

Cost-effective and innovative solar energy integration in stock and new buildings
- how to generate revenue with your building façade and roof

Overview on the current state of play of BIPV and highlight contributions from BIPVBOOST project

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Where are we coming from?

How has the BIPV sector progressed?



First roof integrated solution in UK, 1994.

Credits: Gb-Sol

Aesthetics: from bluish/black to a broad palette of colours



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Where is the BIPV sector standing today?



Current state of play at a glance

- **Growing market:**
 - growing demand and favorable framework. Strong wind tails
 - Increasing interest in BIPV from key stakeholders in the construction value chain
- **Evolving technology:**
 - Robust and reliable
 - Higher efficiencies
 - Broader product portfolios, including colour
 - Higher automation, improved quality and continuous cost-reduction
- **Ongoing standardisation initiatives**
- **Improved interaction between PV and construction workflows**
- **Cost-competitiveness already a reality in certain segments**

Highlight contributions from BIPVBOOST to the current state of play







Credits: ISFOC

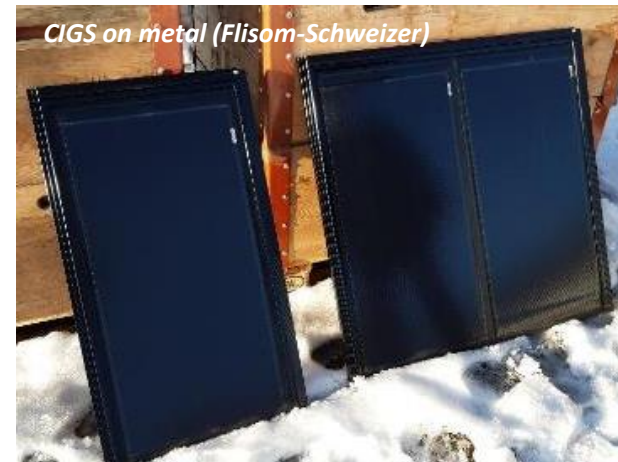
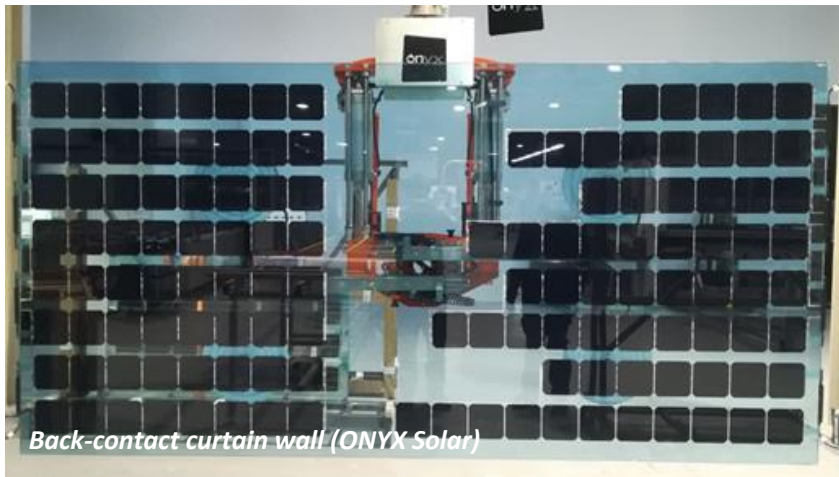
Flexible manufacturing line for BIPV

- **Flexible tabber-stringer** based on c-Si technology
- **Automatic string lay-up**, compatible with XL formats (3 x 2 m) and accurate and **free string positioning** onto the module
- **In-line quality** control at string and module level, prior to the lamination process
- Two operation modes, standard and customized. Compatible with full / half-cells / bifacial cells and **customized string length and cell distances** (incl. variable cell distances within a string)
- Enhanced flexibility in design, higher productivity and quality, and module cost reduction



Portfolio of low-cost and aesthetical BIPV solutions

- Advanced **glass-glass** BIPV products based on c-Si, back contact and a-Si technologies for different applications 
- Multifunctional BIPV façade cladding system with **integrated insulation** 
- Cost effective BIPV roof and facades systems for **CIGS on metal** 
- Low-cost **Click-&-Go substructure** for easy and fast installation of BIPV modules 



Data-driven strategies for cost reduction along the value chain, from design to installation



