Large-scale PV production in Europe: Dream or chance of realization?

- Study "Competitiveness of European PV Manufacturers" examines aspects for PV production in Europe
- Panel discussion on 15.5.2019, fair Intersolar Europe

Frankfurt, May 13, 2019 – Photovoltaics is the renewable energy with the largest price regression in recent years. Worldwide, more than 500 GWp of capacity have now been installed. The costs for one kWh for tenders in Germany are already below 5 Euro-Cent/kWh and in sunny countries even in the 2 Dollar-Cent/kWh range. In recent years, however, the production of PV products in Europe has declined dramatically. Many formerly large companies went bankrupt or stopped production. Nevertheless, there is a growing market for PV systems in Europe.

Against this background and on the occasion of the Intersolar Europe fair, the VDMA Photovoltaics Production Equipment Department presents the study "Competitiveness of European PV Manufacturers" and discusses in a panel discussion whether PV production in Europe can have a future again and whether it is also attractive from an economic point of view.

The study assesses important aspects for manufacturing in Europe: the local PV market, the availability of technology and manufacturing know-how, access to manufacturing facilities, material supply chains and economic valuation based on the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) calculation.

Presentation of the study and panel discussion
Wednesday, 15.05.2019 from 14:45 to 16:00 at Intersolar Europe in Hall C1, Stand C1.550 (Munich Trade Fair)

Podium guests:
Do you still have questions? Dr. Jutta Trube, VDMA Photovoltaic Equipment, Phone +49 (0) 69 6603 1879, jutta.trube@vdma.org, is happy to answer your questions.

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