

# Integrating solar PVs and storage into long-term energy technology portfolio:

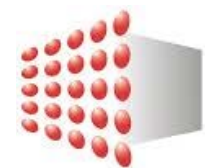
## Business models innovation and lessons from Singapore

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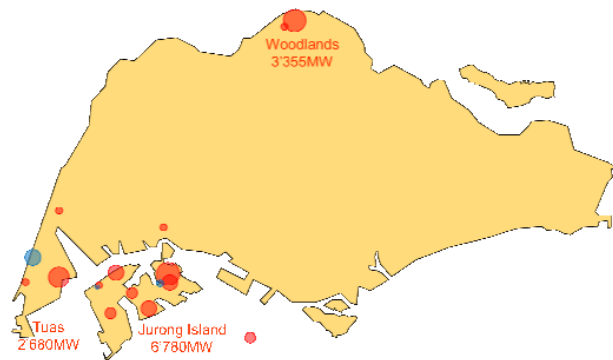


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# Singapore's energy transition

- Shift from highly centralized and natural gas-based system to a more distributed and sustainable energy system
- LCOE of Solar PV has reached grid parity in Singapore

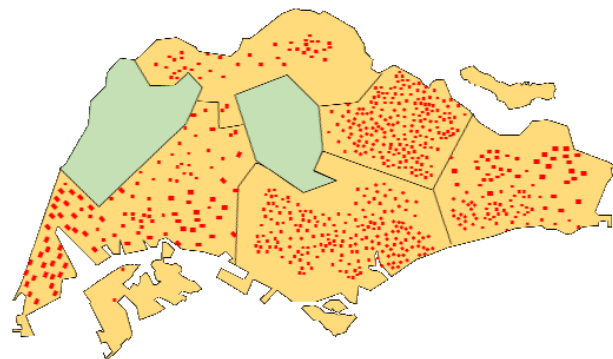


