



## Dubai , the new location for BSRN station in Middle East/Arabian Peninsula







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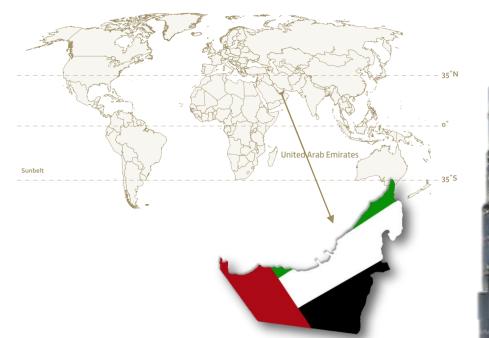




# Introduction to DEWA



## About Dubai/UAE



- Dubai is the largest and most populous city in UAE
- Dubai is a global city and a business hub of the middle east
- It attracted world attention through the construction of the world tallest building
- The location of the United Arab Emirates and Dubai within the Sunbelt highlights solar energy's major role as a renewable source of energy.

## **About DEWA**

#### **Our Vision**

A sustainable Innovative world-class utility

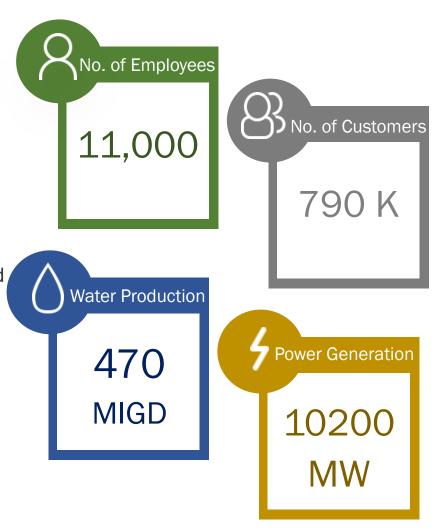
#### **Our Mission**

We are committed to the happiness of our stakeholders and promoting Dubai's vision through the delivery of sustainable electricity and water services at a world-class level of reliability, efficiency and safety in an environment that nurtures innovation with a competent workforce and effective partnerships; supporting resources sustainability.

#### **Our Motto**

For Generations To Come.





