



# Quality Roundtable at PV Taiwan 2017

Quality first: A holistic overview of quality in and for Taiwan,  
from cell and module, to array.

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# Agenda Part I

<b>09:30 – 10:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:55 – 10:00</b>	<b>Welcome Remarks</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i>
<b>10:00 – 10:10</b>	<b>Opening Remarks - City of Taipei initiates and support</b> <i>Mr. San-Chung Wang / 王三申, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Economic Development, Taipei City Government</i>
<b>10:10 – 10:15</b>	<b>Solar Installation at Urban / High Density Area</b> <i>Mr. Leo Kuo / 郭泳欽, Senior Manager, Tatung Co.</i>
<b>10:15 – 10:20</b>	<b>Quality Issues in Subtropical Climate and Taiwan</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i> <i>Dr. Jay Lin / 林敬傑, Chief Consultant, PV Guider / Technical Committee of CNS National Standards / the Leader of Task Forces in SEMI standard</i>
<b>10:20 – 10:25</b>	<b>Floating PV - Taiwan Potential and Quality</b> <i>Mr. Cédric Jaeg, General Manager, Ciel &amp; Terre Taiwan</i>
<b>10:25 – 10:35</b>	<b>Poor quality case 1</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i> <i>Dr. Jay Lin / 林敬傑, Chief Consultant, PV Guider / Technical Committee of CNS National Standards / the Leader of Task Forces in SEMI standard</i>
<b>10:35 – 10:45</b>	<b>Quality in cables and connectors</b> <i>Mr. Joseph Yang, Division Manager, Stäubli (H.K.) Ltd. Taiwan Branch</i>
<b>10:45 – 10:55</b>	<b>Discussion period</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i>



# Agenda Part II

10:55 – 11:10	<b>ACTIVE BREAK</b>
11:10 – 11:15	<b>Selection Rules for High Quality PV Module</b> <i>Mr. Hung-Sen Wu / 吳鴻森, Deputy Division Director, Center for Measurement Standards, Industrial Technology Research Institute</i>
11:15 – 11:25	<b>Manufacturing Technology, Production Equipment &amp; Quality Assurance</b> <i>Mr. Harris Li, General Manager, SCHMID Taiwan Ltd.</i>
11:25 – 11:35	<b>Poor Quality Case 2</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i> <i>Dr. Jay Lin / 林敬傑, Chief Consultant, PV Guider / Technical Committee of CNS National Standards / the Leader of Task Forces in SEMI standard</i>
11:35 – 11:45	<b>Field Research Findings</b> <i>Dr. Oakland Fu / 付波, Photovoltaic &amp; Advanced Materials Technical Manager, DuPont</i>
11:45 – 11:50	<b>Quality in Manufacturing, Taiwan Module Manufacturer Viewpoint</b> <i>Dr. CY Yu / 余承曄, Assistant Vice President, R&amp;D, TSEC</i>
11:50 – 11:55	<b>Manufacturing Quality Discussion</b> <i>Mr. Jonathan Gifford, Editor at Large, pv magazine</i> <i>Dr. Jay Lin / 林敬傑, Chief Consultant, PV Guider / Technical Committee of CNS National Standards / the Leader of Task Forces in SEMI standard</i>
11:55 – 12:00	<b>Conclusions</b>



# Part I



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# Opening remarks



## II

# Solar installation at urban/high density area



# 都會區太陽光電應用與未來趨勢

10/20/2017

大同公司 太陽能系統處





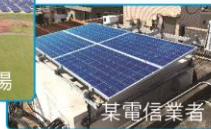
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公有房舍30處  
總建置容量  
**3.5MWp**



彰化  
私人企業  
**0.75MWp**



台中市  
公有房舍43處  
預計總建置容量  
**3.3MWp**  
私人企業  
**0.1MWp**

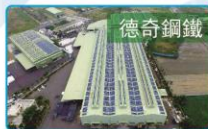


台北市  
公有房舍74處  
預計總建置容量  
**6.6MWp**  
福德掩埋場  
建置容量  
**2MWp**

金門縣  
公有房舍29處  
預計總建置容量  
**4.2MWp**



東沙島  
總建置容量  
**40kWp**



台南、高雄市  
公有房舍13處  
預計總建置容量  
**0.7MWp**  
私人企業  
**2MWp**

新北市  
公有房舍68處  
預計總建置容量  
**8.1MWp**

桃園市  
公有房舍150處  
預計總建置容量  
**15.1MWp**  
桃園掩埋場  
**5MWp**

埤塘  
**0.5MWp**  
私人企業  
**1.2MWp**



屏東-林邊  
總建置容量  
**78kWp**

南沙島  
總建置容量  
**40kWp**



南投縣  
公有房舍118處  
總建置容量  
**11MWp**

新竹縣  
公有房舍50處  
預計總建置容量  
**6MWp**



# 案場建置-台北市天母國中



## 台北市天母國中

- 系統容量：424.8 kWp
- 併網日期：2017.6
- 預估每年發電量：450,000 kWh



# 案場建置-新北市停車棚



## 新北果菜市場

- 系統容量：430.08 kWp
- 併網日期：2017.5
- 預估每年發電量：450,000 kWh



# 案場建置-台北市桃源國小



台北市桃源國小

- ☐ 系統容量：212.4 kWp
- ☐ 併網日期：2017.08.17
- ☐ 預估每年發電量：223,020 kWh



# 都會區太陽光電面臨的挑戰



日本都會區太陽能屋頂普及率高





# 都會區太陽光電面臨的挑戰-案例

台北市士林區蘭雅國小





# 都會區太陽光電面臨的挑戰-案例

台北市松山區民權國小



變壓器放置處





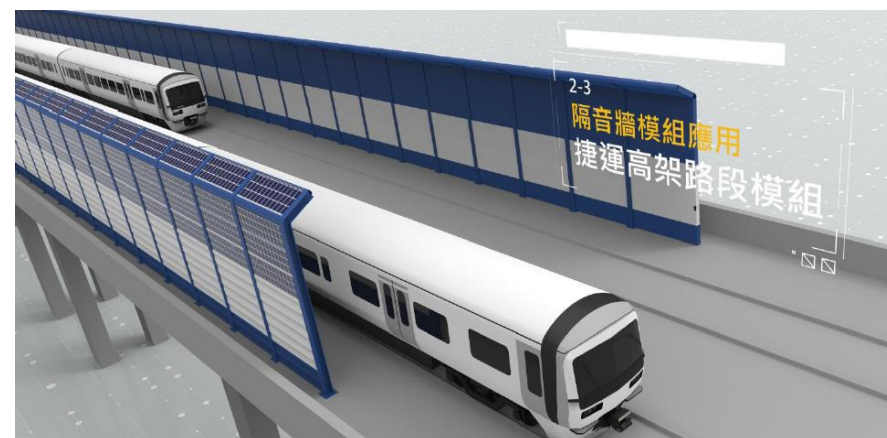
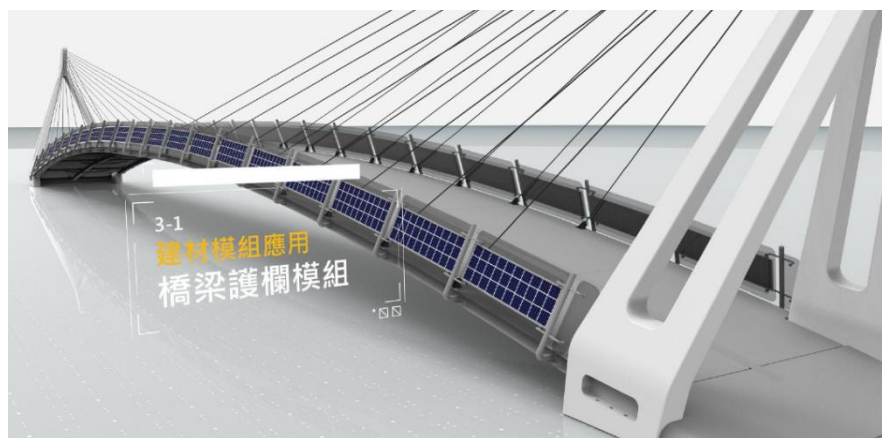
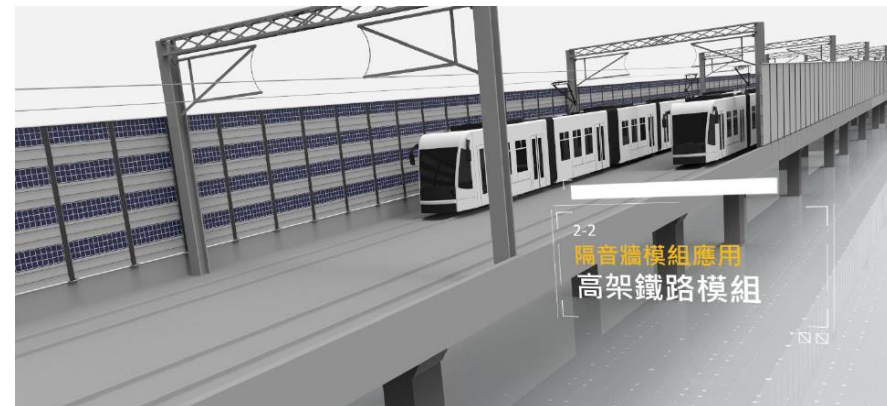
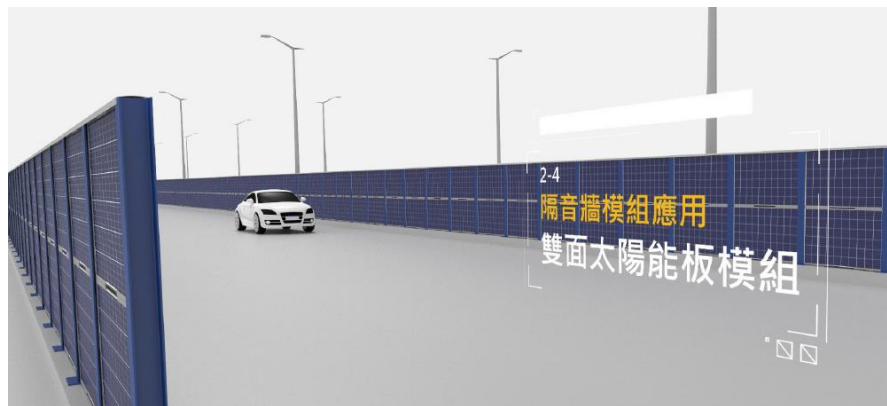
# 都會區太陽光電面臨的挑戰-案例

陽明山永公路透天民宅  
裝置容量:11.8kWp



# 太陽光電發展趨勢-模組應用1

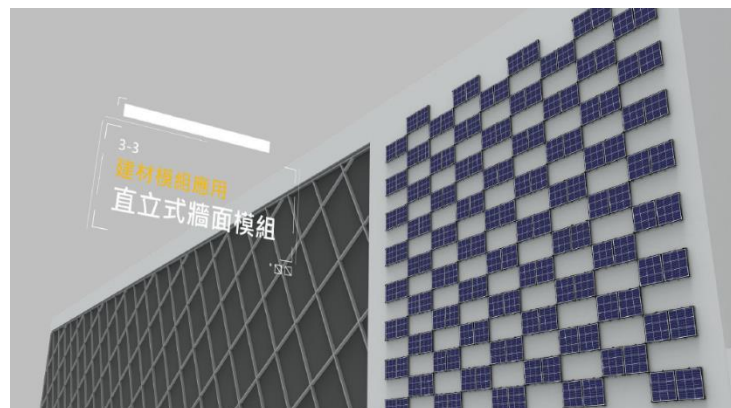
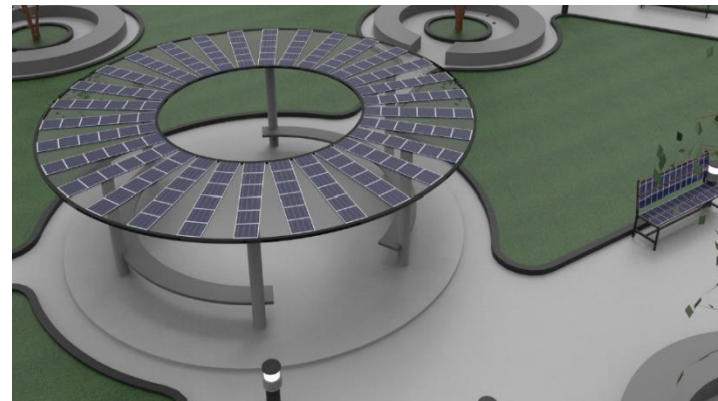
- 交通設施隔音牆
- 橋梁、道路、護欄模組





# 太陽光電發展趨勢-模組應用2

- 休閒用品應用、建材應用
- 生活設施、公園、涼亭、路燈、桌椅、車道模組





Thank you

# III

# Quality issues in subtropical climate & Taiwan





# Quality Issues in Subtropical Climate and Taiwan

PV Guider

Jay/ Chief Consultant



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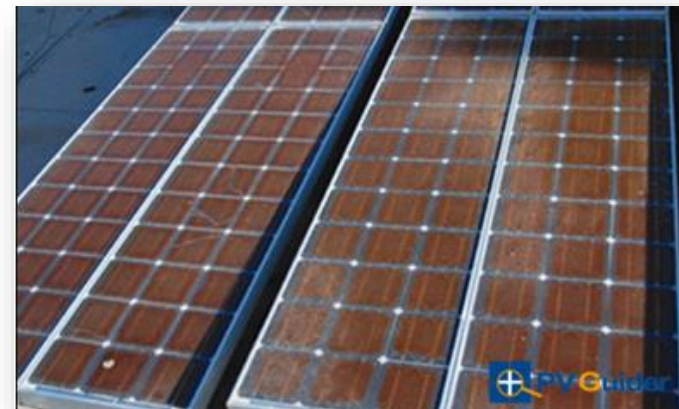
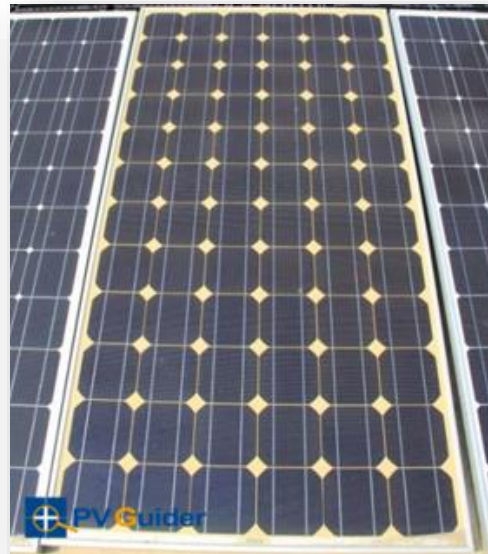


# Challenges in Taiwan

- ◆ High irradiance/ UV
- ◆ High temperature
- ◆ High humidity
- ◆ Salty environment
- ◆ Typhoon
- ◆ Plants grow fast
- ◆ Flood and mudslide



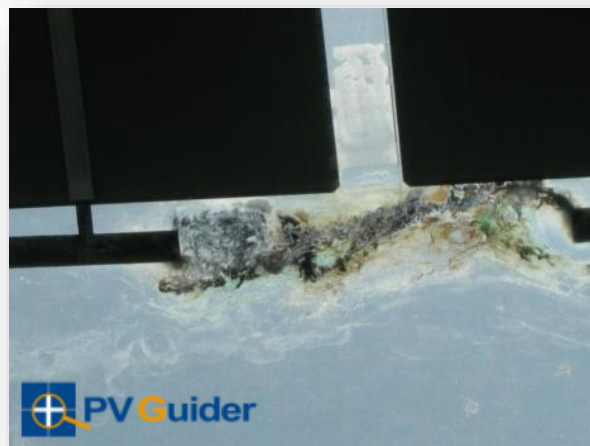
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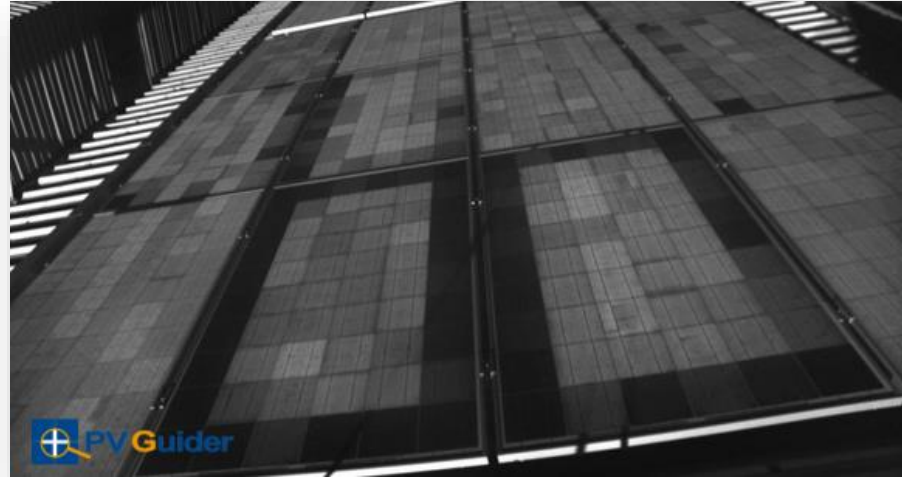
# High Humidity



# Humidity + Salt



# High Humidity



PID prone to happen in humid environment

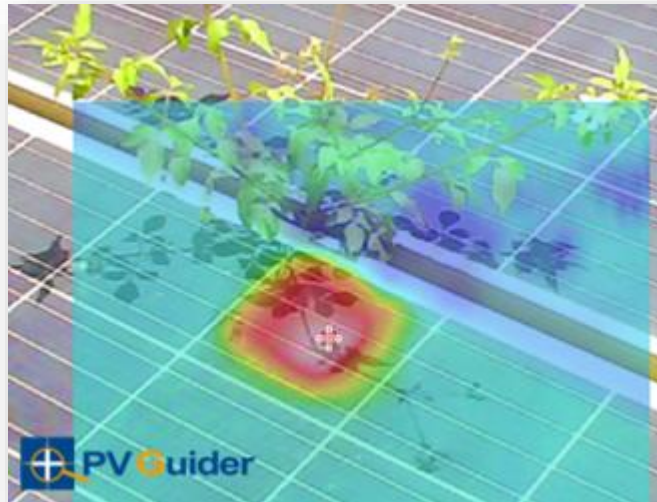




# Typhoon



# Plants grow fast



# Flood & Mudslide

Geological survey is important!



