



Welcome and Updates of PEARL PV

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Welcome to this Seminar in Malta!

High irradiation: $H_{\text{Malta, horizontal}} = 1960 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{year}$

Malta is THE island where the Clean Energy for EU Islands initiative was launched in 2017, 14 countries, at present 26 islands identified

- reduced energy costs and greatly increased production by RETs
- better energy security for islands
- improved environmental impact on islands' natural environments
- the creation of new jobs and business

Malta' share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption is 7.2% (Eurostat, 2017), 95% of RETs are PV systems, total installed PV capacity >110 MWp



The PEARL PV Network



At present

36 Countries

- 33 European Countries
- 2 IPCs: USA, Australia
- 1 NNC: Armenia

~ 250 members

Start of PEARL PV on 05/10/2017

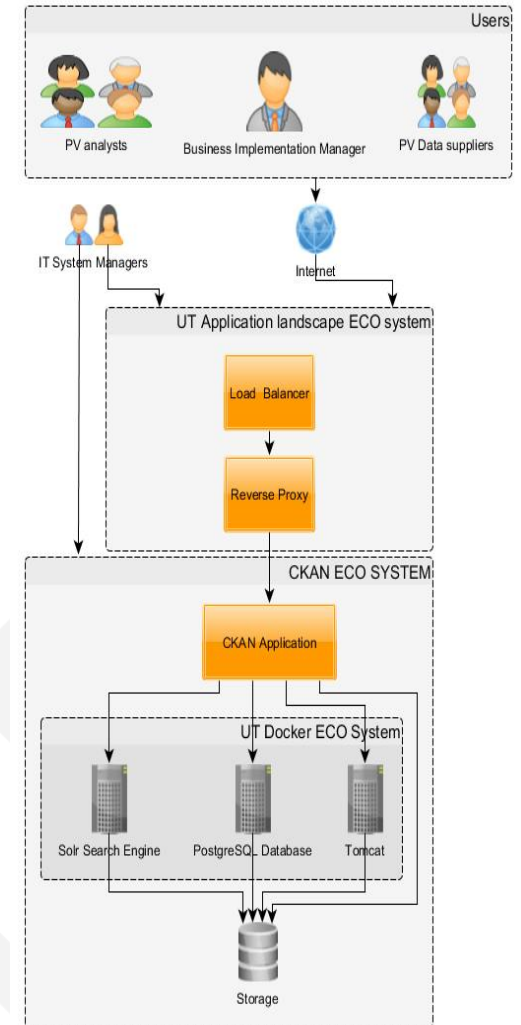
Running until 4/10/2021

At present voting for admission of
Luxembourg and Estonia.

Working on admission process
for new IPC, namely Canada

❖ Data server

- ❖ Update on CKAN data server of 4 terabytes
- ❖ Technically ready and installed by ICT team UT (June '19)
- ❖ Includes a dynamic NDA and check membership PEARL
- ❖ Several tests executed in the past 4 months
- ❖ Server access to PEARL PVer in Fall of this year
- ❖ Carolin Ulbrich and Judit Süveges (PVcomB, Helmholtz Centre, Berlin) will prepare the following:
 - ❖ Manual for uploads and downloads (1 November 2019)
 - ❖ Next, a manual for automated multiple files uploads (API and json files, used for transmitting data between a web application and a server.)



❖ Other updates

Country reports

- ❖ Coordinated by Istvan Farkas **THANK YOU!!!**
- ❖ Started in summer with submission deadline of 30 September
- ❖ So far we received reports from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, Slovenia, Israel, Malta, Portugal and Spain

