

I am applying for the role of Vice-Chair of CIGRE UK NGN 2026, driven by a strong commitment to empowering young professionals and strengthening our community within the power systems sector. Since joining CIGRE UK NGN in 2022, I have actively contributed as a volunteer within the technical team, later stepping into the Technical Team Lead role in 2023. This journey has been both rewarding and motivating, providing me with the opportunity to deliver meaningful activities that support the growth and engagement of our members.

During my time with NGN, I have led and supported a range of key initiatives. I hosted a joint webinar between CIGRE UK NGN and CIGRE Austria NGN, helped organise the National Grid ESO control room visit, and presented technical team updates at the 2023 and 2025 AGMs. In addition, I planned and delivered the Young Member Showcase 2024, held at Cardiff University, ensuring a successful and engaging event.

I also launched the refreshed 2025 mentoring scheme, introducing it through a dedicated webinar and inviting previous mentor–mentee pairs to share their experiences. This resulted in our highest mentee engagement to date, with around 50 applications. For the first time, we also collaborated with WiE, framing the initiative as the CIGRE UK Mentoring Scheme.

As Vice-Chair, I look forward to working closely with the new committee to build on our achievements and expand the opportunities available to young members. My priorities for 2026 include strengthening both technical and professional development activities, further enhancing the mentoring programme, and fostering more inclusive networking opportunities. I will remain actively involved in organising and supporting all NGN events, bringing the same dedication and enthusiasm that have defined my contributions to date.

I am excited about the opportunity to continue serving CIGRE UK NGN and to help elevate its growth, visibility, and impact within the wider power systems community.