

# « Exchange of Experiences » - Webinar

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## Company profile

### Covering the World with our Solutions

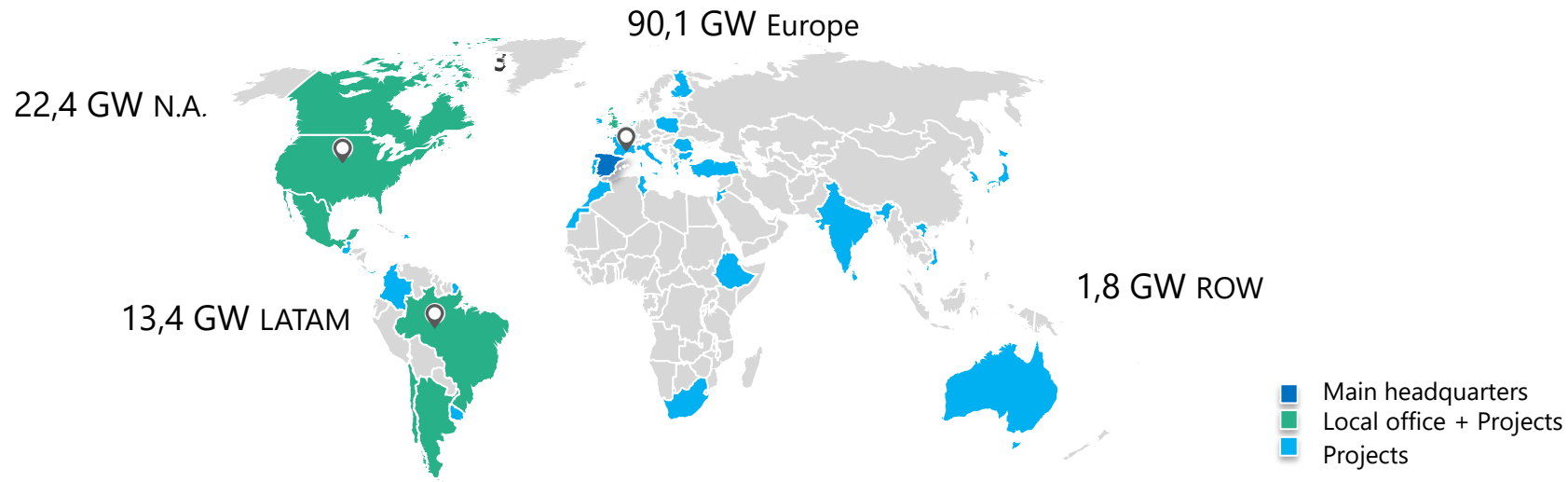
+120 GW and outstanding references in +40 countries

### Renewable generation

Monitoring, control & advanced performance management of renewable assets

### Energy Trading

Solutions to optimize energy management in wholesale markets



## Consortium

Partner	Main business	Challenges
<b>ISOTROL</b>	Monitoring and control systems for renewable assets	Big Data management, monitoring and control systems as well as development of algorithms for performance problems detection in renewable assets.
<b>TEGNATIA</b>	O&M services	Improvement of O&M policies and validation of the Decision Support System (DSS).
<b>FOSS</b>	University, technological centre	Detection and classification of failures, using its outdoor facilities for validation of algorithms under controlled conditions and participation in the final integration of the solution.

