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# Solutions for wind energy

Low and medium voltage  
components and systems



# ABB in wind industry

## Low and medium voltage product portfolio

ABB is driven by a continuous search for innovation. That is why many of our ideas have revolutionized the electrical industry.

Often recognized as a provider of single, high-quality products, the extent of ABB's solution offering is often forgotten. ABB pioneered the wind and solar industry and has worked closely with the largest OEMs manufacturers for a long time. We are known for our individual products, but our solutions are what really stands apart.



This document shows our offering for the wind industry. From the much appreciated AF contactors that help save energy and terminal blocks for simplified and quick assembly, up to medium voltage switchgear, Intelligent electronic

devices and apparatus for the safe collection and connection of power to the grid, we offer products for applications throughout the whole wind energy production value chain.



A comprehensive range of motor protection, controls and starting solutions, backed by a full range of high-quality services.



Emax 2 all-in-one matches all grid requirements. It enables a direct communication to the new energy management cloud-computing platform ABB Ability™ Electrical Distribution Control System.



System pro M range offer a complete range of first-class quality products such as miniature circuit breakers, residual current devices, surge protection devices, control, signaling, measuring and smart accessories



Medium voltage primary and secondary switchgears up to 42kV for safe and reliable power collection and connection.



Broad portfolio of medium voltage apparatus for overhead line power collection inside the wind farm.



Color Keyed Lugs, a unique termination solution with lugs and colored die tools for error free connections.

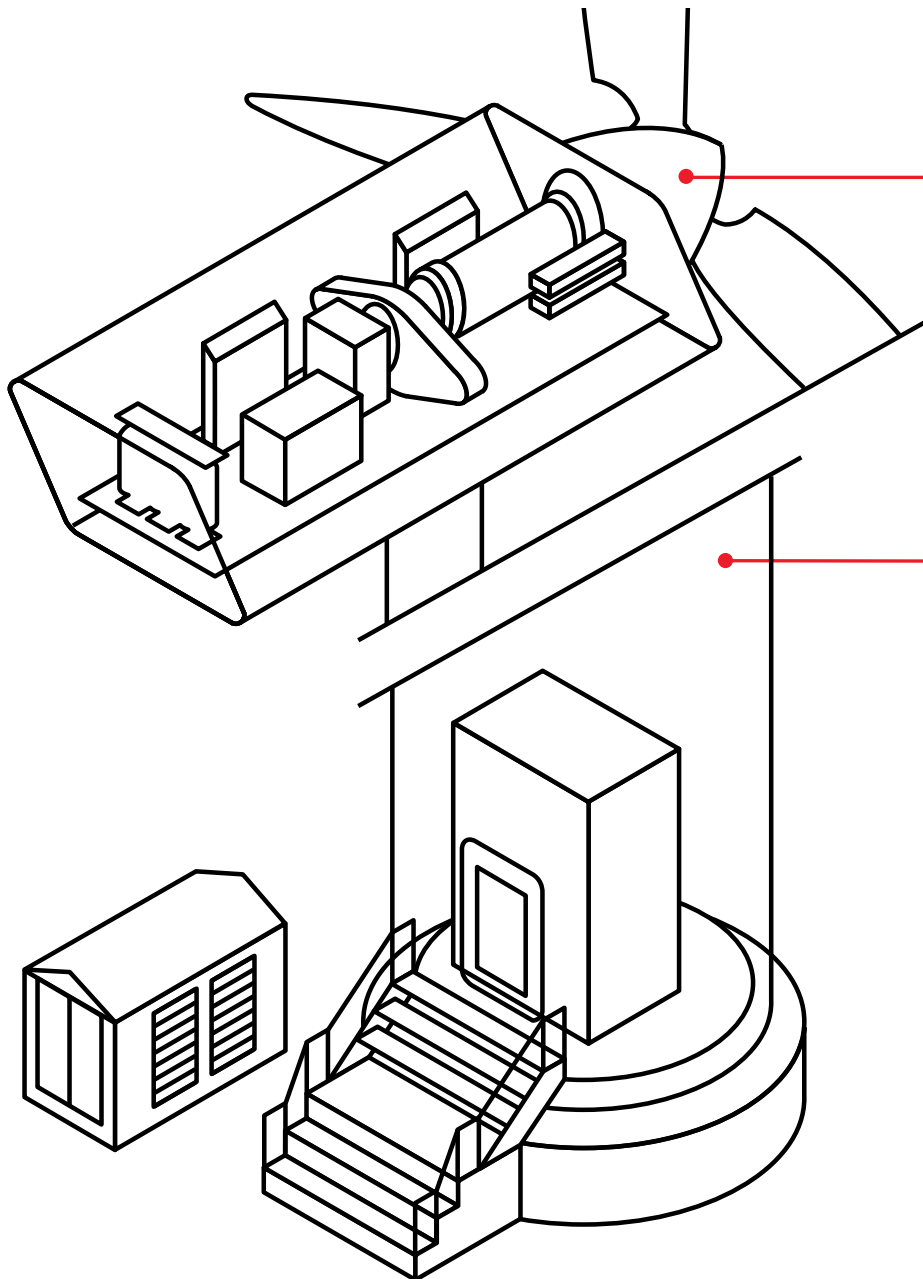
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### Deliveries from A to Z into the wind industry

