

# Collaboration Opportunities Between PPFS & EGNRET

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# APEC Policy Partner on Food Security

## About APEC PPFS

- APEC Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS) was established in 2011 for strengthening public-private cooperation to address food security issues in the region



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## About APEC PPFS

- PPFS is established to develop policies and solutions for food security in the Asia Pacific region
- APEC economies have given high priority to the issue of food security and has built a solid foundation for agriculture, aquaculture, fishery, food exchange and cooperation under various multilateral and bilateral frameworks
- PPFS to achieve these food security goals in the region

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## About APEC - Facts

- Asia-Pacific accounts for half of the world's cereal production and over 40% of its trade volume, production growth depends on expanding cultivable areas and continue enjoying favourable weather conditions.
- APEC members account for over 80 percent of global aquaculture production and more than 65 percent of the world's capture fisheries

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## About APEC - Facts

- APEC comprises 9 of the 10 top fish producers in the world.
- Aquaculture is now one of the fastest growing food-producing sector which now accounts for almost 50% of global food fish
- PPFS Working Group One (WG1) – Sustainable Development in Agriculture & Fishery Sectors

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## **Mission of PPFS Working Group One**

- Integration and Sharing of Agriculture & Aquaculture technologies, resources and expertise within the APEC Ecosystem
- NTU APEC Centre for Sustainable Development in Agriculture and Fishery Sectors was setup in Singapore to support the initiative of PPFS WG1

# NTU APEC Centre for Sustainable Development in Agriculture and Fishery Sectors

## Role of the Centre

- Platform for R&D and technology Dissemination in APEC PPFS for both small stake holders, SME and big companies
- Facilitation platform for *Public Private sector* collaboration
- Traction point for identifications of sustainable technologies from various APEC economies

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## Identified Areas of Resources

- Infrastructure and Manpower
- Technology and Training
  - Use of Clean and Renewal Energy
- Processing and Trading
- Funding



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## Current Projects in Progress

- Currently, we have a total 9 ongoing projects
- Projects are mostly between private sectors involving 6 countries
  - Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, China, Philippines and Australia
  - All projects are technology related and 4 are clean & renewable energy related

# **WG1 – NTU APEC Centre for Sustainable Development in Agriculture & Fishery Sectors**

## **Project One : Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming**



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# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative

- **Use of Renewal Energy – Climate Smart Farming**
  - With the growing scarcity of land, return on economic activities on land is becoming more important
  - Growth of solar energy power generation are growing in huge scale which requires vast amount of land.
  - Ironically and very often, the land below the solar array has no economic benefit which becomes a growing dilemma for many policymakers.



# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative

- **Use of Renewal Energy – Climate Smart Farming**

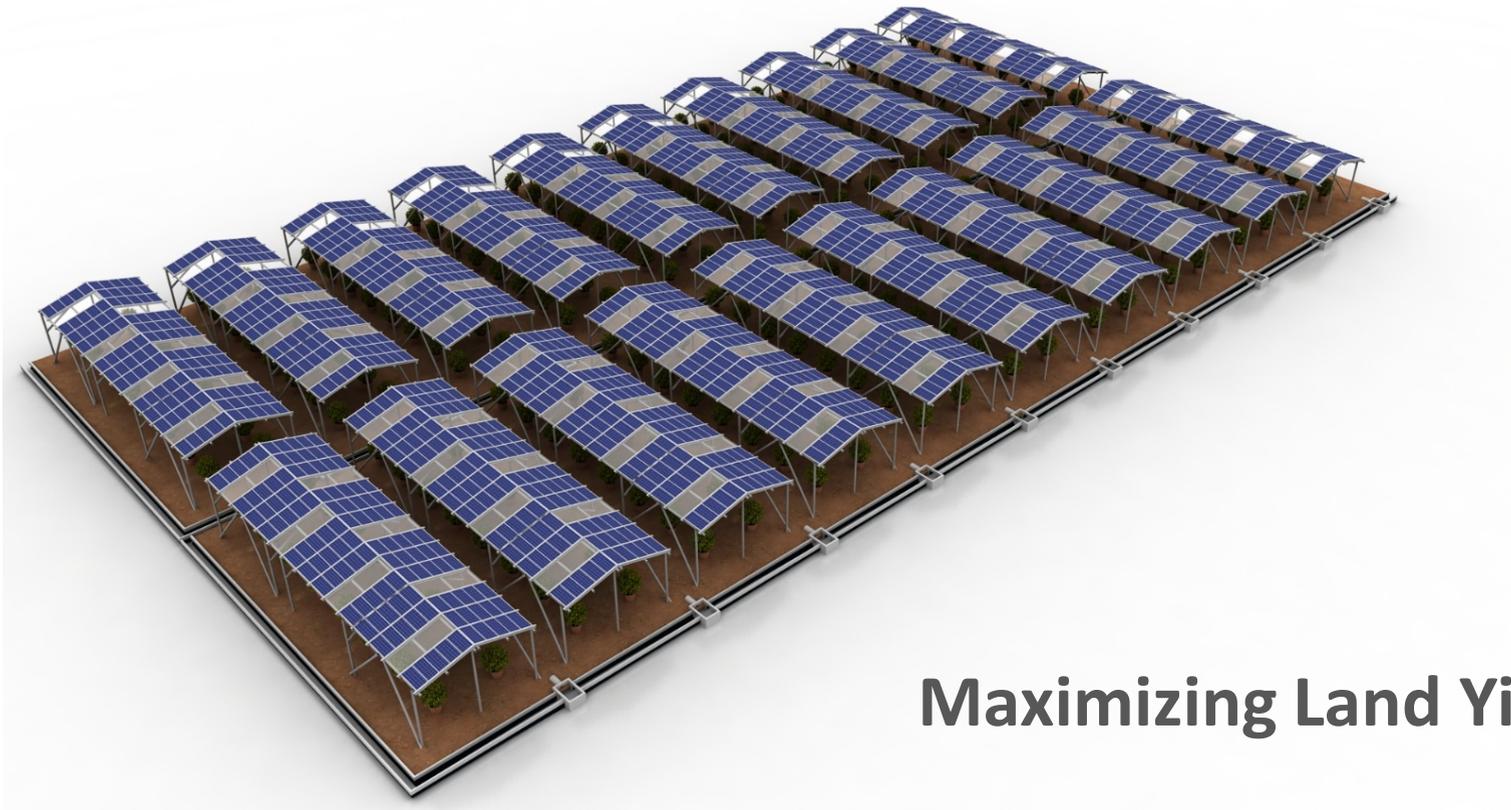
- This scenarios represents a clear opportunity and possible optimal solution where clean energy production and farming can co existing under the same plot of land
- Crops such as lettuce, mushrooms, chilies and melon are suitable with this type of Sheltered Greenhouse.



# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative

- **Use of Renewal Energy – Climate Smart Farming**
  - Possible Doubling of yield on the same plot of land
  - Solar array design allows for good light transmission while lowering shading effects given by semi-pitch on which the panels will be set up while aiding adequate ventilation in order to procure optimal climate management.
  - Translucent panel arrangement allows optimal sunlight to go through in order to integrate light diffusion inside.

# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative



**Maximizing Land Yield**

# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative



# Use of Renewal Energy for Climate Smart Farming Initiative

- **Project Objectives**

- Agriculture & Aquaculture farm that is powered entirely by renewal energy
  - In current discussion with Solar Development & Leasing companies in the region
  - Farmers pay zero dollar for Solar energy infrastructure setup
  - Farmer only pays for usage of energy (Kilowatt)

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## **Use of Technology**

### **Increasing Efficiency of current PV System**



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## Woes of Current Solar Farms

- Solar panels (Silicon based) suffers from an inherent degradation problem which has plagued all existing solar cell and panel manufacturers since its inception
- Many if not all solar farms are not able to meet their output projections leading to much unhappiness with their shareholders



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## Woes of Current Solar Farms

- As a result, many early days Solar Farms (from 2000s due to adoption of FIT) are no longer viable due to the extreme drop in their panel energy production efficiency
- With the drastic drop in price of PV, many are looking to dump their current system; creating a possible mountain fill of solar panels to be destroyed



# Inherent Problem

## Light Induced Degradation (LID)

- Current Solar modules typically degrade around 3-6% within the first year of use and will peak around 20% - 25% degradation in their life time
- It is widely understood that Light Induced Degradation (LID) due to formation of Boron-Oxygen (BO) defects in the silicon solar cell, is the main culprit for this degradation.



# Existing Specifications

**Mono**

**BLOOMBERG**  
Listed Tier 1 PV Supplier

**PowerGuard**  
Specialty Insurance Services  
Powerguard insurance  
global coverage

Within the first year, the output power shall not be less than 96.5% of the minimum output power in CSUN's product datasheet, thereafter the loss of output power shall not exceed 0.68% per year, ending with 80.18% in the 25th year.