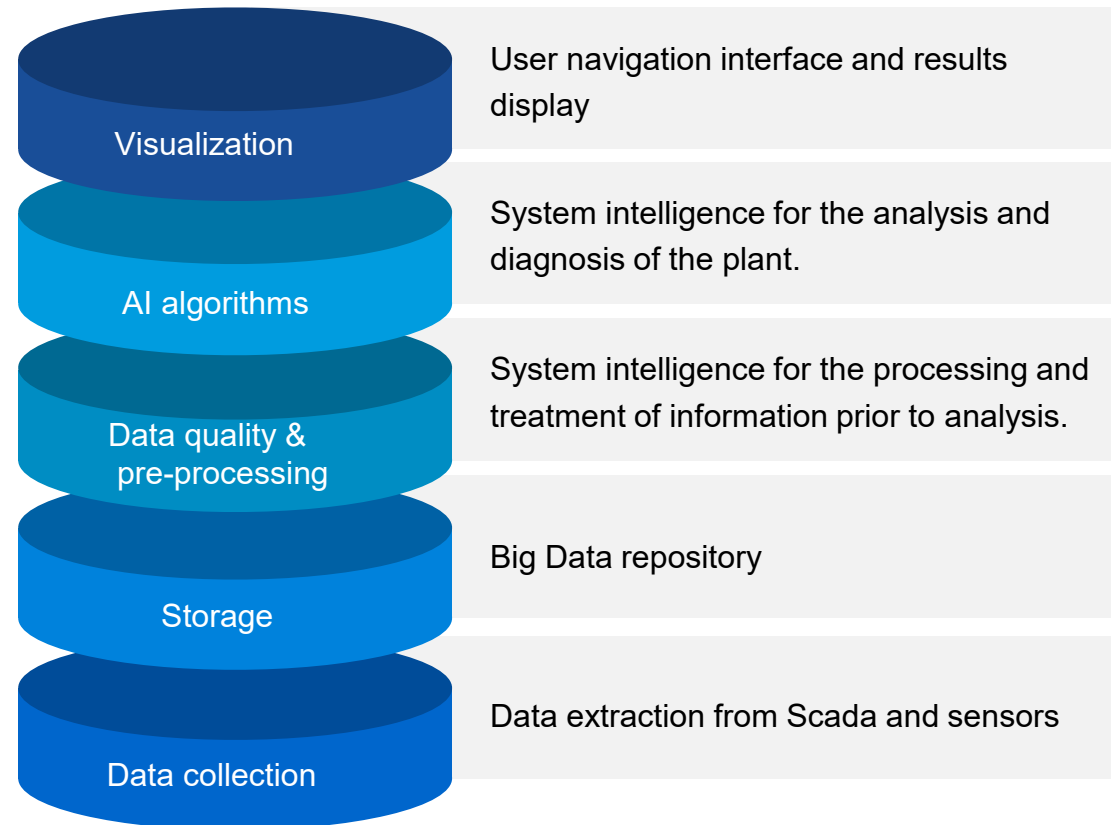


## Main results: Workflow



### Modular infrastructure

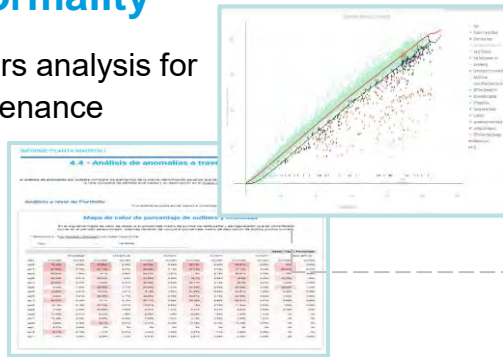
A set of different steps are provided for transforming data in insights