Website PEARL PV

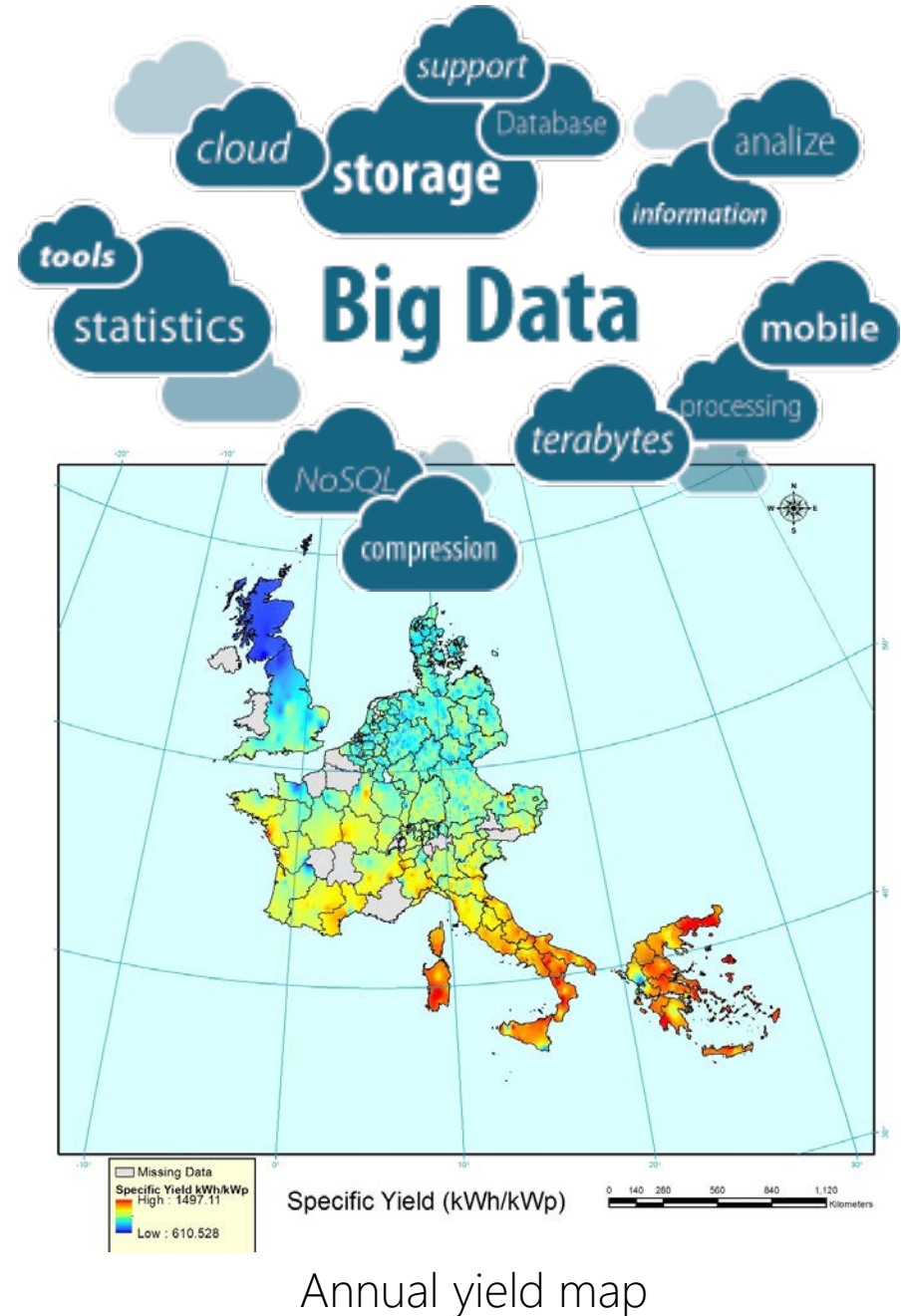
- ❖ Fully updated in August, also with latest publications
- ❖ To be done: WG1 - WG4 updates

Publications

- ❖ Please report your publications by Dropbox of PEARL PV – Publications folder
- ❖ <https://www.dropbox.com/home/COST%20CA16235%20-%20PEARL%20PV/Publications>
- ❖ Great achievement: 28 Pearl related publications at EU PVSEC in Marseille

❖ WG1: PV Monitoring

- ❖ Objectives (2018)
 - ❖ Identification of relevant data to be collected to properly assess PV *performance* of installed PV systems in the field and on rooftops
 - ❖ Design guidelines for data collection and analysis
 - ❖ Set-up a database and design guidelines for database access
 - ❖ WG leader: Wilfried van Sark
 - ❖ 30 members
- Database with open data running end Q4-2018: Please contribute with data



