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## Photovoltaic – Trainingsystem for vocational and advanced training

The Solar branch is one of the important growth market of the future. The number of jobs grows, the demand of specialists and executive staffs increases continuously.

For this reason worldwide the vocational and advanced training in the field of photovoltaic will become more and more important.



### Development

In cooperation with the ISET - Institut für Solare Energieversorgungstechnik e. V. (now: Fraunhofer Institut für Windenergie und Energiesystemtechnik IWES) in Kassel the company IKS Photovoltaik developed the Photovoltaic-Trainingsystem Solartrainer profi.

### Application

The PV-Trainingsystem is suited for the instruction at schools, vocational training Schools, training centres, evening classes and universities. Supported learning objectives can be electrical and system engineering, construction, mode of operation, connecting and installation of PV-plants. It can be used both to the supplementary demonstration of lessons and courses as well as for the use in practical training.

### Construction

The system consists of individual plugin units each with components for different experimental arrangements. The plugin units are put in the rackside and connected according to the demand. The conception of the system allows indoor and outdoor experiments.

Indoor experiments are easily possible among others because of the system included PV-module

plus module stand. Using a dimmable spotlight which is vertically as well as horizontally movable fixed to an outrigger, seasonal daily curves can easily be simulated.

Additional options are the change of slope angle and the simulation of the influence of irradiation and temperature on the characteristic curve of a PV-module.

To ensure a reproducibility of measurements and not to depend on the weather, a PV-module simulator was developed, which exactly simulates the behaviour of a PV-module. The short circuit current can be adjusted.



What a pupil or trainee can work out on his own in practice oriented labscale experiments, is transferable to real systems without problems.



### Flexible

The modular conception of the system allows the selection of the plug-in units and components for the different training objectives.

The at any time possible enlargement and integration of new technology assure a system that is always state-of-the-art.

### Instructional materials

An experimental instruction as well as two developed training sessions are available. (at the moment only in German language)

### Contents of the experiments

The basic principles of photovoltaics considering the influence of different parameters can also be imparted as the application of direct connected small systems, the mains behaviour of stand alone systems and the especially for craftsmen very important line powered operation mode:

- Characteristic curve of a diode, respectively a diode series
- Characteristic curve of a solar module (I/U) and (U/P), MPP
- Characteristic curve of a solar module (I/U) depending on irradiation
- Characteristic curve of a solar module (I/U) depending on temperature
- Power output of a solar module depending on the angle of incidence of the light
- Simulation: Power output of a solar module depending on the position of the sun (morning to evening / winter- and summertime)
- Series connection of solar modules
- Parallel connection of solar modules
- Series connection of solar modules and shadowing without bypass-diode
- Series connection of solar modules and shadowing with bypass-diode
- Line powered operation mode: solar energy is fed via inverter (changes solar DC into sinusoidal AC, singlephase) to the mains. Different constellations of power flowing in the system. Calculation of efficiency (inverter)
- Stand alone systems DC and AC. Solar charging controller, battery, stand-alone inverter, DC and AC loads. Different constellations of power flowing in the system

- Integration of outdoor solar module
- Measurement with PC, data storage

The listing does not contain all experiments which are possible to carry out.

The possibility of carrying out the experiments is depending on the equipment.





**ST 01**  
**PV-module connection indoor**

For connecting the solar module from "ST 14".  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 05**  
**DC / AC inverter / mains parallel operation**

Changes DC into sinusoidal AC, singlephase feeding, linecommutated.  
input = 24- 35 VDC / 3A  
output = 230 V AC  
Pmax = 110 W



**ST 02**  
**PV-module simulator**

For exact imitation of a PV-module, mains-fed 230 V AC.  
Output DC:  
Voc = 23,1 V  
Isc = 0 - 1,5 A  
Pmax = 24 W.  
Short circuit current can be adjusted in three steps or continuously. Switchable bypass-diode.  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 06**  
**DC / AC inverter / stand-alone operation**

Changes DC into rectangular AC to create a stand alone mains.  
input = 12V DC / 3A  
output 230V AC  
Pmax = 100 W.  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 03**  
**PV-module terminal box**

For parallel connection of 4 solar modules / simulators over diodes to one output.  
Excess voltage protection not operable.

Power rating 24 V/ 3 A each input



**ST 06A**  
**DC / AC inverter / stand-alone operation**

Changes DC into sinusoidal AC to create a stand alone mains.  
input 12V DC / 3 A  
output 230V AC  
Pmax = 100 W.  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 04**  
**Solar charging controller**

Controls the charging of the battery "ST 21" and loads, deep discharge control, visualisation of operating status and key values.

Nominal voltage 12 V DC, max. current 8 A DC.  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 07**  
**AC load connection**

For connecting with the mains via "ST 13", two 230 V AC sockets for AC loads, max. 450 W.  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter

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**ST 08**  
**DC load connection**

For connecting DC loads in stand alone systems, two 12 V DC sockets for DC loads, max. 100 W



**ST 13**  
**Mains connection**

Threephase AC -grid connection to connect the trainingsystem with the mains.  
Five-pin plug CEE 16 A  
Fuse 2 A. Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 09**  
**Battery connection**

For connecting a solar batter "ST 21" with "St04".  
The battery can be switched bidirectional  
Analogous voltmeter, ammetk



**ST 10**  
**Electronic AC electricity mete**  
**1x input, 1x output**

For measuring the via inverter generated solar energy.  
Measuring kWh, W, time,  
different tariffs can be selected



**ST 14**  
**PV-module stand**

The halogen lamp 500 W (mains connection 230 V AC) with dimmer switch is vertical as well as horizontal movable fixed to an outrigger and irradiates the PV-module.  
Adjustable angle of inclination of the PV-module.  
PV-module  
Pmax = 10 W,  
monocrystalline.  
Stand with 4 rolls with stop-function



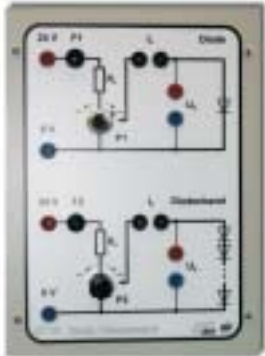
**ST 11**  
**Electronic AC electricity meter,**  
**2x input, 2x output**

