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# THE GLOBAL ENERGY TRANSFORMATION

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## Research for the Energy Transformation

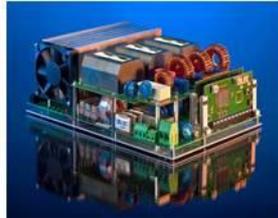
- largest European Solar Energy Research Institute
- more than 1300 members of staff (incl. students)
- 16 % basic financing
- 84 % contract research , 29 % industry, 55 % public
- € 86,7 M budget (2013, incl. investments)
- >10 % growth rate (until 2013)



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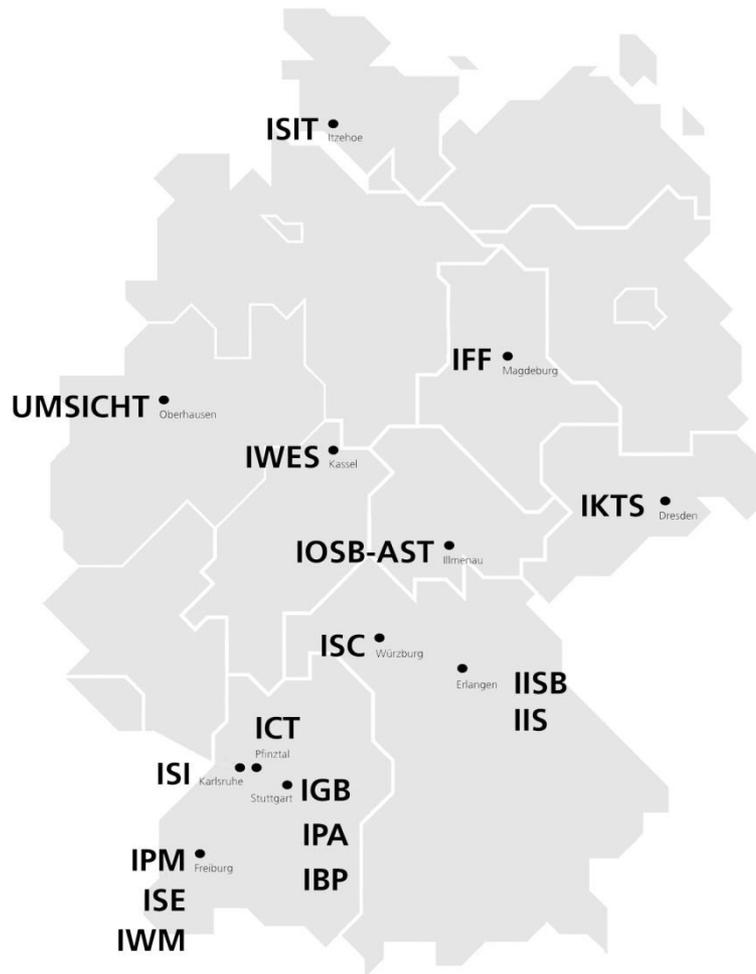
## 12 Areas of Business

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- Energy Efficient Buildings
- Silicon Photovoltaics
- III-V and Concentrator Photovoltaics
- Dye, Organic and Novel Solar Cells
- Photovoltaic Modules and Power Plants
- Solar Thermal Technology
- Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology
- System Integration and Grids – Electricity, Heat, Gas
- Energy Efficient Power Electronics
- Zero-Emission Mobility
- Storage Technologies
- Energy Systems Analysis

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■ We conduct research in the following areas:



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Energy-efficient living



Solar energy



Intelligent energy distribution



Bioenergy



Compact energy storage



Efficient use of energy



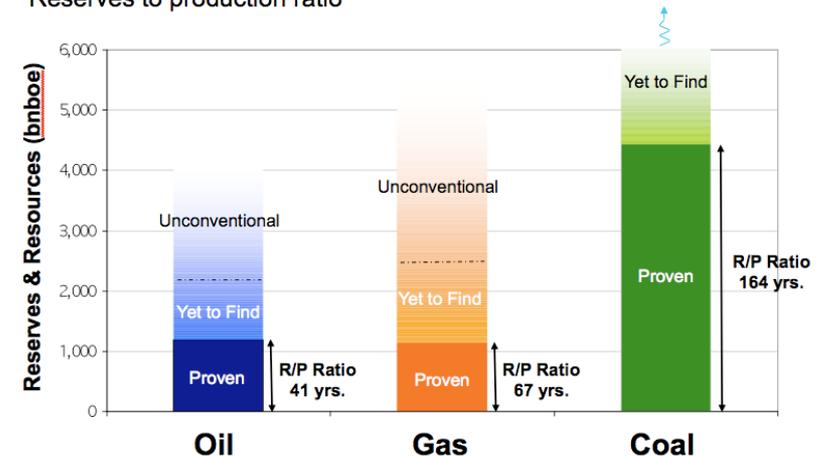
Energy technology and system assessment

# A Radical Transformation of our Energy System is Needed Jeremy Rifkin: We are starting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Industrial Revolution!

## ■ Limited availability of fossil fuels

### Availability of fossil resources

Reserves to production ratio



Source: World Energy Assessment 2001, HIS, [WoodMackenzie](#), BP Stat Review 2005, BP estimates, Graph: [Koonin](#), BP

### Fossil fuels get scarce

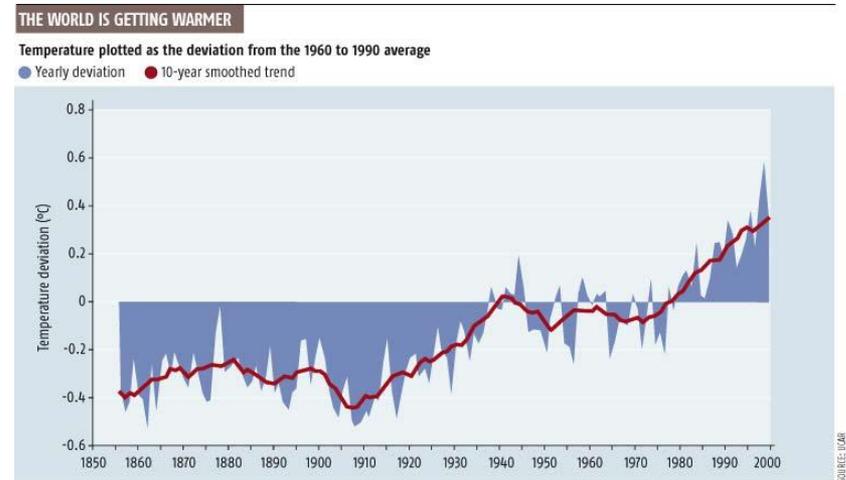
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- Limited availability of fossil fuels
- Danger of catastrophic climate change
- Risk of nuclear disasters
- Growing dependency on imports from politically unstable regions

New since recently:



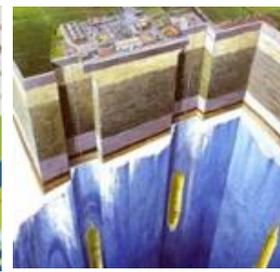
**Increasing economic opportunities!**



The world gets warmer

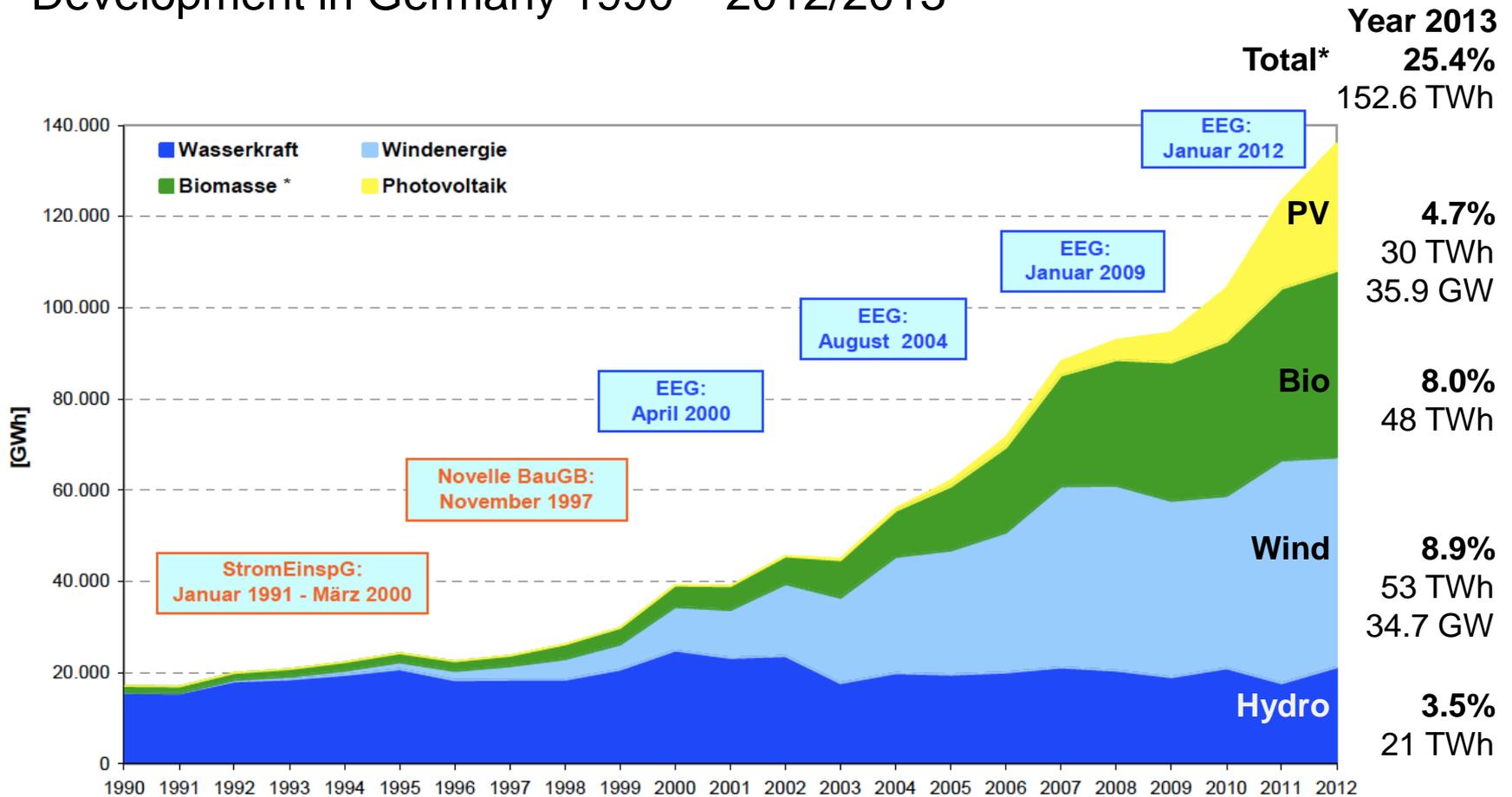
# Cornerstones for the Transformation of our Energy System

