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Oct. 26th Overview of the Glogal PV Market (14:30-16:30)

GLOBAL OPTIMIZATION OF INTEGRATED PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM FOR LOW ELECTRICITY COST





Overview of the Glogal PV Market



1. Climate Mitigation Scenarios

Outlook of PV capacity at the horizon 2040

2. Global PV Market

PV electricity cost analysis Overview of the industrial upstream sector

3. Technology landscape

From cells and modules to system

4. Positioning GOPV developments

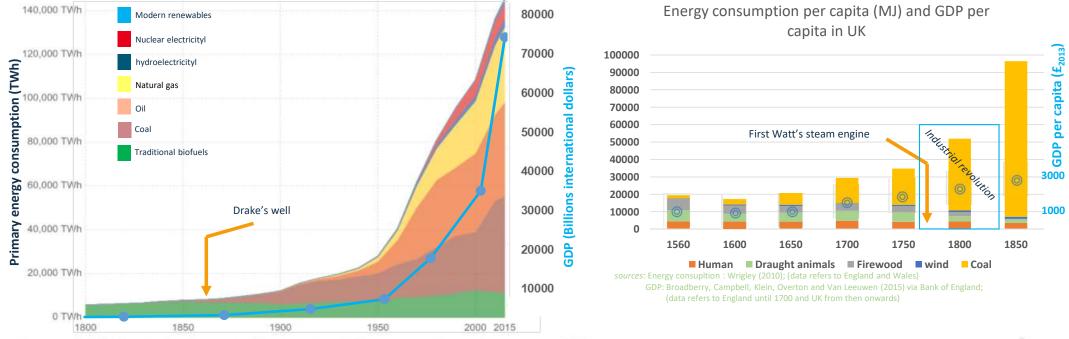


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A brief history of energy consumption and GDP

World energy consumption and GDP growth



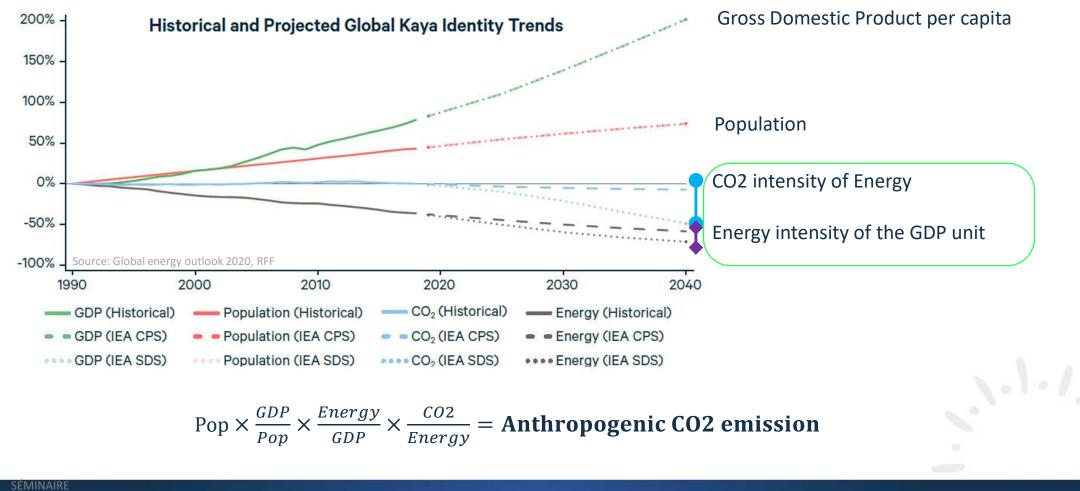
Source: Vaciav Smil (2017), Energy Transitions: Global and National Perspectives OurWorldInData.org/energy-production-and-changing-energy-sources/ • CC BY-SA

- GDP growth and energy consumption are intimately linked
- Abundant and cheap energy is the engine of GDP growth

How to maintain GDP growth while preserving the planet?



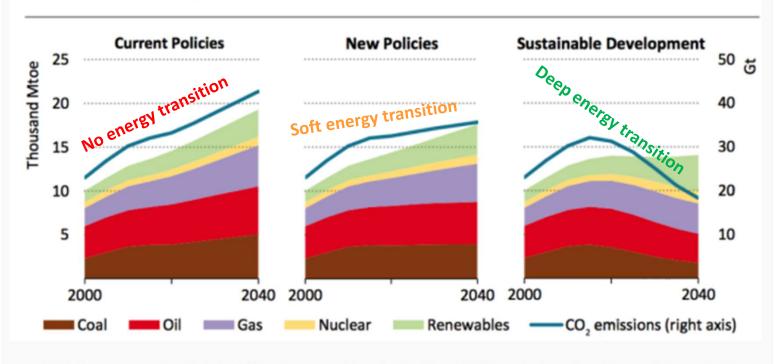
GHG emission driving factors: the Kaya decomposition



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The Energy transition: Three main scenarios

Figure 2.9 World primary energy demand by fuel and energy-related CO₂ emissions by scenario

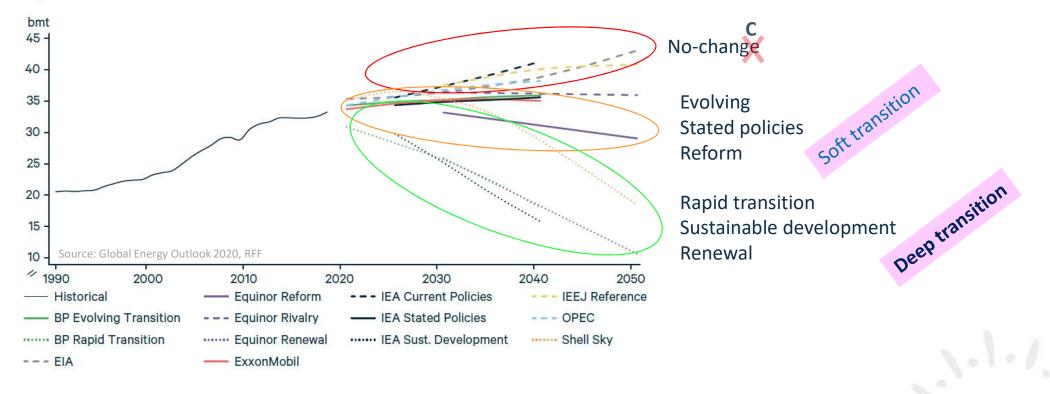


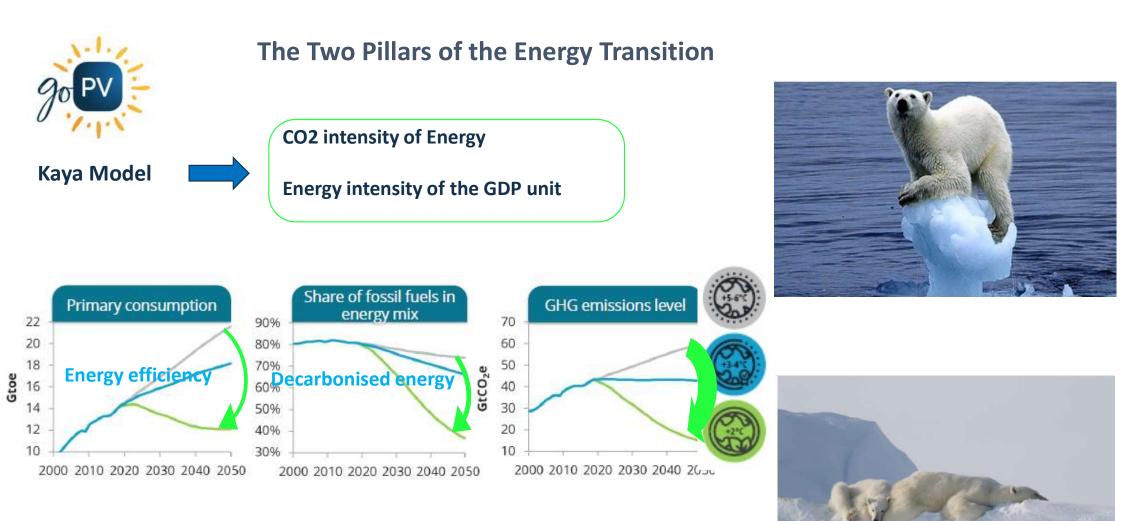
Global energy use by fuel (in billion tonnes oil equivalent) and CO2 emissions (in gigatons) from 2000 through 2040 for each of the three scenarios. Figure 2.9 from the IEA's 2017 World Energy Outlook.



