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PV Technology

University of Cyprus Battery Pilot Plan

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Introduction

- Absence of Energy Storage in Cyprus
 - Not included in the regulations yet
- Cyprus is heavily depended on conventional generation
 - About 90% of final energy comes from imported fossil fuels
- High solar irradiance
 - Increasing PV penetration to the power network in recent years
 - Residential PV systems under Net-Metering (common practise)
- High PV penetration may impose instability issues to the grid
- “Out-dated”, isolated power network
- Conventional power units to stabilise the network’s performance

Need for flexibility → **Need for energy storage!**

Current status

- First grid-connected Energy Storage Systems in Cyprus.
- Funded by the ERDF and national funds.
- Pilots include:
 - **9 Residential Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)**
 - Households in the wider area of Nicosia
 - **1 Laboratory BESS**
 - PV Technology Lab, University of Cyprus
 - **1 Social BESS**
 - Low Voltage Distribution Substation in Nicosia
 - **1 Public BESS**
 - New Nicosia Town Hall



UCY Residential & Laboratory BESS Pilots

- 9 2.5 KW / 9.8 KWh BESS installed
- Existing 3 KWp roof-top PV systems & Smart Meters
- System monitoring and data collection through [manufacturer's online portal](#)



from <https://www.sma.de/en/>

UCY Residential & Laboratory BESS Pilots

- Electricity power data
- In KW, 15-min averaged values, csv file format
 - Household electricity consumption
 - PV system production
 - Grid interaction (power import & export)
 - Storage performance (SoC, charge & discharge)
 - Direct PV consumption



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UCY Residential BESS Pilots



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LG Chem RESU 10H

Battery Lithium-ion



- High Voltage (570 VDC)
- 9.3 kWh Usable Capacity
- Deep Cycle (95% DoD)
- Indoor & Outdoor (IP55)
- Temperature: -10°C to 4!
- 10 years warranty

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SMA Sunny Boy Storage 2.5

Inverter Bidirectional



- AC-Coupled System
- 2.5 KW rated power
- Round-trip efficiency 97%
- Support HV batteries
- Indoor & Outdoor (IP65)
- Integrated Web Server

