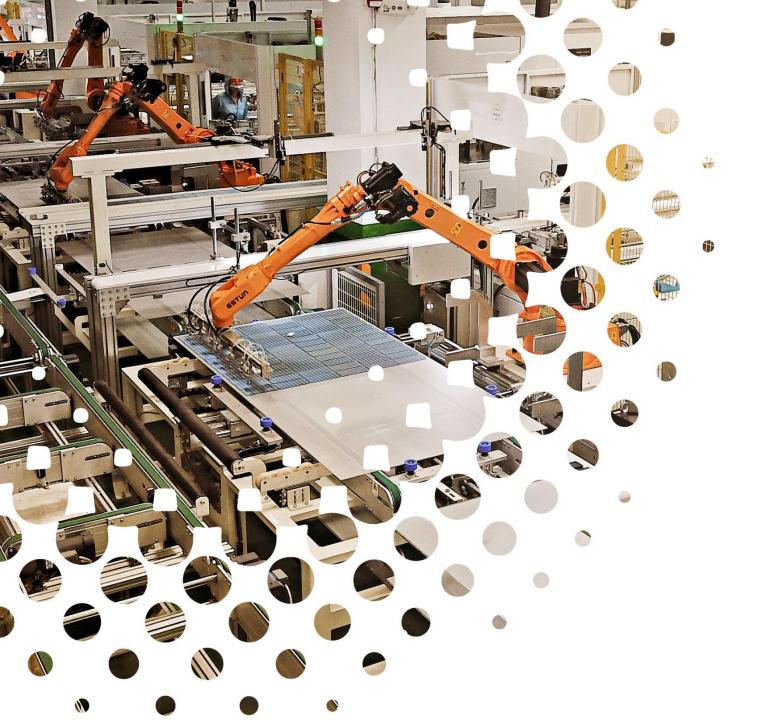


### **Investor Presentation**

**November 2021** 

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Q3 2021

**UPDATES** 



#### **Quarterly income statement highlights**

USD millions except per share data	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	qoq	yoy
Net revenues	914	1,041	1,089	1,430	1,229	-15%	+35%
-CSI Solar	921	785	695	1,184	1,149	-5%	+25%
-Global Energy	79	373	471	281	140	-50%	+80%
-Elimination	-86	-117	-77	-35	-60		
Gross margin	19.5%	13.6%	17.9%	12.9%	18.6%	+570 bp	-90 bp
-CSI Solar margin	19.9%	13.5%	9.7%	13.1%	15.1%	+200 bp	-480 bp
-Global Energy margin	31.7%	8.6%	24.0%	4.2%	43.7%		
Selling expenses	54	64	84	84	102		
General and admin expenses	56	70	67	69	83		
R&D expenses	14	10	12	13	13		
Other operating (income) loss	-5	-6	-13	-7	-23		
Operating income	59	2	43	26	53	+100%	-10%
Net interest expense	-16	-16	-11	-12	-11		
Net FX gain or (loss)	-13	4	-7	-3	-14		
Income tax benefit or (expense)	-21	2	-14	2	3		
Net income attributable to Canadian Solar Inc.	9	7	23	11	35	+210%	+300%
Diluted EPS	0.15	0.11	0.36	0.18	0.52*	+190%	+250%



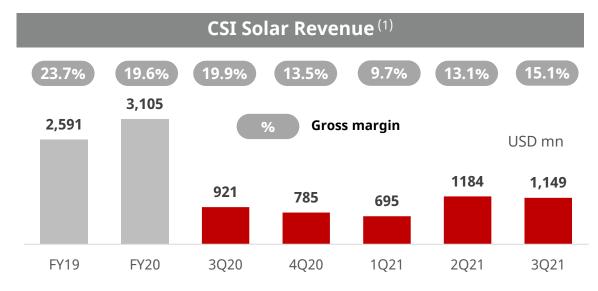


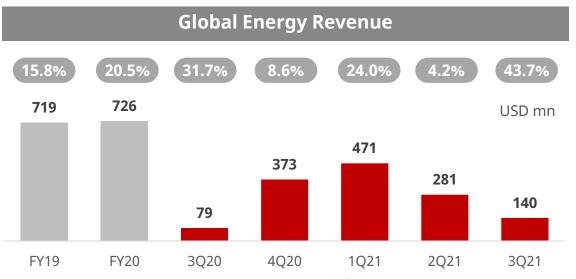
#### **Results summary by divisions**

USD millio	3Q21	yoy	qoq	FY20	yoy	
	Total shipments (MW)	3,865	22%	6%	11,286	32%
	Revenues	1,149	25%	-3%	3,105	20%
CSI Solar	Gross profit	173	-6%	11%	609	-1%
	Income from operations	30	-66%	102%	253	-5%
	Revenues	140	78%	-50%	726	1%
Global Energy	Gross profit	61	145%	420%	149	31%
	Income from operations	31	464%	893%	53	184%

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- In Q3, total module shipments were up 22% yoy to 3.9 GW and total revenue was up 34% yoy to 1.23 billion.
- Q3 was our strongest quarter in terms of profitability since the start of COVID. CSI Solar gross margin was up 200 bp qoq to 15.1% and Global Energy gross margin was 43.7%.
- Q3 profitability benefited largely from the sale of the 1.4 GWh Crimson Project in the U.S., our largest battery storage project todate and one of the largest battery storage projects in the world.





(1) Includes effects of both sales to third party customers and to the Company's Global Energy business to reflect the real underlying performance. Please refer to the financial tables in the quarterly press release for the intercompany transaction elimination information. Income from operation amounts reflect management's allocation and estimate as some services are shared by the two segments of the Company.



