Solar Thermal & Photovoltaics: technology and market developments - the role of Germany

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Outline

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- 1. Germany growth dynamics of the solar thermal market
- 2. Concentrating Solar Power CSP
- Germany growth dynamics of the world's largest PV market
- 4. PV Market challenges ahead
- 5. Innovation & emerging technologies
- 6. Fostering an international learning process

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German Solar Industry Association

Bundesverband Solarwirtschaft – BSW-Solar

TASK Represent the German solar industry in the solar thermal energy and photovoltaics sectors

VISION A worldwide sustainable energy supply provided by solar energy

ACTIVITIES Lobbying, political advice, public relations, market observation, standardization

TIME Over 25 years of activity in the solar energy sector

MEMBERS More than 600 solar producers, suppliers, wholesalers, installers and other companies active in the solar business

HEADQUARTERS Berlin

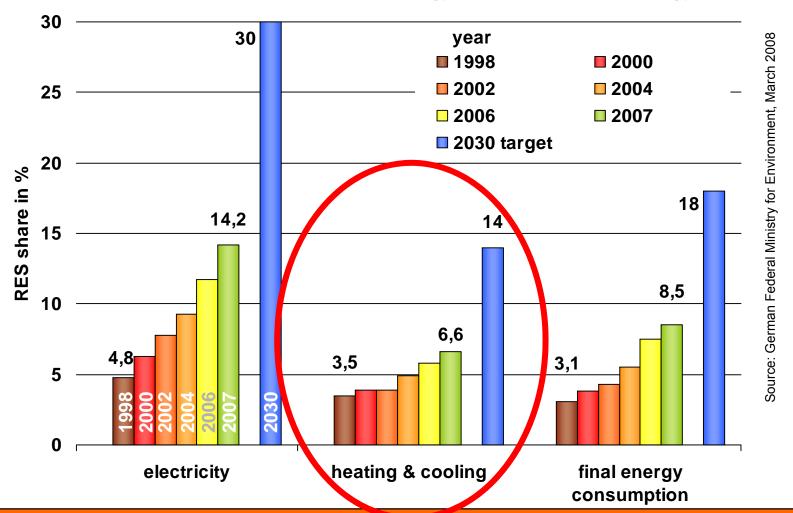


GERMANY – GROWTH DYNAMICS OF THE SOLAR THERMAL MARKET



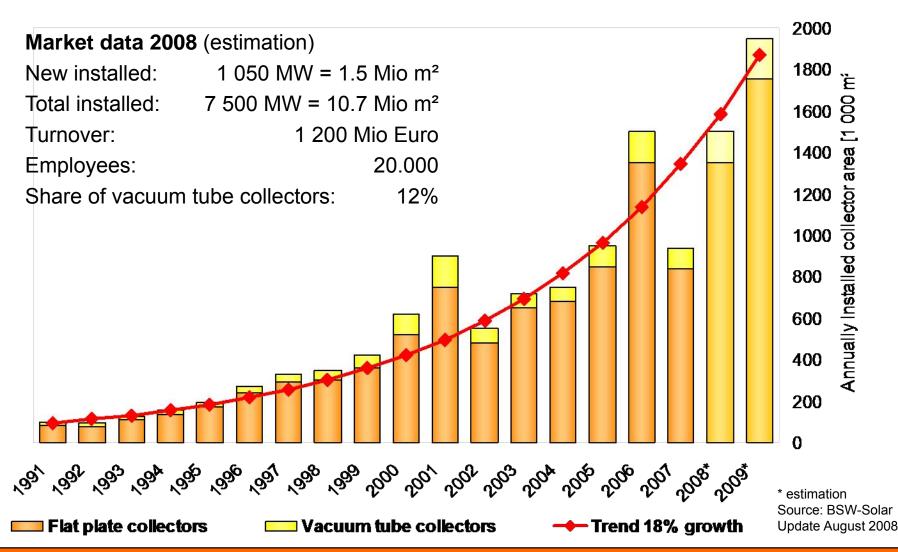
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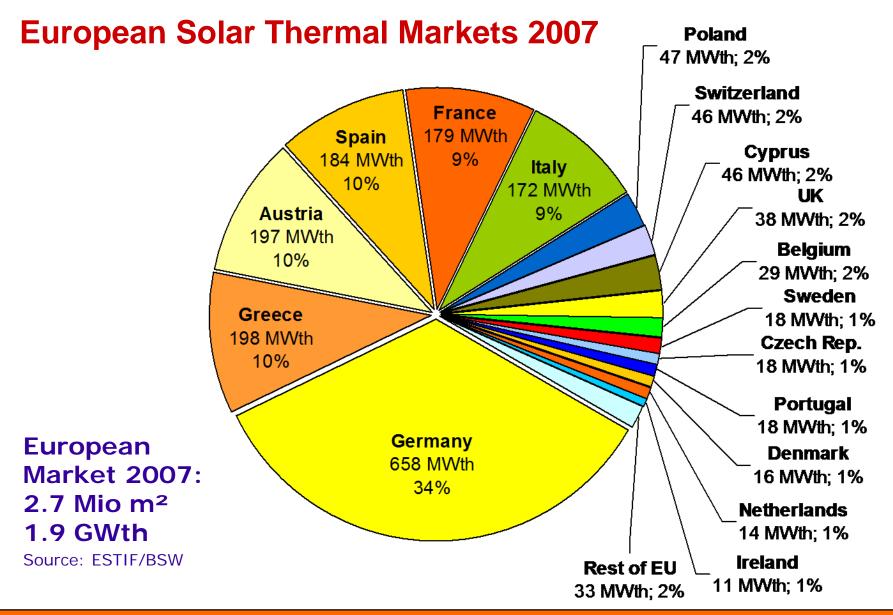