- energy efficiency: buildings, production, transport
- massive increase renewable energies: photovoltaics, solar and geothermal, wind, hydro, biomass...
- fast development of the electric grid: transmission and distribution grid, bidirectional
- small and large scale energy storage systems: electricity, hydrogen, methane, biogas, solar heat
- mobility as integral part of the energy system: electric mobility by means of batteries and hydrogen/fuel cells



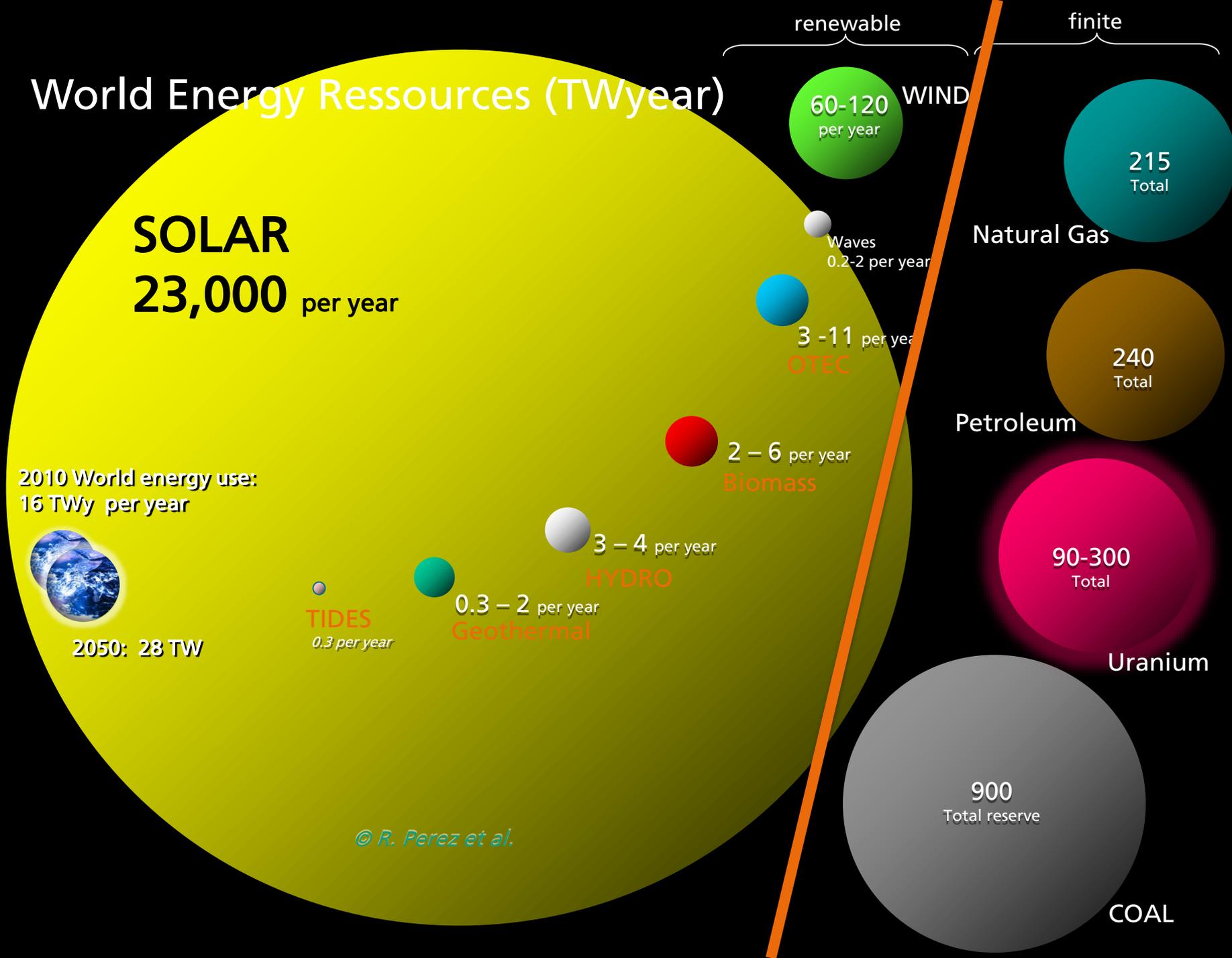
# Electricity generation from renewable energy sources

Development in Germany 1990 – 2012/2013



\* Feste und flüssige Biomasse, Biogas, Klär- und Deponiegas, biogener Anteil des Abfalls; 1 GWh = 1 Mio. kWh;  
 Aufgrund geringer Strommengen ist die Tiefengeothermie nicht dargestellt; StromEinspG: Stromeinspeisungsgesetz; BauGB: Baugesetzbuch; EEG: Erneuerbare-Energien-Gesetz; \* Gross electricity demand  
 Quelle: BMU - E 11 nach Arbeitsgruppe Erneuerbare Energien-Statistik (AGEE-Stat); Stand: Februar 2013; Angaben vorläufig

# World Energy Resources (TWyear)



**SOLAR**  
**23,000** per year

**60-120** per year  
**WIND**

Waves  
0.2-2 per year

**3-11** per year  
**OTEC**

**2-6** per year  
**Biomass**

**3-4** per year  
**HYDRO**

**0.3** per year  
**TIDES**

**0.3-2** per year  
**Geothermal**

**215**  
Total  
**Natural Gas**

**240**  
Total  
**Petroleum**

**90-300**  
Total  
**Uranium**

**900**  
Total reserve  
**COAL**

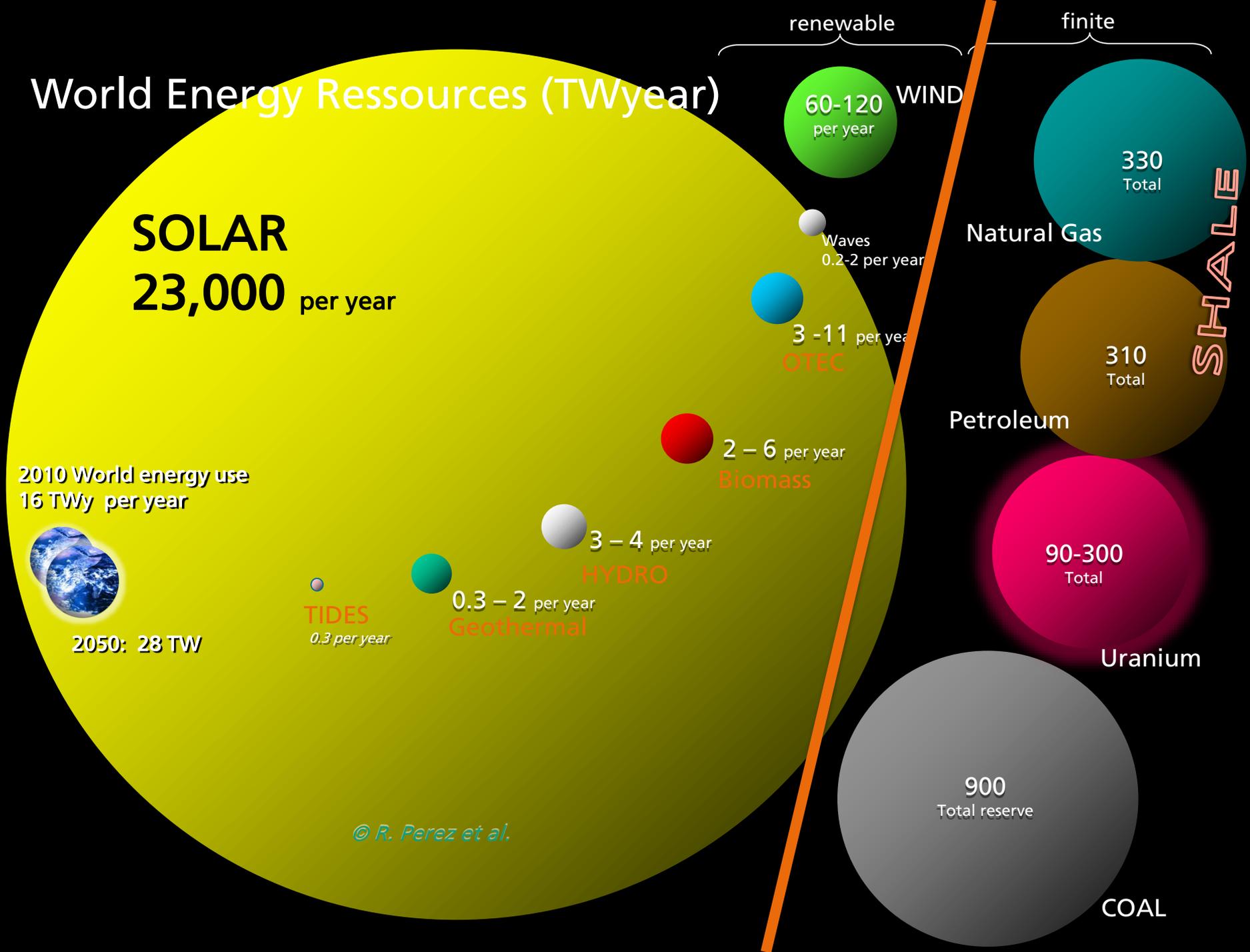
2010 World energy use:  
16 TWy per year



