

“Conto Energia” - Made in EU label

At May 6th 2011, the Italian government announced the new “Conto Energia IV”. An important decision within this new legislation concerning the feed in tariffs is that operators will receive extra feed in tariff if at least 60% of the investment of a Solar Power Plant (excluding the installation labor costs) has been manufactured within the European Union.

This measure has led to many questions and rumors.

Without discussion, one of the major components of the Solar PV plants are the PV Modules.

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In a very close co-operation with the Italian Branch organization for the PV Industry IFI (*Industrie Fotovoltaiche Italiane*) Kiwa has established a simple but effective certification and labeling scheme in order to proof that your PV modules are produced in Europe.

The certification method and procedures have been discussed and approved by the Italian Governmental Organization GSE.

Amongst others, aspects of the certification procedures are:

- Verification of the location on critical steps of the module manufacturing process.
- Verification of the capacity and technical capacity of the production lines versus the delivered orders and orders in demand.

Kiwa has prepared the Certification regulations in order to certify PV modules according to “Conto Energia – Made in EU” Label. It is one of the Kiwa Quality (KQ) certification schemes.

Why kiwa:

- Kiwa is accredited by Several National Accreditation Bodies, like Accredia.
- Kiwa Certificates and Reports are well recognized and accepted by Investment Organizations, Banks and Governments Worldwide.
- We listen to you and we will deliver fast, flexible and satisfying services!
- Kiwa has state of the art laboratories in a very extend range of renewable energy technologies. (Fuel cells, Heat Pumps and Solar PV / Solar Thermal).
- We test and certify Modules and also Components and Materials.
- Testing and Certification according to the UK MCS scheme; North America (UL 1703), etc.
- A large variation of on-demand testing like Ammonia Corrosion tests, Salt Mist tests, Extreme Mechanical Load tests, etc.

Ask us how it works;
we will be eager and happy to help you!

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