



# Performance, Operation and Reliability of Photovoltaic Systems

## IEA PVPS Task 13

### Welcome and Introduction

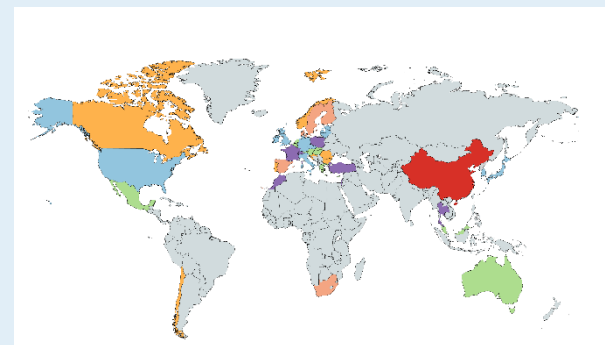
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InterSolar, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019, Munich, Germany



# The IEA PVPS Programme

- The IEA Photovoltaic Power Systems Programme (PVPS) is one of the collaborative R&D Agreements established within the IEA
- Global network of expertise, Independent, objective, neutral
- 32 members: 27 countries, European Union, SolarPower, Smart Electric Power Alliance (SEPA), Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA), Int. Copper Association
- Activities are carried out collaboratively on a country basis along a number of **technical** and **non-technical** subjects
- Currently, 8 Tasks are active
- Chairman: Stefan Nowak





## PVPS Task 13 Participation

*14th Task13 Meeting in Bolzano, Italy, 06-08 April 2016*

20+ IEA countries, 36+ institutions  
⇒ 45 participants, 60+ members

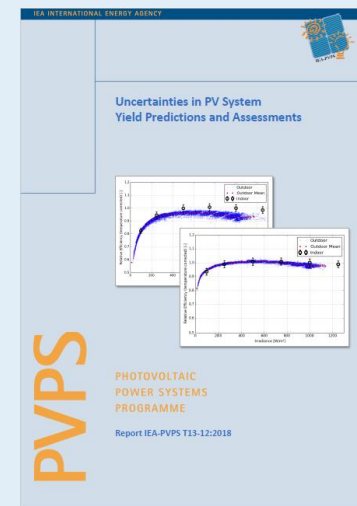
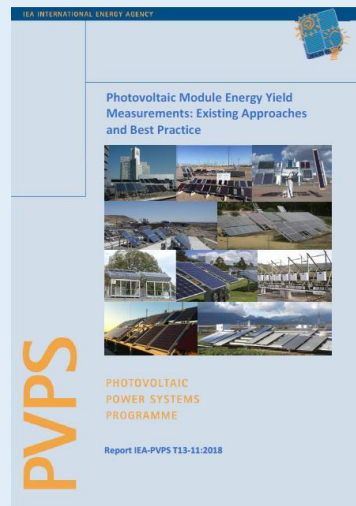
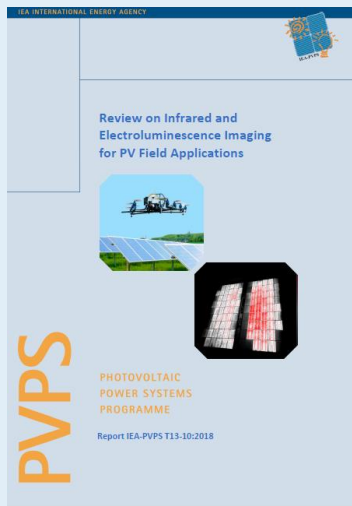


# Overall Objectives of Task 13

- Gather up-to-date information on a variety of technical issues related to PV performance and reliability.
- This includes summaries of different experiences with a variety of PV technologies and system designs
- Gather measured data from PV systems from around the world to test and compare data analysis methods for PV degradation, operation & monitoring (O&M), performance and yield estimation, etc.
- Communicate to our stakeholders in a number of impactful ways including reports, workshops, webinars, and web content.



# IEA PVPS Task 13 Deliverables: Published 2018



Technical Reports – Public Documents

For Download at: [www.iea-pvps.org](http://www.iea-pvps.org)



## PVPS Task 13 Structure 2018–2021

Subtask 1: New Module Concepts and System Designs

Subtask 2: Performance of Photovoltaic Systems

Subtask 3: Monitoring - Operation & Maintenance

Subtask 4: Dissemination

- 1<sup>st</sup> period: May 2010 – April 2014
- 2<sup>nd</sup> period: Sep 2014 – Dec 2017
- **3<sup>rd</sup> period: Sep 2018 – August 2021**



# ST1: New Module Concepts and System Designs

## *PV Modules*

- Encapsulants, Backsheets
- Bifacial module designs
- Shingled cells, half-cell, new interconnections
- Glass-glass, frameless, Lightweight
- Coatings