2050: 28 TW

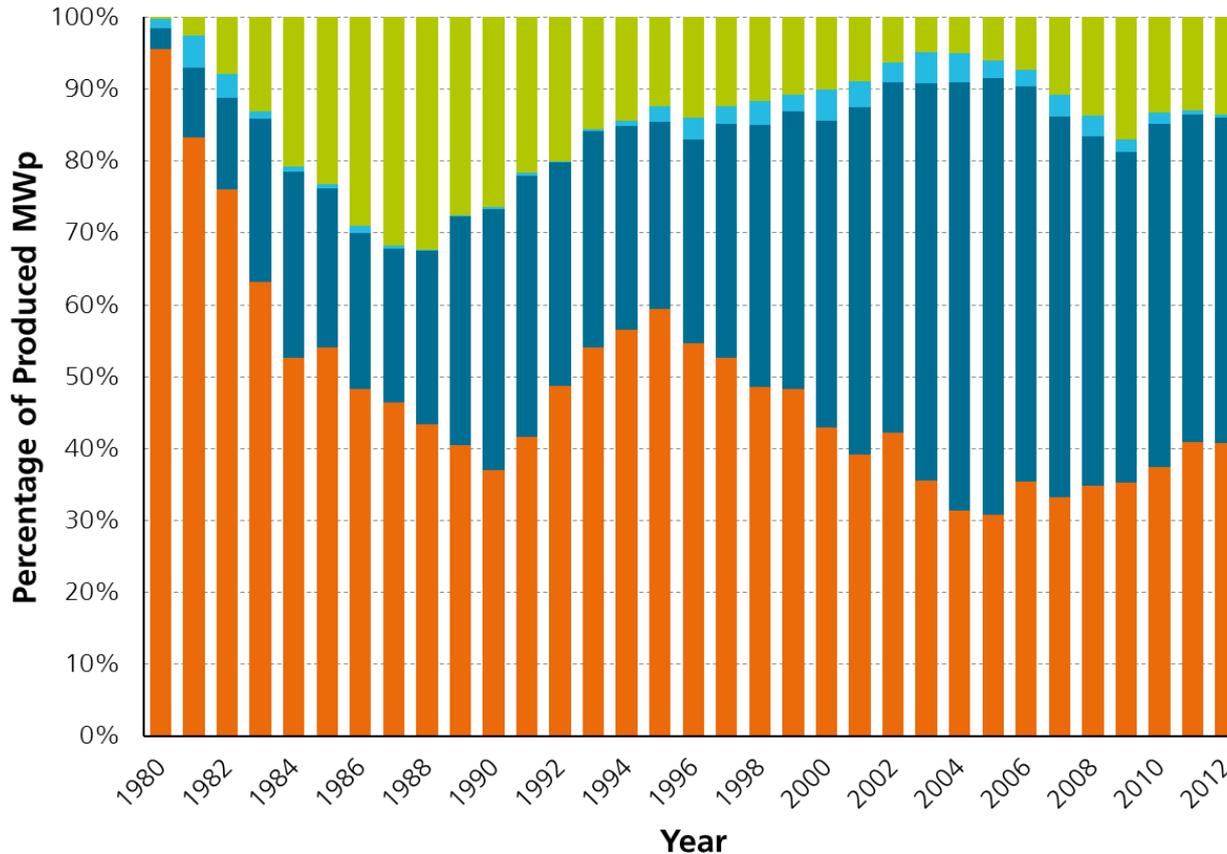
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# World Energy Resources (TWyear)



# Harvesting Solar Energy: Photovoltaics (PV)

## PV Production Development by Technology



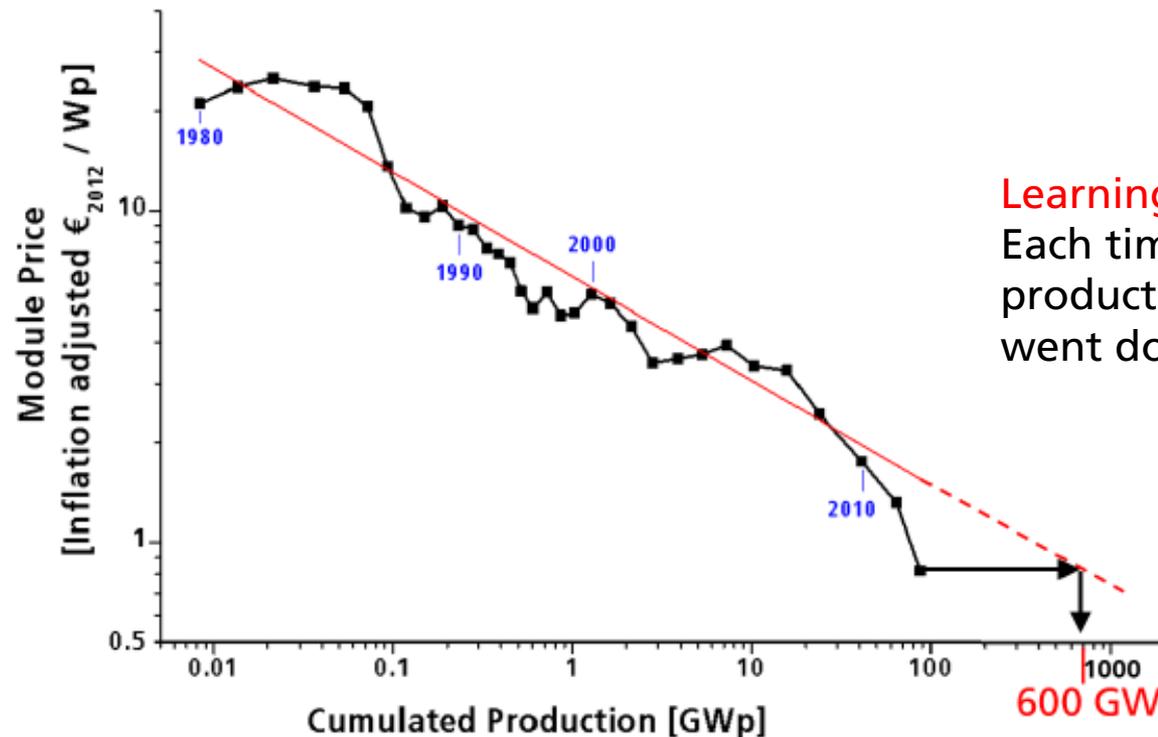
Production 2012 ( $MW_p/a$ )

Thin film	3.224
Ribbon-Si	100
Multi-Si	10.822
Mono-Si	9.751

Daten: Navigant Consulting. Graph: PSE AG 2013

# Costs of Solar Energy

## Price Learning Curve (all c-Si PV Technologies)



**Learning Rate:**  
Each time the cumulative production doubled, the price went down by **20 %**.

**PV-electricity in India 2014:**  
5-8 \$ct/kWh!

Price Learning Curve of PV Module Technologies since 1980.

Source: Navigant Consulting; EUPD PV module prices (since 2006), Graph: PSE AG 2012