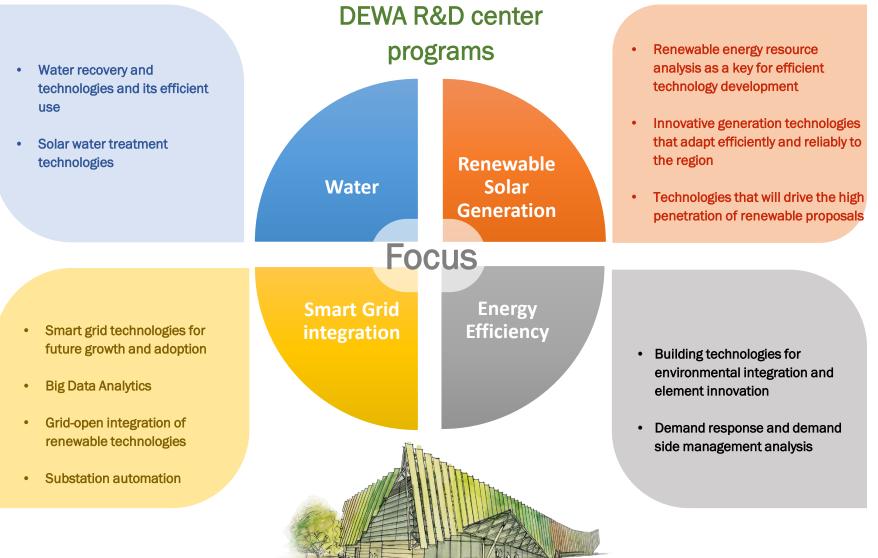
#### Mohammed Bin Rashid Solar Park



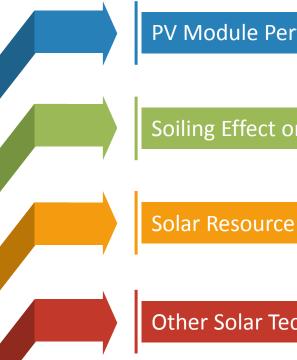


## **DEWA's R&D Center**











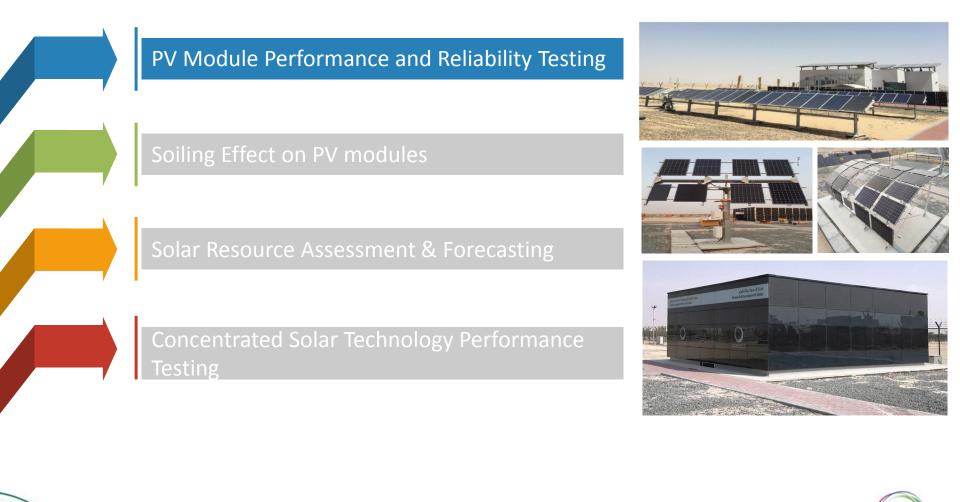
Soiling Effect on PV modules

Solar Resource Assessment & Forecasting

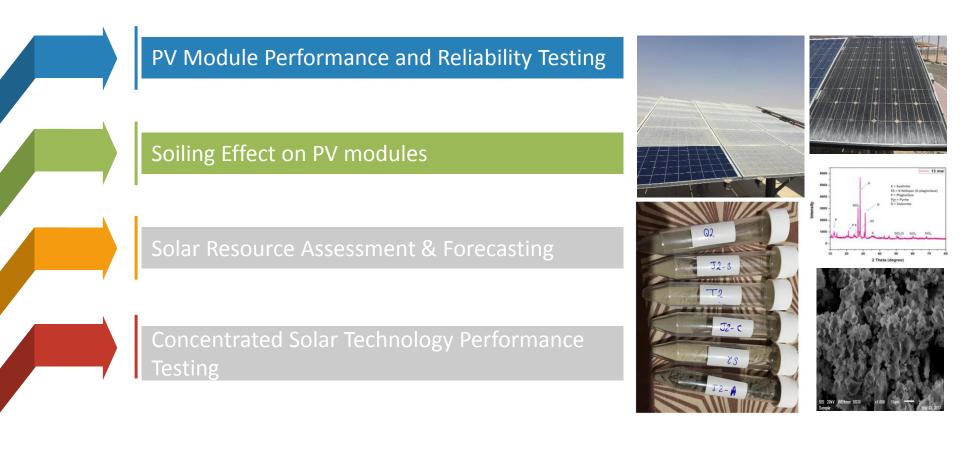
Other Solar Technology Performance Testing





