

MICHIGAN STATE



### About the IPU-MSU

#### Institute of Public Utilities

- Serving the regulatory policy community since 1965
- ▶ Thousands of domestic and international program alumni
- A national network of experienced experts in regulation
- Financially self-sustaining at Michigan State University



#### IPU's mission

To support informed, effective, and efficient economic regulation of electricity, natural gas, water, and broadband

#### Integrative educational programs and research

- A principled approach to regulatory practice
- An empirical approach to regulatory analysis
- A reasoned approach to regulatory reform

### We teach the "ideal" of economic regulation in the public interest

- Interdisciplinary theory, regulatory institutions and culture, and critical thinking
- Commitment to lifelong learning and appreciating what we do not know
- Our purpose is not to formulate answers but to help form good questions
- Objective but not unopinionated

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### Welcome to the program!

#### Welcome to this live online learning experience

- Thanks for being part of our community, joining us today, lowering our carbon footprint
- We recommend closing other screens and turning off notifications
- ▶ Enjoy the relaxed dress code, and remember to stretch, stand, and hydrate!

### We hope to give you a positive and interactive experience

- Feel free to raise your hand to ask a question (clarifying or otherwise) at any time
- Use the chat function for questions or comments during the program
- ▶ For help, contact Erin West via the Q&A, erinwest@msu.edu, or 517-355-1876

#### A few program notes

- Accessing course materials
- Polls and practical exercises
- Course evaluation forms
- Certificates of attendance
- Continuing education credits
- Opening code word: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Schedule

- From 10 am to 4 pm Eastern Time Zone Monday Wednesday
- Three 80-min. modules with lunch from 1-2 pm and a 20-min. break at 11:20 am, ending the day with a discussion session from 3:20-4 pm.



### Poll 1: Who's online today?

- State or federal regulatory commission: 40
- Consumer advocate: 2
- Environmental advocate: 3
- Consulting, accounting or law firm: 2
- Private owned utility: 2





Q. Use the **chat** function to introduce yourselves – who and where are you?

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# Poll 2: What is your role?

- Commissioner: 2
- Administrator or manager: 6
- Attorney: 10
- Engineer: 9
- Economist or policy analyst: 11
- Rate analyst: 7
- Financial analyst: 4



# Program learning objective

- To understand the basic engineering form and function of electricity grids.
- To understand grid functions, from generation to transmission to distribution.
- To understand electricity economics, market structures, and regulation.
- To understand how energy resources are integrated into the power grid.
- To understand the technologies and policies driving sector transformation.

Q. Use the chat function to tell us what you hope to learn from the program – what is your "burning issue"?



### Program agenda

### Day 1

Fundamentals of Power Systems and Grid Infrastructure [J. Mitra]

### Day 2

Fundamentals of Electricity Markets, Economics, & Regulation [S. Blumsack]

### Day 3

Grid Integration & Modeling for Distributed & Variable Resources [T. Veselka]



# Program faculty

- Janice Beecher, Ph.D., Professor, Political Science, MSU and IPU Resident Fellow
- Joydeep Mitra, Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, MSU
- Seth Blumsack, Professor, Energy Policy and Economics and International Affairs, PSU
- Thomas Veselka, Principal Computational Engineer, Energy Systems, Argonne Natl. Lab.







# **Upcoming IPU Programs**

IPU Annual Regulatory Studies Program (CAMP),

The Fundamentals

August 12-16, 2024

IPU Accounting and Ratemaking Course

September 17-19, 2024