

SIS Solid Insulation System



RITZ Instrument Transformers GmbH – Core competency

Under the trading name "RITZ Instrument Transformers GmbH" RITZ has been pooling its activities to gather new strengths since 01/08/2007.

The tradition and knowledge of the parent company "RITZ Messwandler Hamburg" and the subsidiary "RITZ Messwandler Dresden (TuR)" has been united with the companies "Wandler- und Transformatoren-Werk Wirges (WTW)" and "Messwandlerbau Bamberg (MWB)" under this name. This merger unites a total of more than two hundred years of knowhow in instrument transformers production.

In addition, RITZ has decided to concentrate on the core business of medium voltage and low voltage transformers in which the high voltage division is sold. The resources gained through this shall now be applied for additional innovations and quality standards in the medium and low voltage products. RITZ is therefore securing its position on the global market.

The overseas corporations of RITZ Instrument Transformer GmbH in Austria (Marchtrenk), Hungary (Kecskemét) and China (Shanghai) strengthen the company's position on the international market.



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General

The RITZ **Solid** Insulated Bus Bar System especially offers for transmission of higher currents and/or limited space requirements a cost-effective and safe alternative to parallel-connected cable systems, metal-enclosed bus bar or bus duct systems.

The equipment produced plays an important part in power generation and power distribution. Therefore, highest demands are made with respect to industrial safety.

By constantly supervising the manufacturing process as well as ongoing modifications to the materials used, the highest degree of safety is guaranteed. The available test equipment allows all of the type and routine tests necessary.

Before delivery each bus bar segment and connecting sleeve gets routine testing.

All requirements with respect to the protection of personnel and equipment are met. The following inherent benefits speak for the use of fully insulated bus bars:

Design

System Specific Benefits

- Compact design
- Reduced requirements for the installation space
- Small bending radii
- 3-dimensional geometric shape is possible
- Natural cooling due to effectual conductor design
- High opererational reliability due to factory routine test of each bus bar
- Maintenance free

Safety Benefits

- Touch Safe
- Fully insulated and capacitive graded system
- High thermal and dynamic short circuit current withstand capabilities
- Excluded phase to phase short-circuits
- No toxic fumes in case of fire self extinguishing
- High operating reliability due to routine tests for each bus bar element

Installation

• Easy installation due to standardized installation and fixing parts

RITZ Service

- Minimized project engineering for YOU as customer due to complete engineering service for bus bar routing including fixation system as 3D CAD model.
- Providing complete Installation documentation
- Supervisor support on request available.
- Installation team on request available





Bus Bar Design Principle

The bus bar insulation is built up with Resin Impregnated Paper (RIP). Crepe paper is wound around the conductor (copper or aluminium) and impregnated under vacuum with epoxy resin.

This results in cavity free insulation which is free of partial discharge. To avoid partial discharge by delamination of the insulation from the conductor a conducting layer is wrapped around the conductor.

Layers of insulating crepe paper are built up on the high voltage layer according to the rated voltage. In these insulation layers of semi conducting paper, the capacitive grading at the ends of the bus bars are included. These are dimensioned to achieve an optimal distribution of the electrical field on the surface of the bus bar. These are dimensioned to reach an optimised electric field distribution on the surface of the bus bar. Thus a minimised grading length can be reached. Along the whole length of the bus bar, except the grading area, an earth layer is wound on the insulating layers. This earth layer is built up by semi conducting paper, aluminium foil layers and axial copper strips to reach a high short circuit current capability. A connection device is soldered on the copper strips used as earthing point of the bus bar. An additional three millimetres crepe insulation is applied over the earth layer as protection. The whole bus bar is sealed vacuum tight with shrinking sleeve. After drying the insulation, the paper is impregnated with a low viscosity epoxy resin under vacuum conditions. The RITZ manufacturing technology permits to build a bus bar with any geometrical shape.



U _{max}	min. length of grading (I_S)	Insulation wrapping (S)
12 kV	175 mm	10,0 mm
24 kV	215 mm	12,5 mm
36 kV	330 mm	17,5 mm

Production Process

The bandaged conductor with paper insulation will be vacuum sealed with a shrink sleeve. A vacuum system will be connected through a hole in a ring at each end of the bus bar. The vacuum process dries the paper insulation. After the drying process one end will be connected to the resin tank. The other end still remains connected to the vacuum pump. Under the vacuum the low viscose and slow hardening resin flows through the paper insulation. Based on this production technology any bus bar shape is possible. Impregnation by using fixed mould is not necessary. For special application requirements a stainless steel shell is available.

Outdoor Application

For outdoor applications the bus bar will be covered with a weatherproof stainless steel tube. To increase the creepage distance, the capactive grading of the bus bar insulation is covered on the outside by shrinking sleeve sheds.