## Conventional on-demand power from centralised plant clusters

In 2017, 97% of electricity from a handful of CCGT/co-gen/tri-gen plants

## Fossil fuel generating capacity (03/17)

Licensed: 13'348MW



## Weather-driven power from dispersed small-scale PV plants (~2'000 sites)

Installed PV: 136MWp

Backlog PV: >100MWp

Central: 442

East: 379

NE: 491

North: 239

West: 405

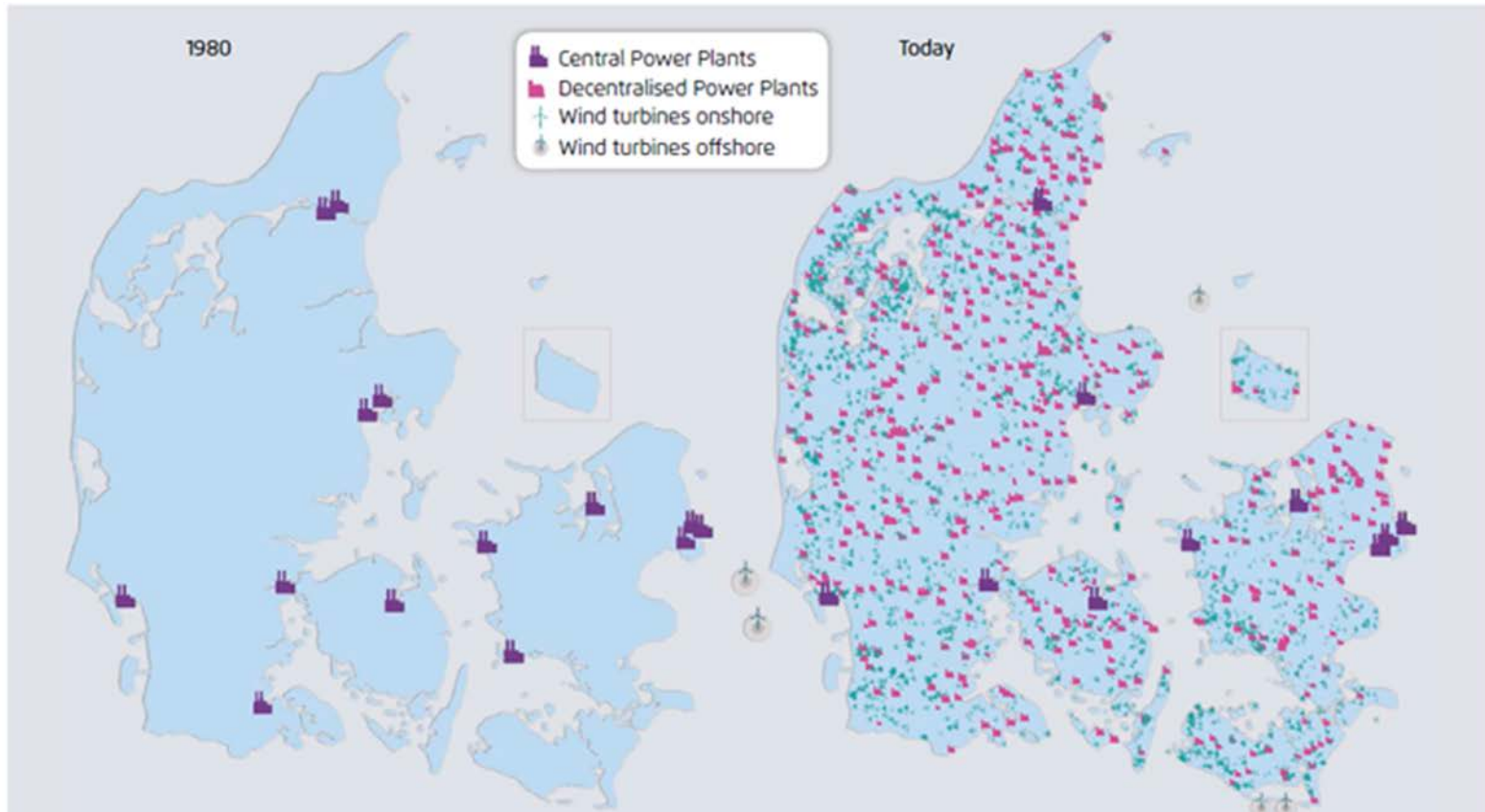
Total sites (30/06/17): 1'956

Source: EMA ([www.ema.gov.sg](http://www.ema.gov.sg))

Figure from Energetix

# Nordic experience from central to distributed generation

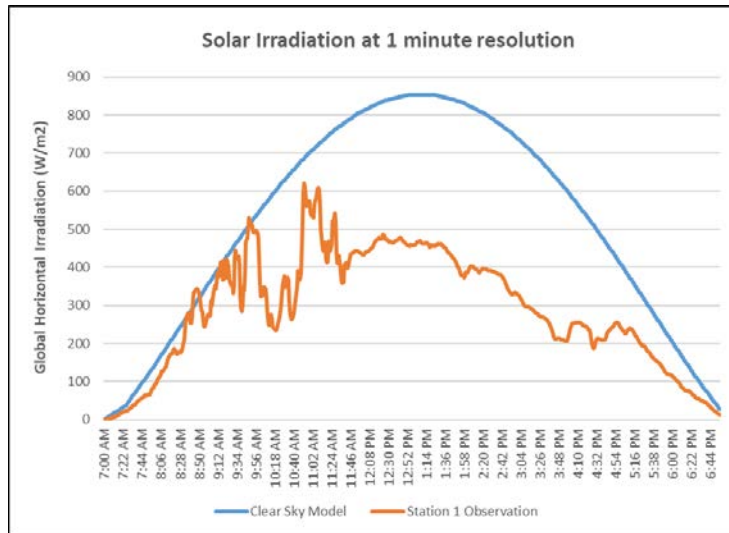
- Denmark's energy transition: CHP heat/power + decentralised solutions



