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**Concentrated Solar Power  
(CSP) - facts and  
opportunities**

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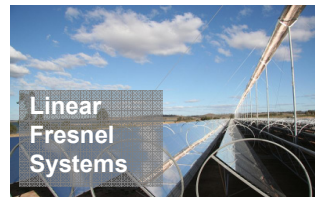
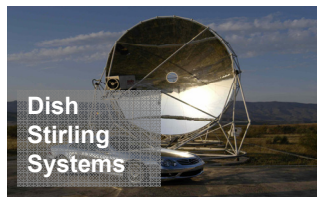
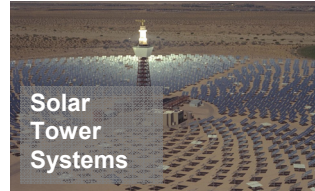
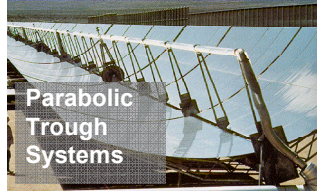
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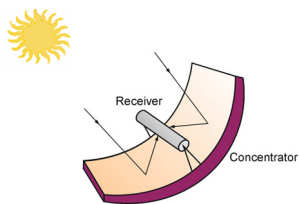
## CSP Plant Technologies



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## Parabolic Trough Systems



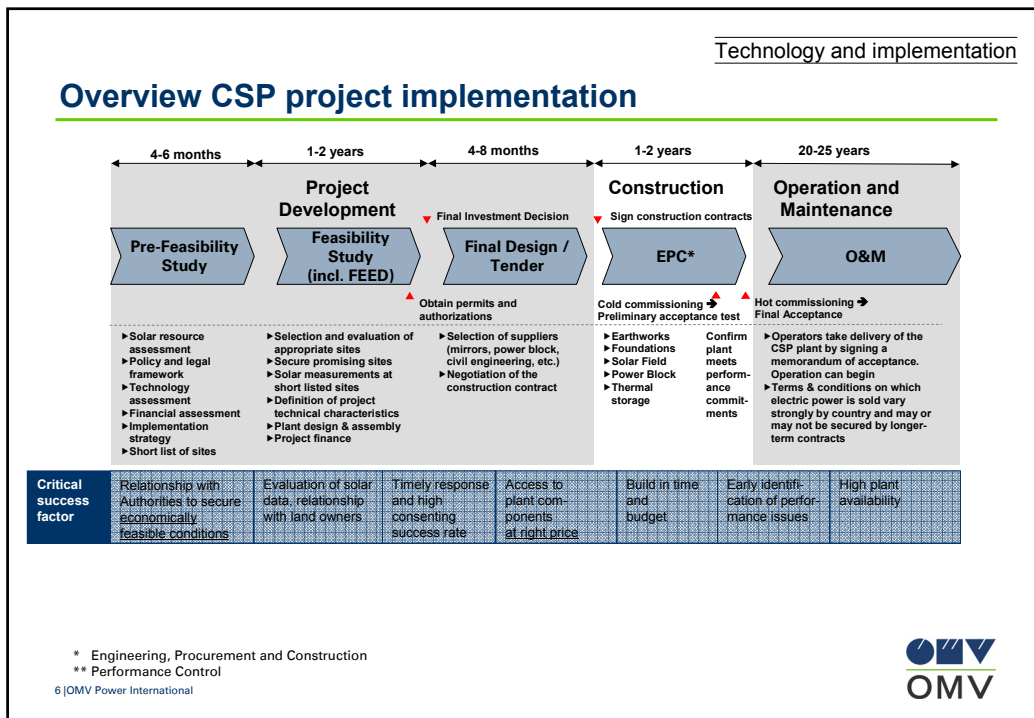
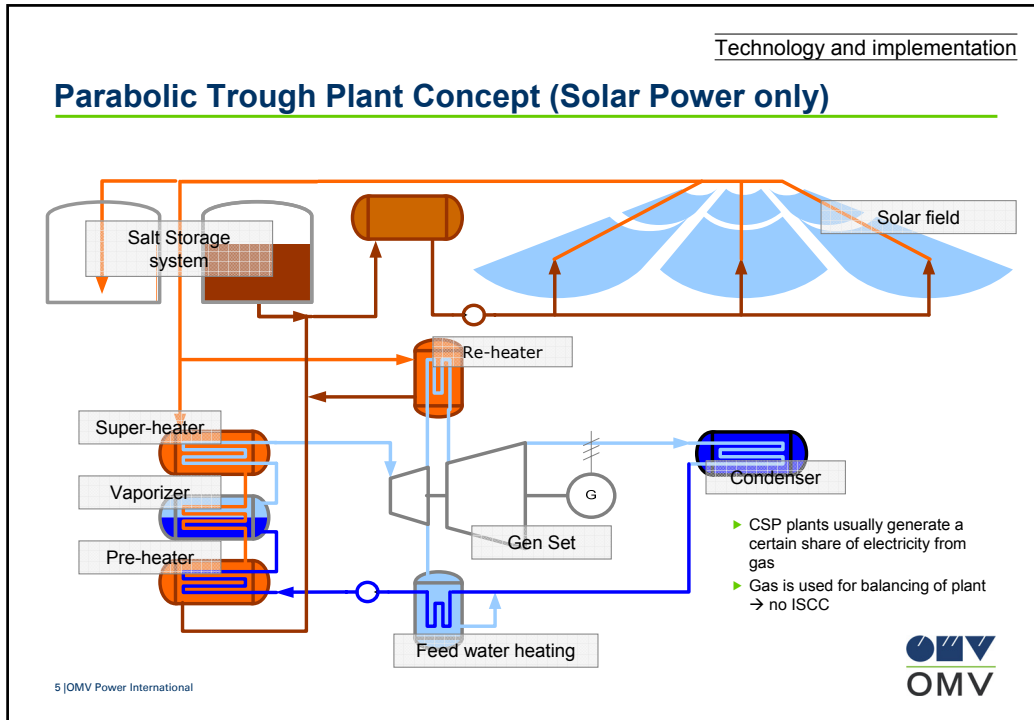
Trough System

