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Swiss Photovoltaics Program by SFOE

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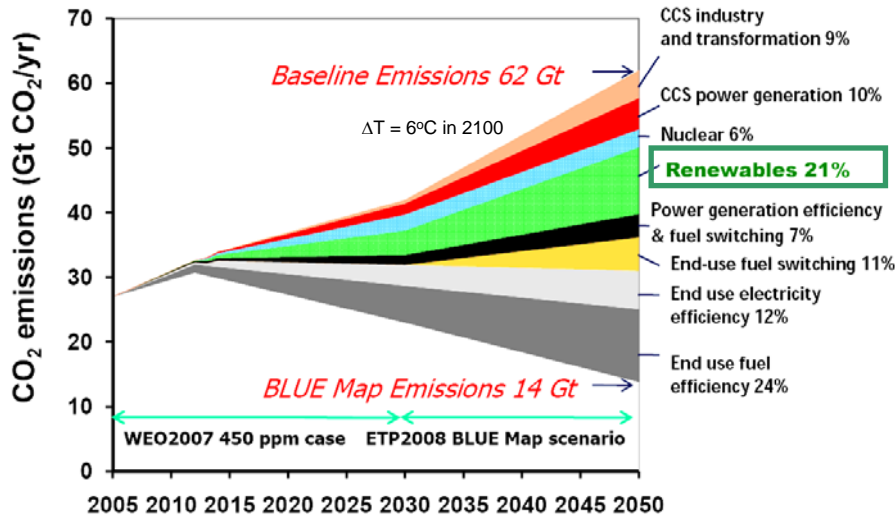
3rd Gen Photovoltaics,
CleanTech Day at CSEM Basel, August 19, 2009



Photovoltaics in actual energy scenarios

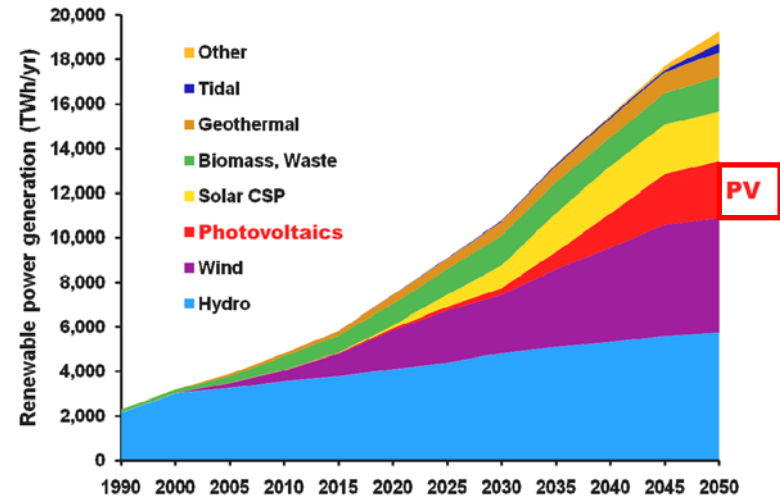
BLUE Map scenario:

minus 50% energy related CO₂
in 2050 compared to 2005



Costs: 200 - 500 \$/tCO₂

growth of renewables



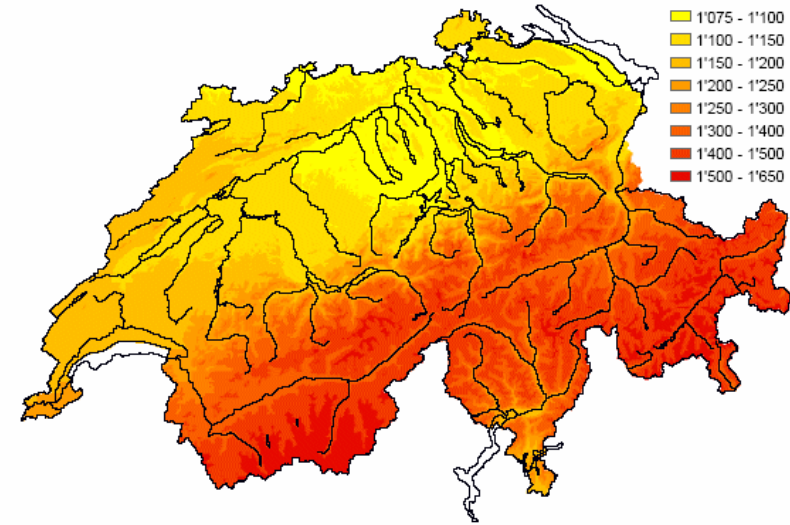
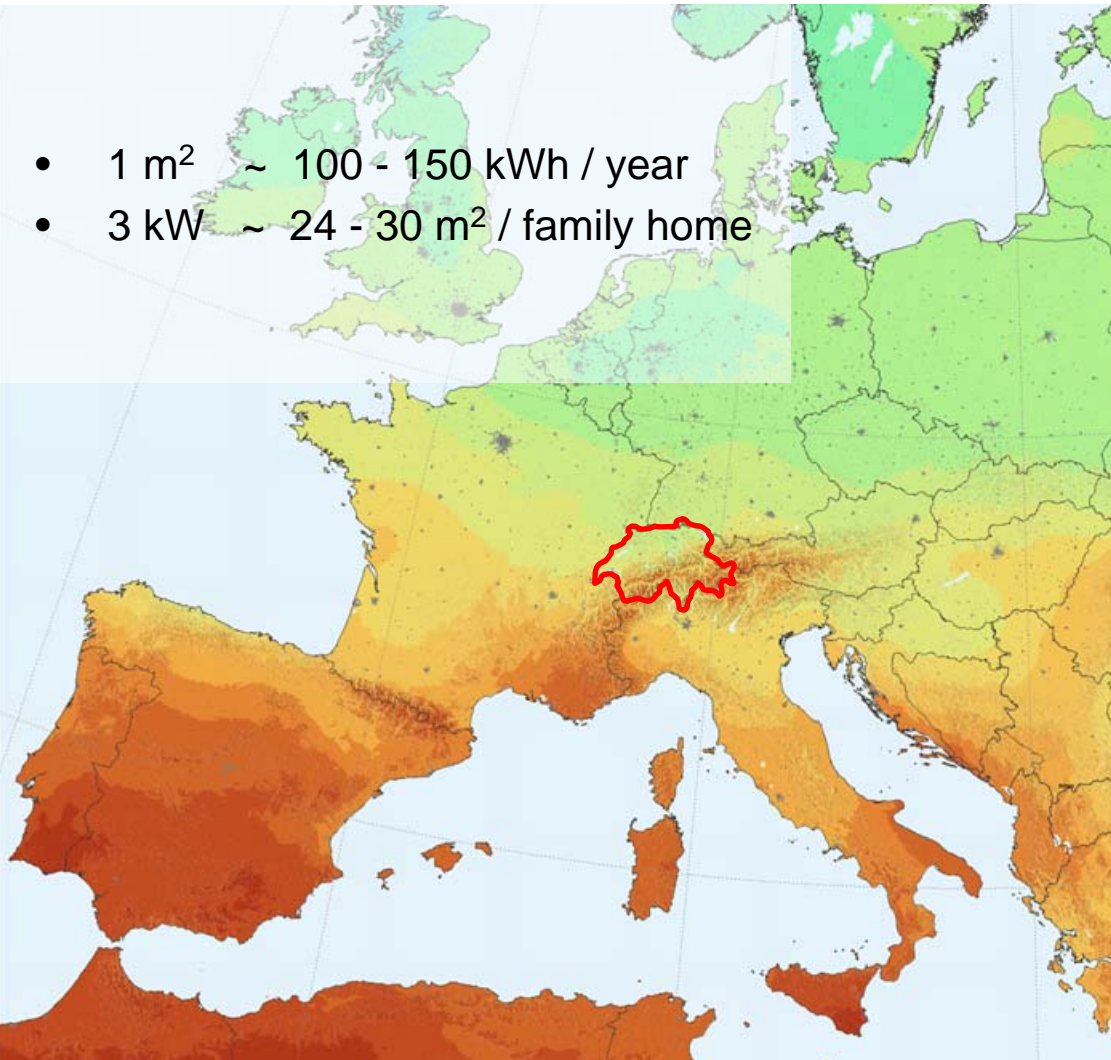
R&D crucial