CSUN's **NEW** linear performance warranty

Additional value from CSUN's linear warranty

Number of years: 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, 20 years, 25 years

Legend: CSUN (blue), Standard Warranty (grey)



## CSUN 280-60M

Highest efficiency offer: QSAR™



CSUN 265-60M CSUN 270-60M  
CSUN 275-60M CSUN 280-60M

Module Fire Performance: Type 1 (UL 1703)

Fire Resistance Rating: Class C (IEC 61730)

**17.24%**

Module efficiency



World class mono efficiency



positive tolerance offer



Tighter product performance distribution and current sorting reduces the mismatch power loss in system operation



Certified for salt/ammonia corrosion resistance



Load certificates: wind to 2400Pa and snow to 5400Pa



Excellent performance under low light conditions



Good temperature coefficient enables higher output in high temperature regions

**280W**

Highest power output

**10year**

Material & Workmanship warranty

**25year**

Linear power output warranty

Module Efficiency : Up to  
**17.24%**

Highest Power Output :  
**280W**

Panel Efficiency  
Degradation :

1<sup>st</sup> Year : **3.5%**

Life span : **20%**



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# Existing Specifications

STP275S - 20/Wew  
STP270S - 20/Wew  
STP265S - 20/Wew

**SUNTECH**  
BE UNLIMITED

275 Watt  
MONOKRISTALLINES SOLARMODUL



### Merkmale



**Exzellenter Modulwirkungsgrad**  
16,9%  
Modulwirkungsgrad von bis zu 16,9% wird durch höchst effiziente Zelltechnologie und Fertigungspraktiken erzielt



**Positive Leistungstoleranz**  
0/+5W  
Positive Leistungstoleranz von bis zu 5 W gewährleistet höhere Erträge



**Erweitertes Testen der mechanischen Belastbarkeit**  
3000g Score  
Modul ist zertifiziert für hohe Wind/Sog- (3.800 Pascal) und Schneelasten (5.400 Pascal)\*



**Hochresistent gegen PID-Effekte**  
Fortschrittliche Zelltechnologie und hochwertige Materialien führen zu einer hohen Resistenz gegenüber PID-Effekten



**Suntech's Stromklassensortierung**  
2%  
Durch Sortieren und Verpacken der Module nach Stromklassen werden Mismatch-Verluste um bis zu 2% reduziert und die Systemleistung wird maximiert



**Geeignet für härteste Umgebungsbedingungen**  
Verlässliche Qualität führt zu höherer Widerstandsfähigkeit selbst bei härtesten Umgebungsbedingungen, wie z. B. Wüsten, landwirtschaftlichen Betrieben und Küstengebieten

Zertifizierungen und Standards:  
IEC 61215, IEC 61730, Konformität mit CE



### Branchenführende Garantie gemessen an der Nennleistung



- 97% im ersten Jahr, danach – ab dem 2. Jahr bis zum 25. Jahr – ein maximaler Verlust von 0,7% pro Jahr, gemessen an der Nennleistung des Moduls. Dies führt zu einer Leistung von 80,2% im 25. Jahr nach dem definierten STARTDATUM FÜR DIE GARANTIE.\*\*\*\*
- 10 Jahre Produktgarantie
- 25 Jahre lineare Garantie auf die Leistung

IP68

### Zuverlässige IP68-Anschlussdose

Die IP68-Anschlussdose von Suntech ist extrem wassererdicht, ermöglicht eine Installation in beliebiger Ausrichtung und verringert die Belastung der Kabel. Hochwertige Steckverbinder mit geringem Übergangswiderstand gewährleisten maximale Modulleistung für optimale Energieproduktion.

\* Weitere Informationen entnehmen Sie bitte dem Montagehandbuch für Suntech Standardmodule. \*\*PV Cycle nur für den EU-Markt.

\*\*\* Weitere Informationen entnehmen Sie bitte dem Montagehandbuch für die Kitsernahe Installation von Suntech Produkten.

\*\*\*\* Weitere Informationen entnehmen Sie bitte der Suntech Produktgarantie.

