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# Our Smart Band its Components

Information for professionals

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### Smart Energy Home

What if installing a photovoltaic system was as easy as connecting a TV? Discover the Solarnative Smart Energy Home, our comprehensive energy solution for residential PV.

- ✓ Easy and fast installation
- ✓ Highest reliability
- ✓ Maximum safety



## Our AC system

A micro-inverter is **attached to each PV module**, controlling the module individually and converting DC to 230 V AC current right at the source.

- ✓ Maximum flexibility and scalability of system architecture
- ✓ Optimum utilization of existing (roof) surfaces
- ✓ Maximum safety: No danger from DC high voltage





## Plug & play installation

- $\checkmark$  Just install whatever fits on the roof: combine various orientations, inclinations, shading conditions
- $\checkmark$  One size fits all: compatible with all major modules in the market, suitable for small plants with only one module as well as big rooftop plants
- ✓ Easy cabling on the roof
- ✓ No crimping: just connect all items with our ready-made cables
- ✓ No need for return cables from the end of each string



- ✓ Automatic device detection
  - ✓ Automatic mapping function
  - ✓ Remote commissioning until it is dark
  - ✓ No data cables
  - Built-in NS protection and DC  $\checkmark$ surge protection
  - Self-limiting and safe by design  $\checkmark$
- No DC high voltage safe handling  $\checkmark$ and operation
- Automatic rapid shutdown

<sup>\*</sup>compared to standard PV systems

## Highest flexibility and scalability

With an unlimited number of gateways that can be combined in a masterslave configuration, a freely selectable number of batteries, EV chargers and smart meter devices, the Solarnative Smart Energy Home can be tailored to any need. Commissioning and control are carried out with our mobile app.

- ✓ One Solarnative IntelliGate per string
- ✓ Any number of modules per string, up to 20 A current
- ✓ Unlimited number of IntelliGates in one system
- ✓ Any number of batteries, EV chargers and smart meters

Whether just 1 solar module or a large rooftop system - our PowerStick is suitable for every system structure.



## Perfect solution **for balcony PV**

With the ongoing energy crisis, PV solutions for balconies and other small areas are becoming increasingly relevant for energy autarky and are rapidly gaining popularity. As a system that is often **installed by non-professionals** and must be **integrated in the living space**, there are some specific requirements for PV solutions:

- ✓ Easy plug & play installation
- ✓ Pleasant design
- ✓ Highest safety
- ✓ Flexibility and (modular) expandability



Exemplary balcony PV installation with 2 modules

The Solarnative PowerStick Balcony can be combined with all commercially available modules and allows to install a minimalistic and **esthetic PV plant** with ease that can be **easily extended** at any later point of time. Commissioning and control are carried out with our mobile app.



Our specially developed, low-cost **IntelliGate Balcony** limits the feed-in power to any desired value, which can be set according to local regulations. This means that more than two solar modules can be combined in one string safely to maximize the energy yield.

## PowerStick 350 PV microinverter

Our **unique high-frequency micro-inverter** with 350 W AC-power is suitable for PV modules with nominal power up to 440 Wp. It will be available in various versions:

- 1. PSB-350: PowerStick Balcony with mounting plate and MC4 connectors for installation in (balcony) systems with a few PV modules (up to 6A)
- 2. PS-350: PowerStick with mounting plate and MC4 connectors for installation in PV systems with >800W
- 3. PSX-350: Integrated version without mounting plate for special applications, e.g. for module integration (see next page)





#### Highest energy yield

- ✓ Module-level optimization
- ✓ Maximum utilization of the roof area
- ✓ Superior low-light performance
- $\checkmark$  No stand-by losses



#### **Highest reliability**

- ✓ Unique thermal management
- ✓ Reduced failure rates due to minimized component count
- ✓ 25 years limited warranty



#### Maximum safety

- ✓ No dangerous high DC voltages in the system
- ✓ Self-limiting strings
- ✓ Integrated NS protection and DC surge protection
- ✓ Automatic module-level switch-off when grid is down, compliant with NEC 2021 rapid shutdown requirements

## High frequency technology

Now – what's the **secret** of the Solarnative PowerStick? It is our unique high-frequency technology, the result of 30 years of dedicated development, that unlocks various advantages of the Solarnative Smart Energy Home over competing PV systems.