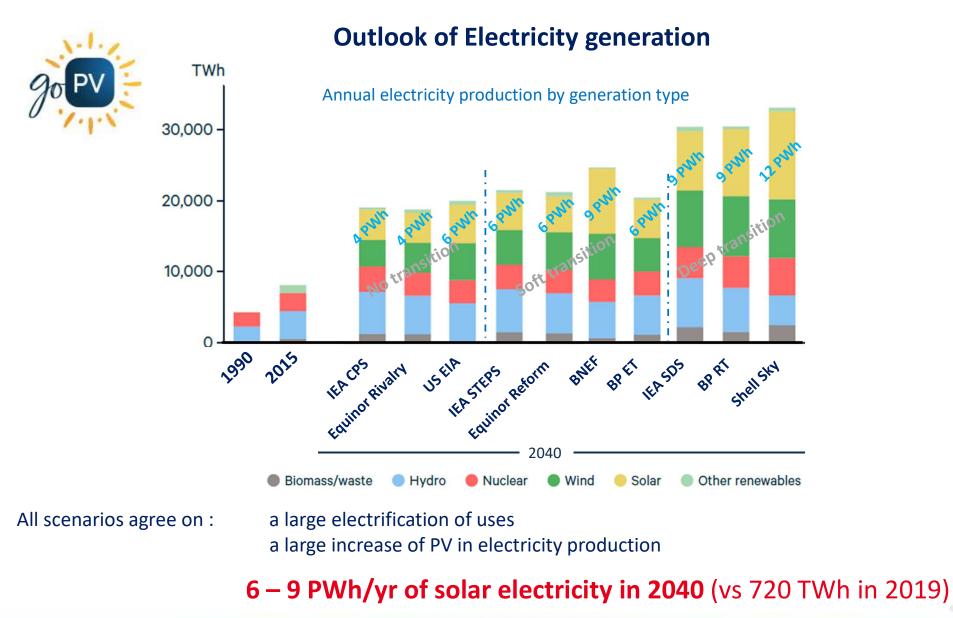
Overview of popular models of energy outlook

Figure 2. Global Net Carbon Dioxide Emissions



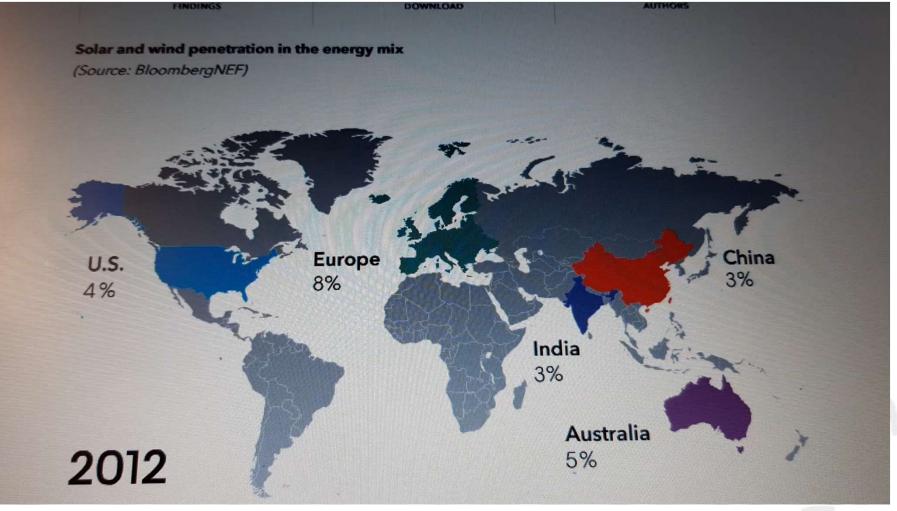


Energy Efficiency AND Renewables





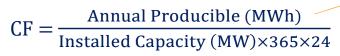
Deployment of Renewables : Solar and Wind



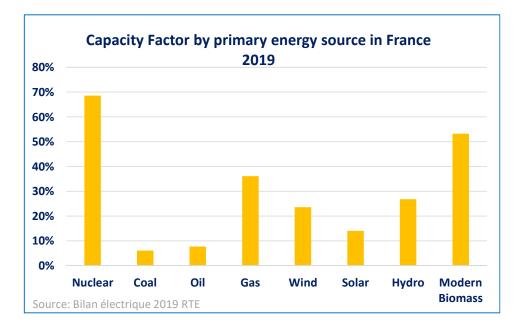


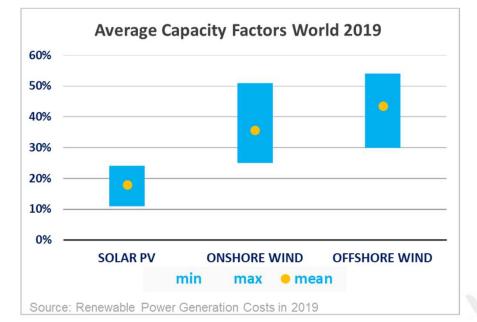
Power Generation and Installed Capacity

Capacity Factor



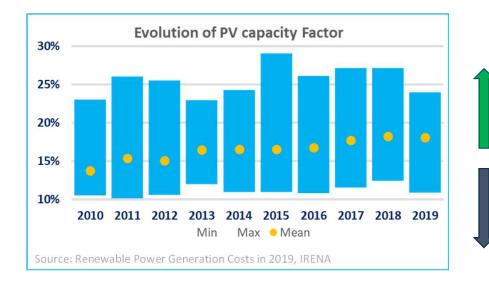
Depends on: Localisation (resource, weather) type of use (base or make-up)





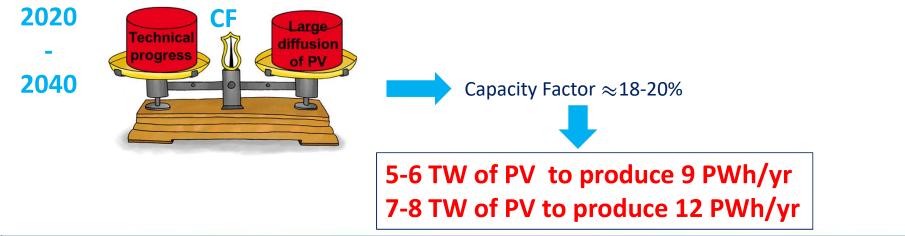


Evolution of PV Capacity Factor



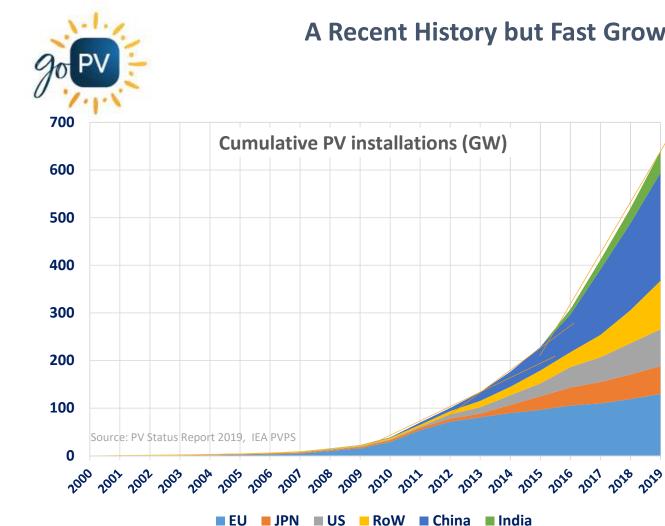
More PV in sunnier areas Technical progress on PV components Improved energy availabity of PV plants

Installations in less favourable areas (Large diffusion of PV around the world)





GLOBAL PV MARKET

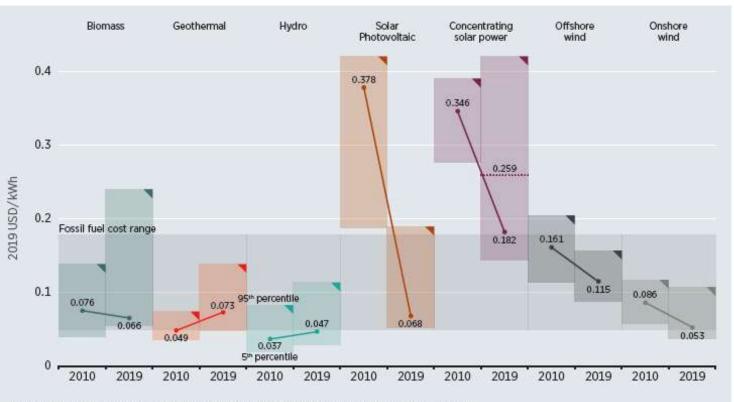


A Recent History but Fast Growing PV Market

- 600 GW of PV installed in 2019 •
- Accelerated growth since 2013 China took the lead in annual growth
- In 2016, India and RoW joined •

