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# Solar at Gate Project Implementation at Douala International Airport

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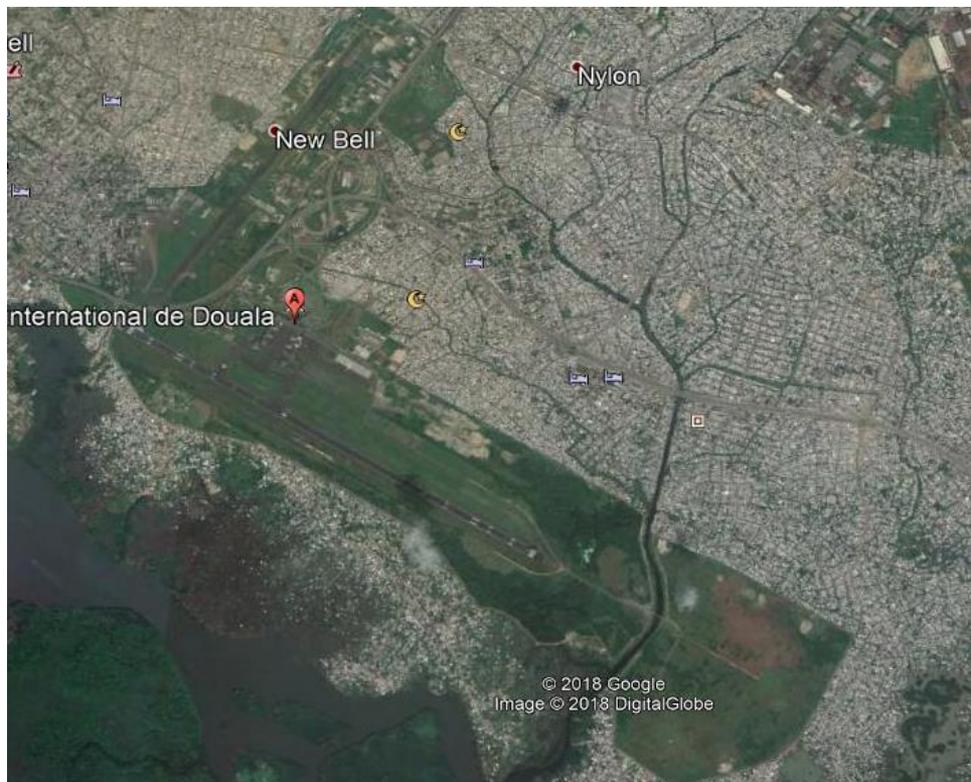


# PRESENTATION OF DOUALA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT





## PRESENTATION OF DOUALA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



- Opened in June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1977

- Cameroon main airport



- Aerodrome Operator:



- Ground Operator:



- Runway 12/30: 2850 x 45 m





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## PRESENTATION OF DOUALA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



- 01 passenger terminal
- 01 cargo terminal
- Traffic data (2018)
  - 19 airlines
  - 20 442 aircraft movements
  - 28 commercial flights per day
  - 1.1 millions passengers (transit excluded) handled
  - 16500t freight





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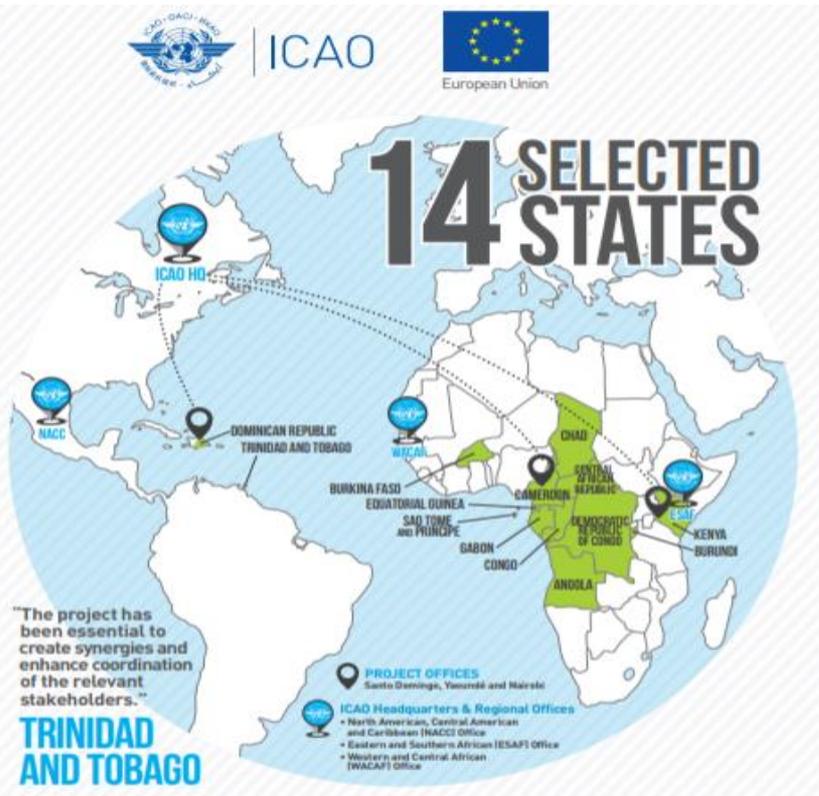
## ICAO-EU SOLAR-AT-GATE PROJECT CONCEPT



