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Intelligence in Energy Management

Improving the efficiency of self-consumption in home using forecasting production data

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i-EM: about us



i-EM is the ideal partner for companies operating in the energy sector:

i-EM is a Company that operates in renewable sector since 2005, developing Business
intelligence solutions for Energy
Management.

Field of application:

distributed generation from renewable sources

- smart grid and energy storage systems
- energy efficiency, control and optimization

of energy consumption

electric vehicles and sustainable mobility

i-EM: Mission and Vision





Mission

To make intelligent any generation, storage, transfer and energy exploitation

Vision

To drive energy users from "rough data" through "knowledge" to the "best decision"

Awards and initiatives 2013 / 2014





May 2013 - i-EM won first Enel Lab Competition.

Enel Lab aims to foster innovation in the energy sector by developing all possible joint activities with Enel's core business.



December 2013 – i-EM was selected from Italy Cleantech Network as one of the 10 most innovative startups



February 2014 - i-EM has been identified by **Italia Camp** as one of the most interesting Italian startups (Wall Street NYC).



May 2014 - i-EM has been identified for the the **European Cleantech Challenge**, aimed at supporting the best cleantech startups from European countries.

i-EM Solutions





Our intelligent energy management solutions are completely customizable on demand and are provided as **SaaS (Software as a Service)**

Tecnological challenges







The **Smart Grid** is an electricity network interactive and intelligent

Energy Efficiency is the possibility to satisfy the same demand for service with a lesser amount of energy





How to reduce / optimize consumption?

To achieve this, we turn to the use of efficient technologies, management and optimization of user behavior and communication of information

Technologies

Reduce

- Heat pumps
- Smart appliances
- Smart plugs
- Efficient lightening

Optimize → Self consumption

- PV production
- Storage systems
- Forecasting



ISO 50001 → Energy Management System (EMS)

Easily integrated with other management systems already present in the organization.

Approach Deming cycle (**PDCA**: Plan, Do, Check, Act) "systemic" aimed at the continuous improvement of the energy performance of the organization.





The potential 'theoretical' **energy savings** associated with the adoption of the 2020 technologies for energy efficiency in the areas analyzed is approximately 297 TWh, compared to a **potential "expected"** amount to **94 TWh**



Source "*Energy Efficiency Report*" Dicembre 2013, Energy & Strategy Group

In residential a massive use of more efficient technologies make it possible to achieve reductions in consumption up to **12%** by the year 2020. **Source ENEA**

Benefits (residential)



ADDED VALUE	€ / year
Optimal self-consumption of generated energy from 40% to 70%	100 – 280
Overload control: lower max contractual power from 4.5 kW to 3 kW with same energy consumption	190-240 (*)
Energy awareness: self-optimization of energy consumpt -5% / -10% consumption	tions 37 - 70
Dynamic pricing schemes: reduction of cost	In the future

Non Quantifiable

Low impact in installation (wireless)

Greater comfort thanks to overload control

Ready to internet connection

Cost estimations based on average consumption in Italy 2.700 kWh/anno, tariff «maggior tutela», data from trovaofferte AEEG

(*) 190 € for a consumption of 4047 kWh/year, 240 for 2700 kWh/year

From Energy@home presentation, April 2013





Forecasting



In order to support the improvement of the electric grid reliability and sustainability, i-EM developed <u>PV-Forecasting</u>. The service provide:

- accurate and locally-detailed forecasts of photovoltaic (PV) plants energy production
- hourly AC energy yield data predicted for the next 72 hours
- forecasts constantly updated every 3 hours



Forecast Reliability Index: examples





i-EM in Energy@home



i-EM is associated to Energy@Home (www.energy-home.it)



i-EM is responsible for the use case: "**Energy production / storage Use Case**" and partecipate (with Enel Distribuzione and ST Microelectronics) to the use case: "**EV Recharging**"



Scope

The goal of this use case is to integrate the production from domestic photovoltaic (PV) plants and the storage systems that could be linked to a PV plant in the Energy@Home architecture.

Objectives

- a. Monitoring system for all the significant quantities related to the production system, through a user-friendly interface;
- b. Tuning of the appliances timing algorithms using information about current and forecasted energy production





i-EM partecipated to Energy@home demo in **Amsterdam** (Utility Week 15-17 October 2013)





European Utility Week



Residential architecture (extended)











Trial of forecasting service on **21 residential PV-plants** all over Italian territory, different for size and PV-modules characteristics.

Good agreement between forecast and measured power production



PV Plant: hag ID 20143



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Measured and forecast plant production comparison:

Errors:

RMSE = 0.35 kWhNMAE $\approx 10\%$ (Pni = 3kW)

Correlation Coefficient: $R^2 = 0.9086$







PV Plant: hag ID 153

Measured and forecast plant production comparison:

Errors:

RMSE = 0.52 kWhNMAE $\approx 15\%$ (Pni = 3kW)

Correlation Coefficient: $R^2 = 0.8849$





Trial comments







2014 consumption (red) moved to higher prod hours wrt to 2013 (green)



In fact, the coefficient of determination between consumption and production increased twofold, suggesting an better awareness of energy savings routine.





- Energy efficiency technological challenge
- Great potential for energy savings also in residential sector
- Most of the technologies are mature for the market
- The distributed generation is becoming more widespread



The use of forecasting production data can improve the efficiency of self-consumption in home



Thanks for your attention

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