- ▶ Large parabolic mirrors concentrate the solar irradiation in a focus-line
- ▶ Absorber tubes in the focus-line heat up a heat transfer fluid to almost 400°C
- ▶ The heat transfer fluid is pumped to a heat exchanger, where it produces steam from water
- ▶ The steam is used to produce electricity in a steam turbine
- ▶ Space requirement: ~1 km<sup>2</sup> for 50 MW (without storage)



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## Solar Irradiation Measurements



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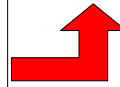
- ▶ Minimum 1 year measurement of Direct Normal Irradiance (DNI), the major input parameter for a solar thermal power plant
- ▶ Measurement with well calibrated instruments (pyranometer)
- ▶ Regular cleaning and inspection
- ▶ Data logging without losses of data
- ▶ Additional sensors:
  - ▶ Temperature and Humidity
  - ▶ Rain gauge
  - ▶ Anemometer and wind vane
  - ▶ 10 m wind mast

### Solar measurement results:



Source: Lahmeyer International, Flabeg

Modelling of annual energy production of the CSP plant in MWh/a



## Engineering, Procurement and Construction

### ▶ Selection of suppliers (solar field, power block, civil engineering, etc.)

- ▶ Access to plant components at right price essential

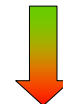
### ▶ Negotiation of EPC\* contract and subcontracts for the following services:

- ▶ Survey of area
- ▶ Detailed Engineering, Management and Supervision during the construction phase
- ▶ Concept and negotiation of Insurance policies, Insurance for erection and operation of the plant
- ▶ Earthworks
- ▶ Planning of access road, Call for Tenders and Supervision of adaptation of the access road
- ▶ Civil works and foundations
- ▶ Cranes and transportation of special shipments
- ▶ Construction of the cabling from the switching station at the plant to the transformer station and adaptation of the transformer station
- ▶ Manufacturing delivery
- ▶ Assembling the main equipment (solar field, power block, thermal storage)
- ▶ Pre-commissioning, Commissioning, Functional Tests
- ▶ Start of Commercial Operation (COD)

### ▶ Financial structuring options (depending on debt capital availability)

- ▶ Non-recourse project financing (20% equity, 80% debt common practice)
- ▶ Recourse project financing and transfer to non-recourse after certain period of operation
- ▶ Equity financing (+loan financing)

