# PV SYSTEMS Floating Photovoltaics



FLOATVOLTAICS are PV systems supported by floating strutures on body of waters



#### **Benefits**

Land saving
Increased Efficiency (albedo, temperature)
Reduced Evaporation of water
Less dust effect

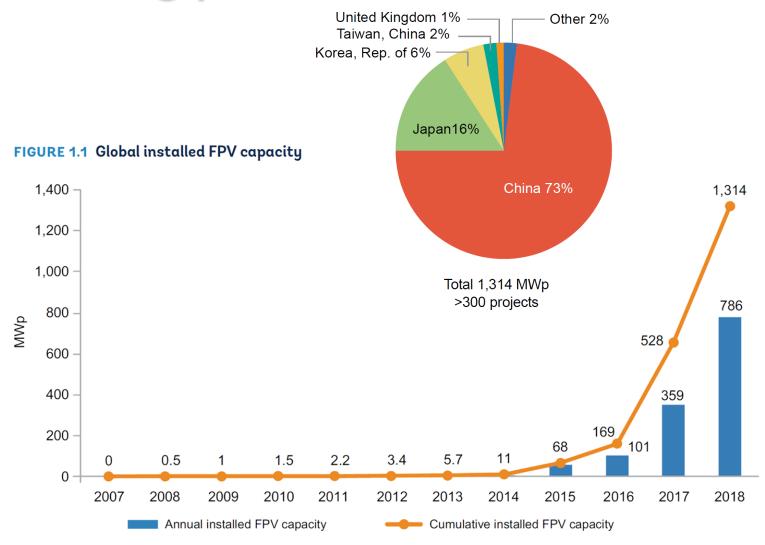
#### **Impacts**

Increased costs (anchoring, O&M)

Degradation (corrosion, soiling)

Environmental and socioeconomic impacts

Can be positive!!

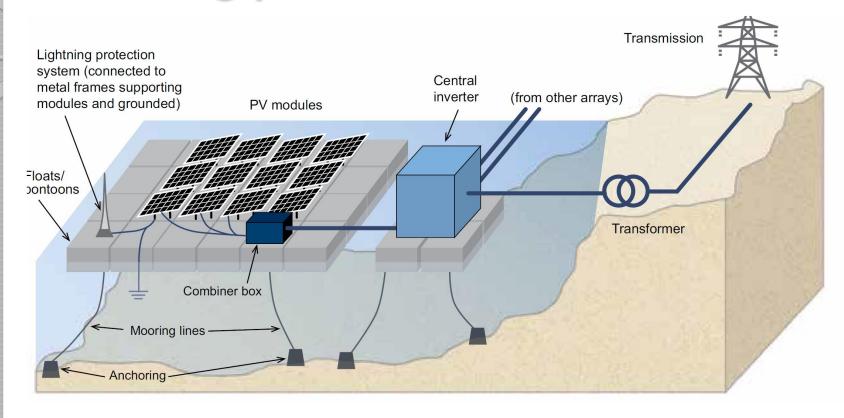


Source: World Bank Group, ESMAP, and SERIS 2019.

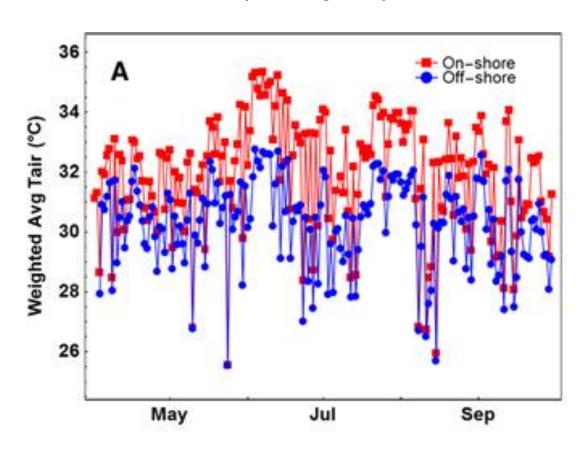


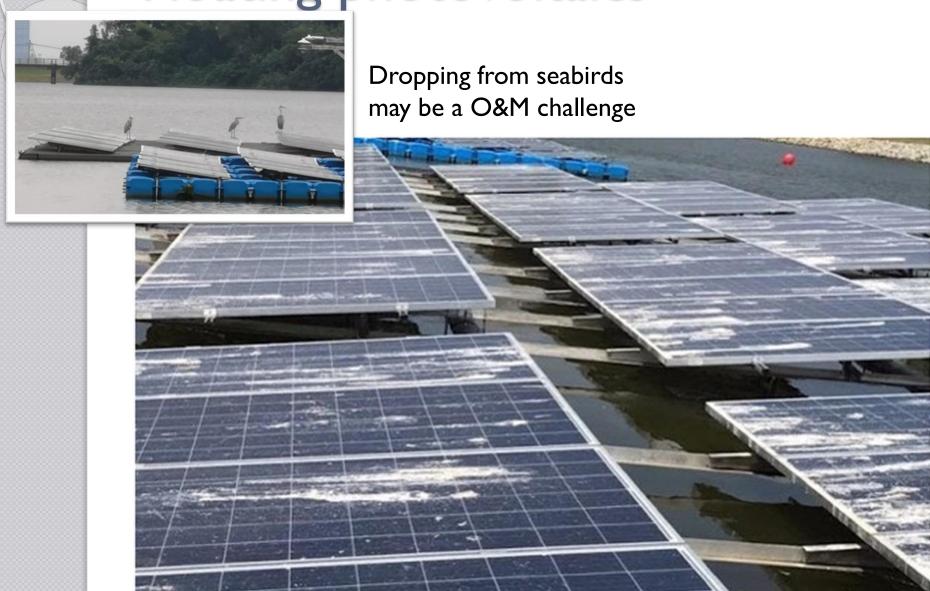
#### Choosing the site...