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SMA Home Manager

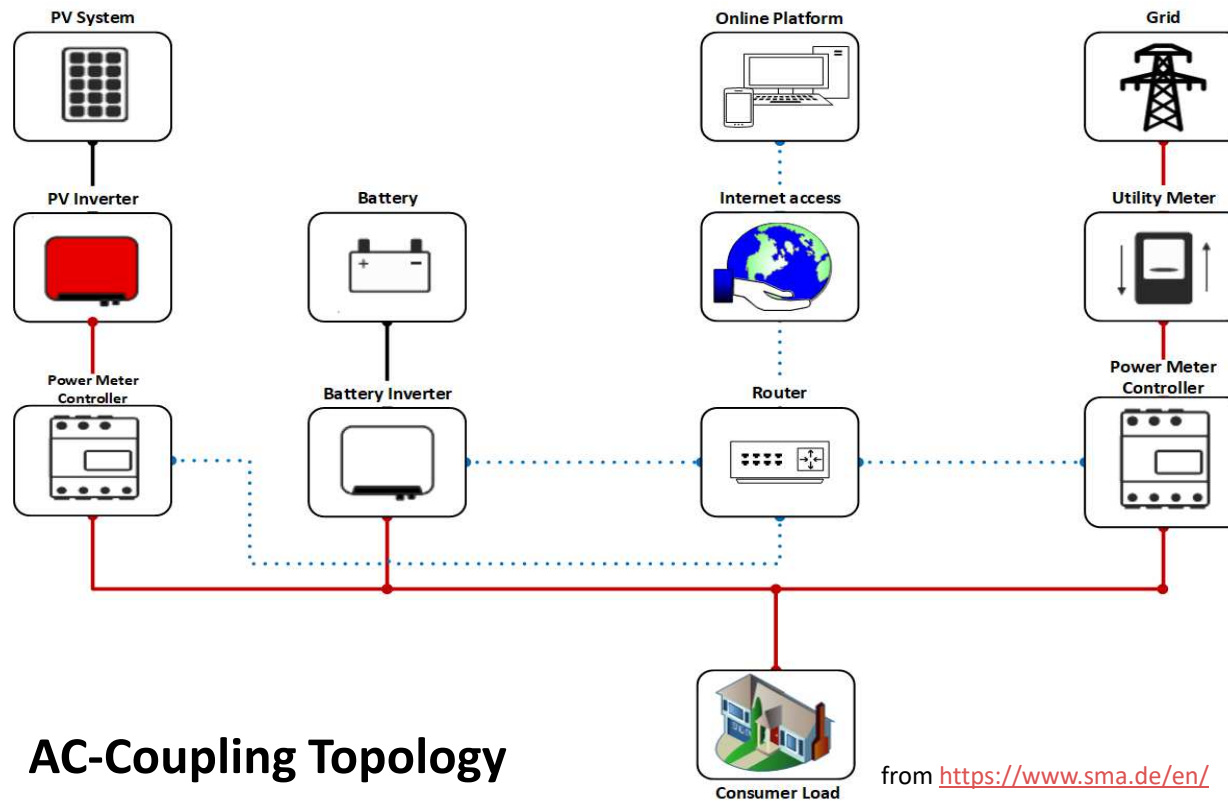
Meters PV & load meters



- PV & Battery system monitoring
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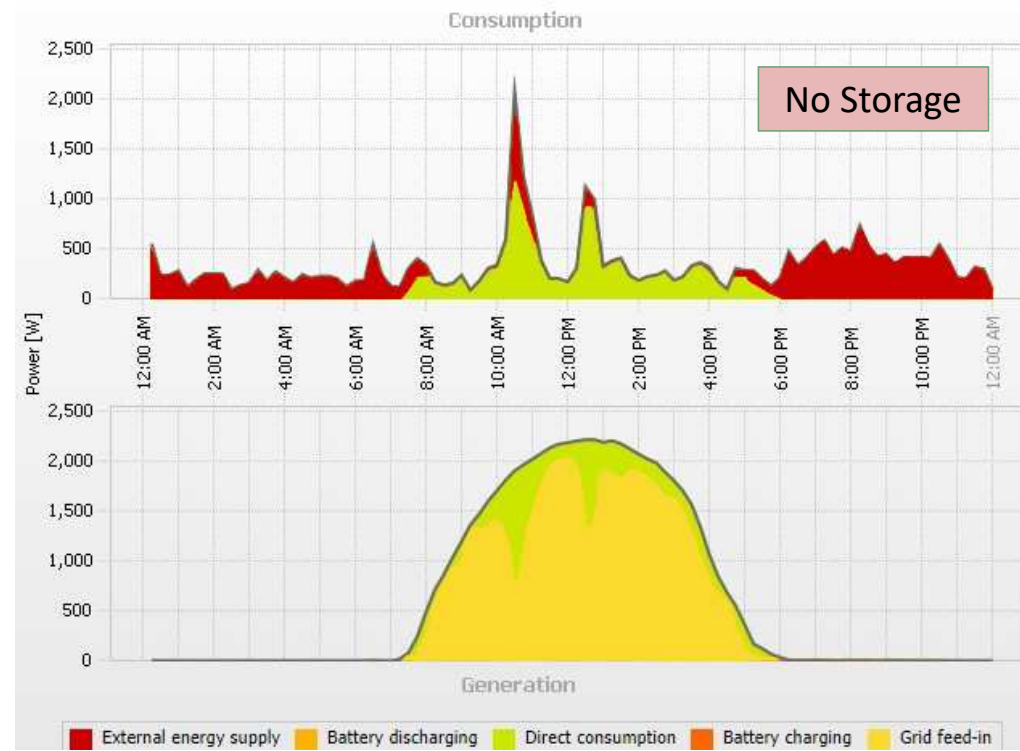
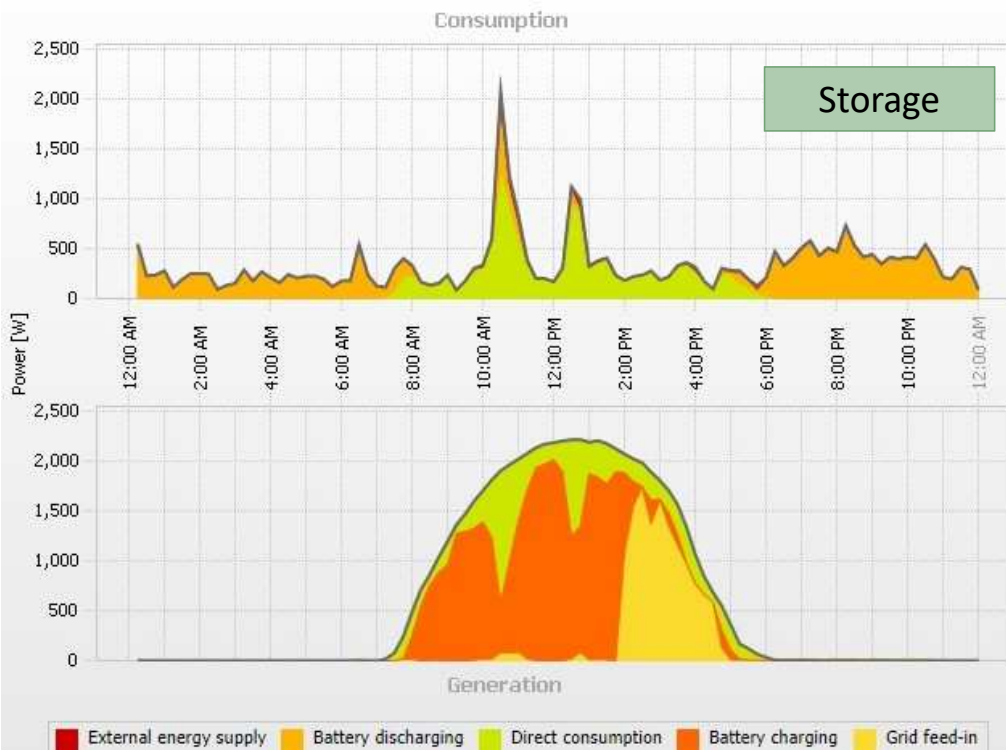


