



Towards a Sustainable Implementation of Solar
Thermal Power Plants Technology in the MENA

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enerMENA Project: Sustainable Implementation of Concentrating Solar Power Technologies in the MENA Region

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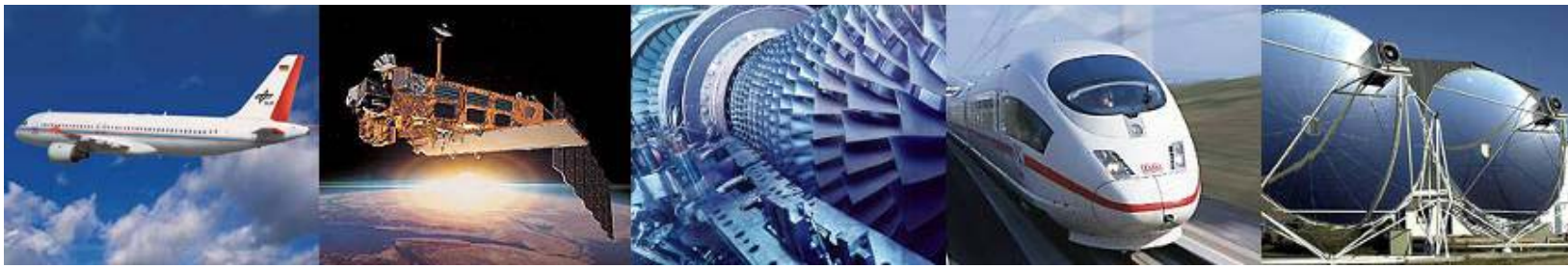


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DLR German Aerospace Center



Mission

- Research Institution
- Space Agency
- Project Management Agency
- Exploration of earth and solar system
- Research to protect environment
- Develop environment-friendly technologies



Locations and employees

6900 employees across
34 institutes and facilities at

■ 15 sites.

Offices in Brussels,
Paris and Washington and
Almería.



Guiding Principles – Vision

- DLR – one of Europe's leading public research institutions, setting trends in its aeronautics, space, transport and energy business areas
- DLR – in its space agency function, a force that shapes European space activities
- DLR – the umbrella organisation for the most effective and efficient project management agencies and offices



Goal of DLR Institute of Solar Research

„Global Leader in System Competence of
Concentrating Solar Technologies “

Product

*First address for
research and industry*

*Unique R&D
Infrastructure*

*Excellent
Research*

Idea

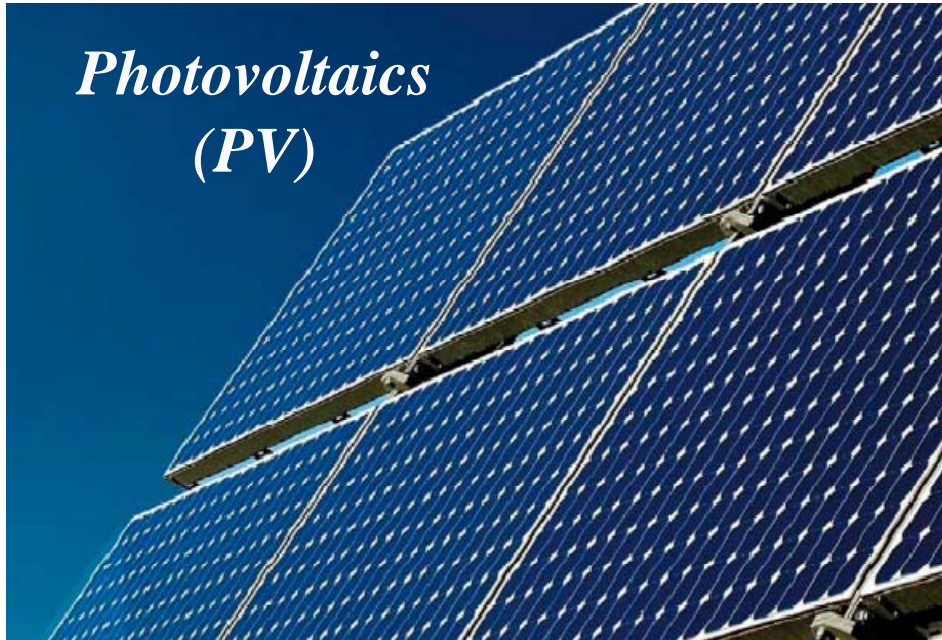


What is CSP? Why CSP?

