Artificial Intelligence for Operation and Maintenance of PV Plants







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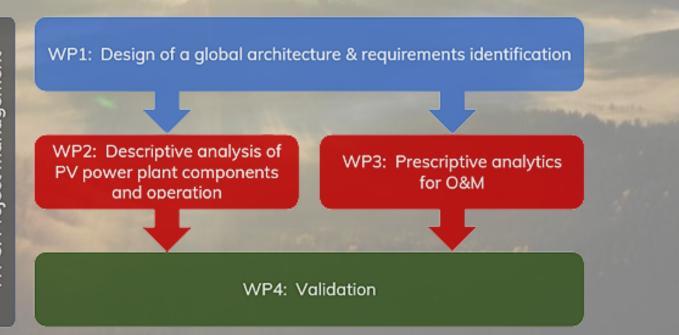
Description

This **24-month project** (July 2021-June 2023) with a total budget of **813 thousands euros**, will **develop AI-based tools and Digital Twin to enhance O&M in PV parks**, thus reducing costs and increasing plant reliability and availability.



Structure

WP5: Project management



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Objectives

- Specific objective 1 Increasing PV Plant reliability through development and validation of models, simulation tools and AI-based data analysis for fault prediction and detection:
 - SO 1.1- Early fault detection tools through advanced monitoring, automated data analysis and comparison with model-generated values.
 - SO 1.2 Predictive maintenance tools for increased reliability.
- Specific objective 2 Optimizing PV Plant generation performance:
 SO 2.1 Early degradation and underperformance detection tools.
 - SO 2.2 Root cause analysis for prescriptive maintenance tools.

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Results

The expected result of the Project is a set of tools for PV plant O&M and Asset Managers for:

- increasing the operational reliability and efficiency of PV plants: high accuracy of early detection of faults and degradation problems and Optimization of O&M activities;
- enhance economic performance: reduction of downtimes of elements, detection of underperformance problems that can affect the energy production.



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EDP NEW

EDP NEW is a subsidiary of the EDP Group with the mission to create value through collaborative R&D in the energy sector. EDP NEW is the coordinator of the project, and will also lead the validation activities, providing both test sites and datasets from existing PV farms for the validation of the Al4PV solutions.

INESC TEC

INESC TEC is an Associate Laboratory with 35 years of experience in R&D and technology transfer. In AI4PV, it contributes with the development of root-cause analysis and intelligent maintenance strategies for photovoltaic power plants. Participation in the modelling of power electronic inverters.

ISOTROL

Isotrol is an ICT company specialized on services and solutions for utility-scale renewable energy generation, with over 37 years' experience. In AI4PV Isotrol will lead the conceptual definition of the project as well as the design, implementation and validation of the Digital Twin of photovoltaic plants.