Note: The photo is to demonstrate the risk, but not actually happened in Taiwan.





# Solutions

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- ◆ Component selection
- ◆ System design
- ◆ Maintenance frequency
- ◆ Geological survey in advance



# Quality to Survive in Taiwan

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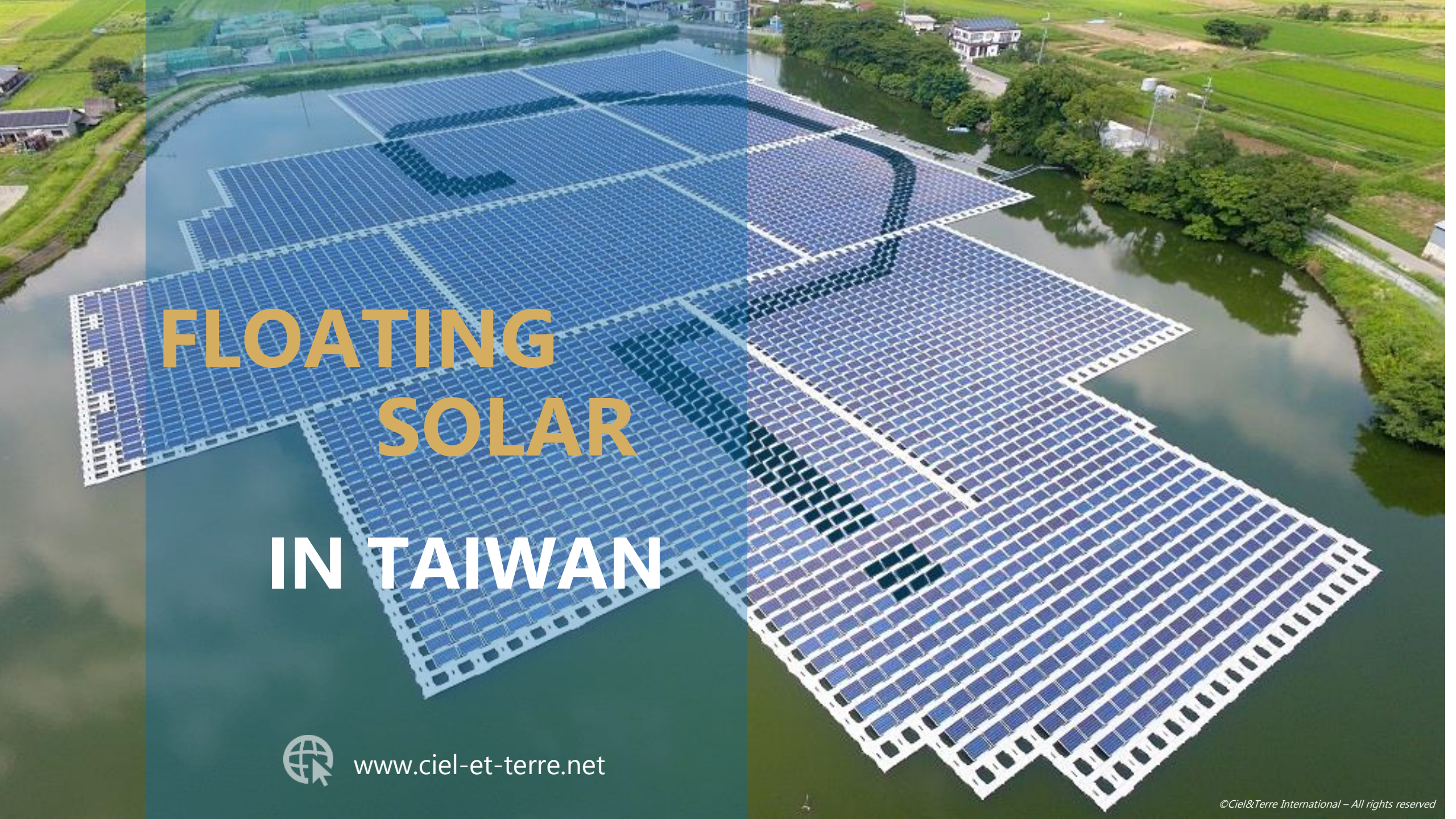
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# IV

## Floating PV – Taiwan potential & quality







# FLOATING SOLAR IN TAIWAN



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# WHY FLOATING SOLAR?

## ENVIRONMENTAL



- Minimizes water evaporation (water & ecosystems conservation)
- Improves water quality and reduces algal bloom
- Limits erosion of reservoir thanks to wave action
- Neutral/Positive impact
- Make PV possible when there is a lack of space

## ECONOMIC



- Converts unused spaces into profitable areas
- Smoothest & fastest development processes
- Enhances electricity generation thanks to the cooling effect
- Reduces grid-connection costs and major infrastructures investments

## SOCIAL



- Preserves valuable lands for other uses
- Rehabilitates contaminated and unusable areas with clean energy
- Compatible with recreational activities
- Environmental amenity, positive aesthetics



## FLOATING PV BENEFITS

## FLOATING PV APPLICATIONS



**KATO-SHI**  
Japan  
2.8 MWp



Industrial  
water ponds



**SAWA-IKE**  
Japan  
1.1 MWp



Irrigation  
reservoirs



**PIOLENC**  
France  
15 kWp



Quarry/Mine  
lakes



**KUNDE**  
USA  
10 kWp



Desalinization  
reservoirs



**YOTHATHIKAN**  
Thailand  
5 kWp



Aquaculture  
farms



**QUEEN  
ELIZABETH II**  
UK  
6.3 MWp



Drinking  
water  
surfaces



**SOBRADINHO**  
Brazil  
4.9 MWp



Dams and  
Canals



**GODLEY**  
UK  
2.9 MWp



Water  
treatment  
sites



## THE COUNTRY IN FIGURES



**Total area**  
35 980 km<sup>2</sup>



**Mountainous area**  
21 588 km<sup>2</sup> (60 %)



**Water area**  
3 921 km<sup>2</sup> (10.9 %)



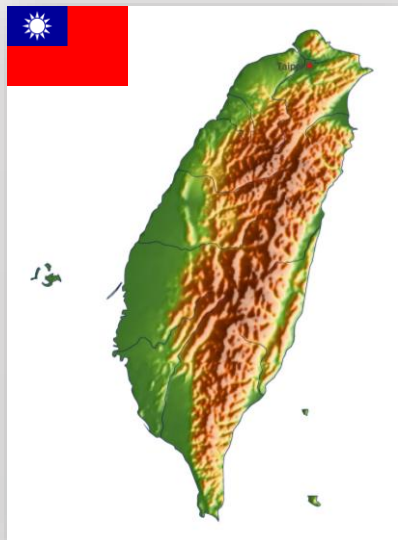
**Irrigated area**  
3 820 km<sup>2</sup> (10.6%)



**Agricultural lands**  
8 617 km<sup>2</sup> (22.7%)



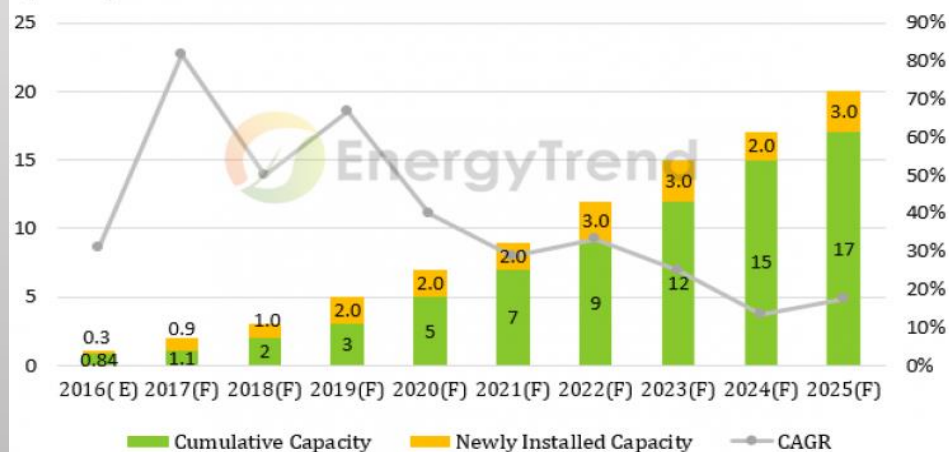
**Population Density**  
650/km<sup>2</sup>  
(14th of the world)



## TAIWANESE PV POLICY

Figure 2: Forecast of Taiwan's PV Installation Growth Trend in Keeping with 2025 Target of 20GW

(Unit: GW)



Source: EnergyTrend, Nov., 2016

## FLOATING PV DRIVERS IN TAIWAN

More than 2,000 lakes and ponds that have been identified

**TARGET 2025 : 20 GW in solar**  
whose 2 GW are floating solar

Yield of 1250 kWh/kWp/year on Southern Taiwan

No need of license to sell electricity for projects under 500kW

High cost of land due to land scarcity

No need of license to sell electricity for projects under 2MW by 2017

Typhoon zone up to 210 km/h

Good regulatory framework, legally safe, dedicated FiT

6% bonus for high-efficiency solar panels regulated by MOEA rules

15% bonus for solar plants installed in North Taiwan

**Potential is much more : >40 GWp of FPV**

## HYDRELIO® BENEFITS



### RESISTANT TO SALT & UV CORROSION

**HDPE**  
Blow-molding

**+20 YEARS**  
Lifetime

**5-20 YEARS**  
Warranty



### DRINKING WATER COMPLIANCE

**BS 6920:2000**  
water drinking



### EXTREME WIND RESISTANCE

**OVER 210 km/h**  
(130 mph)

**TESTED BY ONERA®**  
Aerospace laboratory



### SAFE MOUNTING & MAINTENANCE

**EASY & QUICK**  
Installation | Dismantling |  
Recycling

**SAFE**  
Access



**HIGH POWER  
PRODUCTION**



**CONSERVE  
VALUABLE  
LANDS**



**CONTAIN  
WATER  
EVAPORATION**

**ECO-FRIENDLY  
100%  
RECYCLABLE**





## C&T TAIWAN RECORD

### KEY DATES

**December 2016:** Establishment

**April 2017:** Grid connection of 481 kWp  
*Taoyuan Beihu power plant*

**June 2017:** Grid connection of 2,300 kWp  
*Agongdian power plant*

### KEY FIGURES TAIWAN

≈ **2.78** MWp

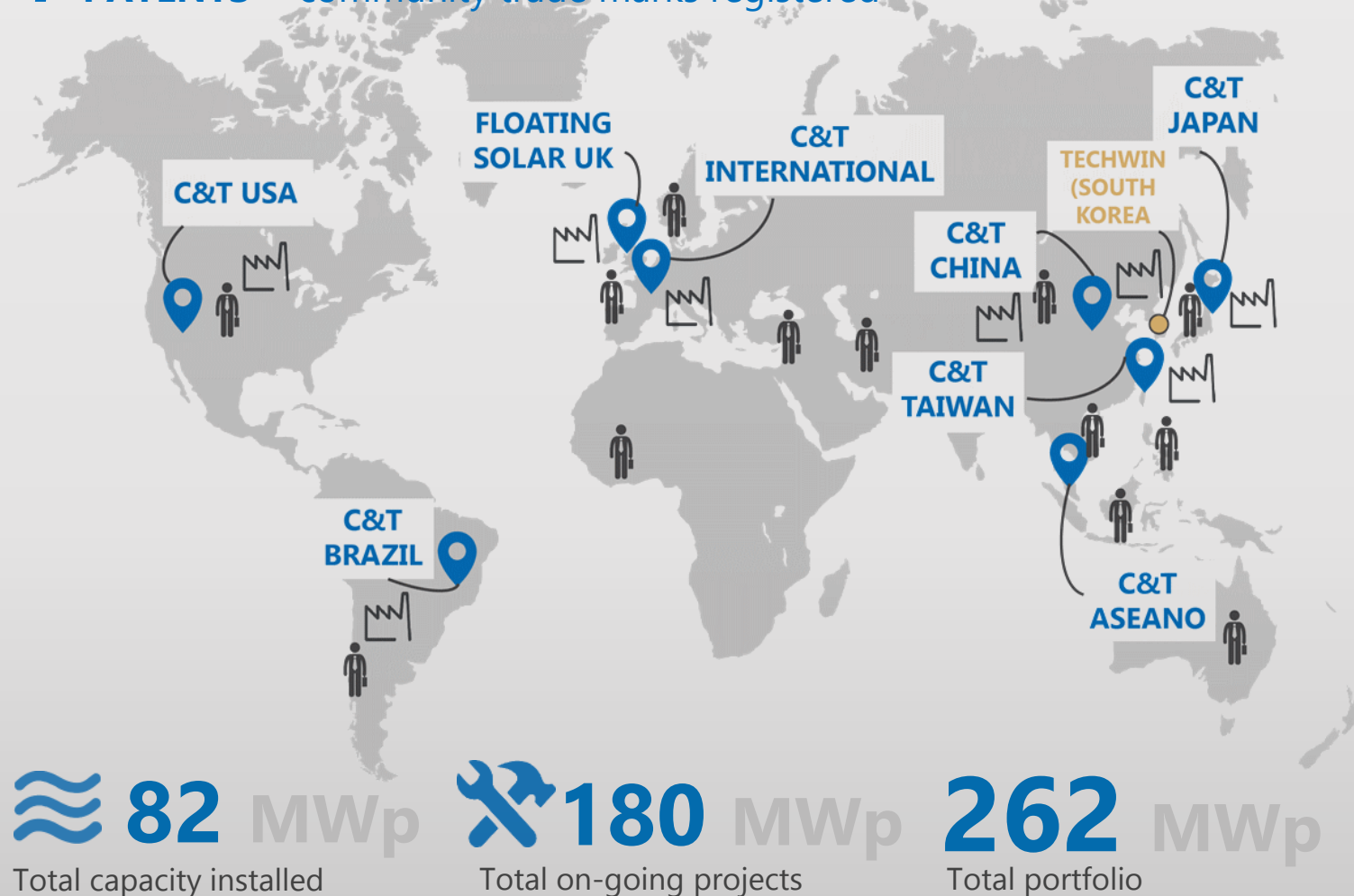
Total floating PV capacity installed [July 2017]