source: Energy Technology Perspectives 2008
International Energy Agency (2008)



Potential for photovoltaics in Switzerland

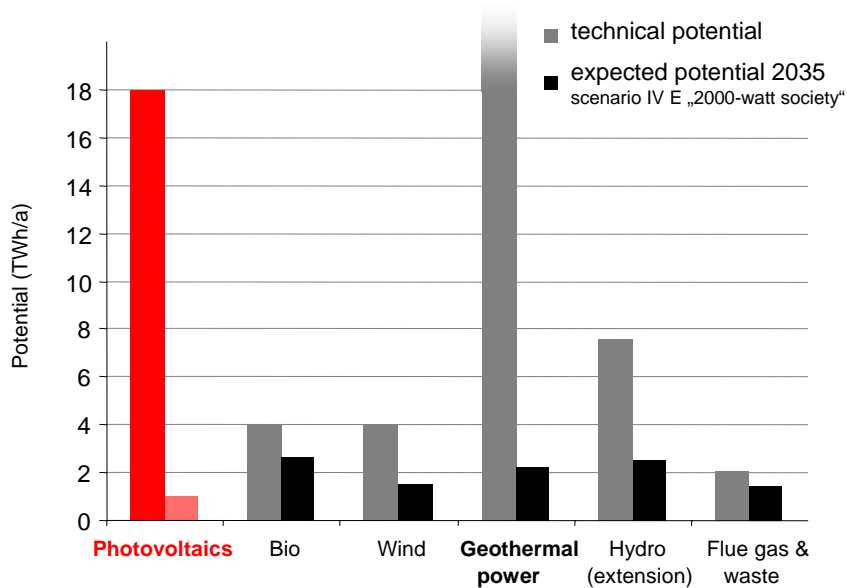
- 1 m² ~ 100 - 150 kWh / year
- 3 kW ~ 24 - 30 m² / family home





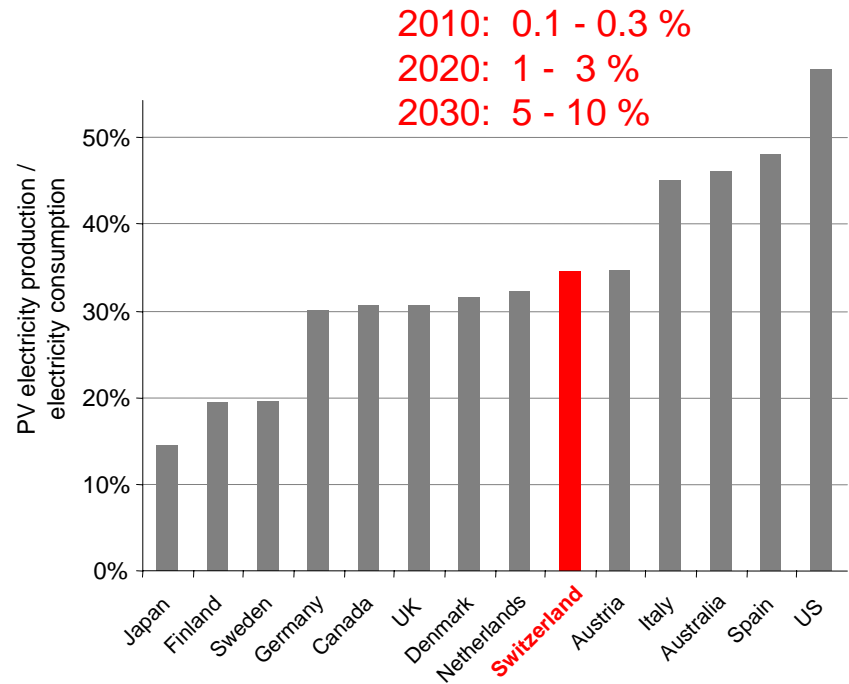
Potential for photovoltaics in Switzerland

potential for renewable energies in Switzerland (electricity)



source: Swiss Energy Perspectives for 2035 (SFOE)