For measuring the via inverter fed solar energy to the mains and the supplied energy from the mains.  
Measuring kWh, W, time,  
different tariffs can be selected



**ST 15**  
**PV-module connection**  
**outdoor**

For connecting the solar module from "ST 22".  
Analogous voltmeter, ammeter



**ST 16**  
**Diode / diode series**

For recording the characteristic curve of a diode, respectively a diode series.  
Input 24 V DC, max. 1 A (power supply ST 27)



**ST 17**  
**Shunt**

Max. current 1,5 A

For measuring with "ST 05"  
mains parallel operation /  
connecting with an oscilloscope



**ST 18**  
**Set of safety connecting /  
measuring cords**

Highly flexible safety cords,  
4 mm. Contacts brass / hard  
copper gold plated.  
Bracket with 21 consoles for wall  
mounting

**ST 19**  
**Movable laboratory stand and  
set of safety connecting /  
measuring cords**

Highly flexible safety cords,  
4 mm. Contacts brass / hard  
copper gold plated.  
Bracket with 42 consoles  
mounted, 4 rolls with stop-  
function

**ST 20 A**

plug-in units  
2 x AC load 230 V, 60 W lamp  
1 x AC load 230 V, 11 W energy saving lamp  
1 x DC load 12 V, 50 W halogenlamp

**ST 20 B**

**Set of electrical loads, consisting of:**

- 1 x variable resistor 378 Ohm / 1,3 A
- 1 x variable resistor 148 Ohm / 1,6 A
- 1 x variable resistor 12,8 K.Ohm / 0,16 A
- 1 x variable resistor 13,1 Ohm / 6 A



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**ST 21**  
**Solar battery**

Closed lead-gel battery specific for storage of solar energy. Connecting with "ST 09" and "ST 04" to build a stand-alone system

**ST 22**  
**PV-module outdoor**

For outdoor experiments. Adjustable angle of inclination of the PV-module, mounted on a frame with two wheels. Output DC:  
Voc = 20,8 V  
Isc = 3,6 A  
Pmax = 56 W  
Type polycrystalline



**ST 23**  
**Electronic DC electricity meter, 1x input, 1x output**

For measuring energy in DC mains (one direction)  
Measuring W



**ST 27**  
**Power supply**

Mains connection 230 V AC, output 0 - 30 V / 0 - 2 A DC, for use with "ST 16 "

**ST 29**  
**PV- module amorphous**

5 W, with alternate mounting system (for Pos. 14), incl. connection cord and plug



**ST 30**  
**Safety box**

with false current cut - out ( 4 - pole ), CEE five-pin plug and 1,5 m connecting cord. With CEE five-pin socket. For connecting with mains and "St13"

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**ST 99**  
**Take up frame**

For 10 instruction - panels



**ST 97**  
**Experimental introduction**

Languages deliverable

German  
English  
Spanish  
French



**ST 98**  
**Instruction manual**

Languages deliverable

German  
English  
Spanish  
French



**ST 96**  
**Laboraty roller desk**

For use with ST 99

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## Photovoltaic-experimental kit for teaching at schools

The available experimental materials allow the carrying out of all basic experiments in the field of photovoltaics.

Because the experiments are built up modularly the adaption to the actual teaching is possible according to the requirement.

The materials are arranged clearly and optically attractive in a specific yellow suitcase. Everything is always completely at hand, extra material is not necessary.

The experiments can be built up and removed fast. The pupils are able to carry out the experiments by themselves with the help of the easily understandable experimentation instruction. The teacher gets further information to do the exercises and to understand the physics.



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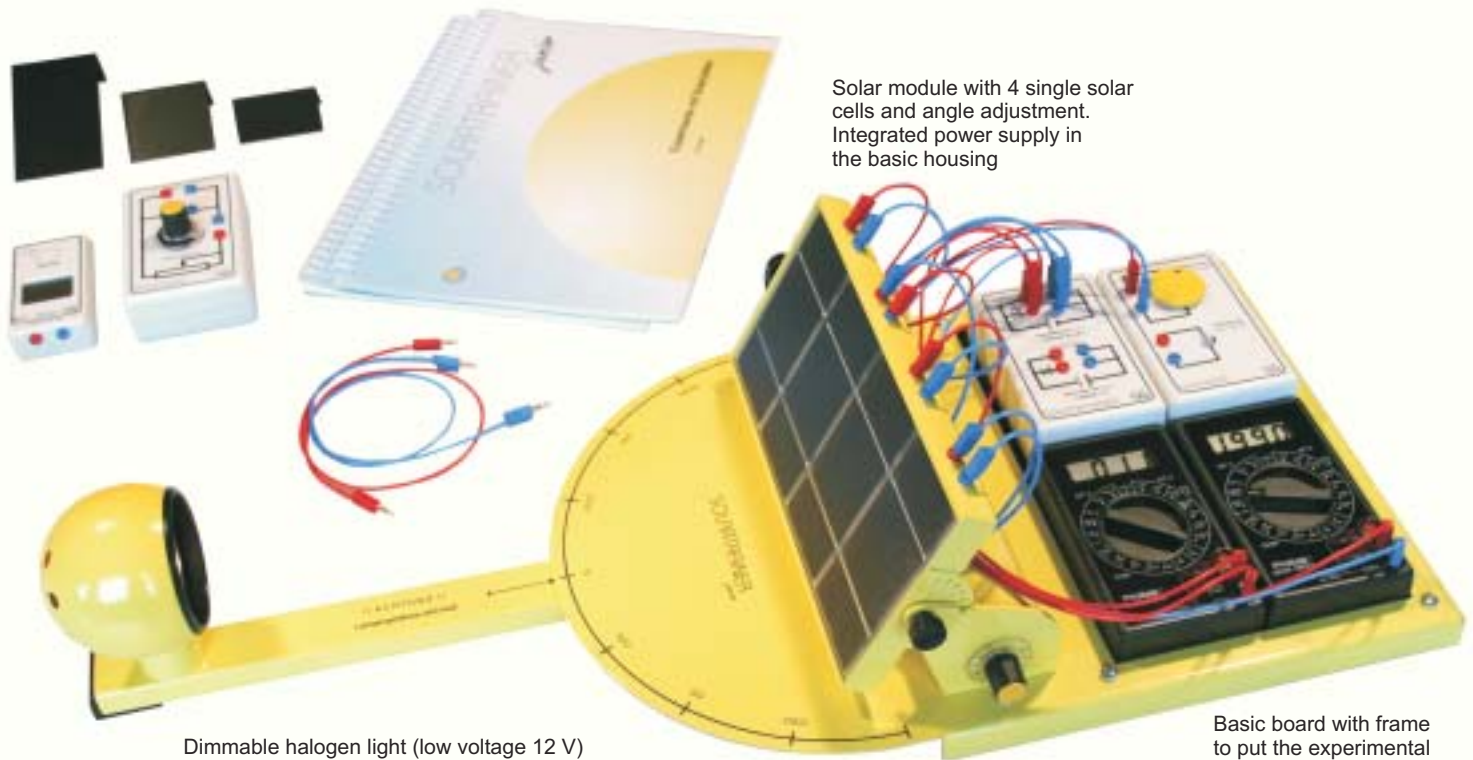
Picture shown with extension kit



