

# Overview of global solar process heat market and trends

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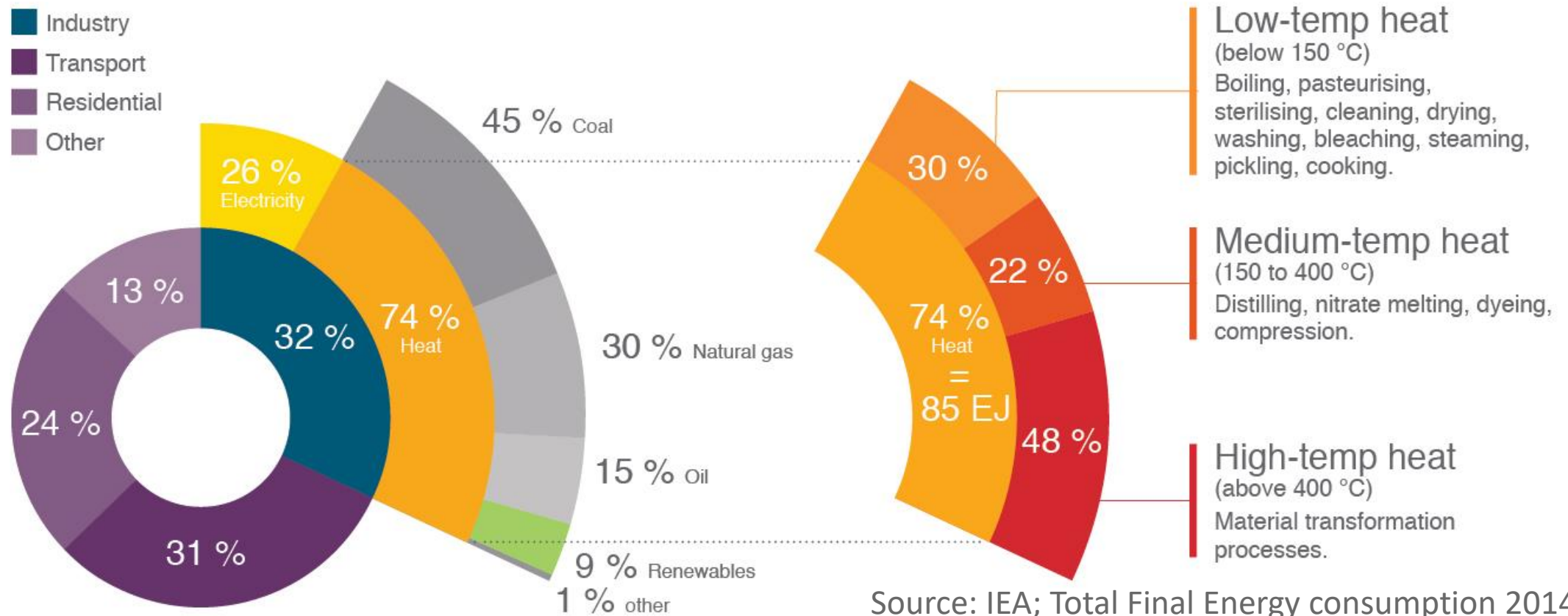
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# Enormous global heat demand in industry



There is more final energy consumption of heat in the global industrial sector than there is electricity consumed worldwide! Source: [www.solar-payback.com](http://www.solar-payback.com)



# Dynamic market development of solar industrial heat

**125 SHIP  
systems  
(end of 2012)**

**➤ 817 SHIP  
systems  
(end of 2019)**

20 SHIP systems with concentrating collectors  
commissioned in 2019

→ Adding up to 267,280 m<sup>2</sup> (187 MW<sub>th</sub>)

→ vast majority are parabolic trough collectors

→ installed in China, India, Mexico, Belgium,  
Oman, Senegal, Spain, USA, Portugal, Turkey,  
Cyprus

Source: Solar Payback



# Driving factor: Growing and submitted supply chain



## Rackam, Canada

Number of references: 8

Total collector area of references:  
3,400m<sup>2</sup>

[Link to references](#)

