

# **Making the Photovoltaic Industry**







### **Introducing PV Cycle**

Who We Are:

- Founded in July 2007
- Established and staffed office in Brussels in April 2008
- Today representing around 70% of European PV market

**Objective:** 

• To create and implement a voluntary industry-wide take back and recycling programme for PV modules



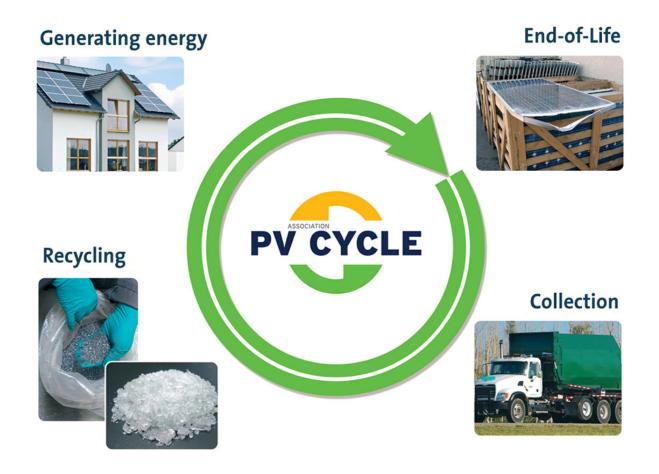
"The industry is strongly committed to act today ahead of the first large scale series of end-of-life modules" Karsten Wambach, PV CYCLE President

| First PV<br>installations | 25+ years of clean &<br>renewable energy | Full scale<br>end of life recycling        |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Early 1990                | 1990 - 2015                              | as of 2015                                 |  |
|                           | PV Cycle take-back ar                    | PV Cycle take-back and recycling programme |  |

Offering a truly sustainable energy solution <u>today</u> to help prevent climate change <u>tomorrow</u>



### **PV Cycle Circle**

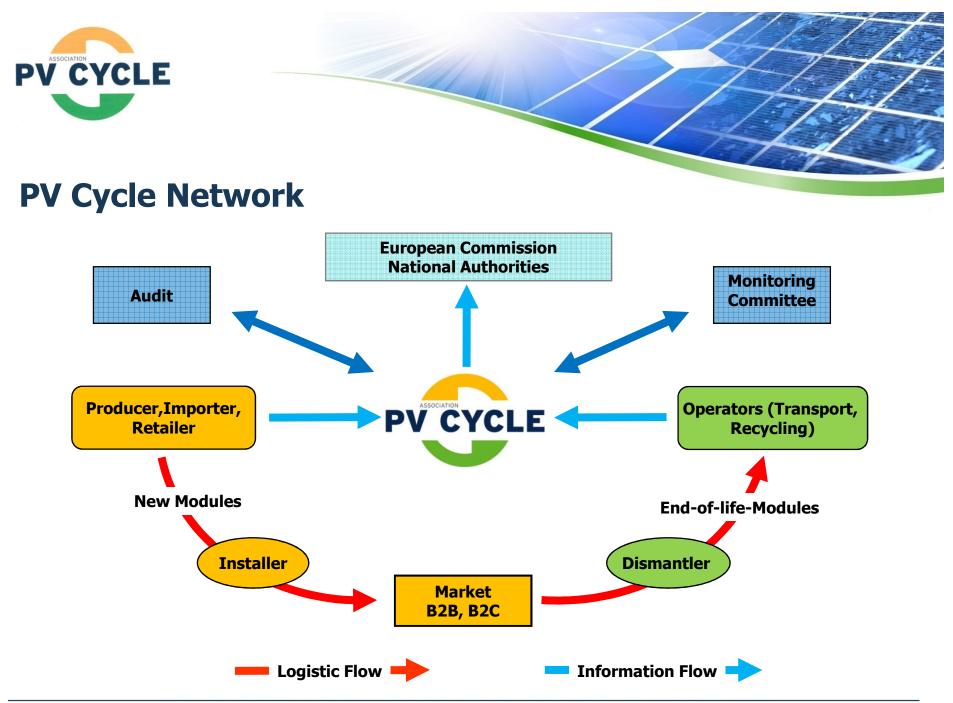






- Reduces the volume of PV waste
- Increases the re-use of valuable resources such as glass, silicon, and other semiconductor materials
- Reduces the life-cycle energy consumption and the environmental impacts associated with PV production