### With the set of equipment supplied, the following experiments are possible:

- Measuring of the irradiance of different light sources
  - Solar cell as an energy converter
  - Solar cell as an energy converter and diode function
  - Open circuit voltage of a solar cell at different shadowing conditions
  - Short circuit current of a solar cell at different shadowing conditions
  - Open circuit voltage and short circuit current of a solar cell at different irradiance
  - Short circuit current of a solar cell depending on angle of incidence of the light
  - Series connection of solar cells / different shadowing conditions
  - Parallel connection of solar cells / different shadowing conditions
  - Characteristic curve of a solar cell (I/U) / different irradiance
  - Characteristic curve of a solar cell (U/P), MPP, figure out of the efficiency
  - Simulation: Short circuit current of a solar cell depending on position of the sun (sunrise to sunset)
  - Charging a GoldCap / accumulator with solar cells
  - Discharging a GoldCap / accumulator with electric motor and light bulb
  - Building up of a stand alone operation net
- With extension kit - measurement with PC:**
- Characteristic curve of a solar cell (I/U) / different irradiance
  - Demonstration of an inverter (sinwave / rectangular)
  - Charging a GoldCap / accumulator with solar cells, discharging a GoldCap / accumulator with electric motor and light bulb

# SOLARTRAINER junior



Solar module with 4 single solar cells and angle adjustment. Integrated power supply in the basic housing

Dimmable halogen light (low voltage 12 V) which can be moved around the solar module in a semicircle, disconnectable for experiments with sun light

Basic board with frame to put the experimental boxes und multimeters

## Set of equipment supplied:

- Specific yellow suitcase with shaped part made of foam plastic
- Basic board with frame to put the experimental boxes und multimeters
- Low voltage (12 V ) halogen lamp
- Power supply with dimmer switch, power cable (mains fed, input 230 V AC 50 Hz, output 12 V AC)
- Solar module with 4 single cells and angle adjustment
- 2 multimeters with 2 mm connectors
- Sensor box for measuring irradiance
- Load box with electric motor and light bulb
- Storage box with NC accumulator and GoldCap and blocking diode
- Measuring box with variable resistor
- Connecting cords, high flexible, contacts brass / hard copper gold plated
- Experimental instruction / documentation for teacher

## Optional extension kit:

- PC measuring box
- Inverter box
- Interface cable
- Software (running under WINDOWS)



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# WINDTRAINER *junior*



## Windenergy-experimental kit for teaching at schools

The available experimental materials allow the carrying out of all basic experiments in the field of windenergy.

Because the experiments are built up modularly the adaption to the actual teaching is possible according to the requirement.

The materials are arranged clearly and optically attractive in a specific with suitcase. Everything is always completely at hand, extra material is not necessary.

The experiments can be built up and removed fast. The pupils are able to carry out the experiments by themselves with the help of the easily understandable experimentation instruction. The teacher gets further information to do the exercises and to understand the physics.



- Measuring of the wind force in the vicinity of the school
- Measuring of the wind force of the wind machine depending on the adjustment of the control knob
- Power output of the generator depending on the shape of the wing (even / curved)
- Power output of the generator depending on the number of wings (2, 3, 4)
- Power output of the generator depending on the position (angle) of the wing
- Characteristic curve of a generator ( $U$ ) at constant speed
- Characteristic curve of a generator ( $U$ ). Measuring the resistance- and buoyancy rotor at constant wind force

- Power output of the generator depending on the wind force
- Charge of an akku/Gold Cap with the generator
- Discharge an akku/Gold Cap with different loads
- Build up of a stand alone operation net

### With extension kit savonius rotor:

- Characteristic curve of a savonius rotor( $U$ ) at constant speed
- Power output of the savonius rotor operating with and without aperture

# WINDTRAINER junior



Anemometer,  
accessories and tool

Controllable wind machine (low voltage)  
with power supply inside

Wind power plant with  
protection cover and  
degree scale



Basic board with frame to put the  
experimental boxes und multimeters

## Set of equipment supplied:

- Specific white suitcase with shaped part made of foam plastic
- Basic board with frame to put the experimental boxes und multimeters
- Wind machine with controllable power supply
- Wind power plant with axial rotor, generator without gear, with tacho generator, hub for mounting 2, 3, and 4 wings, angle of the wings adjustable
- 4 wings even, 4 wings curved
- Protection cover, wind shield, tool
- 2 multimeters with 2 mm connectors
- Anemometer
- Load box with electric motor and light bulb
- Storage box with NC accumulator and GoldCap and blocking diode
- Measuring box with variable resistor
- Experimental instruction / documentation for Teacher

## Optional extension kit:

- Savonius-Rotor



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# H<sub>2</sub>-TRAINER junior



## Hydrogen-/ Fuel Cell-experimental kit for teaching at schools

The available experimental materials allow the carrying out of all basic experiments in the field of hydrogen-/ fuel cell technology.

Because the experiments are built up modularly the adaption to the actual teaching is possible according to the requirement.

The materials are arranged clearly and optically attractive in a specific red suitcase. Everything is always completely at hand, extra material is not necessary.

The experiments can be built up and removed fast. The pupils are able to carry out the experiments by themselves with the help of the easily understandable experimentation instruction.

The teacher gets further information to do the exercises and to understand the physics.



