Solar Energy for Science

A new energy/science partnership between Europe and MENA

Workshop on "Renewable Energy Concepts for Mega-Science Projects demonstrated at the SKA and its Pathfinders"

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DESY

Member of Helmholtz Association

Mission:

Development, construction, operation and scientific exploitation of accelerators

Provide (open) access and services for national and international users

Accelerators
Photon Science
Particle and Astroparticle Physics

Research Collaboration with leading labs worldwide

Budget ~ 180 Mio €/a Employees ~ 1900

Research Infrastructures: DORIS, FLASH (-II), PETRA-III, XFEL, TIER-2

External Users: ~ 3000/year from 45 countries

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- Our science policy mandate: construction, operation and exploitation of large research infrastructures
- > large research infrastructures are energy intensive
 - synchrotron radiation sources, neutron sources, X-Ray lasers, high magnetic field facilities, high performance computing, ...
 - DESY (w/o XFEL): 20 MW Power, 210 GWh/year, about 110 kt CO2/year
 - future development of energy prices, volatility ?
 - how climate neutral/sustainable should research centers be?
 - =>Question of energy supply is of strategic relevance
- Soal: have on a long-term a reliable, sustainable and economic energy supply for large research infrastructures





Cherenkov Telescope Array

- > DESY engaged in CTA
- remote Research Infrastructure for high energy gamma astronomy





The global picture – asymmetric/complementary



Historic CO2-emissions



Solar potential



Energy consumption

Knowledge Gap: Die Landkarte der weltweiten Investitionen in die Forschung



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Average Daily Solar Radiation at the Surface

Renewable Energy from the Deserts



- Renewable energy from the desert regions of the Middle East and Northern Africa (MENA)
 - Reduce carbon, provide reliable energy supply
 - reduce "energy poverty" in MENA, drinking water supply
 - Economic and sustainable growth, peace, stability ("from a shatterbelt to a Gateway")
 - Support reform and modernization process in MENA !!!!
 - Sustainable development of geopolitical interest in Europe (Neighborhood politics)



I'd put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don't have to wait till oil and coal run out before we tackle that. Thomas Alva Edison, 1847-1931



Energizing the MENA Deserts



- > Fascinating prospects for a win-win situation however, it requires
 - favorable political regulations and conditions (in export-/import countries)
 - incentives for private investments, e.g. feed-in tariffs
 - upgrade of power grid infrastructure
 - Communication/advocacy in MENA region
 - Visible added value and benefits in MENA, e.g. increased security of energy supplies, jobs, economic wealth, infrastructure, value chain in MENA, ...
- Proposal: embark on Energy/Science Partnership between EU and MENA (Solar Energy for Science)
 - Understand EU-MENA as one area of common interest in energy supply, water, climate protection and science & technology exchange
 - coupling of sustainable energy supply MENA-EU to scientific, technology, education transfer/collaboration
 - partnership could give long-term perspectives to MENA now, Science can contribute to build bridges
 - Such a mechanism can be additional incentive to intensify post-Kyoto climate politics



Concept of a joint energy/science partnership





- Enhance S&T cooperation with MENA partners as stimulus for governments to promote renewable energies in MENA
 - coupling of sustainable energy supply MENA-EU to scientific, technology, education transfer/collaboration
 - partnership can help to overcome obstacles, remove regulatory hurdles
- Prospect/Vision for EU-MENA: direct physical transfer of solar energy (via high voltage DC transmission lines) swap knowledge, education and S&T versus energy ("in-kind contribution)

SESAME

- SESAME "Synchrotron-Light for Experimental Science and Applications in the Middle East" in Jordan
- developed under UNESCO auspices and modeled after CERN governance, nine member states
- state-of-the-art third generation synchrotron source
 to be operational in 2015
- BESSY I as donation from Germany serves as 800 MeV Booster
- it will significantly strengthen fundamental research in the region with application in physics, material science, chemistry, life sciences, …
- > first three planned beamlines
 - protein crystallography
 - X-Ray absorption Fine Structure / X-Ray Flourescence Spectroscopy
 - IR Beamline

"a quintessential science for peace project" (UNESCO)



Table 1: SESAME design parameters.