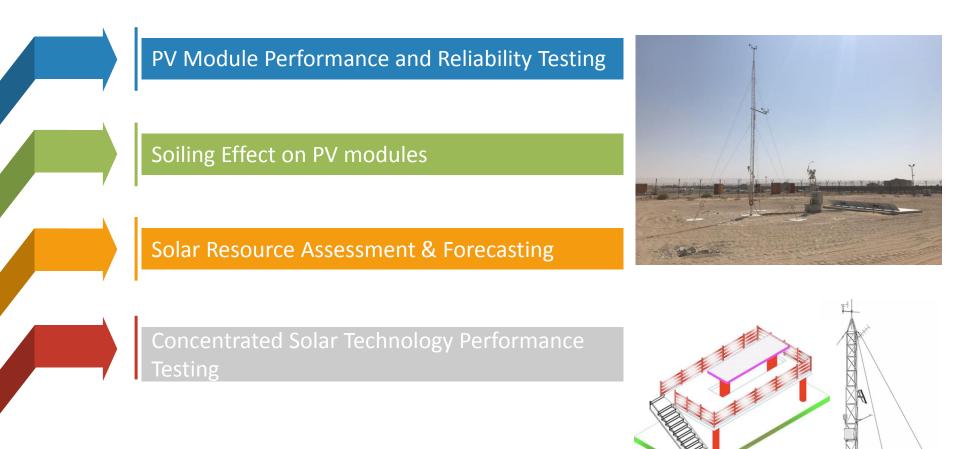






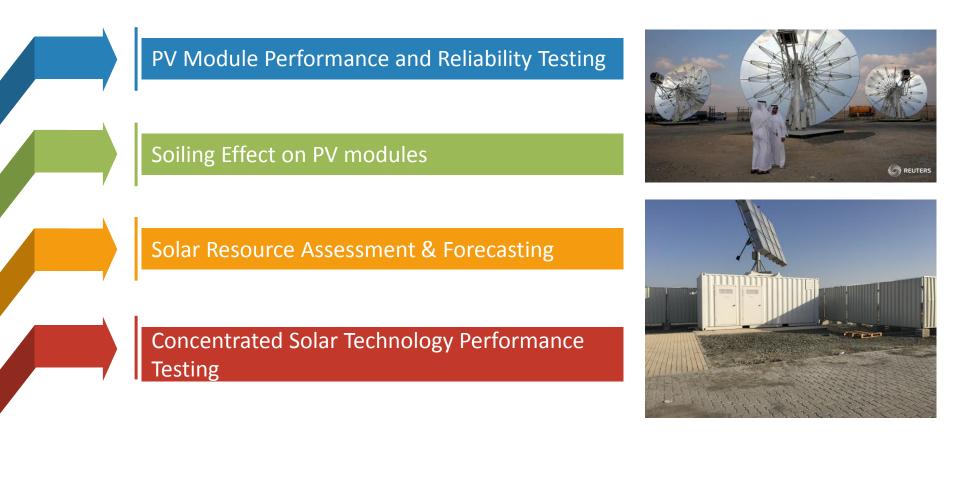










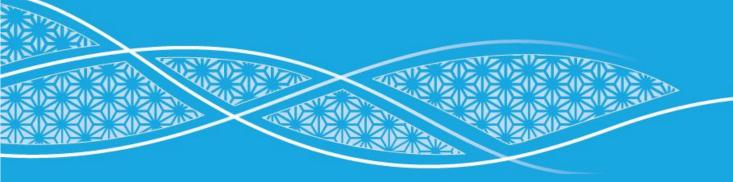






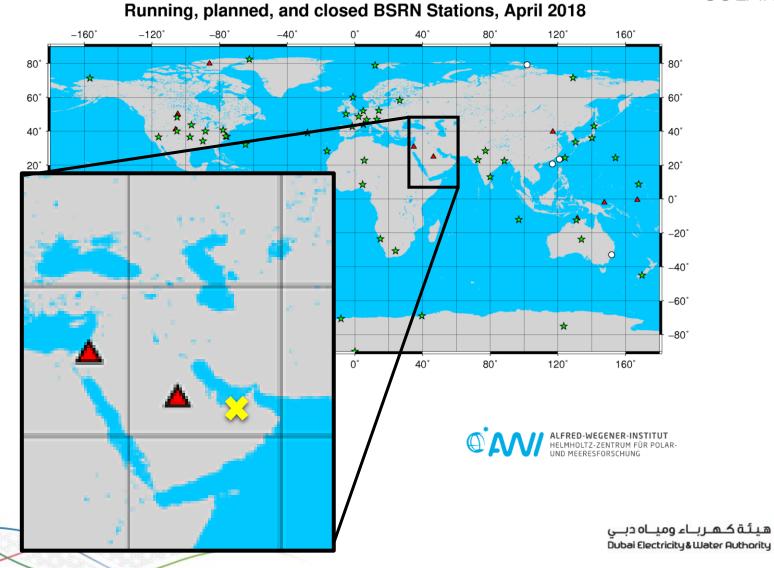


# Motivation for Joining BSRN



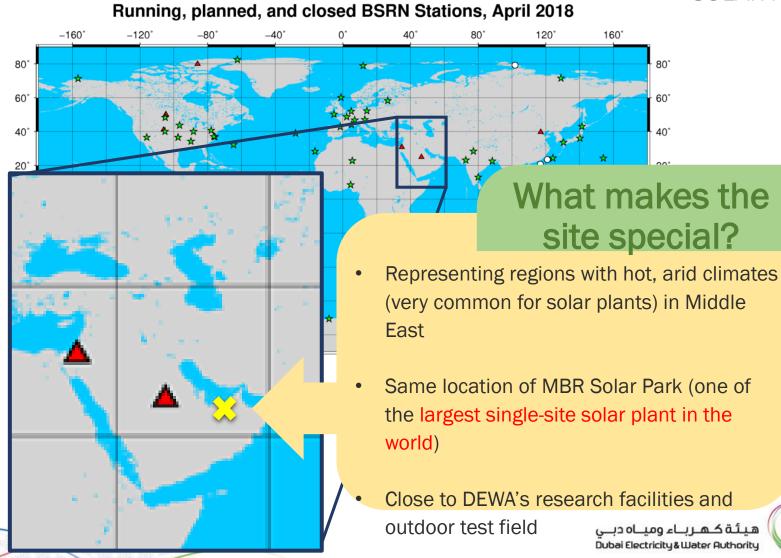
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## **Objectives**

- Supporting the afore-mentioned research activities with high quality meteorological data (especially radiation data)
- Supporting DEWA's long-term plan for 5 GW of solar plants (both PV and CSP) with a total area of about 100 km2, with accurate assessment of solar resource
- For a successful integration of large PV plants in a stable electric grid, short term precise forecasting (e.g. 10 minutes to 1 hour) of future plant performance
