



Smart Grid Interoperability Panel (SGIP) President and CEO Named One Top 50 Smart Grid Pioneers

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Smart Grid Interoperability Panel (SGIP), a member-led consortium that securely accelerates and advances Grid Modernization through interoperability, today announced that their President and CEO, Sharon Allan, was named one of the Top 50 Smart Grid Pioneers by Smart Grid Today.

The editors of Smart Grid Today selected the winners from exclusive interviews its journalists conducted over the last 16 months about modernizing the electric grid around the world.

The report describes the latest developments and thinking in the industry in exclusive interviews with entrepreneurs, executives and managers from smart grid entities including: computer hardware and software firms, electricity distribution automation and demand response firms, electric utility firms, electricity retailers, energy services firms, energy storage companies, electric-vehicle charging firms, global development agencies, IT shops, microgrid firms, national labs, networking firms, power management companies, public advocacy groups, research bodies, security and compliance consultancies, state government agencies, technical consulting and engineering firms, think tanks.

David Forfia, Chairman of the SGIP Board of Directors stated, "On behalf of the SGIP Board, we are extremely proud that Sharon's work is being recognized in the industry. Under Sharon's leadership, SGIP has focused its projects on Distributed Energy Resources, cybersecurity and the initiatives around test beds while continuing to promote an active member community supporting those efforts. We look forward to Sharon's continued contributions to overcoming barriers to grid modernization."

Sharon Allan has been helping participants in the Energy sector unlock the business value of the electric grid by aligning and implementing strategy, processes and operations. Previously, Ms. Allan ran her own consulting firm and prior to that she ran the Accenture NA Smart Grid Practice. Other industry roles include President of Elster Integrated Solutions, Chief Knowledge Officer of Elster Electricity, Director of Product Management ABB, and IBM Marketing Information.

Sharon is an honors graduate from the University of Florida with a Bachelor's of Science in Electrical Engineering and holds an MBA from Duke's Fuqua Business School. She lives in Raleigh with her husband and two sons.

About the Smart Grid Interoperability Panel

The Smart Grid Interoperability Panel (SGIP) is a consortium that securely accelerates and advances

Grid Modernization through interoperability and the leadership talents of its members. SGIP is committed to improving individual quality of life by integrating energy resources securely, intelligently and efficiently.

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