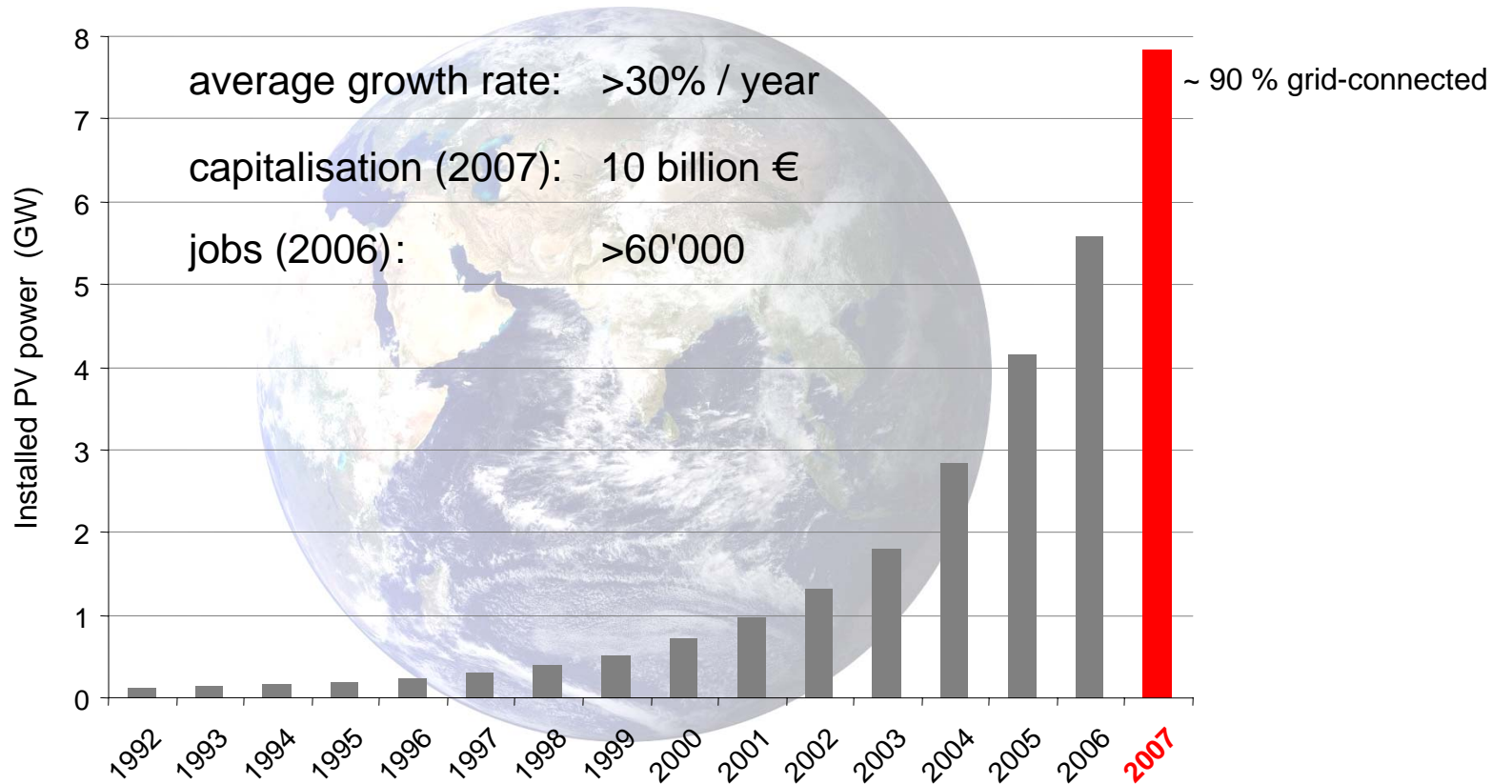
BIPV-production / electricity consumption in various countries



source: IEA-PVPS Task 7 (2002)



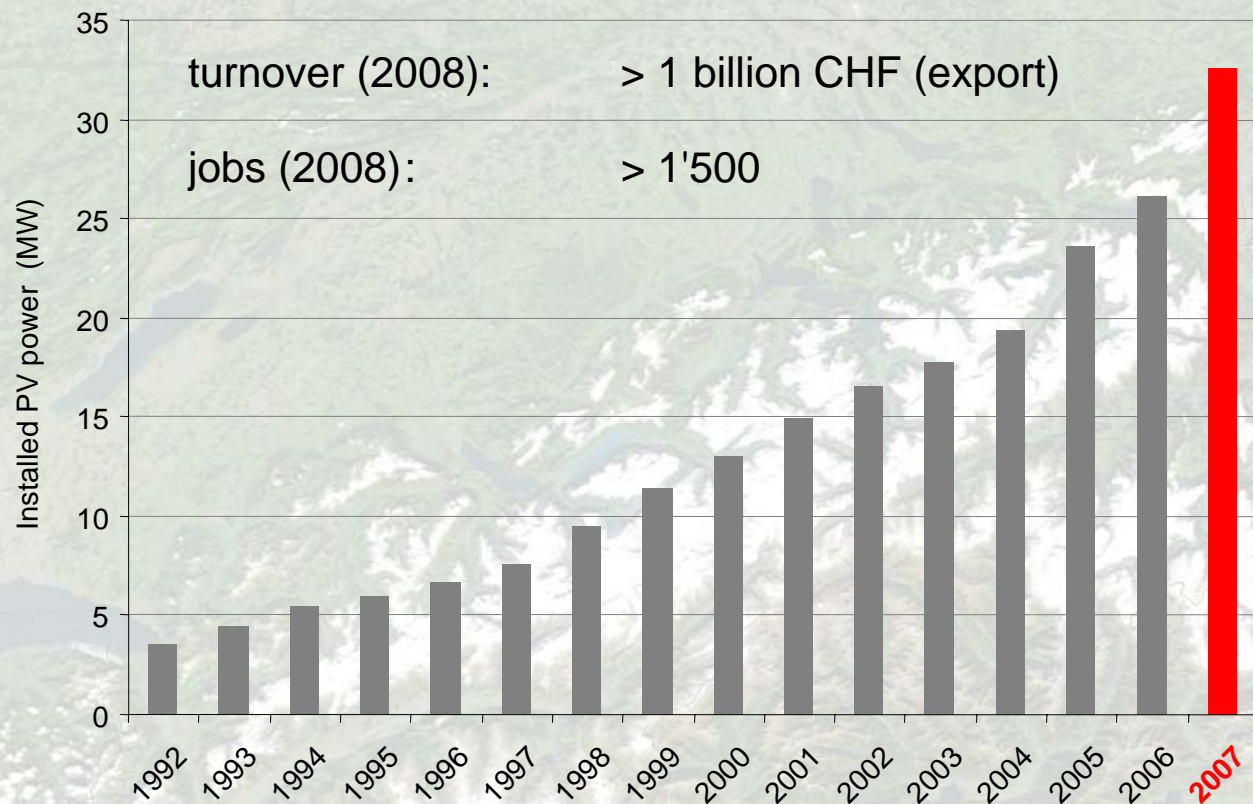
World Market: total installed PV power: ~ 8 GW