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ABB supplies products and services to the wind industry, from what is needed inside the wind turbines down to power transmission and distribution systems of the wind power plant.

Products at the edge of technology for the pitch and yaw systems, for the auxiliary and supply systems, for the hydraulic and cooling systems, as well as solutions for power collection and grid connection.





## Components and systems inside the nacelle

### Generators

Doubly-fed/full converter concepts  
(up to 8 MW, 690 V – 12 kV)  
Medium voltage (up to 10MW, 3.3kV).



### Turbine control and protection products

For drivetrain and other sub-systems.



### Wind turbine converters

Doubly-fed/full power low voltage (up to 6 MW, 690 V)  
Medium voltage (up to 10MW, 3.3kV).



### Motors and drives

Brake motors for yaw & pitch control  
AC motors for generator cooling, fans and hydraulic systems.  
Variable speed motor control.



### Connection & cable management

Lugs: improving connection for error free interface.  
Conduits & Wiring ducts: ensuring cable protection for communications.  
Flexible conduits and fittings: unsurpassed protection for wires and cables.  
Cable ties: advanced fastening solutions.  
Earthing & Lightning protection: making safe operating environment.



## Components and systems inside the tower

### Compact Secondary Substation

Equipped with SF6 or air insulated switchgear up to 40,5kV, oil or dry type transformer up to 5000 kVA.



### Switchgear

Medium voltage secondary switchgear (12-40.5 kV).  
Medium voltage primary switchgear (12-42kV).



### Transformers

Dry-type/Liquid-filled (up to 72.5 kV and 40 MVA).  
From 100 kVA ancillary equipment to 63 MVA 72,5 kV voltage insulation class.



### Recloser

Up to 38kV, 1200A and 16kA.  
Applicable for overhead line  
Power Collection networks.



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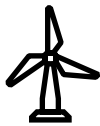
**Let's write the future. Together**

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The best solution in low and  
medium voltage products



Wind power engineered into each megawatt.  
The most efficient systems at every turn of the wind turbine.  
Edge technologies to exploit wind from every direction.



We help to increase reliability, safety and performance of the wind turbines through:

- the longest experience on the market and a deep understanding of the wind power industry specific needs
- the largest portfolio that includes dedicated and unique products and solutions for all wind turbine sub-systems
- a full portfolio of solutions for wind power collection and safe connection to the grid.



We are the most reliable long term partner because we are:

- an independent supplier, not manufacturing wind turbines
- recognized as market leader with highly reliable and proven solutions
- able to achieve high technological challenges at the lowest cost energy (LCOE).



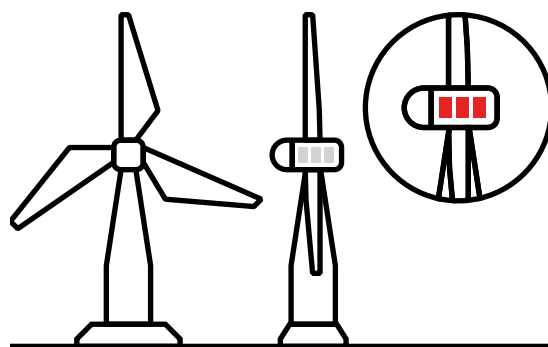
We offer global support on a local level through:

- presence in more than 100 countries
- global and local wind experts
- products and services available in all markets, 24/7.