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Two available modes

- “Increase Self-Consumption” mode
 - Storage of excess generation
 - Limit exported energy
 - Limit imported energy
- “Time-scheduled Charging” mode
 - Suitable for Time-of-Use Tariffs

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EMS

Specifications

- Intelligent energy management
- PV power meter
- Bidirectional load meter
- Integrated web-server

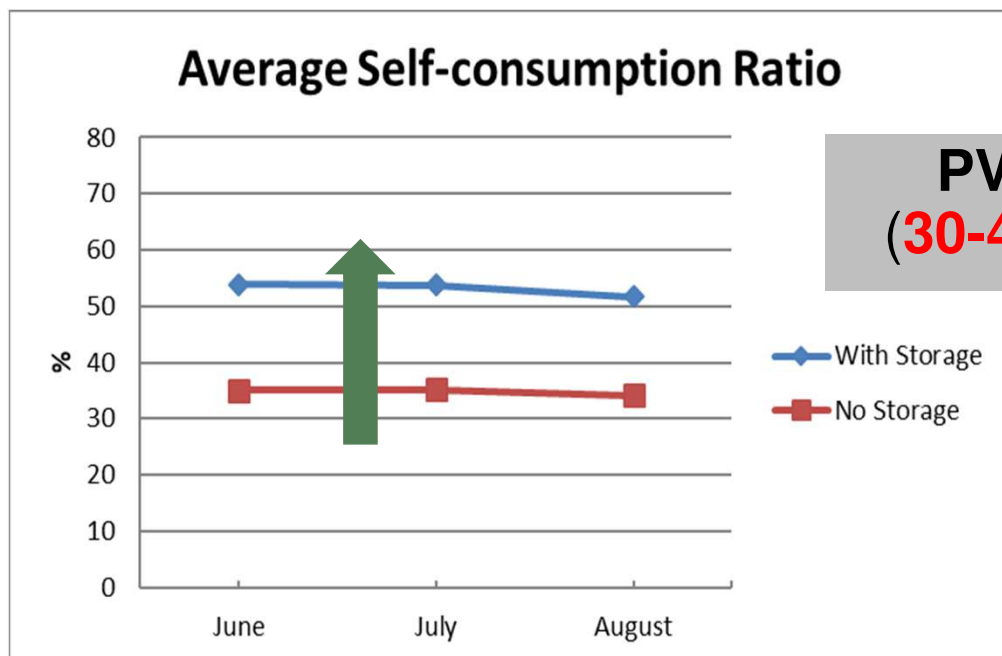
Functionalities

- Increase Self-consumption
- Time-of-Use Tariffs
- Limit export electricity
- Scheduled Battery Charging

Residential Pilots Preliminary Results

Approx. **20%**

Self-Consumption increase during summer 2018.



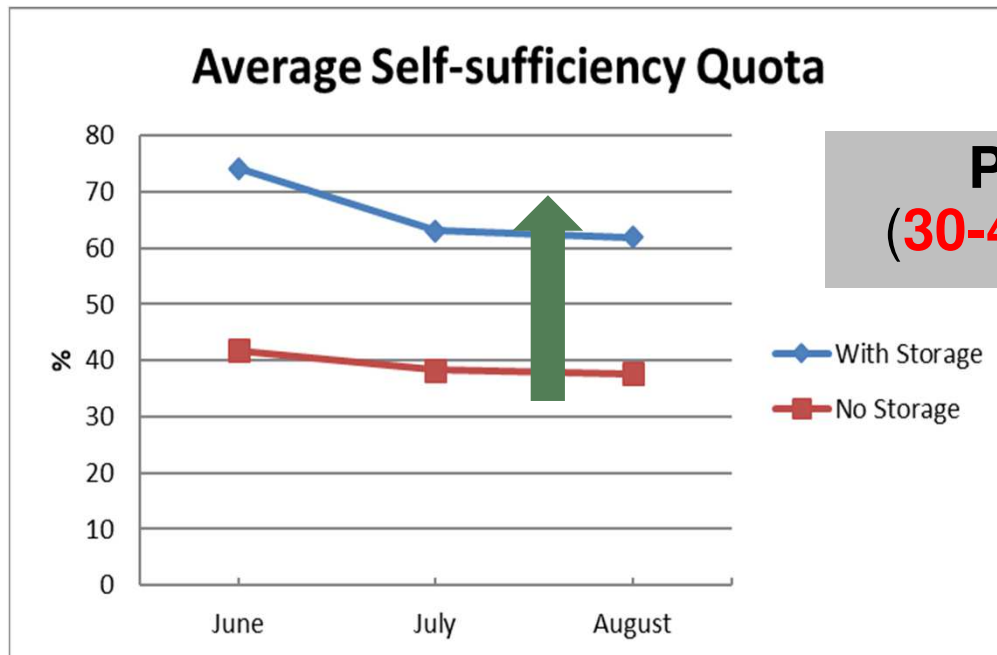
PV Self-Consumption boost
(**30-40%** → **50-60%**, as expected)

Self-Consumption:
on-site consumption of
PV generation

Residential Pilots Preliminary Results

Approx. **30%**

Self-Sufficiency increase during summer 2018.