energy: 7 TWh (0.01%)
consumption: 130'000 TWh

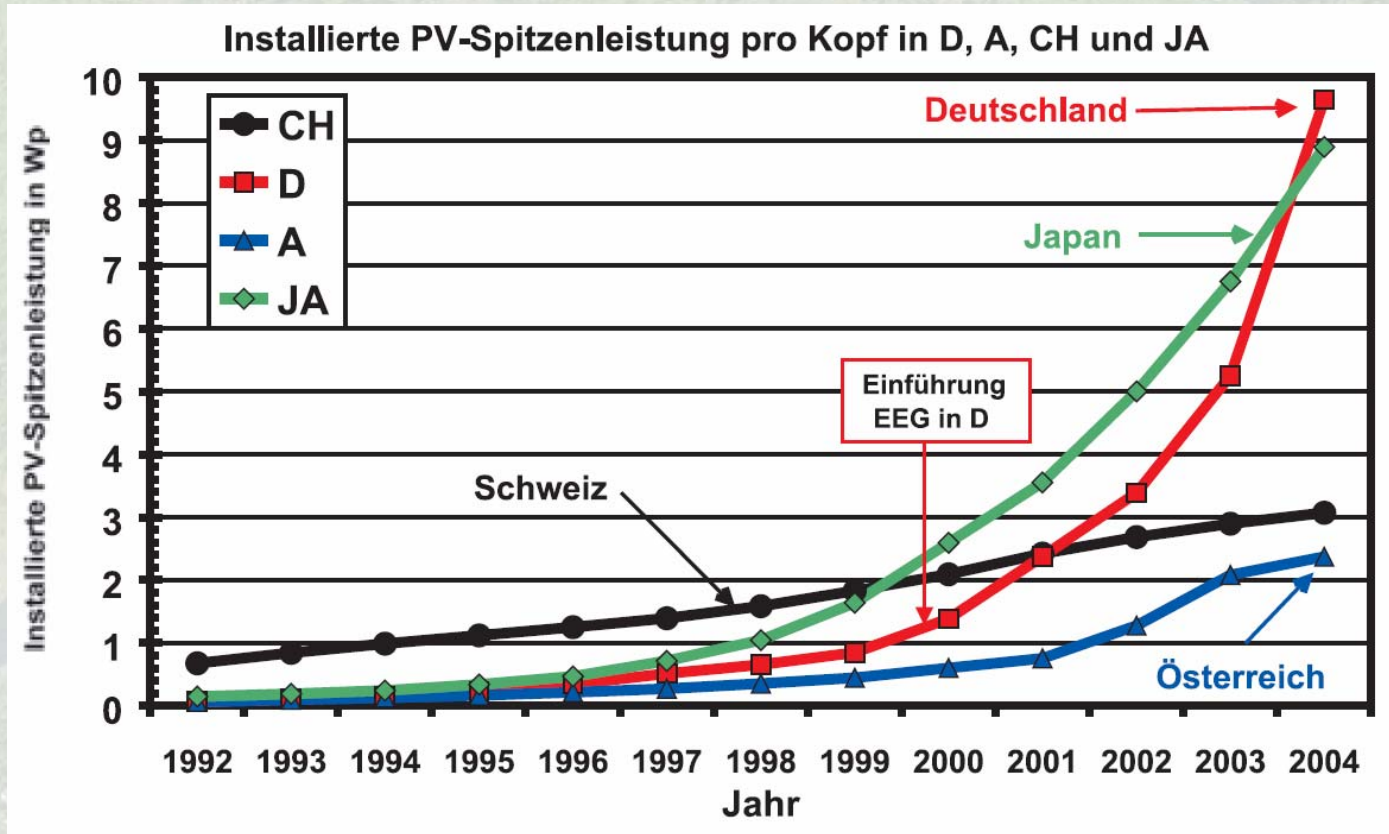


Swiss Market: total installed PV power: ~ 32 MW



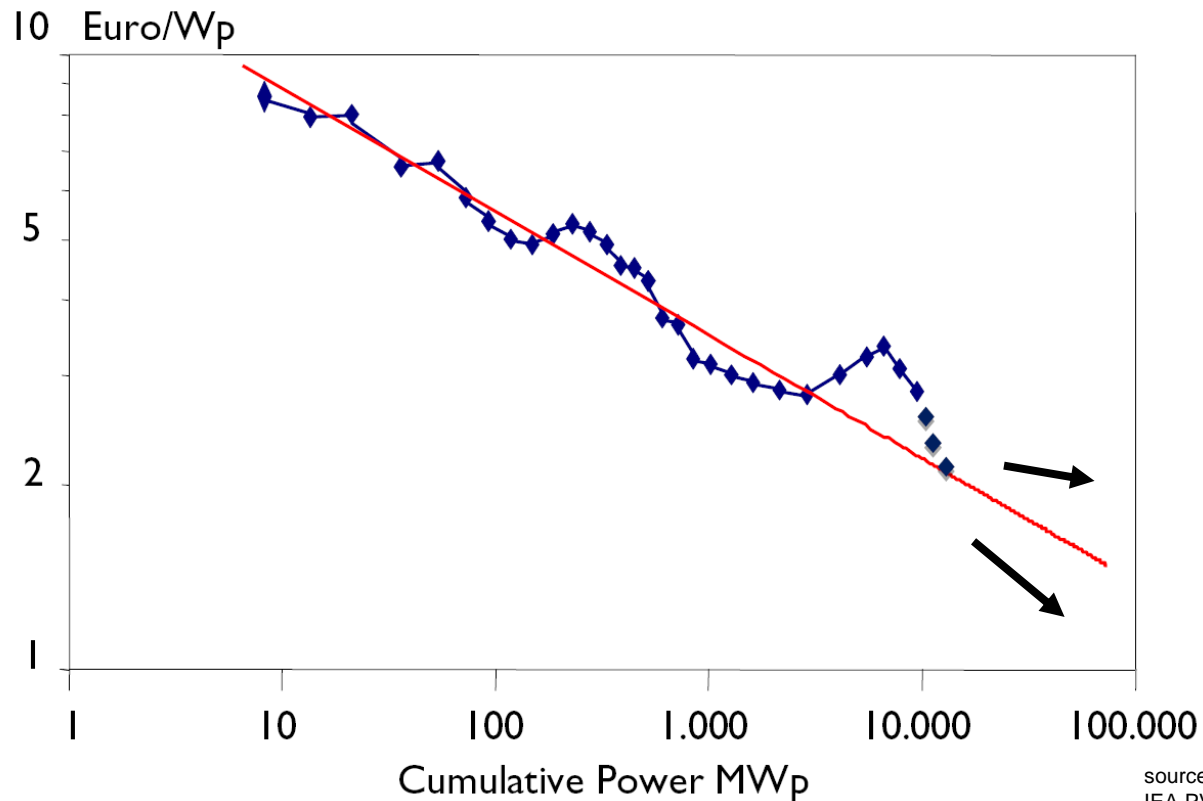


Installed PV power per capita





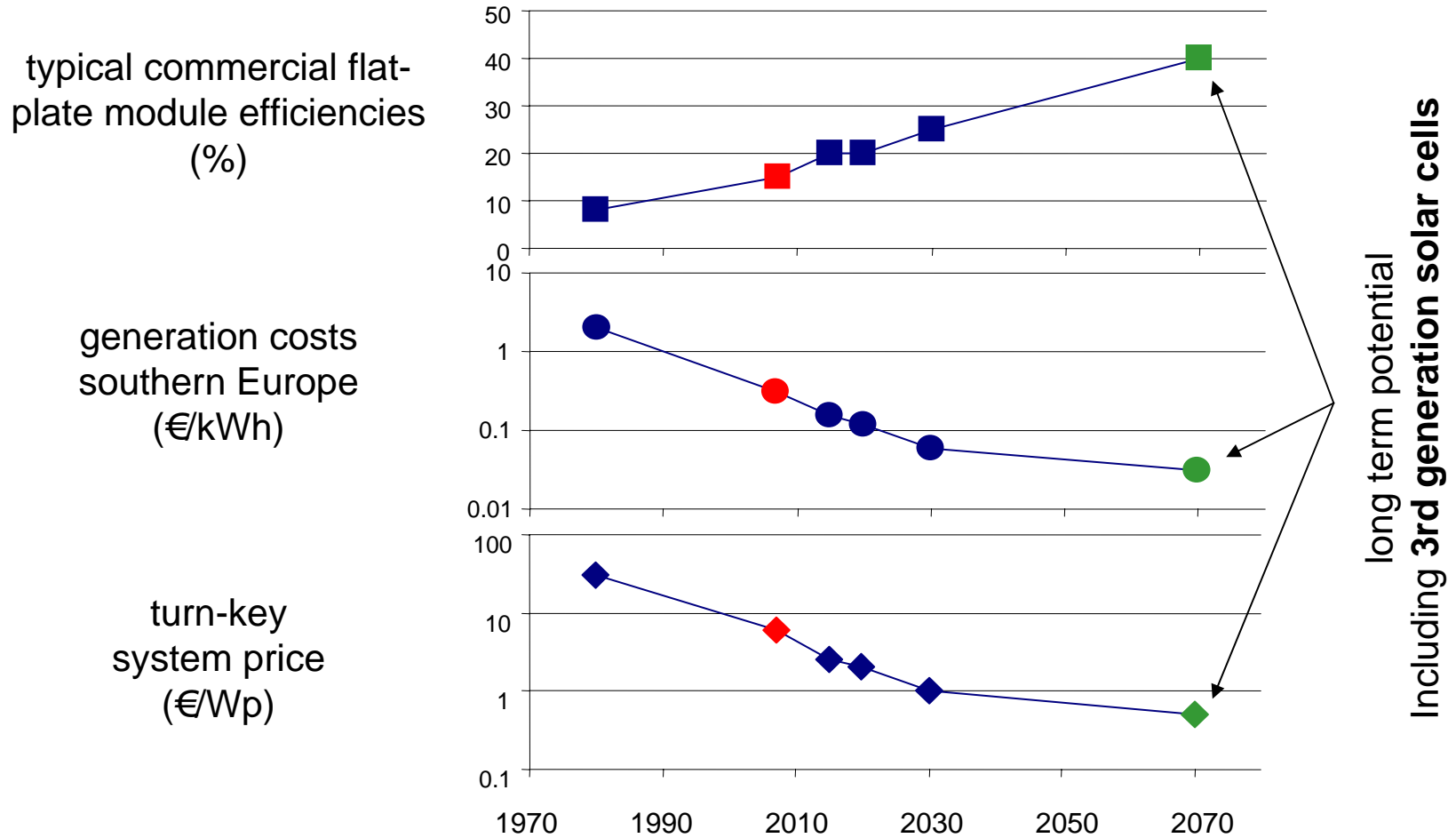
Cost development: experience curve for silicon PV modules