+**42** MWp

Total on-going projects so far planned to be connected in 2017-2018

## C&T GROUP - WORLDWIDE

**7** PATENTS + community trade marks registered



### ACTIVITIES



ENGINEERING



PROJECT  
DEVELOPMENT



FINANCING



PROCUREMENT &  
CONSTRUCTION



OPERATION &  
MAINTENANCE





**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR ATTENTION !**

**QUESTIONS ?  
IDEAS ?  
ANY COMMENTS  
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# Poor quality case I



# Poor Quality Case 1

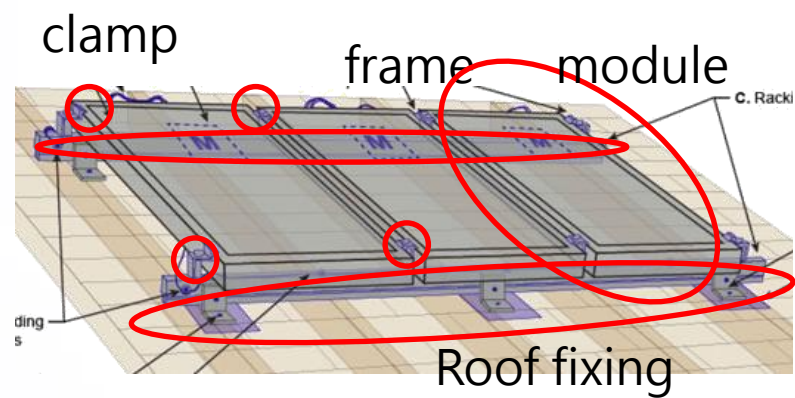
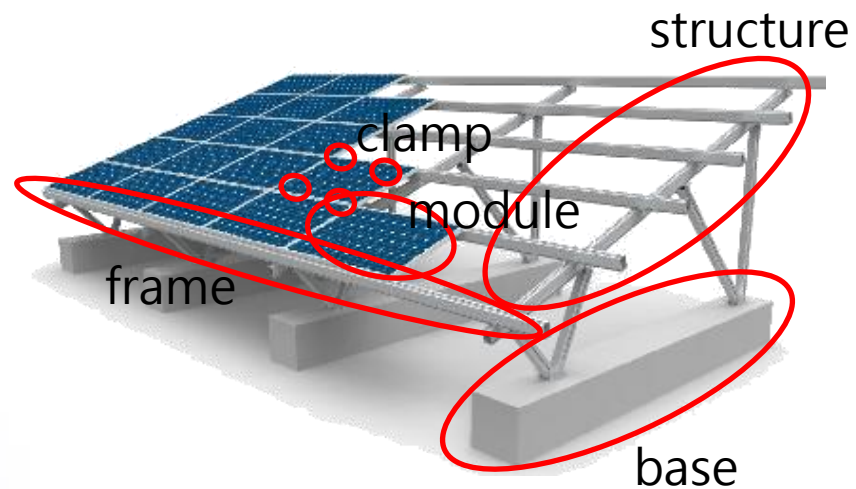
Typhoon Damage



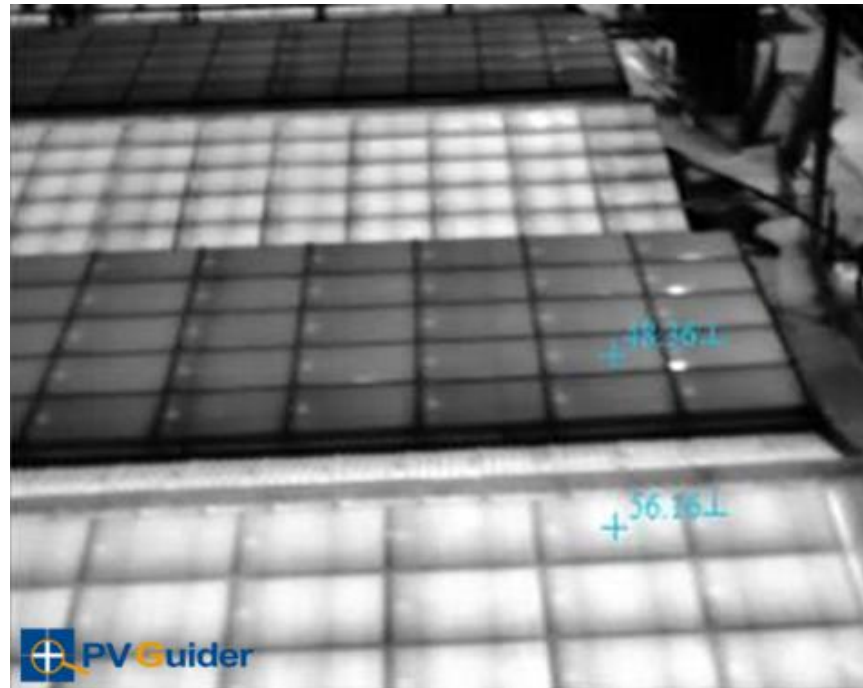
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# Damages in Typhoon



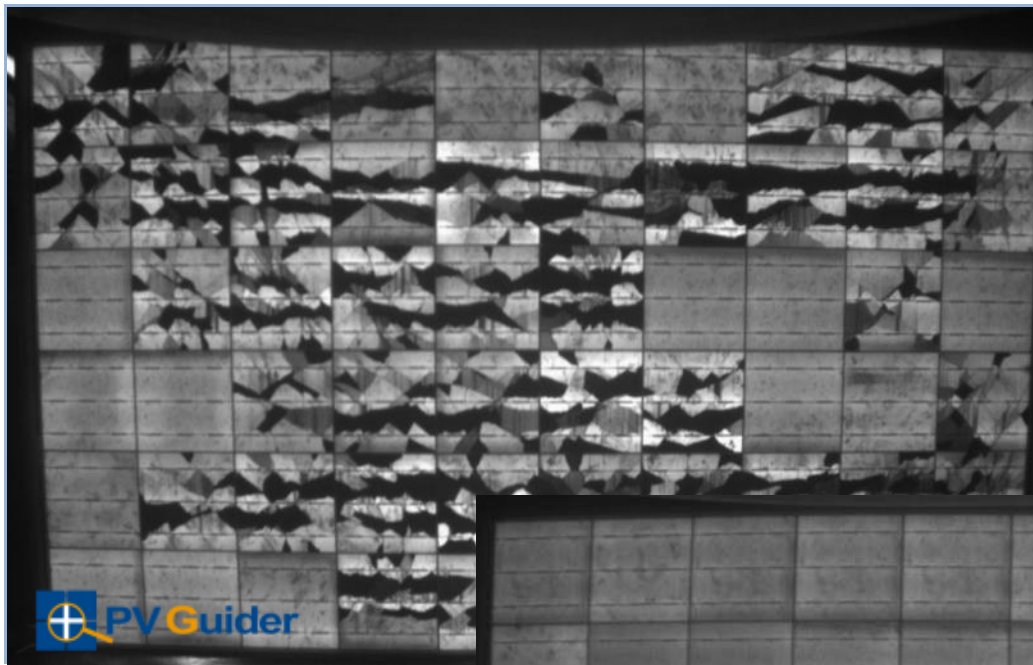
# IR with drone



Modules at the edge of the array were damaged



# EL of dropped modules



Serious damage,  
compensate by  
insurance

No damage,  
reinstalled





# Dispute after Typhoon

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## Who is responsible for modules blown away?

Module Supplier: It's system design and installation problem,  
not module's problem

Frame Supplier: The system designer picked wrong frame spec,  
not frame's problem.

EPC: Module and frame are too weak to resist the strong wind,  
they should be responsible.

Owner: It's your problem, I don't care whoever's fault, just  
recover my system !

Insurer: I don't want to pay for wrong design or installation!





# Who is responsible?



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# Quality in cables & connectors





# Small components. Big impact.

## Cabling of PV installations

QRT REI | 20<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2017 | Joseph Yang, Division manager



# Failures and their financial impact

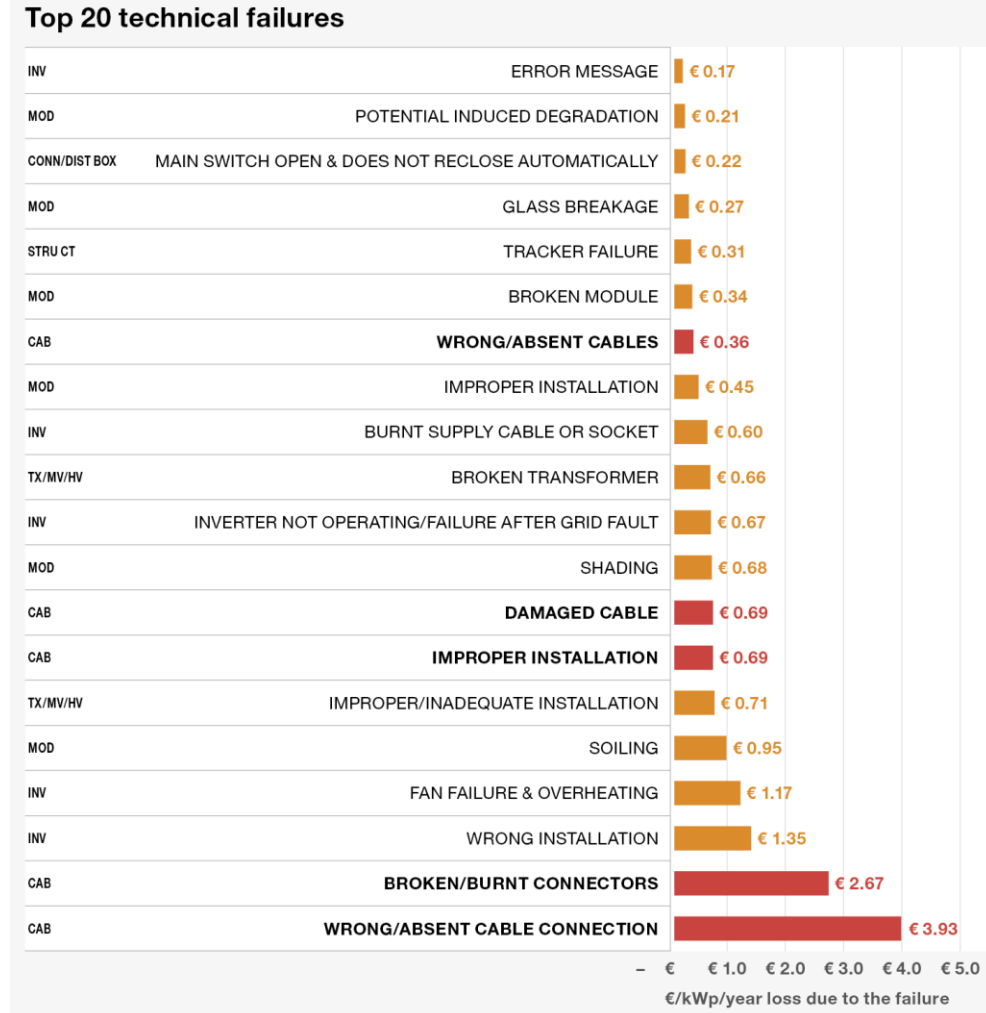
CPN (cost priority number) based on FMEA (Failure Modes and Effects Analysis) Solar Bankability project by European Commission's Horizon 2020

Common practice for professional risk assessment which aims to reduce risks associated with investments in PV projects

- **Technical failures/risks and their economic impact** due downtime and/or power loss & repair/substitution costs
- **Indication/** estimation of the **economic risk** (in average) of a specific technical risk
- Cost Priority Number (CPN) = **cost-based** failure mode and effects analysis
- Method was applied to a database of **over one million documented failure** claims (empirical and statistical)

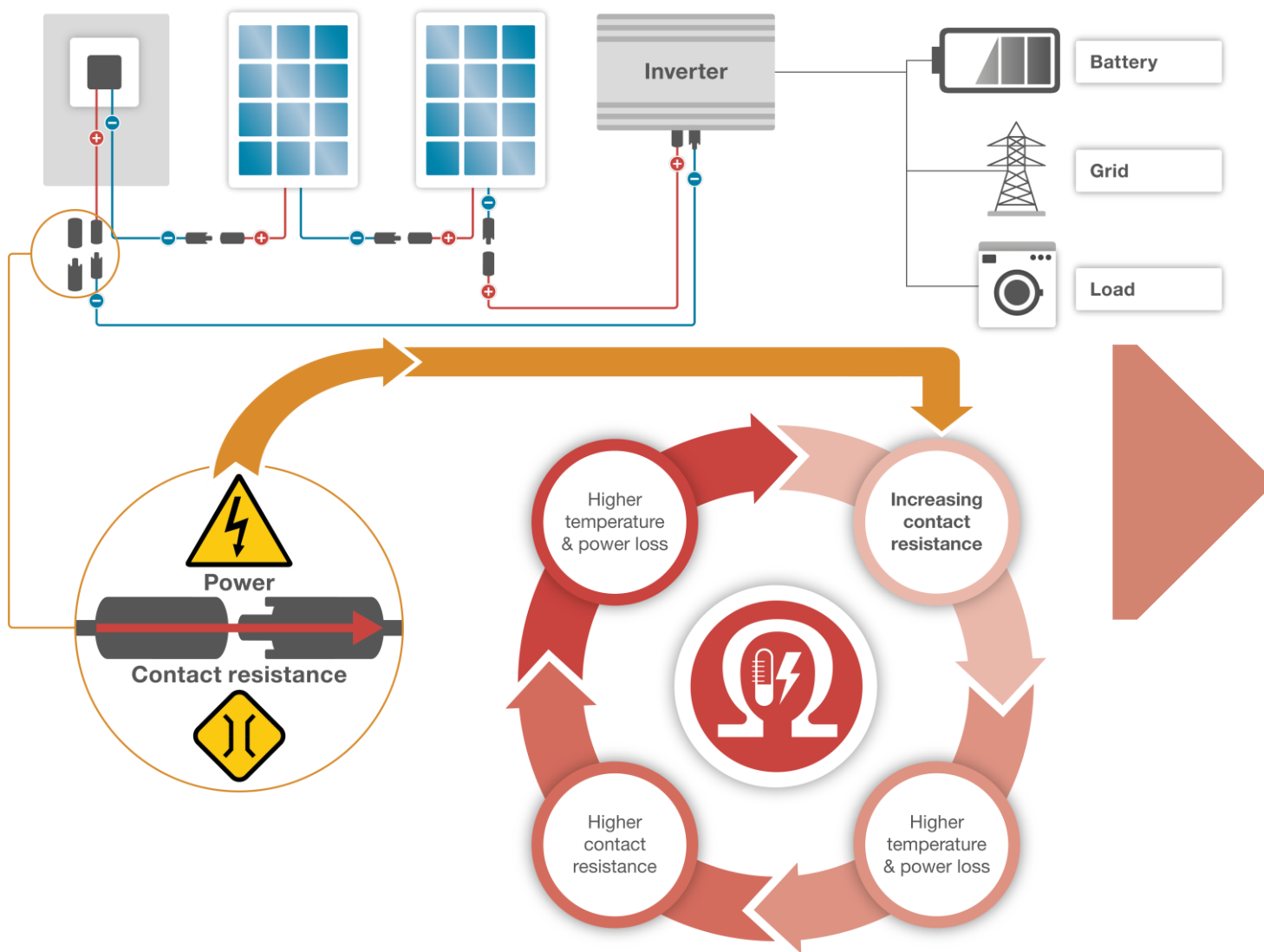
→ Cable & connector with huge financial impact (€/kWp/year loss due to the failure)

→ **Risk mitigation measures** should be selected with an objective to **minimize the LCOE** by optimizing the **balance** between the **CAPEX and OPEX**