# Crystalline Silicon Technology Portfolio

## c-Si PV is not a Commodity, but a High-Tech Product!

### material quality

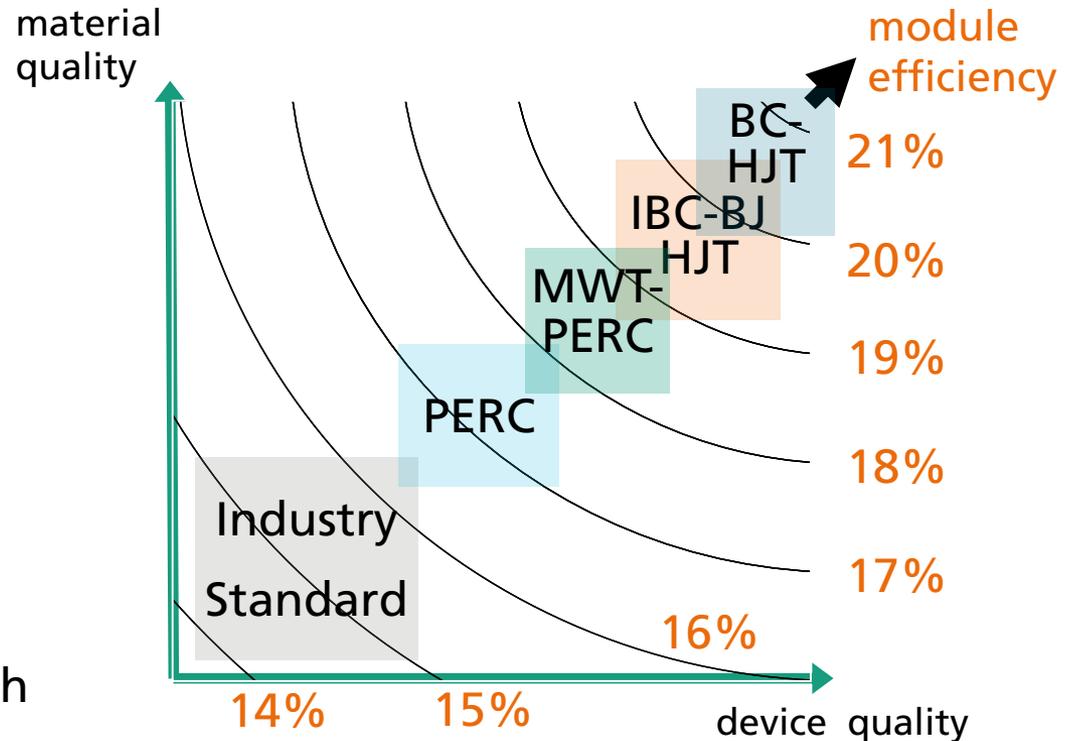
- diffusion length
- base conductivity

### device quality

- passivation of surfaces
- low series resistance
- light confinement

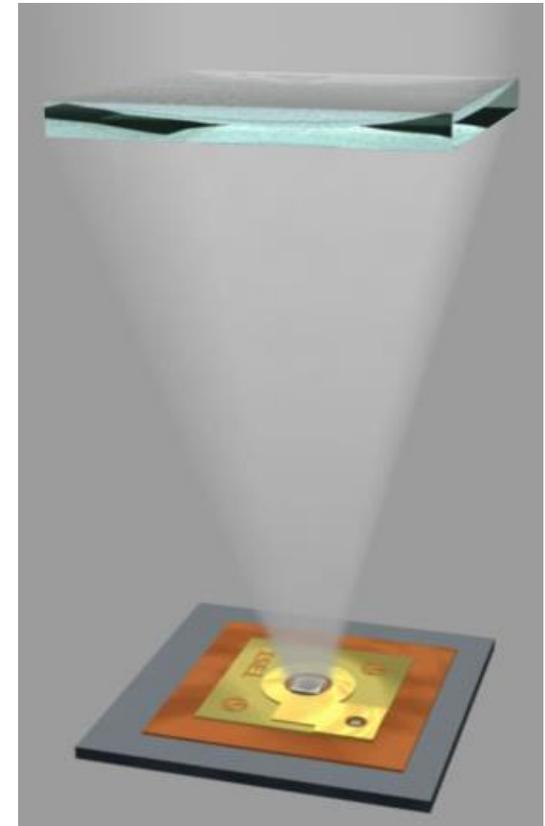
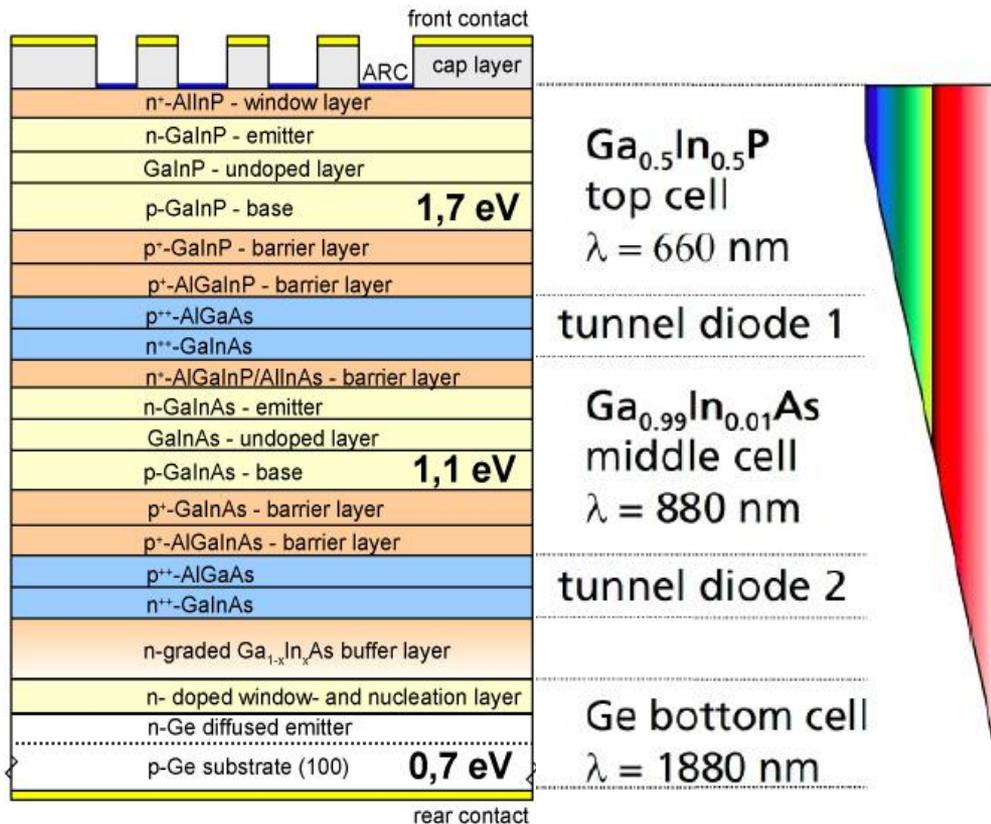
### cell structures

- PERC: Passivated Emitter and Rear Cell
- MWT: Metal Wrap Through
- IBC-BJ: Interdigitated Back Contact – Back Junction
- HJT: Hetero Junction Technology



Adapted from Preu et al., EU-PVSEC 2009

# High-Efficiency III/V Based Triple-Junction Solar Cells

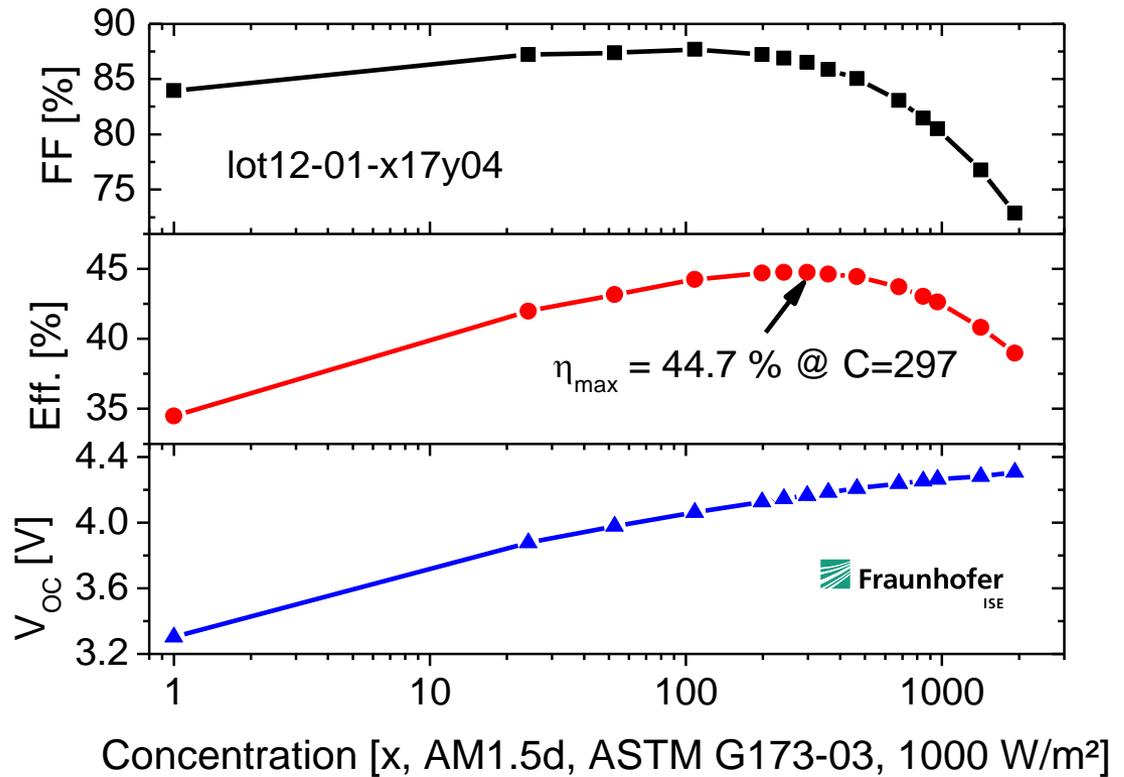
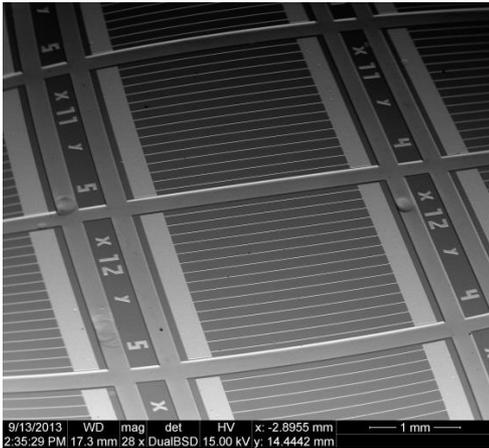
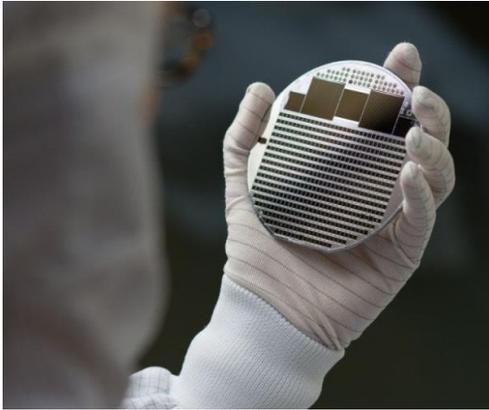


