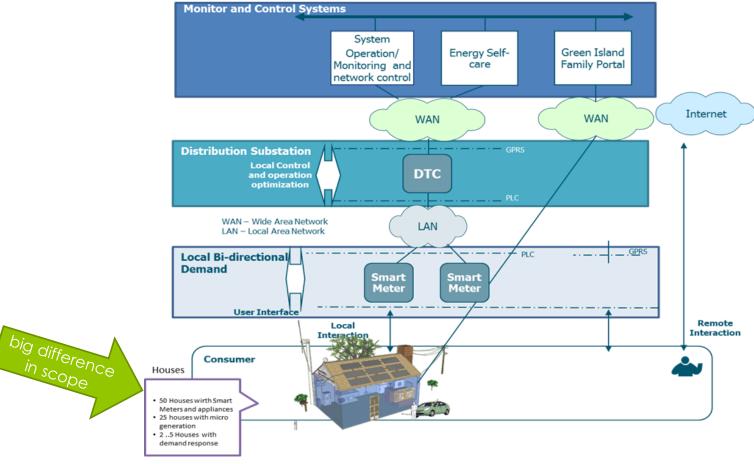
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Household Power Consumption Monitoring System



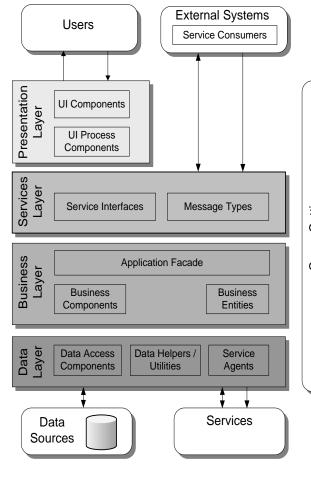
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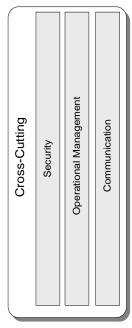




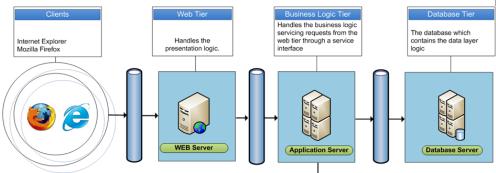
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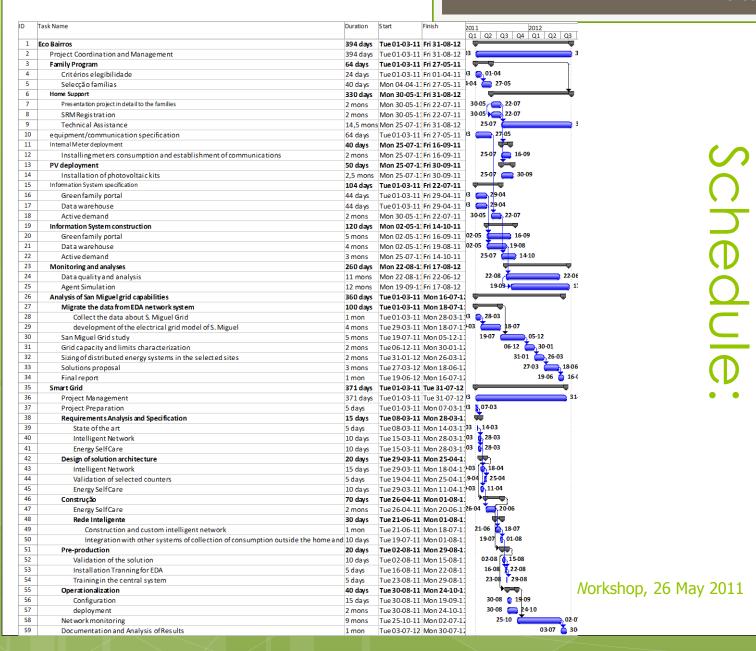




Schematic diagrams of Central System:







Detailed Solution:

Objective	Description
design and implementation of a smart grid (optimization of a low voltage neighborhood network)	 Design and construction of a smart grid for real-time powerlines monitor; Detection and correction of faults, so as to facilitate the integration of renewable energy sources and enabling a more efficient management of energy; Installation of micro-generation kits (25) for decentralized energy production; Installation of plug smart meters and smart boxes (50 clients) that track the use of some appliances and also the global consumption of each house.
Analysis of São Miguel's power network for renewable energy integration	 Analysis of the electric network of the island of São Miguel; Static Study on electricity network; Result analysis and selection of sites for new renewable energy installations.

Detailed Solution:

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- Design and construction of a portal "Green islands family Portal" where customers can view their consumption both at appliance level and 10-15 minute resolution or in aggregated forms;
- Design and construction of a data warehouse for analysis and monitoring of consumption in order to realize if there have been changes in behavior regarding energy consumption over time;
- Design and construction of an "active demand management system" (2 to 5 houses) that helps to control which devices can be turn on in order to improve electric network management;
- Design and construction of a solution of "Energy Self-care" to take advantage of the information collected about usage by the smart meters. Will have two subsystems:
 - Management and control for central use, interacting with EDA billing systems. The consumptions of clients will be collected automatically (in real-time), as well as, it will be possible to remotely send orders to individual energy boxes for power cut or tariff plan changes;
 - Self-care for use by customers, who will have access to their consumptions and costs (in real-time), with aggregate or detailed views (from the central system); as is currently possible with telecommunications clients which can choose their tariff plan that best suits their needs based on this information.

Expected Results:



Improve network operations and manage energy more safely, efficient and resilient to the volatility of intermittent energy sources such as wind.

- Deal with constant oscillations between supply and demand of electricity;
- Prevent breakdowns;
- Manage all the real time information resulting from monitoring the networks, optimizing energy flows.



Speed up the integration of renewable energy sources, through detailed study of the behavior of high and medium voltage networks.



Transform the relationship with consumers through new services and involving him as an agent of change:

- access to several levels of information about appliances consumption and overall house consumption;
- access to knowledge as advices, simple rules or alarms, about changes in consumption patterns or better price plans.

