January 2018, New Delhi: Echoing the theme of “Implementing the Energy Storage Mission”, The 5th International Conference & Exhibition, Energy Storage India concluded following three absorbing days of collaborations, networking and of sharing best practices. Held from January 10th to January 12th, 2018 at India Habitat Centre, Energy Storage India attracted more than 1000+ industry experts, 100+ speakers, 50+ exhibitors and partners participating from over 25 countries. Jointly organized by Messe Düsseldorf India, Customized Energy Solutions and powered by India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA), ESI 2018 once again gave a solid push to the growth of Energy Storage sector!

Honorable Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Suresh Prabhu delivered a special welcome address emphasizing the need for Energy Storage for greener, cleaner and more stable grid in India. Mr. R. V. Deshpande, Minister of Large and Medium Scale Industries and Infrastructure Development, Govt. of Karnataka (First state to release electric vehicle and energy storage policy in India) was the keynote speaker for electric vehicle session.

The conference included distinguished dignitaries such as Pankaj Batra, Member- Planning, CEA, Reji Pillai, President, India Smart Grid Forum, Karthick Athmanathan, Head-EV & eMobility, Ashok Leyland, Ben Rainwater, COO, EnerBlu and Ajay Goel, COO, Sun Mobility, who shared their valuable insights on the critical role of energy storage infrastructure in mass scale shift to electrification of Indian railways and electric vehicles (EVs).

Key topics such as energy storage technology, electric vehicles & transportation, rural microgrid, and Campus microgrid was covered during the exhibition. The conference comprised of sessions focused on ‘Make in India’, Renewable Integration, Regulatory & Policy session and Mission Innovation was also conducted in ESI 2018. During the conference, Delegates also had an opportunity to learn from International speakers Mr. Stephen Fernands(Founder & President, Customized Energy Solutions), Mr. Daniel Elliot (President & CEO, EnerBlu), Joaquin Melendez (Business Development Director ASIA, Fluence), Dr. Andreas Hauer, (Executive Director, German Energy Storage Association), Mr. Shore Lin (CNESA, China), Mr. Davide Coppola, (European Space Agency), Mr. John Wood (Member, Australia Energy Storage Alliance), Dr. Dina Azhgaliev (National University of Singapore), Panagiotis Tamoulis (Fluence), Hans Alexander Öst (Manager, Wartsila Finland).
IESA organized India’s first start-up competition & innovation pavilion with the support of Startup India, Mumbai Angel Network, TiE- Delhi, Sangam Ventures and GESA. The competition provided a unique opportunity for start-ups to participate and present innovative ideas/case studies and research. The 2nd IESA Awards were presented to companies and associations who have contributed the most to the Energy Storage, Electric Vehicle and Micro Grid industry. The exhibition emerged as a good platform for exhibitors to dig deeper into the Energy Storage market, reach clients and enlarge the customer base both on local as well as global grounds.

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The highly interactive Conference & Exhibition succeeded in establishing meaningful connections between Policymakers, World-renowned experts, thought leaders and industry stakeholders to contour the adoption of energy storage in India. The event showcased real-world innovative solutions, cutting-edge technologies and proven strategies in Energy Storage space that India would need to implement the awaited National Energy Storage mission.

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