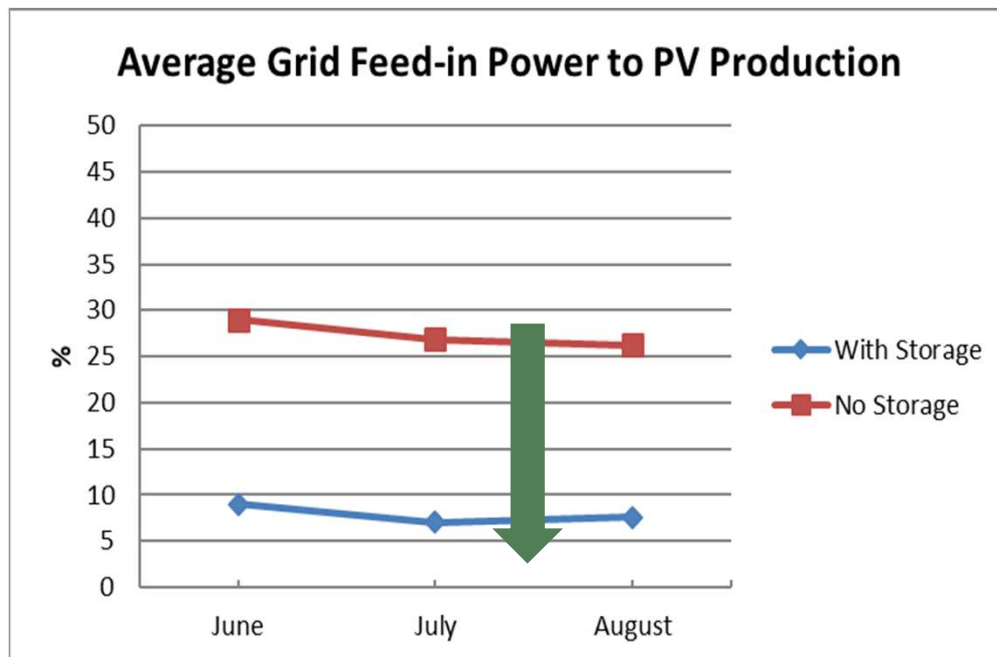
PV Self-Sufficiency boost
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Self-Sufficiency:
contribution of PV generation over total demand

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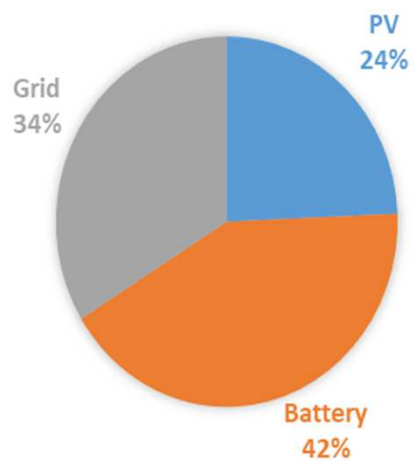
Grid Feed-in reduction during summer 2018.



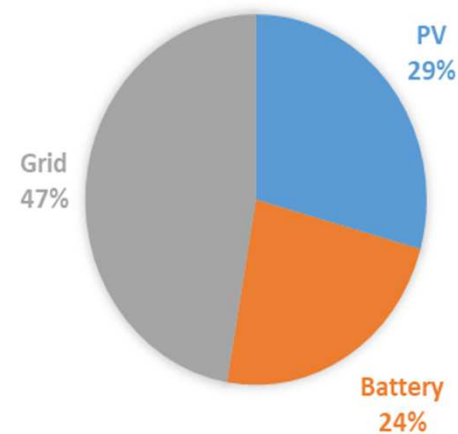
Grid Feed-in:
excess PV generation injected to the grid

