

PEPPERONI



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# Pilot line for European production of perovskite/silicon tandem modules on industrial scale



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PEPPERONI | Project overview

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# Europe's energy challenge

**Europe is facing the challenge of making its energy system clean, secure and efficient.**

The EU plans to increase the share of renewable energy from 22% in 2020 to 45% in 2030.

By 2030, the renewable energy production capacities in Europe will increase to total 1,236 GW, including 600 GW of solar energy.

## Developing next generation solar cells & modules

- PEPPERONI aims to 'spice up' cost-efficient industrial silicon (Si) cells with a perovskite top cell.
- PEPPERONI will help advance this perovskite/silicon tandem PV technology towards market introduction.



# PEPPERONI Key facts



## Budget

18.85 million euro



## Duration

01.11.2022 – 31.10.2026



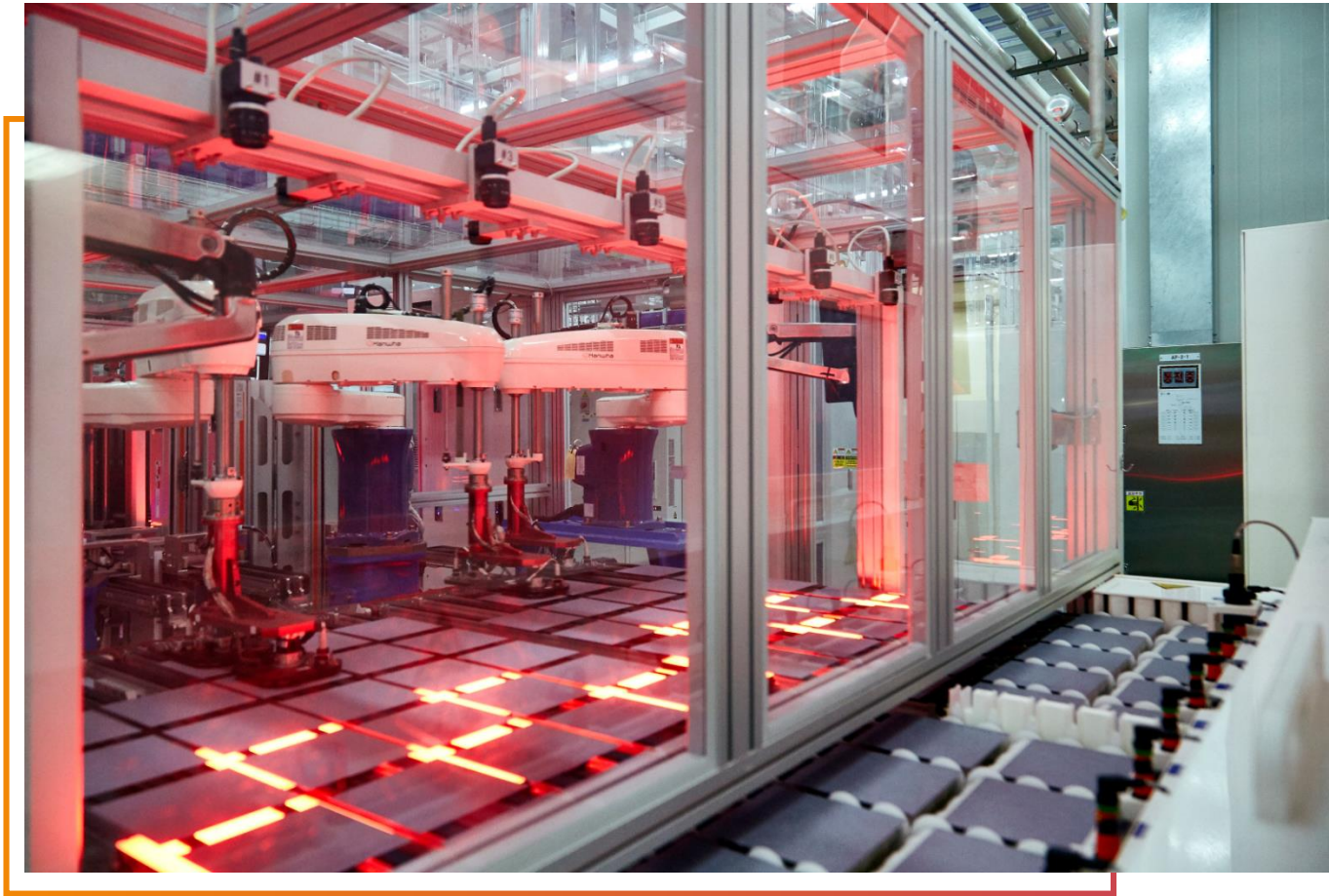
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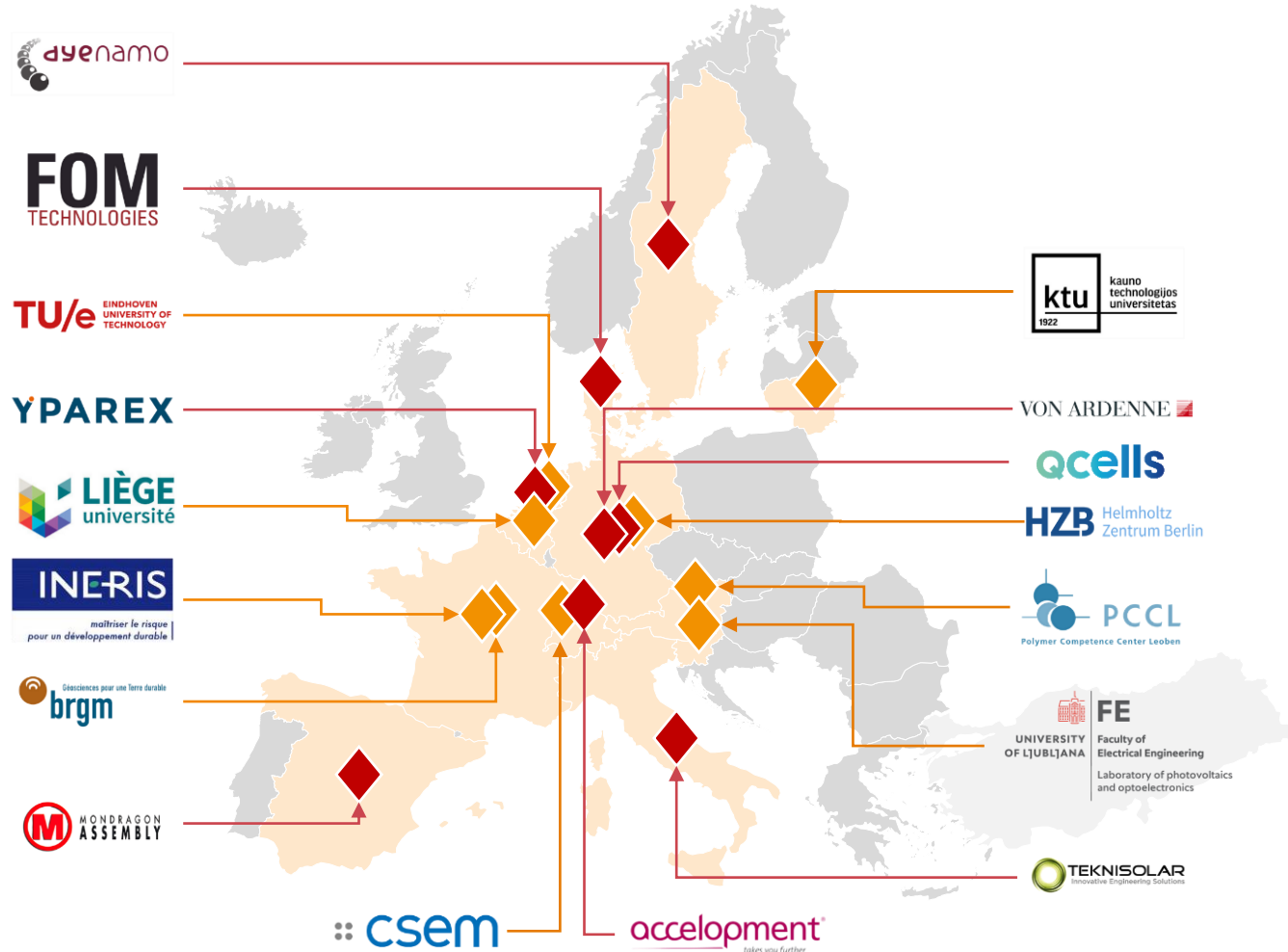
17 partners from 12 countries



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## Research

- 6 × R&D in materials & manufacturing
- 3 × R&D in environmental, economic & social aspects

## Industry/SME

- 4 Equipment suppliers
- 2 Materials suppliers
- 1 Service provider
- 1 Large module manufacturer

