# **USNC NEXT GENERATION NETWORK**

# 2016 Paper Competition Results

In 2016, the NGN held its second annual Paper Competition to encourage students and early professionals to share their experience and knowledge with others in the industry. The US competition is part of the international collaboration in CIGRÉ, where each country can submit 4 entries to the 2018 Paris Session Presentation Showcase Competition.

The competition consisted of multiple phases. Participants received feedback on their submission at each phase from the five judges.

## **TOP FIVE**

[Winner] Matthew Richwine - GE Energy Consulting

Nick Ethridge - Tennessee Valley Authority

Laura Garcia-Garcia - Commonwealth Edison

Steven Judd - Burns & McDonnell

Mohammad Tasdighi - Texas A&M University

#### **COMPETITION PRIZES**

The Top Five were each awarded registration to the 2016 Grid of the Future Symposium, where each participant presented their paper.

The Grand Prize was additionally awarded registration to attend the 2017 Grid of the Future Symposium and \$1000 stipend to support travel expenses.

### **JUDGES**

Mark McVey - Dominion Virginia Power

John McDonald GE - Grid Solutions

Dr. Saeed Kamalinia - S&C Electric Company

Lauren Warkenthien – Leidos

Dr. Karen Miu Drexel - University