Development of the German Solar Thermal Market



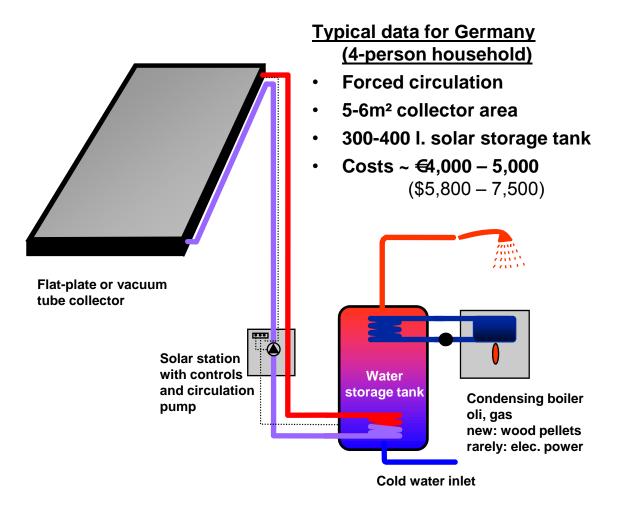






Domestic Hot Water Production

Market share in Germany: 55%

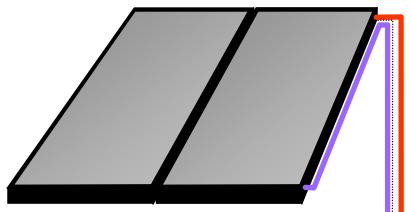






Solar Thermal Combined System

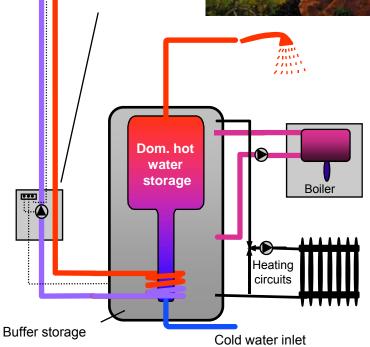
Market share in Germany: 45%



Flat-plate or vacuum tube collector

Combined solar thermal system for DHW and auxiliary room heating

- 8-15 m² collector area
- 500-1,000 litres combined storage
- Costs ~ €10,000 €15,000 (\$14,500 - \$22,000)
- Forced circulation system



Solar station with controls and circulation pump



Combi storage

Image: Paradigma



Special Know-how in Large Scale Solar Thermal Systems

Large solar thermal systems for multi family houses, hotels, hospitals, nursing homes etc. must to be designed well

German companies have a lot of experience and offer matured systems







Promising Technology: Solar Assisted Cooling

- Solar thermal driven cooling machines
- Cooling demand and solar supply are fitting well
- There are more than 100 systems installed in Europe and they are working well
- Small systems for office buildings and one/two-family houses are under development



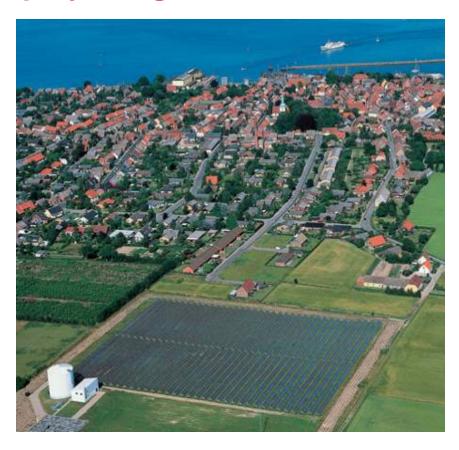
Adsorption cooling machine







Solar District Heating will play a big role in the future



Solar disctrict heating in Marstal, Denmark 17,000 m² collector area





Semi-detached houses in Neckarsulm, Germany



12,000 m² seasonal storage Friedrichshafen, Germany

Solites (



Solar Thermal Vision 2030 of the European Solar Thermal Technology Platform ESTTP

New buildings

100% solar heated buildings will be the building standard

Existing building stock

Solar refurbished buildings, > 50% solar heated, will be the most cost effective way to refurbish the building stock

Industrial and agricultural applications

solar thermal systems will cover process heating and cooling demands

Overall goal:

Cover 50% of the low temperature need up to 250°C with solar thermal





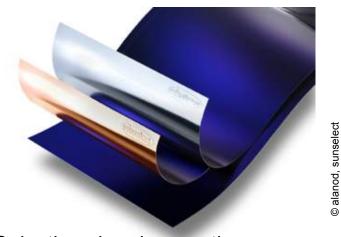
Example: Air Collector Facade

In future the building envelope is not only used for protection and aesthetics but also for absorption of solar energy and therefore supplying the building with energy





Continuous improvements in the Solar Thermal Technology



Selective absorber coating



New collector design



Improved piping



High efficient solar pumps

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Solar Thermal Innovations in Germany

- Stratified, seasonal, and latent heat storage tanks
- Anti-reflective glass
- Sputter process for absorber coating
- New collector types (improved functionality and design)
- Improved piping connecting collectors and storage tank
- Control system technology, heat transfer fluids, solar pumping
- Solar cooling, high-temperature collectors
- ...