#### **Guidance as of November 18, 2021**

	Q3 2021 Actual	Q4 2021 Guidance
Module Shipments	3.9 GW	3.7 – 3.9 GW
Battery Storage Shipments	250 MWh	290 – 310 MWh
Project Sales	350 MW (1,400 MWh)	250 – 630 MW
Revenue	\$1.2 bn	\$1.5 bn - \$1.6 bn
Gross Margin	18.6%	14% – 16%

FY2021 Guidance	FY2022 Guidance	2021E-22E yoy Δ%
14.4 – 14.6 GW	20 – 22 GW	c. +45%
840 – 860 MWh	1.4 – 1.5 GWh	c. +70%
1.5 – 2.1 GW	2.4 – 2.9 GW	c. +50%
\$5.2 bn – \$5.3 bn	\$6.5 bn - \$7.0 bn	c. +30%
15.6% - 16.2%	n/a	n/a

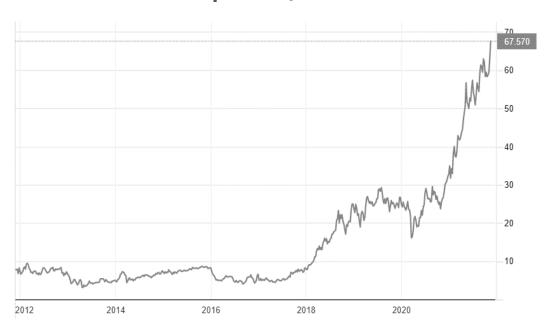
Lower Q4 shipment and revenue guidance due to volume control to protect margins



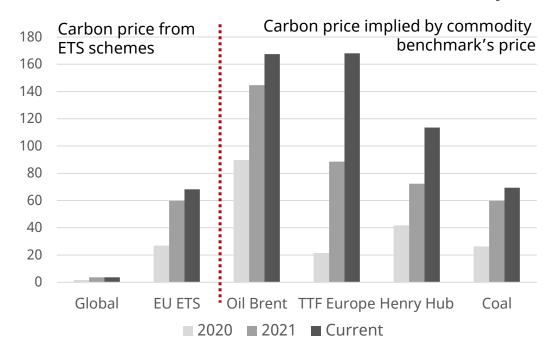
Expect significant growth in 2022

#### Carbon markets increasingly reflecting the real cost of carbon

# **European Union Emissions Trading System** price, €/ton



# Carbon price implied by commodity price benchmarks vs. ETS markets (US\$/tnCO2eq)



**Energy crisis >>** 

Increase supply of fossil fuelbased energy?



Lower living standards?



Increase supply of clean renewable energy

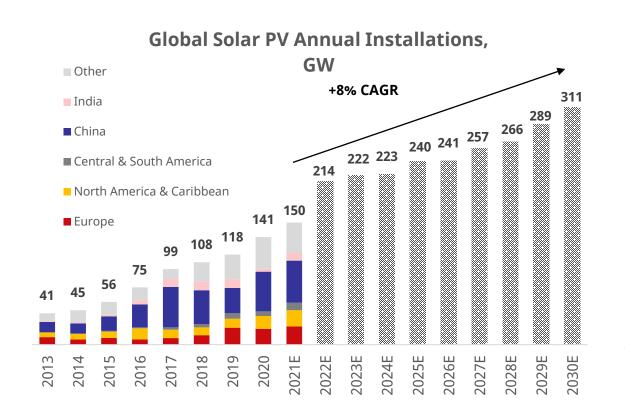


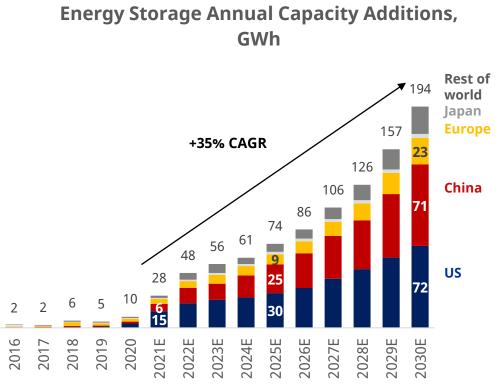




#### Strong long term growth outlook for both solar and battery storage

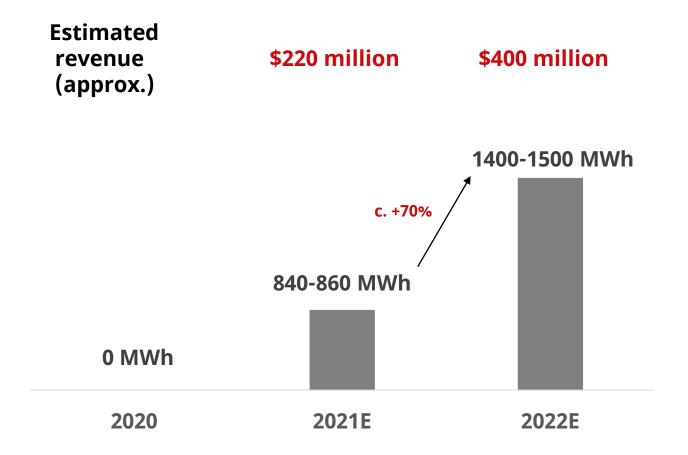
- Solar PV <u>cumulative</u> installations crossing 1 TW next year, to reach 3.2 TW by 2030
- Battery energy storage <u>cumulative</u> capacity installations crossing 100 GWh next year, to reach 1 TWh by 2030
- Long term growth driven by competitive economics and ESG/decarbonization efforts







#### Making significant progress on our battery storage business



	MWh
Contracted / In Construction	2,261
Forecast	215
Pipeline	2,651
Total	5,127



<sup>(1)</sup> Contracted/In Construction = expected to be delivered in 12-18 months.