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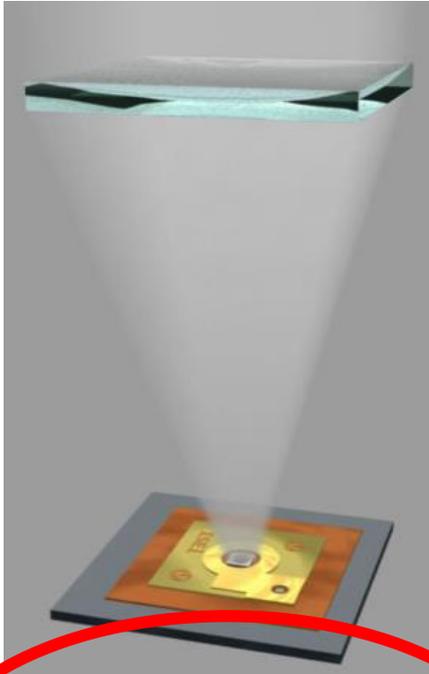
# World Record 44.7 % Efficiency Solar Cell

## Wafer-Bonded, 4-Junction Technology

### Fraunhofer ISE with SOITEC, CEA-LETI, HZB



# Advantage of Two-Axis Tracking in CPV: Land Use!



2014: SOITEC SOLAR  
builds a 300 MW CPV  
installation, using the  
new 150 MW<sub>p</sub>/yr factory  
near San Diego, CA!

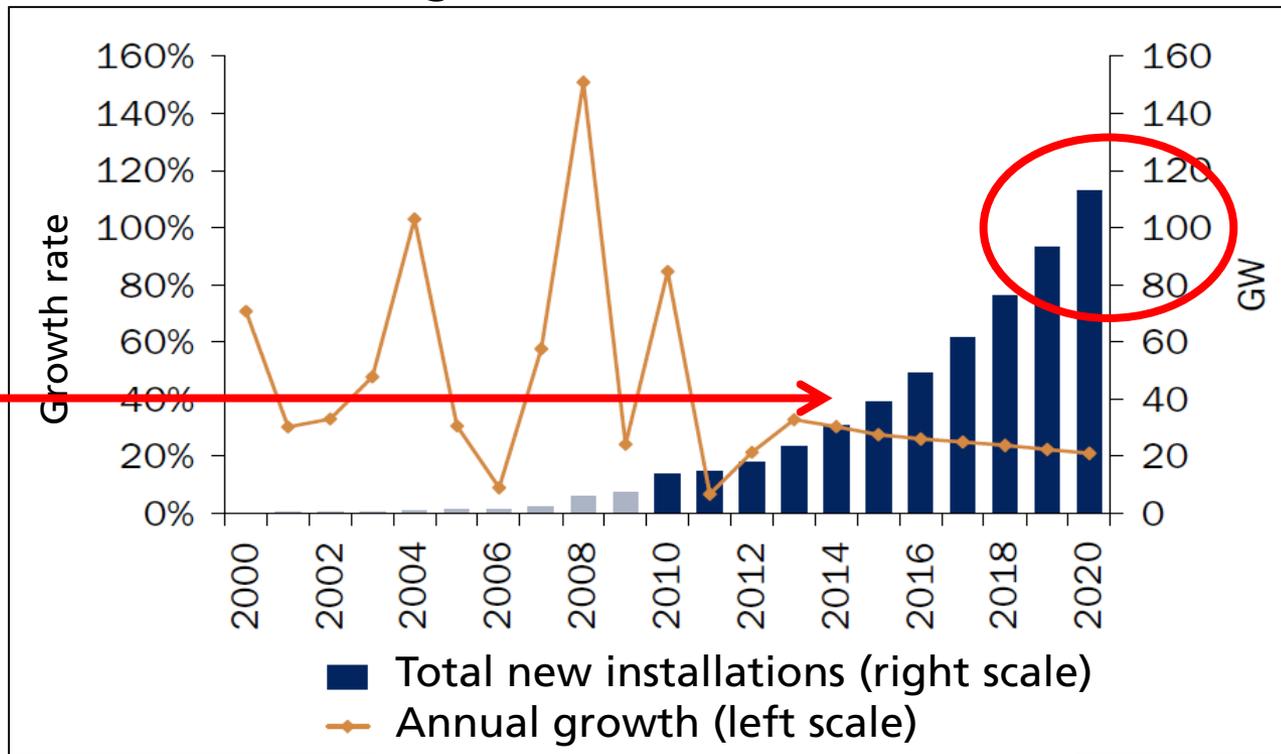


# World Market Outlook: Experts are Optimistic

## Example Sarasin Bank, November 2010

- market forecast: 30 GW<sub>p</sub> in 2014, 110 GW<sub>p</sub> in 2020
- annual growth rate: in the range of 20 % and 30 %

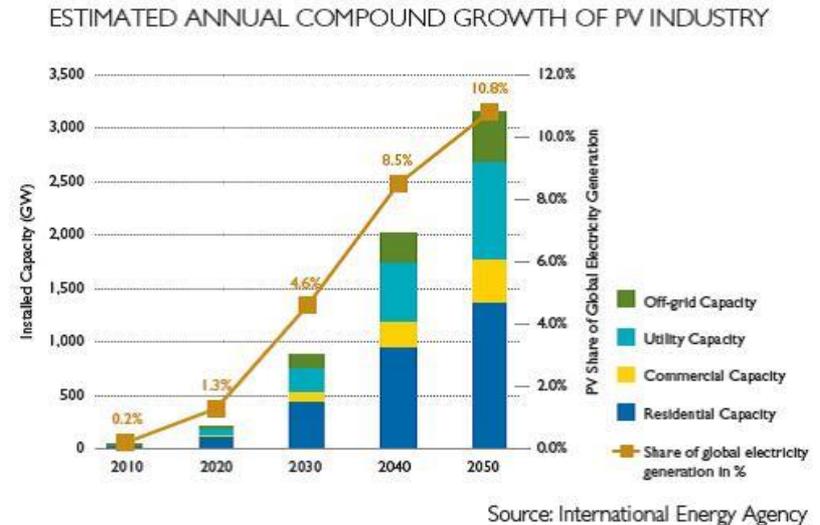
2014:  
ca. 46 GW<sub>p</sub>,  
50 % above  
forecast!



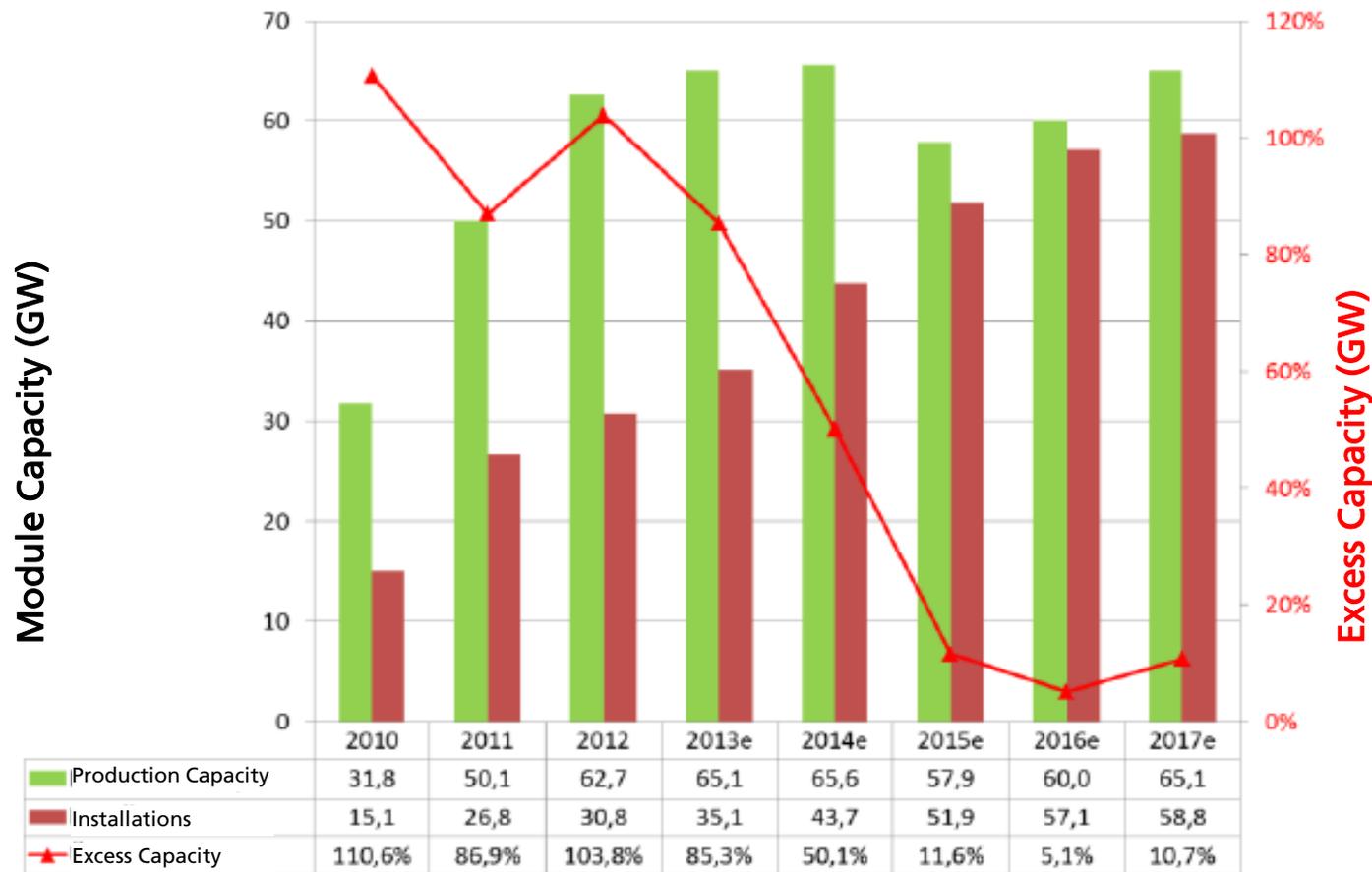
Source: Sarasin, Solar Study, Nov 2010

# IEA Outlook on PV Production Worldwide

- Rapidly declining cost of PV generated electricity opens up new market opportunities.
- Current 45 GWp/a market will increase to a 100+ GWp/a market in 2020; for 2050 IEA expects more than 3,000 GWp of globally installed PV capacity; for **10 % of energy demand** we need more than **10,000 GWp!**
- Strong increase necessitates construction of GW-scale, highly automated PV production plants.