Mature markets, low risk



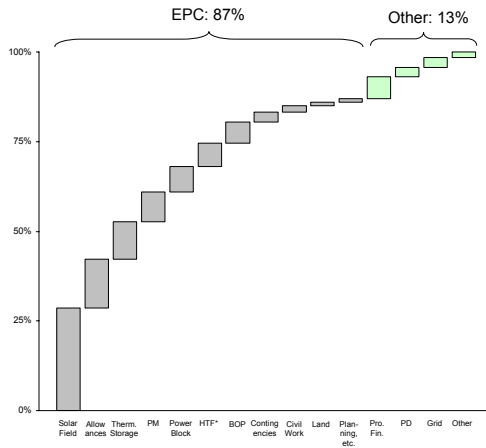
Emerging markets, high risk



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## Cost build up of a CSP power plant

Based on 50 MW parabolic trough plant with 7.5 h thermal storage

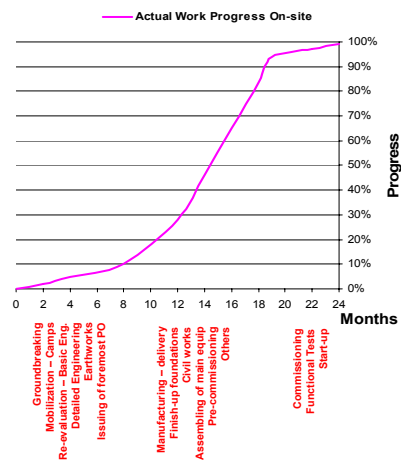


- Example Projects:**
- ▶ **Alvarado I, Spain (Acciona)**
    - ▶ 50 MW (without TES\*)
    - ▶ Total cost: 236 mn EUR
    - ▶ Specific cost: 4.72 EUR/W
  - ▶ **Nevada Solar One, US (Acciona)**
    - ▶ 64 MW (without TES\*)
    - ▶ Total cost: 167 mn EUR
    - ▶ Specific cost: 2.60 EUR/W

\* Thermal Energy Storage  
 Source: OMV analysis, Lahmeyer International, MAN Ferrostaal  
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## Construction (I)



Source: Lahmeyer International  
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## Construction (II)



- ▶ Absorber tubes and mirror delivery
- ▶ Assembly hall erection
- ▶ Part of Solar Field erected
  
- ▶ Site preparations for solar field:
  - ▶ Top soil stripping and/or clearing of obstacles
  - ▶ Removal of dump
  - ▶ Grading, compacting, dirt roads
  - ▶ Rain water drainage, dust control
  
- ▶ Foundations
  - ▶ Excavation, concrete formwork, reinforcement, backfill
  
- ▶ Range for total cost for site preparation for 2 km<sup>2</sup>:  
10 – 30 Mio.€

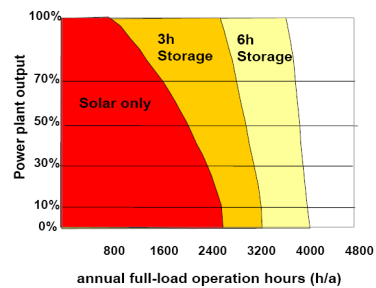


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## Thermal Energy Storage – TES

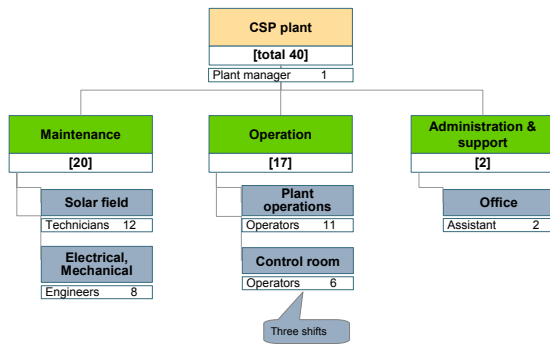
- ▶ Thermal Energy Storage can enhance CSP output, as operation with stored thermal energy is possible after sunset
- ▶ State-of-the-art are molten salt storages with about 28,000 tons of molten salt
- ▶ Full load hours: 2,000 hours without storage, 3,400 hours with 7h thermal storage (Andasol 1)



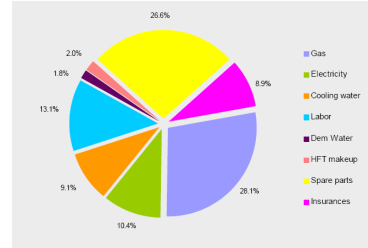
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## Operation and Maintenance (I)



OPEX by Cost Item  
(base case using water cooling)



- ▶ O&M costs dominated by electricity, labour, insurances, and gas.
- ▶ Significant staff required for the solar field
- ▶ OPEX costs have comparatively little impact on the project's IRR (as compared to feed-in-tariff, CAPEX, gas fraction, and power generation)
- ▶ OPEX contribute to about 2% of EPC price and 20% of LEC.
- ▶ Once the investment is amortized, projects generate electricity for about 3 to 4 ct€/kWh.