<sup>(2)</sup> Forecast = 75% probability of being contracted within the next 12 months.

<sup>(3)</sup> Pipeline = projects that have been identified but have <75% probability of being contracted. Pipeline and estimated contract value are subject to change without notice.

# CSI Solar China IPO on third round of Q&A with the Shanghai Stock Exchange

#### 2022

- Investor roadshow
- Official listing

#### Q3-Q4 2021

 Feedback process with stock exchange and regulatory authorities

#### Q2 2021

 Submit application to regulatory authorities & stock exchange

#### Q1 2021

- Financial, legal paperwork
- Prospectus drafting

#### Q4 2020

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- Shareholder system reform
- Governance documents
- Registration materials

#### Q3 2020



- Announcement
- Pre-IPO closing

*Note: Dates subject to change without notice.* 









# A COMPELLING INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY



#### **Canadian Solar at a glance**

#### **OUR MISSION**

To power the world with solar energy and create a better and cleaner Earth for future generations

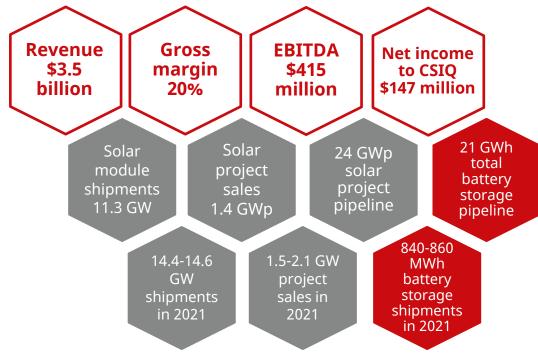
#### **OUR ORIGINS**

- Founded in 2001 in Ontario, Canada
- Listed on the NASDAQ as CSIQ in 2006

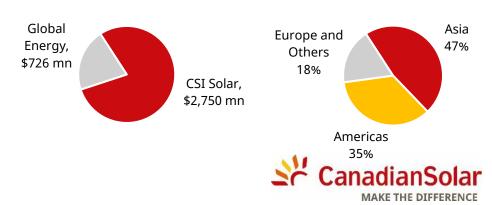
#### **OUR PERFORMANCE**

- 30% cumulative growth in shipments since 2013
- 330 bp average margin premium relative to industry (1)
- \$1.4 billion in cash generated cumulatively since 2013
- 16% average ROE since 2013
- Global presence in 23 countries/territories, focusing on premium markets

#### **SUMMARY FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL METRICS (2020)**

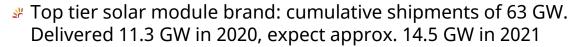


#### **Revenue Breakdown FY20**



#### Diversified and integrated business model





- Solar module manufacturing and total system solutions provider including inverters, system kits, energy storage and EPC services
- Battery storage solutions provider, delivering end-to-end, integrated battery storage solutions for utility scale, commercial and industrial, and residential applications
- Expect 840-860 MWh of battery storage shipments in 2021



- Solar project development: develop, build, operate, sell and own solar and solar power plants across 20+ countries/ territories
- Battery storage project development: co-located utility-scale solar plus energy storage and stand-alone battery storage
- 6.6 GWp of contracted solar projects in operation, construction and backlog; 24 GW of total solar project pipeline
- 3 GWh of storage projects under construction; 21 GWh total storage project pipeline



#### Why invest in Canadian Solar

Global market leader with strong growth outlook driven by solar grid parity and accelerating demand for clean renewable energy

Multiple levers of growth in solar modules, system solutions, project development & ownership, and battery storage

Market-oriented strategy driving technology and business model innovation, capturing new opportunities such as energy storage

4 Strong and consistent operational and financial track record

Attractive valuation supported by strong fundamentals & balance sheet



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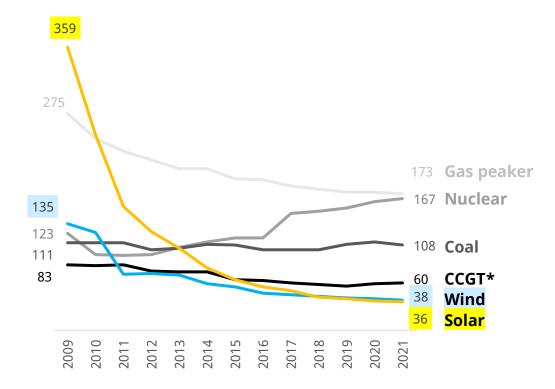
Led by a strategicallyminded and prudent



# Solar PV the most environmentally and economically attractive source of electricity, critical to any global decarbonization scenario



## Mean unsubsidized levelized cost of energy (LCOE), \$/MWh



\*CCGT = Combined Cycle Gas Turbine

# Major economies have recently committed to ambitious decarbonization goals...

- China: Peak carbon by 2030, carbon neutrality by 2060
- **U.S.**: Rejoining Paris Climate Agreement; Biden Build Back Better plan providing significant policy incentives to accelerate the clean energy transition.
- **European Green Deal**: 55% emission reduction in 2030 relative to 1990, carbon neutrality by 2050
- Japan: Carbon neutrality by 2050 ......and more

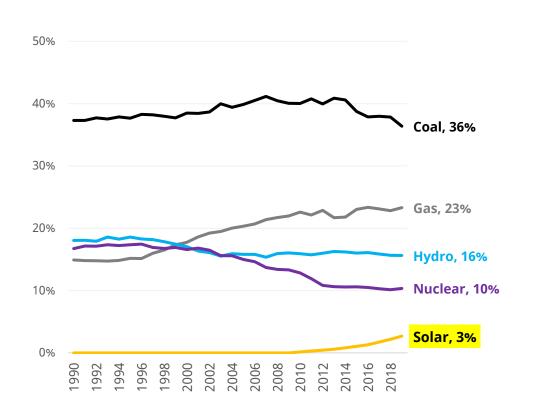
# ...while corporations are increasing demand for clean energy

- Many firms committing to 100% renewable energy. This contributes to lower energy costs and helps achieve corporate ESG goals (Environmental, Social & Governance)
- Key clean energy corporate off-takers: Amazon, Total, TSMC, Verizon, Facebook, General Motors, Dow Chemical, Anglo American, General Mills etc.