Residential Pilots Preliminary Results

**PILOT 1 ENERGY CONSUMPTION
(JUNE - FEBRUARY)**

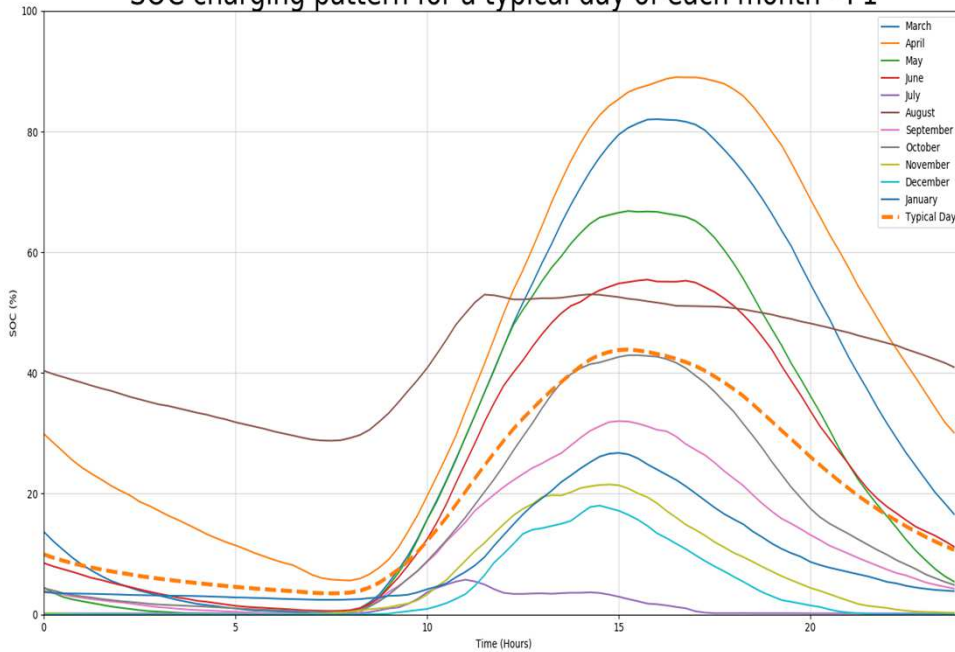


**PILOT 3 ENERGY CONSUMPTION
(JUNE - FEBRUARY)**

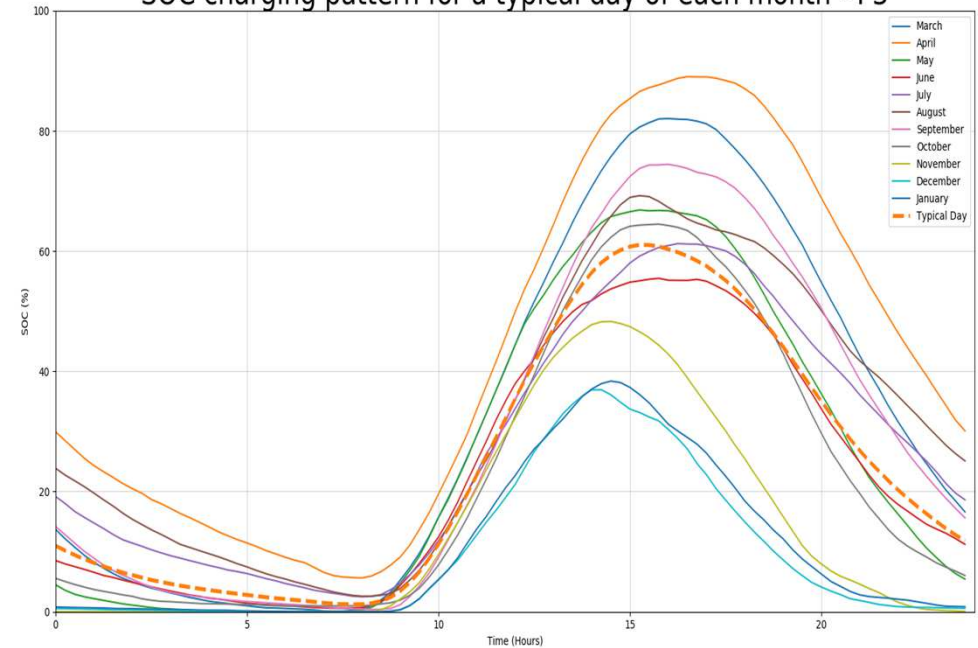


Residential Pilots Preliminary Results

SOC charging pattern for a typical day of each month - P1



SOC charging pattern for a typical day of each month - P3

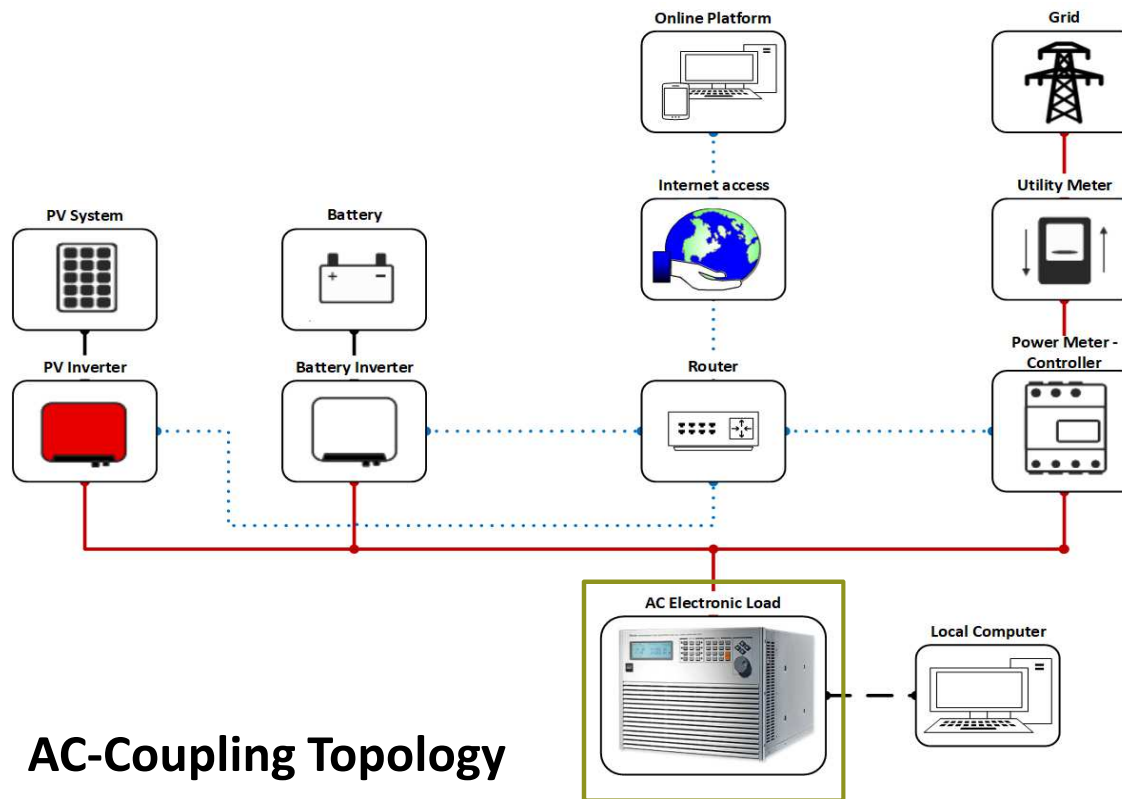


UCY Residential BESS Pilots

- Installation of additional monitoring equipment
 - Temperature & humidity monitoring
 - Thermal consumption monitoring



UCY Laboratory BESS Pilot



UCY Laboratory BESS Equipment

- **Battery:** LG Chem RESU 10H
 - 5 KW maximum power, 9.3 KWh usable energy capacity
- **Battery inverter:** SMA Sunny Boy Storage 2.5
 - 1-ph, 2.5 KW rated power at 230 V, 50 Hz

Battery Lithium-ion



- High Voltage (570 VDC)
- 9.3 kWh Usable Capacity