- Conduct research studies related to assessment and forecasting of solar radiation (e.g. cloud nowcasting, sandstorm forecasting, validation/data assimilation for numerical weather prediction with respect to forecasts of PV production, validation of satellitebased solar radiation models)
- Exchange and potential participation in joint projects with the international community





Source: http://frv.com/en/projects/

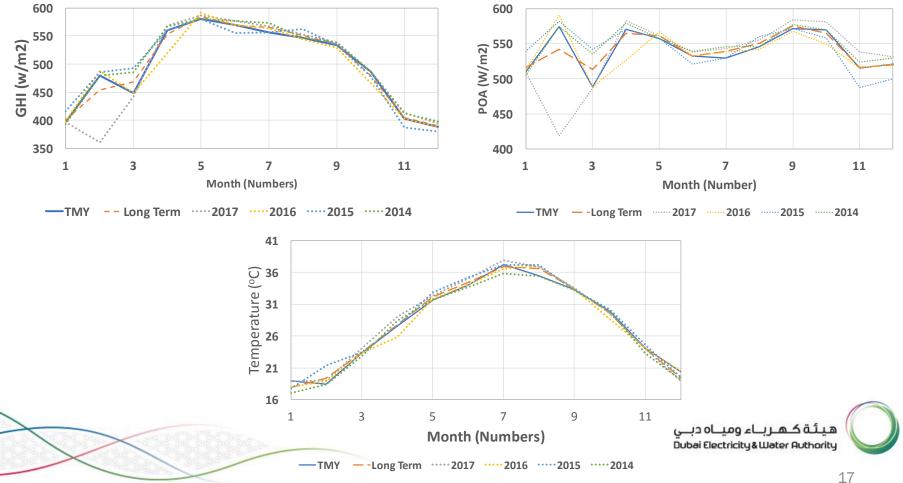








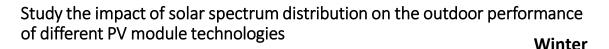
#### Weather station at the 13 MW power plant

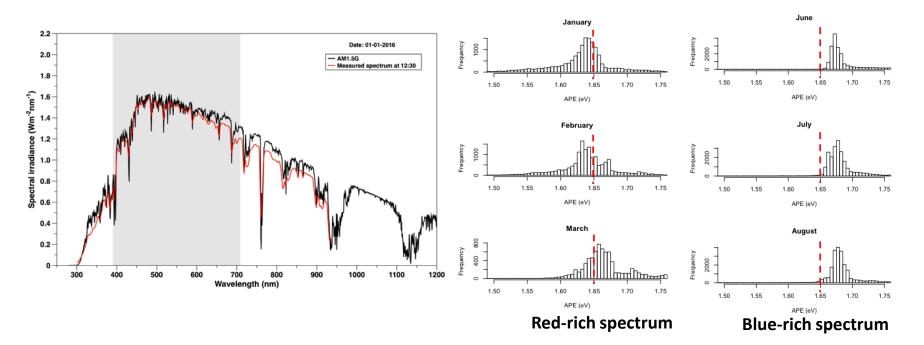


#### Typical metrological Year data

## **Existing Station Descriptions**

#### Analyzing the seasonal variation in Solar Spectrum





 Effect of spectral irradiance distribution on the outdoor performance of PV modules in the UAE (to be submitted to progress in photovoltaics)

