



**CALL FOR CONTRIBUTION**  
**FOR GLOBAL NGN (NEXT GENERATION NETWORK) SHOWCASE**  
**2026 CIGRE SESSION – 23-28 AUGUST – PARIS, FRANCE**

This document describes the criteria for contribution for the Global NGN Showcase at the 2026 CIGRE Paris Session.

## **BACKGROUND**

The showcase was originally initiated by the CIGRE-UK NGN, aiming at providing a good development and networking opportunity for global NGN members to showcase their work in this excellent international platform. Through the event, it was also expected to enhance international collaboration between NGN groups and increase NGN member participation in the Paris Session, while driving sustainable membership growth for CIGRE by engaging with potential future experts in the industry.

The first five global Next Generation Network (NGN) Showcases were held at the CIGRE Paris Sessions in 2016, 2018 and 2022, at the e-Session in 2020 and at the Virtual Centennial Session in 2021 and all five turned out to be great successes: 22 NGN members from 14 countries got the chance to present their work in 2016, 31 NGN members from 21 countries got the chance to present their work in 2018, 33 NGN members from 23 countries got the chance to present their work in 2020, 29 NGN members from 19 countries got the chance to present their work in 2021, 26 NGN members from 12 countries got the chance to present their work in 2022 and 55 NGN members from 23 countries got the chance to present their work in 2024. With the positive feedback received from participants, Study Committee (SC) Chairs and audiences, it is planned to hold the seventh event at CIGRE Paris Session 2026.

## **INTRODUCTION**

In each Study Committee discussion session at the 2026 CIGRE Paris Session, presentation slots will be made available to CIGRE NGN members. NGN members from around the world will have a new opportunity to showcase their work and talent to an international audience.

The presentations (no longer than 7 minutes in length) must align with a Preferential Subject of the relevant Study Committee and must represent a valuable worthwhile technical contribution to the Study Committee discussion session. Each SC Chair will make the final decision on which presentations are allocated to the available slots.



Each National Committee can nominate up to four (4) candidates (in total across all Study Committees), and each candidate must be for a different Study Committee.

Contributions must be transmitted at the latest on [January 2, 2026, to: info@cigre-canada.org](mailto:info@cigre-canada.org)

## **A. ELIGIBILITY**

The candidate must meet the following conditions:

1. The candidate must be under the age of 35, as per CIGRE's definition of an NGN Member.
2. The candidate must be a member of CIGRE (individual, student or collective).
3. The candidate's presentation must not be based on a paper that has been submitted/accepted as a regular Paris Session Paper.
4. The presentation must be a topic that aligns with one of the 2026 Preferential Subjects, see presentation guidelines below.

## **B. PRESENTATION GUIDELINES**

Each presentation provided by a nominated candidate must:

1. Be in English.
2. Have a subject that aligns with one of the 2026 Preferential Subjects of the relevant Study Committee – **see Annex A.**
3. If candidate is selected, use the required PowerPoint template that will be provided before the conference.
4. Be no longer than 7 minutes in length. A 10-minute time slot will be allotted to include time allocated for discussion by the SC Chair



## C. PAPER GUIDELINES

The full paper provided with a presentation should describe in detail the contents of the presentation and will be used by the SC Chairs to assess each candidate in conjunction with the presentation slides (to be requested later).

The full paper:

1. Be in English.
2. Must use the CIGRE 2026 Session paper template – **see Annex B.**
3. Be a maximum of 12 pages in length.

## D. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO BE PROVIDED

1. The 2026 NGN Paris Showcase Questionnaire – **Annex C**
2. The Full paper using the appropriate template.

## E. SELECTION PROCESS

### Canadian National Committee

Canadian submittals meeting the eligibility and content requirements described above will be reviewed by the Canadian National Committee for consideration and nomination. As indicated on the first page of this document, contributions must be transmitted by January 2, 2026, to: [info@cigre-canada.org](mailto:info@cigre-canada.org)

### CIGRE Central Office

Final decision is with the international SC Chairs who should complete selection and allocation of the presentations. The coordinator will inform the candidates about which showcase presentation slots they have been allocated, or if they have not been allocated a slot by March 30, 2026.

In July 2026 international SC Chairs will provide final programme to the showcase coordinator. Showcase coordinator will give presenters notice on showcase presentation time and venue.

## PRIZE

The chosen candidates will be offered a free registration to attend the 2026 CIGRE Paris Session.