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### SOLAR PV IS ON ITS WAY TO COMPETITIVENESS IN MORE AND MORE REGIONS AROUND THE WORLD



Atomic Power Plant Hinkley Point C in Somerset, UK

Construction time: c. 10 years, to be commissioned 2025 Operator: Électricité de France (EdF) Power production p.a.: c. 26.000.000 MWh<sup>1</sup> Electricity price per kWh: c. €0.12 (\$0.13)



#### PV Power Plant in Lackford, UK

Construction time: c. 4–5 months, commissioned 2014 Operator: Low Carbon Power production p.a.: c. 20.168 MWh<sup>2</sup> Electricity price per kWh: c. €0.09 (\$0.10)



In Germany's latest round of PV auctions in April 2016, €0.07 to €0.08 (\$0.08 to \$0.09) were granted to the bidders.

1. Annual power production sufficient to supply c. 7.428.571 households with an average demand of 3.500 kWh

2. Annual power production sufficient to supply c. 5.762 households with an average demand of 3.500 hWh

# **BUSINESS HAS BECOME MATURE**



In 2010, focus was on DC to AC conversion in the best possible way.

In 2016: Integration into complex systems is key.

2010 Installer business

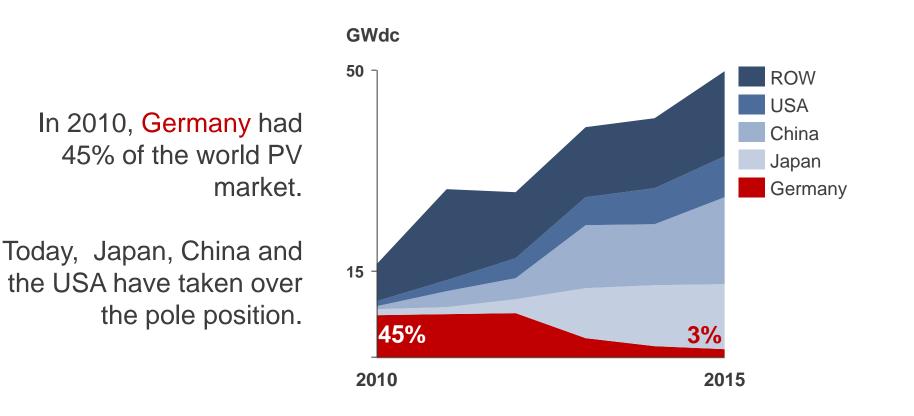


2016 Systems and Project Business



> The energy market is in on the move. The energy transition is and will be a fundamental change.

### BUT THE STRUGGLE REMAINS: POLITICAL DECISIONS CAN QUICKLY CHANGE A FRONTRUNNER'S POSITION

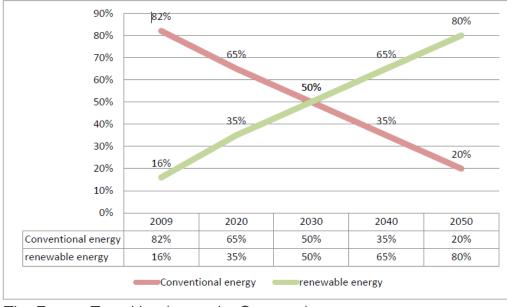


> To get back on top, Europe has to become the frontrunner again in the energy transition

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# 3 STEPS TO FACILITATE THE ENERGY TRANSITION





The Energy Transition (example: Germany)

- 1. STANDARDIZATION being SMART about SMART HOME
- 2. Bring in more PV DRIVERS to ACCELERATE THE ENERGY TRANSITION
- 3. PROVIDE DATA SERVICES FOR GRID STABILITY and to SUPPORT the ENERGY TRANSITION