Targets

- Higher solar fraction of heat supply in buildings
- Higher efficiency at lower costs
- Improved integration into the heating system and the building envelope







Conclusions Solar Thermal Energy

 Solar thermal energy will play an important role to provide hot water, space heating and cooling

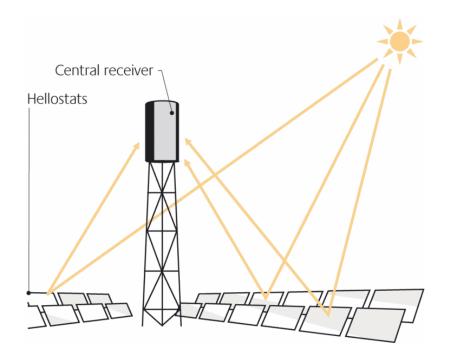
- The German government will increase the share of heat from renewable energy from 6% to 14% until 2020
- German solar thermal manufacturers have a huge experience in producing high efficient and reliable solar thermal systems and components

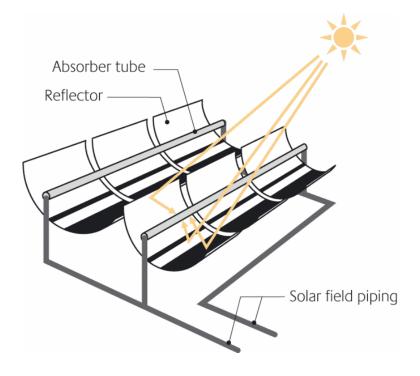


CONCENTRATING SOLAR POWER (CSP)



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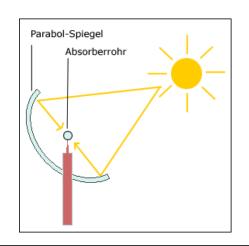








Solar tower Solar thermal electricity production





Solar Energy in Germany Source:

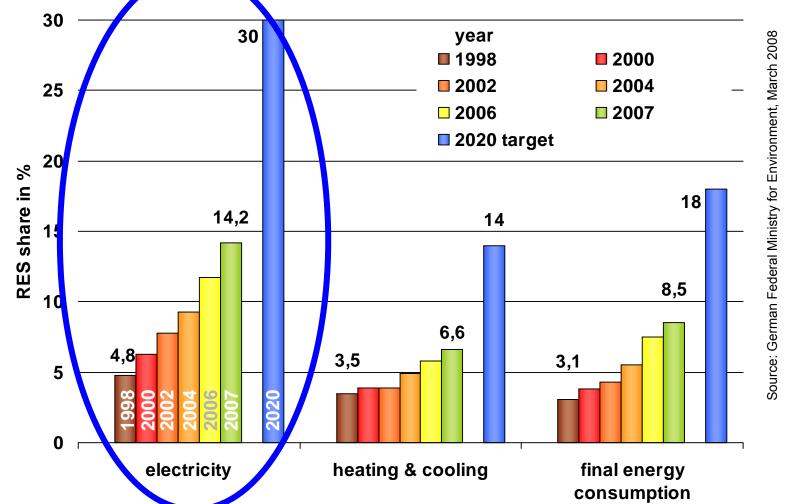


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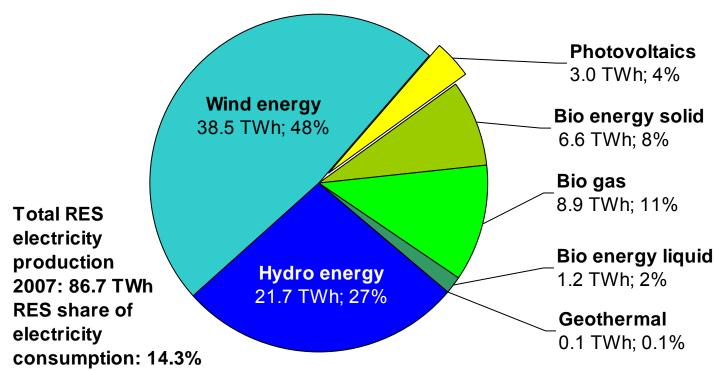
Share of Solar Electricity in Germany

Share of PV electricity

- of electricity consumption 2007: 0.6% (2006: 0.44%)

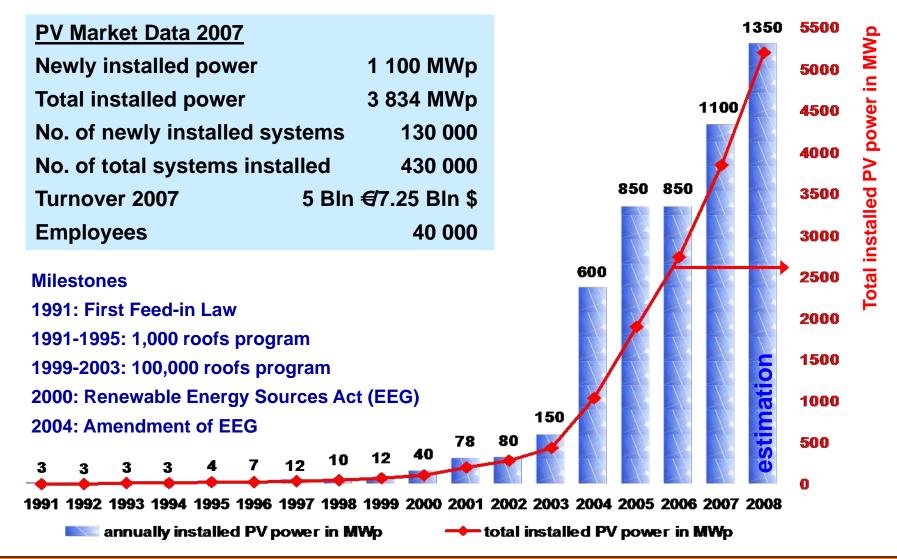
- of renewable energy electricity 2007: 3.5% (2006: 3.1%)

