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# Meyer Burger secures sustainable supply chain for production of highly efficient "clean" solar modules

- Before the start of the production, Meyer Burger concludes contracts with several wafer suppliers as planned
- All suppliers confirm sustainable production of solar wafers made of polysilicon «Made in Europe»

Meyer Burger Technology Ltd concludes contracts with several suppliers for the supply of sustainably produced wafers, thus securing its new production of high-efficiency solar cells and modules. This will start in the second quarter of this year and will comprise an annual nominal capacity of 400 MW each. The wafers are sawn from ultra-pure silicon and are the basic material from which Meyer Burger manufactures its solar cells. All suppliers assure that the wafers are made of polysilicon, which comes from the European manufacturer Wacker.

This silicon allows Meyer Burger to meet the demands of the French market, for example, and to supply modules with a certified carbon footprint. "By disclosing the supply chain, we underline our high standards for the sustainability of our products," said Gunter Erfurt, CEO of Meyer Burger. "We not only want to produce the best solar modules, but also the cleanest." The requirements for the raw material and the solar wafers include high environmental and social production standards as well as high quality requirements. "Our new patent-protected technology allows the use of particularly thin wafers, which can only be produced with high-quality polysilicon."

Meyer Burger will present its new high-efficiency solar modules in an online premiere on April 27, 2021. By building its own solar production, Meyer Burger is bringing key steps of the solar supply chain back to Europe. "Our goal is to source as many components of our product as possible in Europe," said Gunter Erfurt. Meyer Burger plans to build an annual production capacity of 5 GW each of solar cells and modules by 2026.



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## **About Meyer Burger Technology Ltd**

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Meyer Burger is starting production of high-performance solar cells and solar modules in 2021. Its proprietary heterojunction/SmartWire technology enables the company to launch products that are more efficient and higher-yielding than current standard products. With solar cells and modules designed in Switzerland and manufactured in Germany, Meyer Burger aims to become a leading European photovoltaic company. Currently, the company employs around 600 people at production sites in Switzerland and Germany and at sales offices in Europe, the U.S. and in Asia.

Founded in 1953 in Switzerland, Meyer Burger is a leading and globally active technology company specializing in innovative systems and production equipment for the solar market. The company has shaped the development of photovoltaics along the entire value chain and set key industry standards. A large part of the solar modules produced worldwide today are based on technologies developed by Meyer Burger.

The registered shares of Meyer Burger Technology Ltd are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (ticker: MBTN).