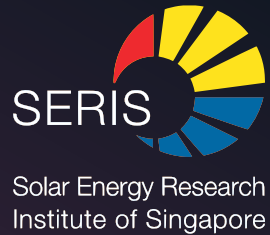


HOLISTIC AERIAL SOLUTION FOR PV ASSET MANAGEMENT

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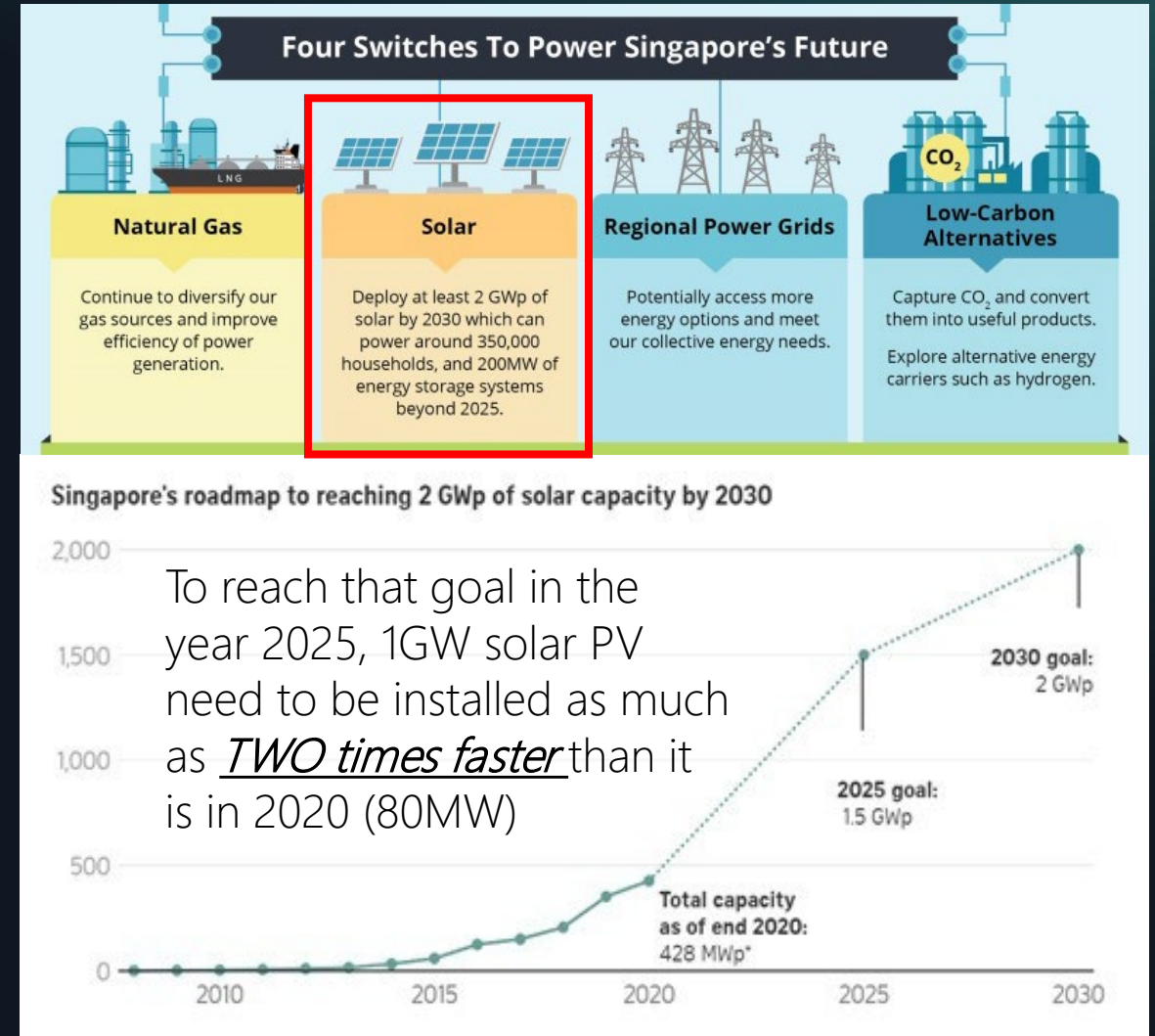
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PV INSTALLATION MUST BE ACCELERATED → BUT HOW?