- Deep Cycle (95% DoD)
- Indoor & Outdoor (IP55)
- Temperature: -10°C to 45°C
- 10 years warranty

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Inverter Bidirectional



- AC-Coupled System
- 2.5 KW rated power
- Round-trip efficiency 97%
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- **Load emulator:** Programmable AC Electronic Load
 - Power Rating: 1.8/3.6/4.5 KW
- **PV system:** 3 KWp PV system
 - Installed at 30 deg. (common practice in Cyprus)

CC = Constant Current
CP = Constant Power
CR = Constant Resistance

Load

AC Load emulation



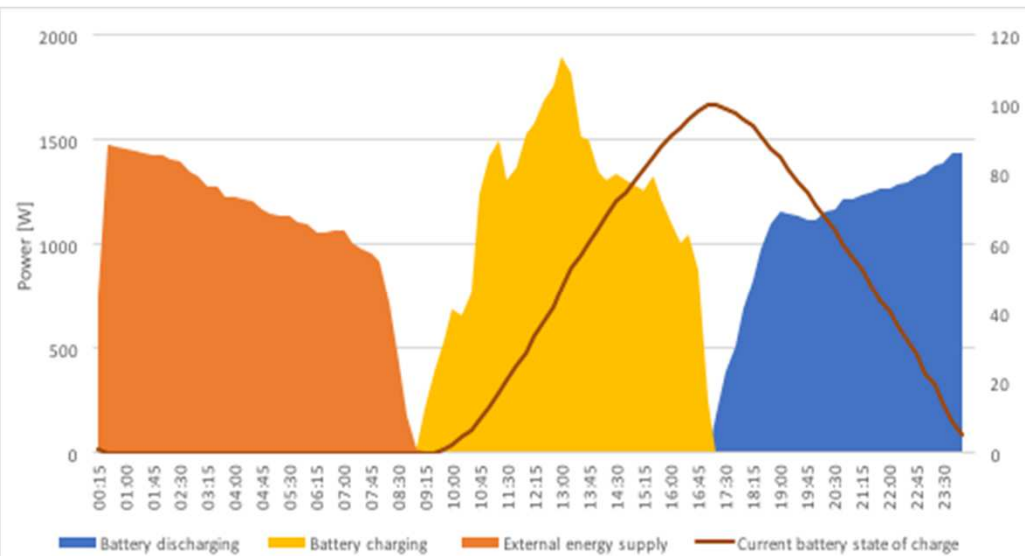
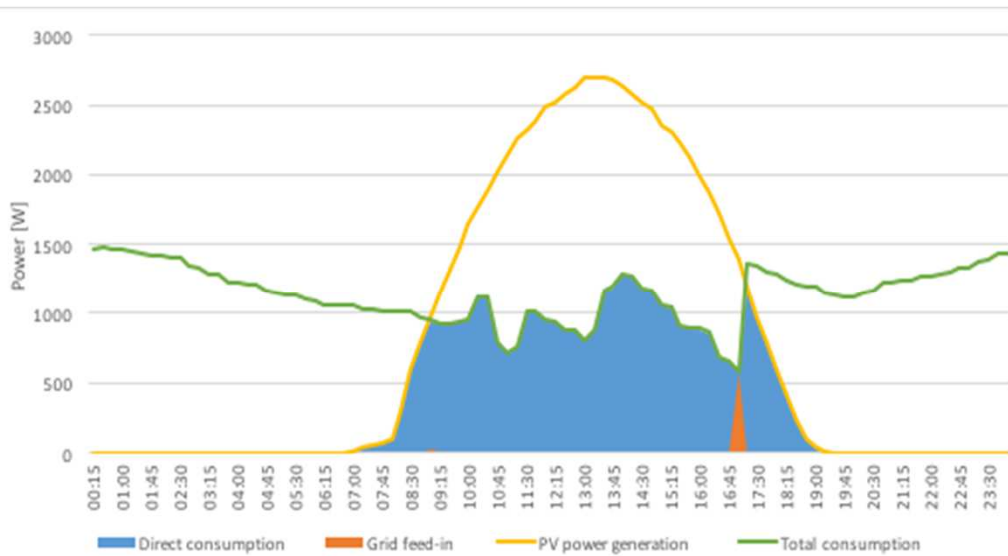
- Rated Power 4500W
- Real and accurate simulation capabilities
- Prevents overstressing the instrument
- Reliable and unbiased test results
- GIPB&RS232 interface for remote control & monitoring
- Modes of operation: CC, CP, CR *