Produced collector type:  
Parabolic Trough

[More info](#)

## Suppliers of Turnkey Solar Process Heat Systems

Supplier ready-to-offer	13
Collector producer ready-to-offer	5
Supplier with references	22
Collector producer with references	42

<https://www.solar-payback.com/suppliers/>  
available in English, Spanish and Portuguese

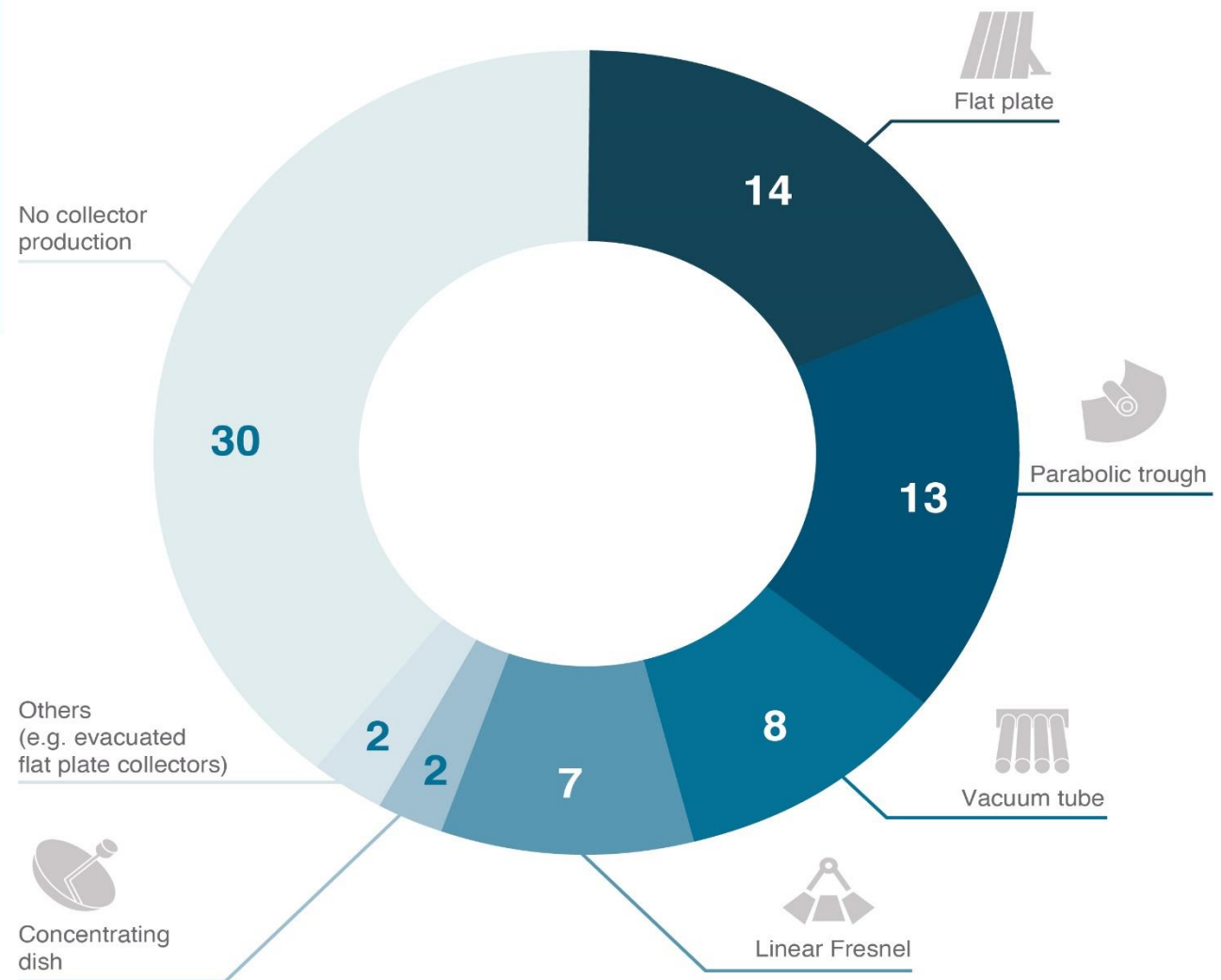
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## 76 turnkey SHIP suppliers are currently depicted on the world map