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## ICAO-EU SOLAR-AT-GATE PROJCT CONCEPT



- Under **Objective n°3** of joint ICAO-EU Assistance Project Capacity building for CO<sub>2</sub> mitigation from international civil aviation

### OBJECTIVE 3

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF MITIGATION MEASURES:

Priority mitigation measures identified, evaluated and partly implemented

- To showcase concrete actions that may be replicated by other member States to contribute to the achievement of ICAO's aspirational goals for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction from international civil aviation

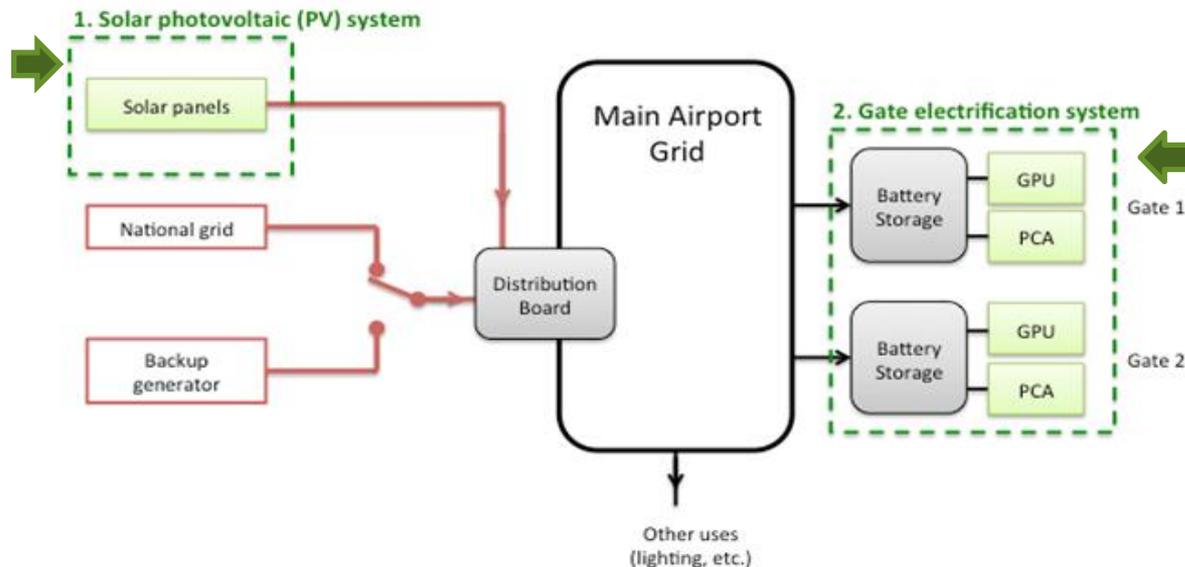


## ICAO-EU SOLAR-AT-GATE PROJECT CONCEPT

**Goal:** To demonstrate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions mitigation through the use of solar (thus clean) energy to provide ground power (via electric GPU) and pre-conditioned air (via electric PCA) to aircraft serving international flights at the gate. Aircraft will therefore be able to switch off their Auxiliary Power Unit (APU), thus reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from international civil aviation.

