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ABB to power and control the Mo.S.E - the innovative flood barrier system to protect the city from floods

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Customer:

Location: Venice, Italy

Industry: Water and wastewater

Customer need

- Automate and control the innovative flood barrier system - Mo.S.E. (the acronym for experimental electro mechanic module)
- Block the high tides and storm surges that enter the Venetian Lagoon through three inlets.
- Control 78 retractable, air-filled steel flood gates embedded on sea floor at the three inlets to Venice's lagoon

ABB's solution

- Integrated automation and electrical solution
- The barrier's complete system is automated and controlled by ABB's Symphony® Plus distributed control system.
- Symphony Plus automation software platform to manage data from more than 50,000 devices and coordinate operation of the entire flood protection system
- MV, LV-switchgear, Distribution transformers