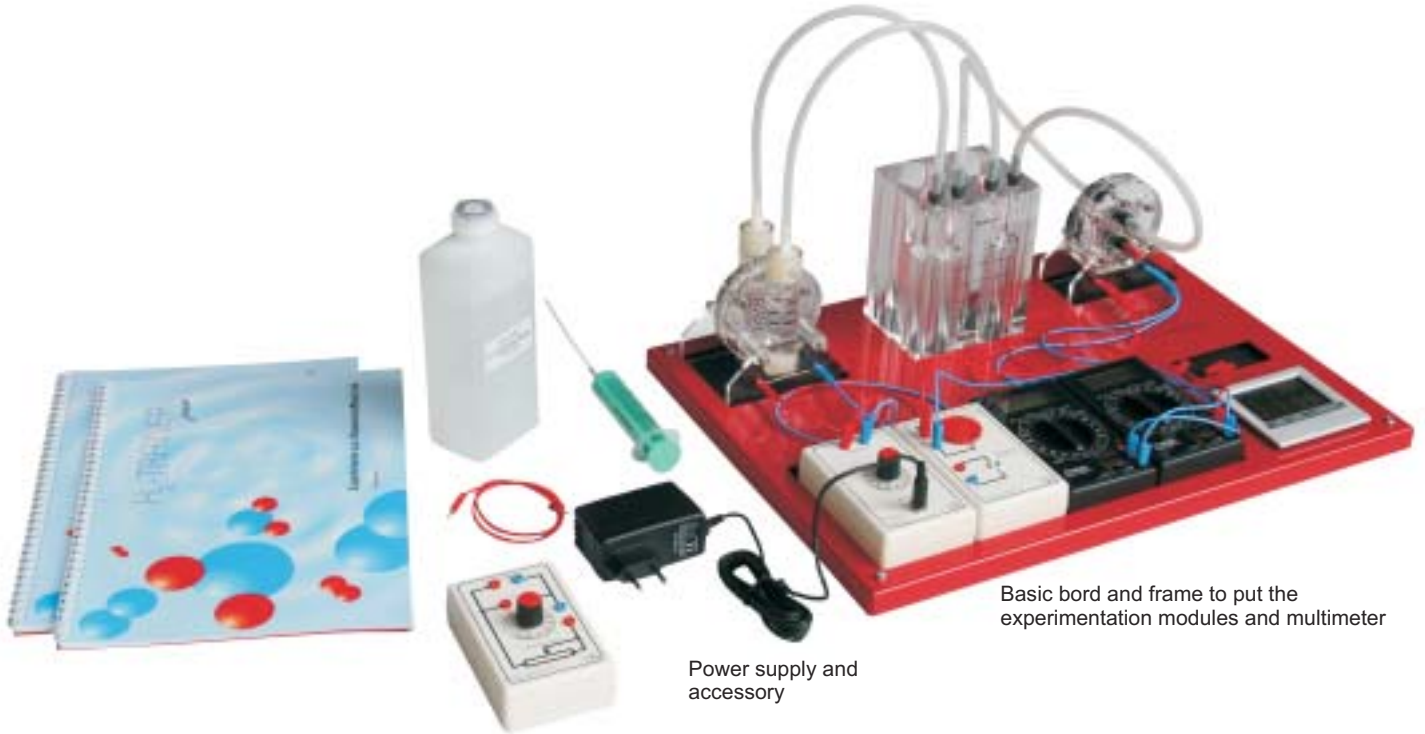
### With the set of equipment supplied, the following experiments are possible:

- Measuring of the volume ratio of the generated gases
- Measuring of the generated volumes of the gases per unit of time depending on the current
- Determination of the power efficiency and the Farady efficiency of the elektrolyser
- Determination of the U/I- characteristic of the elektrolyser
- Determination of the power efficiency and the Farady efficiency of the fuel cell
- Determination of the U/I- characteristic of the fuel cell
- Building up of a stand alone operation net
- In combination with the Solartrainer junior: Operation of the elektrolyser with solar cells
- In combination with the Windtrainer junior: Operation of the elektrolyser with windenergy
- In combination with the Solartrainer junior and the Windtrainer junior: Operation of the elektrolyser with solar cells and windenergy as a hybrid system

# H<sub>2</sub>-TRAINER *junior*



Elektrolyser, gas storage and fuel cell



Basic board and frame to put the experimentation modules and multimeter

Power supply and accessory

## Set of equipment supplied:

- Specific red suitcase with shaped part made of foam plastic
- Basic board with frame to put the experimental boxes und multimeters
- Elektrolyser
- Power supply
- Current control box
- Gas storage
- Fuel cell
- 2 multimeters with 2 mm connectors
- Load box with electric motor and light bulb
- Measuring box with variable resistor
- Connecting cords, highly flexible, contacts brass/hard copper gold plated
- Connecting hoses/caps
- Distilled water
- Syringe
- Experimental instruction / documentation for Teacher

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## Measurement equipment

For energy consultants, caretakers, consulting engineers and environment issues managers the ideal tool for building diagnostics and room air analyses.

Furthermore there can be made analyses in the field of water consumption, lighting and energy consumption of electrical appliances.

### Illuminance level

With the lux meter living areas and workplaces can be inspected of adequate and evenly distributed illuminance level - which is prerequisite for a non fatigue seeing.



The measurement devices are arranged clearly and optically attractive in a specific green suitcase. Everything is always completely at hand, extra material is not necessary.

With the set of equipment supplied, the following measurements are possible:

### Room air quality

With the high-class multi measuring device and a multiple sensor the CO<sub>2</sub>-concentration, relative air humidity, indoor temperature and the absolute air pressure can be measured contemporaneously.

The values are displayed on a big LCD-display and can be logged optionally.

With the relative air humidity and the indoor temperature it is possible to determine the dew point temperature tabularly.

### Surface temperature

With the infrared thermometer it is possible to measure surface temperatures contactless.

The wall temperature can be inspected of critical dew point temperatures (mildew potential).

This way it is possible to detect deficiencies and wasteful illumination can be avoided.

### Water consumption

With the flow rate meter the water consumption at every spigot can be determined.

### Energy consumption of electrical appliances

With the energy meter the energy consumption of electrical appliances can be determined as well as the energy costs.

### Room dimensions

Longitudes, areas and volumes can be measured comfortably and contactlessly with the electronic distance meter.