# PEPPERONI Interdisciplinary approach

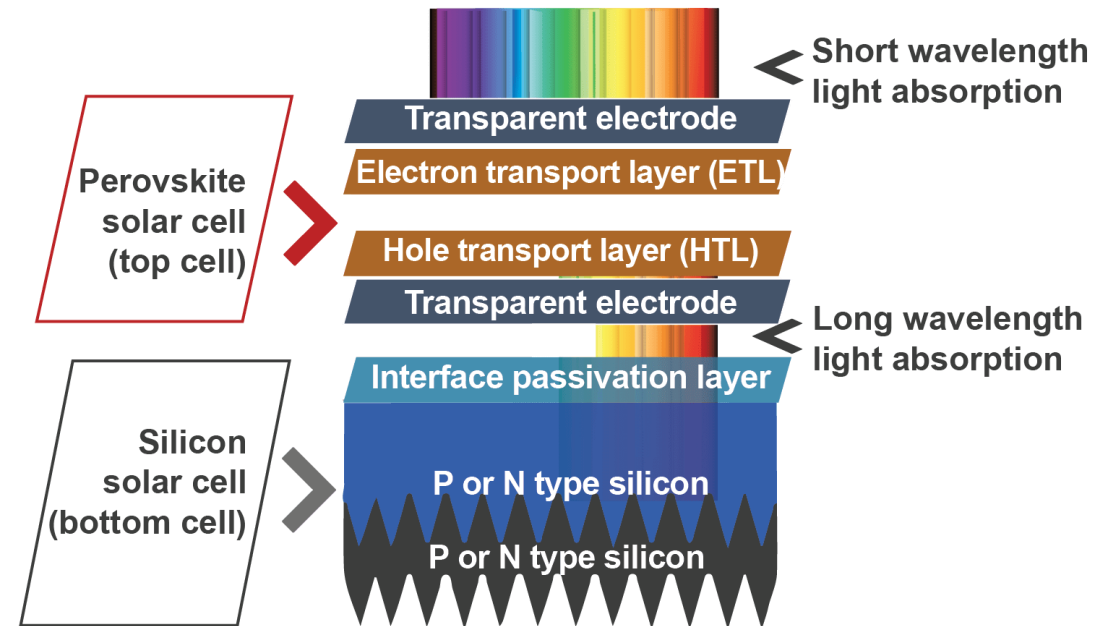


## Covering the full value chain of PV innovation



## Boosting efficiency with perovskite

- The best ratio of performance over manufacturing costs – perovskite/Si tandem.
- Perovskite takes advantage of the solar spectrum that typical Si materials cannot efficiently utilise.



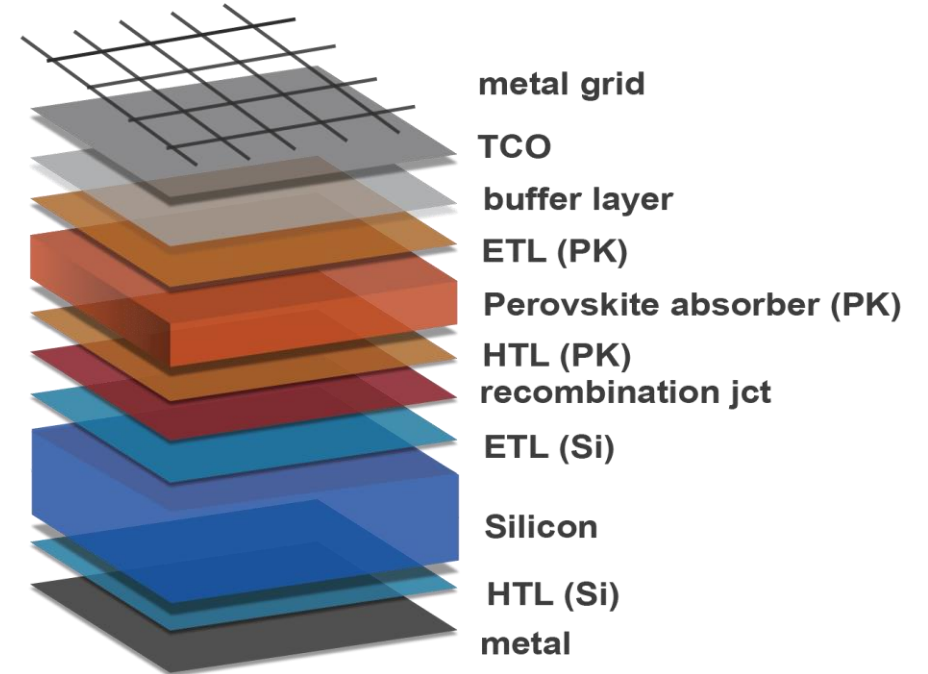
## Q.ANTUM technology

A silicon bottom cell used in PEPPERONI based on technology that is already produced at a gigawatt scale.