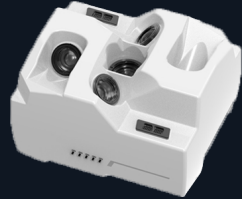
○ Challenges in solar PV adoption in Singapore

- Land scarce → Efficient use of building roof space
- Tropical climate → Higher PV system degradation → Need improved O&M
- Subsidy free electricity market → Cost competitive → Further reduce solar PV cost

○ QE-Labs develops and commercializes technologies that could solve above three challenges



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SOLUTION: END-TO-END AERIAL PV DIGITAL-TWINS

1

Design

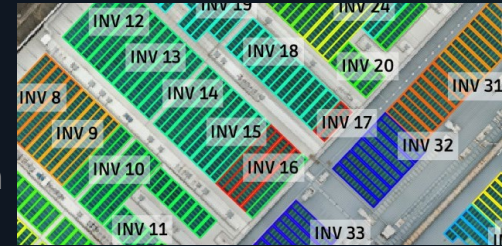
Drone LiDAR is used to generate point cloud 3D model of the site as an input for solar potential analysis and accurate PV system design



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Build

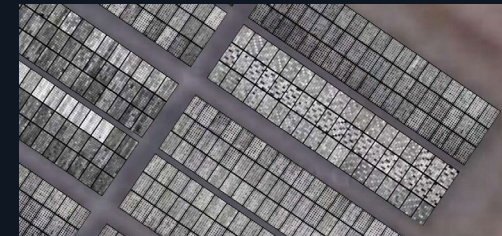
Monitoring actual site work progress and verify with the original design based on exceptional high-resolution drone visual 2D orthomosaic map



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Commissioning

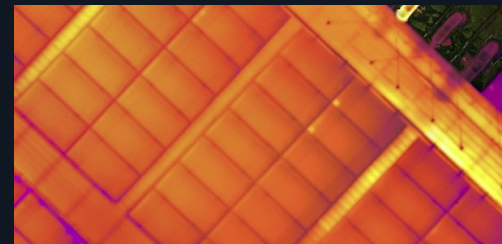
QE-Labs' unique drone QELATM technology is a quantitative key performance indicator (KPI) analysis of PV systems can be used in SAT



4

Operate

Drone thermography as a qualitative tool for detection of hotspot of PV modules to guide ground team for maintenance, i.e. cleaning panel



Integrated PV System Asset Lifecycle Management Platform



Asset
Owner



Asset
Manager



Business
Analyst



Performance
Engineer



Field
Technician



Banker and
Insurer

PRODUCT I: DRONE 3D PV SYSTEM DESIGN

- Proper PV system design ensure lifelong operation of the system
- Accurate: Drone 3D model + detailed physics-based simulations
- Fast: Parametric modelling techniques and automated workflow