#### Massive growth potential as solar remains underpenetrated

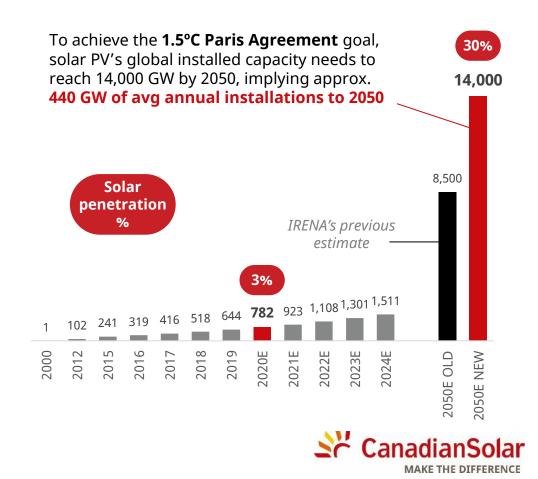


#### Electricity generation by fuel type



# Solar's cumulative capacity base to reach 14,000 GW by 2050 from 780 GW in 2020

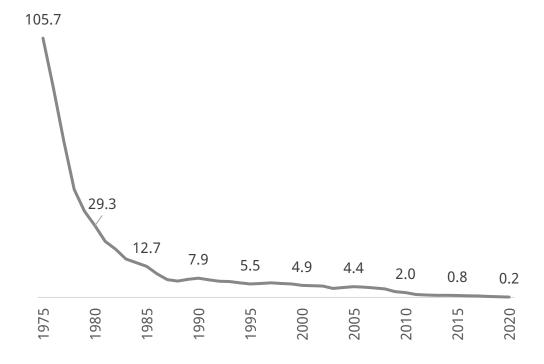
#### Global solar PV cumulative installations, GW



#### Solar PV modules nearing the bottom of the cost curve

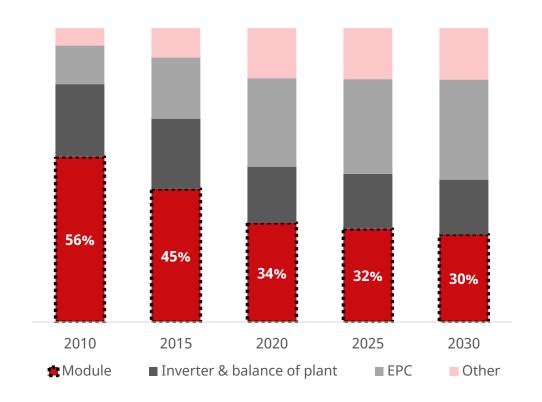
Solar module prices have declined dramatically

#### Solar PV module cost, US\$/W



Declining marginal benefit from further module price cuts

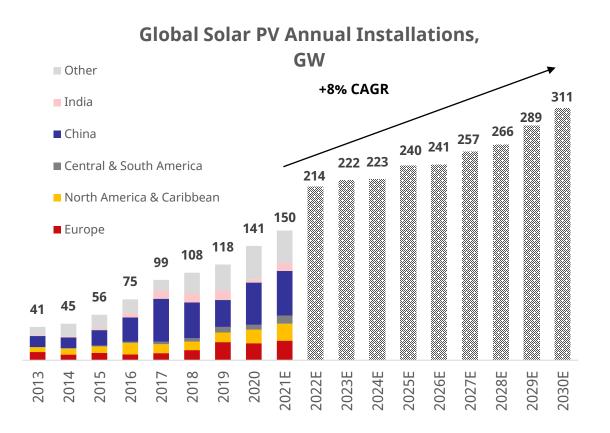
#### Capex split for utility-scale PV system





#### Significant growth visibility and healthier market dynamics

Strong growth outlook on a much larger market base: annual PV installations up 7x over the past decade



# Lower risk and higher return outlook in the solar industry

#### **LOWER RISK:**

- Independence from subsidies: grid parity driving lower market uncertainty from subsidy policy overhang; lower demand/supply mismatch volatility from subsidy deadlines;
- Greater market stability: faster demand and supply adjustments to market signals
- **Lower market concentration**: the number of 1 GW+ markets to grow from 6 in 2016 to 18-20 in 2021
- Larger market scale: Much larger and stabler global base of demand

#### **HIGHER RETURNS:**

- **Accelerating demand** for solar energy consumption and for solar energy assets
- Solar module prices approaching the bottom of the cost curve