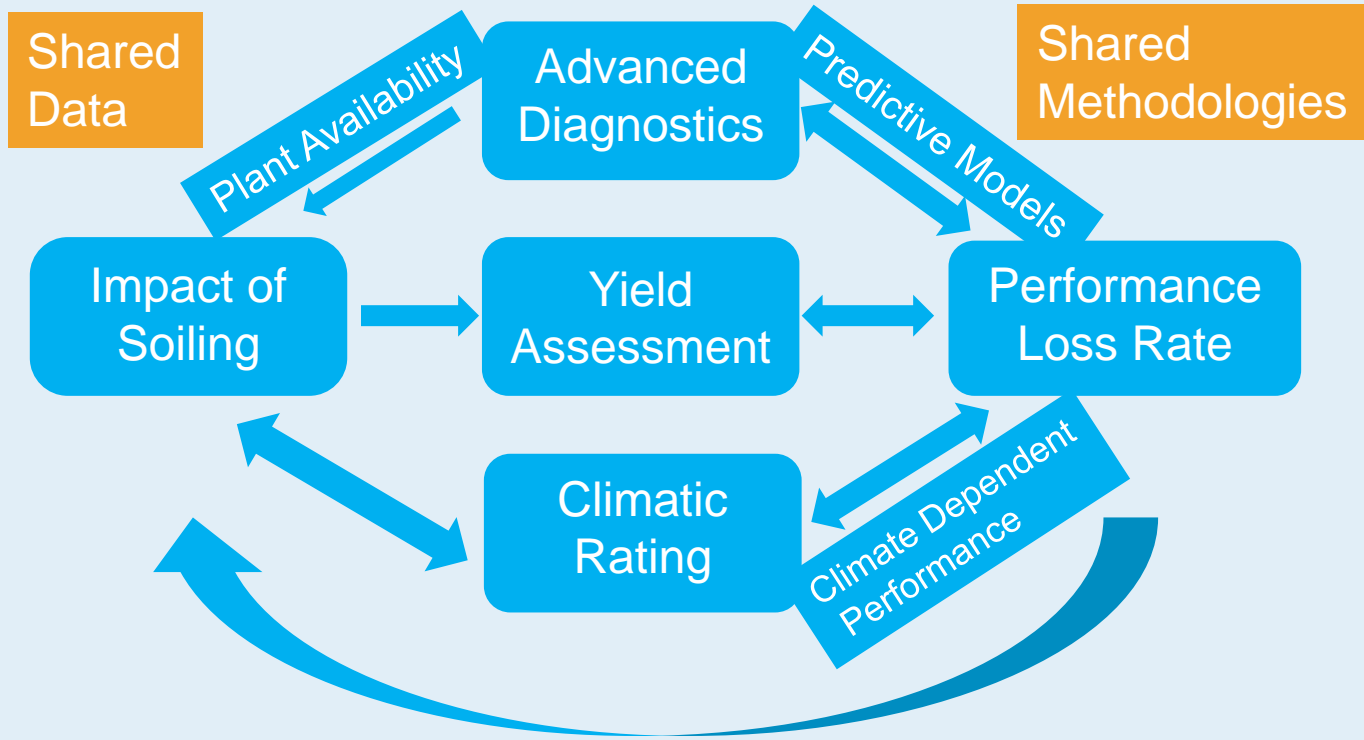
## *PV Systems*

- PV with Energy Storage or other combinations
- High DC/AC ratios and 1500+ Vdc
- Module/string-Scale Power Electronics
- Floating PV, Agriculture PV
- PV Tracking technologies and issues





# ST2: Performance of Photovoltaic Systems

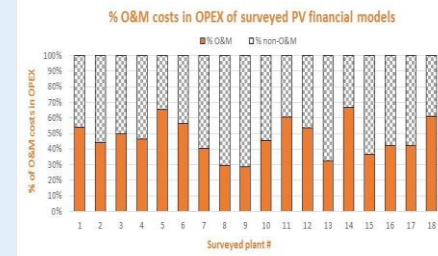
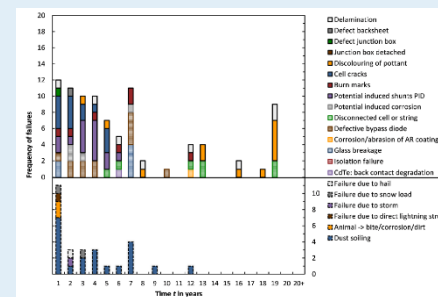






## ST3: Monitoring - Operation & Maintenance of PV Power Plants

- Increase the knowledge of methodologies to assess technical risks and mitigation measures in terms of economic impact and effectiveness during operation.
- Provide best practice on methods and devices to qualify PV power plants in the field.
- Compile guidelines for O&M procedures in different climates and to evaluate how effective O&M concepts will affect the quality of power plants in the field.





# Maximize Performance & Reliability of PV Power Plants

***Moderator: David Moser***



Introduction to IEA PVPS and Task 13

*Boris Farnung*



Do We Really Know how to Calculate Performance Loss Rates?

*Sascha Lindig*



From Fault Detection to Fault Avoidance:  
Review of the State of the Art

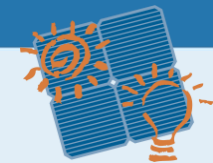
*Mike Green*



Impact of Soiling on PV Performance:  
Measurements, Models, Mitigation

*Christian Schill*





# Best Practice Concepts for Operation & Maintenance of PV Power Plants Today, at 02.30 pm, Room 14C

## Moderation



## Panel Discussion

### Ulrike Jahn

Introduction of this IEA PVPS Task 13 Workshop



### Edward Gillespie

Renewable Energy Assistant Underwriter, Axis Capital, United Kingdom



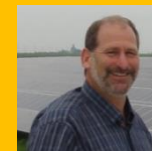
### Dr. Marc Köntges

Applications and Interpretation of UV Fluorescence Imaging for PV Plants



### Mike Green

Consultant and Owners Engineer, M.G. Lightning Electrical Engineering Ltd., Israel



### Magnus Herz

Common Practice for Quantifying the Impact of Technical Risks During Operation



### Ingo Klute

Publicly Certified Expert for PV Systems, PV-Experts.co, Germany



### Caroline Tjengdrawira

Operation & Maintenance Guidelines in Different Climates



### Thomas Nolden

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