PV is a cost competitive technology

LCOE of Utility-Scale Renewable Energy Sources 2010 and 2019

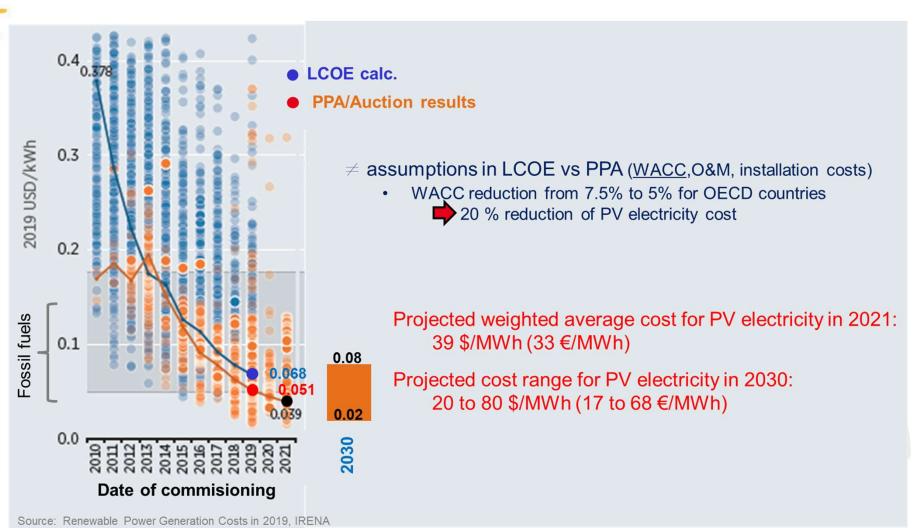


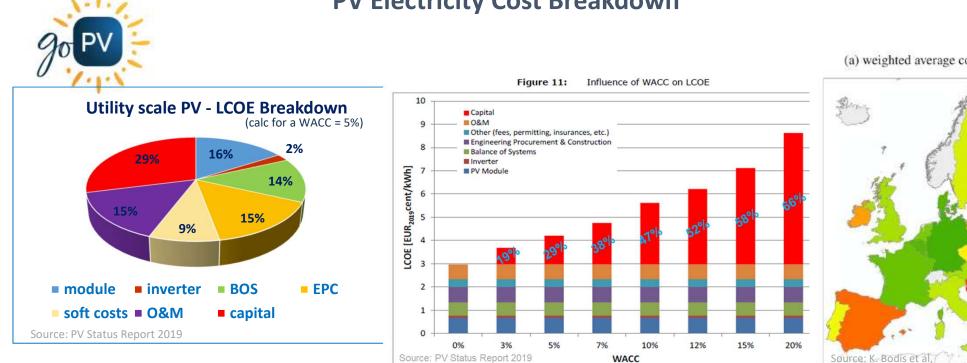
Note: For CSP, the dashed bar in 2019 shows the weighted average value including projects in Israel. Source: Renewable Power Generation Costs in 2019, IRENA $LCOE = \frac{Total \ cost \ for \ the \ whole \ PV \ plantlifetime}{Total \ energy \ production \ for \ the \ whole \ PV \ plantlifetime}$ $PV \ electricty \ cost \ decreased \ by >80\%$ from 2010

PV is at the lower range of fossil fuel electricity generation, below 60 €/MWh (calculated with a WACC of 7,5%)



Recent PV Cost Evolution and Short Term Outlook





PV Electricity Cost Breakdown

System cost accounts for 56% of LCOE

Large impact of Financing of utility scale projects on LCOE

Inceasing development of PV and maturity



Inflation rate

Risk assessment (technical, geo-political, ..) •

Decreasing WACC

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 \approx 5% for OECD countries in 2020

(a) weighted average cost of capital (WACC)

Renew. Sust. Energy Rev., 114 (2019) 109309

WACC [%]

3.0

35

5.0

5.7

6.0

364

2.0

7.4 7.5

5.0

81 8.7

9.0

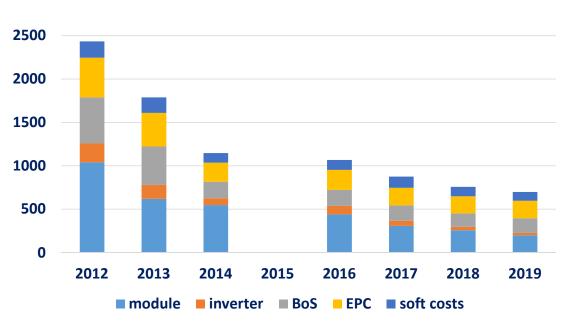
-65



3000

Evolution of PV System cost

PV system cost (€2019/kW)



	Cost decrease 2012 → 2019
Module	-81%
Inverter	-87%
BOS	-68%
EPC	-56%
Soft Costs	-45%
Total PV system	-71%

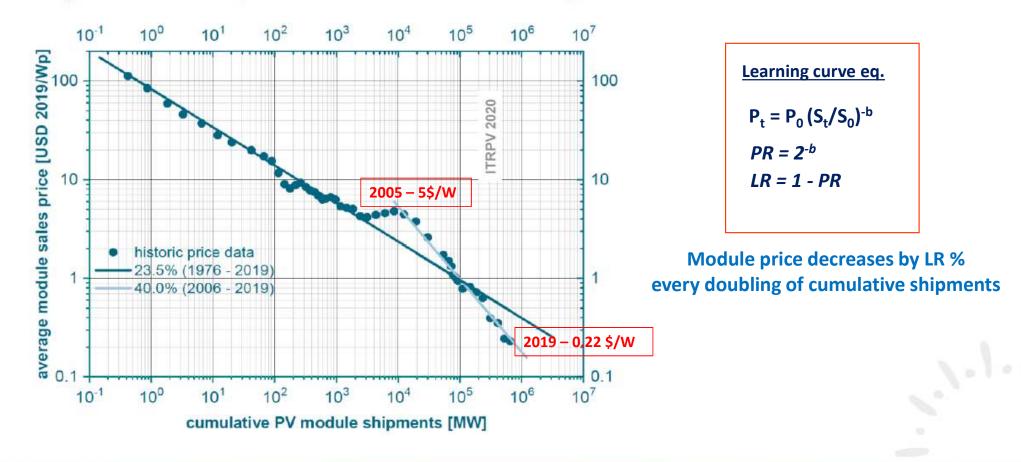
Source: PV Status Reports 2012-2019

PV components price fall drives the competitivity of solar PV



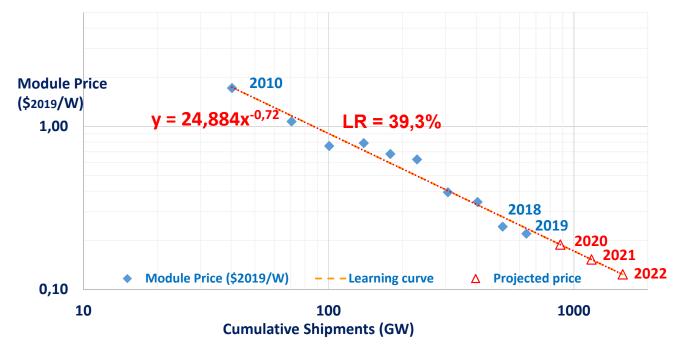
Evolution of PV Component's price Illustrated by the Module Learning Curve

Learning curve for module price as a function of cumulative shipments





Module price learning curve

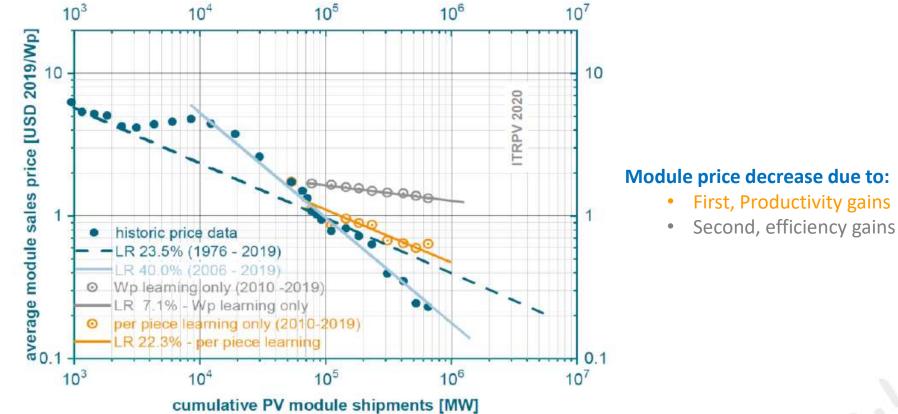


1 TW of installed PV possible in 2021

!! Module at 0.15 – 0.16 \$/W !!



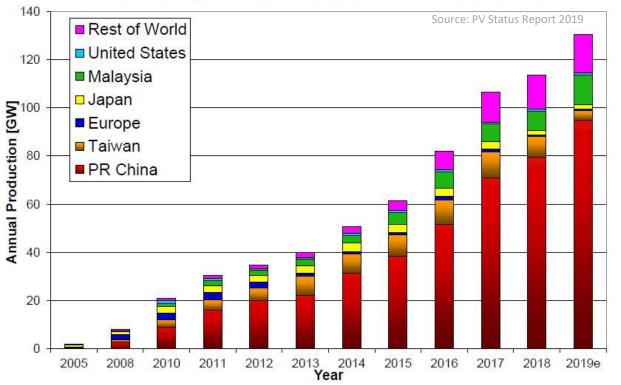
Analysis of the module learning curve





PV Market Analysis: Production and Production Capacity

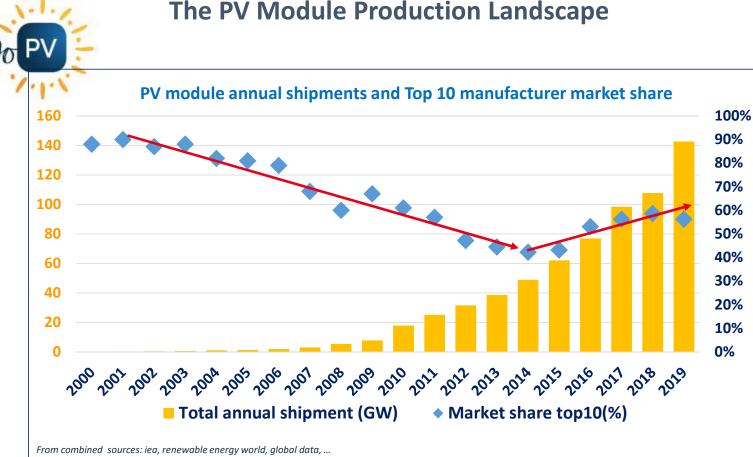
World PV cell/module production from 2005 to 2019 (estimate)