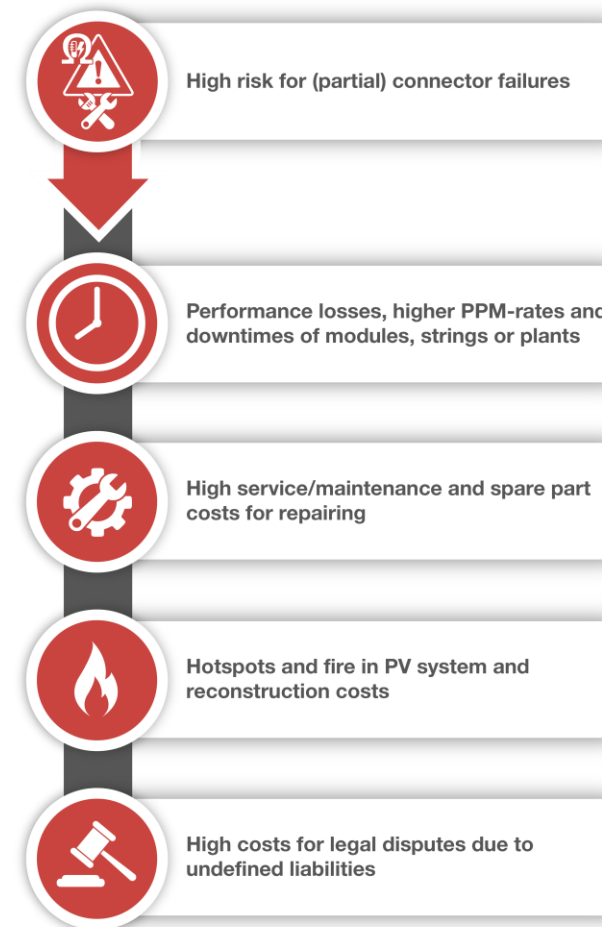




# Why connectors have a big impact



## Consequences:



# 3 sources of risk

## Product



1. Quality vs.  
Low-end Product

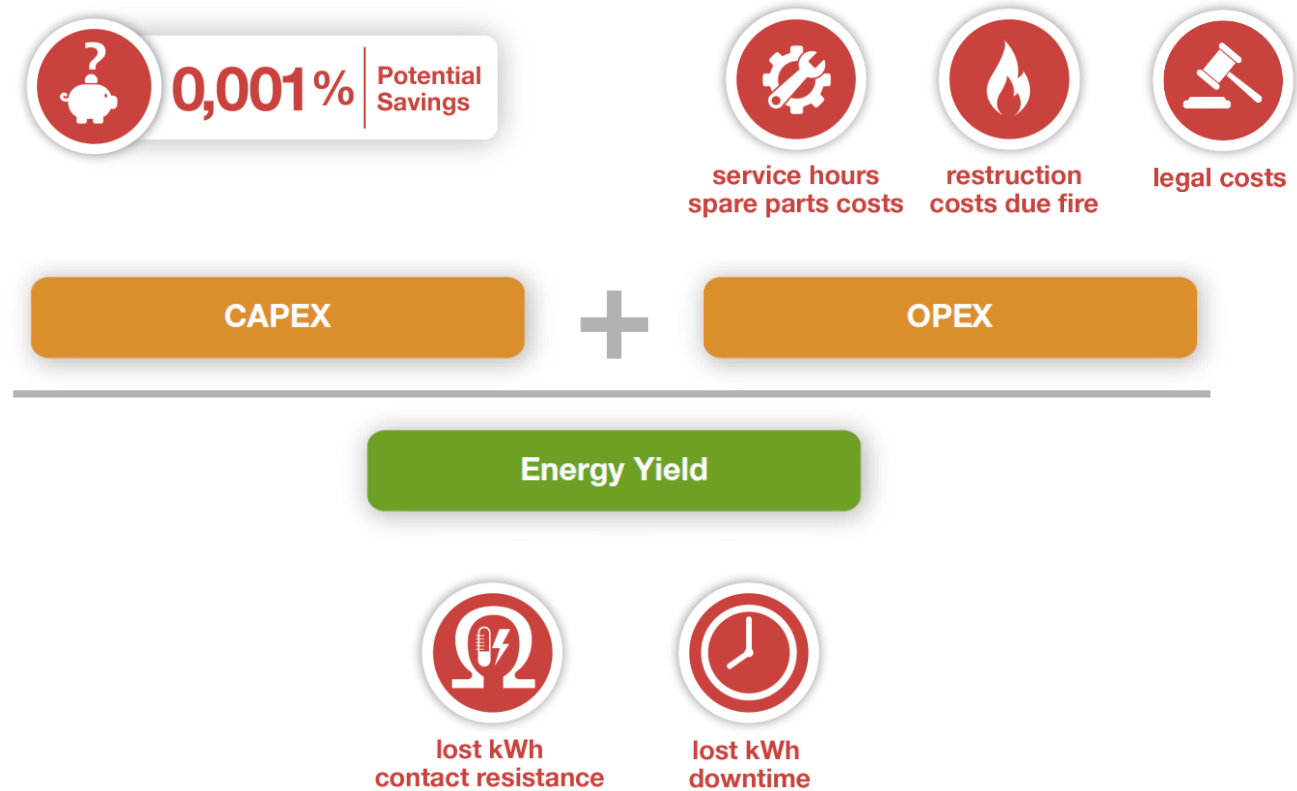
## Handling of product/ installation



2. Cross-Connection



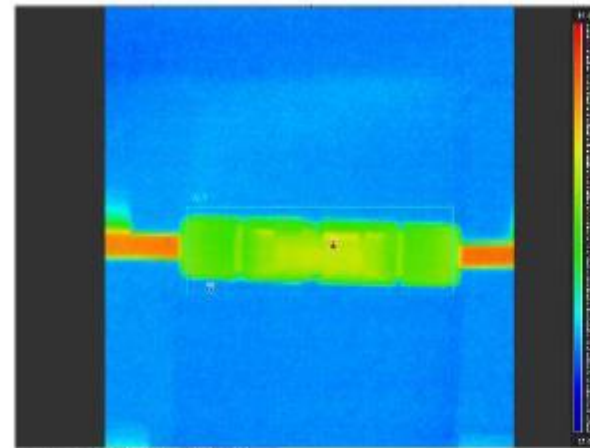
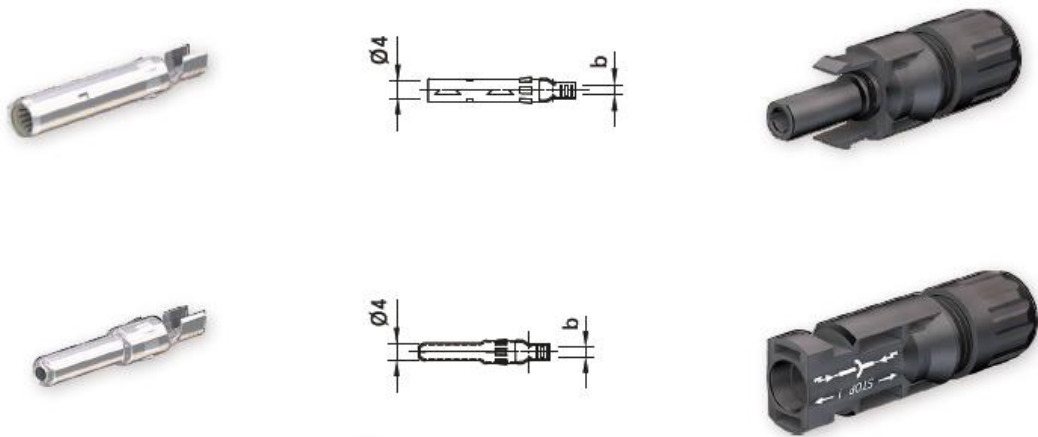
3. Defective  
Installation/Crimping





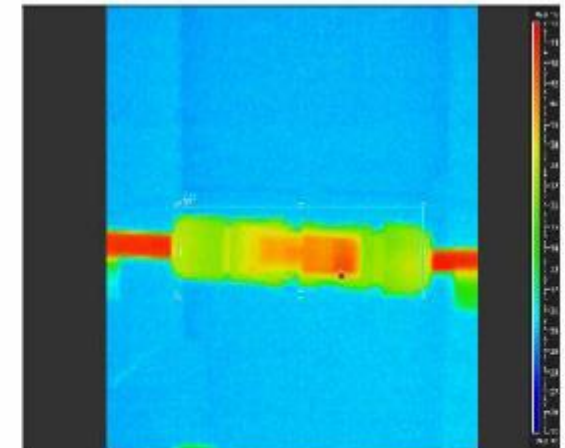
# Key takeaway

- What is MC4 ?
- Cable & connector with huge financial impact in a PV project.



Source: TÜV Rheinland

Temperature rising of male and female parts of the same connector family



Temperature rising of male and female parts made by different connector manufacturers

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# Discussion



# Break





# Part II

I

# Selection rules for high quality PV modules





# ***PV Taiwan 2017***

Taiwan Int'l Photovoltaic Exhibition

**Oct. 18-20** Taipei Nangang Exhibition Center, Hall 1

## 優質太陽光電模組選擇方案 Selection Rules for High Quality PV Module

Hung-Sen Wu

CMS/ITRI







## PV系統建置環境多元

- 地面型太陽光電
  - 水域空間
  - 鹽業用地
  - 地層下陷區域
  - 掩埋場/受汙染區域
  - 沙漠地區
  - 屋頂/建築相關



# 優質太陽光電模組考量項目

## 影響模組發電與安全的分級

嚴酷度	評分
嚴重影響發電與安全	10
嚴重影響發電	8
中度影響發電	5
輕微影響發電	3
不影響發電	1

## 模組失效模式對發電與安全的評比

失效模式	評分
封裝材變色	3
嚴重脫層	5
<b>背板絕緣失效</b>	<b>10</b>
背板失效	1
電極變色、序列阻抗增加	5
<b>電極失效、焊接失效</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>熱斑</b>	<b>10</b>
電池破裂	5
旁路二極體/接線盒 失效	5
玻璃破裂	5
永久髒汙	2
<b>電致衰減(PID)</b>	<b>8</b>
框變形	3

資料來源：Photovoltaic failure and degradation modes,  
Prog. Photovolt: Res. Appl. 2017

# 選擇方案-1



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經濟部能源局  
Bureau of Energy,  
Ministry of Economic Affairs



優質太陽光電產品評選活動-金能獎

TAIWAN EXCELLENT PV AWARD







## 優質太陽光電模組選擇方案-2

環境 (Environment)	驗證方案 (Test Plan)
強風 (Strong Wind)	2 X DML, ML 3 X(5400/2400)
農牧腐蝕 (Corrosion)	Ammonia corrosion test (IEC 62716)
屋頂/高溫使用 (Roof/ High temp.)	Operation at high temperature (Hot Spot, UV, TC, Bypass Diode)
沙漠 (Desert)	UV at 80 °C or 100°C (Dose: > 120 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> ) + chamber test

## II

# Manufacturing technology, production equipment & quality assurance

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# III

## Poor quality case II





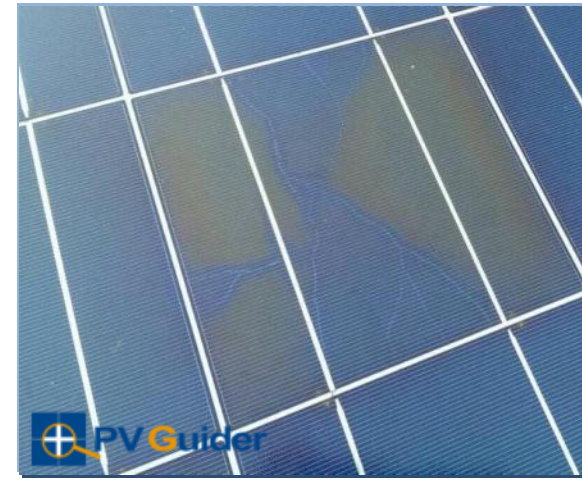
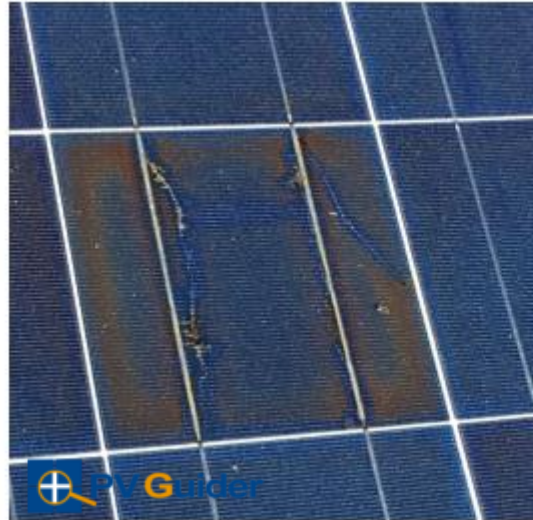
# Poor Quality Case 2

Hot spot and micro cracks



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# Phenomenon



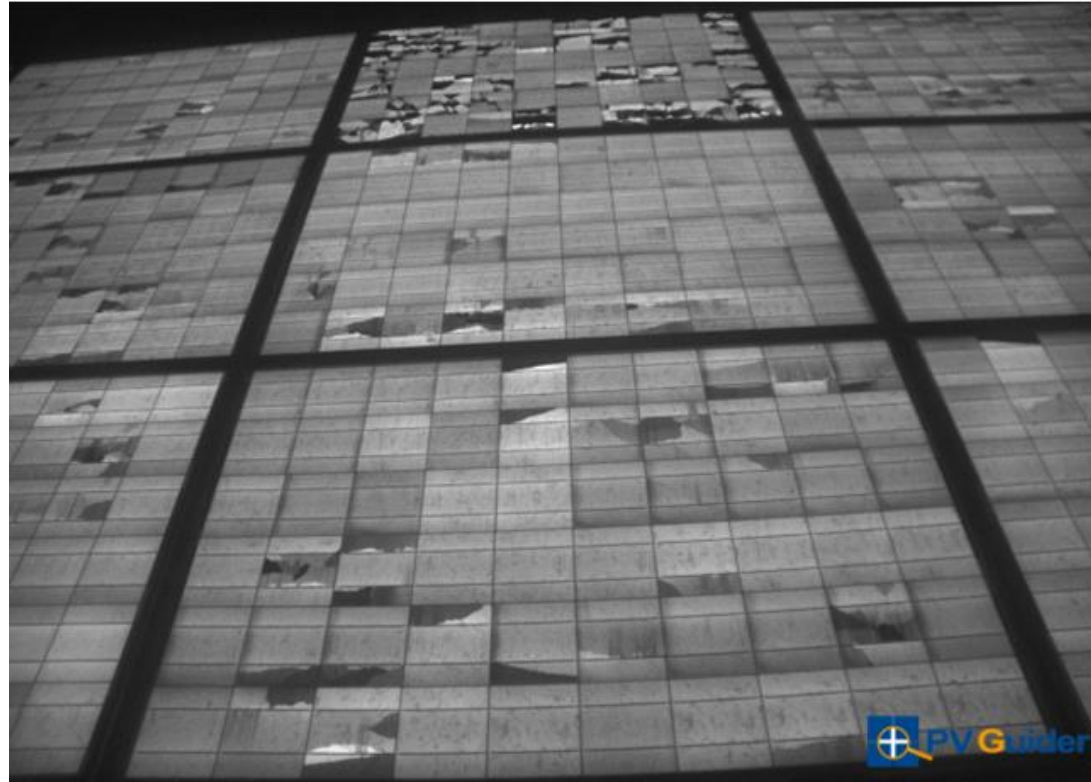
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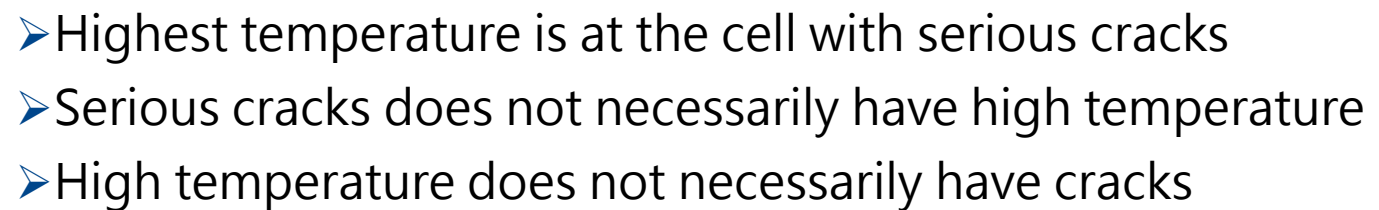
IR image taken from Drone



# EL Image



EL image of the PV modules



- Highest temperature is at the cell with serious cracks
- Serious cracks does not necessarily have high temperature
- High temperature does not necessarily have cracks

# Dispute

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Module Supplier: The cracks result from the installation problem, not module supplier's responsibility !

Owner: How do you prove it is installation problem but not module defect ?

Module: The power is still within the power guarantee, no compensation !

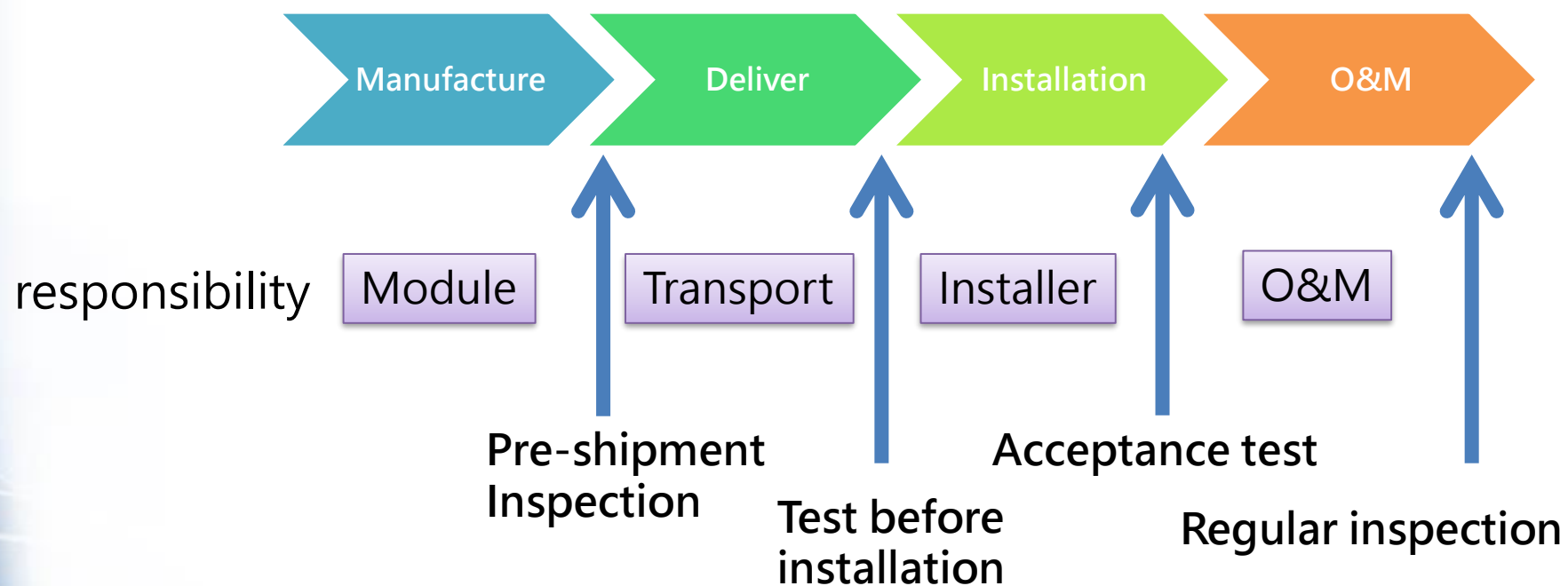
Owner: The cracks result in larger degradation and hot spot, I want new modules now !

