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Dear Wolfram, Dear Tara,

Please find attached China's nomination for the IECRE PV SWG Convenor.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further information.

Best wishes

Du chunjing





# Curriculum Vitae of Chinese Candidate for The Convener of IECRE PV SWG

# Mr. Wang Shitao, (Bruce) Male

Born on September1, 1980, in Liaoning Province, P.R.CHINA

Graduated from Harbin Institute of Technology (1999-2003), majored in Electrical Engineering and Automation as Engineering Bachelor Degree.

Post graduated from Harbin Institute of Technology (2011-2016), majored in Mechanical Engineering as Master Degree.

Studied at Harbin Institute of Technology since 2018, majored in Control Science and Engineering, as Engineering Doctoral Degree.

# Working Experience:

2003-2007: R&D manager in UTStarcom, responsible for 160 G data switch telecom product, carrying out product R&D and team leading.

2007-2014:CTO of Suntrix Company Limited.

- Responsible for managing the R&D and acting as CTO for the whole company;
- 2. Participated in strategic planning, making decisions for future development of the company, and financial management;
- 3. Member of the IEC TC82 WG7, involved in the development of the tracking



and CPV IEC standards.

2014-Present: CTO of Arctech solar, a researcher, and the Co-Convener of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) TC82 WG7.

- Responsible for managing the R&D and acting as CTO for the whole company;
- 2. Participated in strategic planning, making decision for future development of the company, and financial management;
- 3. Co-Convener of IEC TC82 WG7, leading tracking and CPV IEC standards development;
- 4. Member of IEC TC82 WG3/6, involved in PV BOS and System IEC standards.
- Member of photovoltaic special committee of China Renewable Energy Society since 2016;

# International Experience:

- 1. Co-Convener of the IEC TC82 WG7 since 2018;
- 2. Member of IEC TC82 WG7 since 2011;
- 3. Member of several IEC TC82 work groups, including IEC TC82WG3, WG6;
- 4. IEC1906 Award and PVSEC 29 Young Scientist Award winner.

#### **List of Some Publications:**

- 1. Development of IEC62108 Standards;
- Development of IEC62817 Standard;
- 3. Leading the development IEC63104 Standard;
- 4. Leading Solar PV tracker standard series;
- Submitted NWIP for "On-Site Measurement for Electroluminescence of Photovoltaic Arrays".



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Dear colleauges,

We wish to nominate Thomas Sauer as Member. His CV should be already available.

Kind regards

Gerhard

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25 March 2020

#### Motivation letter to become SWG-Convener for PV at IECRE

#### Dear Wolfram:

Following the nomination of DE MB I am forwarding my letter of motivation for my candidacy for the vacant position of the Sector Workgroup Convener Photovoltaics ("SWG.PV") at IECRE:

The number of photovoltaic installations worldwide has increased exponentially over the last 20 years. The PV market has evolved from one of small scale applications to a mainstream electricity source with a trend towards increasingly utility-scale PV systems, with investments totaling tens to hundreds of millions of dollars for each large-scale project. While having experienced this incredible dynamic growth over the last 20 years, the solar sector currently represents only approx. 2% of worldwide annual electricity production. To push the energy transition to the next level, joint efforts need to enable the entire PV sector to push the electricity share generated by PV power plants towards 20% and beyond. At least evenly important, it is of the essence to enhance the profitability for all stakeholders in the PV sector.

### Results from actual PV-park performance:

As part of the project PVScan, EXXERGY has analyzed more than 3,600 insurance claim cases involving PV power plans. While 44% of the claim cases involve damages of less than 100 EUR per kWp, the percentage of cases with damages between 100 and 500 EUR/kWp represent 29% of claim cases, and 3% of the cases resulted in damage amounts of more than 500 EUR/kWp. The balance to 100% are claim cases that have resulted in no pay-out. 32% of insurance claim cases have been due to internal defects including overvoltage without lightning strikes. These findings are alarming, and they are confirmed by observations and analyses of other reputable market participants, including government and non-government organizations. The alarming deterioration relates not only to module and inverters performance but hint as well towards major issues happening on balance-of-systems components (largely associated with support structures and electric connectors) and bad system design, construction, and O&M practices.