Continuous increase of the PV module production China + South Asia dominate the production EU accounts for 3% of module production

Development of production capacities covering the whole value chain:

- Polysilicon
- Ingot-wafer
- Cell
- Module
- Inverter



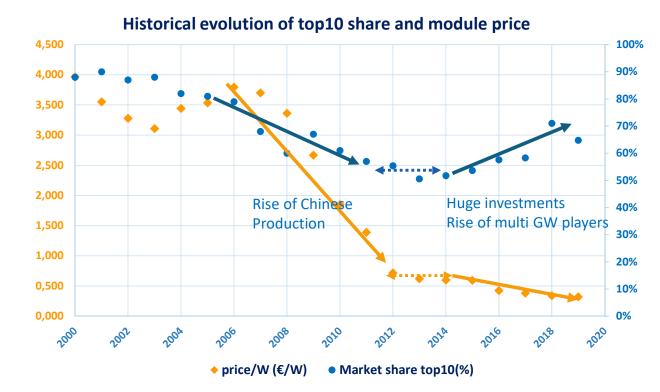
Ranking	Company	2019 shipments (GW)		
1	Jinko Solar	14,2		
2	JA Solar	10,3		
3	Trina Solar	9,7		
4	Longi Solar	9		
5	Canadian Solar	8,5		
6	Hanwha Q Cells	7,3		
7	Risen energy	7		
8	First Solar	5,5		
9	GCL	4,8		
10	Shungfeng	4		

From 2014, strong market consolidation **Rise of players > 10 GW** Vertically integrated manufacturers dominate the market

The PV Module Production Landscape



PV Module Price and production landscape



- Very large production plants are being developed in China
- Economy of scale allows production cost reduction
- Fast Investment pace push the upcoming of newest technologies



Vertical integration

Company	module	ents 2010		neot w	ster ce	i N	odule	het Dev.
Jinko Solar	14,2	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
JA Solar	10,3	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	
Trina Solar	9,7	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	+trackers, inverters
Longi Solar	9	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Canadian Solar	8,5	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Hanwha Q Cells	7,3	GW	-	1	Х	Х	Х	+ polysilicon
Risen energy	7	GW	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	
First Solar	5,5	GW	NA	NA	NA	Х	Х	
GCL	4,8	GW	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	+ polysilicon
Shunfeng	4	GW	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	

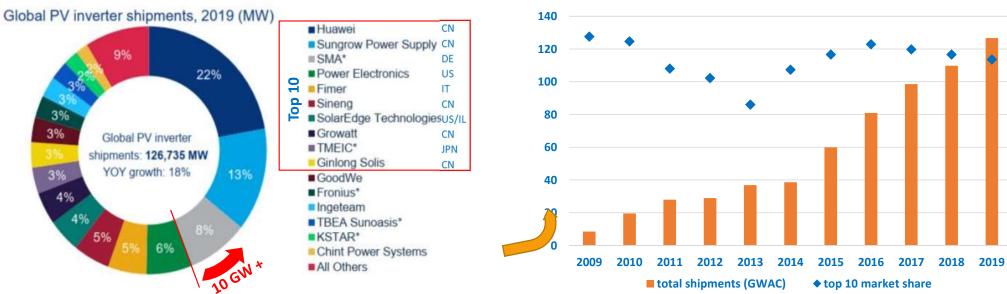
Etc....

Most important PV players have chosen to be vertically integrated





The Inverter Market



Annual Inverter Shipments and Top 10 Market Share

90%

80%

70%

60%

50%

40%

30%

20%

10%

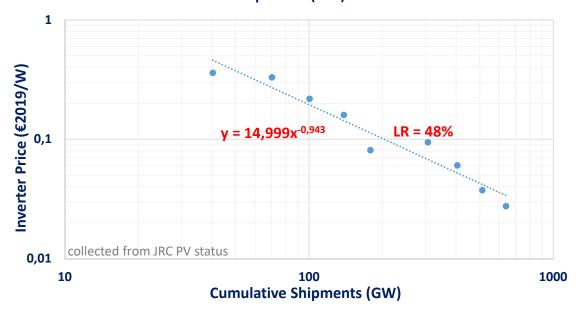
0%

From 2013, fast market consolidation 3 players > 10GW 5/10 top players outside China



The Inverter Learning Curve

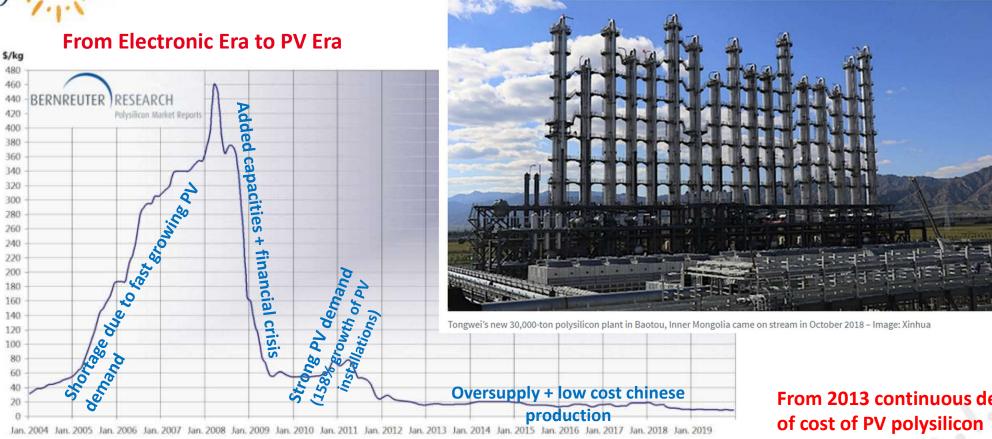
Evolution of Central Inverter Price (€2019) vs Cumulative Shipments (GW)



Not as much analyses compared to modules but an even faster cost decrease



The Polysilicon Market



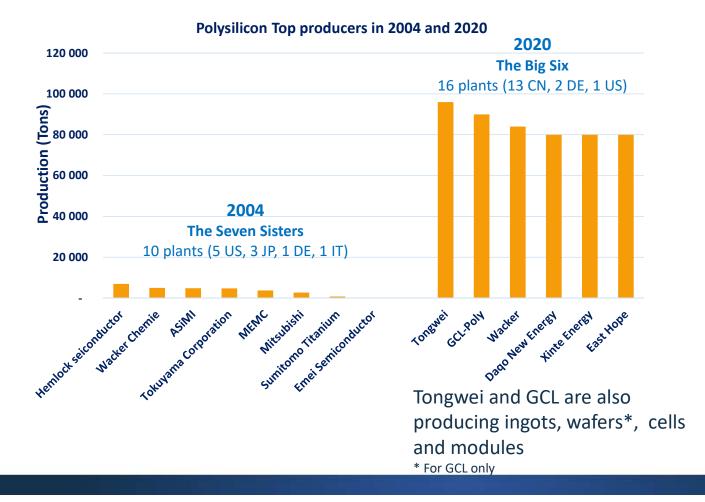
The polysilicon shortage from 2004 to 2008 drove the spot price to astronomic heights above \$400/kg before it crashed down to \$55/kg within 15 months - Data sources: UBS/BNEF/PVinsights (2004 - 2010), EnergyTrend (2011 - 2019); Chart: Bernreuter Research

From 2013 continuous decline



Polysilicon:

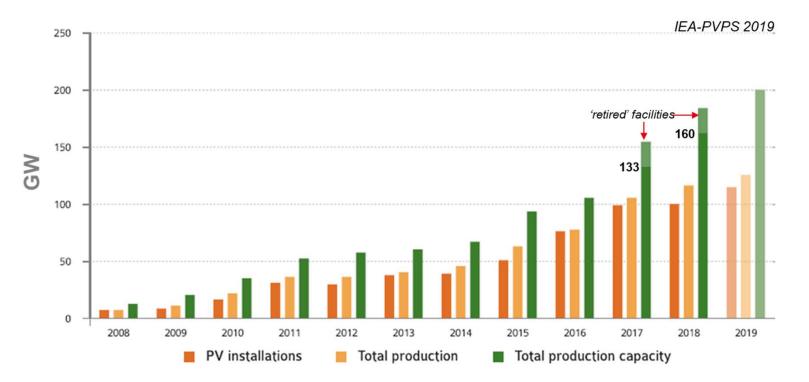
From western production for electronics to eastern production for PV





PV market analysis and forecast

E 4.8: YEARLY PV INSTALLATION, PV PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION CAPACITY 2008 - 2019 (GW)



A PV market characterized by long lasting production over-capacities The general trend to over-capacities will continue to put pressure on prices