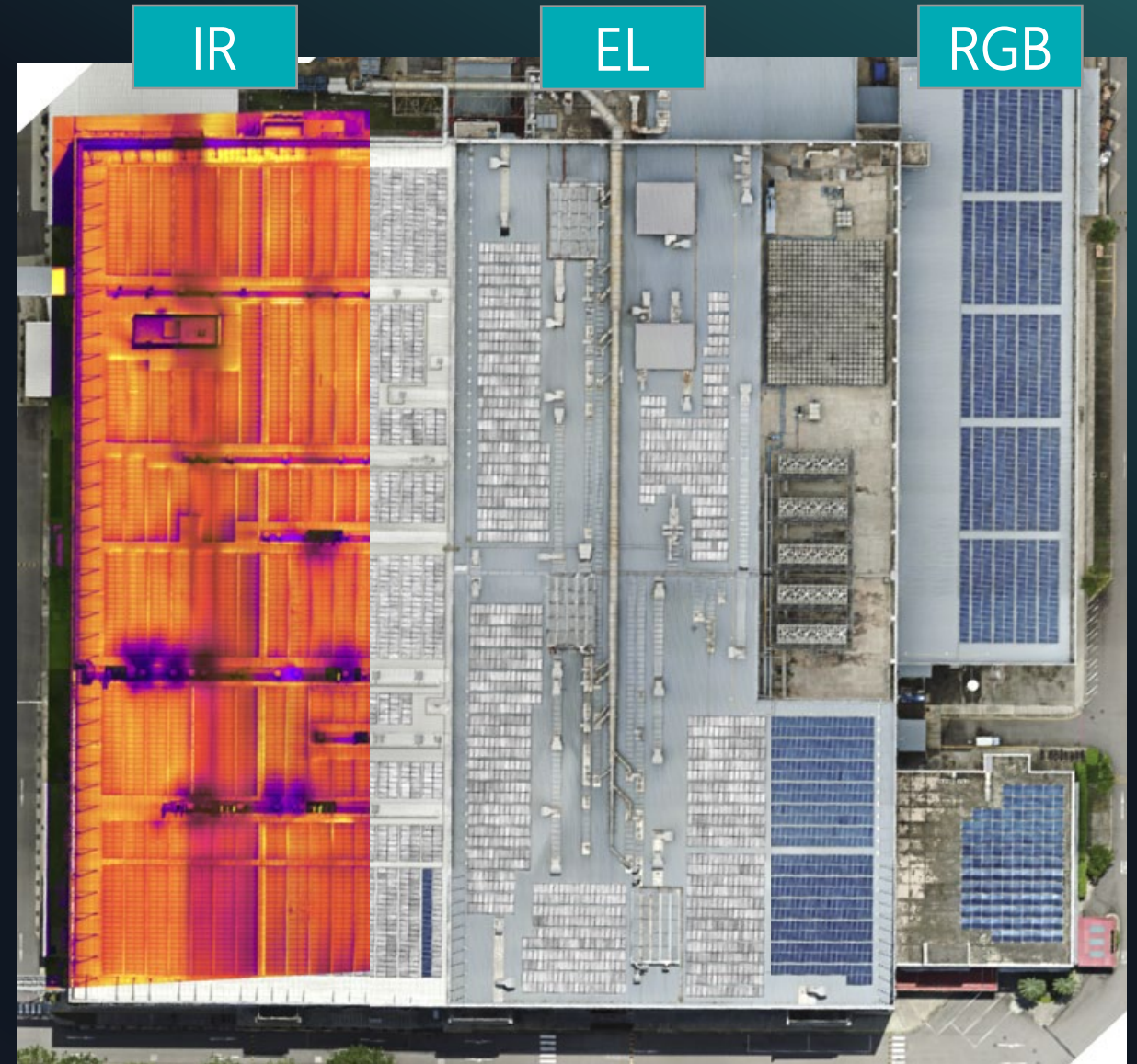
PRODUCT 2: CONSTRUCTION MONITORING

- Monitor construction progress without entering the premise (COVID-19 restrictions)
- Logistic & resources planning
- Automated As-build vs. As-design verification