### 1. Solar PV system

*Provides clean power to the airport grid*



### 2. Gate

#### **Electrification system**

*Provides ground power and pre-conditioned air to the aircraft at the gate*



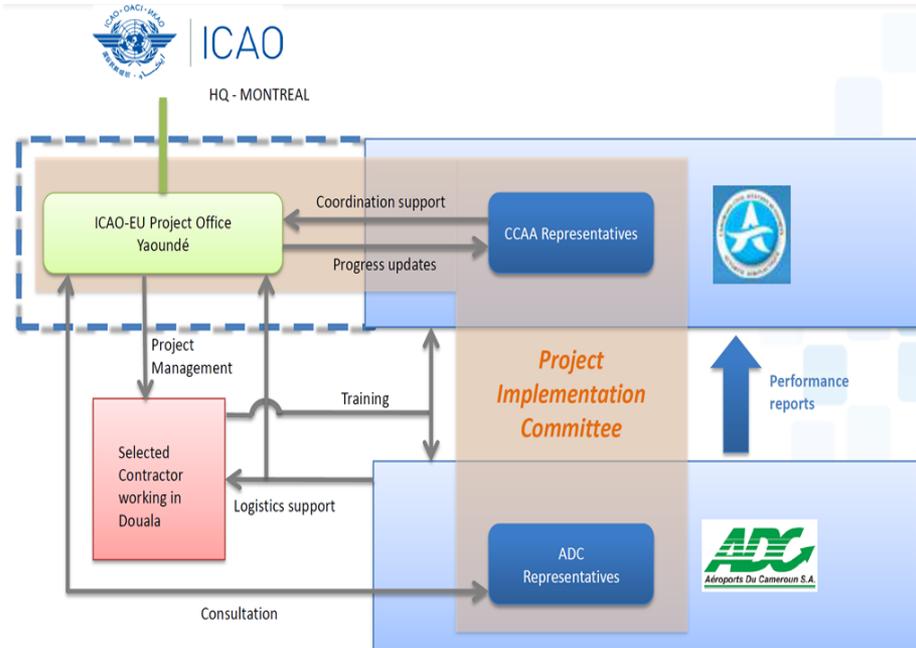
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# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Project Organization



- **Cost:** 1,432,340 USD
- **Stakeholders:** ICAO, CCAA and ADC SA
- **Project Implementation Committee** set up
- **Project Kick-off meeting:** 16 November 2016



- **Inauguration:** 10 January 2019



- **Project acceptance:** 13 February 2019



# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Technical Description

- 3840 x PV modules 325Wp / Global power = 1,25 MWp
- 20x Combiner boxes DC
- 20x Inverters SMA STP 60 kW
- 1x High Voltage Transformer Station (MVS) 400V/15kV
- 1x High voltage cell to connect to airport main distribution board at 15KV
- 2x Educational kiosks
- 1x Monitoring and data acquisition system
- Gate Equipment: 01 electric GPU and 01 electric ACU procured and commissioned by the airport
- No battery storage system
- Training to ADC SA Staff
- Preventive and corrective maintenance contracted for 2 years





# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Solar PV Array

- PV Array: 3840 ground-mounted modules of 325Wp TWINKLE TD672P TWINKLE TD672P Polycrystalline Dual Glass 72 Cell Series

- PV Array Footprint: 7692 m<sup>2</sup>

- Output: 1.25 MWp



**20 combiner box DC**

- Inside the PV array





# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Inverters and MVS



- 20 Inverters SMA STP 60 kW**
  - 5 in one column below
  - 4 columns
  - 3 cables: DC, AC, Monitoring



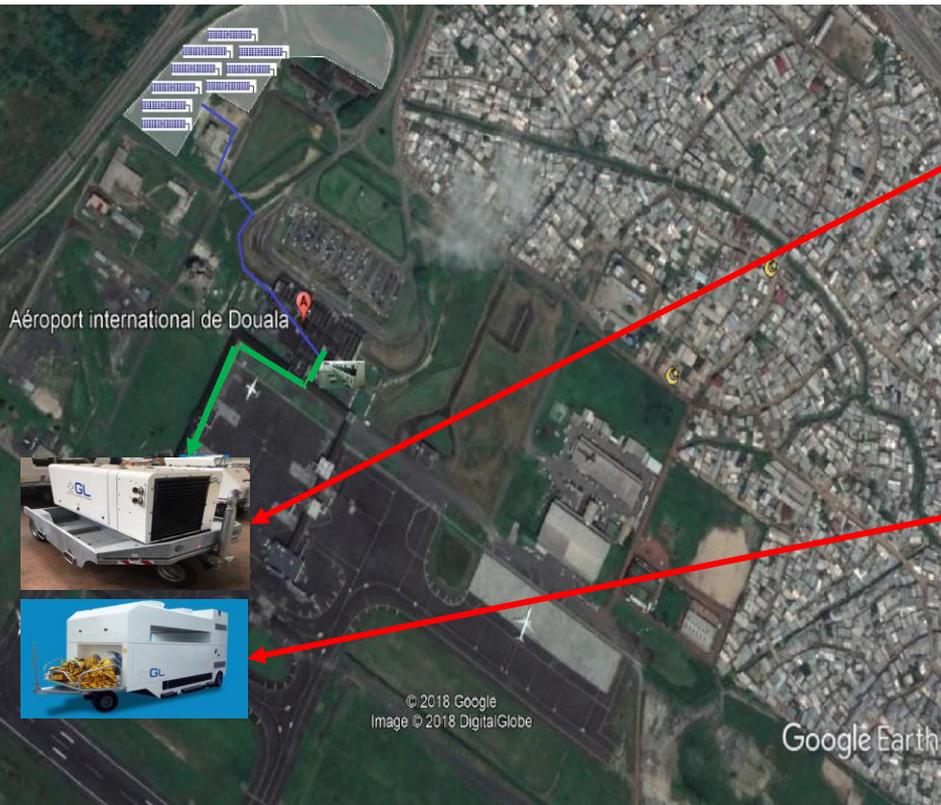
- 01 High Voltage Transformer Station (MVS)**
  - 400V/15kV





# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Electric GPU and PCA



### GPU: Guinault SA 180

- 50/60Hz: 400V – 3 phases – 250A
- 400 Hz 115/200V: power rating 180kW



### ACU: Guinault CF 30

- Nominal air flow rate: 3.0 kg/s
- Cold air outlet temperature: 5/+5 °C





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## SwitchGear

### SCHNEIDER

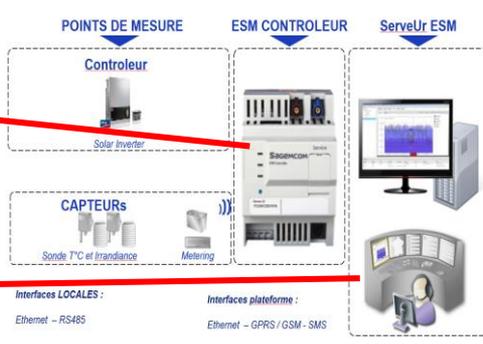
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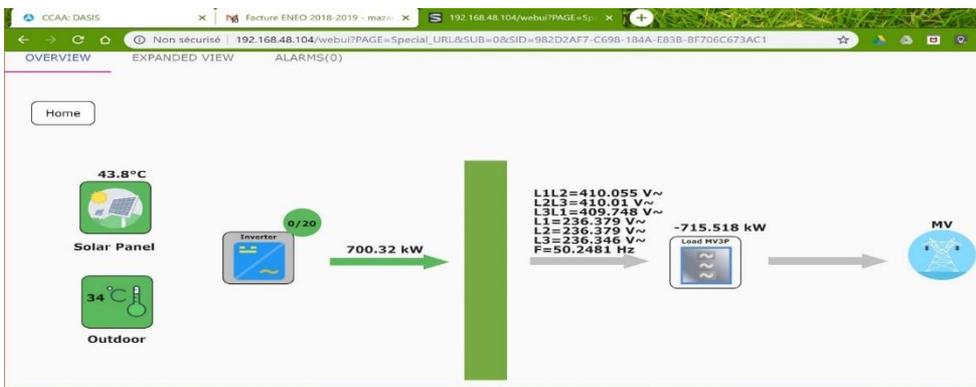


# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Monitoring and Data Acquisition System



- ESM Vision components:**
- Sensors everywhere to measure (e.g. on PV modules)
  - SMA Controller for solar inverters
  - ESM Controller collect data from sensors and SMA controller
  - Server at the airport server room
- ESM Vision function:**
- Measure points
  - Alarms
  - Report and KPIs