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Summer





# Manpower Plan



## Manpower plan







- More than 35 years of experience in Photovoltaics
- More than 250 engineers working worldwide in the business field
- More than 20 measurement stations built in international projects with focus on Solar irradiation
- 7 international irradiation stations presently run by TUV, partly under remote control



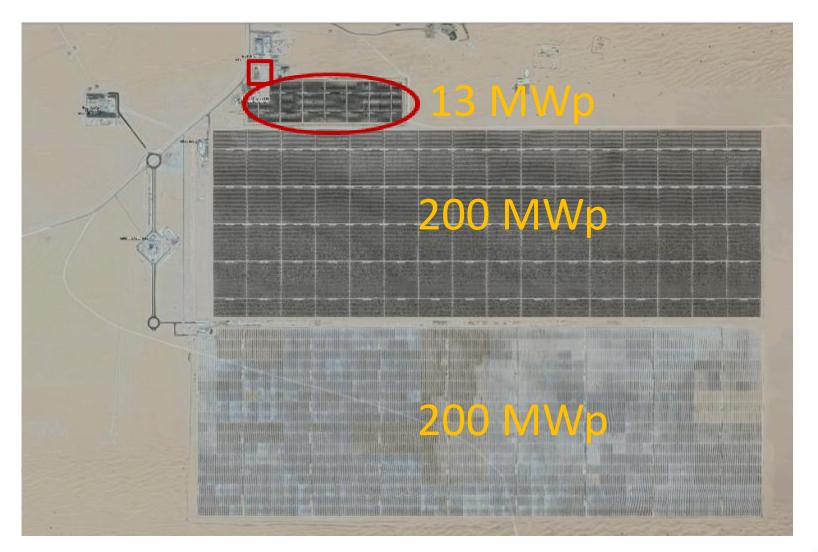












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## Site completely fenced, security present 24/7







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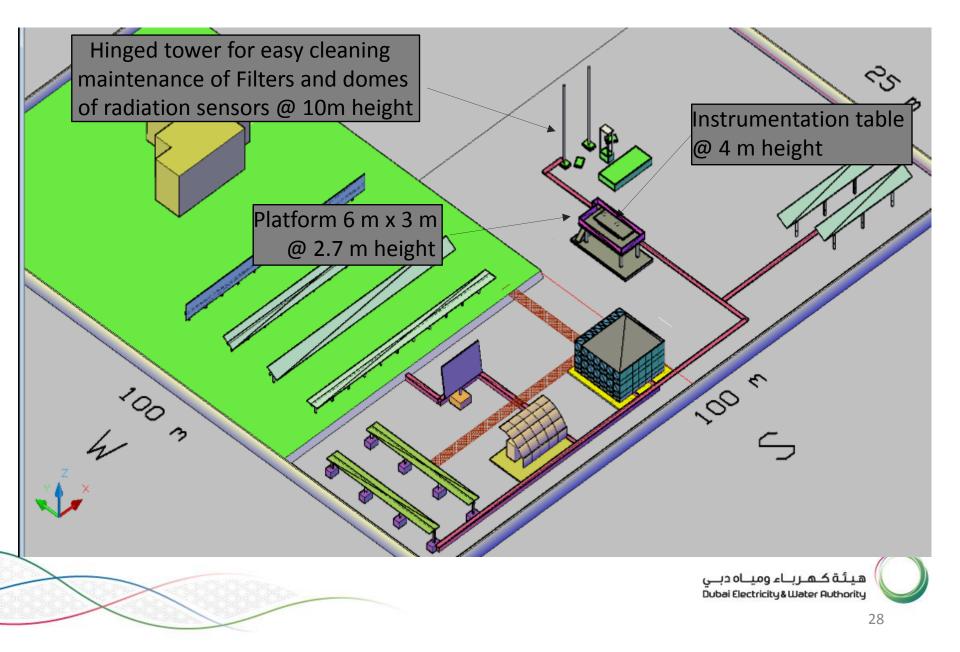