❖ WG2: Reliability and durability of PV

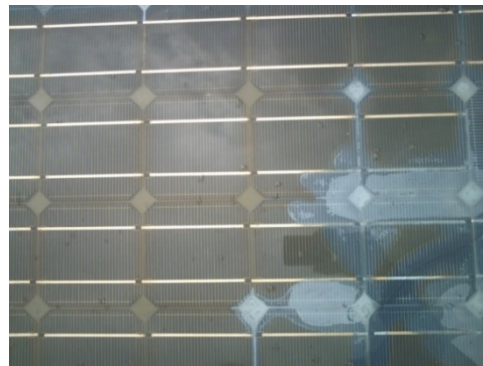
❖ Objectives (2018)

- ❖ Definition of reliability and durability metrics for PV modules, components and systems
- ❖ Identification of relevant data to be collected to measure reliability and durability

❖ WG leaders: Gernot Oreski, Bettina Ottersboeck 30 members



Yellowing



Delamination

❖ Problems/research questions that will be addressed:

- ❖ Definition of reliability and end-of-life considering different views of PV stakeholders and different technologies
- ❖ How to test reliability?
- ❖ Can reliability, lifetime or end-of-life be modelled from short term testing?
- ❖ Can available models for single effects or single materials be combined to an comprehensive PV module lifetime assessment method?

→ Extensive Review Paper until 2020.
Contributions are welcome!!

Update WG2: new WG leader

- ❖ Dr. Reza Aghaei, Postdoctoral researcher, Eindhoven university of technology (TU/e)
- ❖ Postdoctoral Scientist, Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin (HZB), Competence Centre Thin Film and Nanotechnology for Photovoltaics Berlin (PVcomB), Germany, 2019.
- ❖ Postdoctoral Scientist, Project Manager, Fraunhofer ISE, Germany, 2017.
- ❖ Ph.D, Electrical Engineering, PV systems, Politecnico di Milano, Italy 2016.



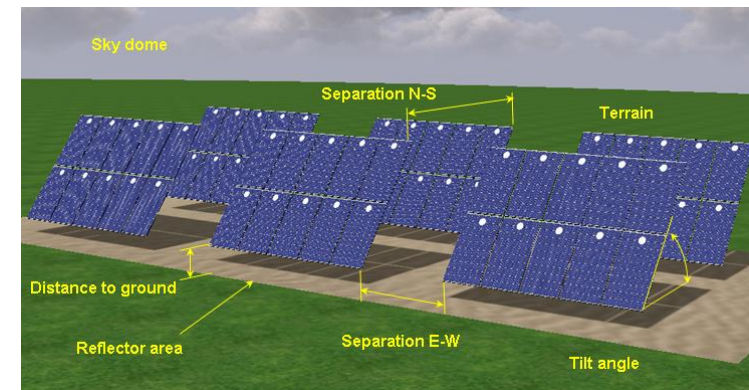
❖ WG3: PV Simulation

❖ Objectives (2019)

- ❖ Identification and classification of simulation and modelling tools by scope and usage
- ❖ Comparison of software tools to meet the needs of performance prediction and assessment
- ❖ WG3 leader: Nicola Pearsall, 15 members
 - ❖ A software survey was carried out among PEARL members to identify packages used, reasons for use, developments required, etc.
 - ❖ A poster on the survey was presented at the 12th PV Performance Modeling and Monitoring Workshop in May 2019



- ❖ The group decided that the first monitoring round robin will consider bifacial modules and systems, the use of which is becoming popular
- ❖ It will cover the ability to predict operating and performance parameters, including irradiance uniformity, cell temperature etc.
- ❖ Data collection and access permissions are currently in progress



❖ WG4: PV in the built environment

- ❖ Objective (2019)
- ❖ Identification of required data and appropriate simulation models to be used in the framework of PV systems in the built environment
- ❖ WG leaders: Mirjana Devetaković, Bogdan Burduhos, Alessandra Scognamiglio, Francesco Frontini
- ❖ 24 members



- ❖ An example of complex photovoltaic façade in the built environment.
- ❖ La Seine Musicale, by Shigeru Ban. Paris, 2017