Source: Pöyry, Lahmeyer

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## Operation and Maintenance (II)

### Activities to maintain the Solar Field efficiency

- ▶ Collector's reflector washing
- ▶ Measurement of reflectivity
- ▶ Inspection of HCE\* and, if necessary, its replacement
- ▶ Replacement of damaged reflectors
- ▶ In case of power loss: inspection of individual loops
- ▶ Drives and solar sensor maintenance

### Activities related to reliability of solar field flow loop hardware

- ▶ Detection of HTF\*\* leaks and repair
- ▶ Inspection of the pipes insulation and repair, if necessary
- ▶ Inspection and maintenance of the valves in the field
- ▶ Maintenance and seal replacement of the HTF\*\* pumps

### Activities related to monitoring, control and operation planning

- ▶ Maintenance, testing and calibration of instruments and wiring in the solar field
- ▶ Weather station supervision and maintenance
- ▶ Control and monitoring of all the different plant parameters (e.g. flow, temperature, reflectivity of collectors, pressure)
- ▶ Suppressing of vegetation in the solar field



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\* Heat Collector Element

\*\* Heat Transfer Fluid

Source: Lahmeyer



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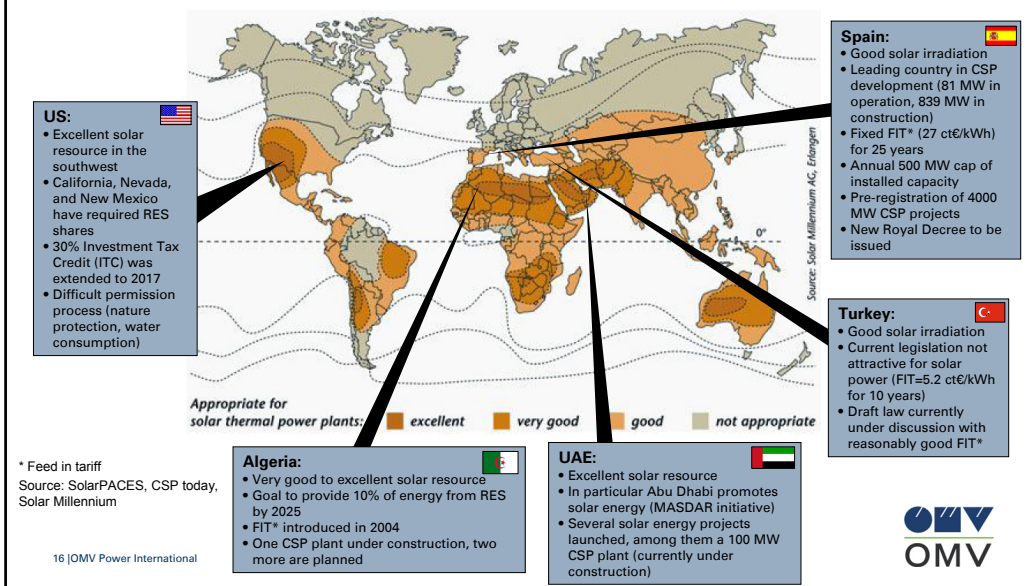
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## Market outlook

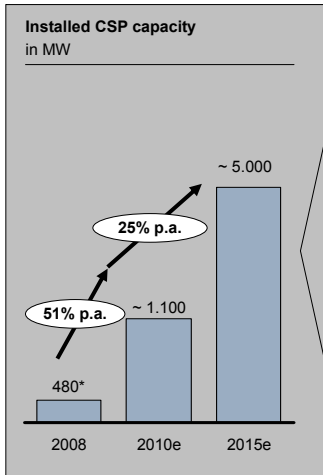
### CSP Markets, Irradiation condition, and incentives





Market outlook

**Until 2015 a growth of installed capacity of 4 GW is expected.**  
**Currently 540 MW under construction and 7 GW CSP projects in the pipeline.**