## Current status in risk mitigation:

To mitigate risks, as part of an overall project due diligence, the financial sector currently reviews technical assessment reports. However, depending on the assessor, these technical assessment reports vary significantly in terms of thoroughness, accurateness, completeness, reliability, validity, transparency etc. so that the actual investment decision turns out to contain a large number of imponderabilities. As long as no international standards are established, the diversity of technical assessment reports results in a high workload on the receiving side, and more importantly, in uncertainties evaluating the true risk exposure of such a PV power plant project.

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Another challenge resides with the aspect of ensuring adherence to such standards to effectively improve quality in the field.

#### Candidacy:

Internationally accepted standards and certification procedures alongside with training and qualification are important measures to counter inefficiencies and thus, to drive the further deployment of PV forward. The IECRE approach to a global certification (and in addition, rating) system is an essential move towards making the PV sector more reliable and sustainable for the future growth.

As we have analyzed over the course of 2019, the market does not adopt or accept the current IECRE value proposition as evidenced by the low number of certificates issued to date. As a consequence, by mid 2020, the PV-OMC (in future PV-SWG) has lost about half of its CBs and IBs. To put it straight, the PV activity of IECRE is at the verge of failing completely. At the same time, the assumption of creating a major business within 5 years from establishing IECRE may have been over-optimistic in the first place, regardless of how well a value proposition would fit market needs.

A plan on how to improve the situation has been brought forward by WG004 in the REMC meeting in Feldkirch in November 2019. The REMC decisions reflecting on the proposed plan did, however, create a challenging environment towards making the necessary changes happen. Part of the reason for the challenge is that the few remaining active participants in the PV part of the IECRE scheme represent small organizations, and therefore, have limited financial strength to support the workload ahead on a pure voluntary "pro bono" basis. Another part of the challenge is that the window of opportunity to turn the situation is relatively short, possibly significantly shorter that most of the participants in the IECRE system may anticipate.

Be it as it may, I am convinced that IECRE provides the only recognized international platform that can create an international standard for conformity assessment for the renewable energy sector. As known by the IECRE community, I have been fighting over the last few years already very hard to support the IECRE system, and I am committed to turn the currently adverse situation around. At the same time, to enable me performing the turn-around effectively, I will need a firm commitment as well from IEC and IECRE to support me in this endeavor. I know that there is a lot of support for what I am trying to accomplish already. I suggest, however, to discuss an additional level of support.

### Future status as WG004 Convenor

Finally, I would like to point out that if I were voted in for the position of the PV SWG Convenor by the REMC, I would certainly be prepared to either continue my current position as Convenor of WG004 or, if the REMC wishes, I would be prepared to make way for another individual from within the system to be voted in for the position of WG004 Convener.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas C. Sauer

Attachment: Curriculum Vitae



# CURRICULUM VITAE Thomas C. Sauer



Strategy and market oriented
Top Manager with international Experience
Know-How in following Industries:
Renewable energy, specialty chemicals / materials, technical textiles, aerospace (LTA, GA), glass, aluminum, energy, industrial gases

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#### Professional experience

Since 01/2009 and

01/2007 - 12/2007

EXXERGY GmbH Frankfurt, Germany Worldwide acting consulting firm for renewable energy sector President & CEO, sole owner

Consulting projects, Consulting volume in excess of 6 M EUR (German) DKE delegate at IECRE for standardization of PV power plants

Supporting Member of SunSpec Alliance, Orange Button Initiative of the US Department of Energy

- Managing Director of TEXXECURE Rating Foundation gGmbH
- Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee for IECRE at the German Commission for Electrotechnology, Electronics and Information Technology (Vorsitzender TBKON.CMC.IECRE @ DKE)
- IECRE convener workgroup WG 004

+ since 2019:

01/2008 - 12/2008 IBC Solar AG

Bad Staffelstein, Germany World leader in Photovoltaic System Integration Sales Turnover 2008: approx. 760 M EUR (approx. 1.1 B USD) (2007: approx. 565 Mio. EUR), approx. 250 employees

#### Management board member - CEO

Areas of responsibility:

Purchasing, logistics, technical departments, product management, projects, quality assurance, international business, special tasks <a href="Increase">Increase</a> in turnover</a> by min. 42%, <a href="bottom">bottom line result increased</a> by 62%, cash flow improved and liquidity requirement reduced leading to more than 50% cash increase