# Energie Check

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## Content:

- 1 Lux meter digital  
Effective range 0 - 50.000 Lux, value-hold-function, sensor external with spiral cable.  
Metering precision +/- 5% + 2 digits
- 2 Energy cost meters digital  
Measuring of energy, power (Effective, apparent and idle power), voltage, current, power factor, frequency, measuring duration, duty cycle, costs, min. / max. values, cost prognosis and more features
- 1 Flow rate meter  
Effective range 1 to 25 l/min, actual value can be read directly on the scale
- 1 Infrared digital thermometer  
Contactless measuring with two point laser targeting, display of measuring spot size, Effective range -30 ...+400 C°, Emission factor adjustable 0,2 ... 1,00, lighted display, value hold function
- 1 Electronic distance meter digital  
Effective range 0,6 ... 20 m, with laser pointer, Measuring of longitudes, aereas and volumes, memory, adding up function, Metering precision +/- 0,5%
- 1 Multi measuring device  
With multible sensor (IAQ sensor) for measuring of  
CO<sub>2</sub>- concentration 0 .. + 10,000 ppm  
Temperature 0 .. + 50° C  
Relative air humidity 0 .. + 100 %  
Absolute air pressure + 600 .. 1.150 hPa  
Big digital LCD display,  
With data logger,  
Set up of up to 99 measuring localities
- 1 Power supply
- 1 USB interface cable
- 1 Software
- 1 Set of short instructions

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## Measurement equipment

For projects at schools the ideal measurement equipment to deal with energy-saving, room-air condition, water consumption, room lighting and energy consumption of electrical appliances.

### Indoor and outdoor temperatures

With the two digital temperature meters the indoor and outdoor temperatures can be measured just as the min. And max. Values.



The measurement devices are arranged clearly and optically attractive in a specific green suitcase. Everything is always completely at hand, extra material is not necessary.

With the set of equipment supplied, the following measurements are possible:

### Room air quality

With the two digital temperature-humidity-meters the relative air humidity and the air temperature can be measured.

The measured values are displayed on a LCD-display, it is also possible to log the datas.

With the relative air humidity and the air temperature it is possible to determine the dew point temperature.

The data can be read out by the RS-232 -interface with the enclosed software.

### Surface temperature

With the digital precision temperature meter it is possible to measure surface temperatures, water and air temperatures.

The wall temperature can be inspected of critical dew point temperatures (mildew potential).

With the two analog temperature meters the air temperature and the min. and max. values can be measured.

### Illuminance level

With the lux meter class-rooms and laboratory areas can be inspected of adequate and evenly distributed illuminance level - which is prerequisite for a non fatigue seeing.

This way it is possible to detect deficiencies and wasteful illumination can be avoided.

### Water consumption

With the flow rate meter the water consumption at every spigot can be determined.

### Energy consumption of electrical appliances

With the energy meter the energy consumption of electrical appliances can be determined as well as the energy costs.

# Energie Check junior



## Content:

- 1 Lux meter digital  
Effective range 0 - 50,000 Lux, value-hold-function, sensor external with spiral cable.  
Metering precision +/- 5% + 2 digits
- 1 Precision digital thermometer  
External sensor for measuring of surface, water and air temperatures  
Effective range -199.9 ...+199.9 °C,  
Resolution 0.1° C  
Precision 0...100° C: 0.1°C +/- 1 digit
- 2 Energy cost meters digital  
Measuring of energy, power (Effective power), voltage, measuring duration, duty cycle, costs, min. / max. values, cost prognosis and more features

- 1 Flow rate meter  
Effective range 1 to 25 l/min, actual value can be read off directly on the scale
- 2 Temperature humidity meters digital  
Effective range temperatur: 0 .. + 59.9° C,  
Metering precision +/- 0.5 °C  
Effective range relative air humidity: 1 .. 99 %  
Metering precision +/- 3%  
Time (DCF-77 signal)  
Min.-/ Max.- values  
Preset of alarm values possible  
Average values  
Dew point temperature  
Big digital-LCD-display,  
Data logger, up to 3,000 values,  
memory, time interval selectable  
RS 232-interface  
Foot to put up
- 2 Interface cables
  - 1 Software to read out, data export and processing with other software possible
  - 2 Indoor-/ outdoor temperature meters digital  
External sensor for measuring the outdoor temperature,  
Cable length 3 m  
Effective range indoor temp. -10 ...+60° C  
Effective range outdoor temp. -50 ...+70° C  
Min- / Max. - values  
Big digital-LCD-display
  - 2 Indoor temperature meters analog  
Effective range -35 ...+50° C  
Min- / Max. - values, reset
- 1 Set of short form instructions

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## Solar radiation sensor ISET Sensor - high-quality measurement technology for the mass market

### The new ISET Sensor

Photovoltaic plant system operators want to have simple, quick and reliable information about the function of their PV-plant.

Thermoelectric radiation sensors cannot be compared easily with a real PV-generator with respect to the "energy yield" because of their different spectral sensitiveness as well as their different reflection- and temperature characteristics.

In addition you have the relatively high acquisition cost.

In contrast to this, the radiation sensors of the lower price category do not fulfill the long-term accuracy requirements and may find no acceptance because of their "low-cost equipment", in particular in the field of buildings.

The solar cell sensor **ISET Sensor** eliminates these deficits. It fits well the physical characteristics of the solar generator. The simple and compact but nevertheless precise construction predestine it for use in the field of building measurement technology.

With the new housing design it gains the necessary acceptance in the technical services for facilities as well as in the general field of architecture.

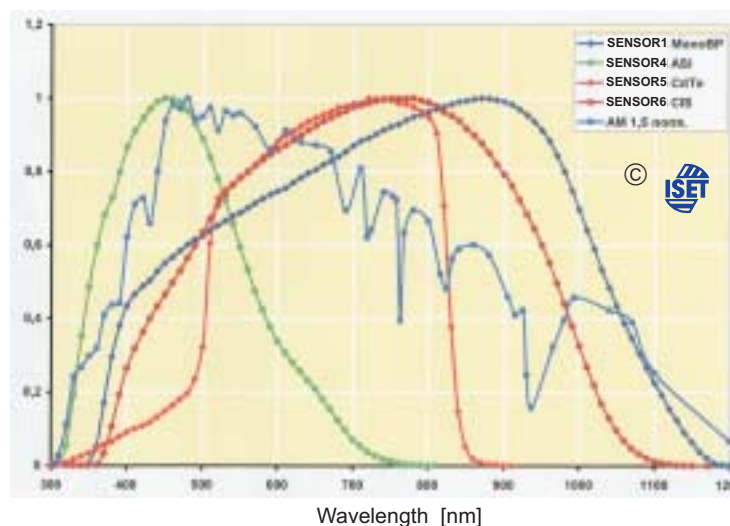
### Technical features of the ISET Sensor

The solar radiation is converted into a proportional current by an exact defined solar cell. Via a specific shunt resistance which is coupled thermically to the compact aluminum housing, the measured voltage is determined.