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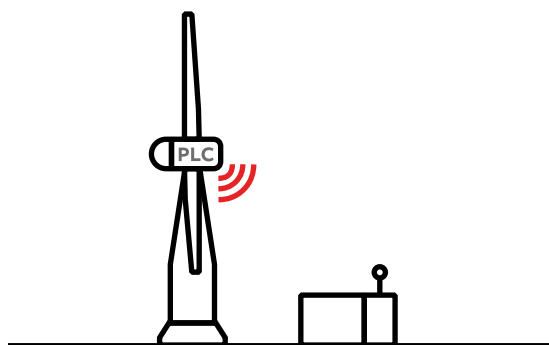
## Sub systems in wind turbines

The following two pages introduce you to the most common applications inside a wind turbine, its subsystems and the connection of the wind farm to the grid. Our solutions help these applications to work in the most reliable and safe way. See in the following pages how exactly we can match any need all along the energy production chain of a wind turbine and plant.



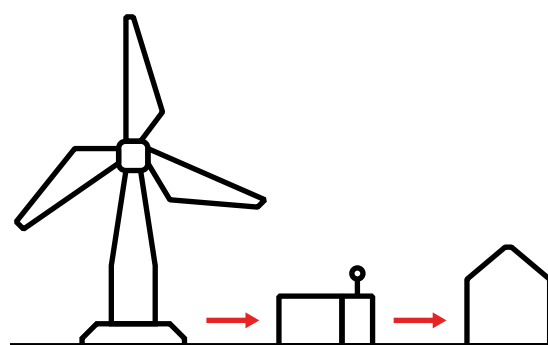
### Drivetrain

This is the power circuit, where input is the power from generator and output is power to the grid. Since high powers are involved, typical components are Air Circuit Breakers (ACBs) and large contactors. Other key products are involved in overvoltage protection: OVRs and SPDs. Modern drivetrains normally includes a converter. In addition to the main circuit, the converter itself has several functions that need low voltage components.



### Main controller

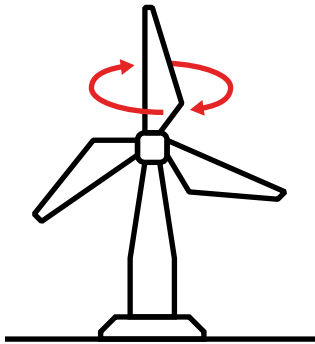
The main controller is the brain of the turbine, taking care of overall decisions, control, monitoring and communication. The main component is a PLC. Around it several products are needed, e.g. for power supply, protection and communication.



### Power collection and grid connection

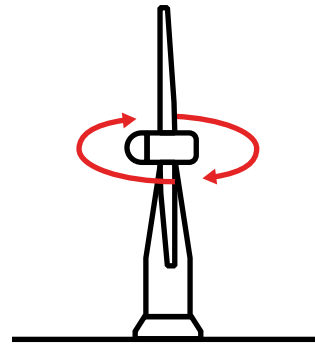
Electrical energy from the wind turbine is collected inside the wind plant and connected to the grid. Main components are transformers as well as MV switchgear and apparatus. On the LV side of the transformer, circuit breakers, switch disconnectors as well as overvoltage protection are relevant.





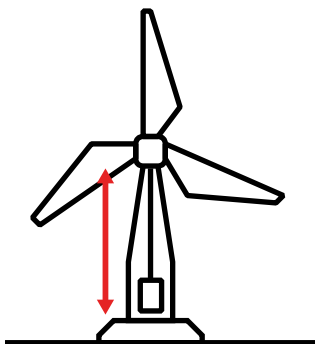
#### Pitch system

Pitching refers to changing angle of the turbine blades. The function is to maximize output power from the wind turbine as well as protect the turbine from high wind speeds (pitching out to reduce or stop rotation speed). Main components are the motors for each blade and their controls. Other main functions are related to communication and safety.



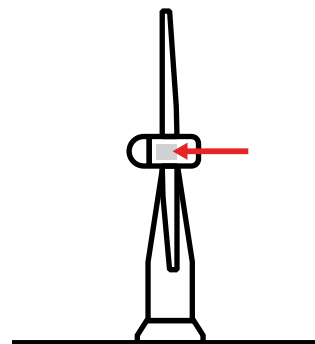
#### Yaw system

The yaw system is turning the complete nacelle so that the rotor (with the blades) is always facing the wind. This is to maximize power output from the turbine. Main components are motors and its controls. Typically 3 to 8 motors are used.



#### Auxiliary and supply systems

These are internal systems of the turbine like lightning, elevator and cooling systems (air or liquid).



#### Hydraulic and cooling system

Hydraulic and cooling systems are supported by hydraulic pumping systems which transfer heat losses from equipments such as generators, gearboxes and converters. Hydraulic systems are also used in safety circuits such as yaw, pitch and brake systems.