Distribution of Renewable Energy Electricity Production in Germany 2007



Source: BEE, Jan 2008

Development of the German PV market



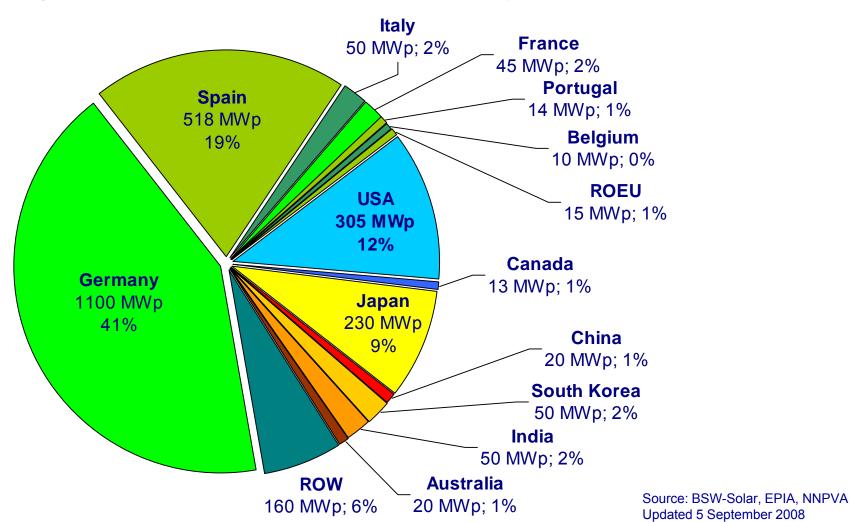
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Photovoltaic World Market

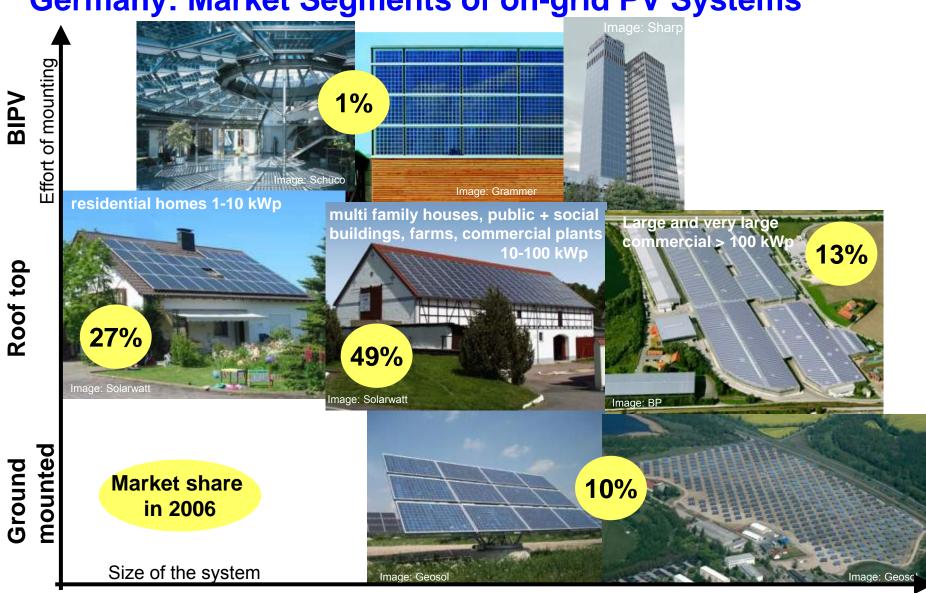
Newly installed PV Power in 2007: 2.6 GWp



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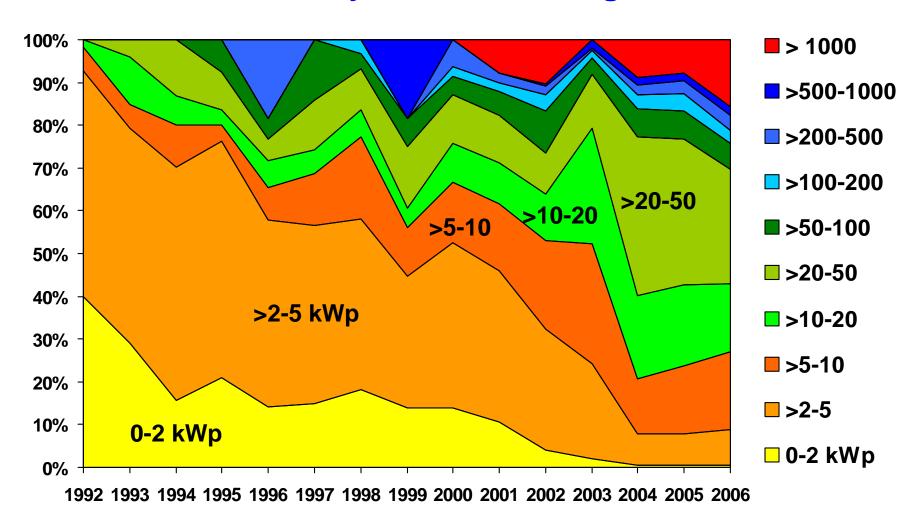


Germany: Market Segments of on-grid PV Systems





Market share of PV systems according to size

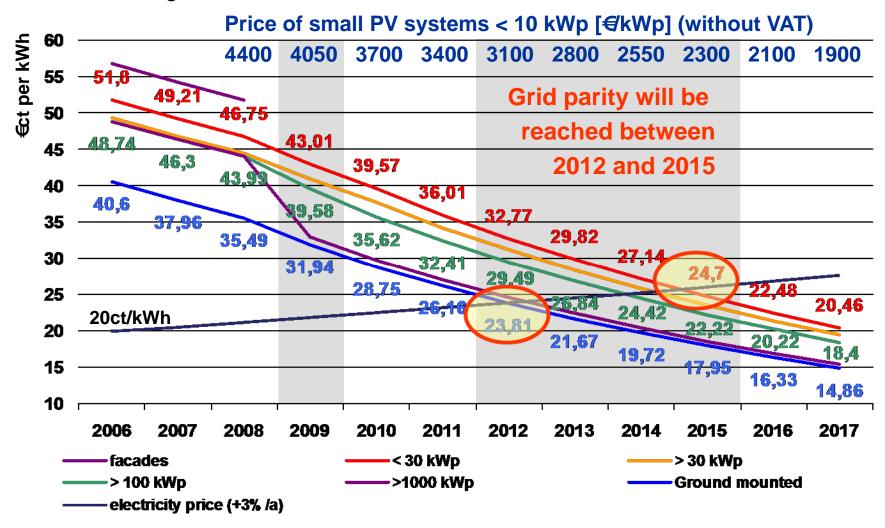


Source: BSW-Solar, calculated from data of 2.2 GWp PV systems from EnBW, EON, RWE, Vattenfall