## Main results: Detection of faults

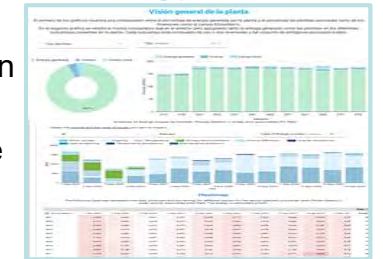
### 3. Out-of-normality

Pattern & Outliers analysis for predictive maintenance  
Alarm analysis



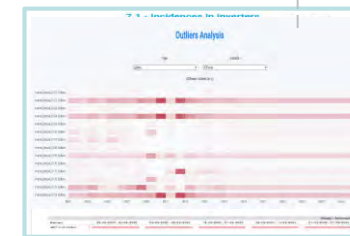
### 4. Performance and energy losses

Energy losses breakdown  
Plant status dashboard  
Recommendation engine



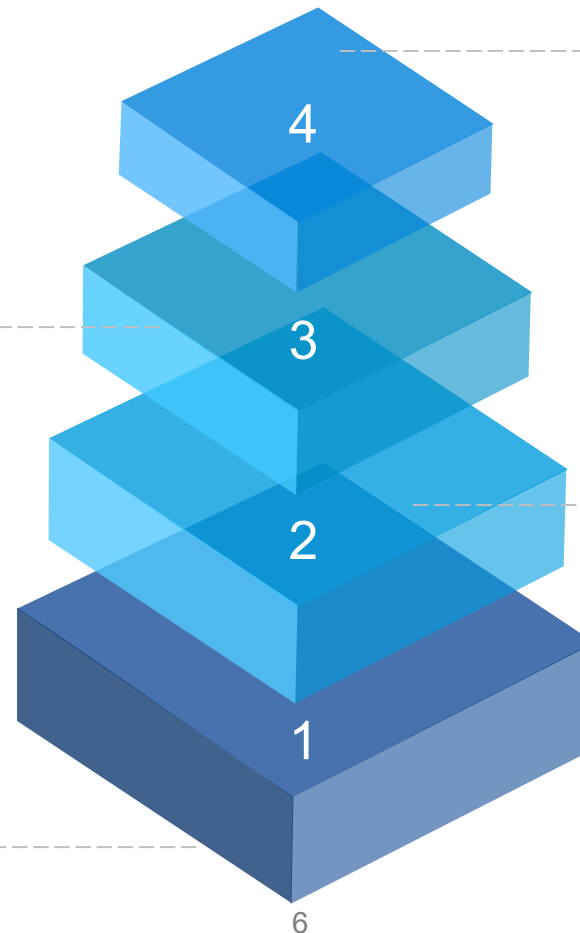
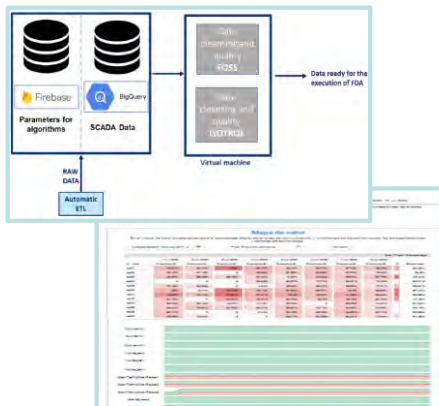
### 2. Inverter & Solar Field incidents