- Price of the technology has decreased by 20% for each doubling of cumulative installed capacity
- Driving forces are: market size, technology improvement, promotion programs



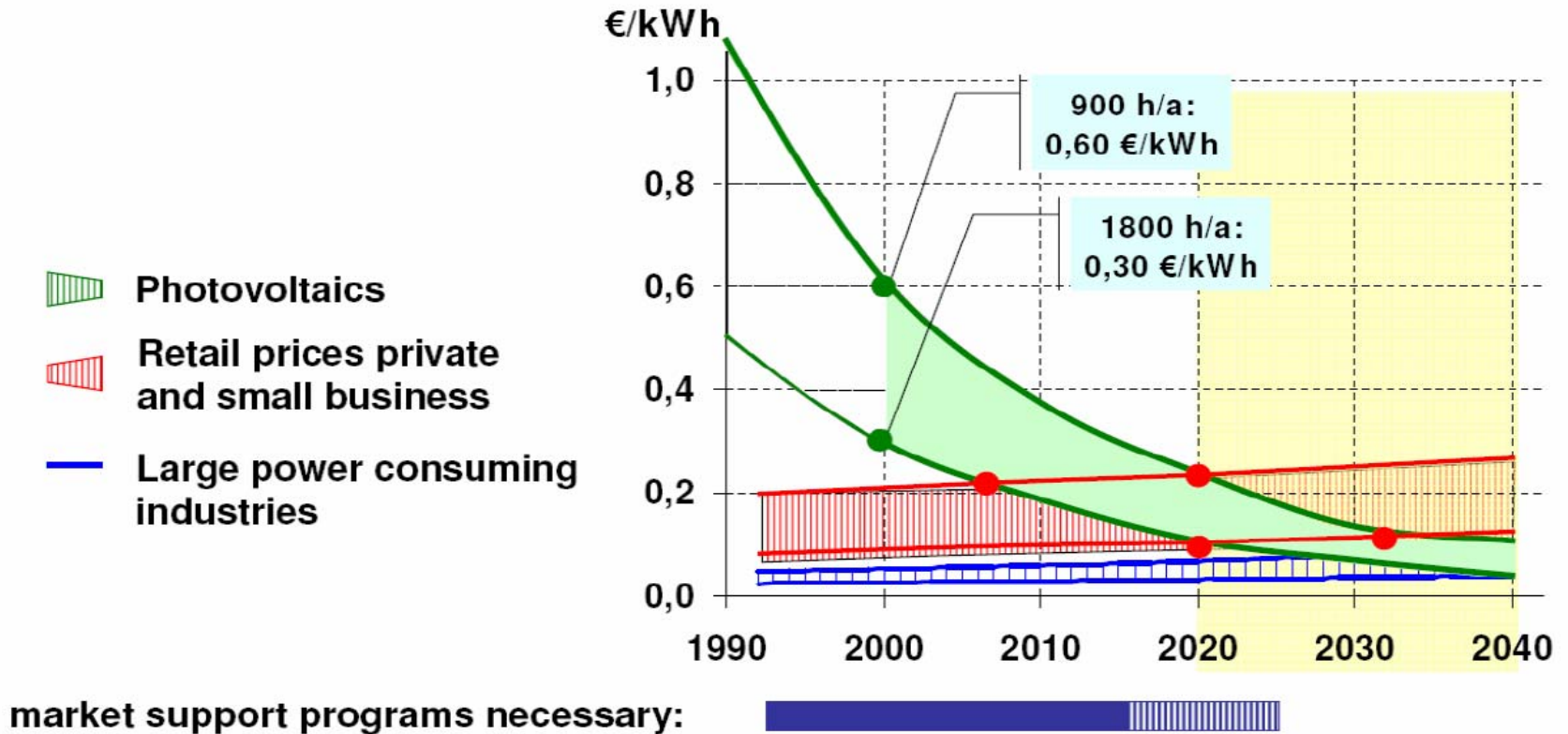
Key figures and targets of PV technology over time



source:
Strategic Research Agenda for Photovoltaic Solar Energy Technology
European PV Technology Platform