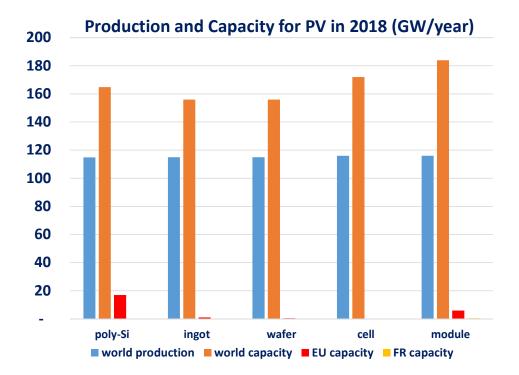


PV market analysis and forecast

Production and Capacity for PV in 2018 (GW/year)

	poly-Si	ingot	wafer	cell	module
World production	115	115	115	116	116
World capacity	165	156	156	172	184
EU capacity	17	1,1	0,5	0,2	6
FR capacity	-	0,25	0,05	-	1

Source: IEA-PVPS Trends in photovoltaic applications – 2019 and CEA



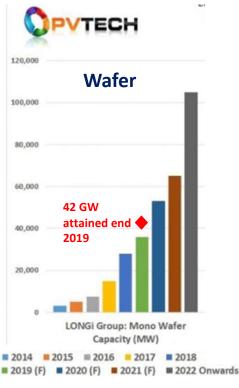
Production over-capacities in the whole upstream PV sector Less competitive fabs are retired (ex : OCI closed its Korean fab of PV Poly-Silicon)

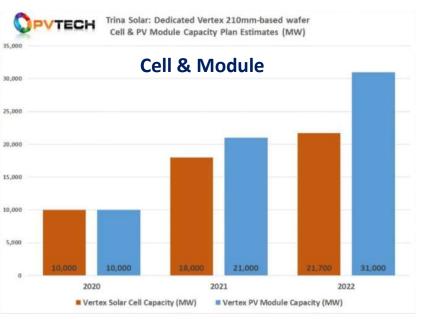
Continuing Investment Dynamic in China

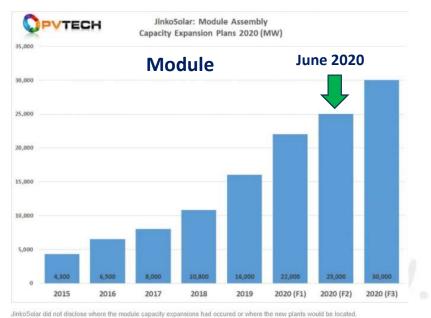
source: PV Tech210 mm182 mmCell Expansion Capacity
Announced in 2020120 GW90 GW

A new investment dynamic caused by the increase in wafer size

Few examples:







Trina Solar noted that according to its strategic plan, PV module production capacity would not be less than 50GW at the end of 2021.

Announced capacity expansions to continue with price pressure

PV industry development and climate mitigation target



Deep Transition / Sustainable scenario

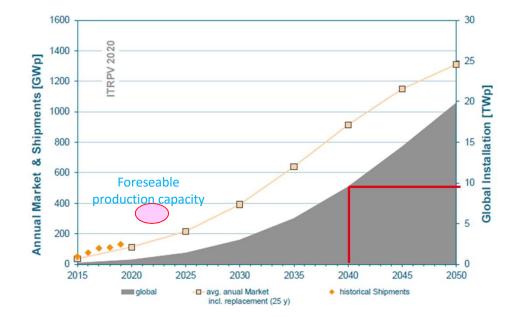


5-6 TW of PV to produce 9 PWh/yr 7-8 TW of PV to produce 12 PWh/yr

Outlook of annual installation rate for a scenario at 10 TW of installed capacity

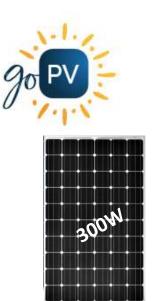


Progressive scenario (all sectors)



PV industry has a development pace above the requirements to fulfil the sustainable development scenarios

Fig. 86: Scenario 2: annual PV market and corresponding cummulated global installation of 19.8 TWp installed PV in 2050 including replacements after 25 years, acording to [37].

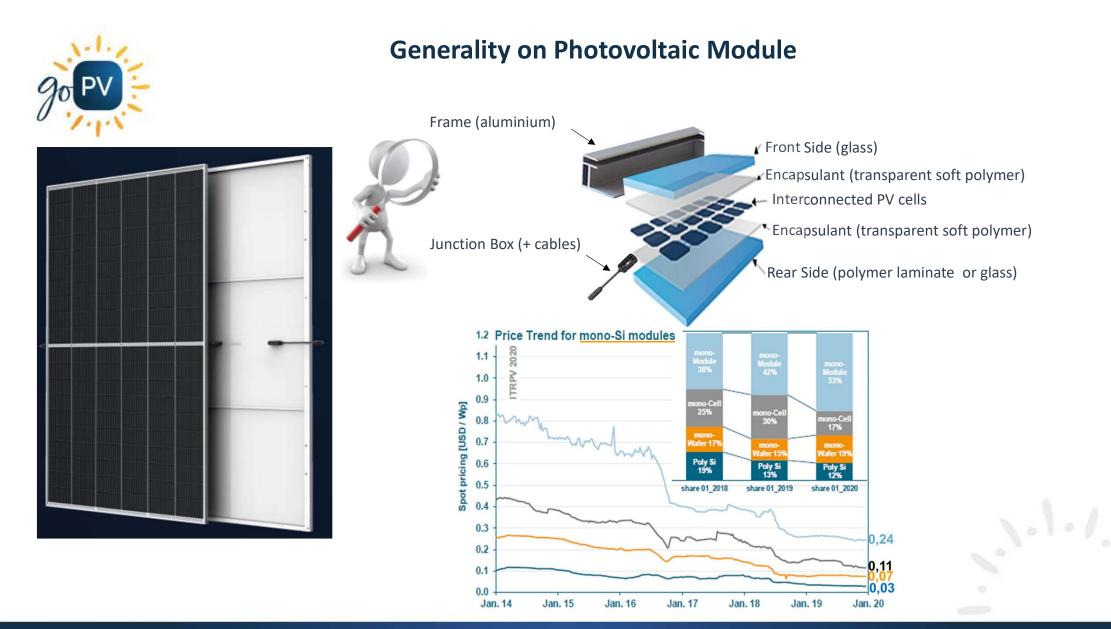


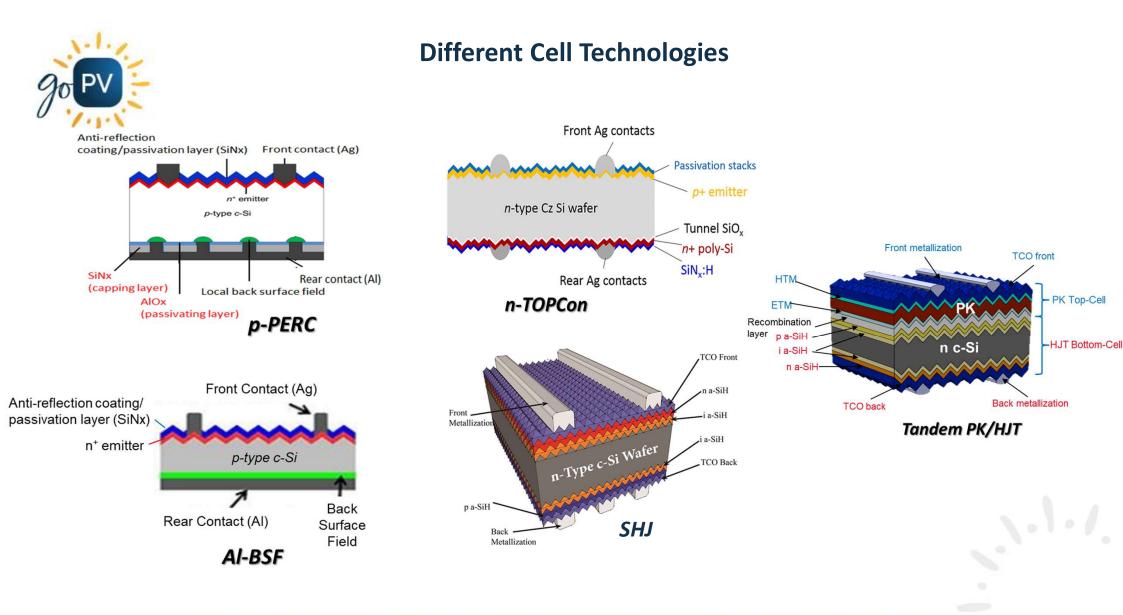


GLOBAL PV MARKET TECHNOLOGY LANDSCAPE



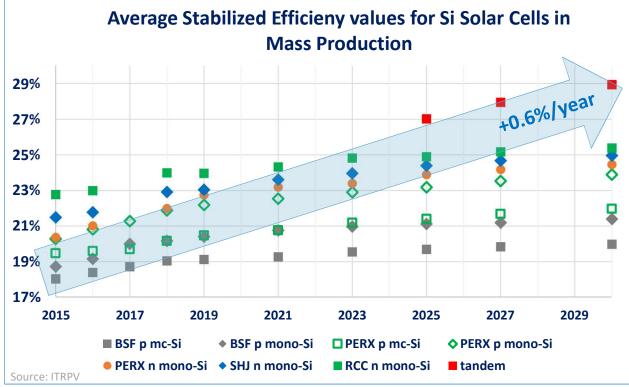








Cell efficiency global trend



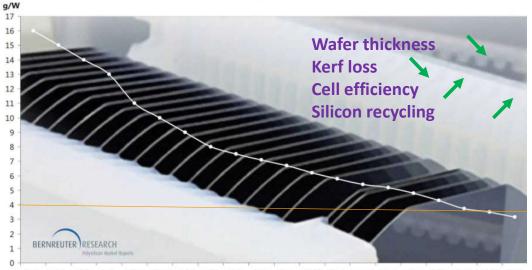
Continuous improvement of average cell efficiency causes turnover in dominant cell technology