# Market leader in solar energy with a global footprint in project development and module manufacturing and sales

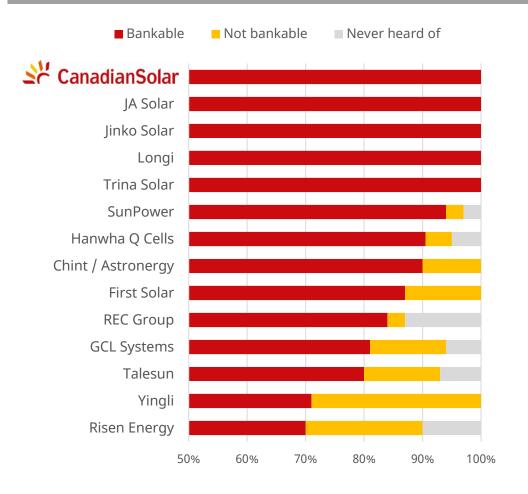


Our success is driven by our global-local teams and our culture of diversity



#### Top-tier, bankable and globally diversified solar module brand

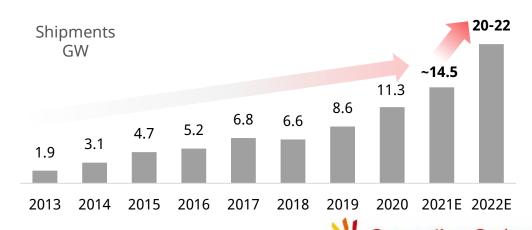
Most Bankable Module Supplier by BNEF with 100% bankability for 4 consecutive years



# We have cumulatively delivered over 63 GW to customers across the world



# Shipment growth to accelerate to c.45% in 2022E from c.30% historical CAGR



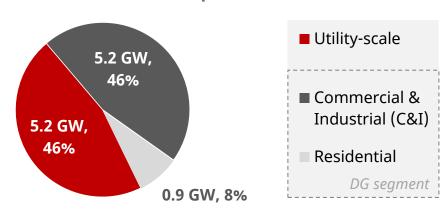
Source: Extract from Bloomberg New Energy Finance Module Bankability Survey, 2020. Solar brand bankability ratings are used by financial institutions across the world for credit analysis, indicating the likelihood that projects using the said solar products will be offered non-recourse financing by banks. Factors considered include quality and reliability of products and services, warranties, financial strength and track record.

MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

# Differentiated sales strategy focused on delivering high value-add system solutions to premium markets – driver of CSI Solar's stronger pricing power

CSI Solar is over-indexed to the distributed generation (DG) market segment as it accounts for >50% of our FY20 shipments (DG is c.38% of the global market)

#### **FY20 shipments**



#### **DG** market segment

- ✓ Higher ASP / smaller volume orders
- ✓ Dedicated channel management
- ✓ Higher customer loyalty
- ✓ Greater demand stability
- ✓ Higher barriers to entry

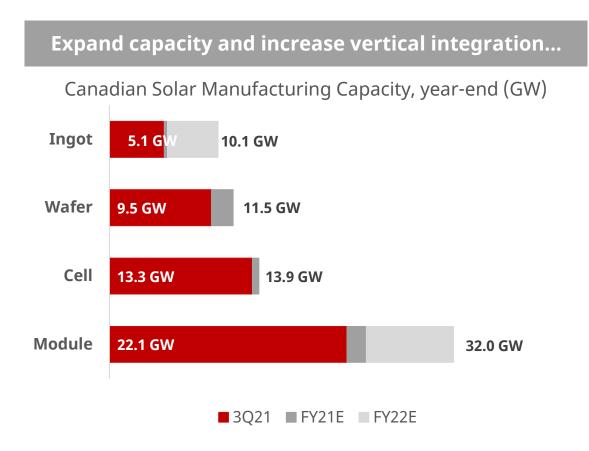
#### Integrated System Solutions = Dedicated product management for high-value channels and markets (Module + Inverter + Battery Storage)

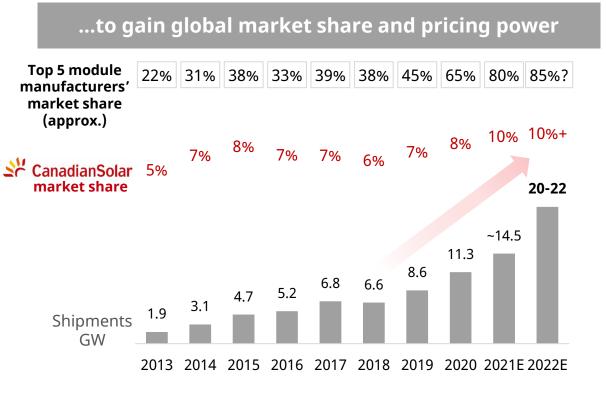
Pro	oduct and solution development	Value proposition based on user experience
Mod	<ul> <li>High efficiency all-black modules for resi market</li> <li>Lightweight modules for Japanese market</li> <li>Heterojunction high power wattage modules, launched in Q4 2021</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Greater pricing         power for top quality         solutions &amp; services</li> <li>Leverage existing         channels to expand</li> </ul>
Inve	• CSI Solar full power range own-made inverters for residential, C&I and utility-scale applications	offering • Battery storage,
Stor	• Residential storage system, under development for Japan and U.S. markets	power electronics and AI enablers of new business models  CanadianSolar

#### Gaining global market share through capacity expansion

In the long term, with demand growth and supply consolidation, CSI Solar's strategy is to expand capacity and increase the level of vertical integration, in order to gain global market share, enhance pricing power, better control costs and improve profitability over the long run