# SMA IS THE CLEAR #1 IN THE GLOBAL PV INVERTER INDUSTRY



#### Key Facts

Headquartered in Niestetal since 1981

Cum. nearly 50 GW installed worldwide

Sales of 1 billion EUR in 2015

> 3,500 employees, thereof 500 in R&D

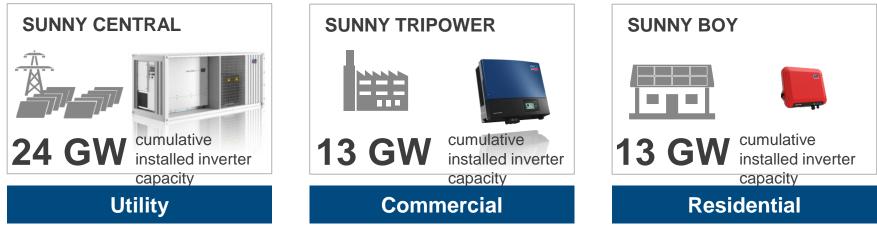
Present in 20 countries; 4 production sites

Stock-listed since 2008



### SMA'S COMPLETE PRODUCT PORTFOLIO OFFERS SOLUTIONS FOR ALL REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE







SMA's cumulative installed power of nearly 50 GW is the basis for a successful service and storage business

# SMA POSITIONED ITSELF EARLY ON FOR THE DIGITIZATION OF THE ENERGY SECTOR





Enhanced selfconsumption through intelligent system technology

Intelligent integration of (stationary) batteries into energy management Supply of power generation and consumption data

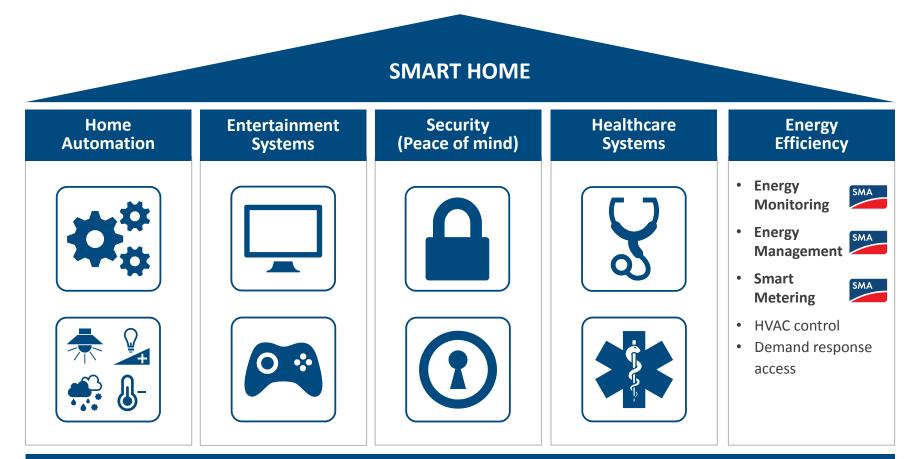
With innovations and partnerships, SMA is well-prepared for the new requirements

# **SMA SMART HOME**





# WHAT IS THE MEANING OF **SMART HOME**?



All devices interconnected in local network and via Internet cloud (IoT\*)

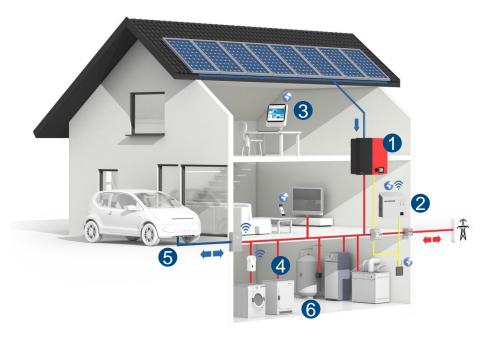
**SMA Smart Home is a subset of the general definition of "Smart Home"** 

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## LOCAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT IN A SMART HOME





- 1 Sunny Boy Smart Energy converts direct into alternating current and buffers up to two kilowatt-hours of solar energy
- 2 Sunny Home Manager ensures the temporally optimized balance of generation
- 3 and consumption