\*thereof 469 MW parabolic trough  
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 Source: NREL, DLR, SolarPACES

**Current CSP plants under construction**

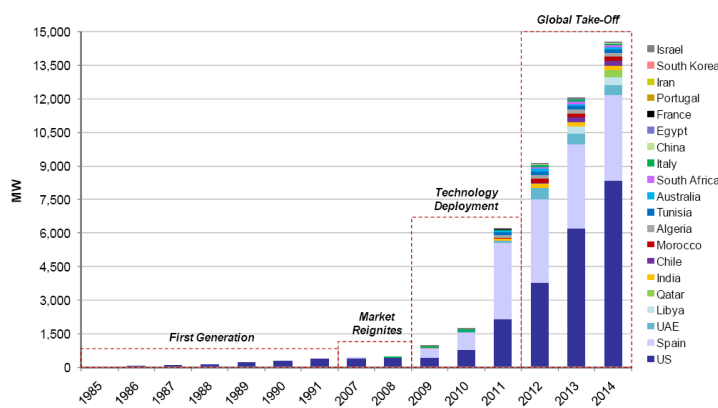
Anlage	Land	Start of Operation	Capacity in MW
Martin Next Generation Solar Energy Center	USA	2010	75
Andasol 2	Spain	2009	50
Andasol 3	Spain	2011	50
Extresol 1	Spain	n.d.	50
Solnova 1	Spain	2009	50
Solnova 3	Spain	2009	50
Puertollano	Spain	2009	50
La Risca 1	Spain	n.d.	50
Kuraymat	Egypt	2010	25
Hassi R'mel	Algeria	2010	20
Ain Beni Mathar	Egypt	2010	20
PS 20	Spain	2009	20
Solar Tres	Spain	n.d.	19
Esolar Demonstrator	USA	2009	5
Kimberlina	USA	2009	5
Keahole Solar Power	USA	n.d.	1

**Σ = 540 MW**

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**Current worldwide CSP project pipeline**

Forecasted market development 2010-2014  
 New installed MW per year

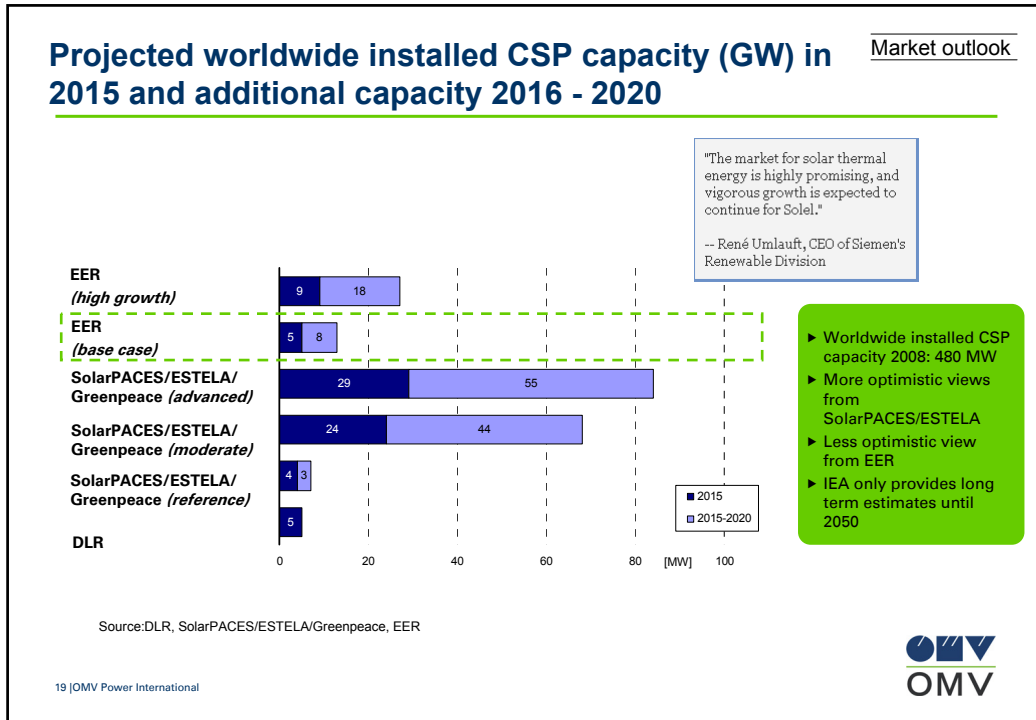


Source: EER (2009), Solar Millennium

- ▶ Development in Spain (130 projects, 5.7 GW pipeline) key to industry success
- ▶ US may become largest CSP market by 2013: CSP can strongly benefit from American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) if infrastructural and land use constraints, and permitting procedures can be eased.