# Global PV Production Capacity and Installations



Outlook for the development of supply and demand in the global PV market

Source: IHS Research Inc., Grafik: PSE AG

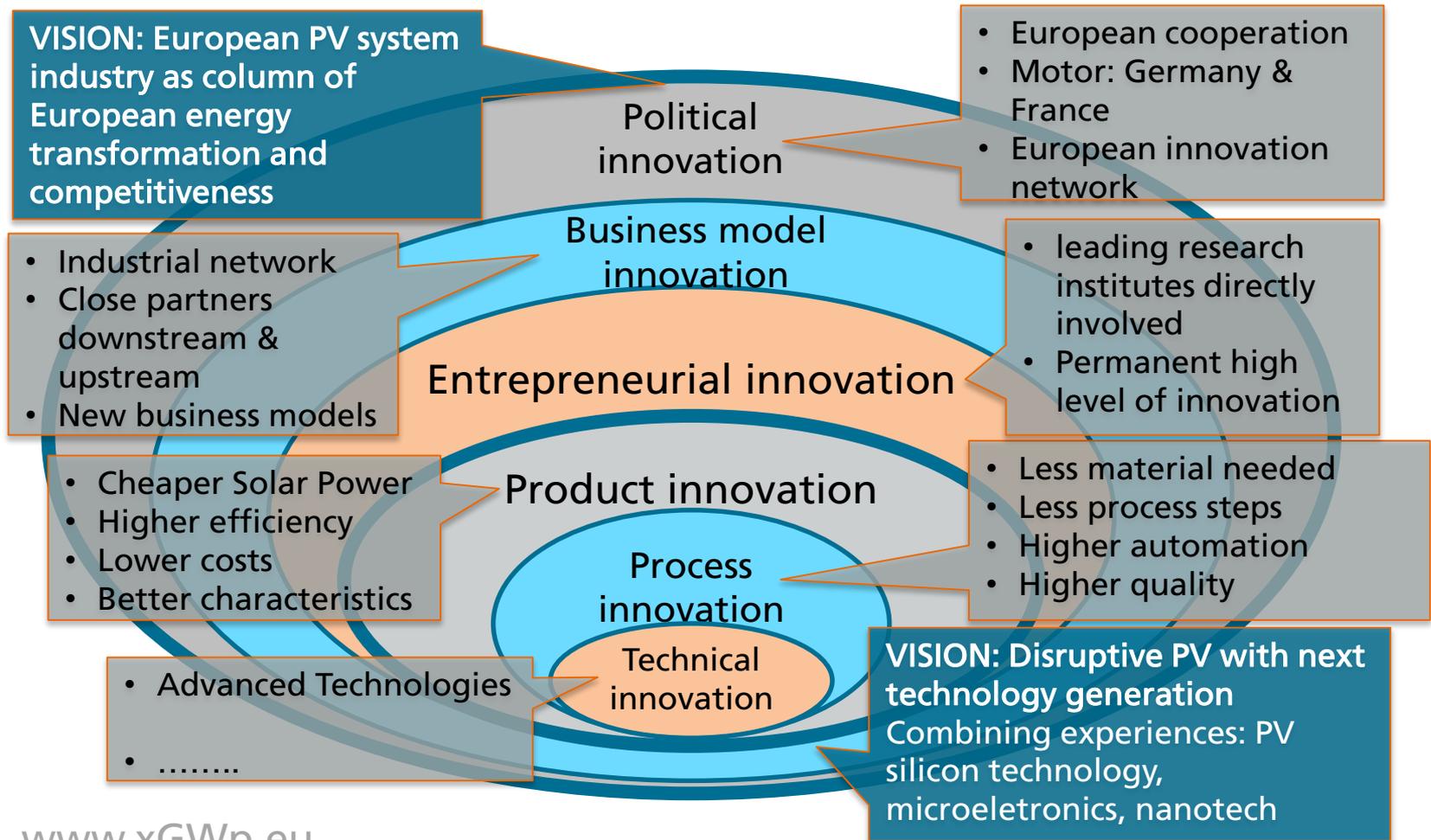


# Let the Second Gold Rush Begin

## Demand Could Continue to Surprise to the Upside

While we have been generally constructive on the global demand outlook, we are raising our 2014 and 2015 demand expectations from 44.5 to 46.1GW and from ~52 to ~56GW respectively. We believe upside demand surprises from the US, Japanese and Chinese markets could continue in 2014. We expect a combination of streamlined incentive programs in China, additional subsidy cut signals in end 2014 and decreasing financing constraints to act as catalysts for upside demand surprises. While these 3 markets showed the most upside relative to expectations in 2013, we expect many more international markets to become meaningful growth contributors from 2014. Specifically, we expect India, South Africa, Mexico, Australia, Middle East, South America and South East Asia to all act as strong growth contributors. The majority of these markets are at grid parity and as such sustainable. Moreover, we believe some of the grid and financing constraints that have inhibited growth so far are set to improve in 2014.

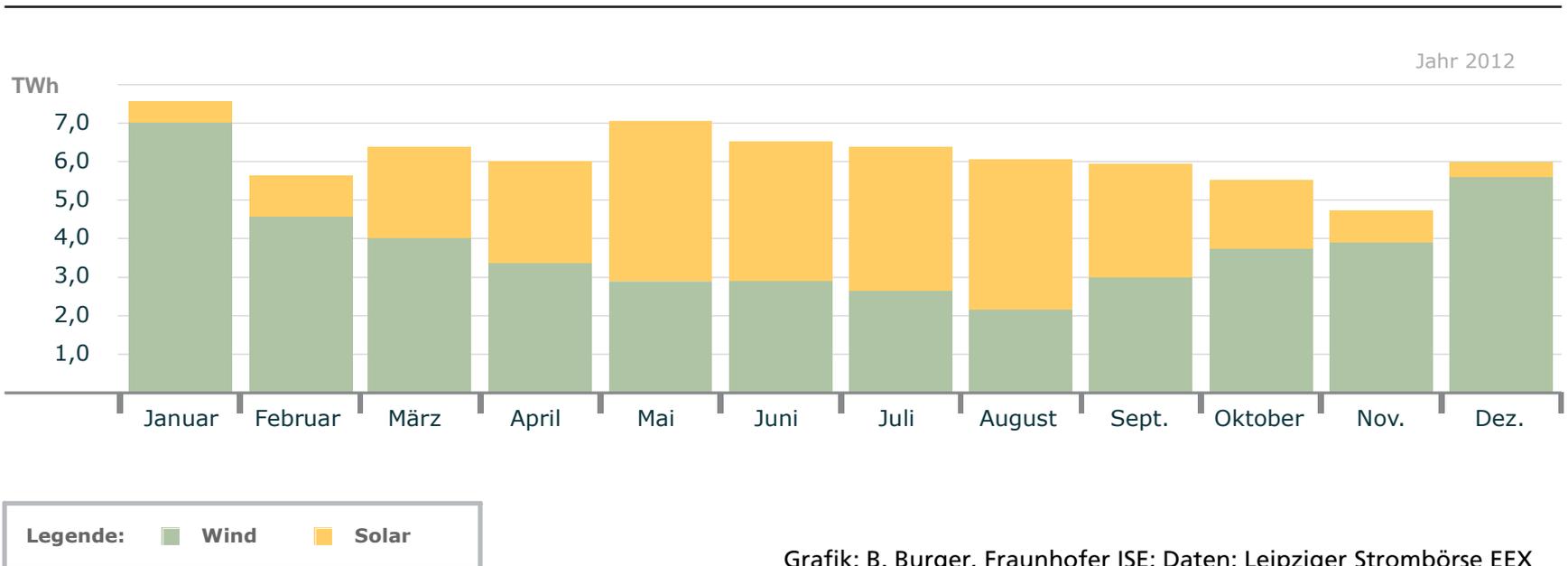
# xGWp: European Gigawatt PV Production



[www.xGWp.eu](http://www.xGWp.eu)