61 % of the listed companies  
produce collectors  
in-house or on-site



# Ranking of the most experienced SHIP technology suppliers

Turnkey solar industrial heat suppliers with more than 10 reference projects at the end of 2019

Industry hubs: China, Mexico, India and Germany

Established suppliers of concentrating collectors ←

<b>89</b>	<b>Módulo Solar</b> Mexico		<b>22</b>	<b>Millennium Energy Industries</b> Jordan	
<b>72</b>	<b>Sunrain</b> China		<b>21</b>	<b>Inter Solar Systems</b> India	
<b>66</b>	<b>Inventive Power</b> Mexico	←	<b>20</b>	<b>Soliterm</b> Germany	←
<b>47</b>	<b>Linuo Paradigma</b> China		<b>16</b>	<b>Sunda</b> China	
<b>32</b>	<b>Megawatt Solutions</b> India	←	<b>15</b>	<b>Himin</b> China	
<b>29</b>	<b>Ritter XL Solar</b> Germany		<b>15</b>	<b>Solid Energy Systems</b> Austria	
<b>28</b>	<b>SEA Sistemas de Ecotecnia</b> <b>Ambientales, Mexico</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>Casolar</b> Mexico	
<b>24</b>	<b>Vicot Solar Technology</b> China	←			

Source: Solar Payback surveys





# The MW-class: 360 MW of parabolic troughs in glassshouses are in operation in Oman for Enhanced Oil Recovery



Second phase with 360 MW transferred to customer in spring 2020

May 2020 bankruptcy of GlassPoint



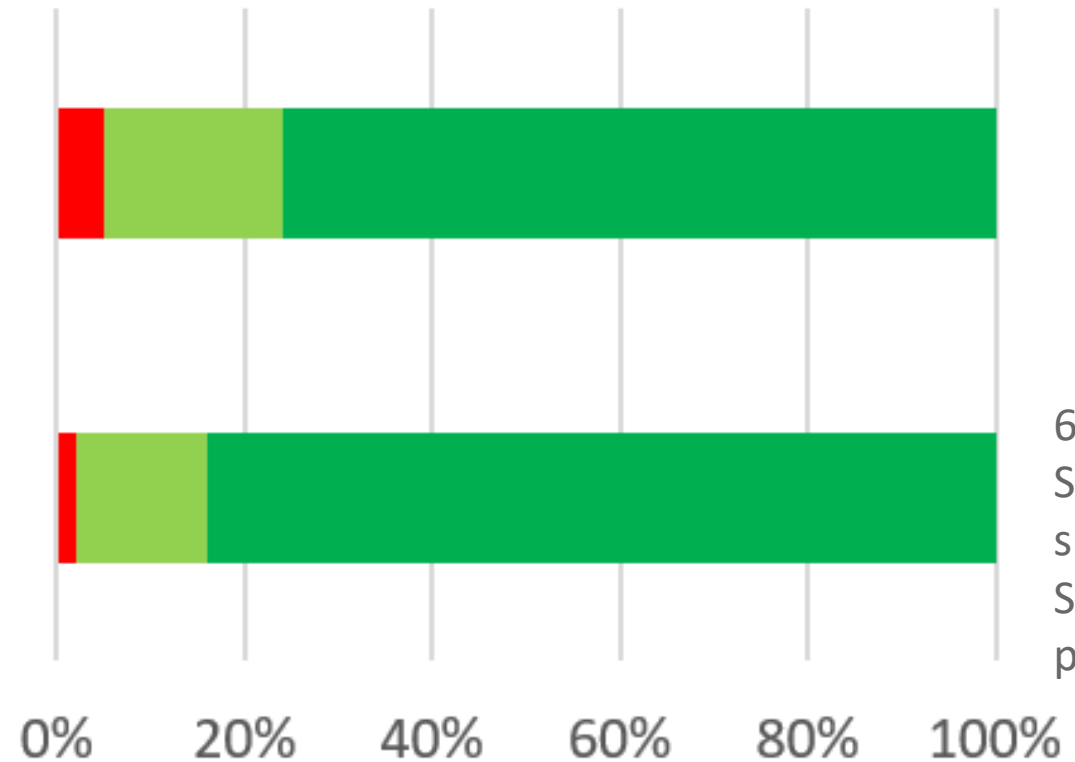
Photos: GlassPoint

# Heat supply contracts: Popular but hard to implement

Can you agree with the following statements?