Introduction of <u>"total quality management</u>" (Phase I), incl. process management, quality assurance, logistics optimization

Restructuring of supplier portfolio by <u>qualification</u> and <u>closing of long</u> <u>term contracts</u> with existing and new reliable suppliers

<u>Consequent execution of measures</u> in international subsidiaries <u>to turn around</u> unfavourable deviations in turnover and bottom-line result

Leading the management team to first formulation of a <u>strategic direction</u> in the context of vision and mission statements

Target formulation <u>expand project business and foster global presence</u>

Repositioning of value and leadership guideline

2001 - 2006

SCHOTT AG (until May 2004: Schott Glas) Mainz, Germany World leading specialty glass manufacturer

Consolidated group sales turnover 2005: approx. 2 B EUR Positions:

2001 - 2004

Vice President Corporate Strategy and Development

Reporting to the spokesman of the management board

Budget responsibility 2 M EUR p. a. (as of 2003: 7 M EUR) Supported turnover responsibility 2 B EUR p. a.

10 direct reports (as of 2003: 35)

<u>Arrangement of and agreement on overall corporate strategy</u> in close cooperation with the department heads of Value Controlling and Research and Development, focusing on the aspects of technology, financials and market, and portfolio restructuring

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Lectures and Publications (including patent applications)

June 1994 68. Glastechnische Tagung in Bad Salzdetfurth:

Neueste Ergebnisse beim Einsatz von Oxy-Fuel Technologie in Glasschmelzöfen (Latest Results applying Oxy-Fuel Technology in Glass Melting Furnaces) (published in der October 1994 edition of Glass Science and Technology)

March 1995 Hüttentechnische Vereinigung der Glasindustrie (HVG), Fachausschußsitzung VI,

Würzburg:

Technologien der Sauerstofferzeugung und -versorgung für die Oxy-Fuel-Beheizung

von Glasschmelzöfen

(Technologies of Oxygen Production and Supply for Oxy-Fuel Glass Melting Furnaces)

May 1995 Zwieseler Fachschulkolloquium 1995:

Sauerstoff-Verbrennungstechnologie für die Glasindustrie

(Oxygen Firing Technologies for the Glass Industry)

November 1995 HVG Fachausschußsitzung II & VI, Würzburg:

Ofenraumauslegung von Oxy-Fuel beheizten Glasschmelzwannen mit Hilfe eines dreidimensionalen Berechnungsprogramms für Verbrennungsprozesse und für NaOH-

Konzentrationen

(Combustion Space Design of Oxy-Fuel fired Glass Melting Furnaces using a three-dimensional

calculation program for Combustion Processes and NaOH-Concentrations)

May 1996 Zwieseler Fachschulkolloquium 1996:

Ofenraummodellierung für Oxy-Fuel befeuerte Glasschmelzwannen

(Furnace Modelling for Oxy-Fuel fired Glass Melting Furnaces)

June 1996 70. Glastechnische Tagung in Cottbus:

Konzeptionierung von Oxy-Fuel beheizten Glasschmelzöfen (Postervortrag)

(Concepts for Oxy-Fuel fired Glass Melting Furnaces)

October 1996 Konferenz der Gaz de France anläßlich der Glastec 1996 in Düsseldorf:

Application de la modélisation à la conversion des fours 100% oxygène (published January 1997 in « L'Industrie Céramique & Verrière »,

in Februar 1997 in « Undustrie Ceramique & Verriere », in Februar 1997 in « Verre » with the title "Modélisation 3D de la combustion du 100%

oxygène-combustible dans les fours de verre")

January 1997 Glass (Monthly Journal of the European Glass Industry):

Gases for the Float Line

May 1997 Zwieseler Fachschulkolloquium 1997:

Konzeption und Betriebserfahrungen einer mit 100%-Oxy-Fuel-Technologie

betriebenen Hohlglasschmelzwanne mit Abgasenergieverwertung

Concept and Operational Experience with a 100% Oxy-Fuel-Technology operated Container

Glass Furnaces with Waste Gas Energy Recuperation

May 1997 Glassman Europe '97 in Lyon:

"Developments in the integration of energy recovery in 100% oxy-fuel melting"

(published in August 1997 in Glass with the title "Energy Recovery in 100% Oxy-Fuel Melting")