Feed-in Tariffs for PV within the German EEG

Based on degression rates decided on June 6th, 2008





Photovoltaic market entrance strategy

1. Create PV demand by:

- Granting the right of solar electricity production and grid connection
- Making solar electricity production financially attractive

2. Building up:

- PV market
- PV production
- Installation capacitie
 Reduction of costs
 Less energy imports
 Creation of jobs

3. PV will become:

- Cost-competitive
- An important pillar of the sustainable energy system

First results

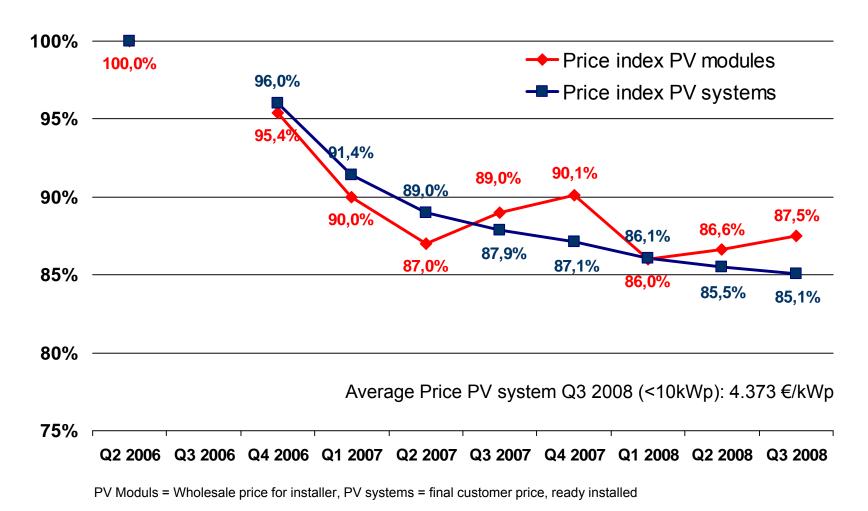
- More than €15 billion have been invested in PV systems since 2000
- Drop in costs for PV systems of
 - approx. 25% from 1999 to 2003
 - approx. 5% annually since mid 2006



Image: Aleo



BSW-Solar German PV Price Index



Source: Representative independent poll of 100 installers by EUPD-Research on behalf of BSW-Solar





Germany hosts the world's largest PV cluster (1) Companies in wafer-based technologies

| Value Chain | No. | Company | Location | Capacity 2008 [MWp] | Current Empl. |
|------------------|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Silicon | 1 | Wacker Chemie | Burghausen | 10,000t | 960 |
| | 2 | Scheuten Solar World Solizium | Freiberg ¹ | 1000t | n/a |
| | 3 | Sunways | Spreewitz ¹ | 1000t | n/a |
| | 4 | PV Silicon | Bitterfeld-Wolfen ¹ | 900t | 20 |
| | 5 | Joint Solar Silicon | Rheinfelden ¹ | 850t | 10 |
| Wafers | 6 | PV Silicon ² | Erfurt | 290 | 160 |
| | 7 | ASi Industries ³ | Arnstadt | 180 | 480 |
| | 8 | Wacker Schott Solar | Alzenau, Jena ¹ | 120 | 300 |
| | 9 | Q-Cells | Thalheim ¹ | 80 | 10 |
| | 10 | Mola Solaire | Pasewalk ¹ | n/a | n/a |
| Cells | 11 | Q-Cells | Thalheim | 760 | 1900 |
| | 12 | Ersol Solar Energy | Erfurt, Arnstadt | 220 | 300 |
| | 13 | Solland Solar Cells | Aachen | 170 | 300 |
| | 14 | Sunways | Konstanz, Amstadt | 120 | 290 |
| | 15 | Arise Technologies | Bischofswerda | 35 | 10 |
| | 16 | Scheuten Solar Cells | Gelsenkirchen | 35 | 80 |
| | 17 | Solarwatt | Heilbronn | 15 | 60 |
| Modules | 18 | Solon | Berlin, Greifswald | 260 | 400 |
| | 19 | Aleo Solar | Prenzlau | 170 | 425 |
| | 20 | Solar-Fabrik | Freiburg | 130 | 290 |
| | 21 | Solarwatt | Dresden | 120 | 430 |
| | 22 | Scheuten Solar Technology | Gelsenkirchen | 90 | 140 |
| | 23 | Centrosolar / Solara | Wismar | 80 | 160 |
| | 24 | Heckert Solar | Chemnitz | 60 | 120 |
| | 25 | Webasto Solar | Landsberg/Lech | 35 | 20 |
| | 26 | Asola | Erfurt | 30 | 100 |
| | 27 | Algatec | Elsterwerda | 15 | 65 |
| | 28 | Solarnova | Wedel | 10 | 30 |
| | 29 | GSS | Löbichau | 10 | 30 |
| | 30 | PVflex Solar | Fürstenwalde | 5 | 30 |
| | 31 | Schüco Solar | Bielefeld | 5 | 450 |
| Fully Integrated | 32 | Solarworld ⁵ | Freiberg | 450/300/250 | 1200 |
| (Wafers/Cells/ | 33 | Conergy ² | Frankfurt (Oder)1 | 250/250/250 | 370 |
| Modules) | 34 | Schott Solar ⁶ | Alzenau | 160/275/200 | 450 |
| | 35 | EverQ | Thalheim | 100/100/100 | 1000 |