Production Length

The length and geometric shape is limited by the size of the equipment (such as the kiln), the means of transportation and the local facilities (building construction).

RITZ manufactures different bus bar shapes and lengths as show in the picture below.



These connecting sleeves are also fully insulated and guarantee absolute safety upon contact throughout the whole length of the bus bar installation. For voltages above 12 kV the sleeves are also capacitive graded. The high voltage connection to the sleeve is realised by a contact spring installed on the flat connector of the bus bar. The connecting sleeve has an ingress protection class' IP 54. Higher protection classes are available upon request.

Outdoor connecting sleeves are manufactured with an aluminium or stainless steel protection tube. The sealing between bus bar and connecting sleeve is made by a rubber bellow and achieves the ingress protection class² IP 65.



The drawing shows the insulated conductor and the insulated tube. The capacitive layer of the bus bar and connecting sleeve are laid in the opposite direction which guarantees a homogenous electrical field inside the connecting sleeve.

Multiple Bus Bar Connections

The length of the individual bus bars is limited by the manufacturing process, transportation and installation conditions. For complex installations the bus bars have to be connected. The connection is performed with flexible connectors between the bus bars to allow thermal expansion and to compensate for tolerances during installation.

These joints are fully insulated by connection sleeves, which cover the capactive grading at the bus bar ends.



¹ Ingress protection rating against dust and water according to IEC 60529 corresponding to NEMA 3/3s.

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Bus Bar Connection

There are several variations of rigid or flexible connections between bus bar segments or between the bus bar and other equipment parts. The standard connection between the bus bars is a standardised flat terminal in accordance with the rated current.

For connecting the bus bar with other equipment parts the following options are available:

- Conductor end with flat terminal according to DIN 42 206.
- Conductor end with round bolt.
- According to customer's specification.
- If the insulated bus bar is to be connected gas-tight to an SF6-insulated switchgear, a metal flange is fitted at the earthed portion of the bus bar. Current connection can be done in an economical way by means of contact bolts or according to customer requirements.

Through the use of a fixed connection at both ends of the bus bar, a connecting sleeve should be attached to compensate for construction tolerances and thermal expansion of the bus bar during operation.

Earthing

A separate earthing bus bar or earthing cable has generally to be installed parallel to the bus bar system. Every single bus bar, connecting sleeve and metallic fixation material has to be earthed on the earthing bus bar respectively earthing cable. Every single bus bar, connection sleeve and metallic fixation material has to be earthed on this earthing connection. If a bus bar or a

connecting sleeve is not earthed correctly these elements will be destroyed after a certain amount of time.





Bus Bar Fixing

For installation of the bus bar system a flexible mounting system is used. Adjustments can easily be done at site. The bus bar fixing elements include aluminium C-profiles, angles, T-screws and fixing clamps. The fixing elements are adjustable with respect to each other and adjustable in all directions therefore allowing compensation for building tolerances. The fixing clamps include fixed bearings and slide bearings, allowing the bus bar to move axially within the fixing clamps in case of thermal expansion. In the first instance, the capability of the equipment to withstand a short-circuit, must be considered for the bus bar fixing. Another criterion is the natural frequency of the bus bar.

The distance between fixing points must be chosen to avoid resonance with respect to the power frequency of the system and its harmonics. The distance between the fixing points of the bus bar is individually calculated for each order.

- A respective calculation tool is available, which includes:
- Bus bar diameter
- Phase distance
- Mass of the busbar
- Bending strength

Fixing Clamp

The fixing clamps are differentiated between slide bearing and fixed bearing clamps. The use of fixed or slide bearing clamps is determined by the fixing points given by the calculation tool. The construction of a slide bearing clamp is designed with a rubber washer and a metal washer is used for the fixed bearing clamp.



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Dimensioning | Conductor Material

The bus bar conductors are dimensioned according to DIN 43670/671. The following criteria are taken into consideration:

- Thermal conductivity of the insulation
- Heat transmission between the insulation and ambient air (through convection and radiation)
- Natural cooling
- Skin effect

The bus bars are dimensioned for an ambient temperature of 40°C with a maximum temperature increase of 45°C in the conductor. Accordingly, the maximum temperature of the conductor is 85°C under natural cooling conditions. Deviations from the above dimensioning criteria shall be specified and can be considered when the design calculation is made. The conductor material can be copper (E-Cu) or aluminium (E-Al-MgSi 0,5).