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September 1997 VIK-Workshop in der Glasindustrie, Hessisch Oldendorf:

Technologien der Sauerstofferzeugung und -versorgung für die Oxy-Fuel-Beheizung

von Glasschmelzöfen

(Technologies of Oxygen Generation and Supply for Oxy-Fuel Glass Melting Furnaces)

September 1997 Konferencja Techniczna organizowana z okazji 100-lecia istnienia Czestochowskiej

Huty Szkla S.A. (Technische Konferenz anläßlich des 100. Geburtstags der Glashütte

Czestochowa Huta Szkla S.A.), Poraj bei Czestochowa, Poland:

Oxygen Supply Technology & Energy Recovery in 100% Oxy-Fuel Melting

Juli 1999 // January 2001 Patent Application DE 199 34 015 A1 // PCT WO 01/05653 A1 about a process to fill,

regenerate, and evacuate large scale vessels, in particular dirigibles

(Patent approval: EP 1206381: 25.02.2004)

January 2001 //

Patent Application DE 101 02 699 A1 // PCT WO 02/057682 A3 about a process to fill, July 2002 regenerate, and evacuate large scale vessels, in particular Lighter-then-Air Flight

Devices (Patent application was not pursued after the above patent has been granted)

November 2001 RWTH Aachen Management/Business Planning for Chinese Executives

"Strategizing at Schott Glas"

November 2003 Chinese Executive Forum at RWTH Aachen (Technical University, Institute WZL)

"From Vision to Reality - the Schott Oddessy"

(about Innovation Management)

September 2004 Baden-Badener Unternehmergespräche (Co-Autor)

> "Innovation - ein elementarer Bestandteil von Vision und Strategie" ("Innovation – an elementary component of vision and strategy")

September 2005 Taiwanese Executive Course at RWTH Aachen (Technical University, Institute WZL)

"Strategizing at Schott AG"

March 2008 Washington International Renewable Conference (WIREC):

Presentation at Panel Discussion

"Solar PV: Global Markets & Policy Drivers Yesterday - Today - Tomorrow"

Presentation "Renewables are Good Business" Side Event from dena (Deutsche Energie Agentur)

April 2008 Ceremony speech at Trina Solar's 10th anniversary and grand opening of the

Changzhou Trina Solar PV Industrial Park (CTPIP, English and Chinese)

Changzhou, Jiangsu Province, China

February 2009 RETECH 2009, Las Vegas, NV:

- Presentation and Panel Discussion:

"Markets and Systems - A European Perspective on the Global PV Market"

July 2009 Lovells/EXXERGY-Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Der Photovoltaikmarkt im Kontext der Marktkräfte und -entwicklungen oder La Fiesta

("The photovoltaic market in the context of market forces and developments - or - the

fiesta is over")

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March 2010 Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Solarbranche im Wachstum - Herausforderungen und Ansätze zur Meisterung des

ständigen Wandels im Unternehmen"

April 2010 Hannover Messe / German Chamber of Commerce

"China: The next Greentech Factory of the World? - The Solar Sector"

July 2010 HDI-Gerling 1. Münchener Branchen-Forum "Erneuerbare Energien"

"Branchenausblick Photovoltaik"

August 2010 2nd Sino-EU International Solar PV Industrial Development Forum, Shanghai

"The growing PV sector: Market situation and outlook

Approaches to master the constant challenge"

"不断增长的光伏行业:市场现状和前景掌控不断挑战的方法"

September 2010 Hogan-Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Solarbranche - Quo Vadis?

Szenarien im Angesicht des Wandels der Förderlandschaften"

November 2010 Technical University Berlin - RENAC

"Solar Sector - Quo Vadis? - The PV Market: Review - Mechanisms- Outlook"

December 2010 Tianwei Global Customer Conference, Chengdu, China

"Solar Sector - Quo Vadis? - The PV Market: Review - Mechanisms - Outlook"

March 2011 Hogan Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"The Solar Sector under Consolidation Pressure - Threats and Challenges in

Restructuring Situations"

April 2011 HDI-Gerling 2. Münchener Branchen-Forum "Erneuerbare Energien"

"Internationaler Branchenausblick Photovoltaik: Die Solarbranche im Konsolidierungsdruck"

("International sector outlook – the solar sector under consolidation pressure")

September 2011 Hogan Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Update on the Solar Sector - Focus: Quality- und Supply-Chain-Management"