Sunny Places for energy forecasts, remote

 monitoring and household energy management

Controllable loads, that do not require a

 specific operation time, can be activated by Sunny Home Manager

Electric vehicle can be used as additional

6 electricity storage when combined with a corresponding wallbox

>Electrical and thermal storage combined with intelligent energy more cost effective than a battery management is ideally suited to make distributed generation more flexible

# SMA'S ENERGY MANAGEMENT AND STORAGE SOLUTIONS FOR **OPTIMIZED SELF CONSUMPTION**



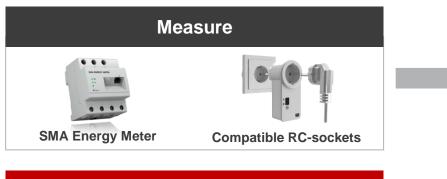
	Energy Management								
Basic Inverter System	Sunny Home Manager System	Integrated Storage System	Flexible Storage System						
Sunny Boy	Energy Management	Inverter integrated battery	PV inverter and battery inverter						
Only SunnyBoy PV inverter	Sunny Home Manager	SunnyBoy Smart Energy	SunnyBoy + Sunny Island						
"Natural" self consumption:     20% (tunical)	+ RC sockets	Self consumption: 55% (typical)	• Self consumption: 65% (typical)						
<ul> <li>20% (typical)</li> <li>Reduction of energy costs: 25% (typical)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Self consumption: 45% (typical)</li> <li>Reduction of energy costs : 45% (typical)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduction of energy costs: 52% (typical)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduction of energy costs: 57% (typical)</li> </ul>						
*) based on 5000kWh production per year	*) based on 5000kWh production per year	*) based on 5000kWh production and consumption per year, battery size: 2kWh	*) based on 5000kWh production and consumption per year, battery size: 5kWh						

> Increase the self-consumption rate = Use your own PV energy!

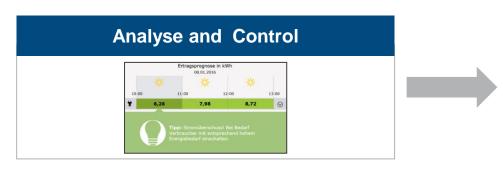
# HOW MUCH POWER DOES MY HOUSE REQUIRE?

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#### **FUNCTIONALITIES**



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#### **CUSTOMER BENEFIT**

#### Always informed:

- Total household consumption figure
- Monitor and remote control of household appliances

#### Transparency and knowledge:

- Where, when and how much energy does my house consume?
- What did I consume in the last month?
- Which devices are the 'power hogs' in my house?

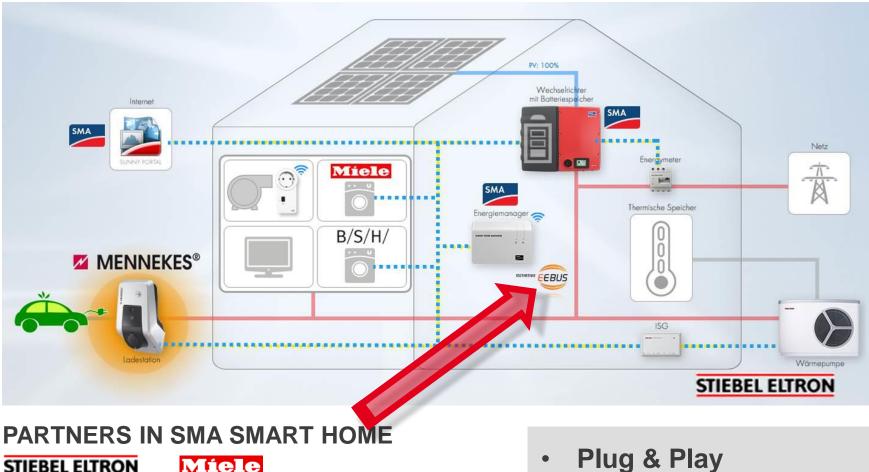
#### Suggestions to increase energy efficiency

- Recommended actions, depending on energy prognosis
- When is the best time to use my solar power?