Dimensions for conductor material E-Al-MgSi 0,5							
U(max)	12-24 kV	12 kV	17,5–24 kV	36 kV			
	ø Conductor (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)	ø Conductor (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)		
1250 A	40	65	70	40	80		
1600 A	50	75	80	50	90		
2000 A	60	85	90	70/15	110		
2500 A	80/15	105	110	80/15	120		
3150 A	100/15	125	130	100/15	140		
4000 A	120/15	145	150	130/15	170		
5000 A	150/15	175	180	160/15	200		
6500 A	200/15	225	230				

Dimensions for conductor material E-Cu						
U(max)	12–24 kV	12 kV	17,5–24 kV	36 kV		
IN	ø Conductor (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)	ø Conductor (mm)	ø Bus Bar (mm)	
1250 A	33	57	62	33	72	
1600 A	40	65	70	50	90	
2000 A	50	75	80	60	100	
2500 A	70/10	95	100	70/10	110	
3150 A	90/10	115	120	90/10	130	
4000 A	110/10	135	140	110/10	150	
5000 A	140/10	165	170	140/10	180	
6500 A	180/10	205	210	190/10	230	

Other voltages and currents on request.

Quality

Before use in production, the material is subjected to the following tests:

a) Conductor material:

- Measurement of specific resistance b)Insulating paper:
- Verification of purity
- Tearing strength test
- c) Impregnating resin:
- Measurement of viscosity
- Measurement of viscosity increase (with temperature as parameter)
- Measurement of gelation time

The impregnating process is checked by the following measurements:

- Conditioning (degassing) of the resin compound
- Temperature in vacuum kiln
- Continuous evacuation controls
- Gelation temperature and time
- Post-curing temperature and time

In the development stages, general investigations were made and the following was determined:

- Temperature of deflection under load (Martens method)
- Flexural strength
- Deflection
- Impact strength
- Module of elasticity
- Co-efficiency of thermal expansion
- Thermal conductivity

A differential thermal analysis (DTA) and life test was also performed.

Tests

Each bus bar and each connection sleeve is subjected to an electrical routine test, namely:

- Dry power frequency voltage withstand test
- Measurement of partial discharge quantity
- Measurement of capacitance and dielectric dissipation factor (tan δ)



The following type tests have been made:

- Dry power frequency voltage withstand test and measurement of partial discharge quantity
- Dry lighting impulse voltage withstand test
- Dry power frequency voltage withstand test and measurement of partial discharge quantity
- Temperature rise test
- Verification of thermal short-time withstand
- Dry power frequency voltage withstand test and measurement of partial discharge quantity
- Life time test



Ordering Information

Customers are kindly requested to supply the following information in their orders to enable quick processing in the factory:

- Rated voltage
- Rated current
- Short-circuit currents thermal Ith, dynamic Idyn
- Frequency
- Max. ambient temperature
- Conductor material (aluminium, copper)

- Available earthing connection points / facilities
- Definition of bus bar terminal design
- Accurate building drawings including the information of the equipment positions (if available as CAD 2D, 3D files)
- Accurate drawings of the equipment that has to be connected – especially for the bus bar terminal connections (if available as CAD 2D, 3D files)
- Possible fixation installation method (wall, ceiling, floor, steel beam construction)



We look forward to our cooperation with you.



RITZ Product Overview

Medium Voltage Instrument Transformers

up to 72,5 kV

- Indoor and Outdoor
- Metal Clad Design
- Metalized Design
- Explosion Proofed Metering Voltage Transformers for Railway Vehicle
- Sensor Types

Low Voltage Instrument Transformers up to 1,2 kV

Current Transformers for Measuring and Protection Purposes

- Wound primary CT
- Summation CT
- Auxiliary CT • Window type CT • Tube type CT
- CT for switch fuses • Window type CT for high currents
 - Multi-range CT
- Split-core types for earth fault protection Split-core CT

Special Instrument Transformers for Measuring Purposes

- 3-phase CT
- Laboratory Current and Voltage Transformers
- Voltage Transformers

Instrument Transformers for Bill / Tariff Metering Damping Inductance Devices against Ferroresonance

Cast Resin Power Transformers up to 36 kV and 20 MVA

Applications

 Power Distribution Oil Platforms / Vessels

Injection Systems

- Rectifier Drives
- Generator Excitation
- Transmitter Systems
- Grounding Systems • Laboratory Systems • Traction Power Systems (Streetcar, Tram, Metro, Railway)

Electronic Instrument Transformers and Sensor

Voltage-Sensoric

Current-Sensoric

- Voltage up to 90 kV
- Accuracy of 0,2 %
- Accuracy of 0,01 %
- Current up to 24000 A
- Frequency from 0 to 10 kHz
- Frequency from 0 to 10 kHz

Applications

- Power Engineering Grid Analyse Traction Power Distribution Systems
- Protection Technology Elektro-chemistry Switchgear Systems
- Environment Engineering Automobile Industry Research

Customised Cast Resin Parts

• Development and formulation of cast resin moulding materials for electrical applications in low and medium voltage ranges and for electronics. · Design and production of cast resin mouldings e.g. special bushings, fuse housings etc.











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