Owner: Even it is the installer walking on the module, the installation manual did not say it is not allowed!

Module: It is common sense no walking on modules.



# Responsibilities





# Who is responsible?



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# IV

# Field research findings







# Learning From Field Study

## 太陽能系統案場實例調查分析

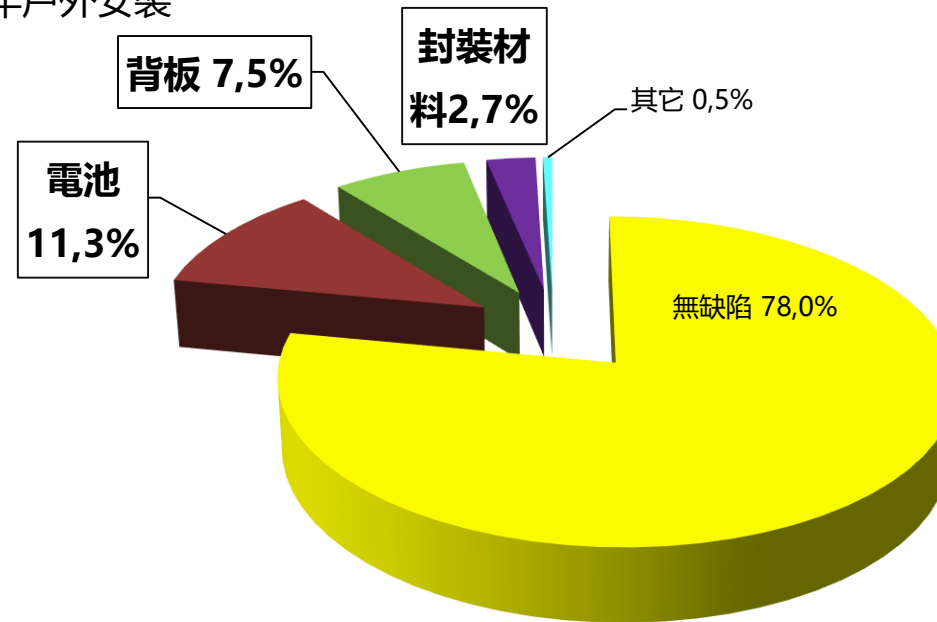
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杜邦太陽能解決方案

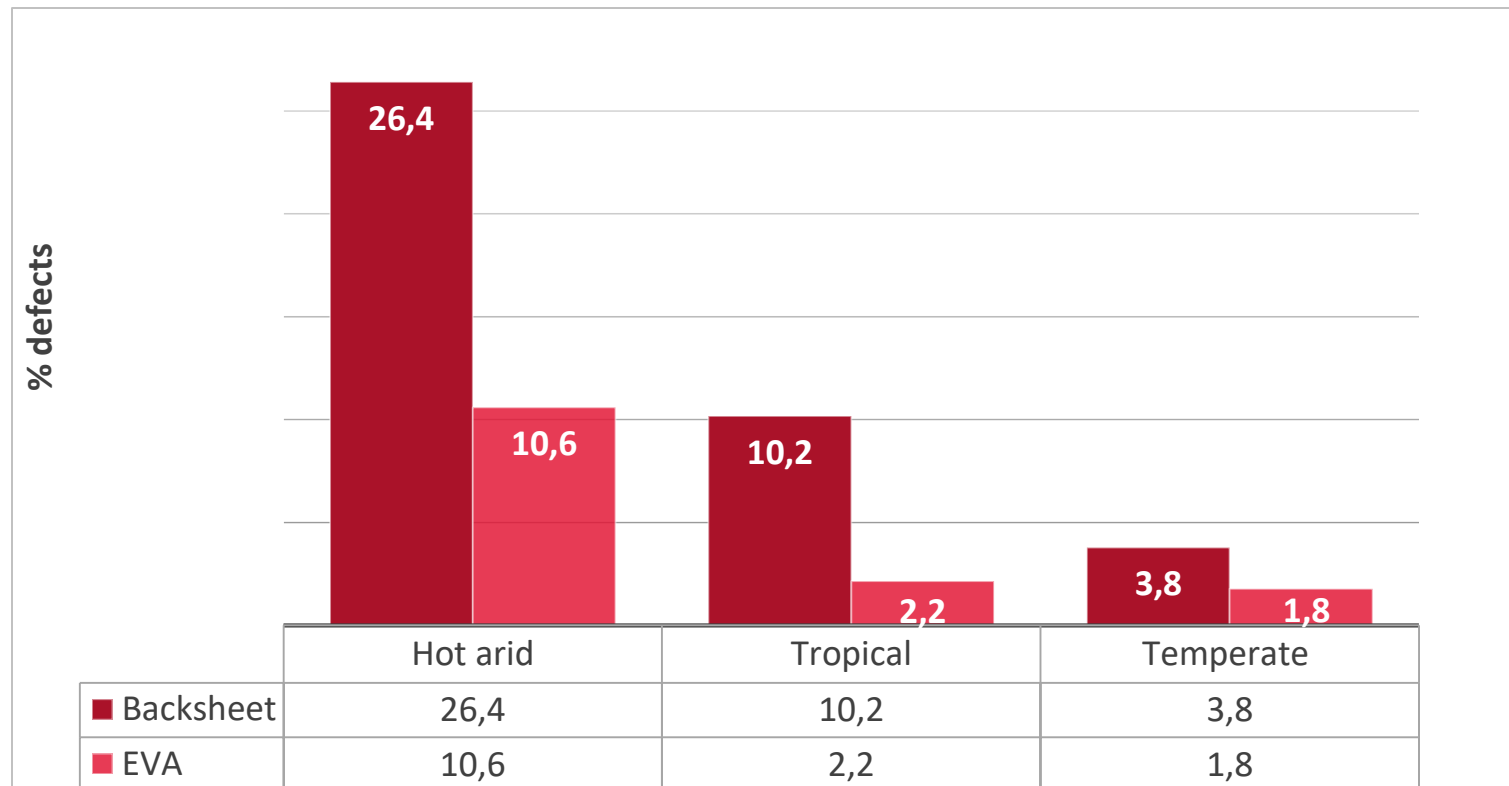
# 杜邦全球戶外模組研究

## 2016 分析結果

共453MW模組  
平均3.4年戶外安裝



## 嚴苛環境下模組背板和EVA封裝材料失效比例高





# 即使通過嚴格IEC測試，模組背板仍出現大面積戶外失效

## 歐洲

- 模組安裝於 2012年，檢測於2015年
- 背板深度開裂，脫層，水氣侵入導致腐蝕

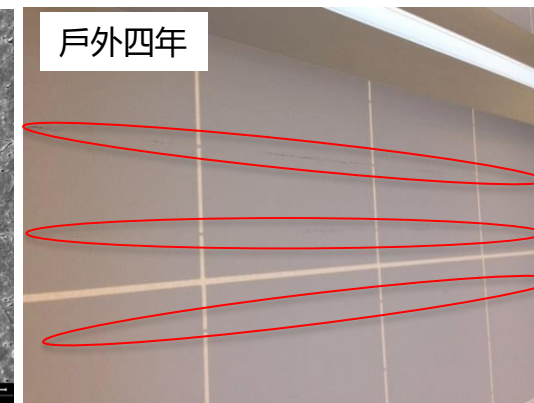
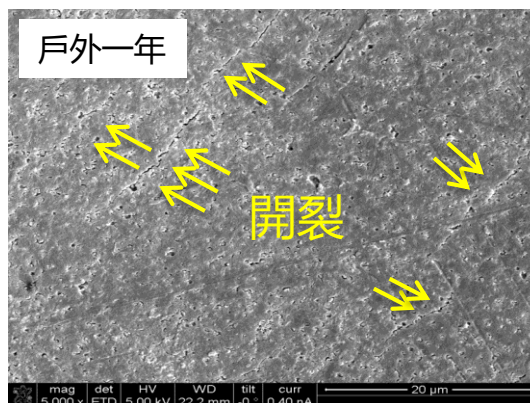
## 中國西部

- 模組安裝於 2012年
- 2013年發現微小開裂
- 2016年發現開裂變大

## 中國東部

- 漁光互補电站並網第2年，电站月度發電量與第一年同比下降10%左右
- 抽樣模組邊緣及中部電池片EL發黑，發生嚴重PID，功率衰減49.4%，
- 模組背板發生開裂

使用該背板的模組出現大規模開裂，現已退出市場



現行的單項加速老化測試無法模擬戶外綜合老化應力，  
不能有效檢測材料的長期老化性能

## 濕熱環境 - PET聚酯背板戶外4年出現嚴重開裂



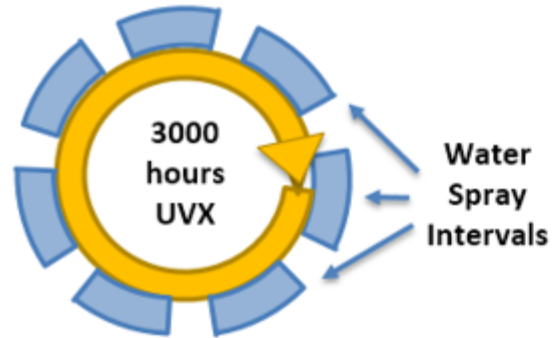
- 安裝於西班牙，濕熱氣候
- 2.3 MW模組，兩種模組類型，戶外使用4年
- 所有PET聚酯背板都出現開裂，開裂沿焊帶方向
- 一些模組未通過濕漏電測試
- 電站所有者無法獲得更換的模組

**背板開裂會導致模組失效和安全風險**

# 解決方案: 模組加速序列老化測試 (MAST)

PET聚酯和PA聚醯胺背板在MAST老化測試後發黃開裂

DuPont MAST- Module Accelerated Sequential Test 3

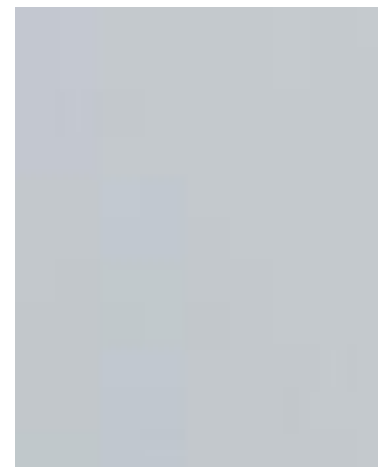


	Double Sided Fluoro		Single Sided Fluoro		Non-Fluoro		
	Tedlar® PVF	PVDF	Tedlar® PVF	PVDF	PA (Polyamide)	HPET (Hydro-stabilized)	PET
Measurement							
Yellowing							
Mechanical Loss - Cracking							

Excellent 
 Fair/Yellowing 
 Poor/Cracking 
 No Data



PA背板測試開裂

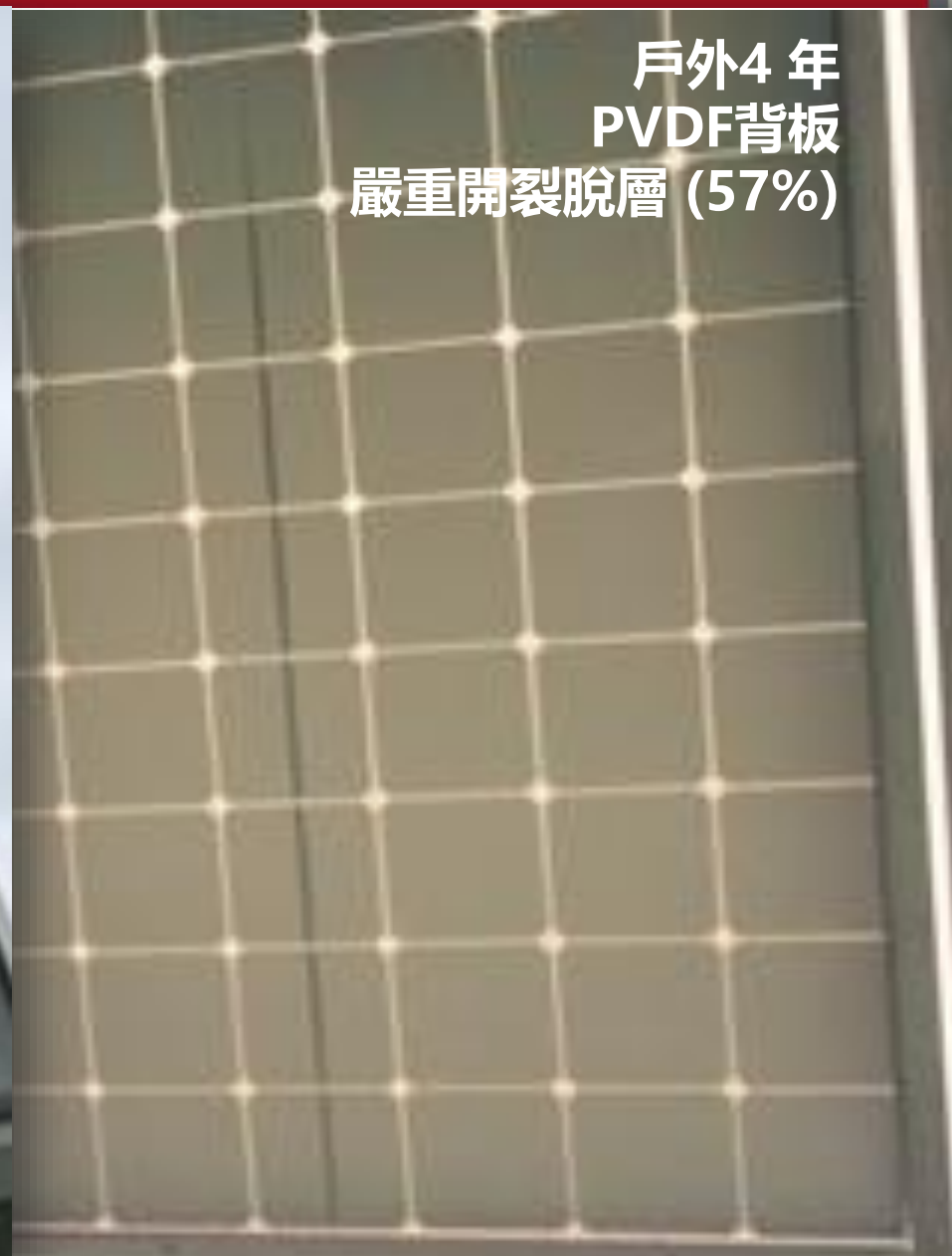


PET背板測試後黃變





戶外4 年  
PVDF背板  
嚴重開裂脫層 (57%)



戶外5年  
PVDF背板  
嚴重開裂脫層



# 解決方案: 模組加速序列老化測試 (MAST)

PVDF聚偏氟乙烯和PA聚醯胺背板在MAST老化測試後開裂

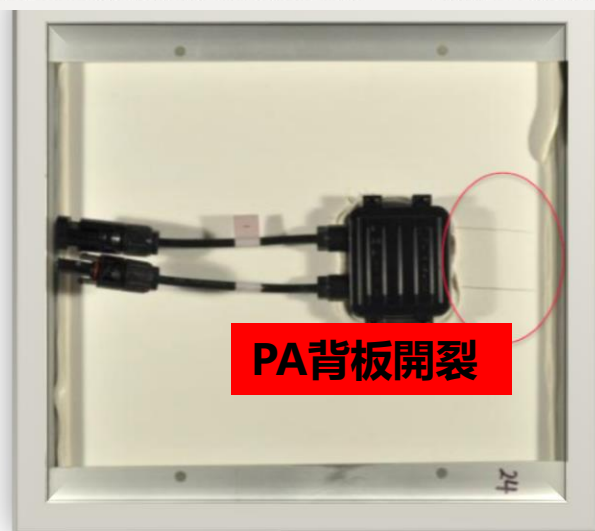
冷熱、濕熱和紫外應力以序列形式綜合  
Sequential combination of Thermal, Humidity, UV