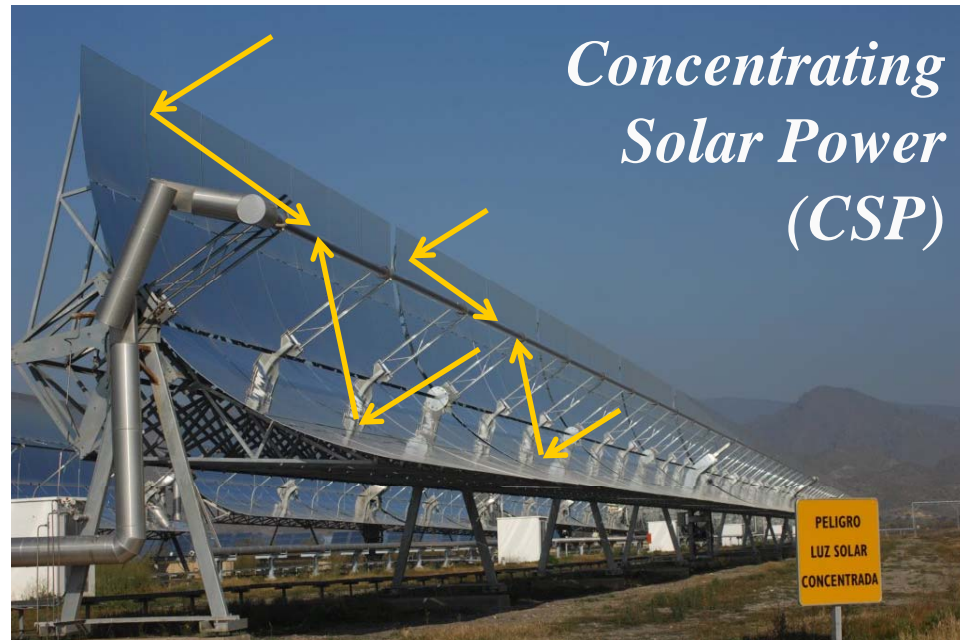
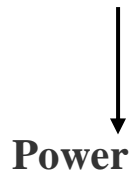


Solar Technologies: CSP and PV

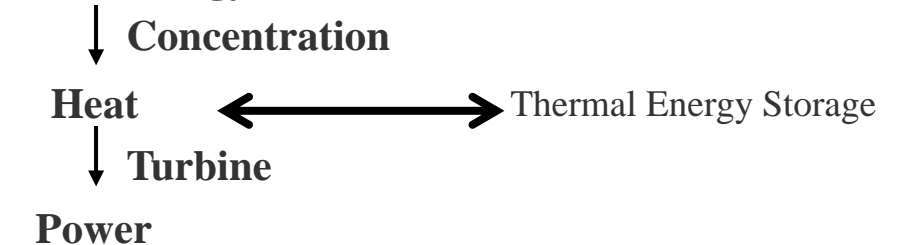
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Concentrating Solar Power Technology Options



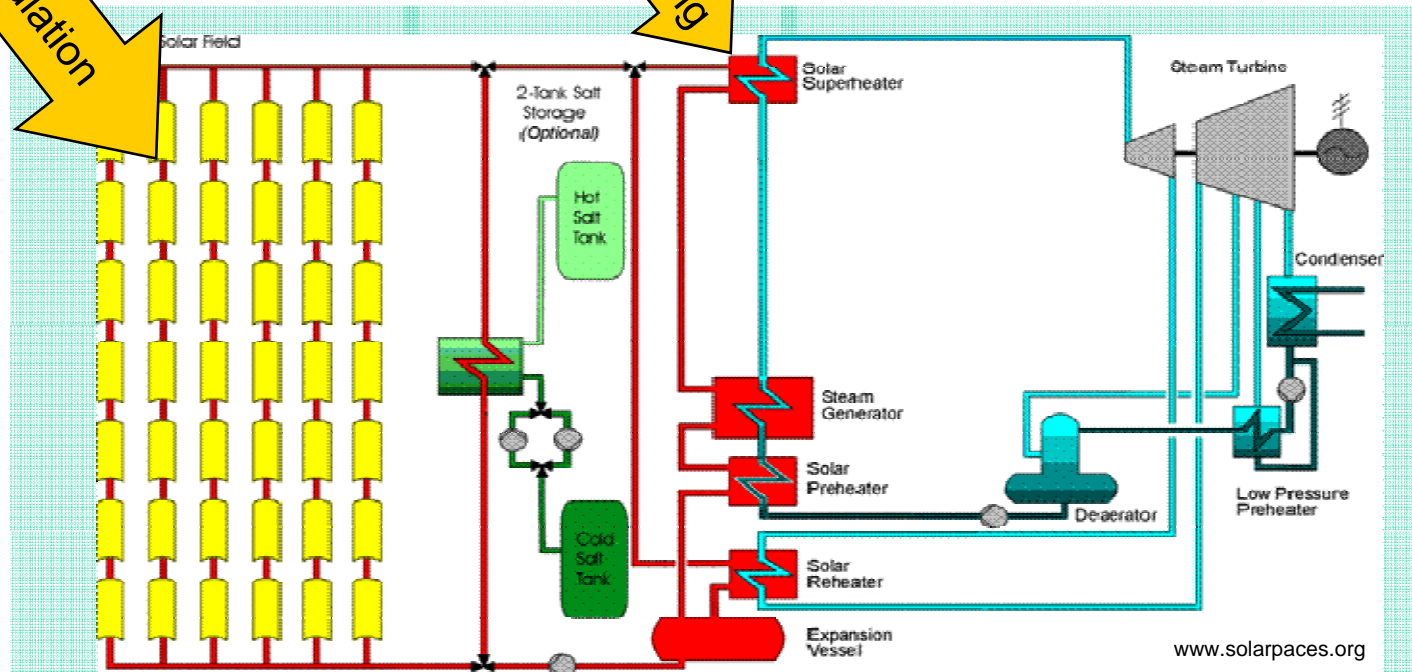
CSP Technologies Overview

Type	<u><i>Parabolic Trough</i></u>	<u><i>Linear Fresnel</i></u>	<u><i>Solar Tower</i></u>	<u><i>Dish Systems</i></u>
				