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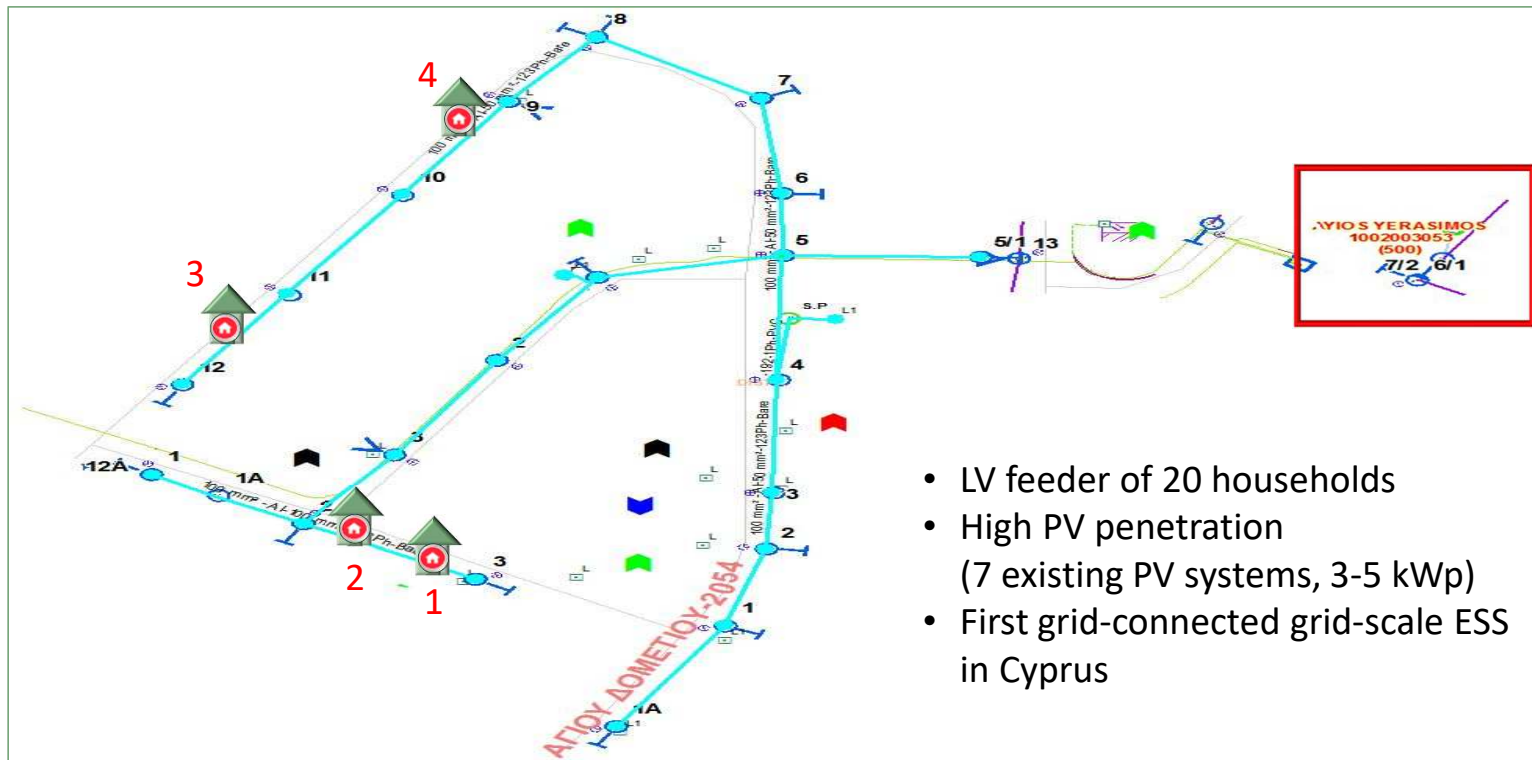


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- Figures show real load consumption data emulated to the AC Electronic Load and the energy balance and behaviour of the BESS over a period of 24-hrs.
- Constant Power (CP) Mode / Emulate typical residential load / 24-hrs period

