

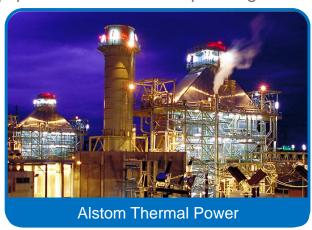
# Concentrated Solar Power with Storage

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# Who We Are Alstom: Three main activities in four sectors

#### Equipment & services for power generation

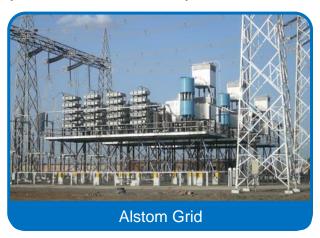




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#### Equipment & services for power transmission



Equipment & services for rail transport





#### Alstom: more than 30 years of experience in solar thermal











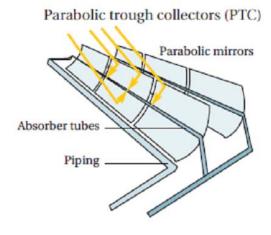
**Alstom investment in BrightSource Strategic Partnership Established** 

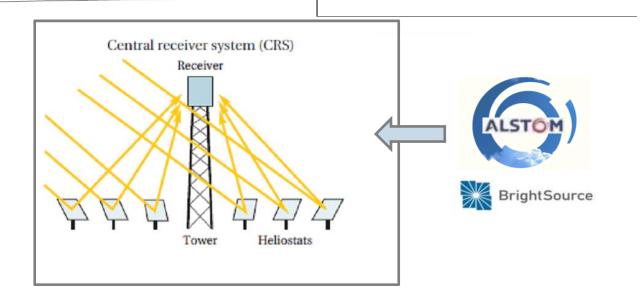


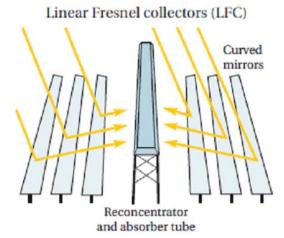
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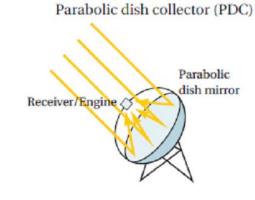


# What is Solar Concentrating Power?











#### Where does CSP work best?

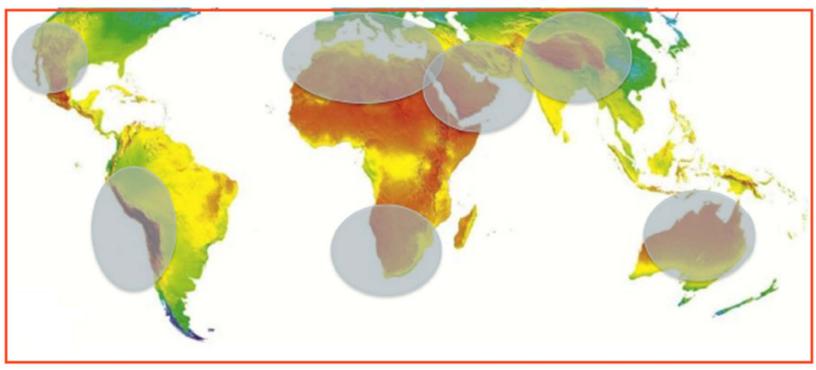


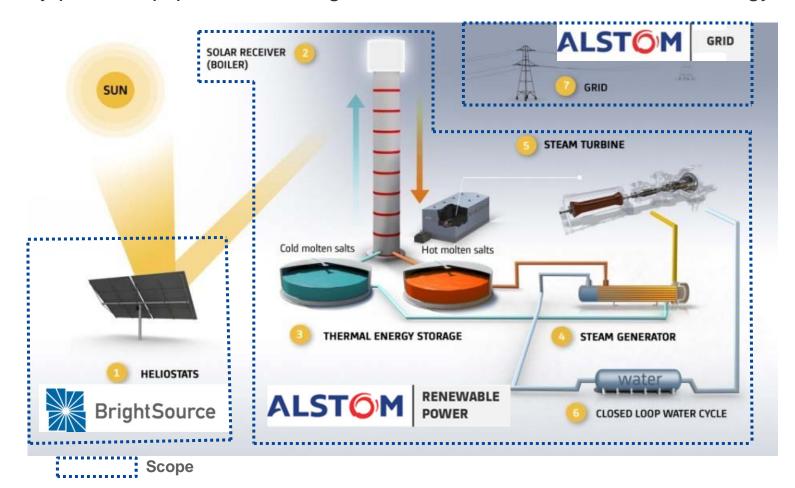
Figure 5.2 - Global markets for CSP in high DNI regions