**1000小時濕熱老化**  
1000 Hours in a Humidity Chamber  
相當於戶外 25 年以上的濕熱老化應力  
Amounts to >25+ years worth of stress

**600次冷熱循環**  
600 Thermal Stress Cycles  
模擬戶外所見的冷熱循環應力  
Mimics thermal stresses seen in the field

**1676 小時 紫外老化**  
1676 Hours in a UVA Chamber  
相當於戶外 20 年的紫外老化應力  
Amounts to ~20 years desert dose of UV



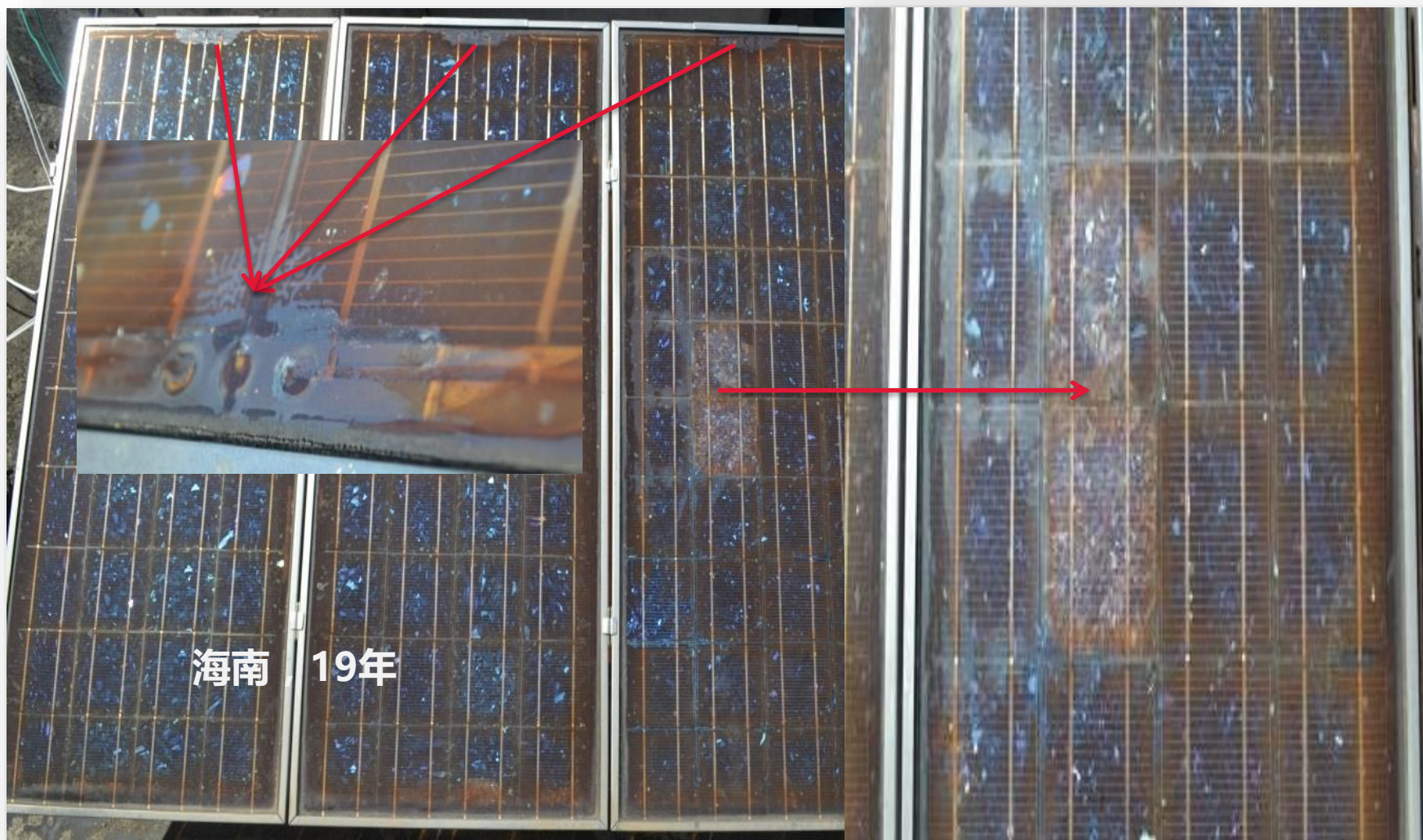
PA背板開裂



PVDF薄膜開裂



## 濕熱環境 - 水氣進入雙玻模組導致脫層和電池腐蝕



## 雙玻模組邊緣脫層



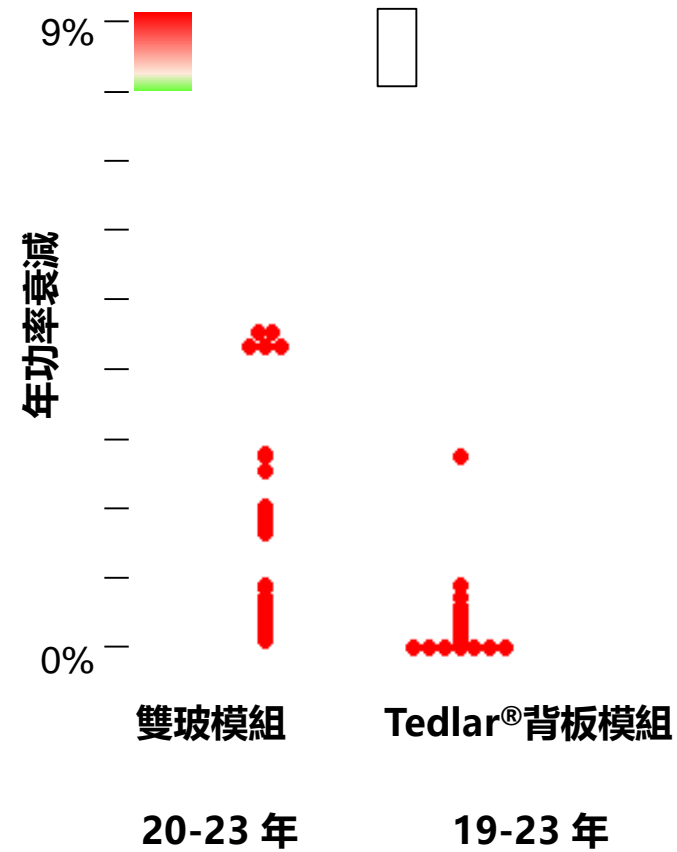


# 無框雙玻模組嚴重彎曲，掛鉤處散熱不良溫度高



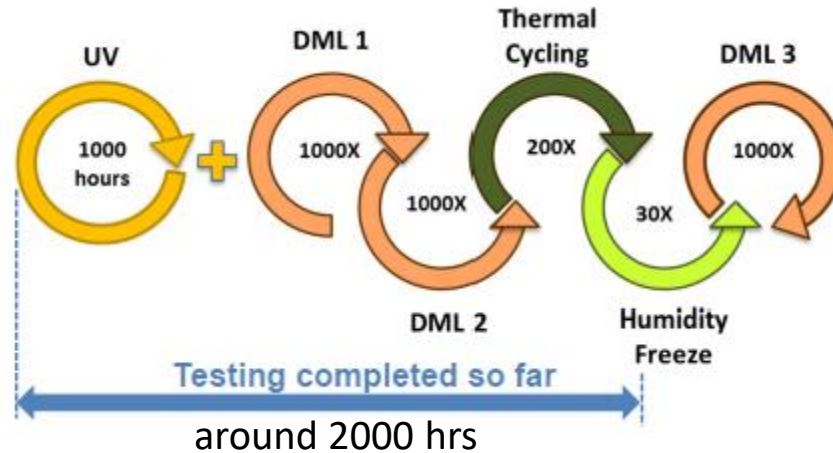


# 協力廠商研究機構長期戶外研究證明雙玻模組功率衰減嚴重



# 解決方案: 模組加速序列老化測試 (MAST)

雙玻模組在MAST老化測試後脫層



## Protocol

- UV exposure: 65kWh/m<sup>2</sup> on the front
- DML 1: 1000 cycles of  $\pm 1500$  Pa of loading @ 1/6 Hz
- DML 2: 1000 cycles of  $\pm 1500$  Pa of loading @ 1 Hz
- TC200 = Thermal Cycling, -40°C to 85°C, ramp and hold per IEC62782, 200 cycles
- HF30 = Humidity Freeze, 30 cycles

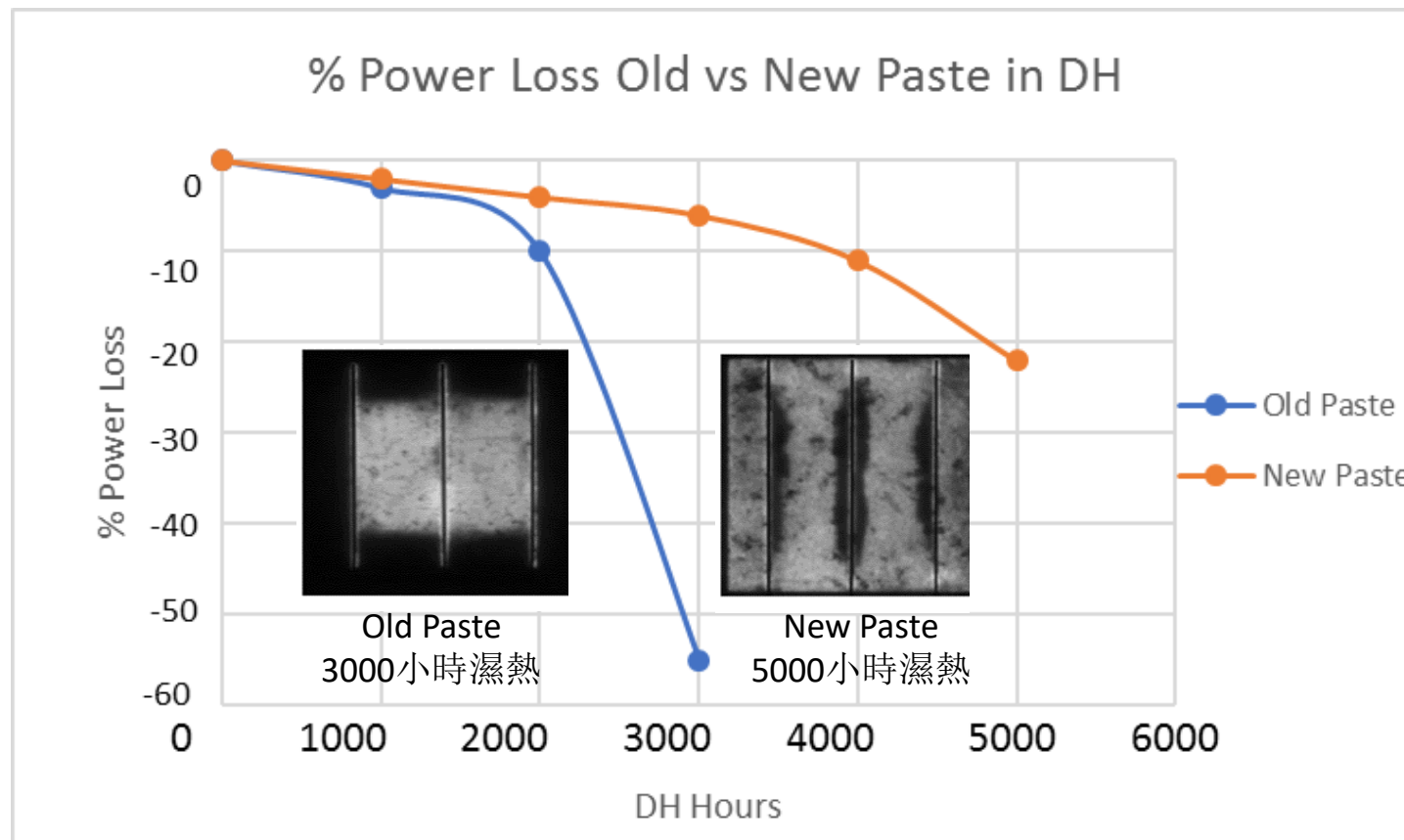
## Optional

- DML 3: 1000 cycles of  $\pm 1000$  Pa of loading @ 4 Hz

Sequence	G/G modules	G/Backsheet modules
DML 1	No change	No change
DML 2	Slight delamination on front	No change
TC 200	Delamination on front, encapsulant voids on back	No change
HF 10	Severe delamination on front, more encapsulant voids on the back	Slight yellowing of backsheet, no delamination

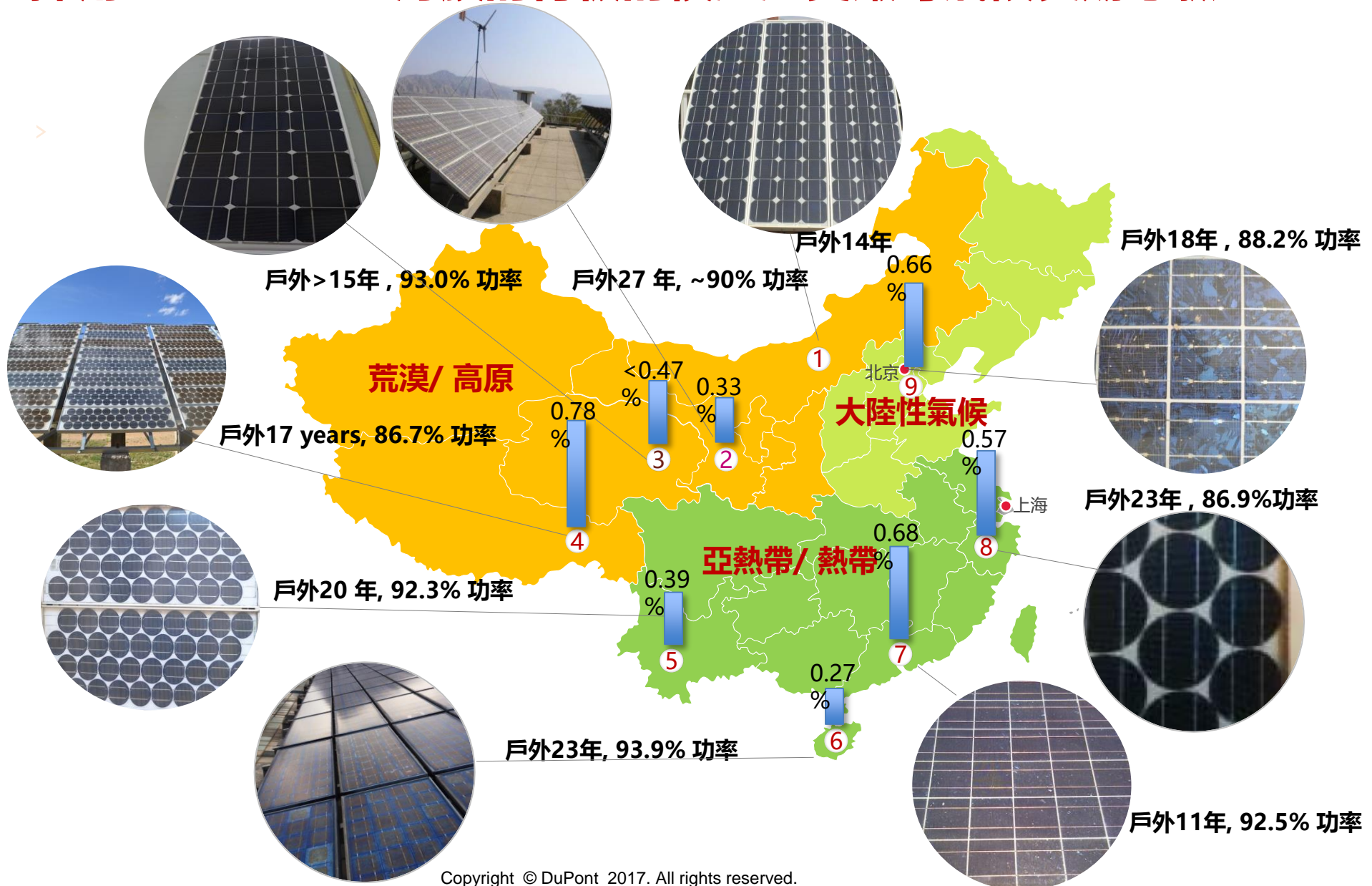
# 解決方案: 電池片濕熱老化試驗

## 採用耐腐蝕電池金屬漿料





# 採用Tedlar® PVF薄膜的背板的模組經受嚴苛氣候長期考驗



## 領先的太陽能電站開發商選用優質模組材料清單，提高電站收益



### 中節能採用杜邦™ Tedlar® 背板的晶矽模組應用於大型水上漂浮太陽能電站項目

**單位：**中節能太陽能科技有限公司

**項目：**中節能埇橋朱仙莊70兆瓦採煤沉陷區水面太陽能發電項目。

**項目概況：**項目規劃建設水面漂浮式太陽能電站70兆瓦，一次性建設完成。項目為安徽省兩淮採煤沉陷區國家先進技術太陽能示範基地領跑者專案。

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# Quality in manufacturing, Taiwan module manufacturer view point