PRODUCT 3: COMPREHENSIVE INSPECTION

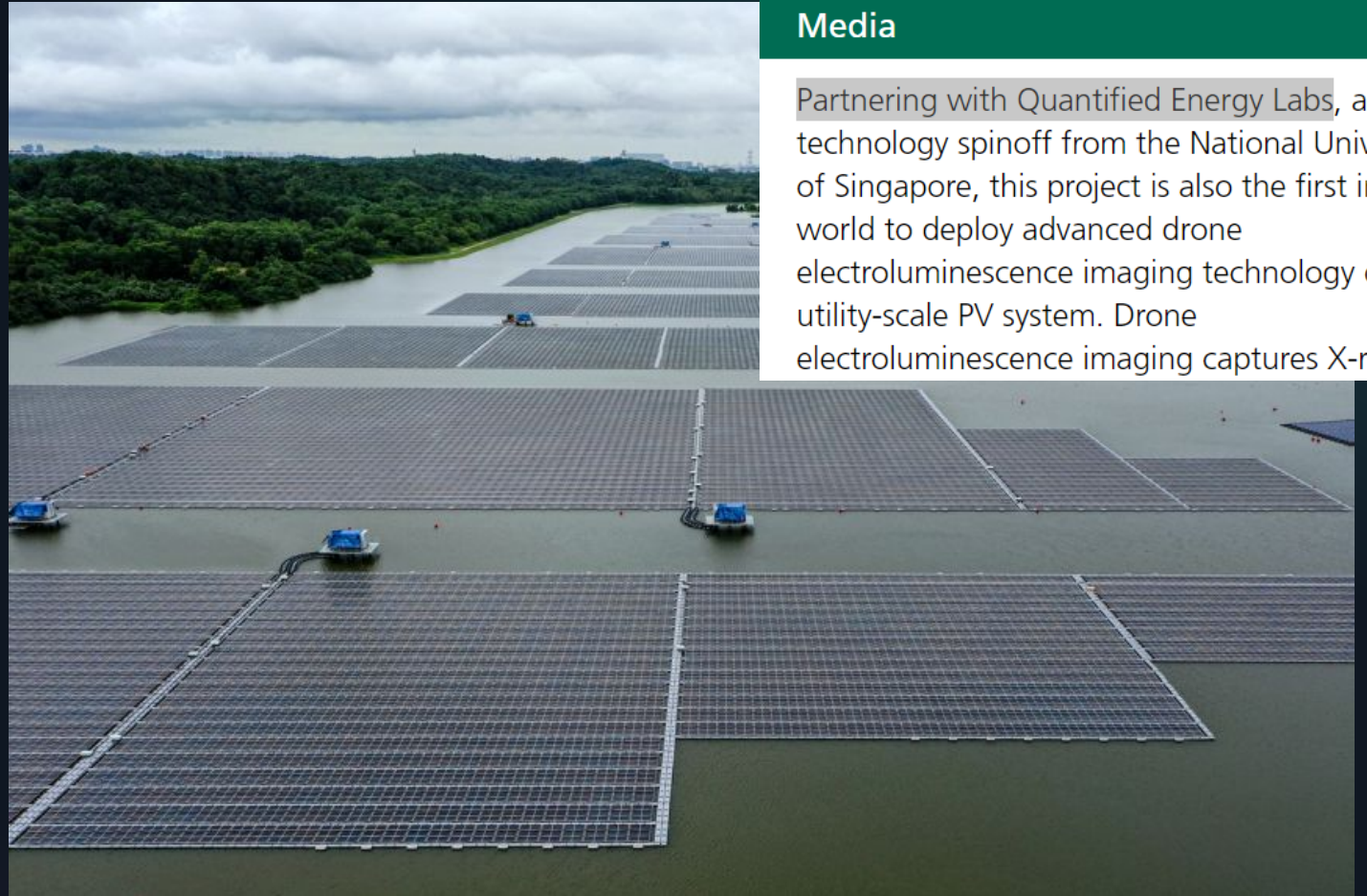
- Drone inspection using visible (RGB), thermal (IR), and electroluminescence (EL) imaging
- A.I. for automated defect identification



PROJECT I: FLOATING PV

- Large scale PV plant in reservoir
- Full site drone RGB/IR/EL with individual PV module inspection to minimize risk

Partnering with Quantified Energy Labs, a technology spinoff from the National University of Singapore, this project is also the first in the world to deploy advanced drone electroluminescence imaging technology on a utility-scale PV system. Drone electroluminescence imaging captures X-ray-