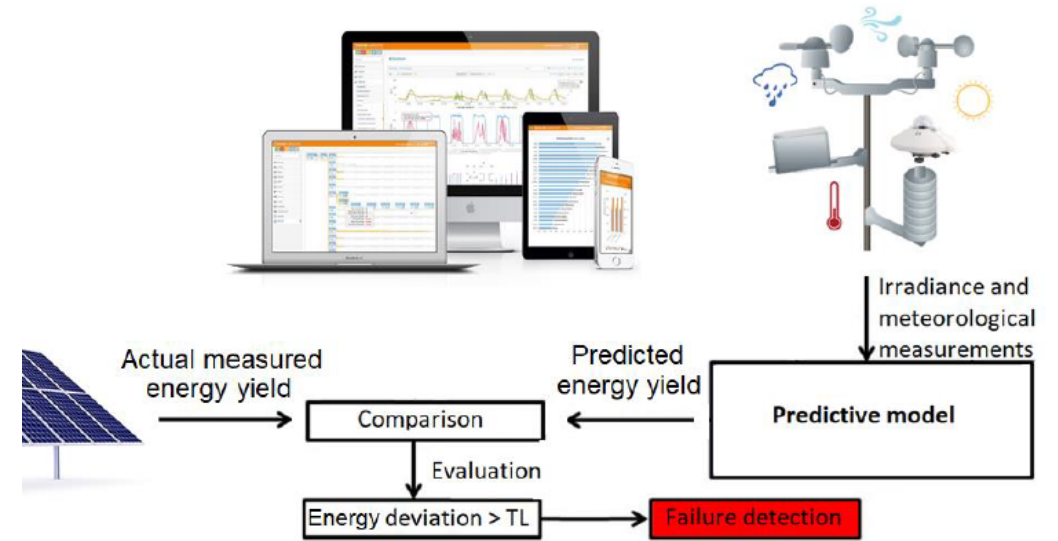
WG5: PV in grids

- Objectives (2019)
 - Better grid-integration of PV systems
 - Increase and better understanding of PV systems performance

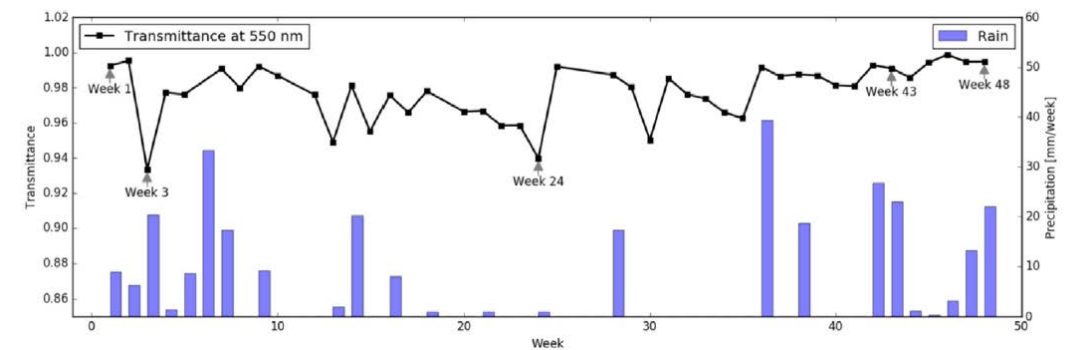
- Research topics
 - PV power forecasting
 - PV power fluctuations for grid operators
 - PV power quality in the grid
 - PV energy storage and management strategies
 - PV performance and fault detection

- Team
 - Leader: Jonathan Leloux
 - 27 members

- Latest results
 - Andreas Livera et al., Performance analysis of mechanistic and machine learning models for photovoltaic energy yield prediction, EU PVSEC, 2019
 - Leonard Micheli et al., Correlating photovoltaic soiling losses to waveband and single-value transmittance measurements, Energy, 2019



Livera 2019, Fault detection methodology



Micheli 2019, Weekly transmittance of PV module with soiling accumulation

❖ Training School Program: 15-18 Oct, 2019

EVALUATION OF THE PERFORMANCE DEGRADATION OF PV-SYSTEMS

❖ Many Thanks to Training School Managers, Gabi Eder and Aleksandra Krstic-Furundzic!!!