## **Existing Meteorological Station (Geonica)**

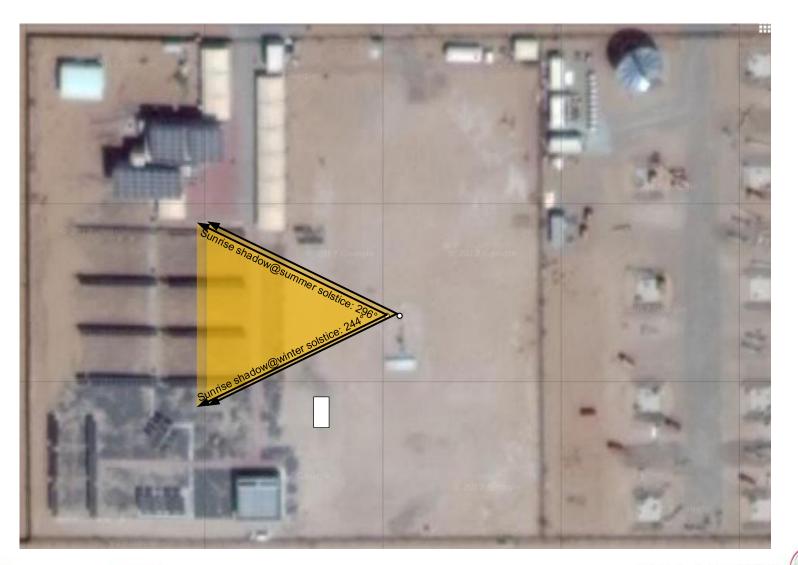


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## **Platform and Post Position**



## Shadow, reflections and horizon analysis

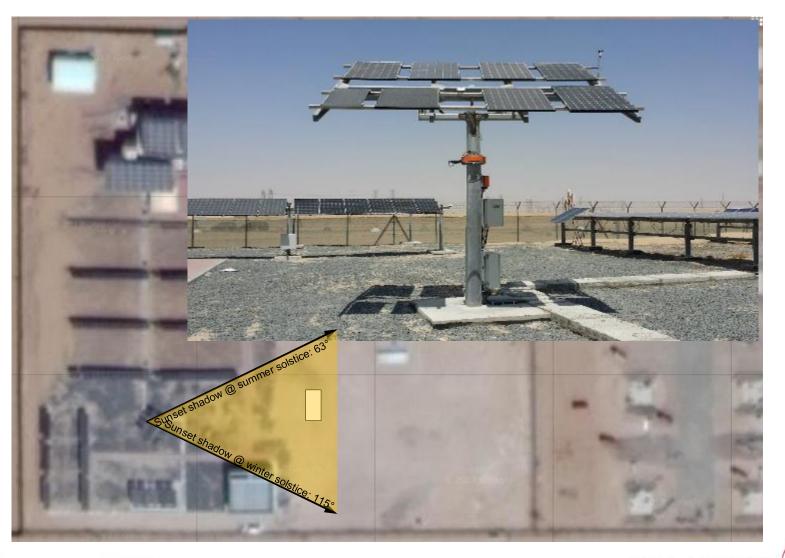


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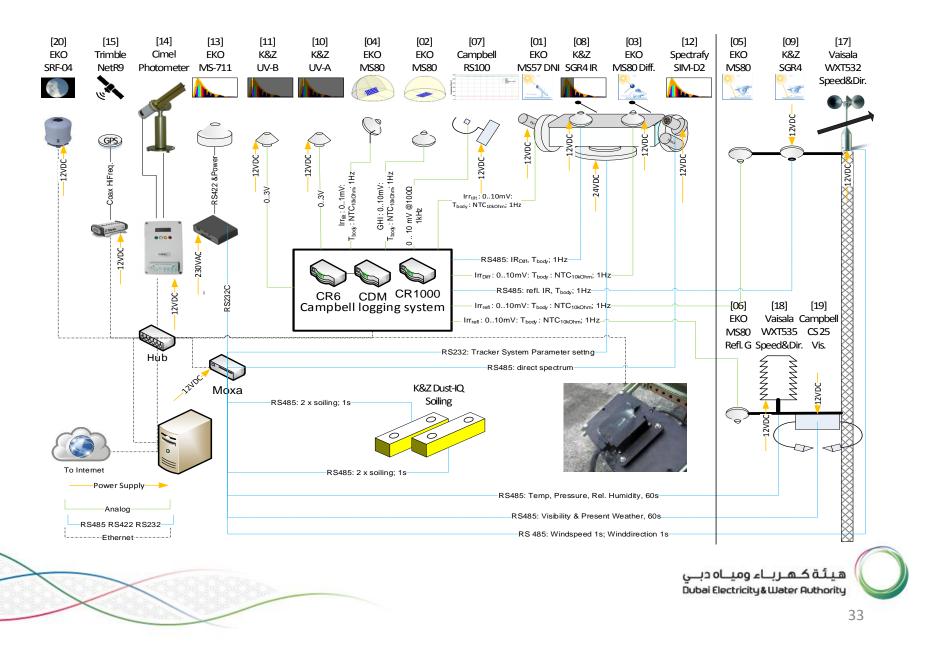