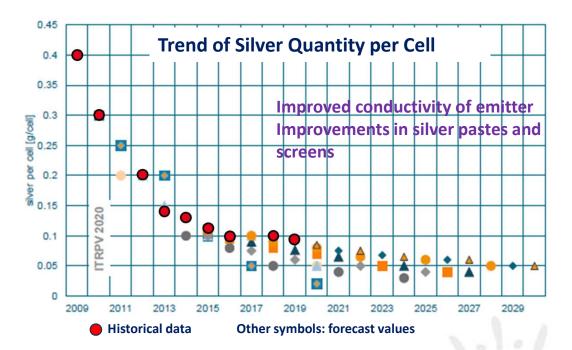
Decreasing Use of Raw Materials for Cost Reduction

Silicon

Specific silicon consumption for solar cells in grams per watt between 2001 and 2020



2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 Technical progress in wafer production and continuous improvement of solar cell efficiencies have steadily reduced the specific silicon consumption in grams per watt (g/W) of solar cell power – Image: Zhonghuan Semiconductor; Chart: Bernreuter Research

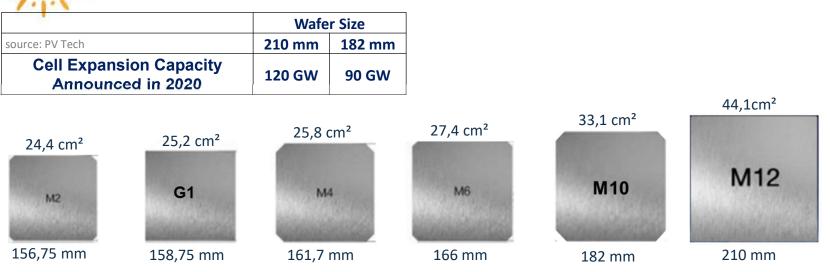


Silver

Material efficiency is continuously improving key to reduce cost and environmental impact



The Revolution of Large Area Wafers and 500W+ (and beyond) Modules



- G1 wafer = industry standard in 2020; M2 fast decline
- 166 mm (M6) launched by Longi mid 2019
- 210 mm (G12) launched by TZS in Aug 2019
- 182 mm (M10) adopted by 7 leading companies in June 2020
- 210 mm supported through the creation of 600W+ Photovoltaic Open Innovation Ecological Alliance (57 members in sept. 2020)

Four main wafer sizes will coexist in the next fex years:

G1, M6, M10, G12

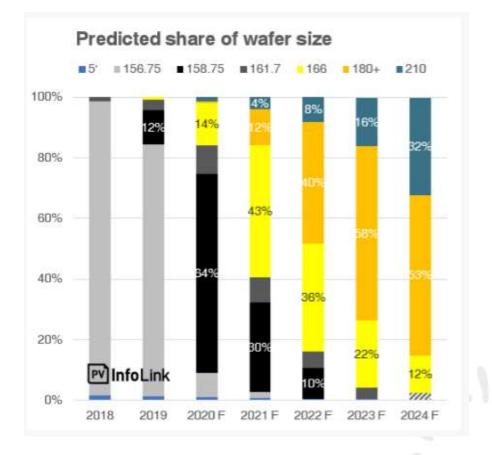


What size of wafers for high power modules?

Industrial move very recent, many options on the table Evolution difficult to predict

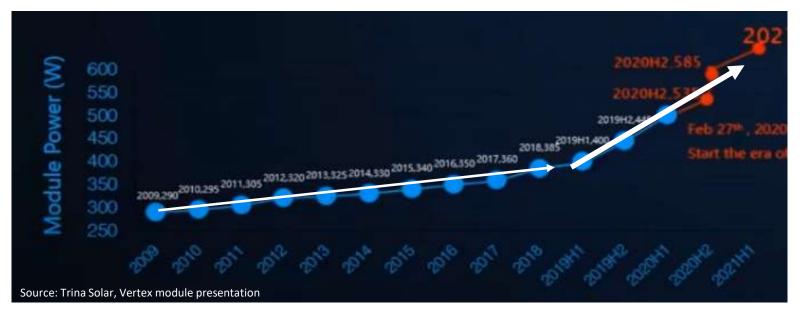
Possible scenario

- 1. 2019-2020: M2 (previous std for decades) rapidly declines
- 2. 2020-2022: G1 and M6 are transitory industrial solutions (compatible with present production lines)
- 3. From 2022 : M10 and G12 coexist as market std (new production lines to be fabricated and started)





The Push to High Power Modules



From 2019 H1, boom in module power increase General trend followed by all tier 1 module manufacturers Targeted market: Power plants





Some 500W+ modules

Company	Product	Cell Technology	Wafer Size mm	Cell format	n° equiv, Full cells	Module output W	Efficiency %	area m²
Trina Solar	Vertex	PERC	210	1/3 cut	50	505	21.1	2.39
JinkoSolar	Tiger Pro	PERC	182	1/2 cut	72	540	21.3	2.53
Longi Solar	Hi-MO 5	PERC	182	1/2 cut	72	540	21.1	2.56
Maxeon	Performance 5	PERC	210	shingled	57,1	545	21.1	2.58
Canadian Solar	HiKu6	PERC	182	1/2 cut	72	545	21.3	2.56
JA Solar	DeepBlue 3,0	PERC	182	1/2 cut	72	545	21.1	2.59
Talesun	BISTAR PRO	PERC	182	1/2 cut	72	545	21	2.59
Risen	TITAN +	PERC	210	1/2 cut	55	550	21	2.61
Trina Solar	Vertex	PERC	210	1/2 cut	55	550	21.2	2.61
JinkoSolar	Tiger Pro	PERC	182	1/2 cut	78	585	21.4	2.73
Canadian Solar	HiKu6	PERC	182	1/2 cut	78	590	21.3	2.77
Talesun	Bistar Pro	PERC	182	1/2 cut	78	590	21	2.81
Risen	TITAN +	PERC	210	1/2 cut	60	600	21.2	2.83
Trina Solar	Vertex	PERC	210	1/2 cut	60	605	21.4	2.83
JinkoSolar	Tiger Pro TR	TOPCon	182	1/2 cut	78	610	22.3	2.73
Jolywood	Niwa Super	TOPCon	210	1/2 cut	78	615	22.1	2.78
JA Solar	JumboBlue	PERC	210	1/3 cut	80	800	20.5	3.92

- 21%+ for PERC modules ; 22%+ for premium TOPCon modules
- Size of modules from 2.5 up to 2.8 m²

Utility-scale powerplant market :Obj = reduction of LCOE

How High Power Modules Reduce LCOE

Some presentations available: JA Solar: <u>https://www.pv-tech.org/products/ja-solars-deepblue-3.0-panels-drive-pv-power-plant-lcoe-down-to-new-levels</u> Trina Solar: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWuenRVdGIo</u> Longi: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V76nPJvRQCg</u> Jinko: https://www.pv-tech.org/products/jinkosolars-tiger-pro-modules-designed-to-lead-lcoe-reductions-with-max-580

LCOE = Cost (Module + e-BOS + s-BOS + EPC + Soft + O&M) – residual value Producible

Qualitative impacts of high power modules on power plant LCOE

Module	lower cost per Watt	higher producible	
e-BOS	less cables	less combiner boxes	less inverters (when lower Voc)
s-BOS	less mounting structures	less land use	more costly fasteners
EPC	less labour (construction/installation)		
O&M	less components		

High power modules

Large area High voltage or High current

Compatibilty issues with rest of PV components:

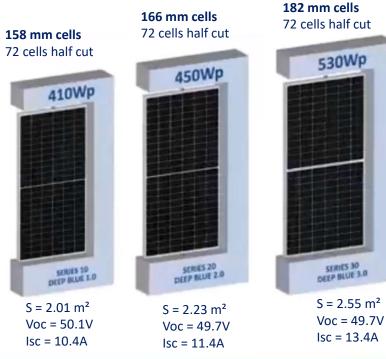
Tracker (or fixed structure) Inverter



Assessment of LCOE gains

Highly dependant on hypotheses (module, plant location, fixed/tracker, monofacial/bifacial, etc) Calculations made by module producers Values to be considered as a trend

Study case 1: Deep blue series from JA Solar



72 cells half cut

	53	oW
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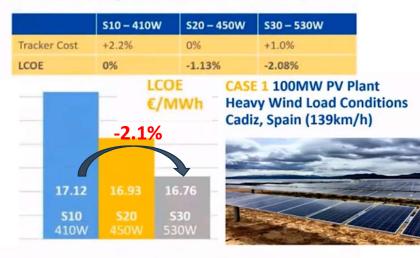
PLANT CHARACTERISTICS