- Close to load and to the grid
- High solar irradiation and low wind (no freezing water)
- Preferrably fresh water
- No competition with recreational uses
- Avoid natural habitat of preserved species

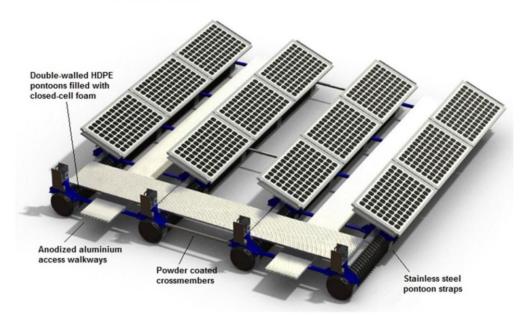


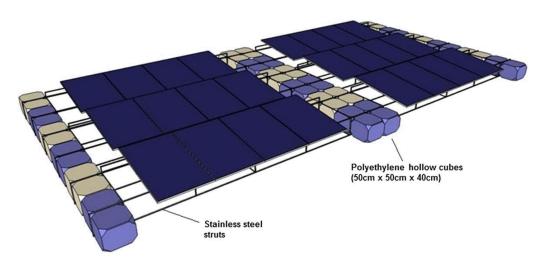
Relevant decrease in operating temperature >>> increased efficienct













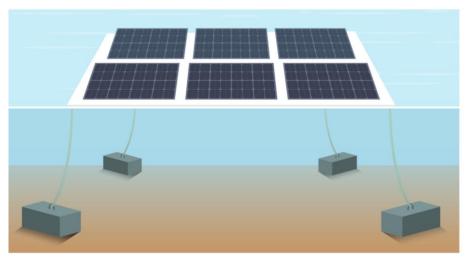
#### Wind protection solutions

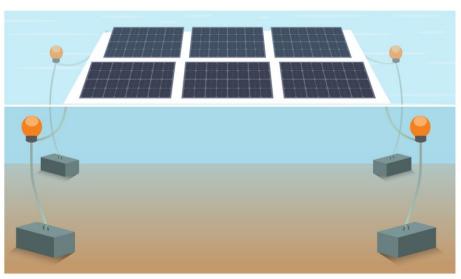


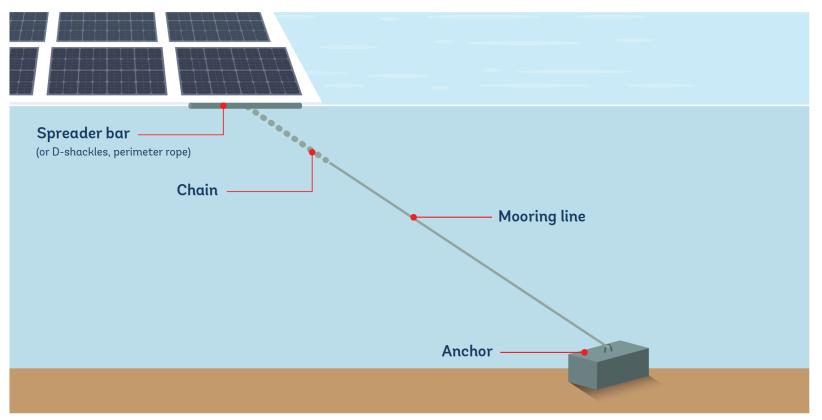






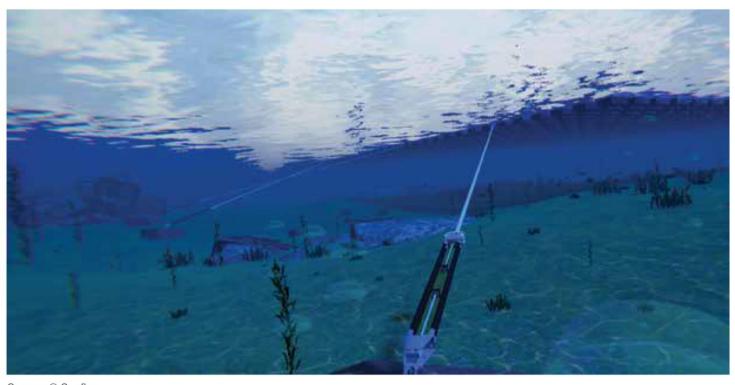






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### In summary

- Floating PV is an emerging market with high growth potential
- Increased system costs may be justified by higher generation and land savings
- Very convenient synergy with hydropower generation
- Environmental impacts are site specific
- Lifetime to be tested