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- 1) Planned/under construction
- 2) Excluding ingots
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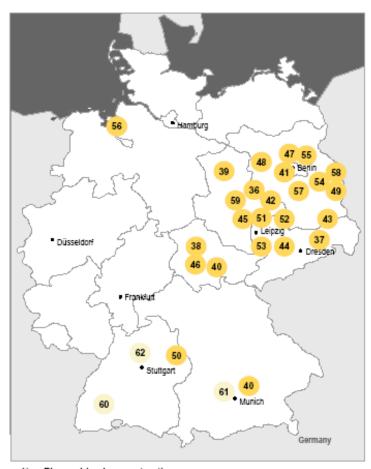
Germany hosts the world's largest PV cluster (2) Companies in thin-film technologies

| Value Chain | No. | Company | Location | Capacity 2008 [MWp] | Current Empl. |
|-------------|-----|--------------------------|---|------------------------|------------------|
| Thin Film | | | | | _ |
| Poly-Si | 36 | CSG Solar | Thalheim | 20 | 150 |
| a-Si | 37 | Sunfilm | Großröhrsdorf ¹ | 60 | 50 |
| a-Si/µc-Si | 38 | Ersol Thin Film | Erfurt | 40 | 180 |
| | 39 | Malibu | Osterweddingen ¹ | 40 | 150 |
| | 40 | Schott Solar Thin Film | Jena, Putzbrunn¹ | 30 | 160 |
| | 41 | Inventux | Berlin ¹ | 30 | n/a |
| | 42 | Sontor ⁴ | Thalheim | 25 | 60 |
| | 43 | EPV | Senftenberg ¹ | 25 | n/a |
| | 44 | Signet Solar | Mochau | 20 | 70 |
| | 45 | Intico Solar | Halle ¹ | n/a | n/a |
| | 46 | Masdar PV | Amstadt ¹ | n/a | n/a |
| CIS | 47 | Global Solar Energy | Berlin ¹ | 35 | n/a |
| CIGS | 48 | Johanna Solar Technology | Brandenburg | 30 | 100 |
| CIGSSe | 49 | Odersun | Frankfurt (Oder), Fürstenwalde ¹ | 30 | 90 |
| | 50 | Würth Solar | Schwäbisch Hall | 30 | 220 |
| | 51 | Solibro⁴ | Thalheim ¹ | 25 | 150 |
| | 52 | Avancis | Torgau ¹ | 20 | 60 |
| | 53 | Solarion | Leipzig | 10 | 35 |
| | 54 | PVflex Solar | Fürstenwalde | Pilot | 130 |
| | 55 | Sulfurcell | Berlin | Pilot | 120 |
| | 56 | CIS-Solartechnik | Bremerhaven | Pilot | 20 |
| | 57 | Nanosolar | Luckenwalde ¹ | n/a | n/a |
| CdTe | 58 | First Solar | Frankfurt (Oder) | 175 | 500 |
| | 59 | Calyxo⁴ | Thalheim | 25 | 40 |

Companies in concentrator technologies

| Value Chain | No. | Company | Location | Capacity 2008 [MWp] | Current Empl. |
|-------------|-----|------------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------|
| CPV | 60 | Concentrix Solar | Freiburg | 25 | 70 |
| | 61 | SolarTec | Munich | 10 | 50 |
| | 62 | Archimedes Solar | Stuttgart | n/a | n/a |

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Proximity to leading PV equipment companies accelerates production ramp-up (1)