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PROJECT 2: SOLAR NOVA

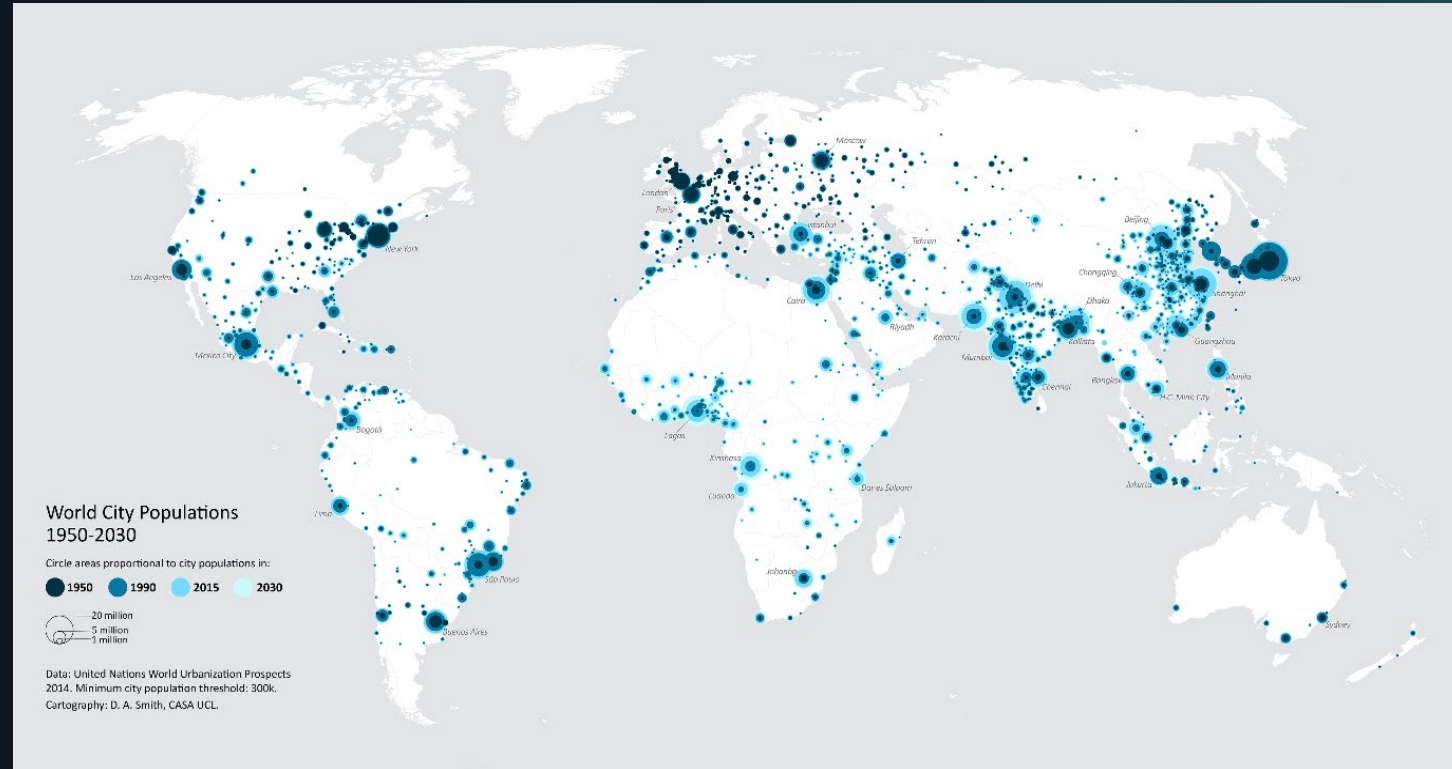
- PV systems distributed over multiple sites
- Automated PV system design to reduce cost



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SOLUTIONS FOR MEGA CITIES

- In 2018, 55% of the world population lives in urban cities
- By 2050, the city population will double



Estimated 300GW of solar deployment in the urban cities worldwide is required to meet the energy demand of the cities



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