

**Smart Energy Microgrid Marketplace.** SPI has expanded its footprint to include the entire smart building and microgrid ecosystem in the Smart Energy Microgrid Marketplace. The marketplace features a fully-functioning microgrid, energy management systems, automation products, electric vehicle charging stations, energy storage providers, and solar panel manufacturers—ultimately making the connection between solar power and smart products. Microgrids are helping to advance the U.S. energy system by being able to operate autonomously and with clean, renewable energy—namely solar. With the adoption of the smart grid and smart technologies, microgrids can work to prove a distributed and uninterrupted source of energy.

**The growth and demand of the microgrid market is due to:**

- » Ability to operate free of the grid
- » A growing demand for secure, emissions-free solar power
- » Connectivity to the IoT and smart energy and energy storage systems—all which can be seen working together at Solar Power International

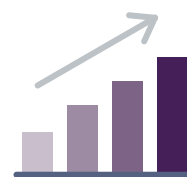
**1,437** microgrid projects worldwide, representing **13.4 GW** of capacity



Over **3,200** SPI attendees are interested in **microgrids and smart energy** applications.



**Utility-run microgrids** have grown seen significant growth in recent years, and that market segment is expected to reach **\$5.8 billion in 2023**



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SPI is now accepting abstract submissions for The Technical Symposium. The symposium is a brand new program at SPI, which will offer professionals from the academic, R&D, technical and scientific disciplines in photovoltaics, energy storage and 'smart' energy the opportunity to submit abstracts for peer review, presentation and discussion, and publication at the largest gathering of the solar community in North America. Apply now at [solarpowerinternational.com](http://solarpowerinternational.com)

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EnSync	Sunverge
Panasonic	Trinasolar

## SPI by the numbers



**18,000** Solar industry professionals



**240,000** Square feet



**650** Exhibitors



Over **24** hours of dedicated B2B networking



**115** Energy storage exhibitors



**80%** of attendees have buying power



Attendees from more than **110** countries, which make up **21%** of total attendance



Almost **30%** of exhibitors were international, representing **30** different countries.

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 June 13-14, Austin, TX

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 September 10-13, Las Vegas, NV

**Solar Power Midwest**  
 October 19-20, Chicago, IL

**Solar Power New York**  
 December 11-12, New York, NY

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