Incident and underperformance detection

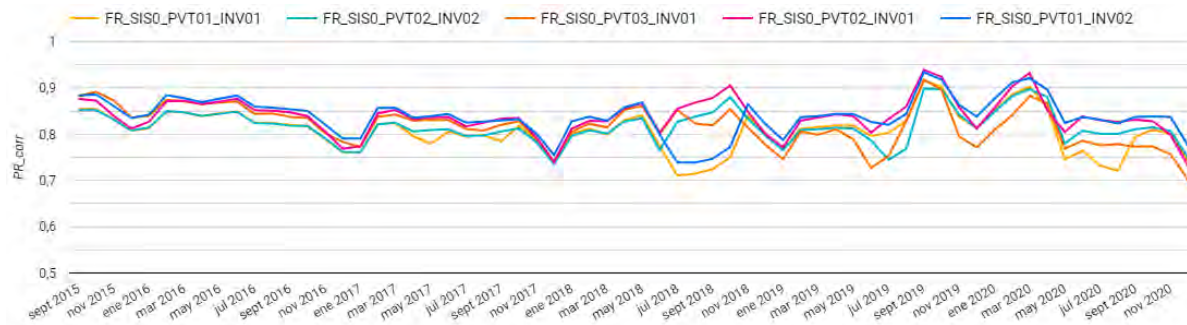


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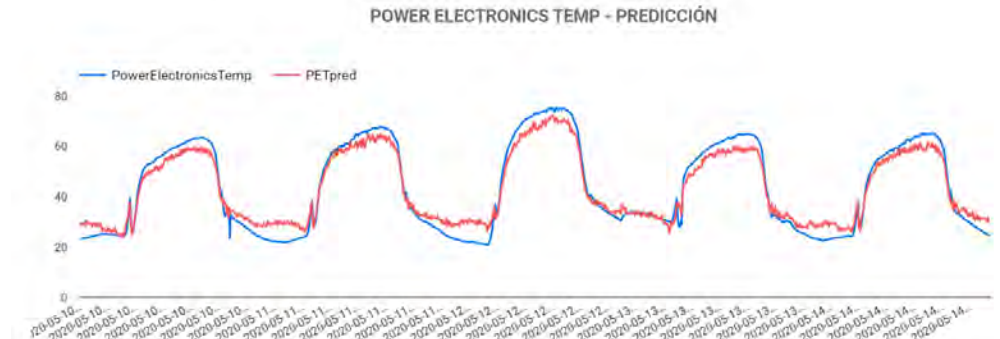
Data quality analysis  
Faulty sensor analysis  
Data reconstruction



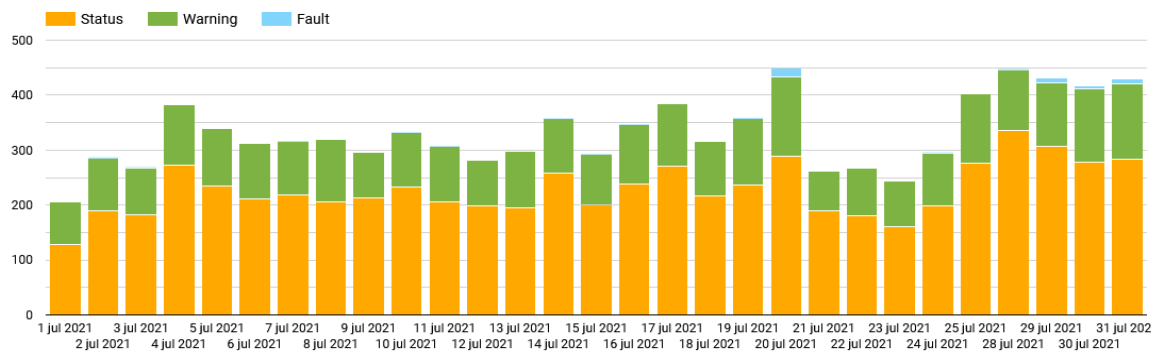
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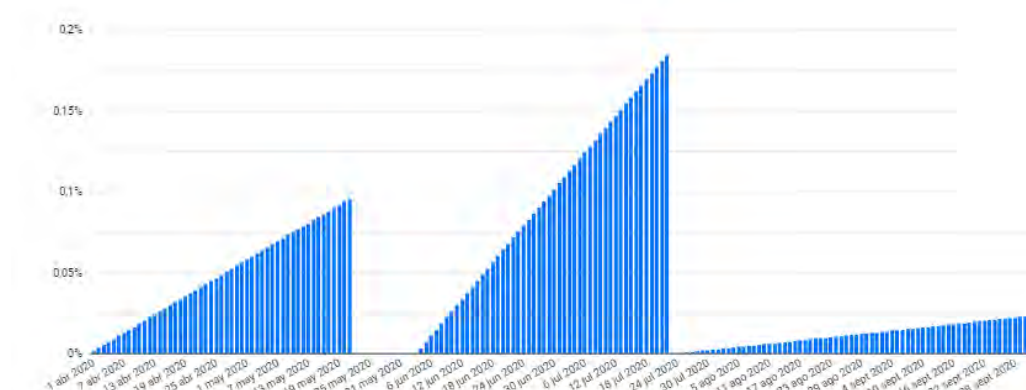
Monitorization of KPIs