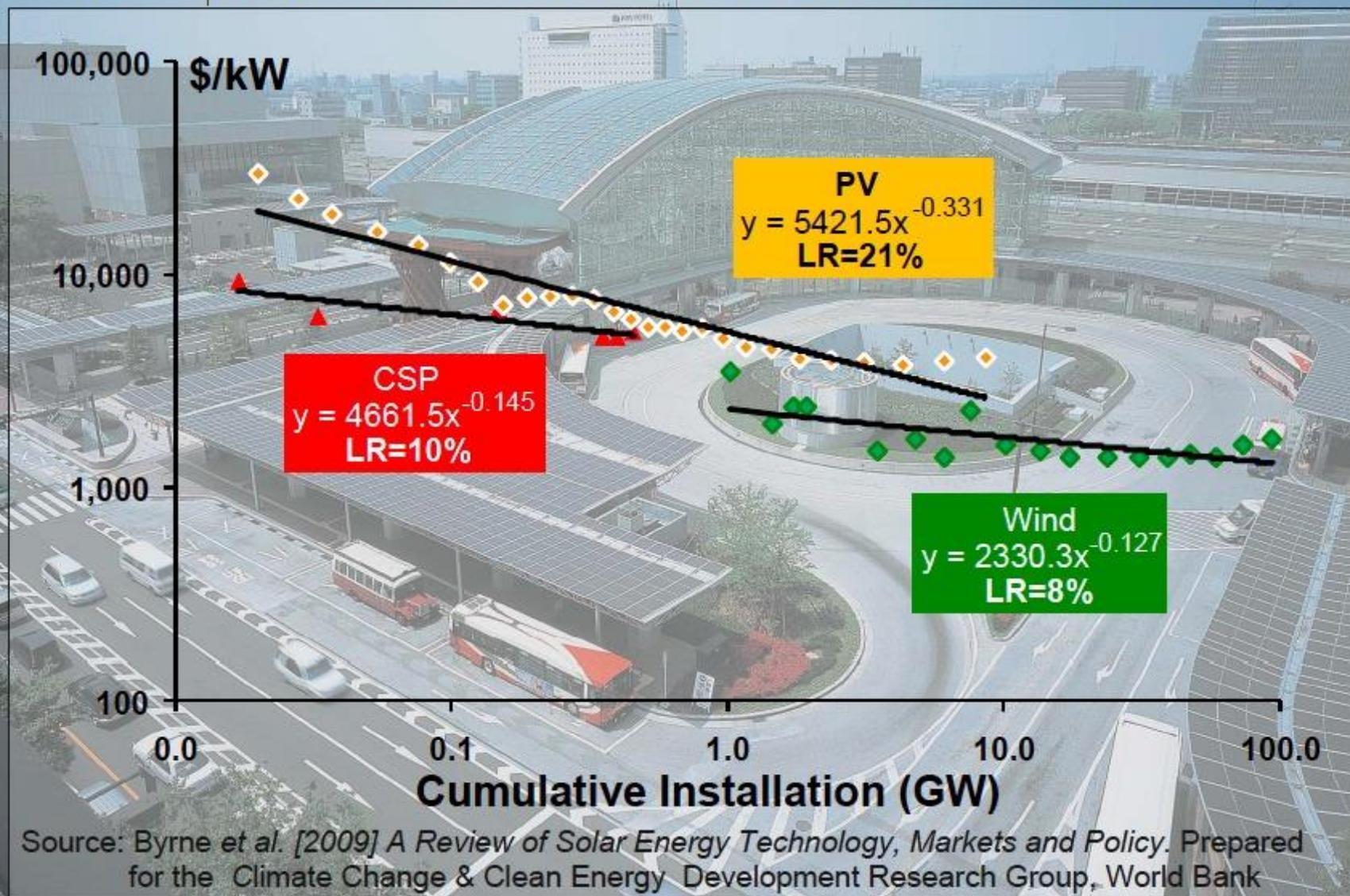
# Monthly Electricity Production of PV and Wind 2012

Germany



- each month, solar and wind produced between 5 and 7 TWh of electricity in Germany
- sun dominates in summer, wind in winter, the combination works best!

# EXPERIENCE CURVES FOR SELECTED RENEWABLE ELECTRIC POWER TECHNOLOGIES



# Combined CSP-CPV power plant

Example calculated for a location in Chile:

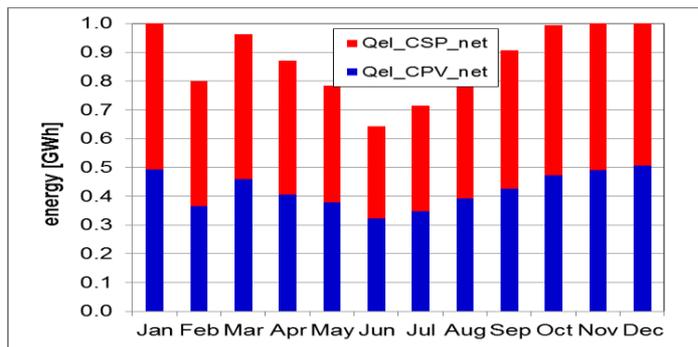
1MW CPV, 1MW CSP-turbine, 18hrs storage, 24hrs stable electricity

Combination of solar generators:

- CPV -> electricity **supply for the day**
- CSP+Storage -> **supply for the night**

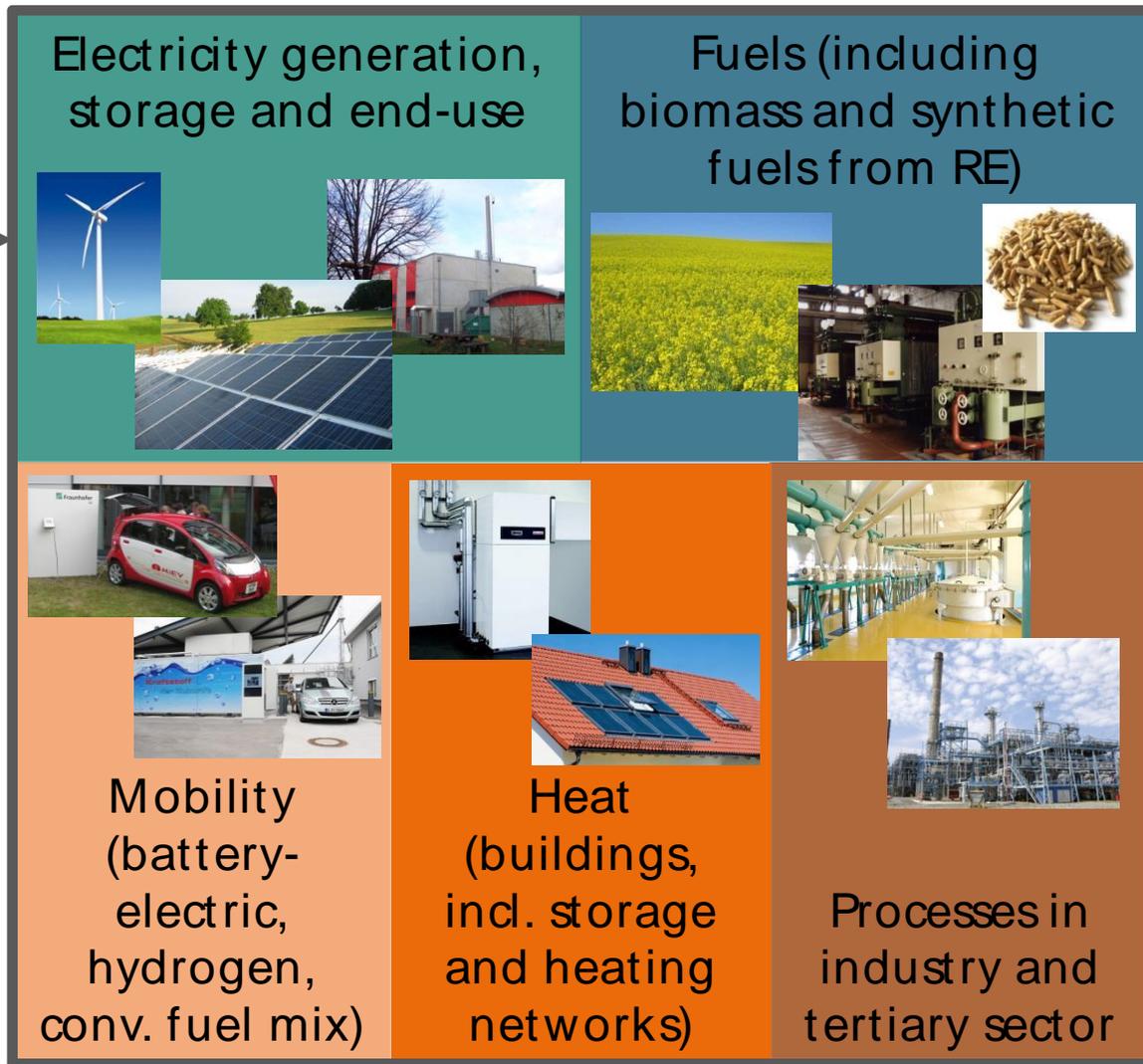
Results:

- Yearly solar yield: 10.4 GWh
- Operation hours: 8640 h
- Cost of electricity LEC: ca.14 \$ct/kWh
- Electricity from Diesel: >20 \$ct/kWh