Difficulties with obtaining financing  
is one of the main retarding factors  
of SHIP deployment.

Energy heat delivery contracts are  
an important modell to increase  
SHIP deployment.



60 answers by  
SHIP system  
suppliers:  
Source: solar-  
payback.com

■ Strongly disagree / disagree ■ Tend to agree ■ Strongly agree / agree





# ESCO SHIP projects – Mega Trend in France

Project Developer **NewHeat**, France, closed a EUR 13 million EUR bank loan deal in August 2020 to finance five ESCO solar heat projects in France with 28 MW<sub>th</sub> in total

**Kyotherm**, a renewable heat third party financer, has the largest SHIP project in Europe under construction

- 14,000 m<sup>2</sup> flat plate collectors (10 MW) for a malting plant in the south of France
- EUR 6 million CAPEX
- Negotiated heat price: 26 EUR/MWh plus inflation over 20 years



Photo: NewHeat



# Commercial role-out of SHIP systems in Mexico

Inventive Power commissioned at least 66 SHIP systems between 2010 and 2019

>100 installations process heat and domestic heating

Many installations provide pre-heating in steam systems or hot water

Total costs including: Collector field and circuit - Solar storage tank - Planning and installation costs (Not included: equipment for integration into client's network, financing costs, subsidies and VAT)