Management

## ENERGY APPLIANCES CONNECTED ... ... AND NOW IT ALL WORKS TOGETHER!





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STIEBEL ELTRON

(Wärmepumpen)

(Ladestationen für Elektroautos)

Míele

(Weissware)

B/S/H/ (Weissware via EEBUS (ab Q3 2016))

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# EEBUS **CONNECTS**: TECHNOLOGIES, MARKETS, PEOPLE.

EEBus is an initiative to take energy management in the frame of Smart Homes from proprietary solutions (e.g. Sunny Home Manager with only Miele appliances) to a more generic level (like an Ethernet network, where any device can exchange information with other devices within the network independent from the manufacturer).



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# E-MOBILITY



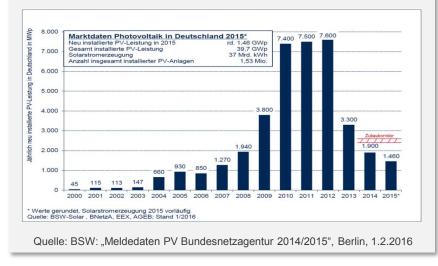


## PHOTOVOLTAICS AND E-MOBILITY ARE BEHIND SCHEDULE IN GERMANY (AND ELSEWHERE...)



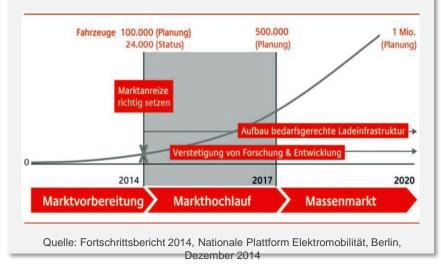
#### **Photovoltaics**

- > Solar & Wind are main factors in energy transtion
- > 19,3 % of gross electricity production in 2015
- > Since 2014 new installations behind plan



#### **E-cars**

- > E-mobility is key for an ecological mobility transition
- > E-cars have a clearly lower CO<sub>2</sub> footprint
- > Batteries solve the volatility of renewables in the Smart Grid



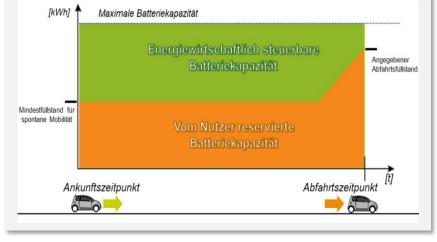
#### > Both technologies are connected. E-mobility only makes sense if its energy originates from renewable sources

# VEHICLE-TO-GRID INTEGRATION



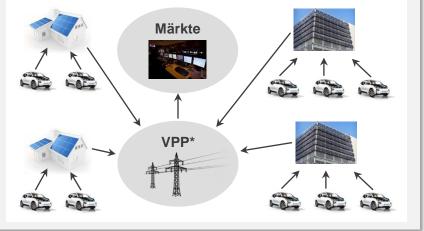
#### Utilization of the flexibility in buildings

- > E-vehicles connected to local EMS
- "Green Area" usables in a competitive way (in INEES about 30 %)
- > User settings and needs indfluence clearly the useful battery capacity



#### **Connecting buildings to the Markets**

- > "Virtual Power Stations"
- > Competitiveness strongly Regulation dependent
- > Many preconditions already fulfilled
- > Biggest obstacle: double use of the same



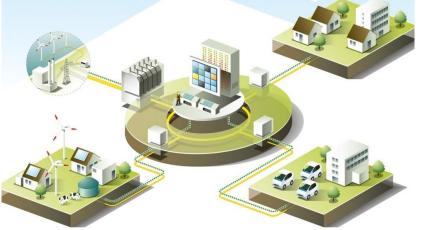
> The first generation e-vehicles changes the car industry.
> The next generations will gradually change the energy transition.