Products		Subsystems									Turbine size			
		Drivetrain - full converter types	Drivetrain - doubly-fed type	Drivetrain - fixed speed types	Pitch system	Yaw system	Main turbine control	Other Aux. systems	Hydraulic and cooling systems	Grid connection	Small Wind (city & rural - up to 100kW)	Community wind (around 100-approx 500kW)	Utility scale turbines (MW & multi MW)	
Product data (typical, range, example)	Product name													
Safety and protection														
Safety PLC	Pluto				x		x					x	x	
Safety relays	RT, JSB	C	C		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	
Safety labels, tags, signs, barricade tapes								x	x		x	x	x	
Emergency exit lighting								x	x				x	
Arc guard system	TVOC-2									x			x	
Limit switches - safety applications												x	x	
RCD/RCBO - Residual current devices	DS200, F200, DS951	C	C	C	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	
Pluggable system (compact power distribution)					x	x	x	x	x					
Short circuit current limiter					x	x		x	x					
MCB - Miniature circuit breakers up to 63 A	S200	C	C		x	x	x	x	x	x				
HPCB - Miniature circuit breakers up to 125 A					x	x	x	x	x	x				
RCD - Residual current devices	DS200, F200, DS951	C	C		x	x	x	x	x					
SPD - Surge protection devices, Tipe 1 (DIN-rail)		Gr	Gr						x					
SPD - Surge protection devices, Tipe 2 (DIN-rail)		Ge/ Gr/C	Ge/ Gr/C		x	x	x	x	x	x				
DIN-rail fuseholders		C	C		x	x	x	x	x	x				
Metering, monitoring and signaling														
Electricity meters		A-, B-, C- series		Gr										
CMS - Circuit monitoring system		CMS-	x x											
Enclosure, connection and installation equipment														
Distribution switchboard		System Pro E Energy - TwinLine S 43												
		x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x				
Automation board		IS2	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	
Switchgear		MNS								x			x	
Industrial plugs and sockets, 400 V or 690 V								x	x					
DIN-rail socket outlet		M1xxx	C	C		x	x	x	x	x				
Grounding														
Mechanical grounding system		Blackburn	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Exothermic grounding system		Blackburn	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	

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## Low voltage products and systems

Products		Subsystems										Turbine size	
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Product data (typical, range, example)	Product name												
Connection and cable management													
Terminal blocks 4-240 mm <sup>2</sup> (screw clamp / spring / ADO)	SNK, SNA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Cable ties	Ty-Rap, Ty-Fast	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Stainless steel cable ties	Ty-Met	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Flexible conduit and fittings	NCG, BEM, Liquidtight	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Compression connectors	Color-Keyed, Blackburn, Spec-Kon Lugs	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Conduit bodies	BlueKote	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
PVC-coated conduit	OCAL-BLUE	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
ATX liquid-tight flexible metal conduit and fittings, T&B fittings	T&B fittings	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
High temperature wire terminals	Spec-Kon	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wiring Ducts	Q-Ducts, halogen-free range	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Other and various products													
Power supplies (1- 3- phase) up to 40 A	CP range	C	C		x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Interface relays	CR range, R500/600	C	C		x		x	x	x		x	x	x
Temperature monitors	CM range				x		x				x	x	x
Signal converters	CC range, ILPH	C	C		x		x				x	x	x
Current sensors	ES	C	C		x		x				x	x	x
Steel modular framing	Kindorf	C	C	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Pilot devices - pilot lights (various types and colors)	Compact/CE, Modular/ MPE	C	C		x	x	x	x			x	x	x
Pilot devices - push buttons (various types and colors)	Compact, Modular ranges	C	C		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
Pilot devices - selector switches (various types)	C..S, M..S	C	C		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x

Products		Subsystems									Turbine size			
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Product data (typical, range, example)	Product name													
Service														
Replacement products	All	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Spare parts and consumables	All	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Service training	Circuit breakers (ACB, MCCB)													
Service training	Contactors, softstarters, arc guard													
Maintenance	Circuit breakers (ACB, MCCB)													
Repair	Circuit breakers (ACB, MCCB)													
Repair	Contactors, softstarters													
Engineering and consulting	All										x	x	x	
Extension, upgrades and retrofits	All										x	x	x	
Complete service offer	Switchgear											x	x	

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## Medium voltage products and systems