	<i>Line Focus</i>	<i>Line Focus</i>	<i>Point Focus</i>	<i>Point Focus</i>
Tracking	1-axis	1-axis	2-axis	2-axis
Conc.	$C \sim 80$	$C \sim <80$	$C \sim 200 - 1000$	$C > 1000$
Temp.	$200^{\circ}\text{C} - 400 / 500^{\circ}\text{C}$	$200^{\circ}\text{C} - 400^{\circ}\text{C}$	$600^{\circ}\text{C} - 1100^{\circ}\text{C}$	700°C
Power	$50 - 280 \text{ MW}_{\text{el}}$	$50 - 280 \text{ MW}_{\text{el}}$	$10 - \text{some } 100 \text{ MW}_{\text{el}}$	$0.003 - 0.025 \text{ MW}_{\text{el}}$





Parabolic Trough Plant Scheme



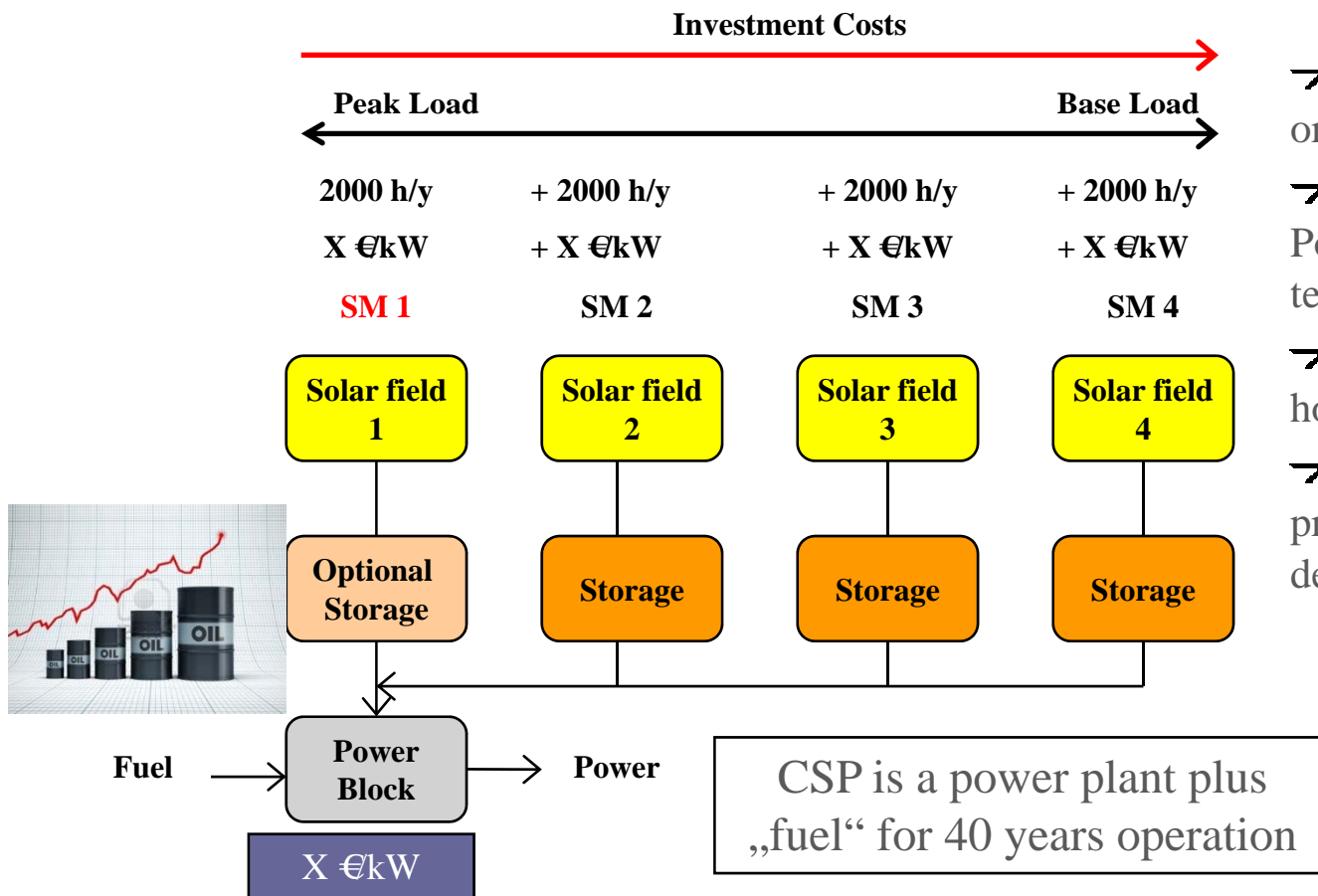
Solar Field
parabolic trough
collectors
300-500'000 m²