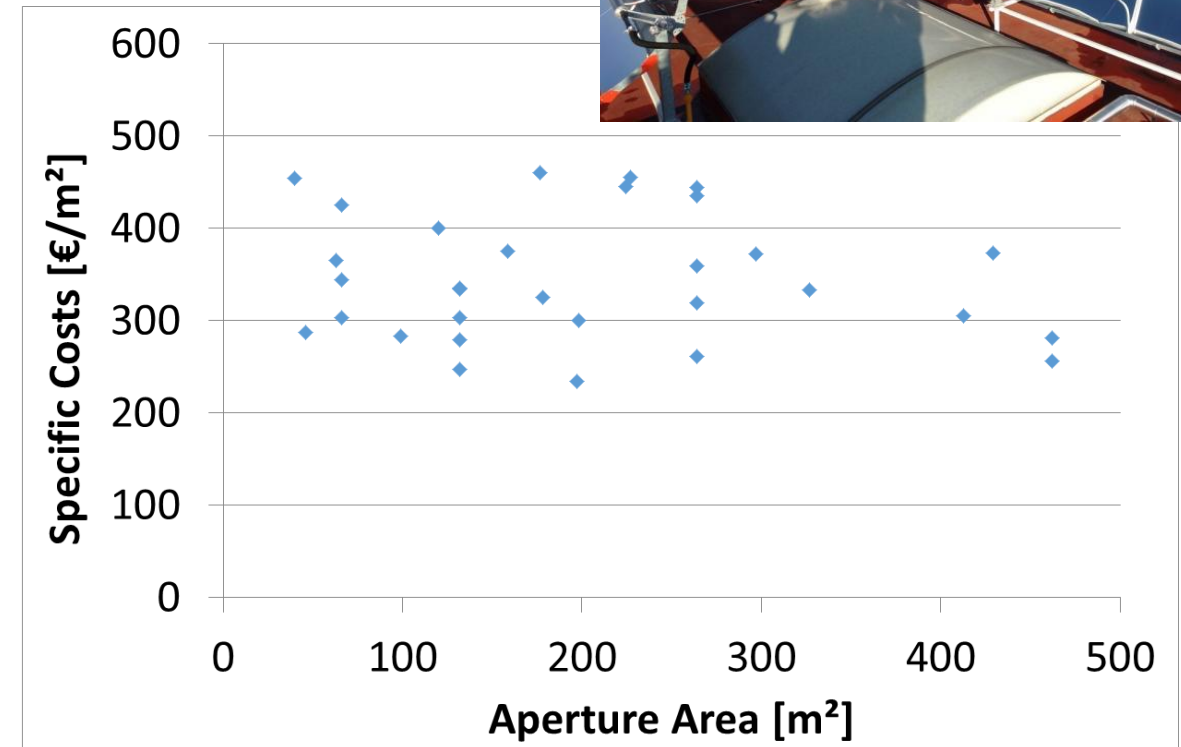


Photo: Inventive Power / AEE Intec <http://ship-plants.info>

# Installations in Turkey and Afghanistan

Collector supplier and EPC Soliterm

2020: Izmir, Turkey – 6,000m<sup>2</sup> process heat for packaging industry

2018: 5 Plants in total 14,558 m<sup>2</sup> e.g. Bursa/Turkey – 4,320 m<sup>2</sup> steam for textile process

Herat Afghanistan – 3,240 m<sup>2</sup> butchery

2017: Kaya Laundry, Turkey – 4,996 m<sup>2</sup> steam support of the laundry

## Motivations customers:

- Replace gas
- Sustainable and manageable heat supply reducing dependency on volatile fuel prices
- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction – avoid CO<sub>2</sub> taxes





# Combination trough with concrete storage and CPC collectors

Juice production in Cyprus

EPC and collectors protarget

PTC 283 m<sup>2</sup>, steam at 11 barg and 188°C

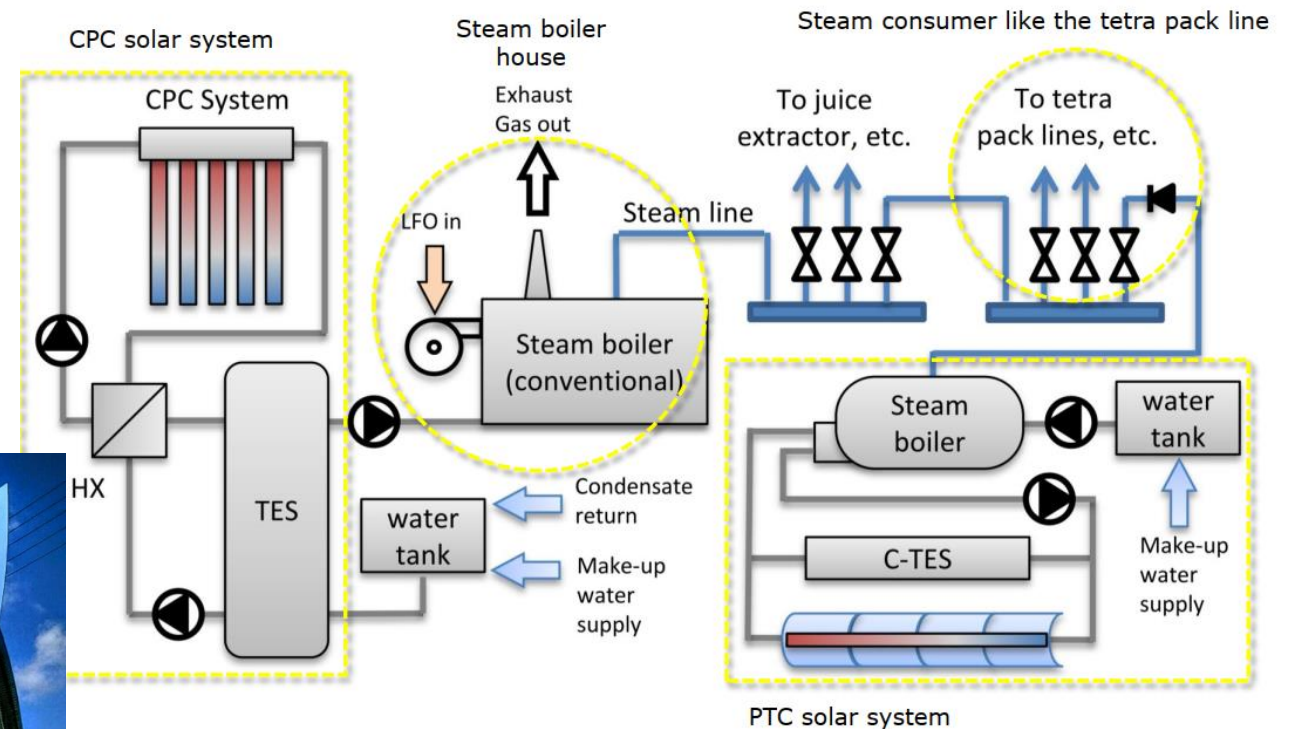
Solar field up to 410°C to load a concrete storage