The almost identical geometrical construction of the test cell, comparable with PV modules, as well as the specifically formed housing with possibilities of outside temperature link-up and high weather resistance assure reproducible results of measurement.

A Pt 1000 - temperature sensor registers the cell temperature over a two-wire data line with high measuring accuracy.

The calibration of every **ISET Sensor** is achieved with a reference element constructed in an identical fashion by an accredited test laboratory in  $W/m^2$  and is documented on a quality assurance calibrating certificate.



Spectral sensitivity of different **ISET Sensor** sensors under AM 1,5 (normalized).

It is clearly visible and derivable that for the energetical rating and monitoring of a PV-plant should only be used the same technology of the sensor and the PV-plant because of the different spectral sensitivity of the different technologies. Further there are the same physical characteristics regarding temperature, reflection and degradation.

With the **ISET Sensor** for each photovoltaic technology the suitable radiation sensor can be delivered.

# ISET Sensor

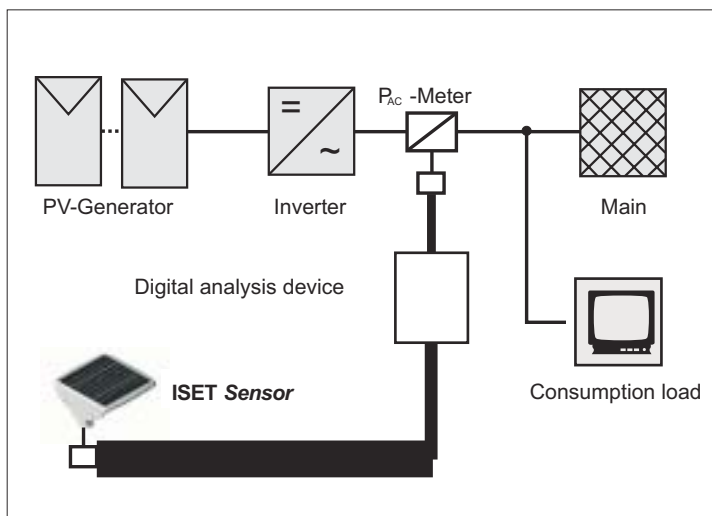


## Monitoring concept

Using the **ISET Sensor** in a new monitoring concept the received radiation power measured on the PV generator level is compared with the output (AC) generated by the PV system.

The comparison quotient represents a functional and quality parameter for the PV-plant in the simplest way.

By the implemented evaluation logic, solar module manufacturers, traders and even electricians receive via the cumulated energy output an insight into a simplified "course of life documentation" of their products. In this way, questions about a "guaranteed" energy output are discussed more reasonably, the energy output can be provable.



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## Technical data ISET Sensor

### Housing

- Aluminum, powder coating in facade quality, color is silvery grey \*
- Mounting with two nuts M 5 backside
- Housing pressure balance by means of a special membrane.

### Connecting cable

AWG 26, shielded, black, length 3m \*  
Plug connected

### Available solar cell sensors

- monocrystalline
  - polycrystalline
  - EFG
  - amorphous
- Embedded under clear glass hardened thermicly or embedded like solar module

### Measuring voltage

- about 100 mV (cal.val.) /1000 W/m<sup>2</sup>, 25°C
- Specific shunt resistance coupled thermicly to the case.

### Calibration

The calibration of every **ISET Sensor** is achieved by a reference element (quality grade A, constructed in an identical fashion) from an accredited test laboratory in W/m<sup>2</sup> by IWES/Kassel.

A calibrating printout according to EN 45001 documents the product specific parameters.

The relative measurement uncertainty is < ±4% (cryst.mat.) / < ±5% (am. mat.) The measurement uncertainty refers to a confidence level of 1-alpha =95%.

### Temperature sensor

Pt 1000, laminated or bonded centrally under the cell

### Operating temperature range

-25° to + 80° C

\* other versions according to customer preference (minimum quantity)  
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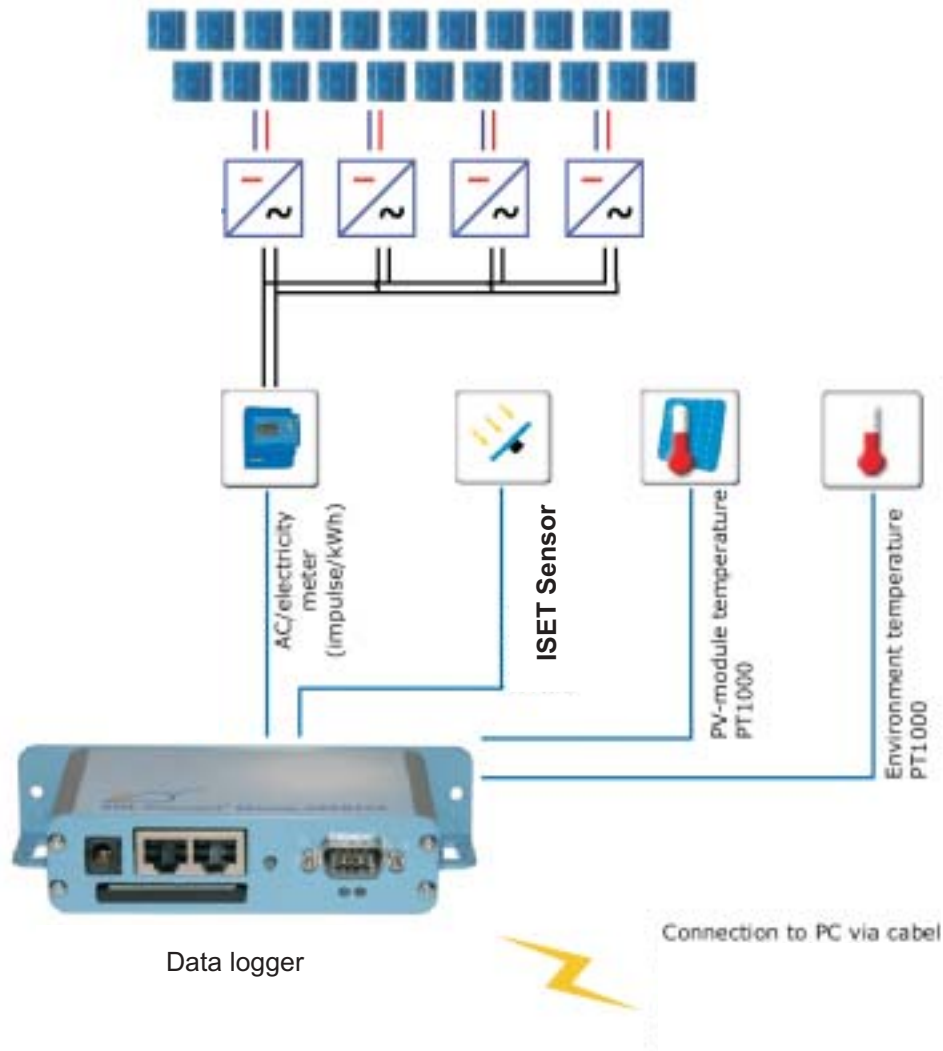
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# Data logger