- Same Peak Power 127MWp (106MWn)
- 2P tracker
- String Inverter
- Price parity on modules

	S10 – 410W	S20 – 450W	S30 – 530W
Module Dimensions	2015 x 996 x 40 mm	2120 x 1052 x 40 mm	2260 x 1120 x 40 mm
Number of Modules	311,561	283,989	241,000
Modules Increment	0	-27,572 pcs	-70,561 pcs
Area	154 Ha	153 Ha	141 Ha
Area Increment	0.0%	-0.65%	-8.44%
Number of Trackers	3,462	3,155	2,678
Tracker Increment	0.0%	-8.85%	-22.65%



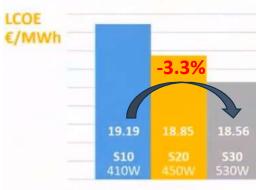
CASE 1 Heavy Wind Load Conditions



- Edge trackers are shorters to comply with EUROCODE
- Fasteners shall be longer to whitstand same mechanical loads

CASE 2 Normal Wind Load Conditions

	510 - 410W	S20 - 450W	530 - 530W
Tracker Cost	+10.9%	+3.9%	0%
LCOE	0%	-1.78%	-3.29%



CASE 2 100MW PV Plant Normal Wind Load Conditions Fortaleza, Brasil (108km/h)

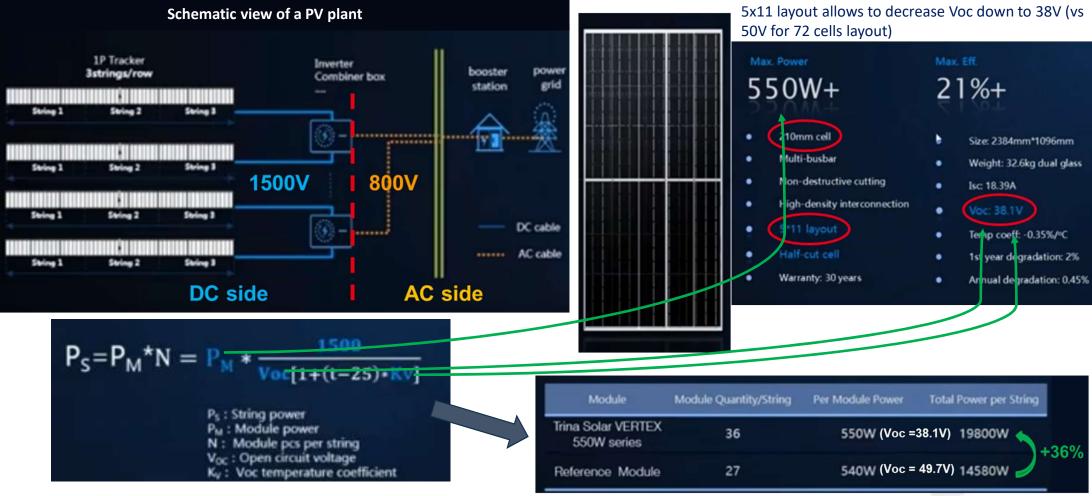


Same length of external/internal trackers

- Massive tracker cost savings
- Less CAPEX improving LCOE



Study case 2: Low voltage Vertex module from Trina Solar







Project site : Texas, US Latitude: 34.36° Longitude: -99.89°

Annual GHI: 1,865 kWh/m2 Average temperature: 17.5*C

Project size : 100MW

String inverter, 1P tracker design

Module price is assumed to be the same for comparison.

Bi-facial	535	545	
String	26pcs/String	35pcs/String	
BOS \$/kwh	0.6015	0.5625	
BOS	Base case	-6.49%	
LCOE \$/kwh	0.0434	0.0418	
LCOE	Base case	-3.78%	

"The result is highly dependent on the input assumptions, and should not be taken as a guidance for specific projects

Combining savings from high power and low voltage





Massive adoption of large area wafers and high power modules by PV industry will contribute to further decrease LCOE of PV plants ...

It requires adaptations/modifications of:





.... Bifaciality and high efficiency matter also

Mono-Cz Ingot pullers and wafering equipments Cell and module fab lines Glass and foil sizes Mounting structures Fasteners Inverters Plant design Installation procedures



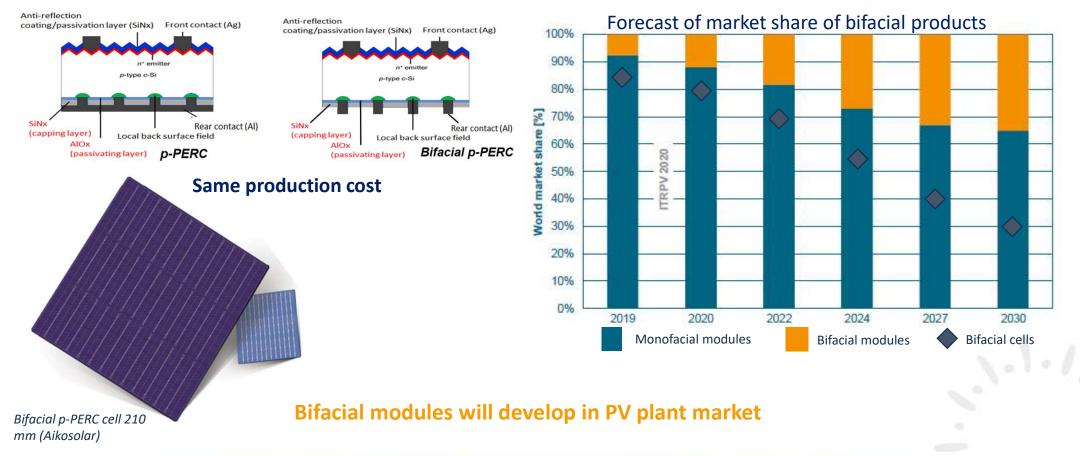


How high-powered modules enhance your solar investment Thursday, 29 October 2020



Bifacial Cells and Modules

PERC cell structure makes bifaciality easy





What bifacial gain can be expe

C. Deline et al, PVSC-46, Chicago, IL 2019

Bifacial Plus Tracking Boosts Solar Energy Yield by 27 Percent

Recent testing shows bifacial PERC modules can significantly increase energy yields.

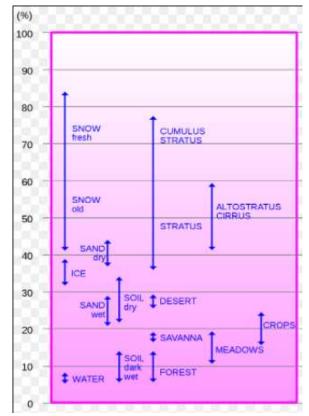
GTM CREATIVE STRATEGIES APRIL 18. 2018



Bifacial energy gain BG_E = $E_{Bifacial}/E_{Mono} - 1$ = ??

Many values circulate (too optimistic?) Depending on irradiation cdts and albedo

albedo of various surfaces



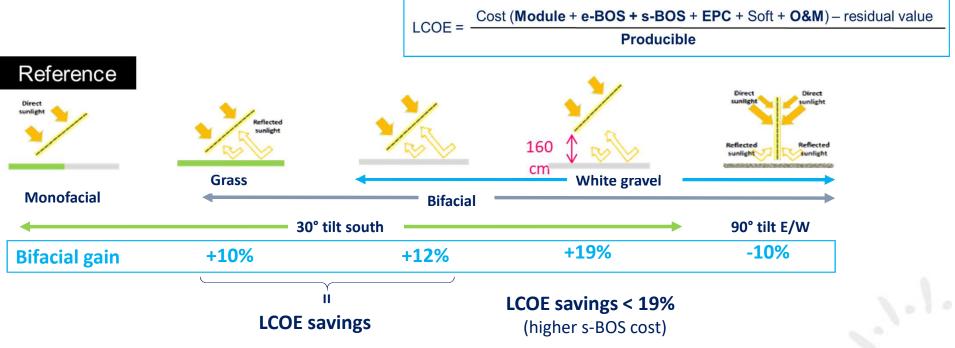


Bifacial gain assessment

Bifacial gain measured at INES on 3kW systems

fixed mounting

1 year measurements





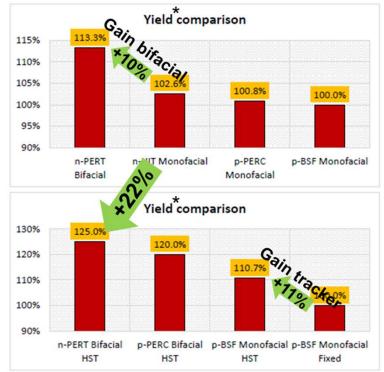
Bifacial + tracker gain

Combining bifacial gain and tracking gain? At what extent?