Source: CSP Alliance Technical Report dated September 2014



## Alstom and Brightsource energy partnership

Combining Alstom's extensive experience in the field of turnkey power plants and key power equipment with BrightSource's LPT solar thermal technology

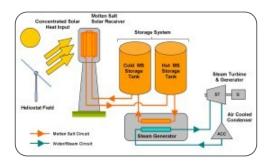




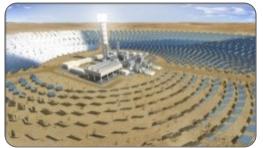


# Offering Concentrated Solar Power

Molten salt solar tower plant and thermal energy storage for capacity above 50MWe



Integrated Solar Combined Cycle for 50Hz/ 60Hz
 with possible generation by solar only (GT shut down)
 high cycle efficiency



- Direct steam solar tower plant for 120-250MWe with/without thermal energy storage
  - Concentrated Solar Steam Generator Generator Generator Generator Blazare Generator Air Cooled Condemser

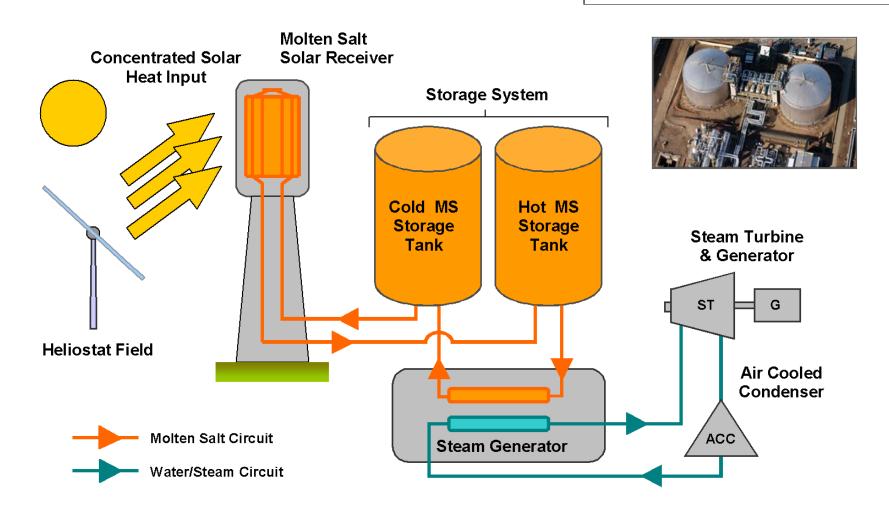
4 Coal/Solar hybrid – 50Hz/60Hz high cycle efficiency on coal LHV, lower CO2 emissions



#### Turnkey solution with in-house components



### Solar Power Tower With Storage



Classic, Proven, Two-Tank Molten Salt Power Tower Technology









# Heliostats: intelligent and precise

#### System delivers beam accuracy in excess of one mile



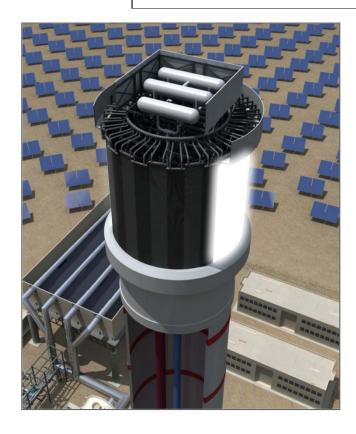


- Heliostats individually positioned in field to optimize annual plant output
- · Account for real time weather, sun location, and wind
- Heliostats "communicate" with each other to optimize radiation collection and solar receiver heat balance
- Two flat glass mirrors (2.3m x 3.3m) mounted on a single pylon equipped with a computer-controlled drive system