November 2011 Technical University Berlin - RENAC

"The Solar Sector: Challenging Times on the Way to Grid Parity" (+ November 2012, + November 2013 in updated versions)

November 2011 PVSEC-21, Fukuoka, Japan, 28.11.2011 - 02.12.2011

"The Worldwide PV Market - Review, Current Status, and Challenges Ahead"

March 2012 Hogan Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"How to go forward? - Outlook on the Future Market Development and Strategic

Implications"

March 2012 HDI-Gerling 3. Münchener Branchen-Forum "Erneuerbare Energien"

"Internationaler Branchenausblick Photovoltaik:

Ansätze für den Weg aus der Krise"

("International sector outlook photovoltaic - Concepts to escape the crisis")

September 2012 Hogan Lovells/EXXERGY - Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"PV Market - Quo Vadis: New Business Models in Rough Times"

September 2012 AGRION Workshop, Frankfurt, Germany

"The Solar Sector in Times of Crisis"

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October 2012 Solarpraxis Conference, Shanghai, China

"Requirements, Considerations, and Solutions for successful PV Project Financing and

Returns"

November 2012 13. Forum Solarpraxis, Berlin, Germany

"PV Power Plants: Risk assessment and the role of insurance coverage"

April 2013 OTTI Seminar at TÜV Rheinland

"Neue Konzepte zur Qualitätssicherung und zu Versicherungslösungen als Schlüssel

für die Projektfinanzierung der Zukunft'

May 2013 Fifth Annual Business of Clean Energy in Alaska Conference

"The World Around Us: International Clean Energy Markets"

October 2013 PVSEC, Paris, France

"New Concepts of Quality Assurance and for Insurance Solutions as Essential Keys for

Future PV Project Financing<sup>6</sup>

November 2013 14. Forum Solarpraxis, Berlin, Germany

"Financing of PV Parks: Status of risk mitigation and the role of insurance solutions"

March 2014 Huawei customer conference, Ge'Er'Mu, Qinghai Province, P. R. China

"European photovoltaic power plant construction, operation, and maintenance

experience"

April 2014 Jones Day / EXXERGY Workshop, Frankfurt, Germany

"Overview regarding the development and the challenges in selected regions of MENA"

September 2014 BMWi/AHK German Export Initiative Conference, Dammam, Saudi Arabia

"Photovoltaics: New Concepts for Quality Management and for Insurability as a Key for

Future Project Financing"

October 2014 BMWi/AHK German Export Initiative Conference, Muscat, Oman

"Photovoltaics: Considerations, requirements, and applications for off-grid energy supply"

December 2014 BMWi/AHK German Export Initiative Conference, Shanghai, China

"Energy efficiency and the role of PV"

March 2015 Intersolar, Beijing, China

"A New Methodology for Measuring and Optimizing Sheet Resistance in Cell

Manufacturing"

April 2015 SNEC, Shanghai, China

"A Mew Methodology for Controlling and Optimizing Sheet Resistance and Average Cell

Efficiency in Cell Manufacturing"

May 2015 PVTC (Photovoltaic Technical Conference), Aix-en-Provence, France

(1) "A new methodology for controlling and optimizing sheet resistance and average cell

efficiency in cell manufacturing"

(2) "Reliability of solar materials, components and systems - Context and pre-requisites

for bankability"

November 2015 Intersolar, Mumbai, India

"New Concepts for Quality Management and Insurability as a Key for Future Project

Financing"

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April 2016 Photovoltaik Produktionsmittel - VDMA Jahrestagung (VDMA annual conference on

photovoltaic capital goods)

"Anspruch und Wirklichkeit in der Produktion in China" ("Claim, perception, and reality in Chinese production")

April 2016 Jones Day / EXXERGY Workshop, Frankfurt, Germany

"USA - Developments and challenges in the PV market"

April 2016 Electric Power Conference, New Orleans, USA

"New Concepts for Quality Management and Insurability as a Key for Future Project

Financing for PV power plants"

May 2016 7th Egyptian-German Renewables Day, Cairo, Egypt

(Patronage of the German Ministry of Economics and Energy)

"Quality Assurance in Large-Scale PV Projects"

June 2016 6th CEPEC SHOWCASE CONFERENCE, London, United Kingdom

"PV power plants: Risk mitigation factor quality assurance"

