

Energy I-Corps 2023: Distributed Wind Energy Toolkit

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Energy I-Corps Overview

Goal: Increase the transfer of promising technologies from national labs to the market.

Core Program Benefits:

- Directly engages industry stakeholders and customers to drive future research
- Builds market awareness among researchers.

Program Components:

- Defining technology value propositions
- Conducting customer discovery interviews
- Exploring viable market pathways.



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Project Goal: Ensure that U.S. Department of Energy-funded analytical tools are accessible, are user-friendly, and meet industry and customer needs.

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Initial Toolkit Components

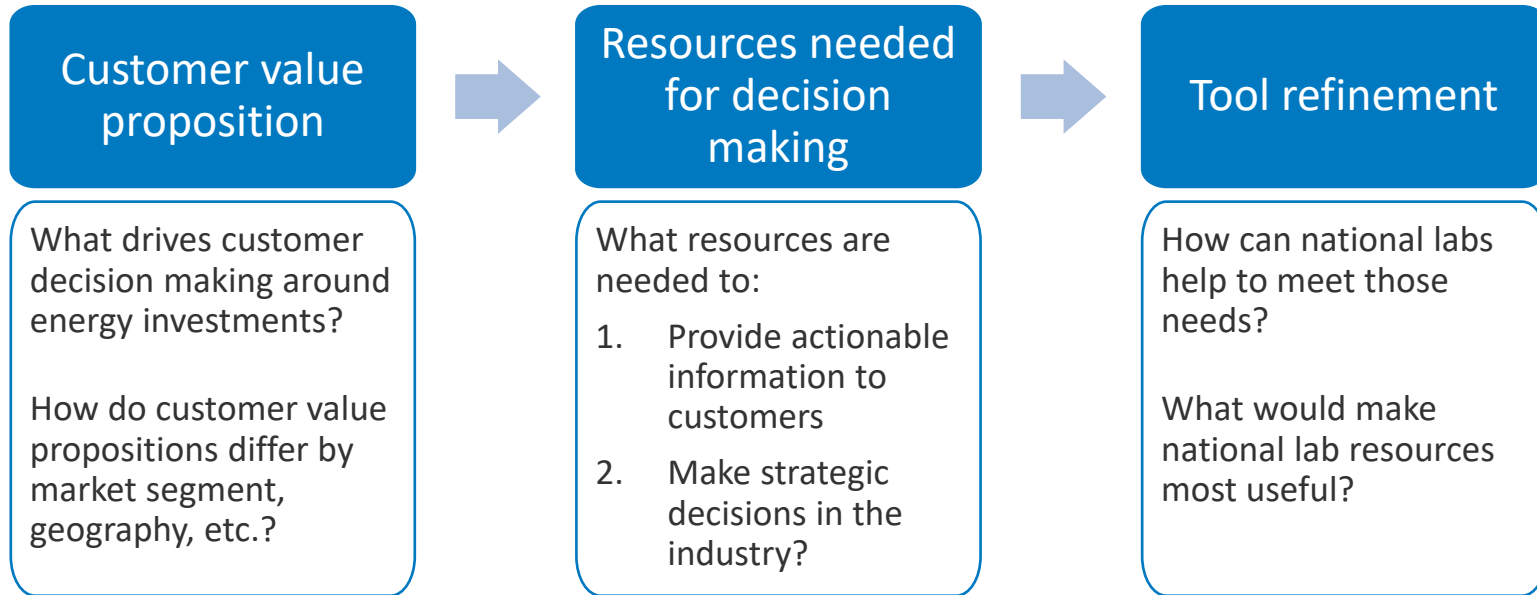
Distributed Generation Market Demand (dWind): Calculates system costs and value for many individual sites across a wide geographic area

Distributed Wind Tools Assessing Performance (TAP): Provides granular wind resource data that accounts for terrain and obstacles (e.g., trees)

Hybrid Optimization and Performance Platform (HOPP): Simulates and optimizes component sizing, physical layout, and dispatch of hybrid systems

Microgrids, Infrastructure Resilience, and Advanced Controls Launchpad (MIRACL) Valuation Service: Calculates value streams for distributed wind energy and determines the optimal stack of values to pursue

Understanding Market Needs



To build as complete a picture as possible, we will include a wide range of perspectives in our interviews, including non-industry stakeholders like end-use customers, policymakers, etc.

Input Needed

What perspectives are critical for understanding the customer value proposition for distributed wind energy?

Which stakeholders have a critical need for information or analysis on distributed wind energy?

What critical topics should we explore in our interviews?

Stay tuned for future outreach!



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