Products		Subsystems										Turbine size			
		Drivetrain - full converter types	Drivetrain - doubly-fed type	Drivetrain - fixed speed types	Pitch system	Yaw system	Main turbine controller	Other Aux. systems	Hydraulic and cooling systems	Power Collection	Grid connection	Small Wind (city & rural - up to 100kW)	Community wind (around 100-approx 500kW)	Utility scale turbines (MW & multi MW)	
Product data (typical, range, example)	Product name														
<b>Medium voltage - Modular substations</b>															
eHouse											x			x	
Skid-mounted substations											x			x	
Compact Secondary Substation (CSS)	UniPack									x			x	x	
Secondary Skid Unit (SSU)										x			x	x	
Secondary Enclosed Unit (SEU)										x			x	x	
Product packaging										x	x		x	x	
<b>Medium voltage - Primary distribution</b>															
Gas-insulated primary switchgear ZX product family	ZX0.2, ZX1.2, ZX2										x			x	
Air-insulated primary switchgear UniGear product family	UG 550, UG 500R, UG ZS1, UG ZS2, UG ZS3.2										x			x	
Air-insulated primary switchgear UniGear Digital											x			x	
VD4 (ADVAC) medium voltage circuit breakers	VD4									x	x		x	x	
Outdoor circuit breakers	R-MAG, OVB-VBF										x		x	x	
<b>Medium voltage secondary distribution</b>															
Gas-insulated secondary switchgear	SafeRing, SafePlus									x	x		x	x	
Air-insulated secondary switchgear	UniSec									x	x		x	x	
Recloser	GridShield									x	x		x	x	
Air-insulated switch-disconnector	NalfWind, NAL									x			x	x	
<b>Medium voltage safety, protection &amp; control</b>															
Protection relays Relion® family	REJ603, REF601, REG615, REF615, REF620, REF630									x	x		x	x	
Instrument transformers										x	x		x	x	
Sensors										x	x		x	x	
Fuses										x	x		x	x	
<b>Medium voltage advanced services</b>															
MyRemoteCare: analytics, reporting and remote support										x	x			x	
MySiteCare: capturing data and diagnosis										x	x			x	
Relay Retrofit Program										x	x		x	x	
Upgrades of the protection										x	x		x	x	
Replacement of the protection										x	x		x	x	

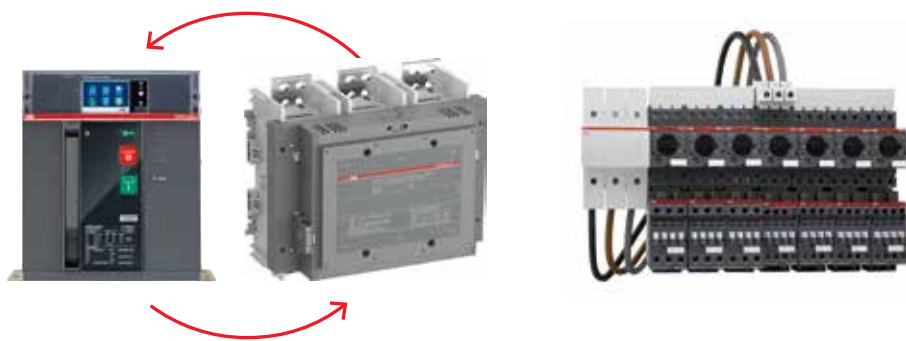
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## Low and medium voltage solutions

To be able to follow the wind market changes we offer specific products for wind application increasing performance, efficiency and reliability of the whole system, lowering operating cost.



### Coordinated solution for the main drivetrain circuit

- Electrical coordination of contactors and circuit breakers improves system availability and reliability and minimizes damage of components in case of short circuit.
- We offer complete coordination tables for contactors with ACBs and MCCBs. Type 1 and Type 2 coordination according to IEC 60947.
- In the table below you see a few examples of coordination, according to different ratings of a turbine.

Power	Voltage	Circuit-breaker	Contactor	Coordination
1.2 MW	690 V	T7 V	AF1250	Type 2
1.5 MW	690 V	E2	AF1650	Type 2
2.0 MW	690 V	E3	AF2050	Type 2
2.5 MW	690 V	E3	AF2650	Type 2

### Motor control solution

- Several auxiliary systems of the turbine, such as pitch, yaw or hydraulic systems, use motors at 400V and 690V. Motor control and protection products are therefore widely used.
- We offer different innovative alternatives for complete motor protection solutions up to 690V, such as circuit breakers, short-circuit current limiters, manual motor starters, contactors, thermal overload relays and preassembled starters adaptable on Smissline system for higher flexibility and reliability.