## Typical setup



## Datalogger - Sol.Connect® Mouse

Photovoltaic plants are working very reliable today. Nevertheless it is advised to check them on a regular basis. Inverter or solar controls should be monitored preferably in realtime, yields should be checked at least once a month. Only like that can malfunctions be immediately recognised and investments be secured.

The Sol.Connect® Mouse is a reasonably priced, powerful Compact Flash® data logger for small and medium individual plants.

The device is able to log the directed solar radiation, temperature of the sensor solar cell, module or

environment temperature and energy production and include them into assessment.

By continuously logging all relevant data malfunctions are automatically dedected and communicated (LED / speaker / relay contact).

Storage media are standard Compact Flash® memory cards. The reasonable priced media allow consistent and continuous logging of all data and error protocols over long periods of time with high granularity (typically 500 days).

# Data logger



## Technical data

- Fanless aluminium profile case for indoor use
- Dimensions without frame connector (DxHxW) 110 x 100 x 30 mm
- 9-pole Sub-D plug for PC / modem
- LED t display system status
- Controller Atmel ATMEGA 128
- Compact Flash Adapter Type 1
- Internal speaker
- External power supply 12 - 30 V DC 0,5 W
- Operating temperature 0°C to + 50°C
- Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - 89/336/EEC
- Electrical safety - 73/23/EEC
- Software for configuration and data evaluation

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# Solar radiation meter Standard



## Technical Specification

Measuring range / Resolution

	$P_{tot}$	T
Unit	W/m <sup>2</sup>	°C
values	0 ... 1.000	-40 ... +85
Resolution	1	0.1

Max. Variation  $P_{tot}$ : < 3 %  $\pm$  1 digit in range 50 ... 1.000 W/m<sup>2</sup>  
(AM 1,5 / normal axis radiation (\*2), T = 0 ... +50 °C)

Max. Variation T: < 3 °C  $\pm$  1 digit in range -25 ... +75 °C,  
optional < 1 °C  $\pm$  1 digit

Power requirement (active Mode): 4 mW  
Integrated solar module nominal power 180 mW \*1  
Ambient temperature measurement range: -20 ... +50 °C (Ambient temperatur)  
Max. ambient humidity: 90 %  
Dimensions (without mounting): 130 x 90 x 30 mm or  
Weight (without mounting): 170 g  
Certification CE / EN50081, EN50082  
Calibration according to: IEC904/3, Calibration certificate on request  
Warrenty 2 years

(\*1) At standard conditions  $P_{tot} = 1.000$  W/m<sup>2</sup>, solar spectrum AM 1,5 at T = 25 °C

(\*2) Certified by PI Photovoltaik-Institut Berlin AG

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# Photovoltaic - simulators



## Model line PV - ES 150 to PV - ES 18.000

For the development and research of photovoltaic system components experiments on photovoltaics generators are absolutely essential.

Since real PV generators depend on temporal and meteorological influence factors they are unsuitable for a continuous laboratory operation with reproducible conditions needed.

That's why for tests and certifying of different devices PV-simulators are used. They have the one advantage of being cheap and easy in construction, even for high demanding relating to the dynamics.



### Technical Concept

The PV-Simulator is controlling one or several DC power supplies in a way, that their characteristics simulate those of a PV-generator.

By using the operating panel it is possible to effect „on-the-fly“ changes concerning environmental influences such as solar irradiation [ $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ] and temperature [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ].

For this procedure, two potentiometers are used and the LC-display is monitoring the set values in real-time.

The PV-Simulator is built in a metal housing. The supply voltage of the PV-Simulator is 90 - 250 V AC, 50 - 60 Hz. In the simulation mode, the simulated solar irradiation and temperature are monitored.

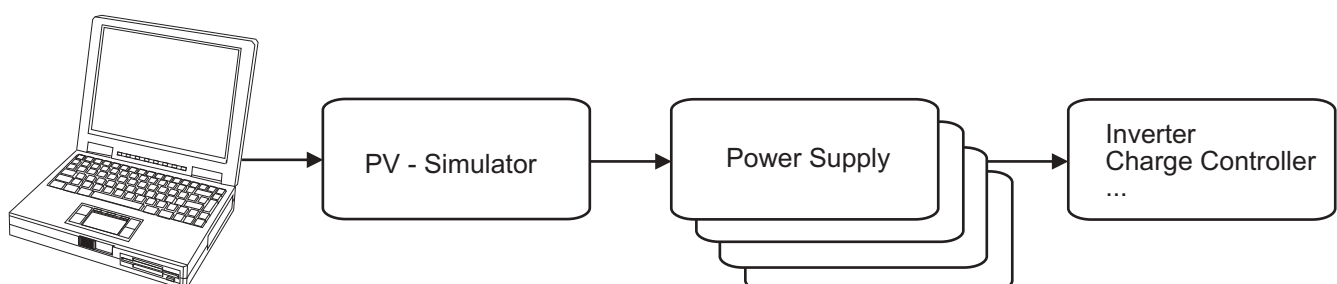
The PV-Simulator is capable of handling a maximal Output voltage from the Power Supply up to 1000 V, the PV-Simulator is programmed with the following parameters (condition of delivery):

off-load voltage ( $U_0$ ) 240 V, short circuit current ( $I_K$ ) 8A, UMPP 200 V, IMPP 7,0 A, Temp. coefficient  $-1000 \text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}$

By means of a terminal program or with the supplied demo software these values can be adjusted for other panels.