CPC 225 m<sup>2</sup>, hot water at 95°C for feedwater



## Integration and Design

### Layout of the steam network



Photo, layout: protarget

# Direct steam generation with Ruth storage

Amman, Jordan, JTI – Japan Tobacco International

Collectors and EPC: Industrial Solar

1,254 m<sup>2</sup> Fresnel collector field in operation since 2017

Rooftop installation

Max. 220°C steam temperature

15 m<sup>3</sup> steam drum allows 1 hour storage at full load

Steam for production and for double-effect absorption chiller for climatisation

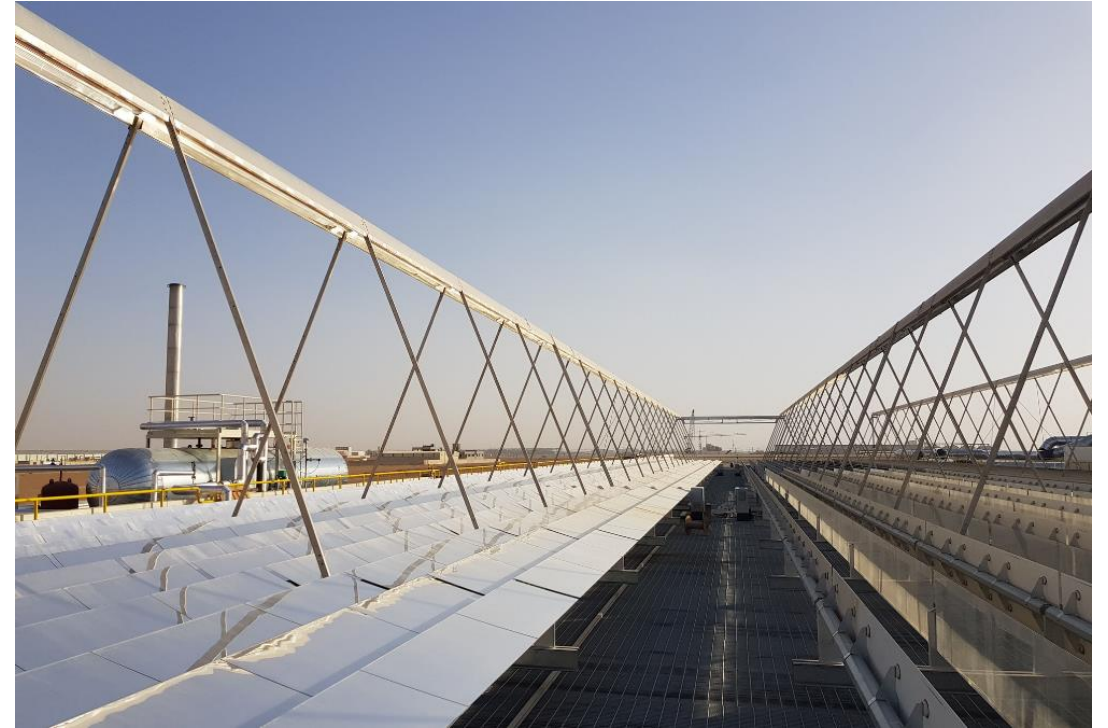


Photo: Industrial Solar





# Collector certified according to ISO 9806

Collector with glass cover instead of receiver glass pipe

Producer Absolicon

Certificate:  
reliable information for customers on  
efficiency  
annual yield for collector comparison