### Molten Salt Central Receiver (MSCR)

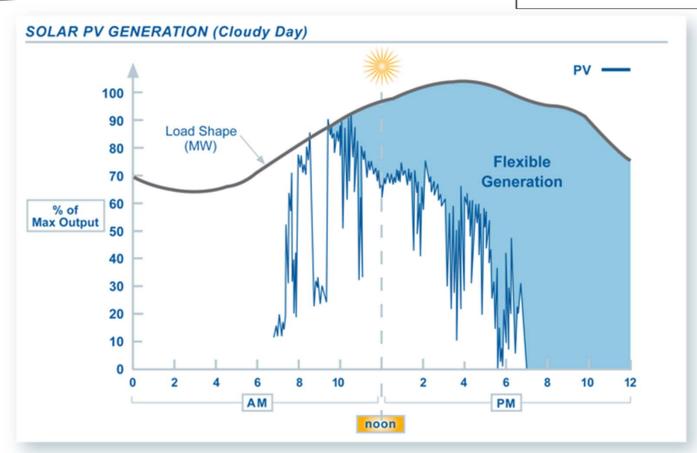




- Maximum rating of approximately 750MWth capacity
- Proprietary receiver coatings to maximize solar energy absorption
- Low pressure operation (atmospheric vents)
- Fast start-up to minimize daily energy losses



#### Output variability impacts grid reliability and increases costs ...



**PV Output Variability** 

#### ... Requiring additional flexible generation to maintain reliability

Chart Source: NERC – Accommodating High Levels of Variable Generation

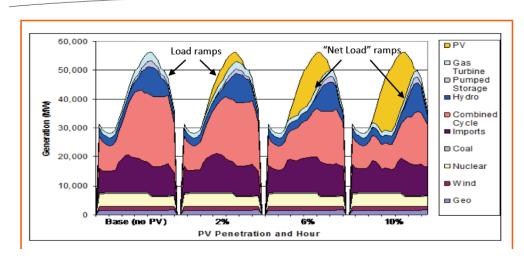
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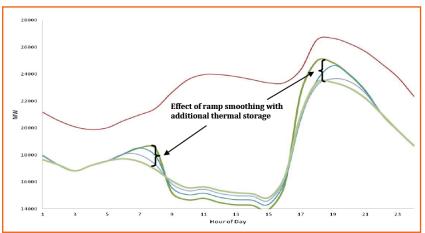
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# CSP value proposition: dispatchability





Source: 2014: CSP Alliance The economic and reliability benefity of CSP with thermal energy storage

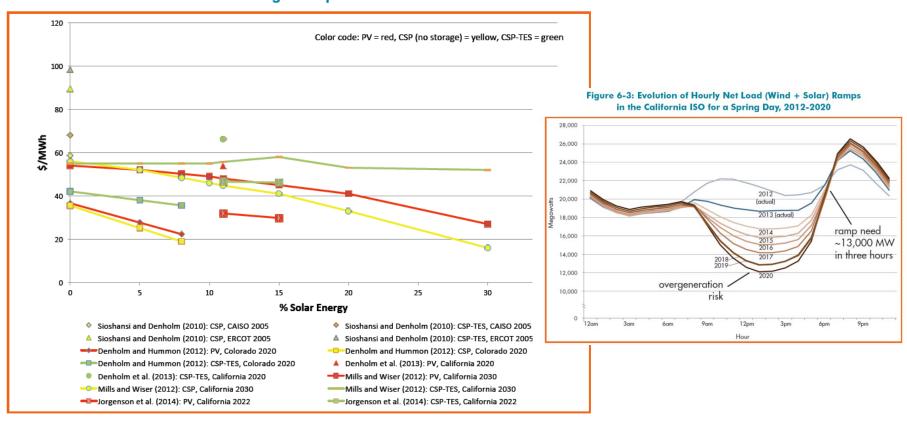
- For utility scale high DNI areas, CSP to be exploited for its cheaper and proven storage capability
  - Equivalent marginal cost of thermal storage ~ 20-30 \$/kWh (min 25-30 yr lifetime) compared to 400-800 \$/kWh from batteries
- CSP to suppport supply and demand even with strong ramps and supply demand-mismatch from PV

CSP with storage is a dispatchable, grid-code compliant, renewable source that helps to manage large PV penetration