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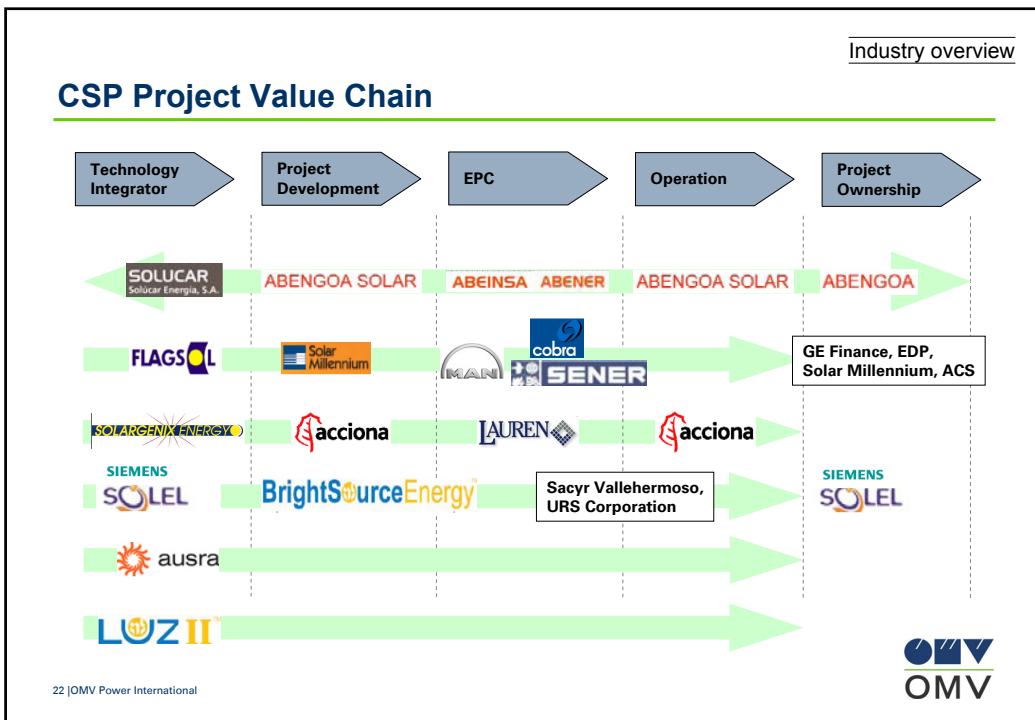
Industry overview

### Technology Providers - Parabolic Trough

Mounting Structures	Mirror Providers	Receiver Providers	HTF Providers	Molten Salt Providers	Turbine Providers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Abengoa*</li> <li>▶ Flagsol*</li> <li>▶ Grupo Sener*</li> <li>▶ Sky Fuel Inc. – in USA and with reflective foil***</li> <li>▶ Solargenix – in USA, but o.k.</li> <li>▶ Solel* (Siemens#)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 3M***</li> <li>▶ Flabeg Hold. GmbH*</li> <li>▶ Glasstech Inc.** - USA</li> <li>▶ Guardian Ind.**- USA</li> <li>▶ HERO-Glas**</li> <li>▶ Naugatuck Glass** - USA</li> <li>▶ Rioglass Solar** (Abengoa only)</li> <li>▶ Saint-Gobain**</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Archimede Solar Energy srl. – for molten salt receiver**</li> <li>▶ HIMIN – no reference***</li> <li>▶ Schott AG*</li> <li>▶ Solel* (Siemens#)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Dow Chemicals*</li> <li>▶ Lanxess – unknown so far</li> <li>▶ Solutia*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ BASF**</li> <li>▶ Bertrams HEATEC AG*</li> <li>▶ Durferrit*</li> <li>▶ Haifa Chemicals*</li> <li>▶ Pratt &amp; Witney Rocketdyne (PWR) - USA</li> <li>▶ SQM* - producer of salt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Bharat Heavy Electrical Ltd. - India</li> <li>▶ GE Oil &amp; Gas*</li> <li>▶ Ormat Tech. Inc.** - USA</li> <li>▶ Pratt &amp; Witney Rocketdyne** (PWR) - USA</li> <li>▶ Solel* (Siemens#)</li> <li>▶ MAN Turbo**</li> </ul>

