

## **Concentrated Solar Thermal for Australia**

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## **Solar Irradiation – World**

## SOLAR RESOURCE MAP DIRECT NORMAL IRRADIATION



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#### Solar Irradiation Germany & Australia

**DIRECT NORMAL IRRADIATION** 





Source: Solargis.com

#### Solar Energy Germany vs Australia

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Renewables in Australia

![](_page_3_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### **Total Energy Mix Germany**

Source: AGEB (August 2017) | \*Oil, waste, etc

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#### Renewable Cost Trends 2010 - 2017

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Source: IRENA Renewable Cost Database.

#### **The Power of Volume**

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Based on IRENA Renewable Cost Database and Auctions Database; GWEC, 2017; WindEurope, 2017; MAKE Consulting, 2017a;

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#### The Value of R&D for CSP

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#### **Conventional CSP Systems**

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#### **High-Temperature CSP**

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#### **Target Example for CSP**

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#### CSP Forecast In the Australian Energy Mix

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Source: Energeia

# Potential Locations for CSP in Australia

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Source: Energeia

#### **CSP and PV are not Competitors**

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Increase in PV penetration as a function of CSP penetration assuming a maximum PV marginal curtailment rate of 20%.

#### **Advantages of CSP for Australia**

- Low cost integrated storage
- Fully dispatchable
- Synchronous power generation --> Grid stability
- High local content (vs PV)
- Potential for using high-temperature process heat directly
- Applicability of CHP

## **Challenges to CSP**

- Perceived complexity
- Perceived high cost
- Low Technology Readiness Level (TRL) of hightemperature solution
- Larger plant size to achieve low LCOE
- Low amount of install base (reference plants)

#### **ASTRI Development**

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#### **ASTRI Role for CSP in Australia**

- Increase TRL for component technologies for Hi-T CSP
- Build Integration Test Facility to demonstrate component performance and operability in integrated system
- Continue to build CSP capability in Australia
- Connect with international CSP community
- Engage industry partners to accelerate commercialization of CSP in Australia
- Advise ARENA on future project funding in CSP
- Advise industry on CSP commercialization path

## **ASTRI Partnership**

#### **Funding partner**

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#### **Australian partners**

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#### **US partners**

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