Making the Photovoltaic Industry **`DOUBLE GREEN'** 



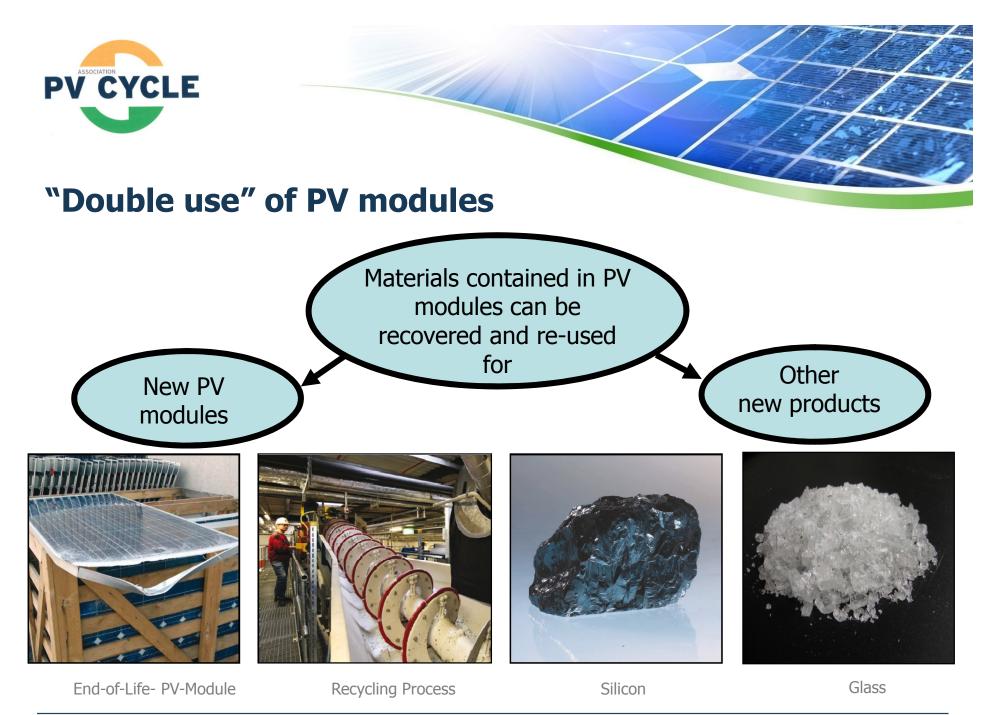


### **Today's PV Recycling Processes**



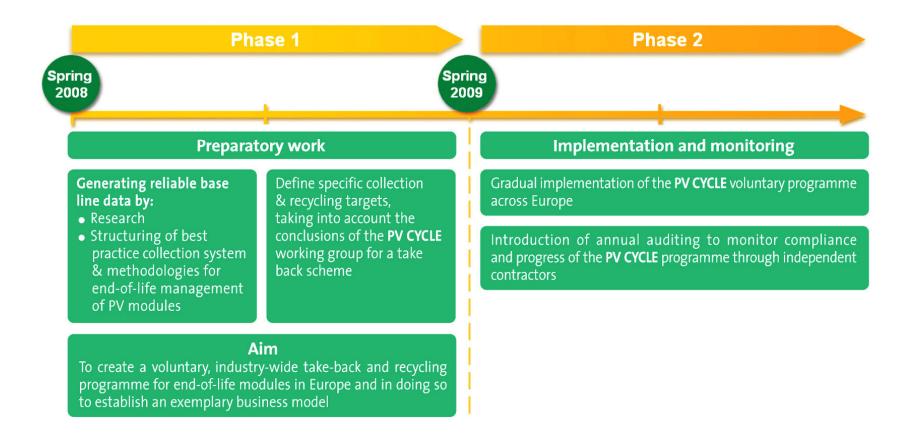
**Thin-Film Recycling Process** 

**Silicon Recycling Process** 





### **PV Cycle two-phase programme**





### Phase 1

#### **Spring 2008:**

PV producers representing about 70% of the EU PV market join PV Cycle

#### Summer 2008:

PV Cycle members identify fundamental dimensions of voluntary takeback and recycling programme

#### Autumn 2008:

KPMG to deliver independent overview of the amount and composition of PV modules installed in Europe throughout 2007

#### Winter 2008:

PV Cycle members to define the specific objectives and targets via a voluntary agreement



**Becoming a member will allow you to:** 

- Be part of the PV industry's sustainable energy solution
- Participate in PV Cycle's Working Group
- Help define the industry's collection and recycling targets
- Contribute to the development of the Voluntary Agreement
- Help shape the final PV Cycle business model
- Use the PV Cycle logo in marketing activities
- Confirm your producer responsibility to customers, authorities and stakeholders



### **Founding members**

CONERGY







SCHOTT solar













We welcome as members:

- all manufacturers
- all importers
- every company with a responsibility in manufacturing and/or importing PV modules

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### **Membership fees**

| Membership Category | Turnover in PV Business<br>in Europe in the previous<br>calendar year | Annual fee<br>(2009) |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|
| Full Member         |   |                      |
| Ι                   | >100 Mio €/a  | 25.000 €             |
| II                  | 10-100 Mio €/a  | 12.500 €             |
| III                 | < 10 Mio €  | 5.000 €              |
| Associate Member    |   |                      |
|                     |   | Minimum 1.000€       |





### Thank you for your attention!



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