# CSP value proposition: energy benefits

Figure 7-2: Energy benefits (\$/MWh) of solar resources from selected studies of increasing solar penetration

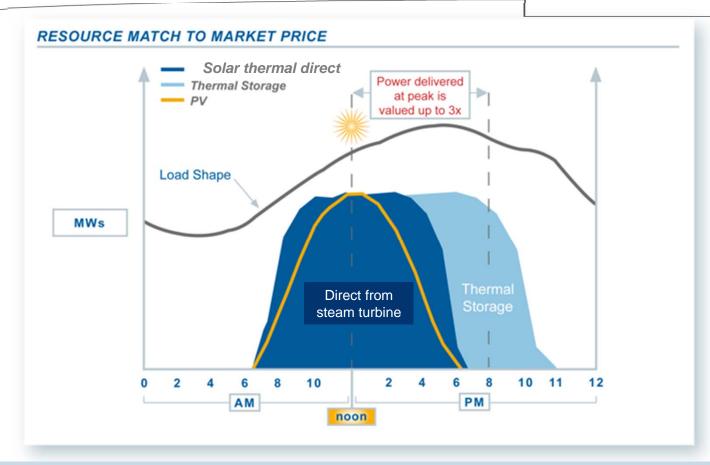


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CSP produces savings from **not needing** additional reserves to manage intermittent generation ramps



#### Net system cost is used by utilities to evaluate cost competitiveness



Energy storage increases asset utilization and transforms solar thermal into a high-value, flexible resource

Note: CA utility time-of-use factors based on PG&E and SCE data

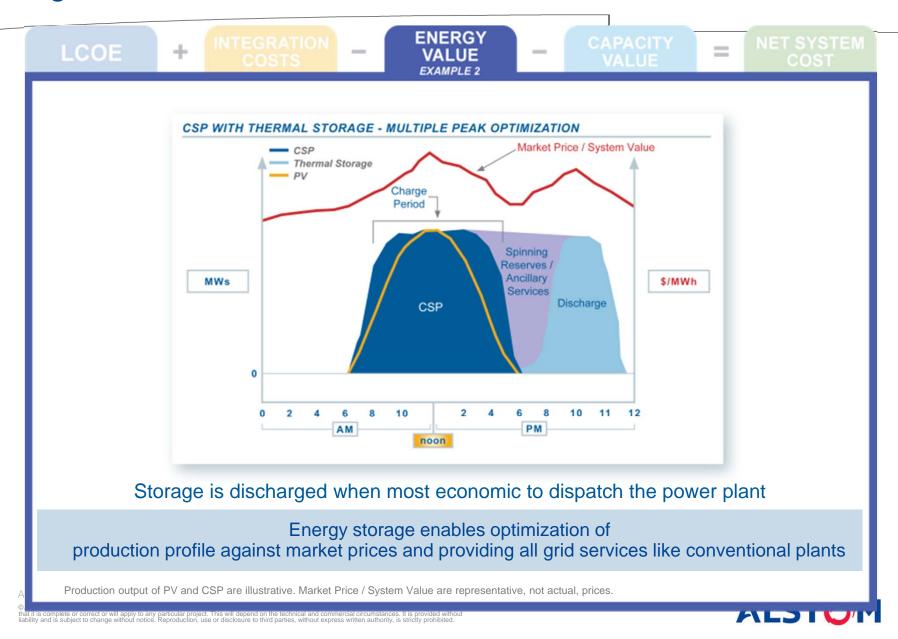
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Production output of PV and BrightSource Power Tower are illustrative. Not drawn to scale with load shape curve