**Heat Transfer
& Buffer**
0.5 - 6 hours
capacity

Power Block
steam cycle
turbine, condenser
30-80 MW

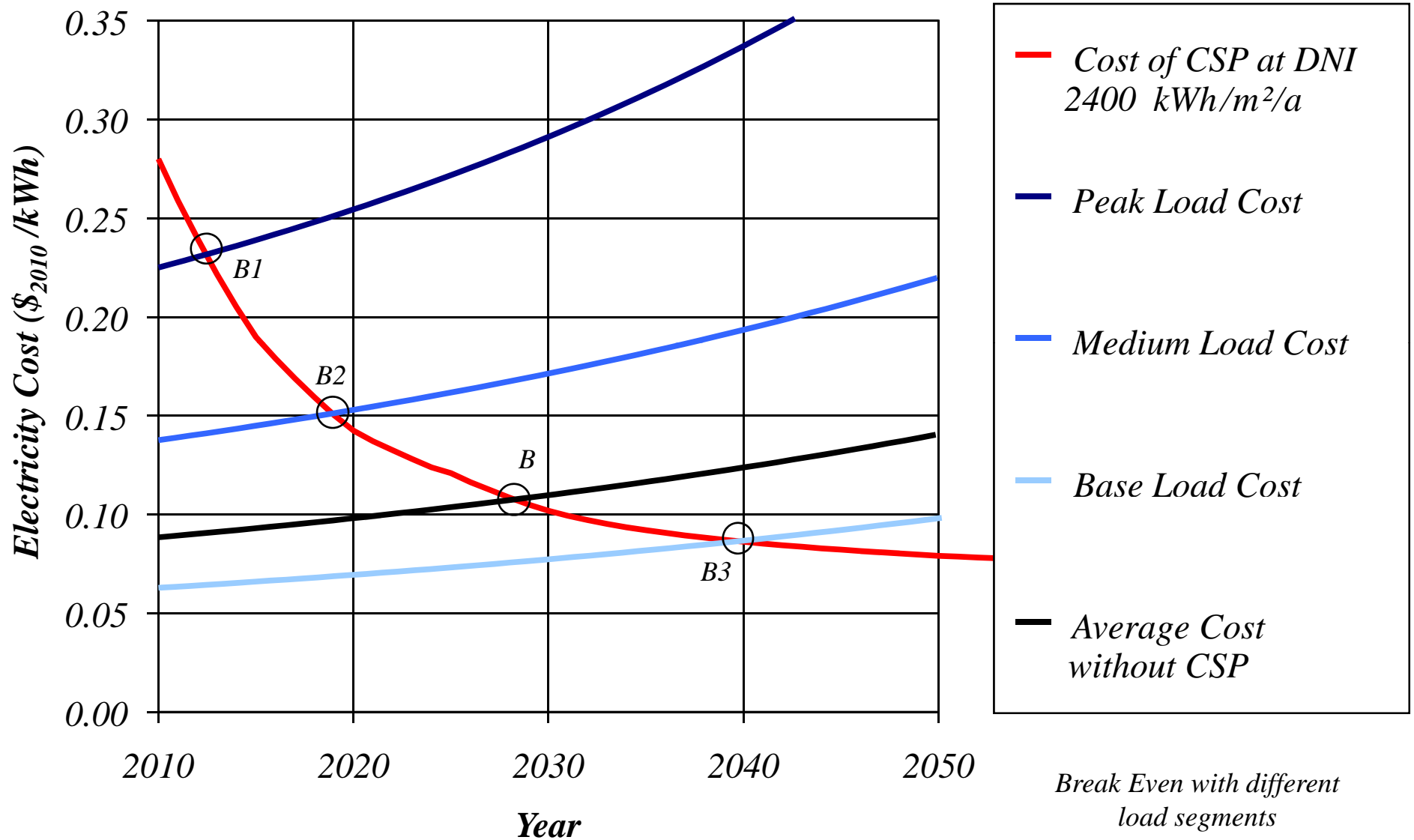


Configuration of CSP Plants



Qualities of CSP Plants:

- Operating as peak, mid-merit or base load power plant
- Firm & flexible capacity Power on demand (dispatchable technology)
- Up to 8000 solar full load hours
- Combined generation of process heat for industry, cooling, desalination, etc.



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Characteristics of CSP:

- Fully flexible power
- Low fuel consumption
- Higher investment cost
- Constant electricity cost
- Low emissions
- Low land transformation



Scenario for sustainable energy supply for the MENA Region.



Sustainable Electricity Supply:

✓ **Inexpensive**

low cost

no long term subsidies

✓ **Secure**

diversified and redundant supply

power on demand

inexhaustible resources

available technology

✓ **Compatible**

low pollution

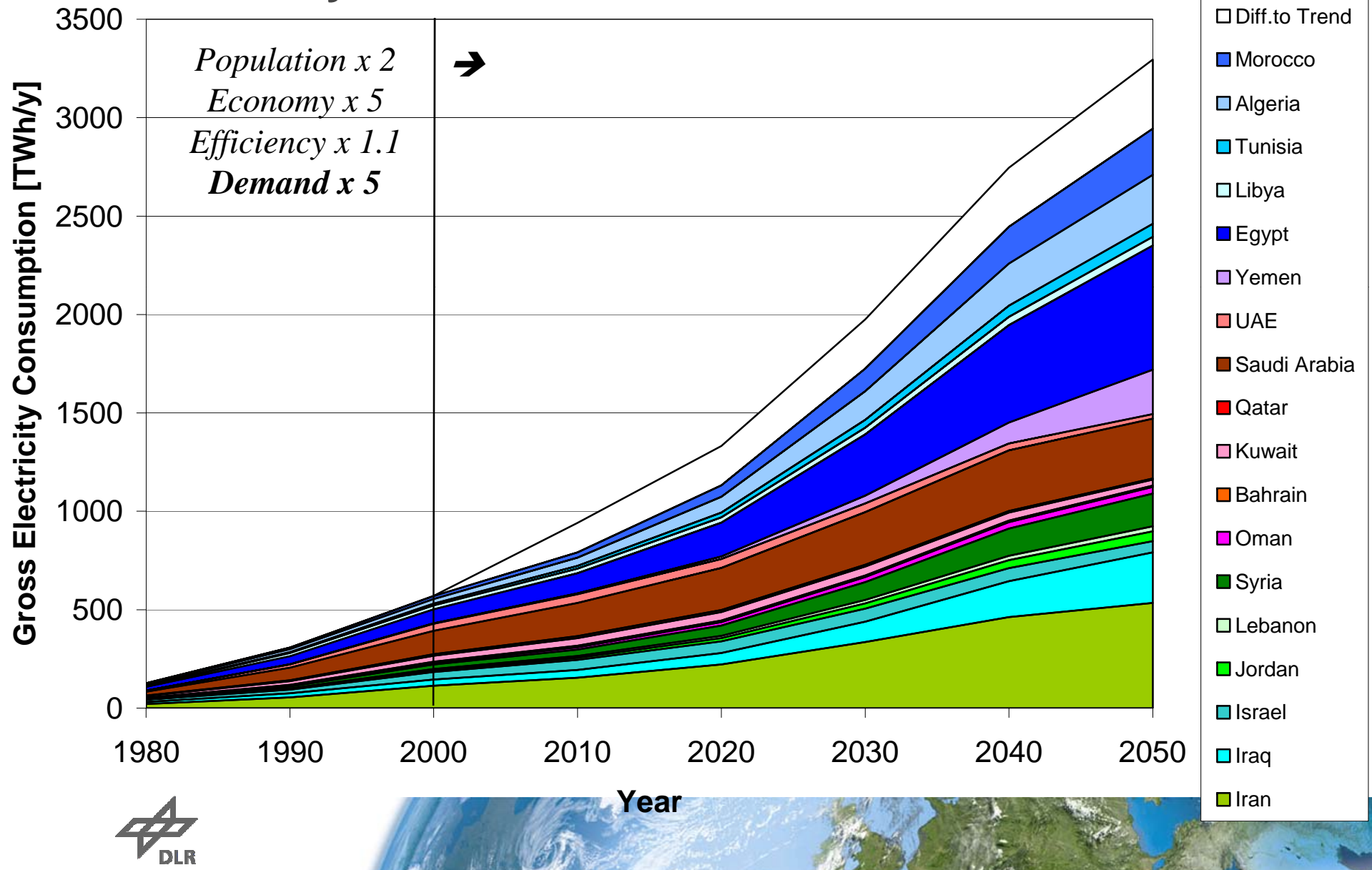
climate protection

low risks for health and environment

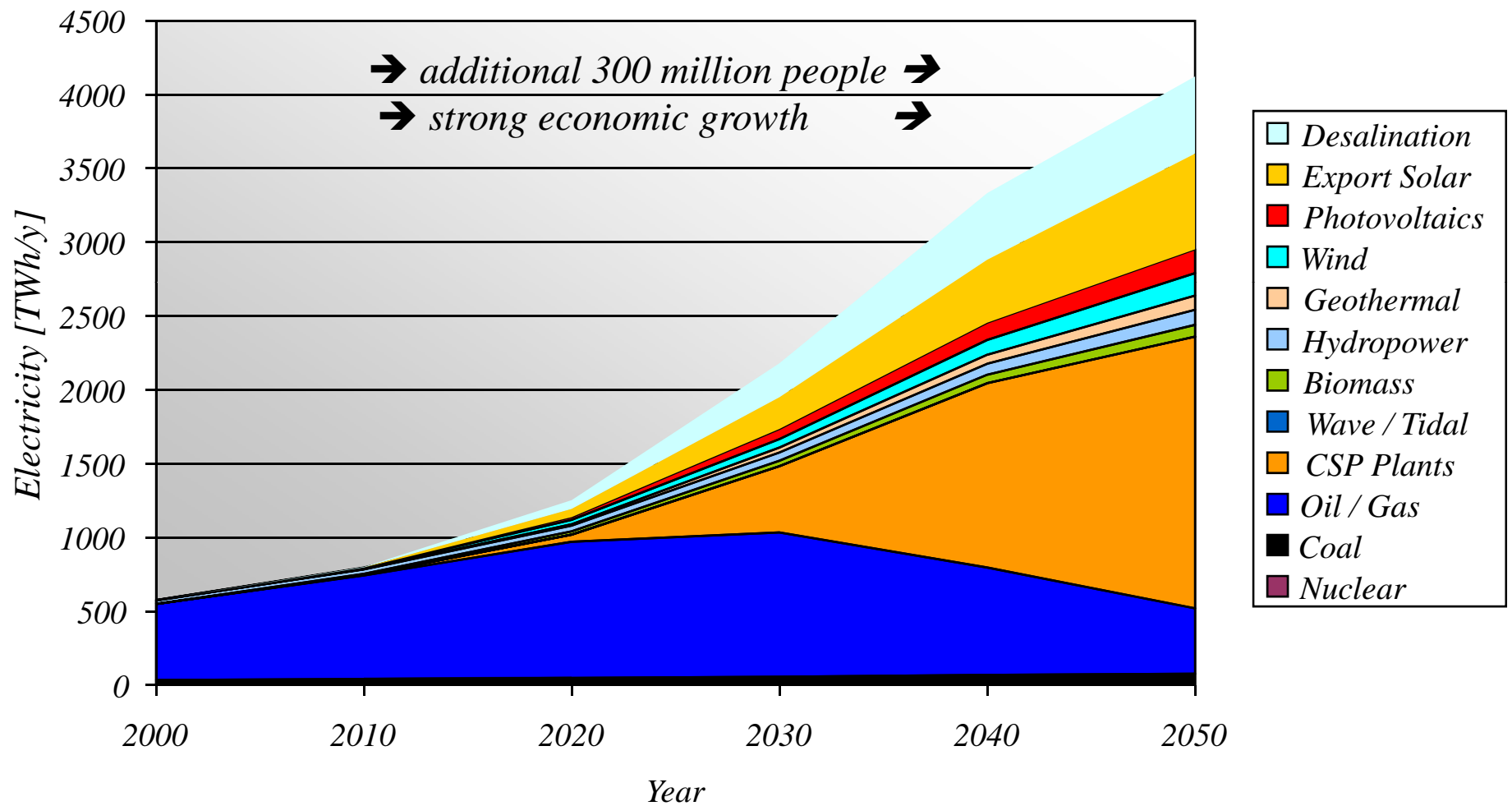
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Electricity Demand in MENA