## Industry ready

### building blocks

- Front electrode – transparent & conductive
- Contact & buffer layers – high transparency & low surface recombination
- Perovskite absorber – pinhole-free with high quality on wafers
- Recombination junction – optimal electrical & optical coupling
- Silicon bottom cell – front side morphology optimisation & perovskite deposition process



**PEPPERONI aims** to identify the best approach to produce highly efficient and durable tandem cells.

Maximise the tandem PCE, stability and production yield in a pilot line.

## Work organisation

### building blocks

#### ● Technology development

- Tandem cell process integration
- Module integration
- Manufacturing tools
- Materials improvement & scalability

#### ● Technology assessment

- Indoor testing & outdoor monitoring
- Economic, environmental & societal analysis

#### ● Tandem cell & module pilot line

- Features innovative equipment, processes & materials
- Upgrade of the R&D line of Qcells in Thalheim, Germany

#### ● Coordination & outreach

- Project coordination & innovation management
- Communication, dissemination & exploitation

# Silicon based PV technologies roadmap

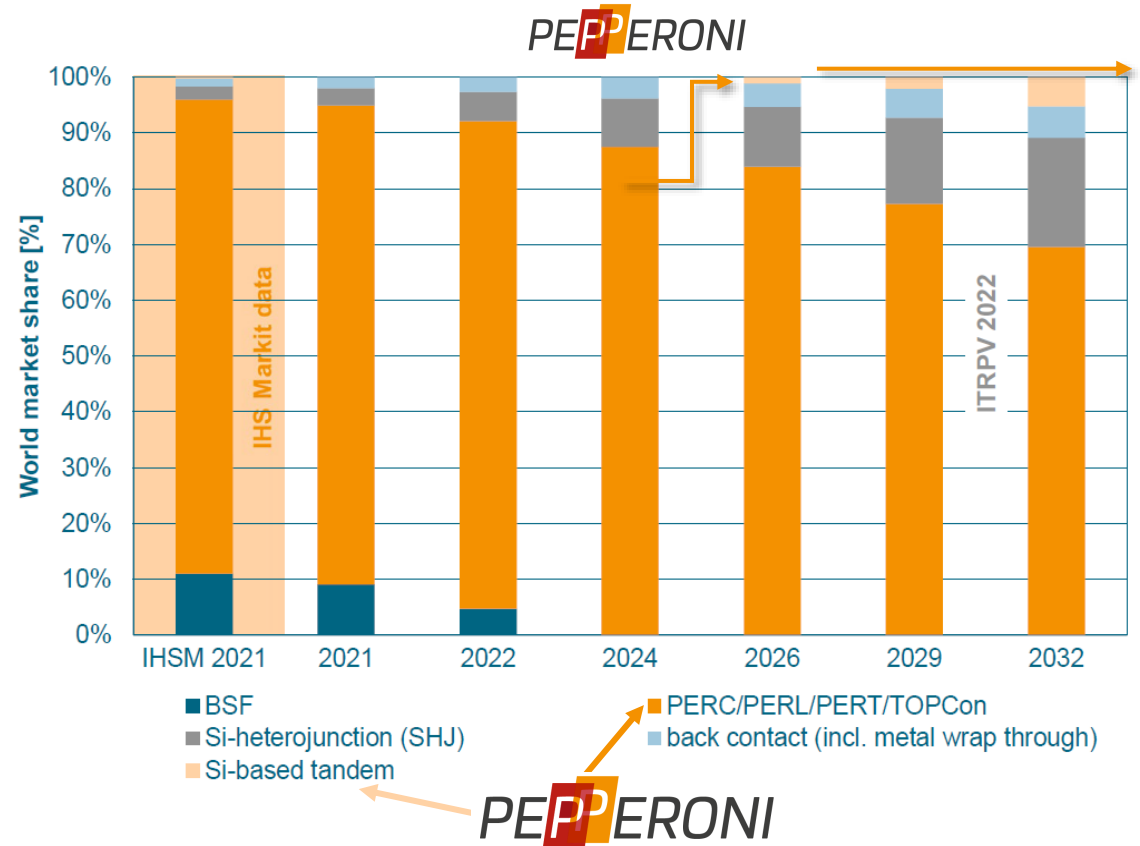


## Increasing market stake for perovskite/Si tandems

- Si-based tandem cells expected to appear in mass production after 2024.
- Si-based tandem modules with module effectiveness of more than 26% expected after 2026.

## PEPPERONI will

- Increase cell and module performance and optimize manufacturing processes for tandem technology.
- Speed up the market uptake.



# PEPPERONI's development roadmap



## Advancing tandem technology readiness level



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