Grid parity



source: Winfried Hoffmann (EPIA)

in Switzerland around 2020



Key data of Photovoltaics history in Switzerland

- 1982 **first grid-connected PV system** in Europe
- 1985 Swiss Photovoltaics Program of the SFOE
- 1989 Appearance of first building integrated PV-systems
- 1991 **„Burgdorf“-model**: for 12 years CHF 1.00 / kWh
- 1992 PV-demonstrationprogram for schools
- 1995 Start „Solarstrombörse“
- 2003 **Growing industrialisation (tech.transfer)**
- 2008 **Cost-covering remuneration** for feed-in to the electricity grid (KEV)





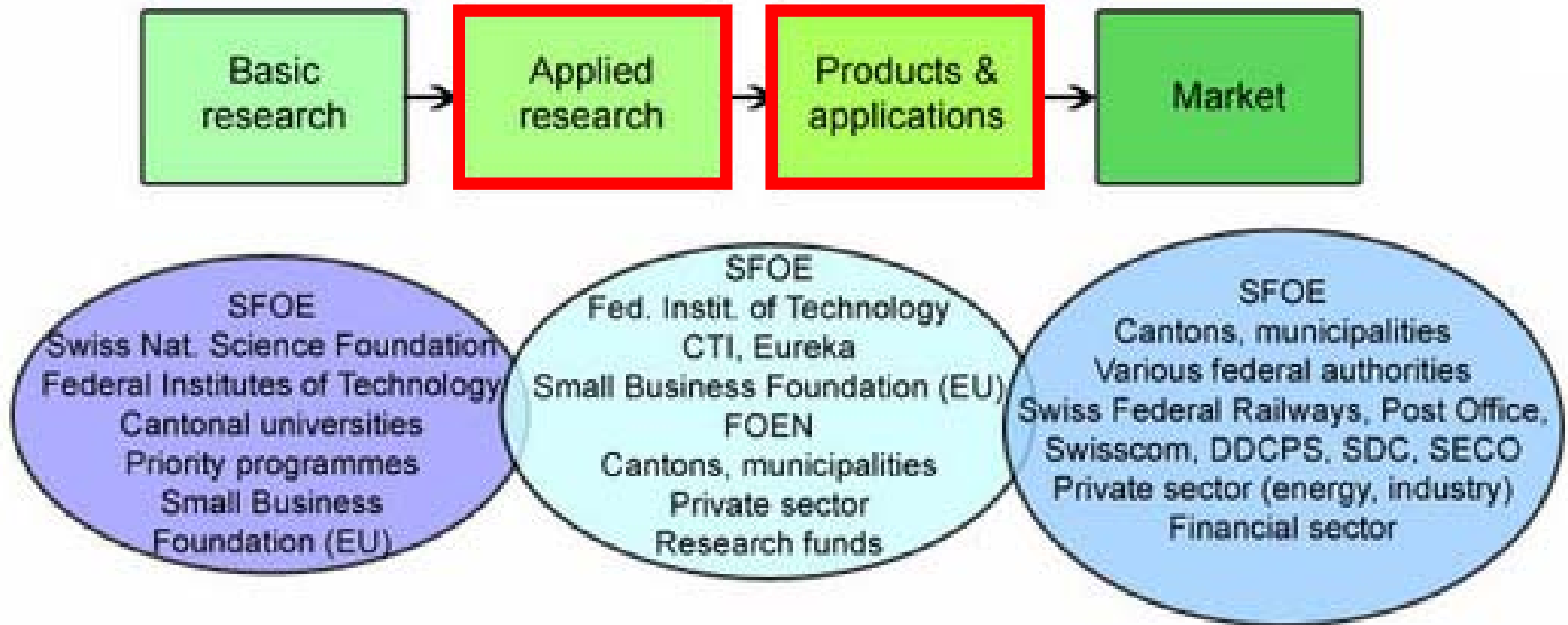
Swiss Photovoltaics Program

- One of the running programs of the **Swiss Energy Research** coordinated by the Swiss Federal Office of Energy
- **Objectives** of the photovoltaics programme are defined in the energy research concept 2008 - 2011 of the **Federal Energy Research Commission (CORE)**. Detailed objectives and the program implementation are described in the **Photovoltaic Concept 2008 - 2011**.
- Main goals for period 2008 - 2011
 - **Lowering the costs:** CHF 3/W_p (module), CHF 5/W_p (systems) (2011)
 - **Increase efficiency** (solar cells)
 - **Lowering material and energy input**
 - **Simplification and standardisation** of electrical system technology
 - Increase of availability and variety of industrial products





Swiss Photovoltaics Research Program: actors & structure

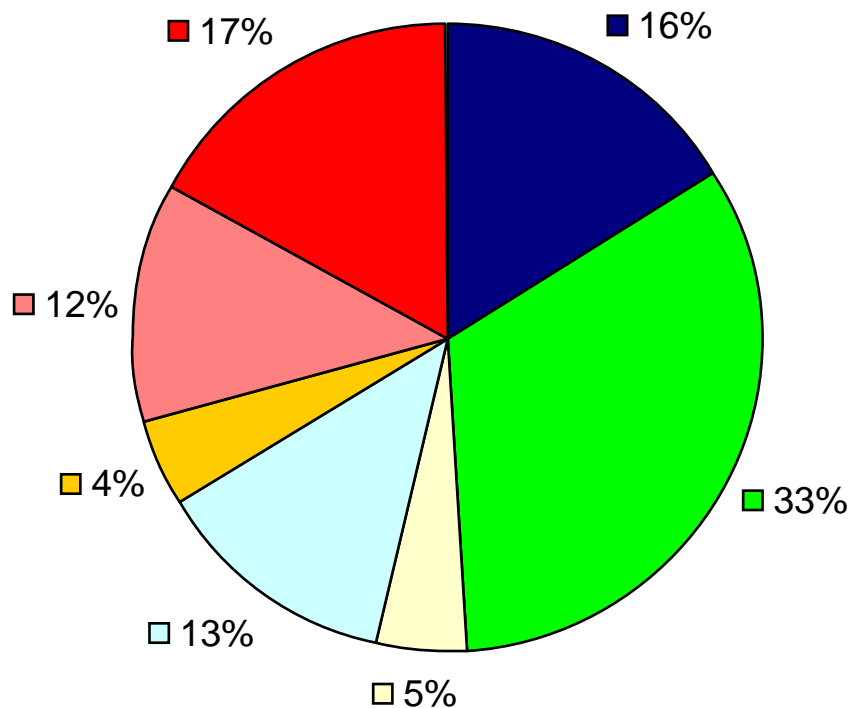


- ~ **50 projects** (40 research & development, 10 pilot & demonstration)
- **Overall coordination by the Swiss Federal Office of Energy (SFOE)**