Electricity Supply in the Middle East & North Africa



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enerMENA Project:

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Background

enerMENA (since 2009) follows the DESERTEC concept and supports the *sustainable implementation of concentrating solar power plant technology in Europe and MENA*

by

- Improvement of Technology
- Development of PEOPLE capacities
- Support of PROJECT DEVELOPMENT activities



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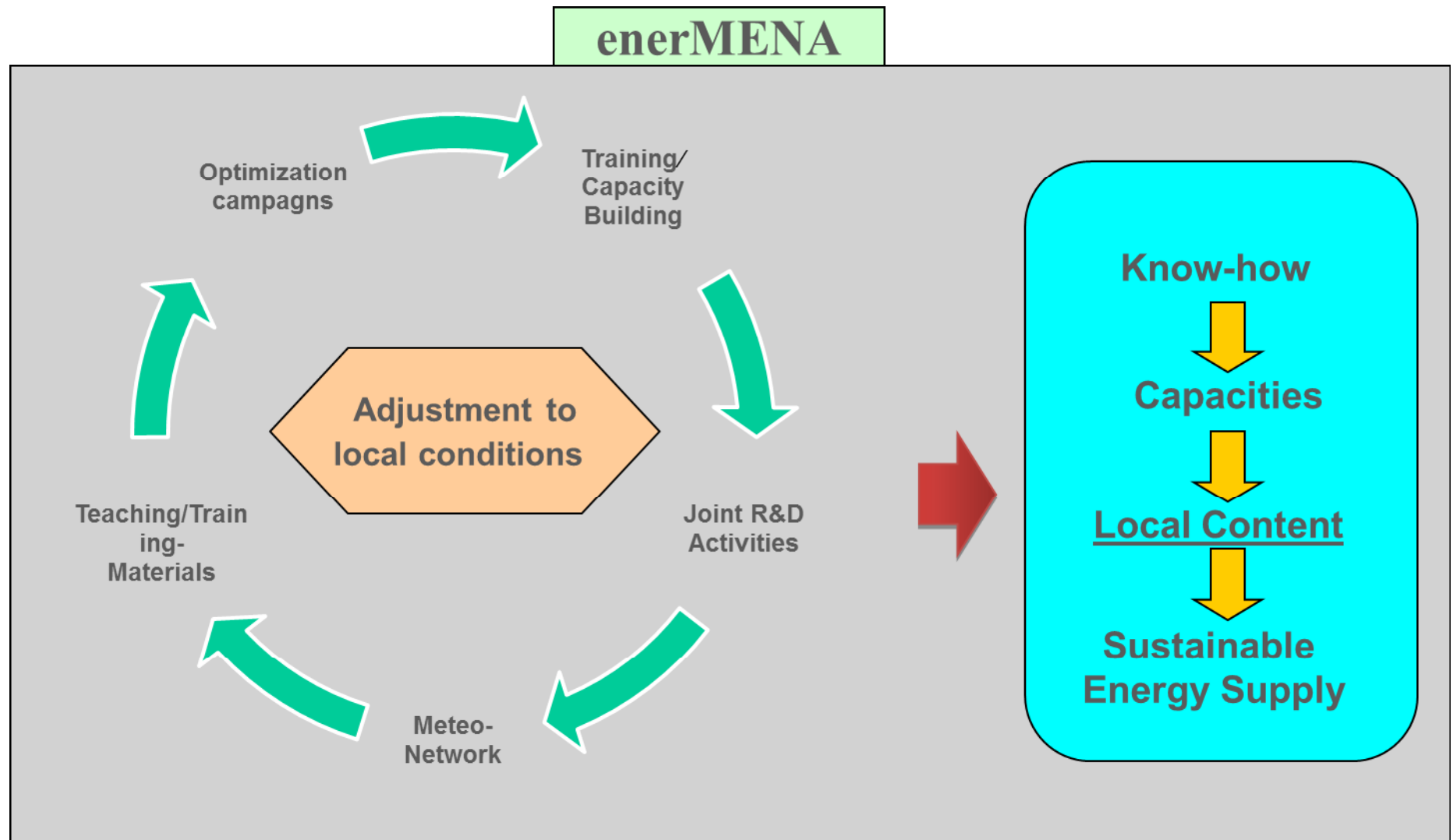
Methodology:

- Engagement of MENA Partner to achieve the project objectives through constructive cooperation
- Development and implementation of an integrated high quality training program. “Train the Trainers”
- Widen the dissemination (> 45 Partner)
- Know-how-Transfer EU-MENA
- Implementation of joint R&D activities
- Long term cooperation

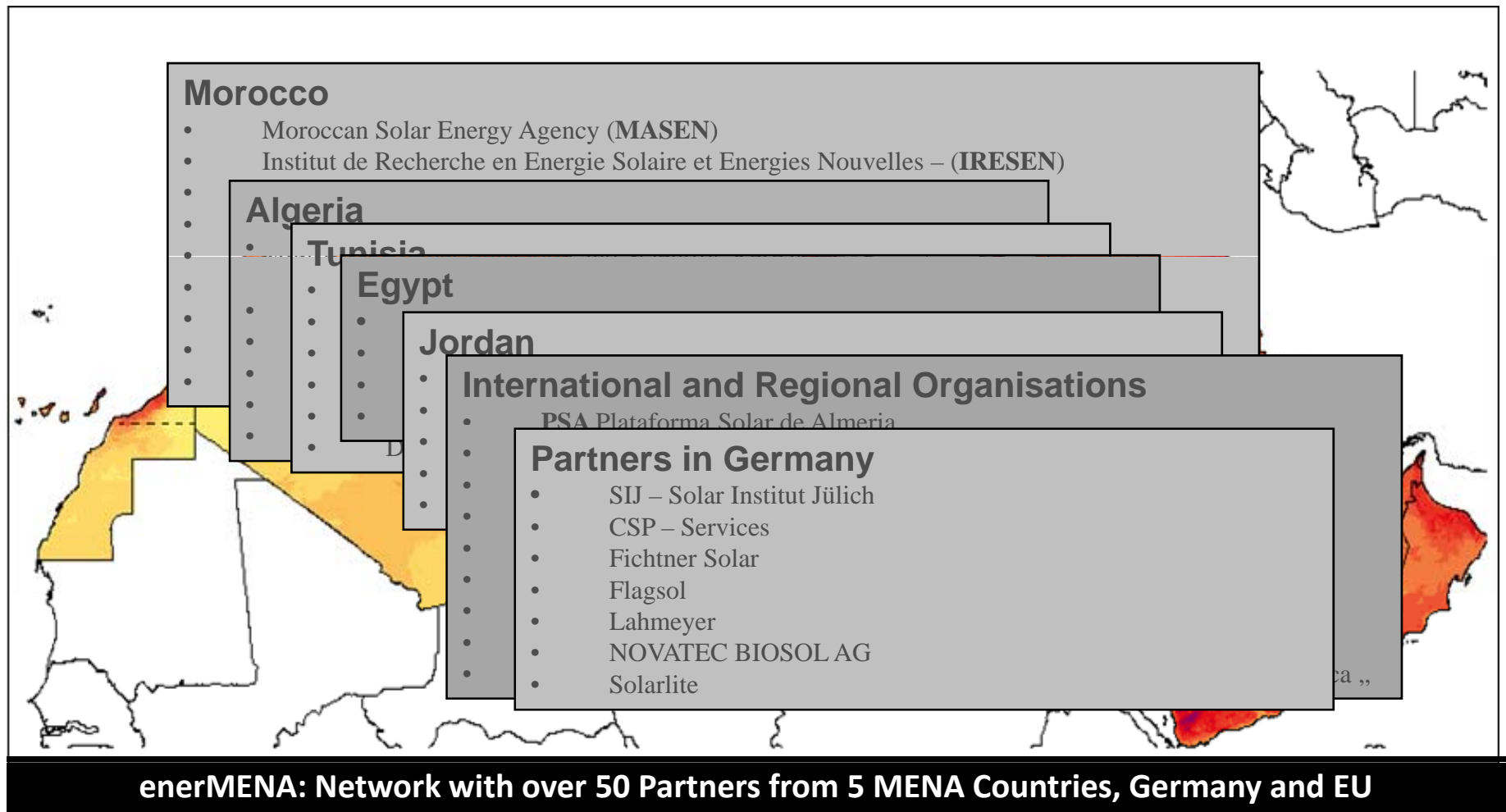


Training course at the PSA, Spain





enerMENA Network



enerMENA structure: three pillars

Module II: People (Capacity Building)

A - Training program for **field engineers and technicians**

B - Preparing qualified **engineers at the academia**

- Theoretical: **CSP Teaching materials**
- Practical: **MENA Students Internship**

C - Training program for local **project planners and managers**

- Preparation of professional training materials.

D - **Expert Training** Courses

Module I „Technology“

Module I: Technology

Overall objective: Support the **improvement** of the **efficiency** of CSP plants in MENA.