| Equipment | No. | Company | Location | Empl. |
|--|-------|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Ingots/Wafers | 1 | Gebrüder Schmid | Freudenstadt | 380 |
| - Equipment | 2 | ALD Vacuum Technologies | Hanau | 360 |
| | 3 | Herbert Arnold | Weilburg | 130 |
| | 4 | CGS / PVA Tepla | Asslar | 50 |
| | 5 | G&N | Erlangen | 40 |
| | 6 | Logomatic | Mainaschaff | 20 |
| Cels | 7 | Gebrüder Schmid | Freudenstadt , Schwetzingen | 430 |
| - Turnkey Lines | 8 | Roth & Rau | Hohenstein-Ernstthal | 300 |
| | 9 | Centrotherm Photovoltaics | Blaubeuren, Dresden | 200 |
| Cels | 10 | Rena | Gütenbach, Berg | 450 |
| - Wet Chemistry | 11 | Stangl Semiconductor | Eichenau, Puchheim | 100 |
| | 12 | Lotus Systems | Gutmadingen | 70 |
| | 13 | Ramgraber | Hofolding b. Braunthal | 40 |
| | 14 | HMS Höllmüller | Herrenberg | 40 |
| | 15 | M-O-T | Speyer | 20 |
| | 16 | Decker | Berching | 30 |
| Cels | 17 | Applied Materials | Alzenau | 500 |
| Anti-reflective Coating | 18 | Von Ardenne Anlagentechnik | Dresden | 400 |
| Coaung | 19 | Singulus | Kahl | 300 |
| Cels | 20 | Manz Automation | Reutlingen | 400 |
| -Screenprinters | 21 | Thieme | Teningen | 350 |
| Modules | 22 | Kuka Systems | Augsburg | 1200 |
| - Turnkey Lines | 22 | Reis Robotics | Obernburg | 720 |
| | 23 | Gebrüder Schmid | Freudenstadt, Niedereschach | 530 |
| | 24 | Teamtechnik | Freiberg am Neckar, Berlin | 350 |
| Modules | 25 | Robert Bürkle | Freudenstadt | 350 |
| - Tabbers, Stringers, | 26 | Meier Vakuumtechnik | Bocholt | 170 |
| Laminators | 27 | Somont | Umkirch | 100 |
| | 28 | Robust | Remscheid | 50 |
| | 29 | SunWare | Duisburg | 20 |
| | 30 | Solarwatt | Dresden | 20 |
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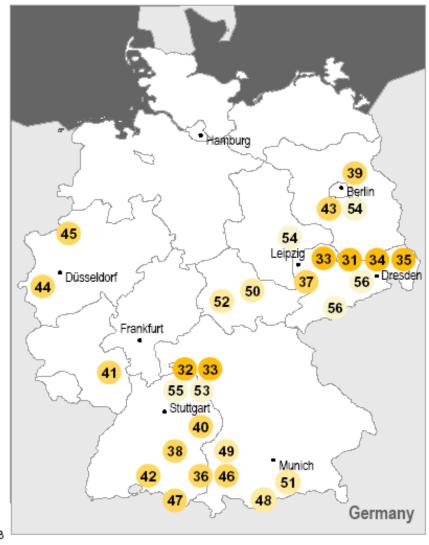
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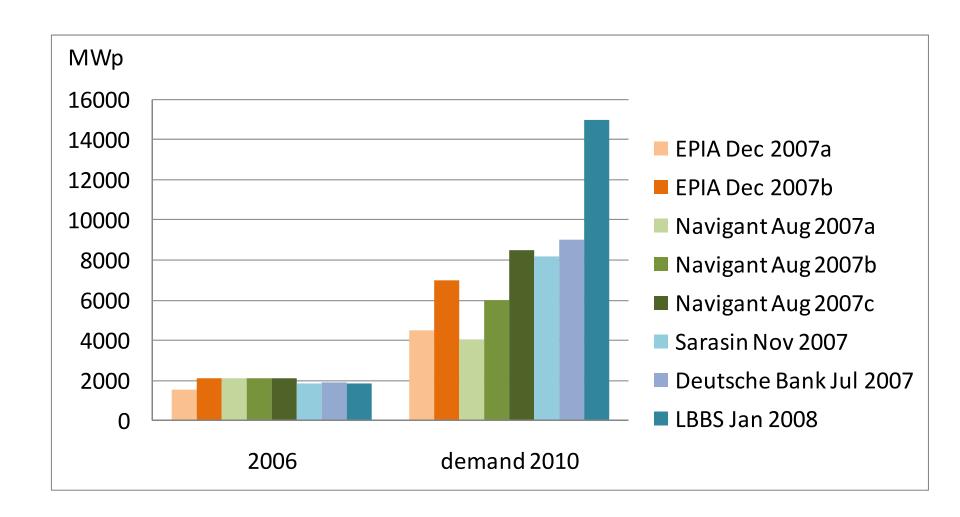
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| | 32 | Von Ardenne Anlagentechnik | Dresden | 400 |
| | 33 | Leybold Optics | Alzenau, Dresden | 320 |
| | 34 | FHR Anlagenbau | Ottendorf-Okrilla | 90 |
| Automation | 36 | ASYS Automatisierungssysteme | Domstadt | 300 |
| | 37 | USK Karl Utz Sondermaschinen | Limbach-Oberfrohna | 260 |
| | 38 | Manz Automation | Reutlingen | 250 |
| | 39 | Jonas & Redmann Photovoltaics | Berlin | 240 |
| | 40 | Schiller Automation | Sonnenbühl-Genkingen | 200 |
| | 41 | Minited Maschinenbau | Waldmohr | 140 |
| | 42 | ACI-ecotec | St. Georgen | 70 |
| | 43 | Feintool Automation | Berlin | 60 |
| | 44 | Maschinenbau Gerold | Nettetal | 50 |
| | 45 | Olbricht | Hamminkeln-Brünen | 30 |
| | 46 | Amb bernhard brain | Gersthofen | 20 |
| | 47 | Mondragon Assembly | Stockach | 20 |
| Laser Processing | 48 | Carl Baasel | Stamberg | 350 |
| | 49 | Manz Automation | Reutlingen | 300 |
| | 50 | Jenoptik Automatisierungstechnik | Jena | 170 |
| | 51 | InnoLas | Krailling | 80 |
| | 52 | LPKF SolarQuipment | Suhl-Friedberg | 40 |
| Fab Engineering | 53 | M+W Zander FE | Stuttgart | 400 |
| and Planning | 54 | IB Vogt | Berlin, Thalheim | 160 |
| | 55 | Caverion | Stuttgart | 160 |
| | 56 | AiC | Chemnitz, Dresden | 80 |



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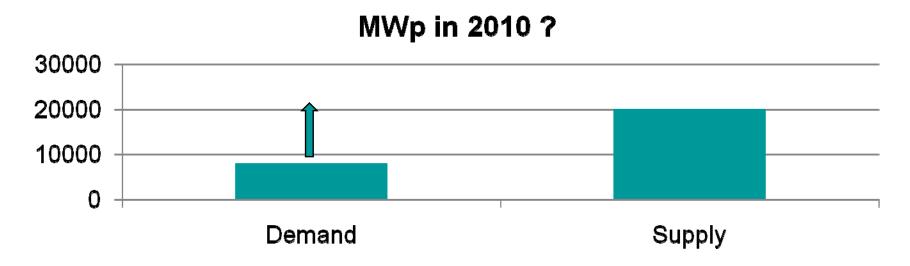
PV: CHALLENGES AHEAD

Large variations in global PV market forecasts for 2010



Worldwide PV overcapacity coming soon?