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## Low and medium voltage solutions



### Power Collection and Grid Connection

- The generated electric power is collected and combined so that it can be most efficiently transported to the substation where it will be passed on to the transmission grid.
- For applications inside the tower our solution is the extremely compact SafePlus switchgear. Outside the tower we have a complete portfolio of secondary substations meeting all requirements about operators and public safety. With GridShield reclosers we offer a solution for overhead lines.
- About grid connection substation, we offer a complete range of gas- and air-insulated switchgear suitable for all local market requirements, as well as outdoor apparatus solutions.



### Earthing, lightning and overvoltage protection

- Because of their height and exposed location wind turbines are prone to direct lightning. Transient overvoltages due to lightning current can cause severe damage to wind turbine installation, equipment and also create expensive downtimes.
- We offer complete solutions to design full lightning protection systems (LPS), including low voltage surge protection devices (SPDs), medium and high voltage surge arresters (SAs) and earthing and lightning protection (ELP).



### Wire Management & Connectivity

- Our broad offering of wire & cable management solutions is designed to make the task of fastening, protecting, insulating and connecting wires easier and quicker for industrial applications.
- An electrical system is as reliable as its conductors and conduit systems & fittings, which provide unsurpassed protection for wire and cables in the most demanding applications as in wind industry.
- When strength, reliability and performance are required, professionals turn to our best wire & cable management solutions.




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### Safety

- Wind turbines, as any machinery, has a high level of requirements in terms of safety and protection. Although products are installed in each sub system, it's important to have a complete and coordinated turbine approach.
- We have a complete range of safety products for people protection and wind turbine reliability (specific for machine safety), but also products such as the Arc Guard System. We can also provide coordination tables for the discrimination and back-up between different circuit breakers (ACB, MCCB, MCB) to ensure reliability, simplicity and cost effectiveness.
- Our medium voltage products and systems fulfill the highest safety standards, SafePlus could be equipped with an arc suppressor limiting the effects of an arc fault withing milliseconds.

Our Compact Secondary Substation (CSS) is tested for internal arcs and guarantees the highest safety levels, specific for public installations.

- SMISSLINE TP, load-free plugging in and unplugging of live devices and components without additional personal safety equipment for protection against electrical hazards.

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### Remote monitoring, control and communication

- Wind industry is facing a growing request of information management, such as real-time measurements, status, alarms, warnings, trips, protection trip data (why, when, how much) and maintenance data to be brought to supervision systems like SCADA. This is according to the IEC61850 standard for the design of electrical automation substations.
- Our breaking solutions includes either one external converter unit (RTU560CMG10 or RTU560CIG10) in association with one Emax or Tmax circuit breaker or, in alternative, an integrated solution within the Emax 2 ACB range.
- Our supporting state-of-the-art communication protocols such as IEC61850, enabling remote monitoring and control of the medium voltage side of the installation.

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## Energy and asset management Service and Maintenance



### Energy and asset management - ABB Ability™ Electrical Distribution Control System

ABB Ability™ Electrical Distribution Control System is the innovative solution for energy and asset management of low voltage power distribution systems. It has been designed to monitor optimize and control the electrical systems, simplifying procedures and activities through profiling users' experience and access. It is a webapp with scalable and always up to date services to suit customers' need. ABB Ability™ Electrical Distribution Control System is available everywhere at any time, via smartphone, tablet and personal computer.

- Monitor
  - Discover plant performance, supervise the electrical system and allocate costs
- Optimize
  - Analyze the relevant information, improve the use of your assets and take the right business decision
- Control
  - Remotely implement an effective power management strategy to simply achieve energy savings

For more information visit  
<http://new.abb.com/low-voltage/launches/abb-ability-edcs>

### Service and Maintenance

- Wind turbines need to be able to produce as much electricity as possible during their lifetime which can exceed 20 years. Preventive and condition based maintenance is key to ensure optimal asset performance and an increased overall lifetime.
- MyRemoteCare and MySiteCare are our solutions that provide advanced monitoring and diagnostics, both local and remote, of the critical electrical system. These products are supported and enhanced by our complete service lifecycle portfolio and cover both ABB and third party installed base.
- The Lifecycle Management Service portfolio can be packaged to incorporate the complete MV and LV system and include such services as maintenance repair, spare parts and training. Our Service can also offer upgrades, extensions and retrofits to ensure your assets are in prime condition regardless of the age or manufacturer.





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