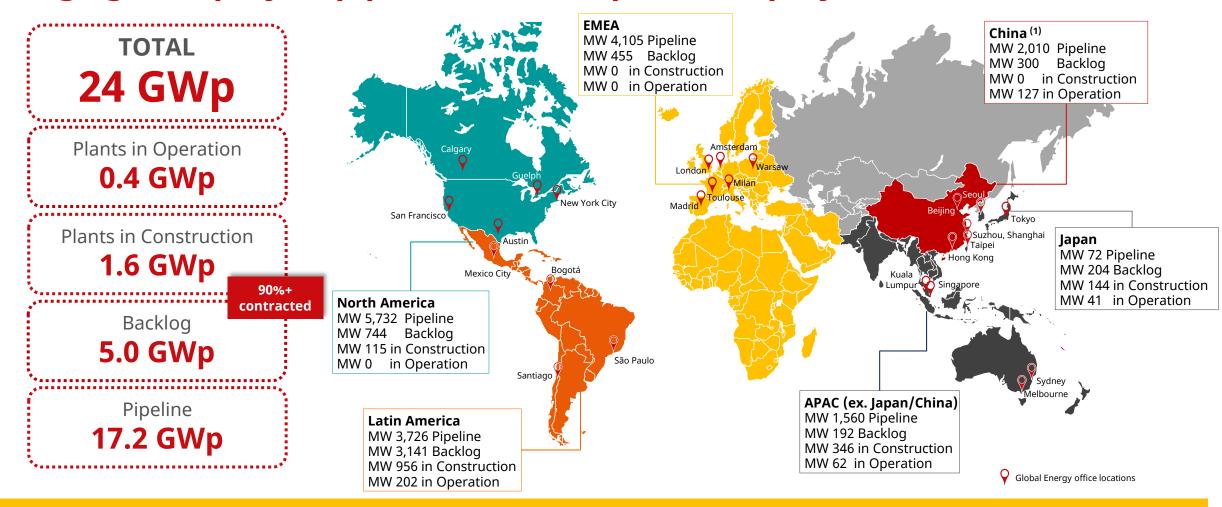
In the near term, our capacity expansion plans remain flexible, taking into account upstream supply chain dynamics and technological advances affecting new and old capacity utilization







#### Large global project pipeline of 24 GWp of solar projects across the world



#### To unlock value in ~7 GWp<sup>(2)</sup> of contracted solar projects while continuing to grow our total pipeline

As of September 30, 2021. **Backlog** = Projects that have passed Rick Cliff Date and are expected to be built in 1-4 years. RCD depends on the country where the project is located and is defined as the date in which the project passes the last high-risk development stage (e.g. secured FIT/PPA, interconnection, land, regulatory/environmental approvals etc.) **Pipeline** = early- to mid-stage project opportunities currently under development that are yet to be de-risked. Definitions of backlog/pipeline consistent with industry practice. For more details, see form 6-K Q3 2021.

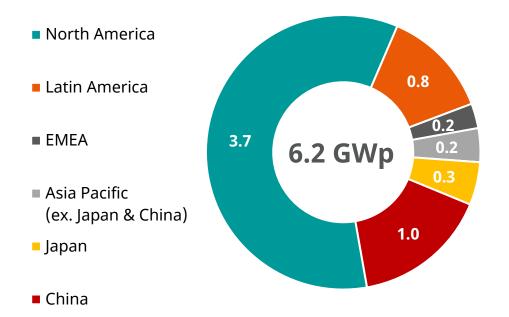
(1) China portfolio is part of CSI Solar.

(2) Gross project capacity includes aggregate project stakes of c.600 MWp not owned by CSIQ.

#### Proven track record developing & building over 6.2 GWp solar projects worldwide

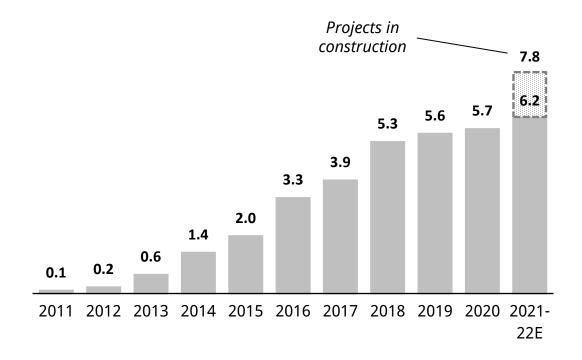
Expanded our solar project development track record to over 20 countries...

#### Regional mix



# ...and expect to reach 7 GWp by the end of 2021

#### Cumulative power plants built and connected, GWp





#### Leading presence in markets with strong fundamentals

#### Focus on low-risk, high growth markets

- North America: Potential legislations in the U.S. to allow CSIQ to capture greater value from solar and storage assets; future potential to build local investment vehicle.
- Latin America: Growth through both public auctions and private PPAs. Brazil close to 3 GW of projects in backlog, expected to reach COD over the next few years; to feed into the FIP-IE vehicle. Mexico executing projects with current partners, market with strong fundamentals. Projects under development in Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic.
- **EMEA**: Expect significant growth driven by net zero carbon emissions targets; Italy currently working through legislation that would simplify the project development process. CSIQ also entering new European markets.
- Japan: Strong fundamentals; transition from feed-in-tariff to auctions market
- Asia Pacific ex. Japan and China: Increase presence in markets such as South Korea and explore opportunities in markets such as Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam.