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Module Efficiency :  
Up to **16.9%**

Highest Power Output  
: **275W**

Panel Efficiency  
Degradation :

1st Year : **3%**

Life Span : **20%**



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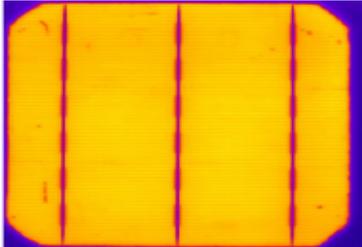
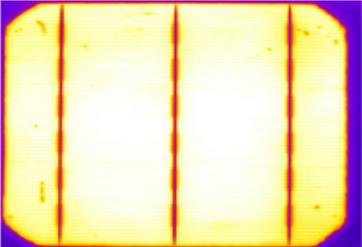
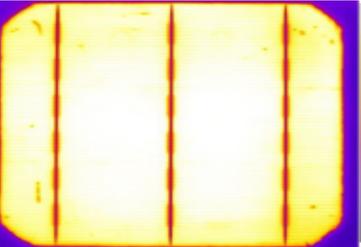
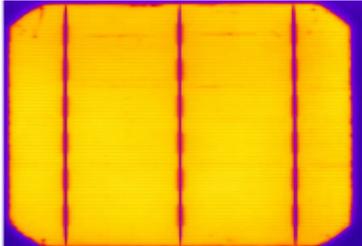
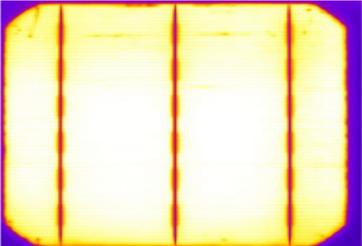
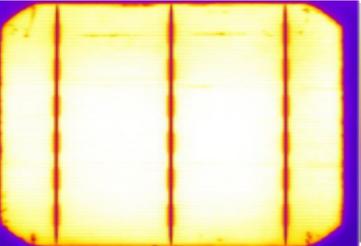
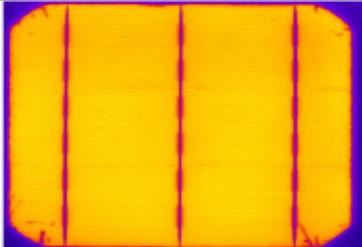
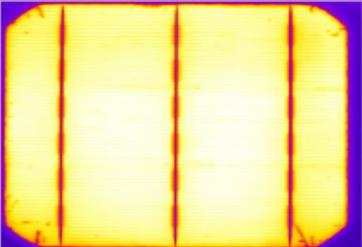
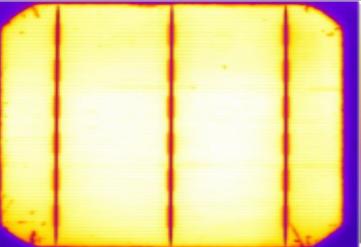
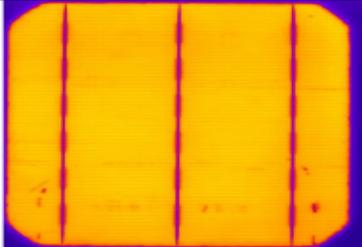
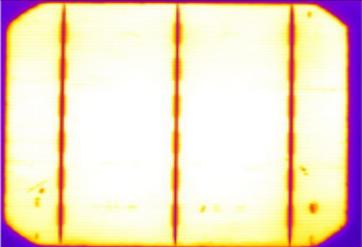
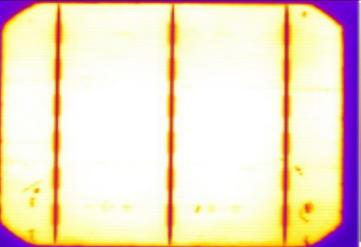
## **Development of Advanced Hydrogenation Technology**

- Technology Originated from UNSW Australia
- Commercial Mass Hydrogenation Facility was setup in Singapore – Joint Collaborative Effort between Australia and Singapore