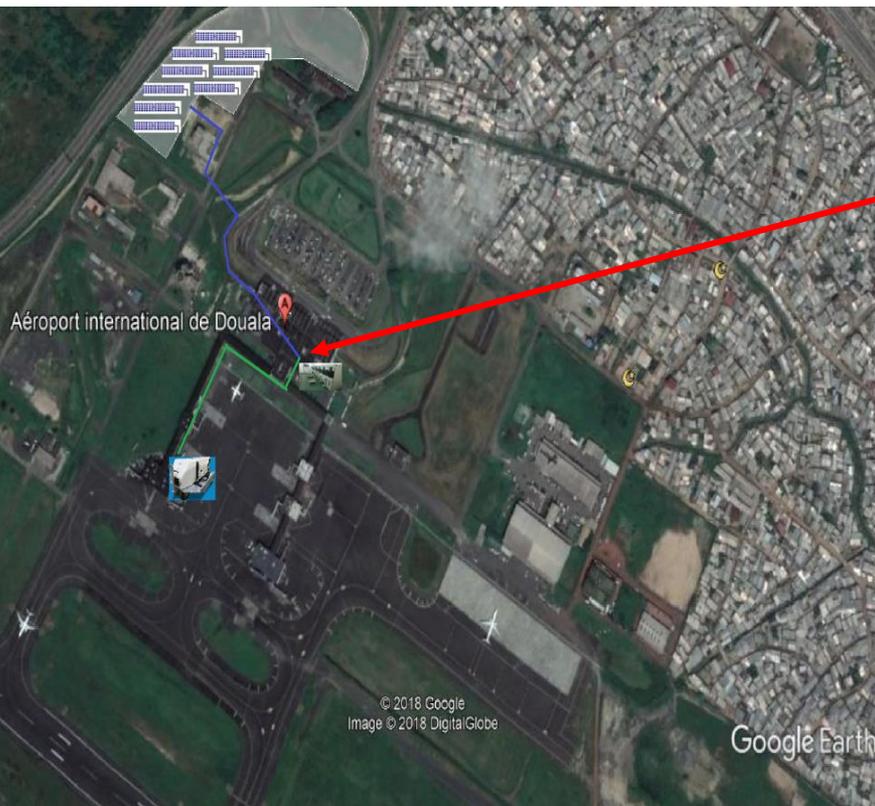




# SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

## Educational Kiosks

**02 Educational Kiosks:** Screens with dimensions (2.0x1.5)m, inside pax terminal (1 departure, 1 arrival)





## SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

### Training

- To ensure durability of the project, training on the solar PV plant and its maintenance was provided to ADC electrical staff





## SOLAR-AT-GATE IMPLEMENTATION AT DOUALA

### Spare Parts and Maintenance

- The contractor is required to provide corrective and preventive maintenance of the solar PV plant for 2 years
- An MoU is about to be signed between ADC SA and the contractor to define the outlines the maintenance to be carried out under ICAO contract

#### **PROTOCOLE D'ENTENTE**

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SAGEMCOM CAMEROUN SARL PORTANT SUR  
L'EXPLOITATION ET LA MAINTENANCE DE LA CENTRALE  
PHOTOVOLTAIQUE DE  
L'AEROPORT INTERNATIONAL DE DOUALA



- The contractor also provided solar PV plant spare parts that are now stored in its warehouse for the 2 next years



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## PROJECT BENEFITS





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### EVOLUTION OF TOTAL ENERGY GENERATED PER MONTH



- Since commissioning in February 2019
  - 360MWh generated
  - 25 % of energy demand is now satisfied by solar !!!
  - 250 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> saved (equivalent to planting 2500 trees)
  - 17000 USD per month saved on electricity bill



## PROJECT BENEFITS



- Reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the solar PV plant of about 1200 tons/year
  - Provide power from renewable energy
  - By the end of the year, the solar-at-gate project will save globally around 1200 tons.
- Reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from international civil aviation
  - Eliminate aviation fuel burn at gate
  - The use of the GPU and PCA will save globally around 2600 tons/year of CO<sub>2</sub>, emissions from international civil aviation (assuming 10 flights per day using the GPU), which is globally equivalent to planting 26000 trees, thus showing the contribution of ADC SA to reduce environmental degradation.
- Co-benefit: reduces NO<sub>x</sub> (a greenhouse gas) improving local air quality
- Cost savings:
  - 204 000 USD per year
  - after 7-8 years, the total cost of the projet is covered
- Enhanced network with industry, especially Solar PV system industry
- Enhanced teamwork



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# ADC SA SOLAR-AT-GATE PROJECT EVOLUTION





## ADC SA SOLAR-AT-GATE PROJECT EVOLUTION

- In short term, expand the solar PV plant from 1.25MWp to 2MWp using the available remaining space on the site
- Procure additional electric GPUs and PCAs
  - Reduce as much as possible CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from national and international civil aviation
- In medium term, add a Battery Storage System to the Solar PV System
  - As an alternative to fuel generators
    - No CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
    - Significant cost saving (TCO less than fuel generators)
    - Greater independence from rising fuel or energy prices
  - To be able to power critical parts of the airport with clean energy at night (serves as a UPS)
  - To be totally independent from the utility grid (ENE0): in case of a power outage from utility grid, batteries provide backup power to tighten the output of the PV system and ensure a continuous power supply
- Replicate Solar-at-gate projects to other international airports: Yaoundé-Nsimalen and Garoua starting in 2020





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