Signals prediction



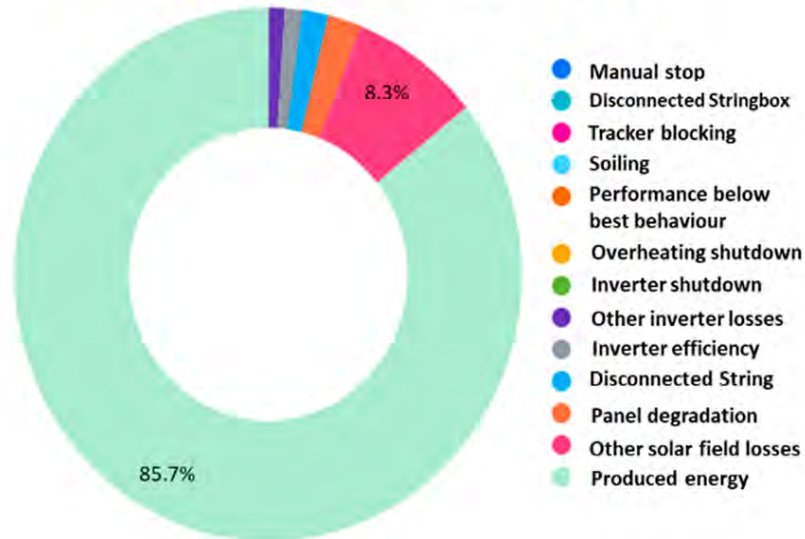
Alarms evaluation



Losses calculation

## Main results: State of the plant & energy losses

### Energy balance for 2021
















Group	Location	Type of losses	Losses (MWh)	Percentage
<b>Total theoretical energy</b>			14,686	100%
<b>Produced Energy</b>			12,586	85.70%
<b>Nominal losses</b>	Inverter	Inverter efficiency	167	1.14%
	Solar field	Panel degradation	313	2.13%
<b>Underperformance losses</b>	Inverter	Other performance inverter	147	1.00%
	Solar field	Performance below best behaviour	0.4	0%
		Other performance solar field	1226	8.34%
<b>Incidences</b>	Inverter	Shutdowns	6.5	0.05%
		Manual stop	0	0%
		Overheating	0.5	0%
	Solar field	Stringbox disconnections	0	0%
		String disconnections	238	1.62%
		Soiling	0	0%
		Tracker blocking	0	0%

Energy balance of the plant



## Main results: Recommendations engine

Inverter	Subsystem	Incident detected	Start date	End date	Days	Recognized	Solved	Criticality
E	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox E_CB6 (WARNING)	3 Apr 2021	20 May 2021	43	No	No	
D	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox D_CB2 (WARNING)	6 Jul 2021	19 Aug 2021	43	No	No	
I	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox I_CB4 (WARNING)	3 Apr 2021	16 May 2021	38	No	No	
F	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox F_CB2 (WARNING)	9 Jul 2021	20 Aug 2021	38	No	No	
J	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox J_CB1 (WARNING)	1 Jan 2021	31 Jan 2021	30	No	No	
G	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox G_CB5 (WARNING)	31 Oct 2021	29 Nov 2021	25	No	No	
D	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox D_CB4 (WARNING)	30 Aug 2021	27 Sep 2021	25	No	No	
E	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox E_CB6 (WARNING)	26 Feb 2021	24 Mar 2021	21	No	No	
H	Global	Check inverter due to deterioration between 2.3% and 3%	5 May 2021	5 Jul 2021	40	No	No	
K	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox K_CB4 (WARNING)	6 Mar 2021	24 Mar 2021	16	No	No	
K	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox K_CB1 (WARNING)	2 Jan 2021	18 Jan 2021	11	No	No	
j	Strings	Check subsystem Strings due to String Shutdown in Stringbox J_CB3 (WARNING)	14 Sep 2021	27 Sep 2021	12	No	No	
J	Inverter	Check subsystem Inverter due to Inverter Shutdown (WARNING)	29 Jul 2021	5 Aug 2021	4	No	No	

Recommendations orderer by criticality

## Takeaways

### 1. Automatization of problem detection processes in solar farms

- **Inverters**
- **Solar field**
- **Trackers**

### 2. Real need in the market for Performance Diagnosis tools

- **Size**
- **Portfolio**

### 3. Platform for AM and O&M teams

- **7% of cost reduction**

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