For the input of the voltage and current values an entry of 0.1 V and 0.01 A steps is possible.

### Equivalent circuit diagram





## Child oriented readout system for visualization of energy yields from photovoltaic plants

### Photovoltaic plants as shining examples on the roofs of kindergartens and schools

The possibility to convert sunlight with solar cells directly into electric power, makes the photovoltaic to one of the popular renewable energies. It is for this reason that photovoltaic plants are installed enhanced on kindergartens and schools. Apart from the aspirated example function the kids should be most familiarized with renewable energies.

### Visualization not child oriented so far

For the visualization of the energy yields of photovoltaic plants typically the "standard solution" is used: A large sized digital display to show the actual power and the total electric power fed to the mains. It has turned out however that most of the kids quickly loose interest in the display also because it is not really plain.

### New concept of a visualization

That is why the University of Applied sciences Münster has created a new concept of visualization within the scope of a disatation. The preproduction model was developed by the company IKS Photovoltaik as a licence partner.



**The actual electric power** is displayed analoguely by means of 24 symbolic incandescent lamps (inside LED), because kids know electricity above all from incandescent lamps in everyday life.

The higher the actual output of the photovoltaic plant is the more lamps are in operation.

**The monthly fed in energy is displayed** analoguely by red balls, which were transported by the sun wheel into the catch tank. The number of balls transported depends on the energy fed into the mains. At the end of the month the balls are filled back into the above storage tank and the digital display for the monthly energy yield is set to zero.

**Digital displays** for the actual power, the monthly and the total energy yield are there additionally.

The system is preferably for wallmounting in public areas of entryways.

**Currently only available within Germany**



## Kinder sehen, wie der Strom vom Himmel fließt

### FH-Professor erhält Preis Visualisierung der „Stromernte“ / Vermarktung

Burgsteinfurt. Wenn die Sonne kräftig scheint, leuchten alle 24 Lampchen auf der Schraufel und eine Sonnenuhr schneidet für jede gewonnene Kilowattstunde der Sonne zwei Holzperlen in eine „Batterie“. So soll die „Stromernte“ der Solaranlage auf dem Dach auch schon für Kindergartenkinder begreifbar werden.

Entwickelt werden ist die so genannte VisiKid-Anlage unter Leitung von Prof. Dr.-Ing. Konrad Mertens am Fachbereich Elektrotechnik und Informatik der Fachhochschule in Burgsteinfurt. Der Hochschullehrer hat die Anlage jetzt auf einer Photovoltaik-Konferenz in Bamberg vorgestellt und ist mit einem Sonderpreis für das interessanteste Exponat durch die Konferenzjury ausgezeichnet worden. Zudem konnte sich der Wissenschaftler vor Nachfragern und Bestellwünschen kaum retten.

Nun stellte sich uns die Frage, was wir mit dem offensichtlich hohen Vermarktungspotenzial anfangen sollten“, betont Mertens. Da sich der Wissenschaftler eher in der Rolle des Ideengebers als in der des Produzenten sieht, lag es nahe, die Anlage durch einen Lizenznehmer produzieren und vermarkten zu lassen. Mertens hat nun mit dem Unternehmen IKS-Photovoltaik in Kassel einen Lizenzvertrag für die Produktion von VisiKid abgeschlossen.

Angelungen hatte die Entwicklung mit der Bitte eines Emsdetstener Kindergartens. Dort sollte die Stromerzeugung der Solarstromanlage auf dem Dach für die Kinder erlebbar werden. Der Hochschullehrer und Leiter des Lehrstuhls für Optoelektronik und Sensoren nahm sich der Sache an und entwickelte das Konzept „VisiKid – Kindgerechte Visualisierung“.

Ein erster Prototyp, der seitdem den Emsdetstener Kindern die Solarernte erklärt, ist während einer Diplomarbeit entstanden. Die jeweilige elektrische Leistung der Anlage signalisieren bis zu 24

Energie sparenden Leuchtdioden. Gleichzeitig zeigen Holzkugeln, die durch ein mittels Mikrocomputer gesteuertes Zahnrad in einem Bohrlauf bedient werden, die erzeugten Kilowattstunden an. IKS-Geschäftsführer Holger Kirsch gibt sich optimistisch: „Das Konzept ist bereits eine gute Grundlage für unsere Weiterentwicklung. Wir gehen davon aus, dass wir schon in Kürze mit der Serienproduktion beginnen könnten.“ Auch Prof. Mertens freut sich, „dass diese Entwicklung auf ein solches Interesse stößt.“ Darüber hinaus könne über die Lizenzannahme die Ausstattung im Labor verbessert werden.



Die Geschäftsführer von IKS Photovoltaik Holger Kirsch und Michael Schröder sowie Prof. Dr.-Ing. Konrad Mertens von der FH (v.l.) besiegeln per Händedruck den Lizenzvertrag.

### Technical specifications:

- Dimensions: 1036 x 836 x 146 mm
- Weight: 12 kg
- Power supply 230 V / 50 Hz / 12 V DC
- Digitale LCD display
  - Actual power
  - Monthly energy yield (with reset function)
  - Total energy yield
- Analogue display of the actual power by 24 symbolic “incandescent lamps” (LED inside)
- Analogue display of the monthly energy yield by red balls (360 pieces), which are transported by the sun wheel from the storage tank into the catch tank depending on the energy fed into the mains
- Removable catch tank, secured by lock
- Low power requirement (max. 6.5 W)
- Inputs:
  - 1x impulse for meter
- Factor according to the photovoltaic plant size freely programmable:
  - One LED (of 24) = x W
  - One ball = x kWh
- Individual labeling possible  
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