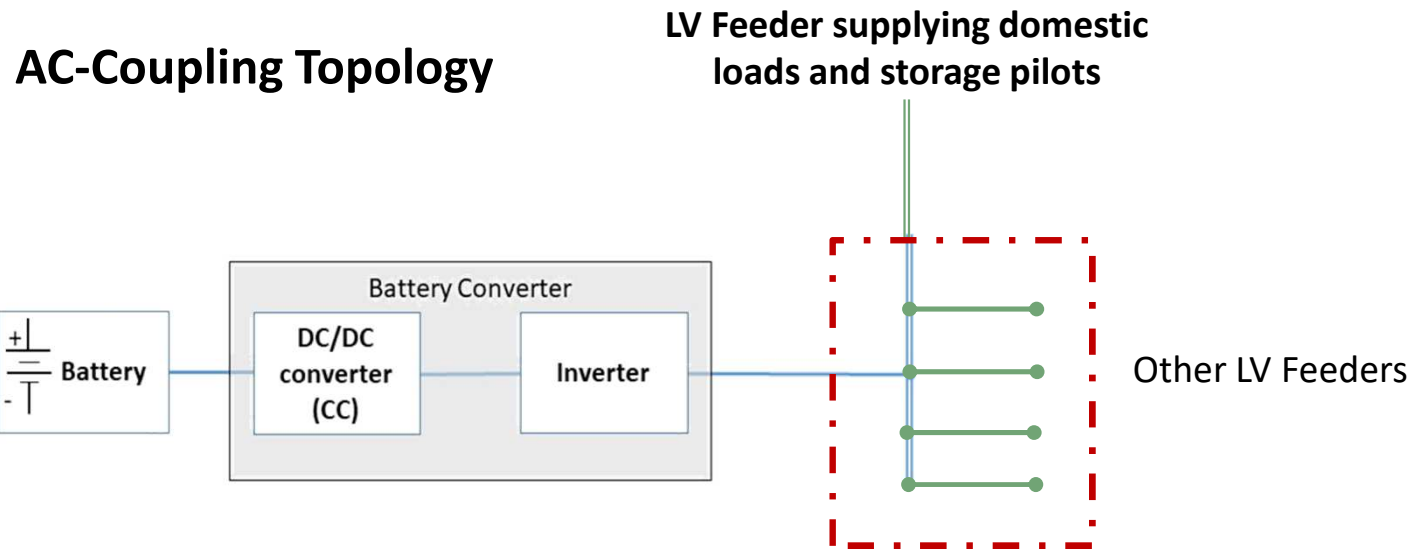


UCY Social BESS Pilot



- LV feeder of 20 households
- High PV penetration (7 existing PV systems, 3-5 kWp)
- First grid-connected grid-scale ESS in Cyprus

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Battery Lithium-ion Technology

- High Voltage (800 VDC)
- 50 kWh Usable Capacity
- Regulated Air Cooling
- 10 years warranty

Inverter Bidirectional Technology

- 30 KW / 30 KVar power
- Efficiency up to 96%
- Support HV batteries
- Integrated Web Server

EMS Integrated Web Server

- Optimal Power Balancing
- Frequency Control (P[f])
- Support of SCADA
- Target SoC
- Voltage Control (Q[u])
- Control & Monitoring via UI



- Outdoor installation
- Insulating container
- Local and remote control
- AC-coupling topology
- Coupled with LV feeder
- Power analyser at PCC
- Monitor grid operation (P, V, I, f)
- EMS to perform power balancing and grid ancillary services

UCY Social BESS Pilot

System Parameters	
Rated power	30 KW
Nominal AC Voltage/Freq.	400V, 50Hz
Nominal Current	43.5A
THD	<2%
Inverter efficiency	>96%
Weight	2 tones
Storage Battery	
Cell Chemistry	NCM
Life cycles	6000
Efficiency @ 0.5C	>96%

Interface	
Data Monitoring	SCADA
Communication	Ethernet
	Modbus
	GPRS/Satellite

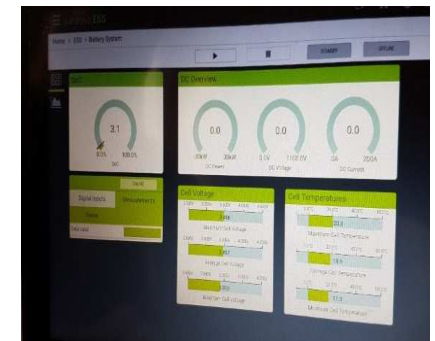


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- Turnkey solution possible for integration of Off-grid & On-grid applications
- Ancillary grid services:
 - Frequency Control ($P[f]$) – Active Power Compensation
 - Voltage Control ($Q[u]$) – Reactive Power Compensation
 - Harmonic compensation
 - Peak shaving and Peak shifting
 - Fault ride through ability



UCY Social BESS Pilot



UCY Public BESS Pilot

- New Nicosia Town Hall, 12 KWp roof-top PV system



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SMA Sunny Boy Storage 5.0 **x3**

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