- Development of **mobile measurement equipment** to qualify CSP plants and components.
- Running of joint **measurement Campaigns** at CSP plants to optimization their operation
- Supporting the creation of **local test and R&D infrastructure**

Module II „People“

Module III „Project development“

Module III: Project Development

- **enerMENA Meteo-Network** for reliable data
- **Know-how transfer** of CSP technologies
- Supporting a successful **project planning**
- **Joint R&D Activities** with partners

Project management and coordination

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enerMENA Capacity Building Program

- Why -

- Rapid growth of the CSP market during the last years,
- Projections indicate a strong near-term demand on local capacities, knowledge, and local content.
- Good preparation of local capacities is highly requested to make the required CSP boom.
- The enerMENA project supports its partner organizations to achieve this target.



enerMENA Capacity Building Program

Module **A** - Training Program for *Field Engineers* and *Technicians*

Need: Establish CSP technical expert teams in the partner countries.

Teams mainly responsible for

- the **technical optimization** of the existing and planned power plants
- the organization of **training courses for technical staffs** in their countries (**Train-the-Trainers**).

Actions

- Each Country team provided with a mobile laboratory.
- Technical training courses organized at PSA and CSP plants
- Long term support by DLR experts.

30 expert lectures available as video tutorials !

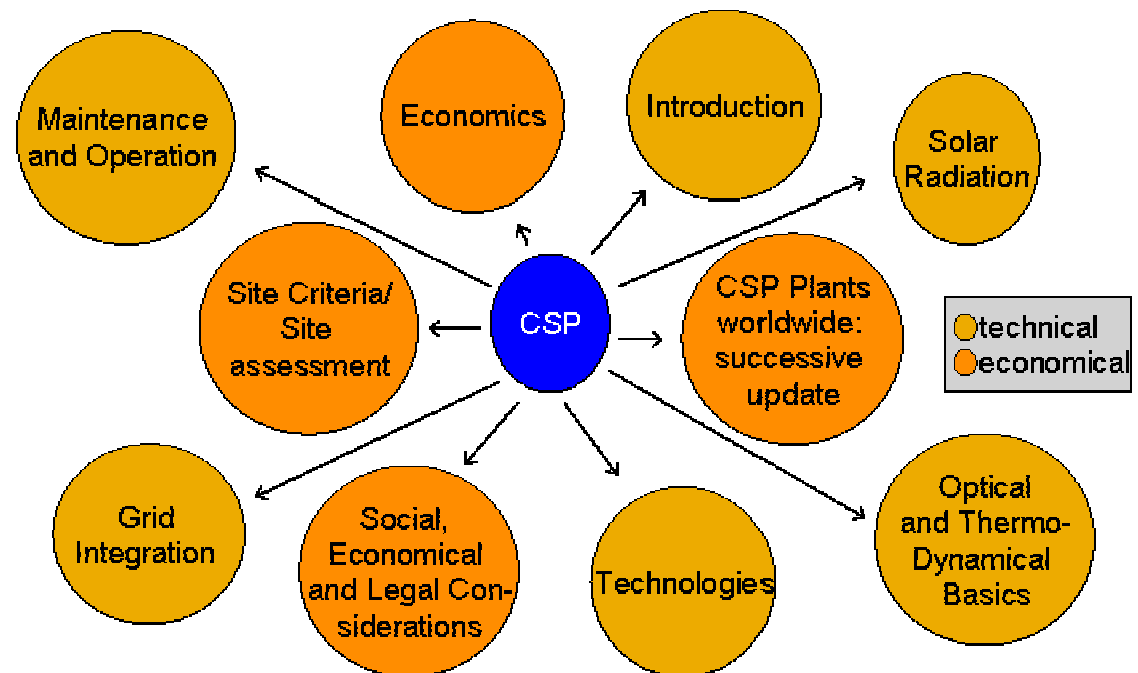


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Module **B** - Educating *higher level university students* and *lecturers*

Need: Tailored education and creating CSP related ecological and economical consciousness

- CSP module developed for technical Master Degree programs
- two-stage review within EU-MENA university network
- Wide spectrum of topics covered including economics



Partners: Aachen University of Applied Sciences (SIJ), Kassel University, Cairo University (EG), GUC (EG), Jordan University (JO), JUST (JO), ENIT University (TN), CRTEn (TN), CDER (DZ), ENIT University (MA), UMP (MA)



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- Practical component included by hosting DLR-internships



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Module **C** - Training of local *project planners and managers*

Need: coaching of local responsables in project planning and yield analysis of CSP plants.

enerMENA project planning courses include

- description of typical CSP project developments
- summarization of the different phases of the project development process and definition of required expertise
- presentation of CSP plant yield analysis tools as instruments for a proper assessment of the economic viability of possible CSP projects

5 expert lectures available as video tutorials !



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Module **D** – Expert Training courses for *professionals*

Need: dissemination of CSP expert knowledge among utilities, IPP and public institutions

- Standard three-days course includes:
 - Introduction to all CSP technologies
 - Optimization of CSP plants
 - Solar resource assessment
 - CSP Projects planning and implementation
 - Overview of the world market and projects.
- The organization takes place in cooperation with regional stakeholders, e.g. AUE, GIZ, AFREC, RCREEE, ONEE, STEG, NEPCO, etc



19 expert lectures available as video tutorials !





Thank you for your attention!
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