\*: with experience and reference in CSP      # Siemens acquired 100% of Solel for US\$418 million in October 2009  
 \*\*: probably o.k. if company can provide  
 \*\*\*: technology not yet proven

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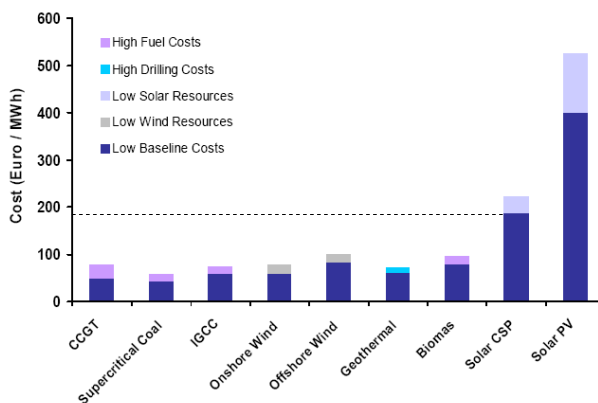
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## Electricity Generation Cost Comparison of CSP to CCGT and other Renewables (€/MWh)

Cost competitiveness



Source: EER, 2007

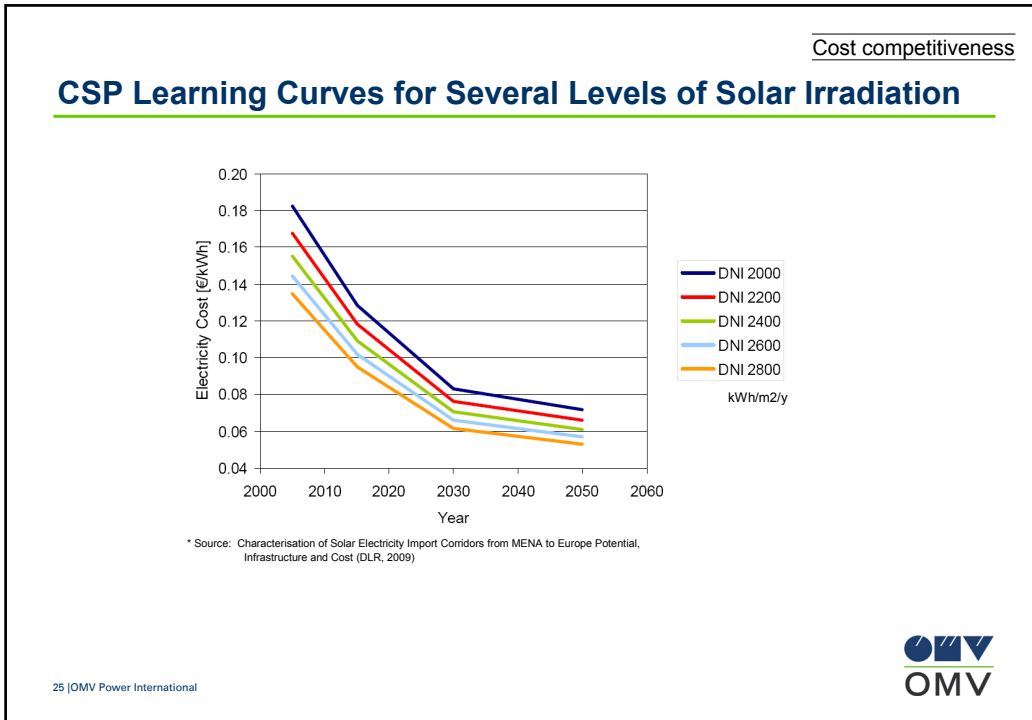
\* Solar Electricity Generation System  
 \*\* Levelized Electricity Cost

**ASSUMPTIONS**  
 Fuel cost range assumptions are as follows:  
 Coal: €30-70 / Tonne  
 Natural Gas: €5-9 / MMBtu  
 Biomass (Wood waste): €20-40 / Tonne  
 Assumes average operating and capital costs, which have been kept constant across low and high scenarios

- ▶ 17-year old SEGS\* in California produce electricity at approx. 170 €/MWh
- ▶ In Spain, LEC\*\* is about 230 €/MWh
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