  Completed exit from India market

# Nearly 7 GW of contracted projects secured by long-term PPAs

Average length of FIT/PPA contracts				
U.S.	12-20			
Brazil	15-20			
Europe	~ 10			
Japan	~ 20			
South East Asia	~ 20			
Australia	10-20			



#### Unparalleled expertise in the solar development value chain across 20+ jurisdictions

#### **Development**

#### Execution

#### **Operation+**

- Origination, site selection, M&A (greenfield and brownfield opportunities)
- Environmental studies
- System design
- Financial modelling
- Secure land and interconnection
- PPA negotiation / auction participation
- Energy storage integration

#### → Notice to Proceed (NTP)

Project exit at NTP:

- Smaller revenue, higher gross margin %
- Lower capital needs

- Financing and structuring of debt and equity
- EPC management:
  - Engineering
  - Procurement: Canadian Solar PV modules, centralized BOS
  - Construction management
- Testing and commissioning

#### **→** Commercial Operation Date (COD)

Project exit at COD:

- Larger revenue, lower gross margin %
- Higher capital needs

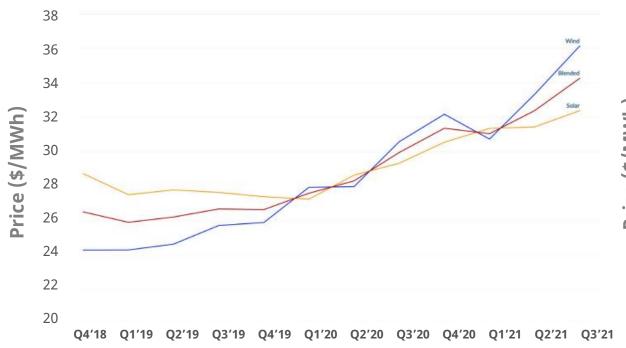
- Operations and maintenance (O&M):
  - Maximize performance
  - > Technical inspections and repairs
  - > Real time remote monitoring
  - > Performance reporting
- Asset management
- Infrastructure fund / vehicles in Japan, Brazil, Europe for long term ownership
- Energy trading platform for operating assets

Maximize project valuation, accelerate cash turn, minimize risk exposure, focus on capturing long term returns of solar and battery storage project assets



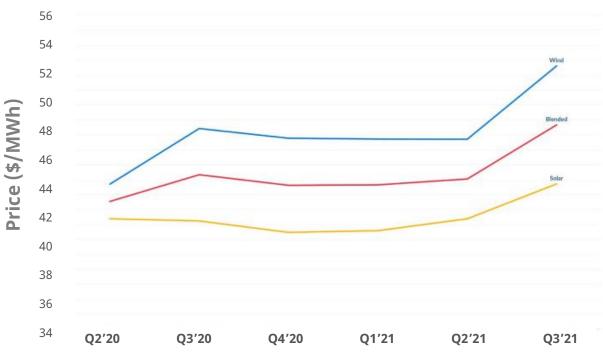
#### Structural market tailwinds from increasing solar PPAs

#### **Average PPA prices in North America** Quarterly Aggregate Price Indices – P25



#### Average PPA prices in Europe

Quarterly Aggregate Price Indices – P25



#### Multiple levers of growth across project sales, services and investment vehicles

	2020 Actual	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Development: Project sales  Annual project sales. GWp	1.4	1.5 – 2.1	2.4 - 2.9	3.2 - 3.7	3.6 – 4.1	4.0 - 4.5
Services:  O&M(1) +  Asset Mgmt  Operationa  O&M  projects,  GWp	2.2	2.6	4.3	6.5	9.2	11.0
3 Investment Cumulative projects retained	118	290	400	760	960	1,000
Partial (net & gross <sup>(2)</sup> ), solar projects	220	740	1,300	2,650	3,150	3,400

<sup>(1)</sup> O&M = Operations and Maintenance.

Note: Final timing and recognition of project sales may be impacted by various external factors. Targets are subject to change without notice; investors are encouraged to review the Risks section of the Company's annual report on Form 20-F.



<sup>(2)</sup> Net projects retained represents CSIQ's net partial ownership of solar projects, the gross number represents the aggregate size of projects including the share which is not owned by CSIQ.

# Increase earnings stability and value capture through investment vehicles and capital partnerships

Entity	Location	Status	Expected CSIQ owner- ship	Type of assets	Gross volume, MWp	AUM, \$mn	Equity, \$mn	Avg market CAFD \$/MW
CSIF (1) (Canadian Solar Infrastructure Fund, TSE: 9284)	Japan	Up-and- running	15%	Operational assets	184	750	420	>\$200k
<b>JGIF</b> (Japan Green Infrastructure Fund)	Japan	Up-and- running	67%	Development & construction assets	>200 (2)	N/D (3)	N/D	First offer rights to CSIF
CSFS (Canadian Solar Finint Solare, Italian Real Estate Fund)	Italy	100% owned, fundraising from Q4 2021	c.40%	Construction & operational assets	140 <sup>(4)</sup>	N/D	N/D	c.\$20k
FIP-IE (Listed Brazilian Participation Fund in Infrastructure – to be launched)	Brazil	100% owned, still private	Up to 20%	Operational assets	>600 (4)	N/D	N/D	c.\$40k
Various private & public vehicles (to be launched)	Europe (various)	N/A	c.40%	Construction & operational assets	N/D	N/D	N/D	c.\$20k

- Optimize and maximize project valuation relative to individual project sales strategies
- Grow base of operating solar assets through partial ownerships and increase share of recurring income
- Mobilize and leverage 3<sup>rd</sup> party capital partners for growth
- Capture additional value in O&M, asset management, storage retrofit etc.

- (1) See following slide for more details. CAFD \$/MW for CSIF are actuals.
- (2) Assumes full deployment, as JGIF is a development fund and will not hold projects for long term cash flow.
- (3) Not disclosed or not available.
- (4) Initial asset dropdown, expected to grow over time. Total existing backlog in Brazil is >2 GW. E.U. funds to grow to >1 GW. Note: Values are indicative and subject to change without notice.



