

# STEM GAMES

### What is a STEM Game?

STEM Games are interactive, hands-on, goal-based activities designed to immerse participants in key concepts from science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. By simulating real-world scenarios, these games foster a deeper understanding of technical ideas while encouraging collaboration and strategic thinking.

## **Energy Market Game**

The Energy Market Game focuses on the dynamics of the electric energy system. Participants engage in a simulation of energy marketplaces, learning how various generator types compete to balance energy supply at the lowest cost.

## **Proposed Workshops**

- Industry Leaders
- Policy Makers
- Energy Experts
- Economists
- Educators
- Consumers and Prosumers

## Educational and Networking Benefits

- Learning Through Action: Participants develop strategic and technical skills in a fun and interactive environment.
- Networking Opportunities: The collaborative nature of the games fosters connection with peers, educators, and industry professionals.



#### **Forming Teams**

Participants are divided into groups, each representing a specific type of energy generator.



#### **Understanding Generators**

Each team receives a generator sheet that outlines the operational characteristics of their generator.



#### **Bidding in the Marketplace**

Teams decide how their generator should participate in the energy market by submitting bids.



#### **Aggregating Bids**

The bids are processed under the Settlement Price mechanism to determine the market's pricing structure.



#### **Revenue Calculation**

Each generator's revenue is calculated based on the settled price.



#### **Goal and Competition**

The objective is to maximize profits for the assigned generator. Multiple rounds can be run, creating a competitive environment where strategies evolve based on market dynamics and the actions of other participants.



#### **Exploring Policy Impacts**

The game also models how policy decisions influence energy dynamics, driving the system toward new equilibria.