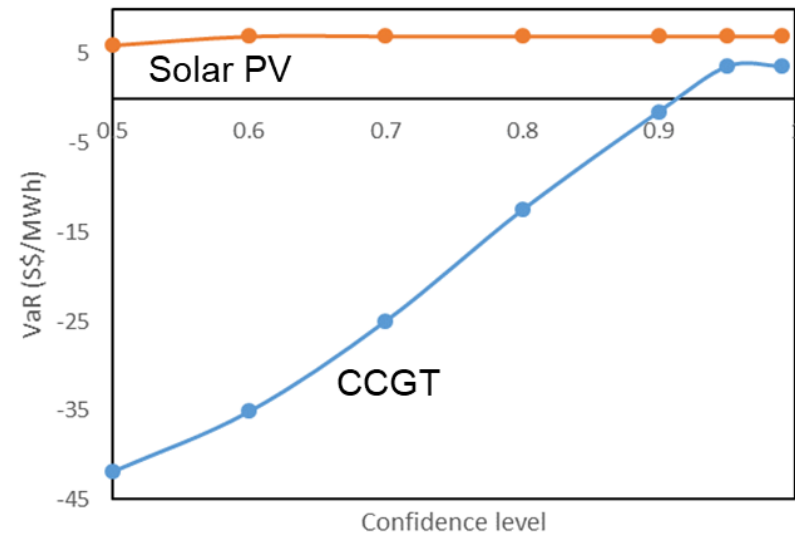
Source: Energinet

# However, Singapore faces challenges

- Intermittency: the risk of a solar PV is higher than a CCGT



Source: Data from the National Environment Agency

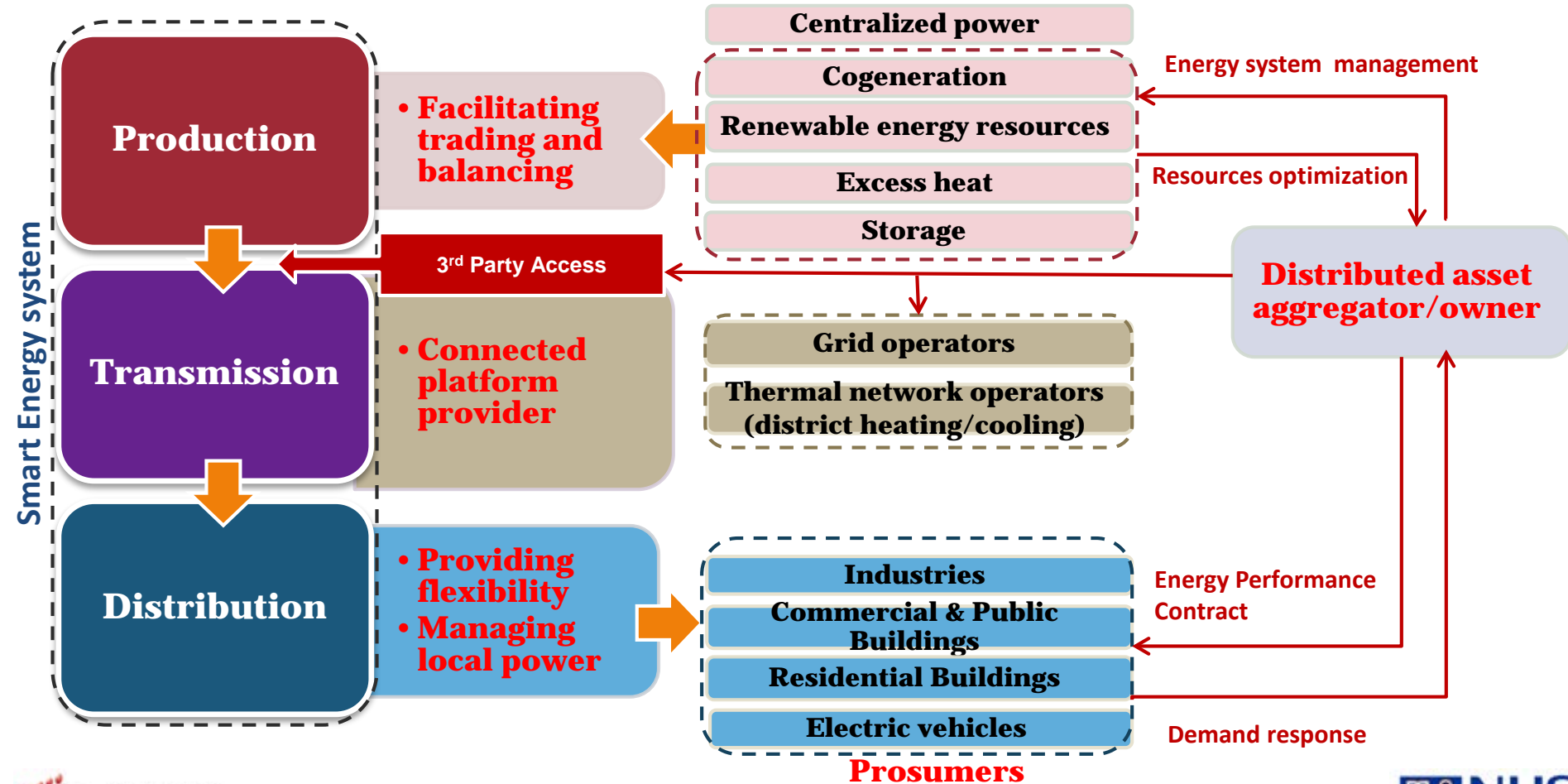


Source: Own study

- Land space : with technical maximum solar installation limit 10 GW, solar share can increase to 18.7% (on the basis of simulation results from our optimization electricity dispatch model).
  - Launched the world's largest floating solar photovoltaic (PV) test-bed worth USD 11 million in 2016

# New market players and new roles

- Provide energy services beyond electricity as a commodity



Source: own elaboration

# Aggregator's business model

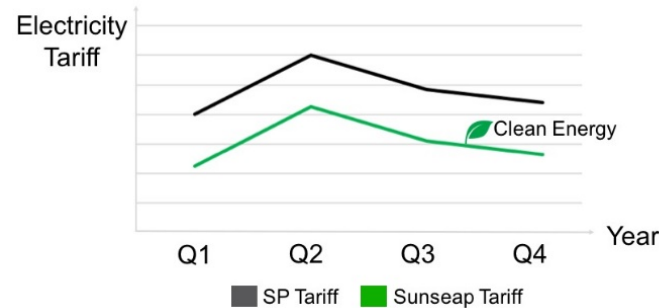
## ➤ **Rooftop solar leasing + electricity retail+ green solutions**

- *Rooftop leasing*

- Eg. Microsoft and Sunseap signed agreement on largest-ever 60 MW solar project in Singapore this year.

- *Electricity retail*

- Customise your energy mix with up to 100% clean energy
- Enjoy up to 20% off your electricity bill



Source: Sunseap

- *Green solution*

- Verification of green electricity via the platform of Tradable Instruments for Global Renewables (TIGRs)

# Rewarding storage in Singapore

## ➤ Key findings from our recent study:

- Arbitrage benefits from peak and off-peak electricity prices cannot make grid-level and behind-the-meter storage applications (storage alone and storage + solar PV) economically viable despite future storage cost reduction
- The value of storage and DSM is only apparent when the renewable penetration is  $>10\%$  in Singapore. The value is storage is 1% of the annual system costs.

# Which solutions?

- **The Intermittency Pricing Mechanism: internalise the frequency and magnitude of any output loss, and distribute the reserves costs.**
- **Rewarding storage and flexible loads requires a detailed analysis of the various value components.**
  - **Test-bed grid-level storage solutions with capacity of 4.4 MWh under Singapore's hot, humid and highly urbanised environment.**

## Energy services

- Energy
- Transmission and distribution losses

## Avoided capacity

- Generation
- Transmission and distribution

## Grid Support

- Reactive power
- Voltage control
- Frequency support
- Operating reserves

## Financial

- Fuel price hedge
- Market price

## Additional benefits

- Grid security
- Environmental/ carbon emissions
- Socio-economic development

Source: IEA (2017)





**Thank you!**

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