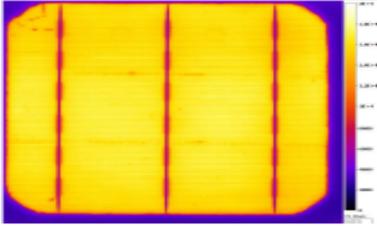
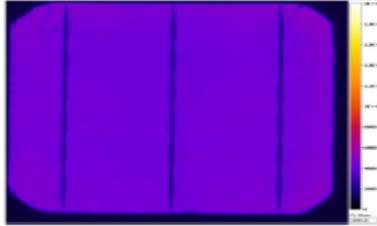
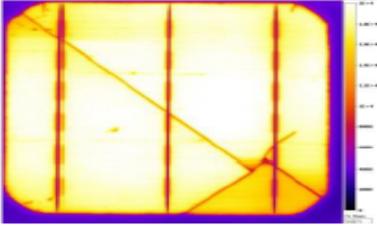
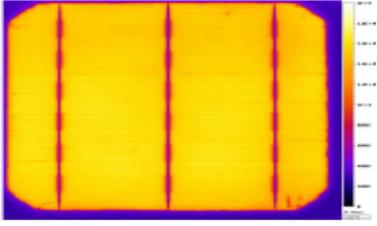
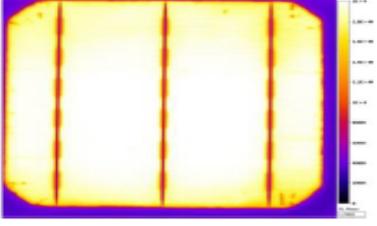
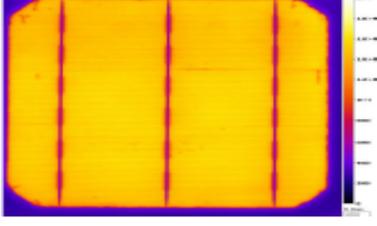
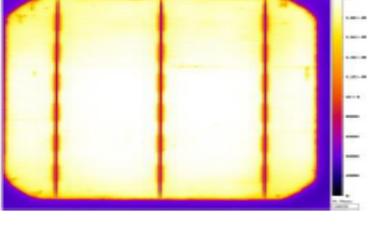
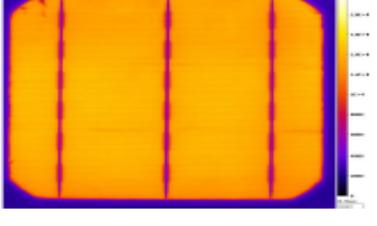
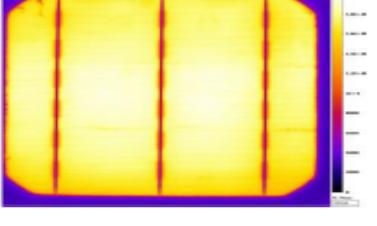


**PL images for Group 1 (four non-hydrogenated CEC solar cells)**

Label	Before Hydrogenation	No treatment	After Light Soak
SR23			
SR33			
SR35			
SR37			

PL images for Group 2 (four hydrogenated CEC solar cells)			
Label	Before Hydrogenation	After Hydrogenation	After Light Soak
SR 24			
SR 34			
SR 36			
SR 38			

PL Images for Group 1 solar cells

Label	Before Hydrogenation	No treatment	After Light Soak	Hydrogenation after LID
SR 23				
SR 33				
SR 35				
SR 37				

#### IV Characteristics for Group 1 solar cells

Label		Before Hydrogenation	No Treatment	After Light Soak	Hydrogenation after LID	Differences %
SR23	Efficiency (%) : Voc (mV): Jsc (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ): FF (%): N:	20.46 667.27 39.29 78.05 1.18		18.96 640.71 38.31 77.24 1.51	Cell broke	NA
SR33	Efficiency (%) : Voc (mV): Jsc (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ): FF (%): N:	20.35 665.79 39.23 77.89 1.19		18.87 640.47 38.18 77.15 1.54	20.58 669.87 39.10 78.59 1.07	+ 9.06%
SR35	Efficiency (%) : Voc (mV): Jsc (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ): FF (%): N:	20.41 665.70 39.27 78.09 1.20		18.84 637.83 38.12 77.48 1.49	20.61 669.73 39.11 78.66 1.09	+ 9.39%
SR37	Efficiency (%) : Voc (mV): Jsc (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ): FF (%): N:	20.39 663.26 39.15 78.54 1.18		18.90 636.44 38.05 78.07 1.43	20.67 667.93 39.08 79.18 1.08	+ 9.36%

# Advanced Hydrogenation Technology

Normal Solar Panels	Treated Panels
<p>1. Panel Efficiency Degradation after 20 years use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Average 20%</li></ul>	<p>1. Panel Efficiency Degradation after 20 years use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Less than 3 %</b></li></ul> <p>2. Possible future development re. Recycling Old solar Panels</p>

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- **Possible Areas of Collaboration with EGNRET**
  - Exchange of Best Practises
  - Use of Technologies
    - Use of Hydrogenation Technology in Solar Farm projects in Malaysia, Philippines & Singapore
    - Use of Solar Energy for Urban Farming in Singapore
    - Recycling of Used Solar Panel\* – Taiwan & Singapore
  - Test bedding of Clean and Renewal Energy Technologies in WG1 members' farms



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- **Possible Areas of Collaboration with EGNRET**
  - Cross Fora Co Operation - Support EGNRET's Concept Note & Joint Concept Note and vice versa
  - Others



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## The Future of Farming



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Thank You



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