

Press Release

40 Megawatts for the Czech Republic

Nobility Solar Projects a.s. plans to build PV plants with a total output of 40 megawatts next year. For its plants, the Czech company relies solely on SolarMax inverters from the Swiss inverter manufacturer Sputnik Engineering AG.

Biel , 25. November 2009. By the end of 2010 the company Nobility Solar Projects plans to more than double the amount of PV output it has already installed. Since 2008 we have constructed solar power plants with a total output of 18 megawatts, says Roman Kočí, commercial director at Nobility Solar Projects and then adds, in 2010 this number will rise to 40 megawatts. We think the market will develop quickly next year if the feed-in tariffs sink by only five percent, as planned.

In all of its projects, Kočí wants to use SolarMax inverters. Only in this way can we ensure that we provide the best service. Sputnik Engineering has an excellent reputation and exclusively manufactures products with the renowned Swiss quality, which we also recommend to our partners. Among Nobility's current projects count numerous large plants, for example two 3.2 megawatt systems that the company commissioned in June and November near Brno, around 200 kilometres south-east of Prague. In each plant, nine SolarMax 300 C central inverters were used. The plant operator receives the increased feed-in tariff of 12.79 Czech crowns (about 0.50 euros) for 20 years for every kilowatt hour of solar electricity that the plants produce. Roman Kočí expects the plants to have paid for themselves in less than ten years.

The Czech Republic is an important market for us, says Sputnik's head of sales Daniel Freudiger. I look forward to further, exciting projects. We have found a competent partner in Nobility, which is among the leading system integrators in eastern Europe.

Caption: Nobility has already erected numerous large plants with SolarMax inverters from Sputnik Engineering: this is a 3.2 megawatt system near Brno , around 200 kilometres south-east of Prague .



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About Nobility Solar Projects

Nobility Solar Projects was founded in the Czech city of Brno in 2008 and currently has 25 employees. The company is specialised in the planning and building of turnkey solar power plants in the Czech Republic and co-operates with 150 partners. In addition to seeing an increase in the construction of its own plants, Nobility also plans to expand its partner network in 2010.

About Sputnik Engineering AG

Sputnik Engineering AG was founded in 1991 by Christoph von Bergen and Philipp Müller. Since then it has focused its activities exclusively on the development, sales and maintenance of inverters for grid-connected photovoltaic systems. With the SolarMax series, the company – headquartered in Biel, Switzerland – offers a highly diverse product range of string inverters for single family houses and central inverters for solar power plants. Thanks to its many years of experience and constant optimisation of its products, Sputnik has developed devices distinguished by their state-of-the-art technology, high quality, reliability, maximum yields and very good value for the money. Sputnik Engineering currently has around 230 employees at its Swiss headquarters as well in its subsidiaries in Neuhausen (Germany), Madrid (Spain) and Milan (Italy), and Paris (France).

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