Longi has communicated on 27% overall gain when combining bifacial PERC modules and 1 axis tracker (HSAT)



- Use Jolywood bifacial n-PERT modules
- Yield=power generation/installed capacity



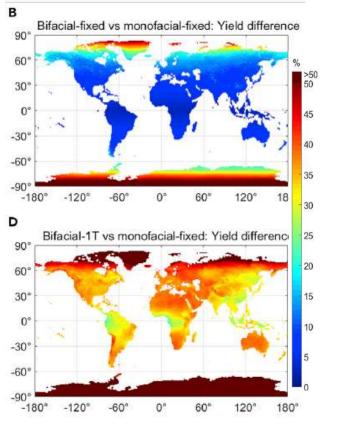
*(Normalized kWh/kW)

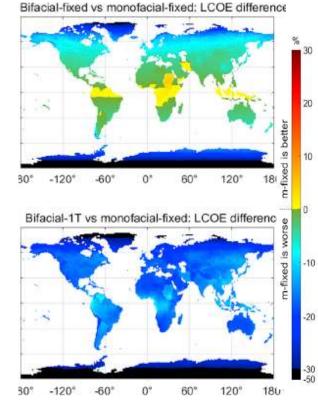
Bifacial and tracking gains add up

go PV -

Global implementation of 'bifacial + tracking' solution

Recent study: Rodriguez-Gallegos et al. Joule 4, 1514-1541 (2020)



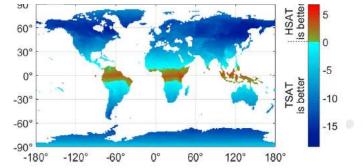


Bifacial + Tracking can

- boost yield by up to 35%
- lower LCOE by up to 20%

Tilted single axis trackers overperform horizontal trackers except close to equator

Bifacial TSAT vs bifacial HSAT: Energy yield difference

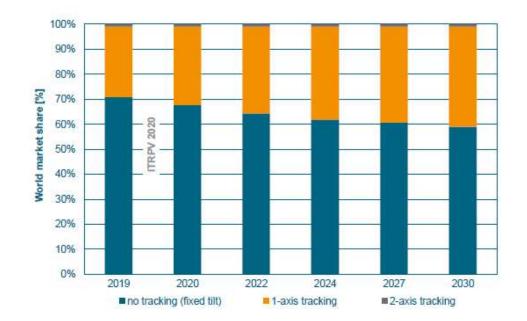


Specific site characteristics can modify deeply the simulation results



Solar Tracker's Market Outlook

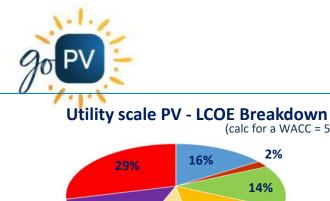
Tracking systems for c-Si PV



1-axis tracking has a market share of 30%

Share of 40% is projected for 2030

(appears conservative when looking on potential gains)



14% 15% 15% 9% module ■ inverter BOS **EPC** soft costs ■ O&M capital Source: PV Status Report 2019

Target

change)

0.38 €/W

Target

1 year

10 c€/W/year

0.02 €/kWh

Annual energy production rate 2360 kWh (AC)/KW

GOPV quantified objectives at system level

35 years (1 inverter

(calc for a WACC = 5%)

2%

Positioning GOPV Developments

GOPV General/societal objectives

- Reduction of the cost of PV electricity for increasing its • competitiveness and its share in the European electricity mix
- Creation of added value for European industrial players to be • competitive on the global market

Development of advanced components

Baseline (§2.1.1)	GOPV Gain	PV plant cost element	GOPV developed component	Main characteristics	Targeted cost	Targeted lifetime
1700 kWh(AC)/kWp	+39 %	Manhala			0.226/04	25
25 years (2 inverter		Module	Bifacial HJT modules	400W + bifaciality \geq 90%	0,22€/W	35 years
changes)	+10 years	Tracker	1 axis tracker	Built with alternative materials to hot dip galvanized Steel	0,11€/W	35 years
0.47 €/W [9]	- 0.09 €/W					
12 c€/W/year	- 2 c€/ kWp/year	Inverter	SiC based string inverter	166 kVA + Energy efficiency \geq 99%	0,04€/W	17.5 years
Baseline	GOPV Gain					
0.04 €/kWh	- 0,02 €/kWh	0&M	Advanced fault detection	Energy availability ≥ 99.5%	10k€/MW/Year	-
1.4 years	-40 %		& diagnostics tool			

for GHI= 1900 kWh/m²/year

Underlying objectives

Service lifetime

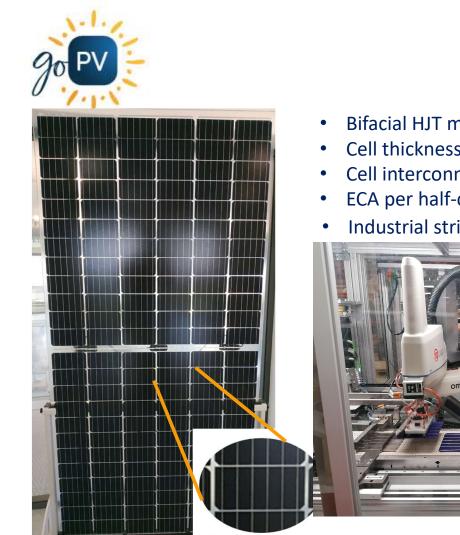
CAPEX (excl. EPC)

Overall objectives

EPBT (module)

OPEX

LCOE

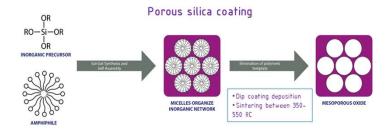


GOPV Module

- Bifacial HJT module 72 cells layout (M2): 370W
- Cell thickness: 120 μm ; Ag per cell: 140 mg; 6 BB
- Cell interconnection by glueing technology
- ECA per half-cell: 30 mg (ribbon width: 0.8 mm)
- Industrial stringer prototype



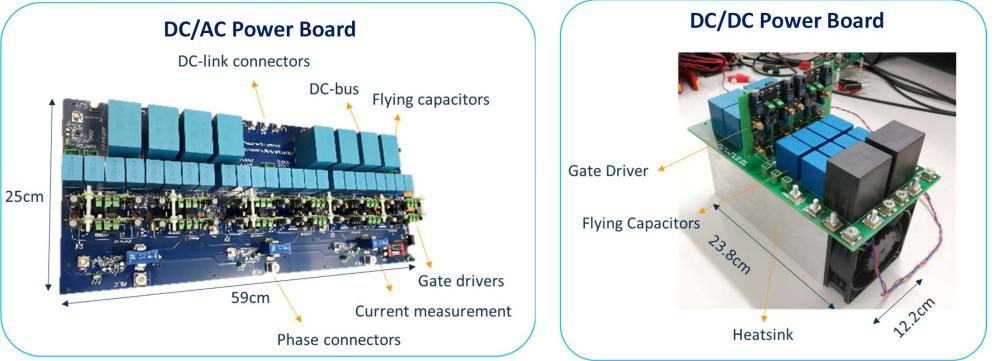
- **Glass-glass encapsulation**
- AR/AS coating : Closed-cell mesoporous silica





GOPV Inverter

166kVA multi-MPPT Inverter base on Flying Capacitor topology



Up to 1500V_{OC} PV string, inject full power on 800V 3~ grid (600V and 690V 3~ grids @ reduced power) Multi MPPT: 2 PV strings per MPPT, 8 MPPT in parallel (=16 strings) Integrate SiC devices



GOPV Tracker



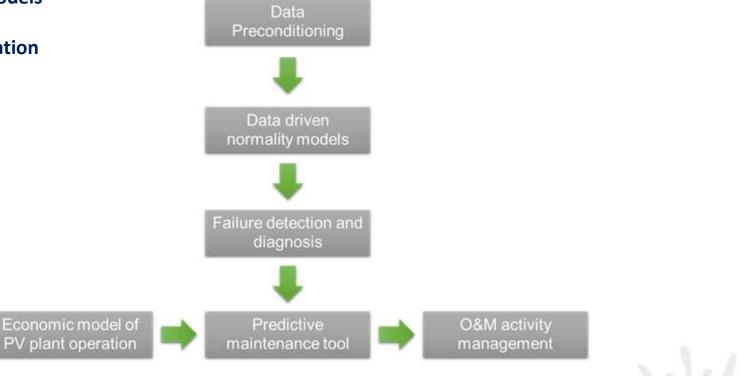
2P 1-axis tracker (HSAT) 28 modules /tracker

Tracker structure from Weathering Steel (vs Hot Dip Galvanized steel for std) Module support from WS and/or GFRP (Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer) Structural behaviour validated by wind tunnel tests



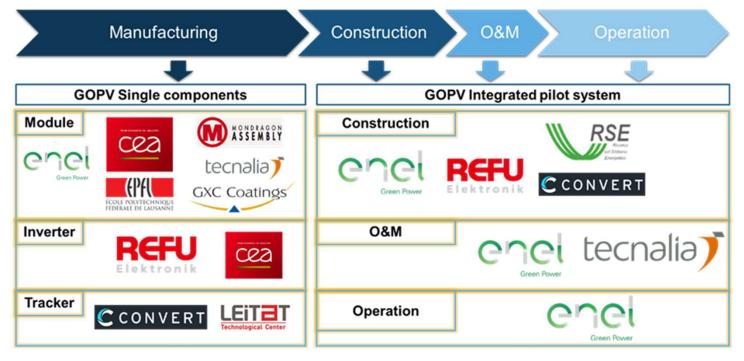
GOPV O&M Toolkit

- Failure detection and diagnosis models
- Predictive maintenance tool
- Economic model of PV plant operation





GOPV Partnership





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