## Instrumentation and Data Structure



## **Solar Resource Station Instrumentation**



## **Basic Irradiation measurement**

DNI	First Class Pyrheliometer	EKO MS-57
GHI	Secondary Standard Pyranometer	EKO MS-80 + MV-01
DHI	Secondary Standard Pyranometer	EKO MS-80 + MV-01
IR <sub>down</sub>	Pyrgeometer	K&Z SGR4-A + CVF4
UV (A&B)	UV-Sensors	K&Z UVS-A/B-T
	Active Tracker	EKO STR-22G

- ightarrow All irradiation sensors Ventilated
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## **Extended Irradiation measurement**

Reflected Solar Radiation @ 10m height	EKO MS-80 + MV-01
Reflected Solar Radiation @ 1.5m height	EKO MS-80 + MV-01
Up-welling Infrared Radiation @ 10m height	K&Z SGR4-A + CVF4
DNI Spectral Irradiance	Spectrafy SolarSIM-D2
GHI Spectral Irradiance	EKO MS-711
Rotating Shadowband Radiometer	Campbell RS-100
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## **Meteorological measurement**

Wind speed and wind direction@ 10m height	Vaisala WXT 532
Pressure, temperature, humidity & precipitation @ 1.5m	Vaisala WXT 535
Visibility and present weather	Campbell CS125
GPS Perceptable Water Vapor measurement	Javad Delta 3
Sky Camera	EKO SRF-04
Automatic Sun Tracking Photometer	Cimel CE318



## **Additional Sensors**

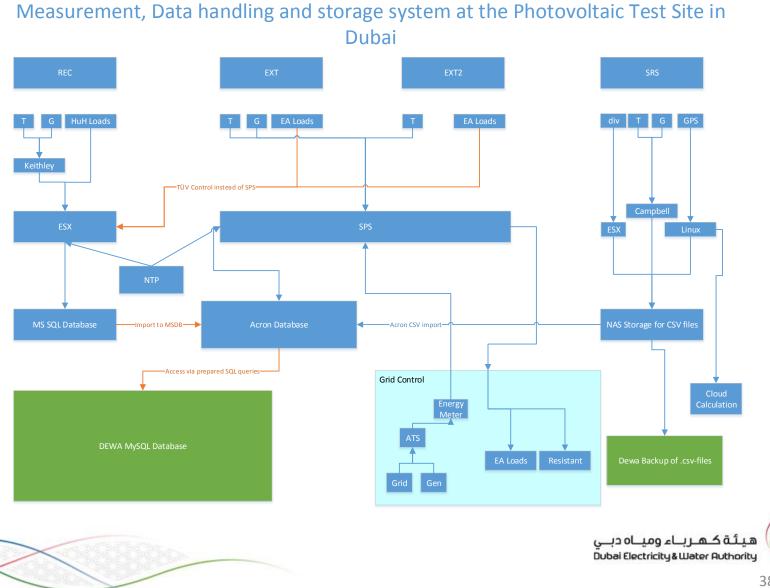
Soiling Station	Atonometrics
Presence switch	
Cameras	







## Data handling and storage system



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# **O&M and Calibration Plan**



## **O&M of Data and System**

Short interval maintenance:

Dewa Technician onsite 6 d/week (Checking and cleaning)

- Long-term maintenance & annual calibration: TUV Rheinland contracted
- Automatic warnings in case readings fail BSRN recommended QCtests
  - extremely rare or physically possible
  - Ratio of Global SW / Sum SW
  - Ratio of Dif SW / Global SW
  - SWup to Sum SW comparison
  - LW to Tair comparison

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## **Calibration procedures**



- Secondary set of identical irradiation sensors
- Calibrated in Davos in two years interval
  - Serve for spare
  - Serve for on site calibration in one year intervals
- Photometer sent to NASA for calibration





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