BIM-based collaborative platform for a data-driven cost reduction along the BIPV process



Cloud-based energy management system for tertiary buildings, including BIPV generation, storage and manageable loads



Failure detection and diagnosis tool for BIPV



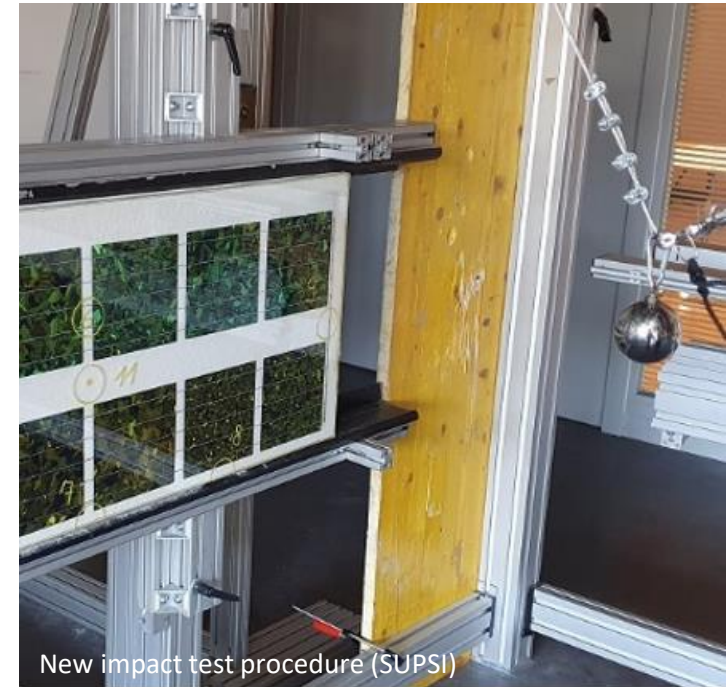
Standardisation of BIPV

Analysis of missing gaps in the currently **fragmented standardisation framework**, proposing new combined PV-construction testing procedures and equipment in the following categories:

1. Energy efficiency (g and U values)
2. Energy performance in non-conventional scenarios (e.g. partial shading)
3. Mechanical performance of BIPV elements
4. Fire reaction of BIPV components/systems

Direct feedback towards ongoing standardisation initiatives

- Revision de EN 50583
- TC 82/JWG11 (IEC/ISO)



New impact test procedure (SUPSI)

Public report on **standardisation SoA and missing gaps**: <https://bipvboost.eu/public-reports/>

DEMO 1. ISFOC (PUERTOLLANO, SPAIN) – 136 m², 12.8 kWp + 70 m², 9,2 kWp



DEMO 2. MONDRAGÓN ASSEMBLY (ARTXABALETA, SPAIN) – 150 m², 21.6 kWp



DEMO 3. OPTIMAL (MONS, BELGIUM) – 140 m², 10 kW_p



DEMO 4. PIZ (MOGBEGNO, ITALY) – 60 m², 9.8 kWp



Which are the current challenges for BIPV?



A few topics for further discussion...

- **Adaptation of the industry to upcoming PV technological innovations and trends**
 - New cell formats
 - Interconnection technologies
 - Encapsulation materials & processes
- **More and bigger players are needed to foster competition and drive costs-down**
 - Mass-market adoption, especially in the residential sector
 - Economies of scale
 - Cost-competitiveness in all segments
- **Re-skilling the construction sector for a faster technology adoption**
- **Standardisation and upcoming more restrictive fire regulations**

Public material available on the website

- **Cost-competitiveness status of BIPV in Europe**
- **Cost-reduction roadmap for the European BIPV sector**
- **Market and stakeholder analysis**
- **Potential contribution of BIPV systems to nZEB**
- **Standardisation of BIPV**
- **Information modelling/management**

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Competitiveness status of BIPV solutions in Europe



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Cost-reduction roadmap for the European BIPV sector

Upcoming webinars

- **Digitalization innovations for BIPV: 27th of April 12.00-13.00h (CET)**
- **Standardisation activities and results: 9th of May 12.00-13.00h (CET)**
- **Overall project results and cost-reduction impacts: tbd**

Save the dates!



New projects



[Website: seamless-pv.eu](http://seamless-pv.eu)



Thank you

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