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## **Quality in manufacturing, Taiwan module manufacturer viewpoint**

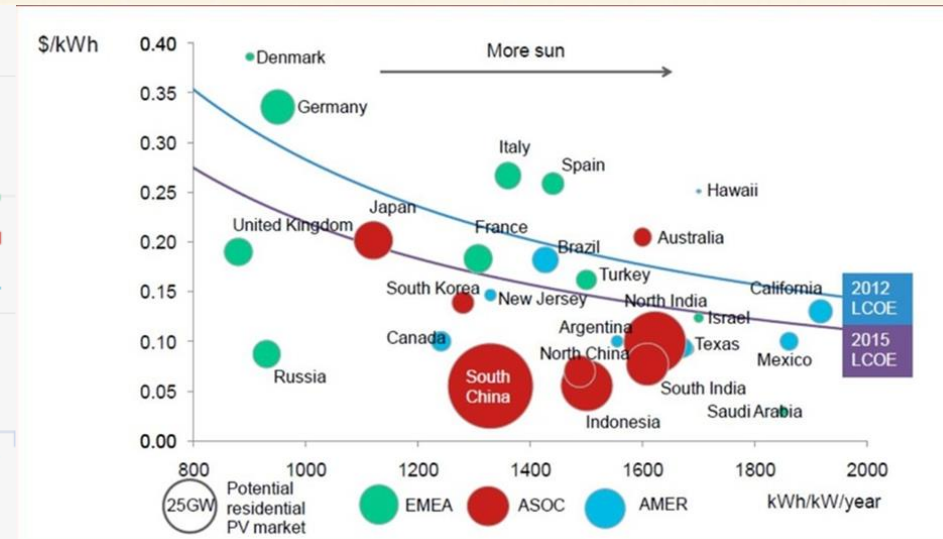
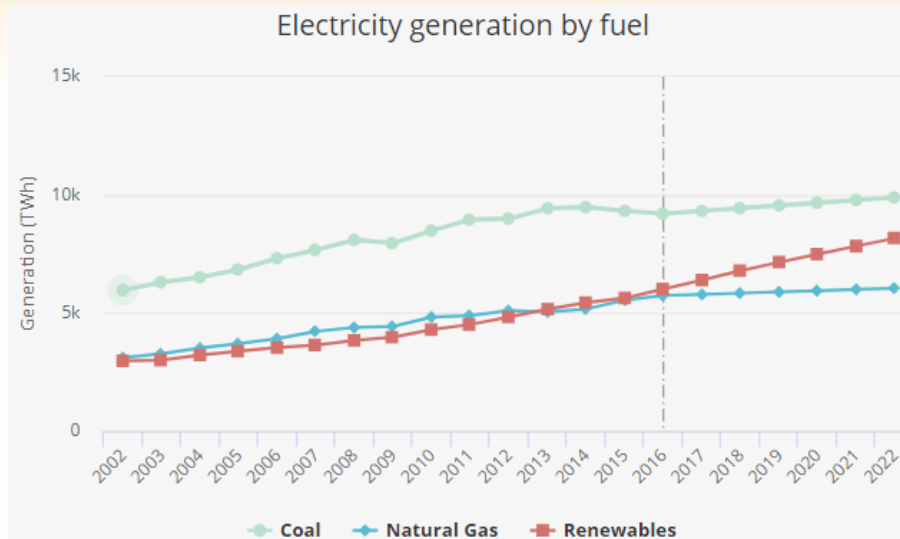
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# Introduction



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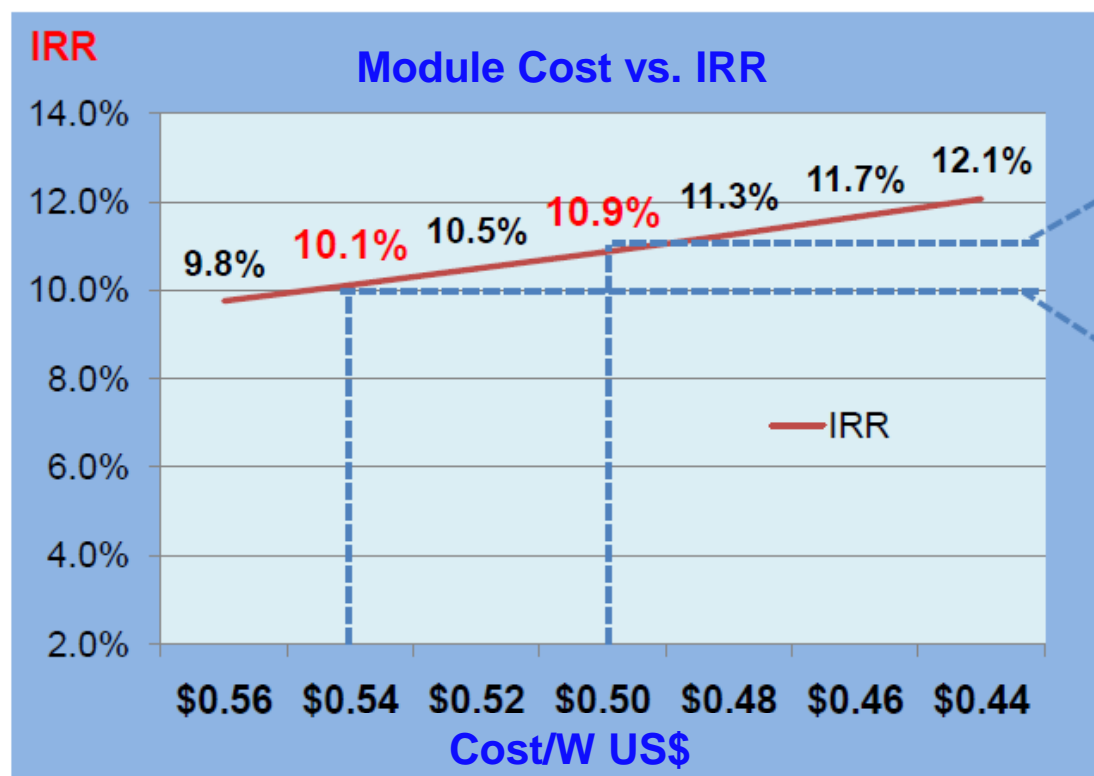
- Thanks to rapid advances in technology and globalization, the levelized cost of electricity (LCOE) of solar energy continues to reduce.
- It is a one-way ticket toward “cost down”, in the meantime, “Quality” also matters.



# Module Cost vs. IRR



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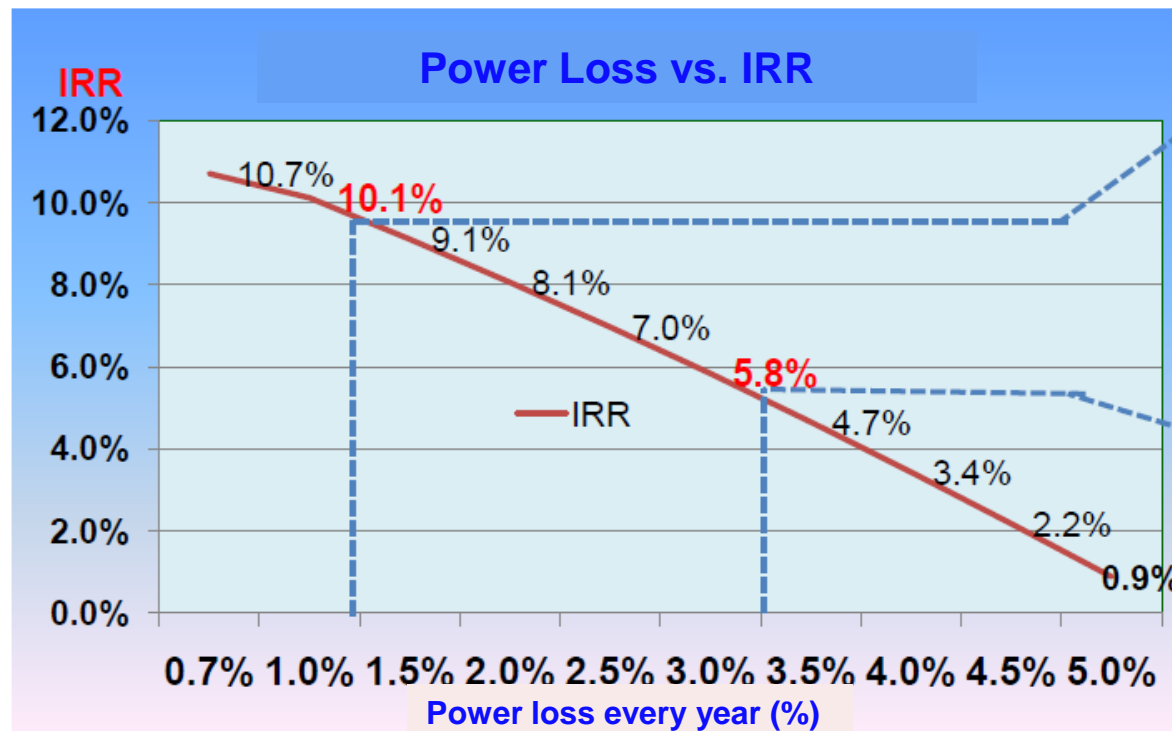
Module Cost from  
USD 0.54/W reduces  
to USD 0.5/W.

=> The IRR only  
increases 0.8%.  
(10.1% → 10.9 %)

# Power Loss vs. IRR



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Power decay increases from 1% to 3%.

=> The IRR decreases 4.3%.  
(10.1% → 5.8 %)

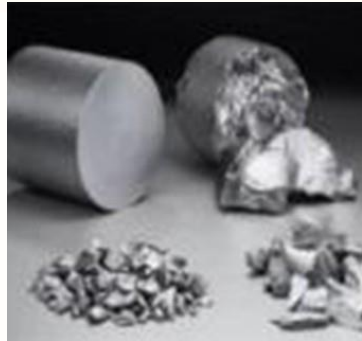
**“Quality” more matters!!**

# What we do?



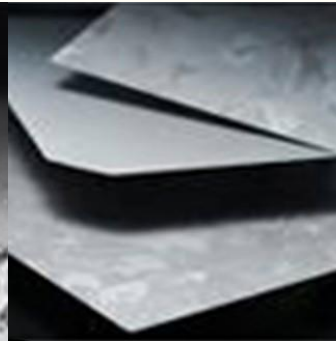
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## TSEC Business



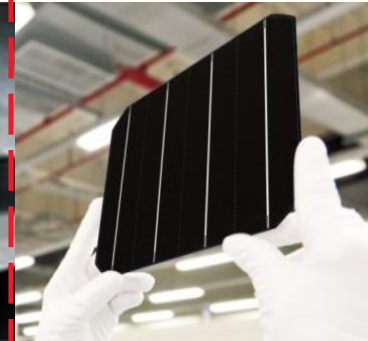
Polysilicon

結晶矽



Wafer

晶片



Solar Cell

太陽能電池



Solar Module

模組



Systems

系統

*TSEC provides a whole wide range of products and services including solar cells, modules, power stations, and EPC service to fulfill clients demands.*



# PID Effect



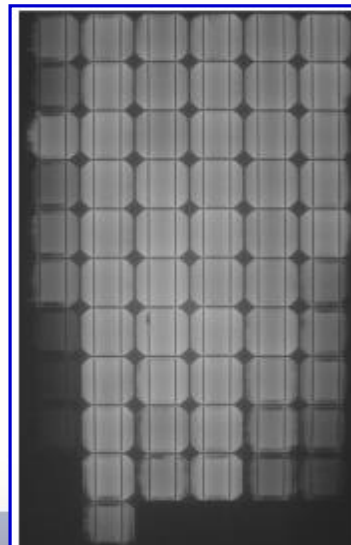
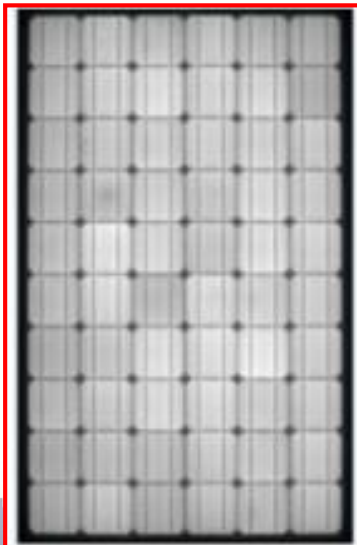
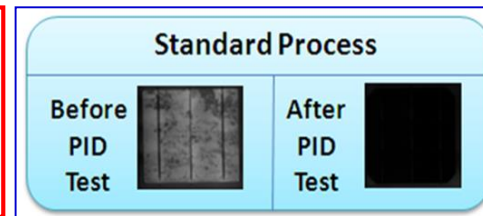
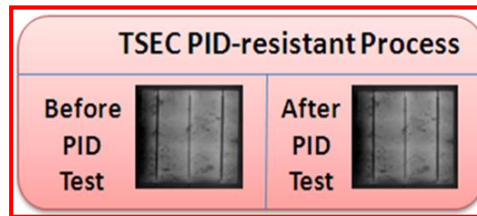
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TSEC guarantee our high-performance solar cell/module with PID-free:

- Pass PID test by TUV: 85°C / 85% RH, -1000V, **1000hr**.
- Pass PID test by UL: 85°C / 85% RH, **-1500V**, 300hr. (Bare Cell)



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6. Apply voltage stress to modules in climate chamber.

- Chamber air temperature: 85 °C ± 2°C,
- Chamber relative humidity: 85 % ± 5 % RH,
- Test duration: 300 hours
- Voltage: module rated system voltage and polarities. ( -1500 Vdc )

7. Perform IEC 61215 Clause 10.2 (MQT 02) maximum power determination between 2 h and 6 h after completion of Clause 4.2.2 or 4.2.3. Maintain the module indoors at 25 °C and out of direct sunlight until ready for the maximum power determination.

8. Perform electro-luminescence imaging at 3 A inputs current.

9. Perform IEC 61215 Clause 10.3 Insulation Test.

10. Perform IEC 61215 Clause 10.1 visual inspections.

TABLE: Comparison of Maximum Power ( $P_{mp}$ ) at STC of PID testing samples

Test Date/Initial	2015/07/22		
Test Date/Final	2015/08/06		
Module temperature [°C]	25		
Irradiance [W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	1000		
Sample#	Condition	$P_{mp}$ [mW]	Variance
10407C02593-02	Initial	4.27	-4.45 %
10407C02593-02	Final	4.08	
10407C02593-03	Initial	4.23	-1.89 %
10407C02593-03	Final	4.15	

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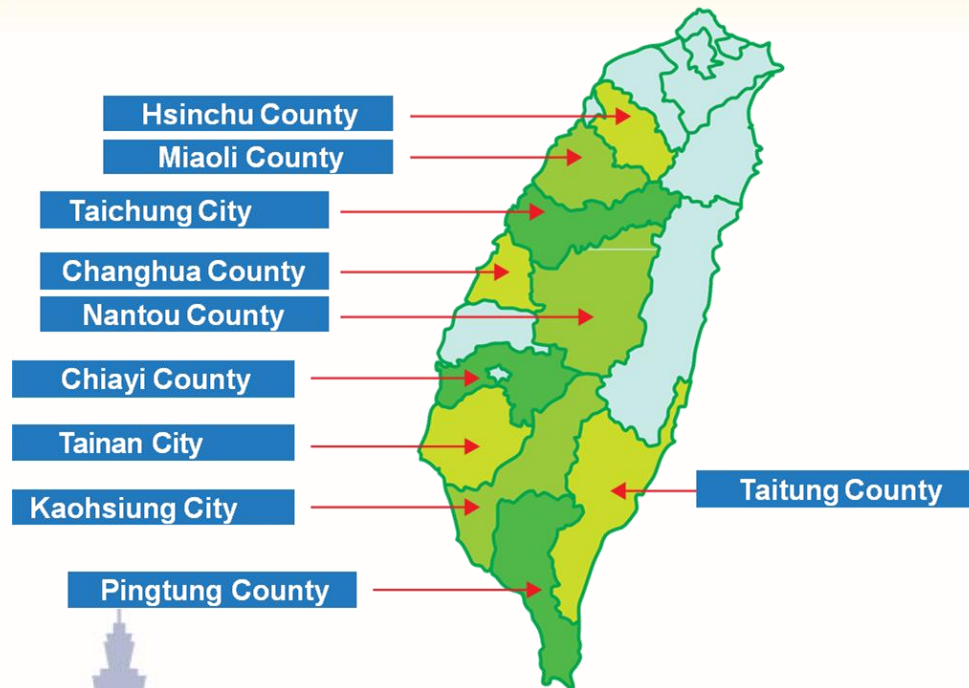
1. The results were not corrected by spectral mismatch factor.

