Brief report from the PE/PEI Chapter

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IEEE Milestone
Gotland HVDC 1954
– First Commercial HVDC Link

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Recent activities, examples

- Sep 2016; Prof Math Bollen, Luleå Univ – assessment of uncertainties in power systems, Dr Fredrik Carlsson, Vattenfall – smart grid activities & e-mobility
- Nov 2016; Carlos Martins, ESS - Applications & topologies of power electronic systems for large particle accelerators
- Mar 2017; Section AGM key note speaker Lina Bertling Tjernberg – Smart grid experience in Europe
- May 2017; IEEE Milestone Sweden
Agenda

- IEEE Sweden & PE/PEL
- Key event 2017
  - IEEE Milestone program
  - Gotland HVDC 1954
IEEE Milestone Program

- To honor significant technical achievements in all areas associated with IEEE
- Like UN World Heritage for electrical engineering
- A plaque makes the milestone visible to the public
Now 178 IEEE Milestones

To be proposed as an IEEE Milestone, an achievement must be at least 25 years old, have benefited humanity and must have had at least regional importance.

- Volta’s electrical battery invention, 1799, Italy
- Maxwell’s equations, 1860-1871, UK and Ireland
- Poulsen arc-radio transmitter, 1902, Denmark
- Invention of the transistor, 1947, USA
- First laser 1960, USA
- **Gotland HVDC link 1954, Sweden**
IEEE MILESTONE

Gotland High Voltage Direct Current Link, 1954

The Gotland HVDC Link was the world’s first commercial HVDC transmission link using the first submarine HVDC cable. It connected the island Gotland to mainland Sweden. The 96 km-long cable used mass-impregnated technology. The Swedish manufacturer ASEA produced the link for Vattenfall, the state-owned utility. The project used mercury-arc valves for the 20 MW/100 kV HVDC converters, developed by an ASEA-Vattenfall team led by Dr. Uno Lamm.

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