June 2016 First SunSpec Alliance Open Member Meeting at Intersolar Europe

"Risks and risk mitigation in solar PV power plants"

June 2016 Solar Investment Risk Mitigation Workshop, London, United Kingdom

(1) "Current state of the photovoltaic market"

(2) "Financial risk mitigation options"

October 2016 IECRE Conference on Standardization, Juno Beach, FL, USA

"Quality assurance system proposal"

November 2016 Smart Solar, Conference on Energy Management in UK & ROI, London, UK

"Quality rating - a financial risk mitigation measure for PV power plants"

November 2016 PVScan conference, Aachen, Germany

"Bankability in the photovoltaic market"

May 2017 Jones Day / EXXERGY Workshop, Tokyo, Japan

"Energy Transition in Europe - New Business Models and Chances for Foreign

Investors"

June 2017 European Solar Asset Management Forum

"Solar investment risk mitigation - Are we all on the same page?"

September 2017 Solar Power International, Las Vegas, NV, USA, NREL side event

"PV power plant rating approach for technical and financial risk and performance

assessments"

December 2017 IECRE conference, Madrid, Spain

"PV power plant rating approach for technical and financial risk and performance

assessments"

February 2018 PV-Tech (Co-author for February issue):

"Failure assessments of actual PV systems demonstrate the importance of elective

quality assurance"

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April 2018 Jones Day / EXXERGY Workshop, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Energiewende – Digitalisierung – Blockchain" ("Energy transition – Digitalization – Blockchain")

May 2018 PV-Tech (Author for May issue):

"Perspectives on risk mitigation measures for PV power plants: Insurance and quality

assurance"

September 2018 Integrated Photovoltaic Technical Conference (iPVTC), Cassis, France

"Solar investment risk mitigation - Are we all on the same page?"

October 2018 Solar & Storage Finance Conference, New York, USA

"Yielding returns on solar investments: An area of improvement?"

January 2019 ACI O&M Conference, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

"Yielding returns on solar investments: An area of improvement?"

February 2019 TÜV Rheinland PV Module Forum 2019, Cologne, Germany

"The Role of Quality Assurance and IECRE Standardization in Investment Risk

Mitigation"

February 2019 European Solar & Storage Market Briefing 2019, Düsseldorf, Germany

"Energizing RE Market Developments: Technical Advances, Business Strategies &

Future Outlook"

February 2019 FDP Assembly Meeting, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Sustainable Finance - Background and positioning in the political framework"

March 2019 Solar Power Europe Summit, Brussels, Belgium

"Quality • Reliability • Sustainability

The role of international standards for conformity assessment and rating systems"

April 2019 European Commission Conference on Sustainable Energy in Central Asia, Brussels

"Risk mitigation considerations in pursuit of securing and optimizing financial returns for

solar investments"

May 2019 AREMA Global Utilities Procurement Energy Management & Efficiency Forum,

Amsterdam, The Netherlands:

"The role of procurement towards risk mitigation and yielding investment returns"

September 2019 Solar Power International, Salt Lake City, UT, USA:

- "Data Interoperability for Risk Management"

- "Effective investment risk mitigation and yield optimization: Two sides of the same

coin?"

September 2019 Publication in EPJ Photovoltaics 10, 7 (2019):

"Solar investment risk mitigation - are we all on the same page?"

Oktober 2019 Solar Asset Management Europe Conference, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

"Solar project risk concerns and the impact on bankability"

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November 2019 Forum Neue Energiewelt, Berlin, Germany

"SolarPower Europe O&M-Empfehlungen -

Relevanz für den Lebenszyklus und Auswirkungen auf den Ertrag"

("SolarPower Europe recommendations on operation & maintenance - Relevance for

the life cycle and for the yield" - Session Chairman)

February 2020 NREL PV Reliability Workshop, Denver, CO, USA

"How to draw a correlation between financial yield improvements, extending system

life, standardization, risk mitigation, and rating"

March 2020 Reuters Conference on PV and Wind Operations Europe, Munich, Germany

"Time to implement conformity assessment systems and standards"

(Session Chairman)

March 2020 Eco PV: Photovoltaics towards a sustainable industry, Lyon, France

"The inconvenient truth: How to separate chaff from wheat in the PV ecosystem"