Public funding for PV-research

~ 11 Mio CHF (2008)



- Swiss Federal Office of Energy
- ETH domain
- Swiss National Science Foundation
- European Union
- State Secretariat for Education and Research
- CTI Innovation Promotion Agency
- Cantons & Communities



Swiss Photovoltaics Research Program: areas

- **Solar cells**

thin film solar cells (silicon, compound semiconductors, dye sensitized)
organic and polymer solar cells

- **Solar modules** and integration into buildings

- **Electrical systems technology**

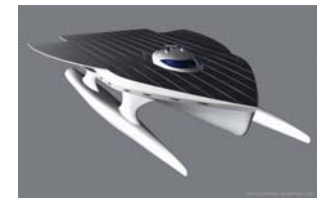
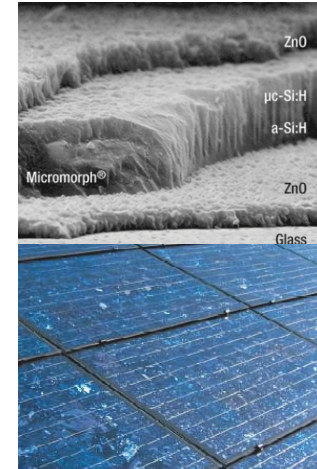
quality assurance / certification of products (inverters)

- **Related topics**

instruments for planning and monitoring, environmental aspects
combining photovoltaics with other form of energies (electric cars ...)

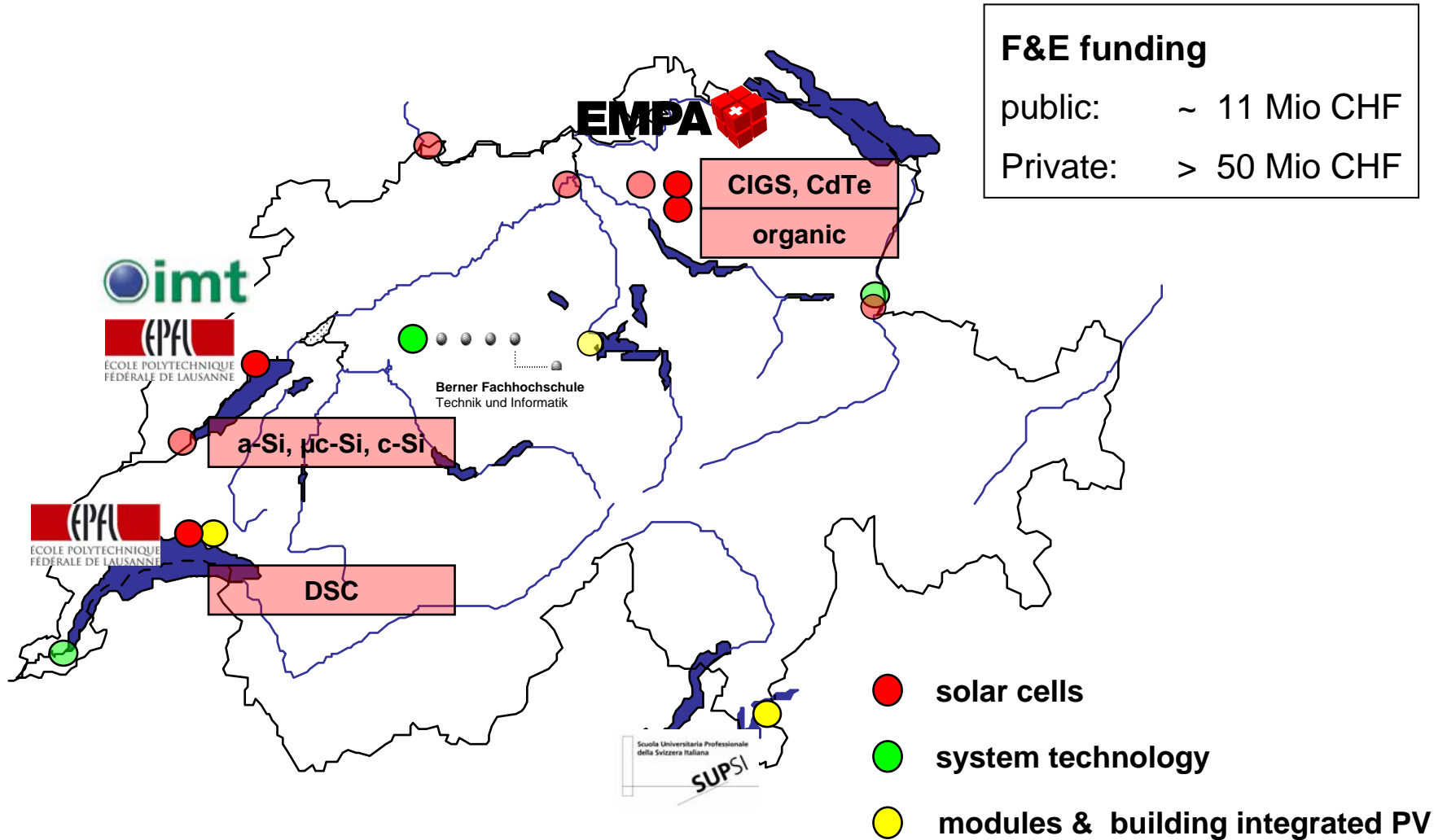
- **Institutional co-operation at the international level**

EU PV-Technology Platform, PV ERA-NET, IEA PVPS, EC, ...