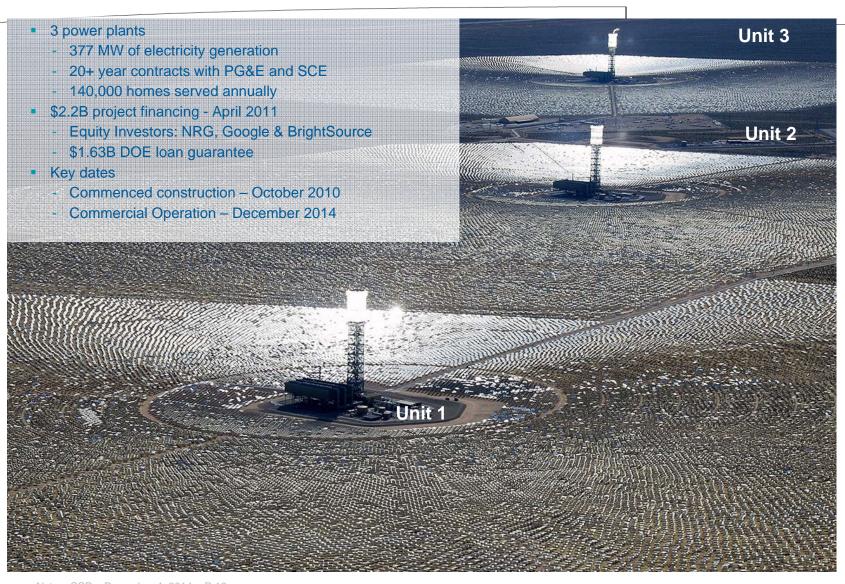
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# Integrating Storage Transforms a Solar Thermal Plant into a High-value, Flexible Resource

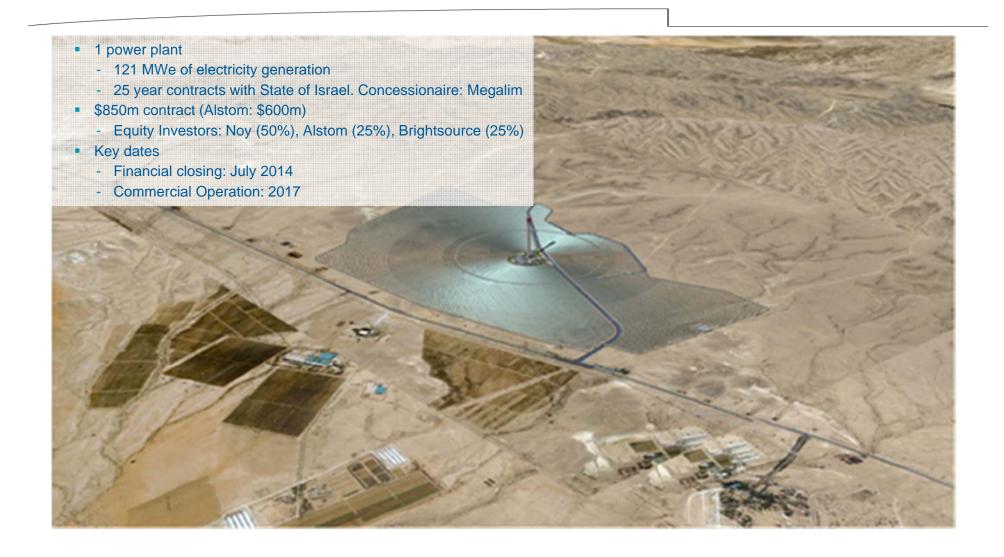


# Ivanpah: world's largest solar thermal project





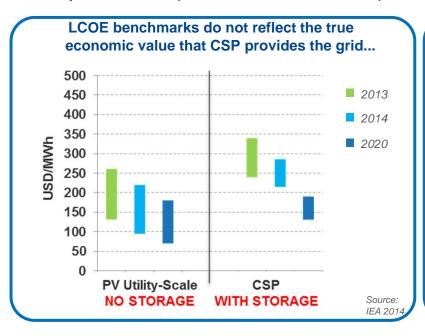
# Ashalim thermal solar power station

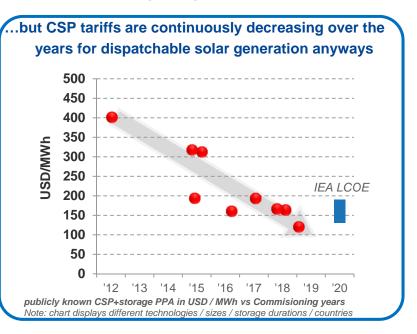




# LCOE comparison – real projects

#### Compare PV (intermittent solar) to CSP + storage (grid-friendly solar)!





- For utility scale high DNI areas, CSP should be exploited for its cheaper and proven storage capability
- CSP with energy storage helps to match supply and demand
- CSP with energy storage allows even more PV to be integrated in the network

#### A renewable generator that already meets all grid codes