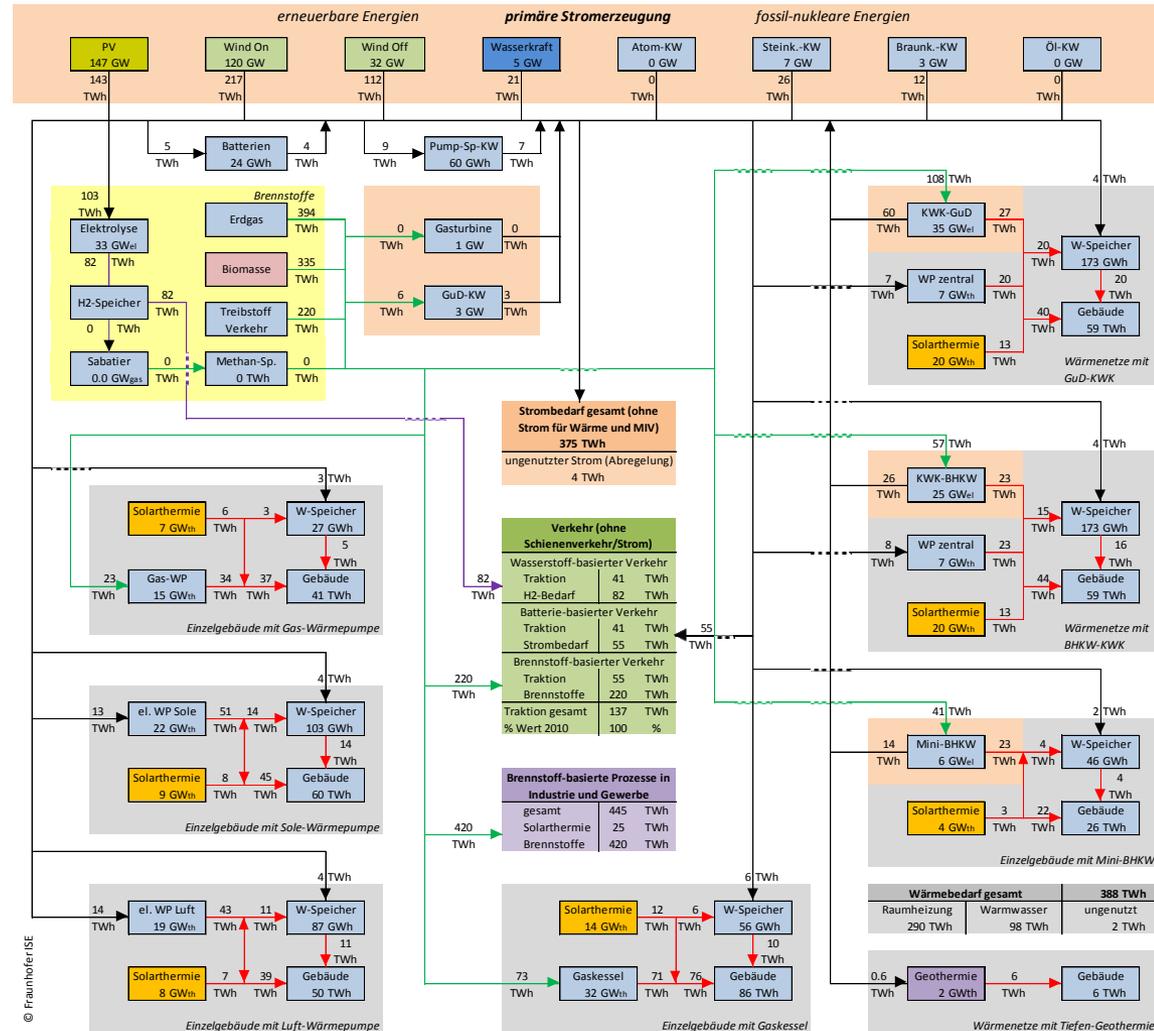
# Optimization of Germany's future energy system based on hourly modeling

Comprehensive analysis of the overall system



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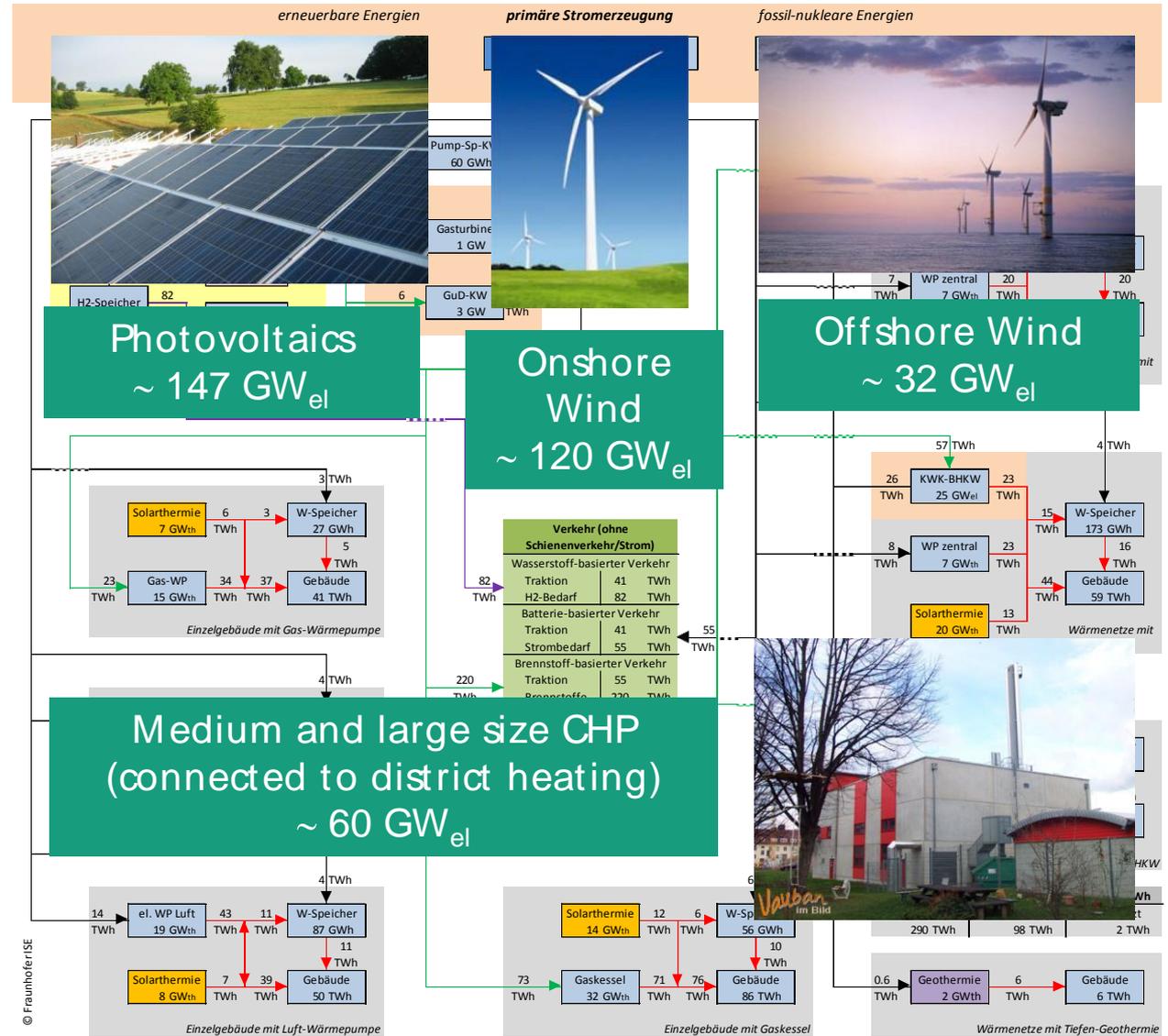
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**REM od-D**  
Renewable Energy Model – Deutschland

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# Electricity generation



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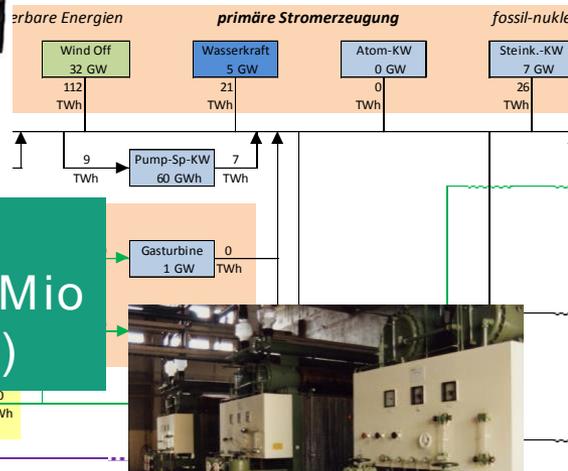
# Storage



Stationary batteries  
Total ~24 GWh (e.g. 8 Mio units with 3 kWh each)



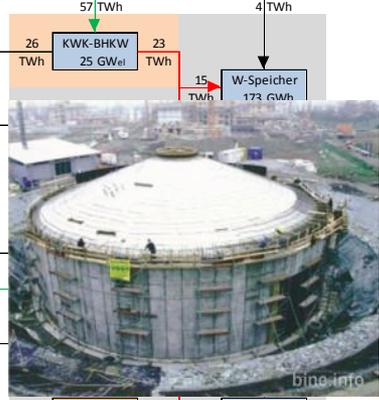
Pumped storage power plants  
42 units with a total of 60 GWh



Electrolysers with total capacity of 33 GW<sub>el</sub> (needed for mobility)



Heat buffers in buildings  
Total ~320 GWh (e.g. 7 Mio units with 800 Litres each)



Large scale heat storage in district heating systems  
Total ~350 GWh (e.g. 150 units with 50.000 m<sup>3</sup> each)

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# The Global Energy Transformation - *not a Transition!*

- The global energy transformation is **the** challenge of our generation, as first step of our needed transformation to sustainability.
- A near-100% renewable energy system is possible, at similar cost as today's energy supply.
- Harvesting energy from the sun and wind will be the key pillars of our future, renewable energy system
- The needed technologies are in principle available today; however, much work is needed for higher efficiency technologies at lower production cost.
- India could potentially have one of the largest PV markets worldwide, and develop the needed industrial infrastructure along the food chain!
- Fraunhofer ISE offers unbiased technology advice and applied research for industry interested to enter this field.
- Politics needs to be bold and visionary – to grab the obvious opportunities of this process for our economies, for innovation, ~~technology development and, ultimately, for healthy, sustainable~~ economies in Germany and India!

# Thank you for your Attention!



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