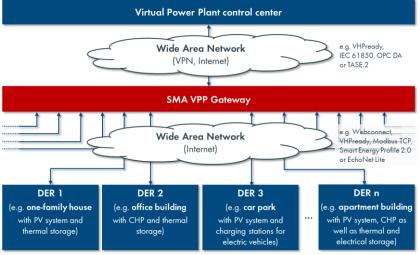
### SUPRA-REGIONAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT THROUGH AGGREGATION IN VIRTUAL POWER PLANTS



- Distributed Energy Resources (DER) in current market not attractive for the energy industry
- In future market design: aggregation in virtual power plants
- Systems pooled in virtual power plants
  - > provide flexibility out of generators, consumer loads and storage devices to Smart Grids
  - > trade needed excess energy on Smart Markets

Image: Vattenfall



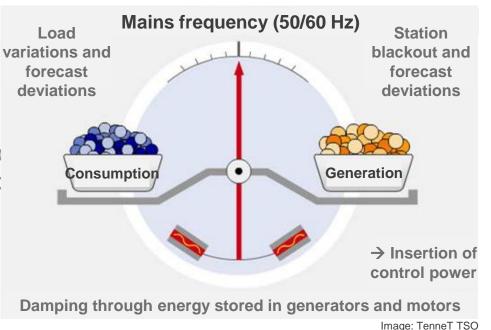


>Technology for a flexible, secure and cost-effective connection of DER is available

## CHALLENGE FOR TRANSMISSION SYSTEM OPERATORS



- Generation and consumption to be **balanced** at any time
- > Consumption predicted using standard load curves
- Conventional generation schedule according to predicted consumption and renewables generation
- > Renewables are volatile
- > Local energy management and storage tighten the situation



- > Schedule to reality deviations settled through expensive control power
- > Transmission System Operators (TSO) are responsible for the insertion of control power
- Today no measuring network for small and medium size PV plants
  They need near-time photovoltaic (PV) projections and forecasts based on
- > They need near-time photovoltaic (PV) projections and forecasts based on available measured data
- > Measuring network would have to be precise, secure and cost effective

### DATA SUPPLY PILOT WITH TENNET TSO PROJECT OVERVIEW





40,000 monitored PV systems in German TenneT control area

Thereof 20,000 PV systems with transmission every 5 minutes

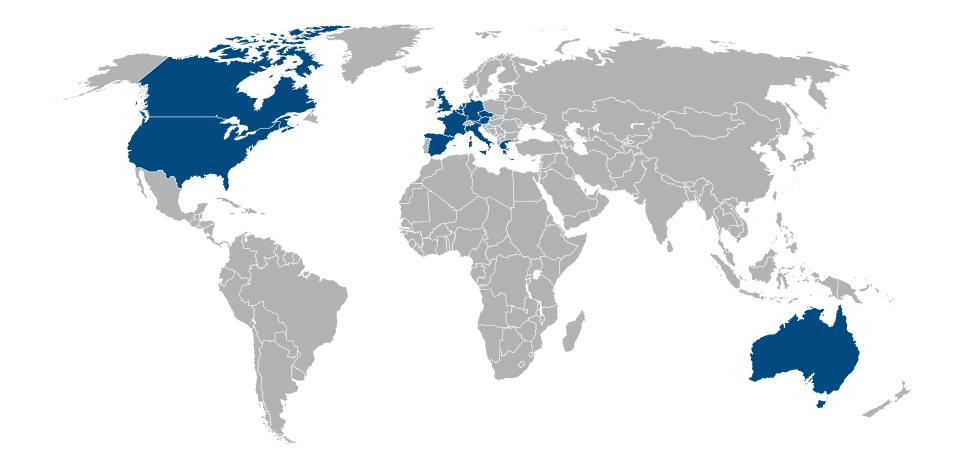
1,500 PV systems with SensorBox Every 5 minutes: 5 minute averages of the current PV power, irradiation and temperature aggregated to 5 digit ZIP codes Этеппет

Projections and forecasts Marketing of REL\* electricity Reduction of control reserve need Congestion management Feed-in management validation Commercial balancing

#### > TenneT will considerably reduce the current projection delay

# FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE SMA ENERGY SERVICES





> International rollout to regions with high PV penetration

> Measures to continuously enhance data quality and quantity

## THE TIME HAS COME ...





# Thank you for your interest!



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