2. The Variance is defined as:

$$\frac{(P_{max,final} - P_{max,initial})}{P_{max,initial}} \times 100 \%$$

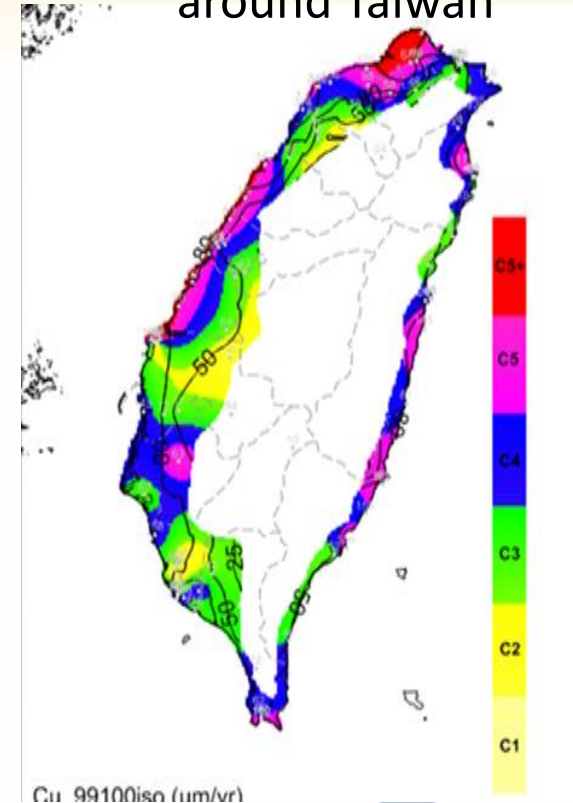


# Salt Damage Resistance



- TSEC EPC Projects throughout Taiwan
- High-risk area of salt damage:  
Different design for different environment challenge

Salt damage affected regions  
around Taiwan

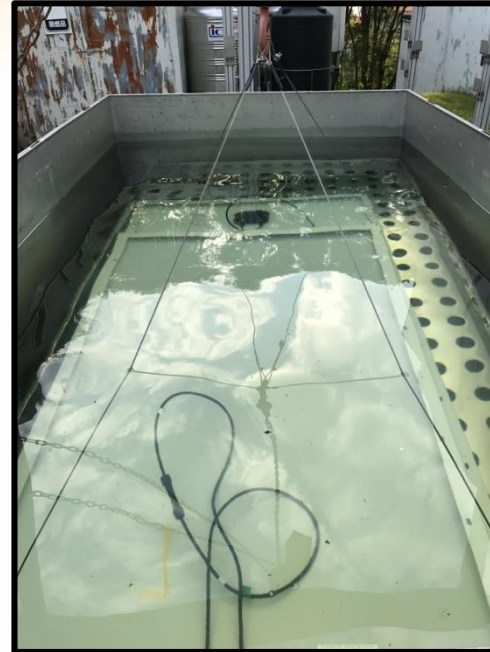
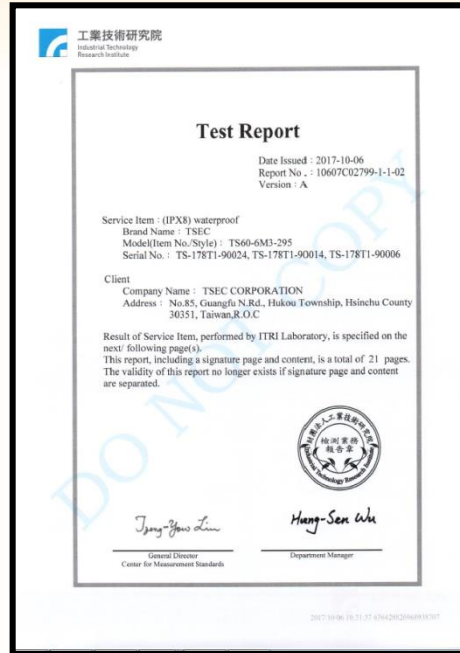




# IPX8 Test (5% salt water)



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- Outdoor Test by 3-rd party.
- Average test temperature is 35°C.
- Power decay only ~0.5%.

**TABLE: Maximum power determination (Initial)**

$V_{oc}$ [V]	$I_{sc}$ [A]	$V_{mp}$ [V]	$I_{mp}$ [A]	$P_{mp}$ [W]	FF [%]	Degradation[%]
39.22	9.913	31.39	9.334	293.0	75.4	-
39.72	9.802	32.08	9.207	295.3	75.9	-

**TABLE: Maximum power determination (3 Days)**

$V_{oc}$ [V]	$I_{sc}$ [A]	$V_{mp}$ [V]	$I_{mp}$ [A]	$P_{mp}$ [W]	FF [%]	Degradation[%]
39.35	9.831	31.60	9.259	292.6	75.6	<b>-0.14 %</b>
39.71	9.785	32.04	9.188	294.4	75.8	<b>-0.30 %</b>

**TABLE: Maximum power determination (7 Days)**

$V_{oc}$ [V]	$I_{sc}$ [A]	$V_{mp}$ [V]	$I_{mp}$ [A]	$P_{mp}$ [W]	FF [%]	Degradation[%]
39.22	9.824	31.15	9.355	291.4	75.7	<b>-0.55 %</b>
39.64	9.767	32.07	9.166	294.0	75.9	<b>-0.44 %</b>

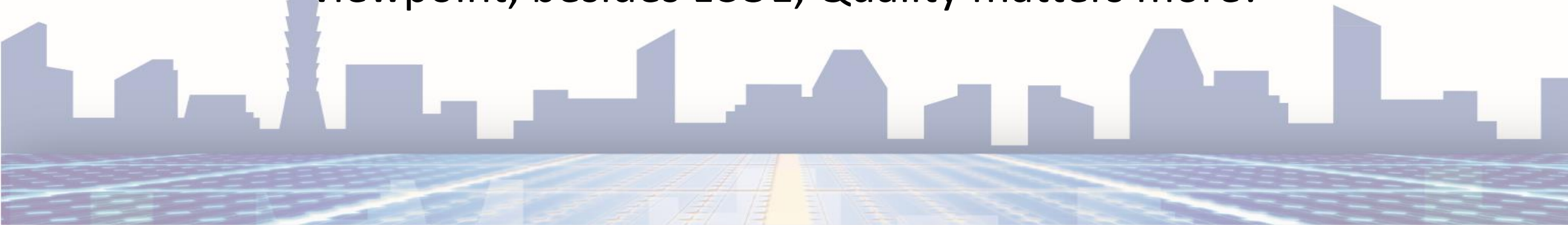




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## Conclusions

- Quality can be achieved by design.
- Different design for different environment challenge.
- From the cell/module/system manufacturer viewpoint, besides LCOE, Quality matters more!



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# Manufacturing quality discussion



# Manufacturing Quality Issues

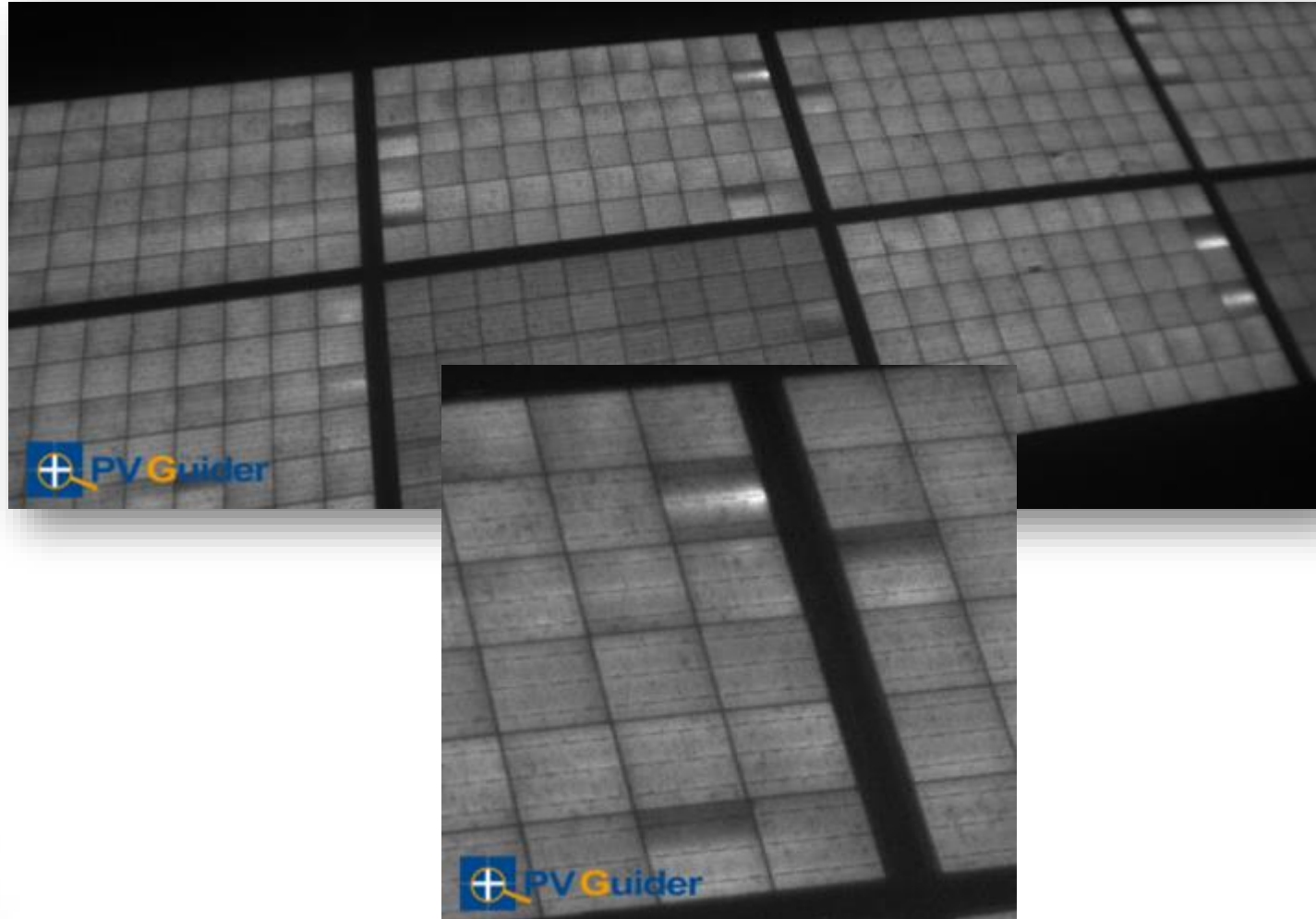
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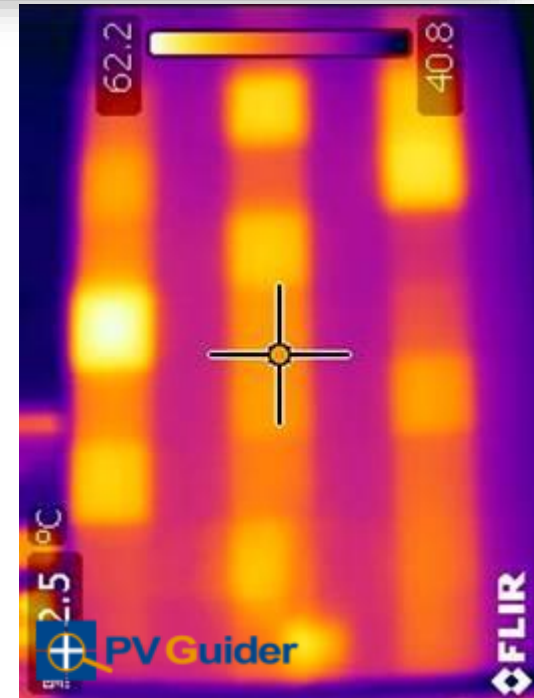
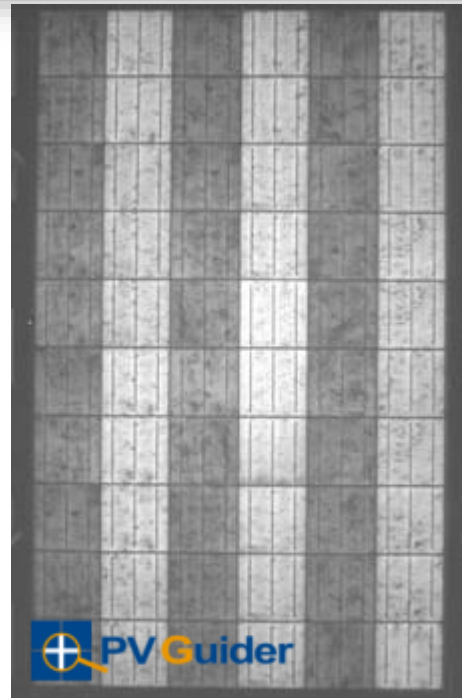
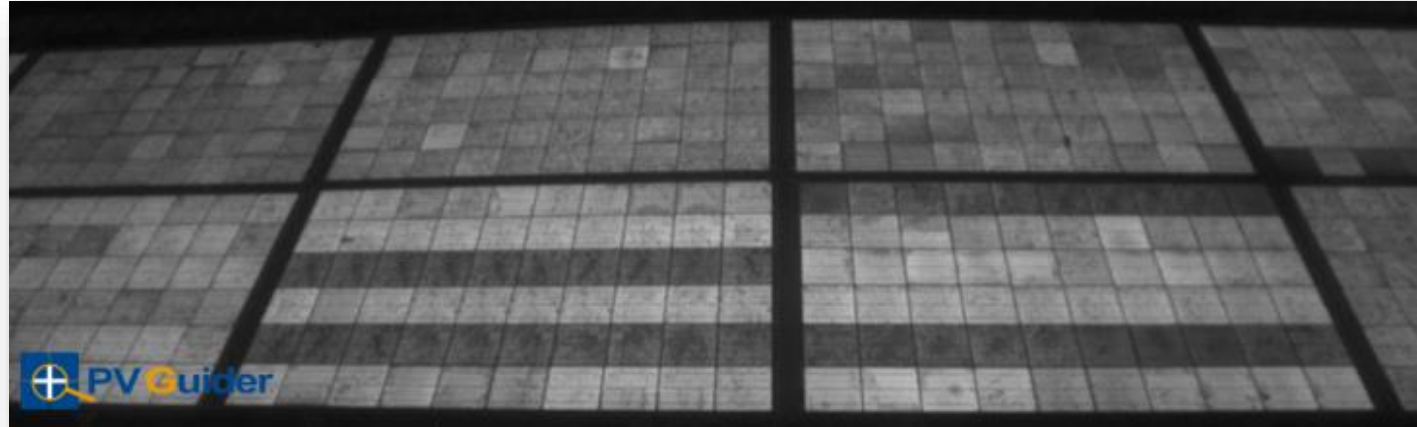


# Soldering defect



EL image of modules with soldering defects

# Cell Mismatch



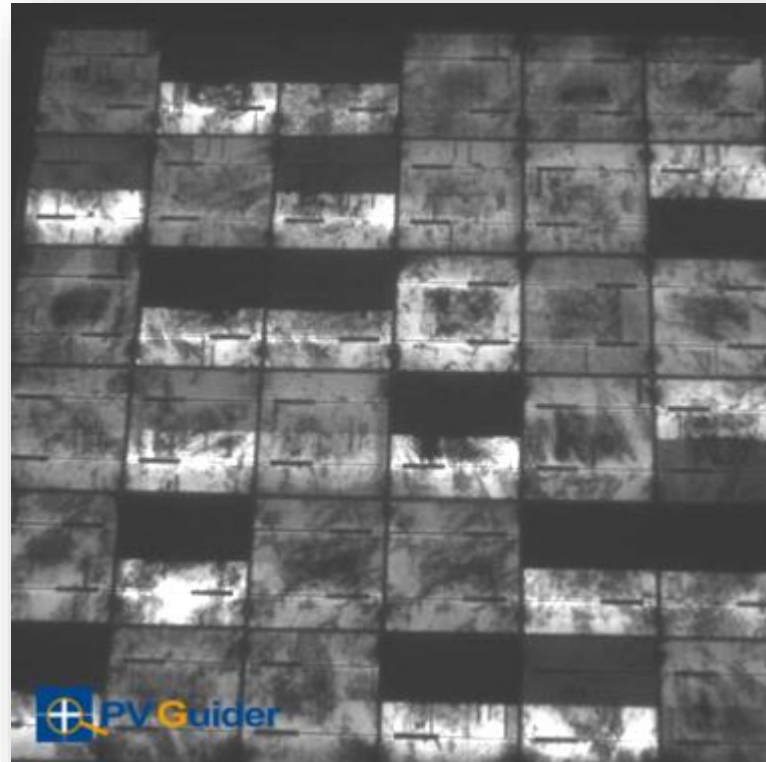


# Delamination





# Dark Area along Busbar



# Fault in Production





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# Conclusions





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Quality first: A holistic overview of quality in and for Taiwan,  
from cell and module, to array.

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