Schedule of events

Tuesday 15 October 2019: State of the ART c-Si PV

Time	Topic	Lecturers
9.00 - 9.30	Registration Opening of the Training School	Angele Reinders / UTwente
9.30 - 10.45	Keynote lecture: Reliability of Photovoltaic systems (c-Si) and Activities in IEA PVPS Task13 Failure modes of c-Si-PV Systems, Modules and Components	Karl Berger / AIT Gabriele Eder / OFI

10.45 - 11.00	Coffeebreak	
11.00 - 12.30	Postersession I: Mutual introduction of all participants	Aleksandra Krstic- Furundzic / Univ.Belgrade
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch	
13.30 - 15.15	Expert lectures + Discussions: Degradation mechanisms of PV-cells and polymeric materials	Gernot Oreski / PCCL Abdülkerim Gök / Gebze TU
15.15 - 15.30	Coffee break	
15.30 - 17.00	Practical Course: Degradation modeling	Gernot Oreski / PCCL Abdülkerim Gök / Gebze TU

Wednesday 16 October 2019: Performance degradation / Bankability

Time	Topic	Lecturers
9.00 - 10.45	Keynote lecture: Field performance measurements and the basics of data analytics State-of-the-Art Performance Degradation Measurements Failure detection in the field	Jonathan Leloux / UPM Christian Braun / Fraunhofer ISE Gabriele Eder / OFI und Karl Berger / AIT
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 - 12.30	Bankability/calculations: effect of degradation and lifetime on economic viability	David Moser / EURAC

13.30 - 17.00	Excursion to PV-Installation at MCAST + Workshop: Evaluation and interpretation of electrical data I performance degradation, data treatment -> failure identification	Jonathan Leloux / UPM Karl Berger/ AIT Abdülkerim Gök / Gebze TU
Evening	Joined Dinner (invited)	Villa Bighi, Kalkara: https://villabighi.com/

Thursday 17 October 2019: Thin film Technologies / Characterization

Time	Topic	Lecturers
9.00 – 10.15	Keynote lecture: Performance degradation and failure modes of thin film PV	Marcus Rennhofer / AIT
10.15 - 10.45	Coffee break	
10.45 - 12.00	Reliability engineering and modeling: root cause analysis and predictive ageing	Jeffrey Kettle / Bangor Univ.
12.00 - 13.00	Lunch	

13.00 -17:00	Visit to the University of Malta Solar Research Laboratory + Workshop: Measurement and interpretation of characterization data II Failure detection with EL, TG, UV-F...	Gabriele Eder / OFI Marcus Rennhofer / AIT Angele Reinders / UTwente Wolfgang Mühleisen /SAL
Evening	Social event	

Friday 18 October 2019: Emerging Technologies

Time	Topic	Lecturers
9.00 – 10.45	Reliability and challenges of emerging PV / Nanostructured PV	Shahzada Ahmad / BC materials
	Reliability of next generation PV-systems (OPV)	Jeffrey Kettle / Bangor Univ.
	Hybrid organic-inorganic Pb-free perovskite materials for PV applications	Anna Ioannou / National Hellenic Research Foundation
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee break	
11.00 - 12.30	Interactive poster session II	Aleksandra Krstic-Furundzic / Univ.Belgrade
12.30 - 13.30	Wrap up & closing / joined lunch	



Training
School
Certificate

❖ Future events and plans

❖ Next events

- ❖ Workshop on Luminescent Solar Concentrator PV, 14 November 2019, Eindhoven
- ❖ MC Meeting and Workshops, February 2020, Utrecht

❖ Future plans

- ❖ Progress Report 2 (research progress) to be submitted 4 November 2019
- ❖ Data bank open for all PEARL PV members, 1 November 2019
- ❖ Publications by Special Issues of Journals (first trial with LSC PV workshop)
- ❖ Attendance PVSEC, Xi'an 4 to 9 November 2019
- ❖ Valorization activity by an industry survey (Fall 2019)
- ❖ Possibility to initiate a new WG on Socio-economics of PV (volunteer sought)
- ❖ Establishment of PEARL PV award (scheduled in 2020)

❖ Many thanks to Brian and Renate !!!



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Thanks to all and have a great stay in Malta

In particular thanks to all volunteers who execute
PEARL PV with great enthusiasm!

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