- Announcements for production in 2010 amount to nearly 20 GWp
- Demand estimates range between 4 and 14 GWp
- → Big efforts in market development are necessary for avoiding overcapacity
- → Only strong and high quality producers will survive



EPIA: Grid Parity Competitive Market in the EU

Learning curves

• realistic: 100% increase of installed PV → 20% cost reduction

conservative: 100% increase of installed PV → 15% cost reduction

Grid electricity price increases

→ Step by step grid parity will be reached in all important markets in the coming years

Share of EU electicity markets where grid parity is reached:

| | 2008 | 2012 | 2016 | 2020 |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|
| 15% learning curve | 0% | 5% | 25% | 60% |
| 20% learning curve | 0% | 10% | 50% | 90% |

Source: EPIA / Millner, September 2008

Which part of this volume is really accessible?

New EPIA targets for 2020

Cumulative PV installed in Europe 2020: 350 GWp

PV Electricity production in Europe 2020: 420 TWh

PV share of EU electicity generation: 12%

• CAGR of installed PV base: 40%

EPIA proposes to set this as target for EU energy policies:

- → appropriate policies must be developed
 - → Ensuring market growth
 - → Development of technologies

Source: EPIA / Millner, September 2008

INNOVATION AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Boosting innovation in photovoltaics

The new PV markets opened since 2003 by the German feed-in-tariff, enlarged by Spain and later followers have boosted innovation activities in the PV sector:

- Increased and lower cost silicon production
- Lower costs and efficiency gains in c-Si cells
- Thin film technologies: aSi, µc-Si, micromorph Si, CIGS, CdTe ...
- Concentrating photovoltaic systems CPV
- New PV concepts
- Building integration of PV (BIPV)
- Tracking and support systems
- Grid integration concepts

→Innovation and cost reduction are accelerating

New developments in thin film PV

- More than 100 companies have announced time frames and capacities for TF PV production ¹
 - 40 Europe, 27 China, 12 Taiwan, 19 USA, 8 Japan
 - 82 Si, 19 CIGS, 7 CdTe, 5 Dye & others
- More than 12 companies offer "turn-key" production systems 1
- Estimates for 2010: nearly 5 GW ²
- Steady correlation since 30y: doubling volume → 22% cost reduction
- Thin film factories mushrooming, also in Germany
 - Q-cells (a-Si/µc-Si, CdTe/CdS, CIGS)
 - Ersol now a Bosch subsidiary aiming at rapid expansion (a-Si)
 - Masdar initiative (Si, Applied Materials)
 - A series of smaller companies (see map)
 - Equipment providers (Roth & Rau, Manz, Centrotherm, etc.)

¹ Jaeger-Waldau 2008 ² LBBW 2008

Concentrating Photovoltaic Systems CPV

- Low-concentration (factor < 10) and high-concentration (factor >100) systems
- Low concentration modules (10x) with conventional Si-cells: high yield with low system costs Germany: Archimedes (ZEW Stuttgart spin-off)
- New high-yield cells open new prospects
 - World record 40,8% efficiency with triple-junction cells
 - European record (Fraunhofer ISE) 39,7 % efficiency



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- Integrated concentrator modules (500x) promise low costs for sunny regions
 - 5,6 MW plant near Sevilla with Concentrix fresnel-lens modules shows 23% efficiency (Concentrix is an ISE spin-off with Albergoa capital)
 - new Concentrix modules: efficiency over 27%, energy payback time <1 year
 - automated 25 MW production line opened Sept 2008 in Freiburg



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Building Integrated PV (BIPV)

- Whole roofs as a first step
- Other components of the building shell require more sophisticated solutions / integration with
 - standard building components
 - planning and building processes
 - construction industry
- Very high potential but little commercial progress in the last years
- Research in Germany: Fraunhofer ISE etc.
- Innovative Systems and Components:
 - Schott
 - Schüco
 - Systaic
- New opportunities with thin film products



Building Integrated PV (BIPV) 2

- Wide range of possible applications
- Increasing aesthetical options
- Low or no additional costs for support structures
- System solutions required





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Building Integrated PV (BIPV) 3



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Grid integration

- Reduced scepticism concerning grid management: Inverter industry: no problem with up to 50% solar electricity in German grid
- Inverters have to take over tasks in grid stabilisation
- "Kombi-Kraftwerk": virtual hybrid power station combining wind, solar, biogas & hydro has shown high performance in matching demand
- slow but systematic progress in net metering: adapting demand to the offer

Mini-grids & hybrid systems

Mini-grids:

- improved inverters & controls → bottom-up construction of grids increasingly attractive: scalable mini-grids with usual 230V appliances
- hybrid systems combining PV, wind and biofuels increasingly standardised
- Improving storage technologies
- PV markets off centralised grids with huge potential
 - high diesel costs call for new approaches
 - declining costs of PV-focused mini-grids offer new solutions
 - rural population needs electricity
- Important contributions from research institutes and industry (ISET Kassel, Fraunhofer ISE, SMA, Kaco, Steca, Fronius, Energiebau ..)

A COLLECTIVE INTERNATIONAL LEARNING PROCESS

Fascinating challenges asking for joint efforts

- PV will be able to deliver large parts of worldwide electricity at competitive costs
- New opportunities for areas with no or weak grids
- Huge growth opportunities for the PV industry

<u>Challenges</u>

- → Bridging of the cost gap until grid parity, ensuring continuous market growth (► politics)
- → Reducing administrative barriers for PV (► administration, politics)
- → Bringing down the costs through continuous innovation (► industry, research)
- → Ensuring high quality with qualified personnel (► industry, training institutions)
- → Creating new markets with new applications, BIPV (► industry)
- Supporting the growth of PV markets worldwide (► industry, politics)

Rapid learning requires co-operation

- Co-operation along the value creation chain
- Co-operation between research and industry
- Co-operation between national industry associations
- Co-operation between governments in order to ensure a balanced market growth
- The new International Renewable Energy Agency IRENA may play an important role for enhancing co-operation and improving frame conditions
 - negotiations for an international treaty next week in Madrid
 - Germany, Spain & Denmark main promotors
 - foundation scheduled for January