Photo: Absolicon





# Green heating policy in China drives huge investment in parabolic fields

Site: Baotou, Inner Mongolia, China

Collectors, EPC, operator: Xuchen Energy, Inner Mongolia

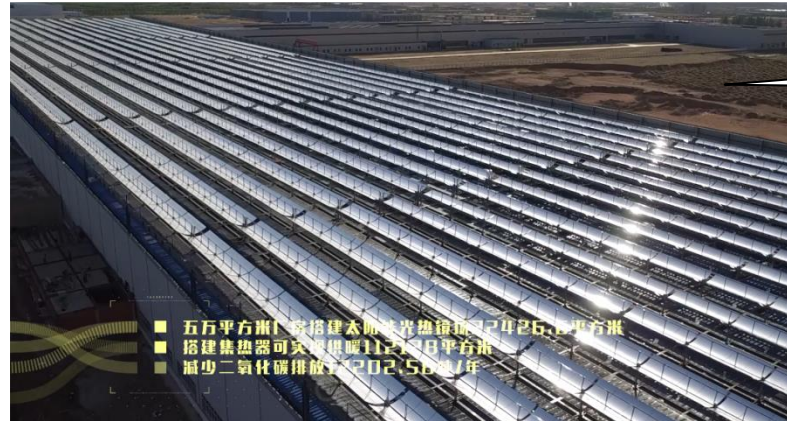
93,000 m<sup>3</sup> in operation since 2016  
of which 22.000m<sup>2</sup> on roof

66,000m<sup>3</sup> water storage up to 95°C

Up to 220°C in solar field

Space heating for buildings

100 % subsidised by the central government within green heating policy



Roof top  
installation



Ground field  
mounted in  
east-west axis

Photos: Xuchen

# ESCO collector fields Belgium for chemical industry

Azteq - ESCO, Solarlite - EPC

Commissioned 2019/2020, in operation

Parabolic trough collectors 1100 m<sup>2</sup>

Field temperatures 220°C/330°C

Process steam generation at 6 bar, 155 °C  
and 11 bar, 185 °C

Roughly 1 hour of cold start early morning,  
warm start in summer 20 minutes,  
hot start-up 1 to 3 minutes

Cleaning by rain



Antwerpen, Belgium  
Photo: DLR



Oostende, Belgium  
Photo: Solarlite





# Trends I

Customers ask for a **high solar share** or even for a vision to supply 100% of the heat, influencing the technology choice.

=> to which extend can solar thermal systems cover the demand over the full year

=> moves storage more into focus

For component suppliers the industrial market offers much shorter development times as products are applied quicker and with less risk => **Faster renewal** and price reduction

Troughs in **east-west axis** => Less annual yield but better distribution along year (away from equator)





## Trends II

Customers choice of **technologies relates with the producers** in the same country:

- Spain: 3 of 4 installations have been realised with Fresnel and the three Spanish suppliers Solatom, Rioglass Solar and Covalersa all produce Fresnel collectors.
- Mexico: all installations parabolic trough technology from Inventive Power.
- India: many installations with dishes by Megawatt Solutions and Quadsun.

Operating temperatures in solar field significantly above demand requirements - **high delta T** in solar fields – small pump and heat exchanger

**District heating** also realised by Aalborg in Denmark, other suppliers aim at this application



# Final remarks

- An increased number of concentrating collector manufacturers discovers the huge potential of industrial solar heat
- Carbon taxes or/and mandatory renewable energy quotes are needed to raise awareness of industrial clients for green heat supply
- ESCO is a suitable business model to convince reluctant industrial decision makers
- Research: Find answers on near to 100% renewable heat supply
- Research: Storage solutions: developments for  $> 150^{\circ}\text{C}$  required
- District heating is also an application of interest for collector suppliers
- Results in paper for SolarPACES 2020 „Developments in solar heat from concentrating solar systems” in preparation