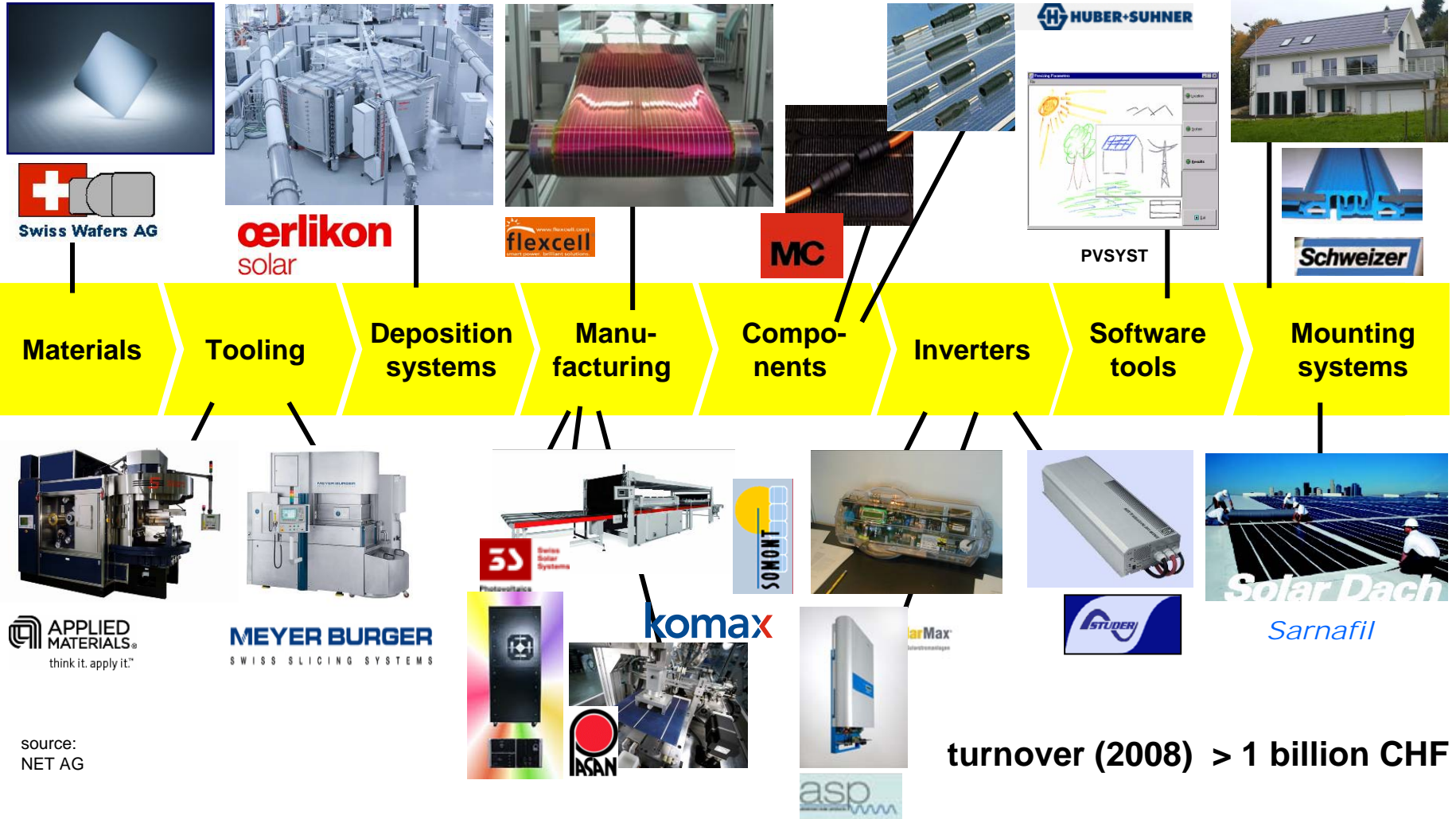


PV competences in Switzerland





Swiss industry along the PV value chain



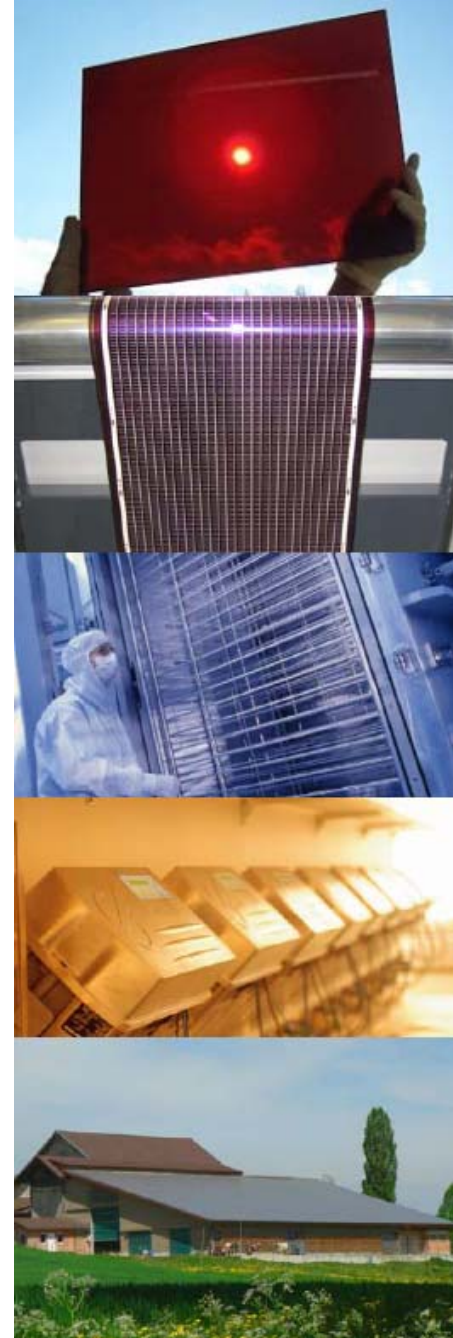
source:
NET AG

turnover (2008) > 1 billion CHF



Summary

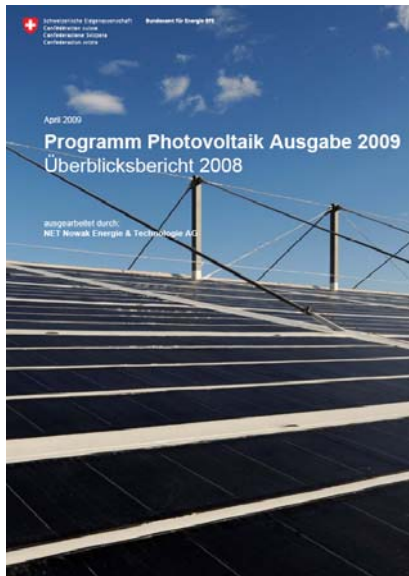
- **Swiss photovoltaics research and technology are at a high level** when considered at an international scale.
- Good **transfer of the results** of Swiss photovoltaic research into industry
- Photovoltaics offers very interesting opportunities for Switzerland as technology and industry location
- **Swiss photovoltaics industry is continuously increasing** (mainly export)
- **Home market conditions have to be improved** to tap the potential of photovoltaics as renewable energy source for Switzerland





More information

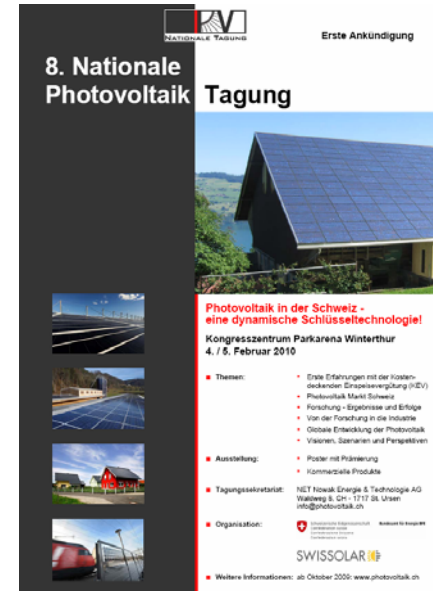
annual report 2008



Photovoltaic
Concept 2008 - 2011



National PVConference
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Thank you for your attention

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