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### Installation of 400 kV, 100 MVAr Variable Shunt Reactor

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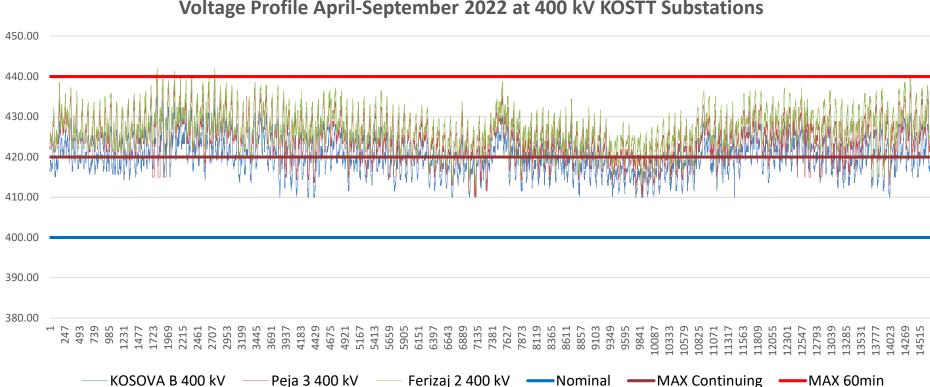
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# Overvoltage's in transmission network - Regional problem

- For several years power transmission system operators (TSOs) in South East Europe are experiencing with very high voltages.
- Although temporary issues have been observed in specific nodes and in specific operational regimes.
- Some of the major high voltage transmission substations experience difficulties in ensuring voltage compliance as per Grid Code Requirements.
- In all high voltage networks in the region there are substations where overvoltage occurs for more than 50% of the total hours in the year.
- In order to maintain reliability and operational security of transmission systems, it is imperious that system voltages are kept within limits.
- Kosovo Transmission Network is facing similar difficulties in ensuring voltage limits as per Grid Code Requirements.
- Operating with over-voltages causes stress and fast aging of HV equipment's, generation outage, increase of corona losses, faults in bus bars with very negative consequences on the Power System Stability.

#### Actual Voltage profile at 400 network in Kosovo Transmission Network 💽 stt



Voltage Profile April-September 2022 at 400 kV KOSTT Substations

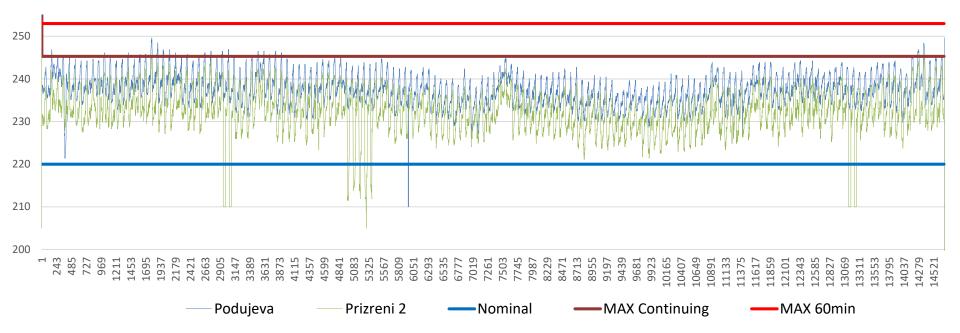
- High voltage profile occurs April-September
- Similar voltage profiles are in the region
- It is as a result of light load, very meshed 400 kV network with low level of loading.
- Not sufficient voltage control devices

SUBSTATION	SS FERIZAJ 2	SS PEJA 3	SS Kosova B
Max Voltage kV	442.0	439.9	435.1
GRID CODE	Nominal	Max Continuing	Max. 60min
GRID CODE 400 kV Bus Bars		Max Continuing 420.0	Max. 60min 440.0



#### Actual Voltage profile at 220 kV network

Voltage Profile April-September 2022 at 220 kV KOSTT Substations

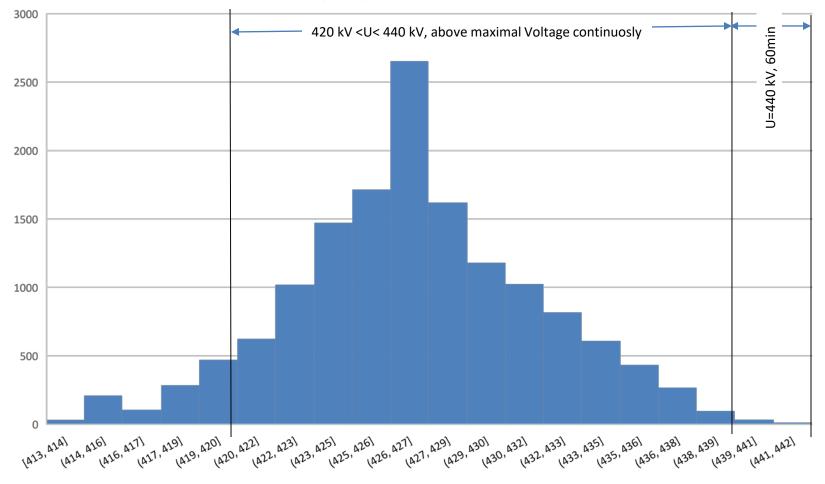


SUBSTATION	SS Podujeva	SS Prizren 2	
Max Voltage kV	249.6	245.4	
GRID CODE	Nominal	Max Continuing	Max. 60min
GRID CODE 400 kV Bus Bars		Max Continuing 420.0	Max. 60min 440.0



#### **Overvoltage frequency occurrences**

Frequency distribution of Vmax



#### PROJECT: 400 kV, 100 MVAr Variable Shunt Reactor in SS FERIZAJ 2, 400 kV

As e trigger for Project initiation is the "Regional Feasibility Study for Voltage Profile Improvement" WB17-REG-ENE-01, October 2020

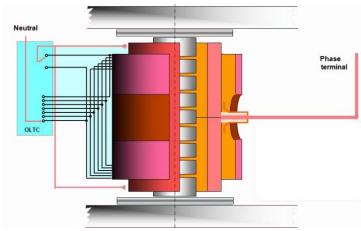
Main recommendation of the study:

- Solving Overvoltage problem should be regional approach
- The study has shown most optimised location and capacity of reactor installations in 6 West Balkan Countries.
- Improvement of voltage control ancillary service, and grid code requirements for generators.



#### PROJECT: 400 kV, 100 MVAr Variable Shunt Reactor in SS FERIZAJ 2, 400 kV

- The project is presented in TNDP 2023-2032
- It is approved by the ERO
- Estimated cost of project: 4.8 mil
- Planned year of commissioning: 2024
- Technical specification is prepared
- The procurement process for design will be lunched in 2023
- Characteristics: 100MVar; with variability of 50%, connected at 400 kV side of SS. Ferizaj 2;



## **Thank You!**



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