Energy (GeV)	2.5
Circumference (m)	133.12
N. of Periods	8
Dipole field (T)	1.455
Dipole field index	11
Q _x - Q _z	7.23 - 6.19
Mom. Compaction	0.00829
N. Emitt.(nm.rad)	26.0
U ₀ (keV/turn)	589.7
$\tau_{\epsilon},\tau_{x},\tau_{z}(\mathrm{ms})$	2.80, 2.28, 3.77
RF freq. (MHz)	499.564
Harmonic Number	222
Peak Voltage(MV)	2.4
Synch. Freq. (kHz)	37.18
σ_{L} (cm)	1.15
Current (mA)	400
N. of bunches	200
1/e Lifetime(hrs)	16.9

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Research Renewable Energy and Synchrotron Sources

- Synchrotron Radiation Sources have unique analytical potential for R&D on renewable energies
- > Photovoltaics
 - e.g. Metal impurities in solar cells X-Ray flourescence spectroscopy
- Fuel cells
 - In-situ determination of local electro-chemical potentials at electrodes, catalysts
- Energy Storage / Batteries
 - Charge/Discharge Processes in Li-Polymer Batteries
- > .
- In general functional structures/materials at nanoscale



Artist's depiction of an intense beam of synchrotron light striking a solar cell and the resulting fluorescence image of the distribution of iron impurities. Courtesy of T. Buonassisi (MIT). [Buonassisi et al., *Nat. Mater.* **4**, 676 (2005) ; Buonassisi et al., *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **89**, 042102 (2006); Buonassisi et al., *Acta Mater.* **55**, 6119 (2007).]



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SESAME as anchor point

- Deployment of Solar Energy in MENA and export to Europe requires cross-border collaboration and capacity building
- SESAME serves as a symbol for international collaboration uniting scientists from all over the region, including Middle Eastern nations and Israel. Iran sits next to Israel in Council.
- A joint science/energy collaboration with SESAME could be a perfect showcase to foster MENA solar energy R&D, production and exportation
 - foster renewable energy research at SESAME collaboration/community and capacity building
 - Build a flagship solar energy plant connected to SESAME under international patronage (UNESCO, ...)
 - as reference, demonstrate all key features of energy production and cross-border transfer that is necessary for the "energy from the desert" concept





Symposium Solar Energy for Science – 19/20 May 2011 DESY - Hamburg

> Organizers:

- DESY, Prof. Dr. Helmut Dosch
- German Aerospace Center DLR, Prof. Dr. Robert Pitz-Paal
- in cooperation with Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research, Prof. Dr. Maged El-Sherbiny and SESAME, Prof. Dr. Khaled Toukan
- > Patronage: UNESCO
- Chairman of Advisory Board: Klaus Töpfer
- > Topics
 - Climate Change, Renewable Energy and Societal and Developmental Challenges
 - Science, Sustainability and Responsibility
 - Solar Energy Projects in MENA and around the world
 - Bridging Solar Energy from MENA to Europe
 - Scientific & Educational Projects in MENA as Anchor Points for Collaboration and Capacity Building
 - Towards a Science / Energy Partnership

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raising awareness of the importance of renewable energies in MENA in view of global challenges

>emphasizing science and scientific cooperation between Europe and MENA as crucial driver for capacity building and as facilitator for a sustainable development

>developing a process to shape a future energy/science partnership

>promoting and formulating action plans for further activities

receiving broad support from policy- and

decision-makers





Plan for a Technical workshop – winter 2011

- SOLAR ENERGY FOR SCIENCE
- Proposal of a CSP pilot project that acts as showcase for "Solar Energy for Science"
 - 5-10 MW pre-commercial demonstrator solar power plant
 - Attractive for private and public partners from Europe and MENA and for mobilizing investments and funds on national and international levels
- ~50 Experts from research institutions, industry and authorities from Europe and MENA Involvement of private sector is highly desired
- Soal: Kick-Off Feasibility Study by 2012
- Provision of visible regional benefits and added value in terms of technology advancement, sustainability and international cooperation and coordination.
 - Technology: Innovative small plants are direly needed and are perceived as a step towards the further development of commercial plants. Demonstration of technology advancements and improvements as compared to existing plants with the goal to increase performance, flexibility, reliability.
 - Sustainability: Various sustainable criteria in terms of economic, social and environmental developments considered
 - Cooperation and Coordination: Reinforce cross-border cooperation and coordination in MENA and strengthen the scientific links between Europe and MENA to contribute to the Euro-Mediterranean Research and Innovation Area



European Research Infrastructures



Conclusions:

 Likewise, the use of the existing energy-intensive multi-purpose and basic science Research Infrastructures, including e-Infrastructures should be further explored and new energy-efficient ways of operation in performing research should be demonstrated.

ERF Workshop on Energy Management at large RIs

- •Energy efficiency and optimization
- •Energy procurement, generation and supply strategies

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