## AC modules the future of residential PV

Thanks to its miniaturized construction, our micro-inverter can be integrated into the frame of modules to create "AC modules".



## IntelliGate control unit

The Solarnative IntelliGate is the **brain of the home energy system** and controls the individual devices. It communicates with inverters via power line communication and with all other devices in the system via a low-power wireless LoRa network. It is connected with the Solarnative cloud server via LTE. The gateway comes with fast-plug clamps and cable connectors offering tool-free assembly.





## Power Meter

Our PowerMeter with wireless control provides **easy and safe current monitoring** for 3-phase power flow or up to three independent singlephase consumer. Thus, it can be employed to monitor the grid connection point, track large consumers or to integrate third-party batteries and EV chargers into the Solarnative monitoring system. With its miniaturized dimensions, it fits into every electrical cabinet. 6 | ChargeWhiz

## ChargeWhiz EV charger

Our ChargeWhiz is a **bi-directional EV charger (from 2025)** that integrates e-vehicles into the Smart Energy Home system. Solar energy is fed into the vehicle automatically whenever PV generation exceeds consumption. The intelligent control system allows auto-switching from surplus charging to priority charging to ensure that the vehicle is fully-charged when leaving.

- **Bidirectional AC-charging**  $\checkmark$
- Surplus charging from 1 W surplus
- ✓ Flexible power split and prioritization with other devices
- Extremely low standby consumption of  $\checkmark$ 1-2 W
- Configurable cable length
- Easy installation
- Control with Solarnative app  $\checkmark$



E-vehicle as storage unit\*: energy is fed into the car and back into the system as needed



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## BatteryBrick AC storage unit

The Solarnative energy storage solution is a **modular battery system** composed of independent AC batteries with integrated high-frequency inverter. Each battery provides 0.9 resp. 1.8 kWh storage capacity and 375 W charging/discharging power. Various BatteryBricks can be combined in a 1-phase or 3-phase system with a storage capacity of up to 32.4 kWh and 13.8 kW charging/discharging power in 3-phase homes. Our unique high-frequency AC battery technology avoids cell mismatch and overheating and leads to **unprecedented lifetime and safety**.





- ✓ Full off-grid back-up system
- ✓ No dangerous high DC voltages
- ✓ Single cell technology
- ✓ 3-phase storage/supply
- Smart charging strategy to optimize self-sufficiency
- ✓ Lightweight and compact size

No more crimping on the roof: our PV system comes with pre-assembled cables to connect the individual inverters to form a string, and link the string to the Solarnative IntelliGate, the control unit of the system. Our cables come in **all required ready-made lengths** to match horizontal or vertical plant layouts and allow to connect the different areas of a plant (various roof areas/orientations, dormers, etc.) easily:

The last inverter of each string is closed off with a Solarnative trmination cap.

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## Meet Henk the inventor of the micro-inverter

In 1994, Solarnative CTO of today Henk Oldenkamp successfully marketed his first model of the micro-inverter in collaboration with NKF, a Dutch cable company, and Shell Solar. After that, Henk's journey to the realization of his dream – an inverter that could fit into the frame of a module – was not always an easy one.

With determination he stuck to his vision and kept going: After 30 years of dedicated development, the Solarnative PowerStick is not just a standard inverter, but has also numerous advantages over competing products. It is a dream come true for Henk, the inventor of the micro-inverter.

It is this mindset of making the impossible possible, elaborating and pushing an idea to perfection, standing up to any obstacles that may come and refusing to give up, that sets Solarnative apart from its competitors:

• We go beyond the edge of what is possible!



## A young company with a great heritage

In 2018, Henk met Julian at a photovoltaic conference. Both of them being solar natives, they immediately got off to a good start. Julian having founded and headed several companies in the past, it was clear how to proceed – the idea for Solarnative was born.