#### CSIF: Japan's largest publicly listed solar infrastructure fund

#### Canadian Solar Infrastructure Fund (TSE: 9284.T) 15% owned by CSIQ

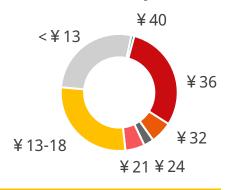


# Total sponsor portfolio 30 projects, 410 MWp

Operational and under construction **10** projects, **173** MWp

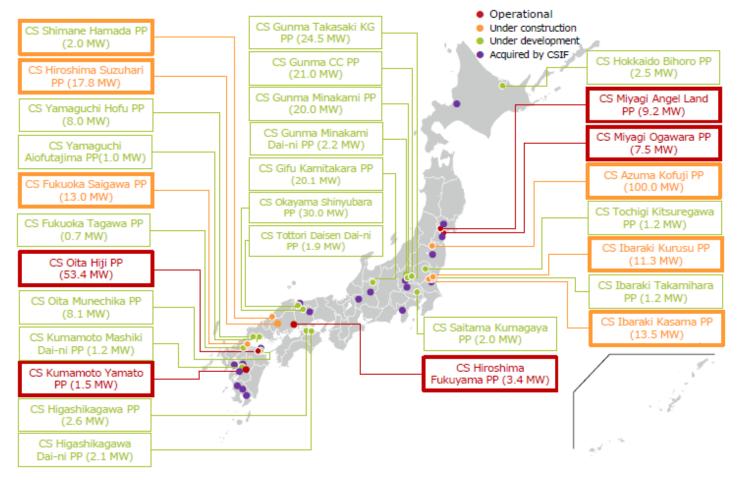
Under development **20** projects, **237** MWp

### Sponsor portfolio FIT distribution (by MW)



c. 50% of portfolio contracted at USD >0.20/kWh FIT

#### Map of CSIF and sponsor (CSIQ) assets



<sup>(1)</sup> Median project valuation report amount, which is the estimated values provided to us by PricewaterhouseCoopers Sustainability LLC and Ernst & Young Transaction Advisory Services Co., Ltd. in its project valuation reports as of June 30, 2021.

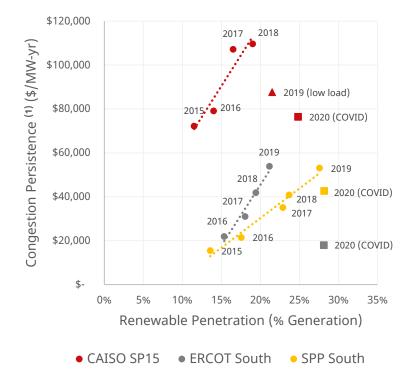
(2) As of November 30, 2021.



#### Increasing demand for energy storage with greater adoption of renewables

The value of battery storage is directly correlated with the penetration of renewable energy

### Value of storage and renewable penetration across U.S. ISOs



Battery storage has unique advantages in providing grid services

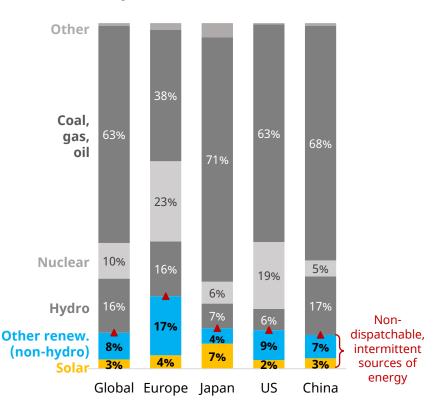
Increasing penetration of renewable energy lowers power costs and decarbonizes the power grid, but it creates price volatility and affects grid stability: battery storage can mitigate the effect of renewable energy on the grid

#### Advantages of battery storage:

- Modular, flexible size
- · No startup costs, short ramp time
- Ability to charge and discharge
- Battery costs declining rapidly

The need for battery storage will only increase as renewable penetration continues to go up

#### Electricity mix %



Source: Ascend Analytics, BP.

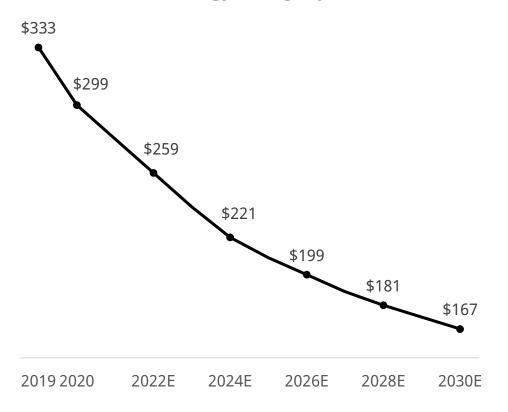
(1) Congestion persistence = value of storage to real-time energy prices based on the frequency and magnitude of energy price spikes. The volatility correlates to the opportunity for storage to arbitrage in the energy market.



#### **Energy storage entering exponential market growth phase**

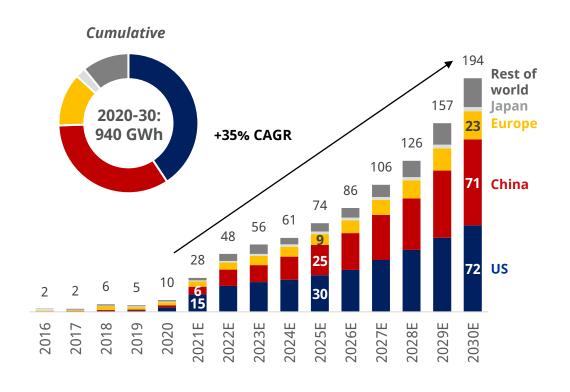
Rapid cost reductions improving the economics of battery storage solutions

Capital cost for a fully-installed large 4h duration AC energy storage system, \$/kWh



The U.S. market to account for half of the global storage market over the next decade

#### **Energy Storage Annual Capacity Additions, GWh**





#### **Building a leadership position in battery storage**

- CSIQ to deliver 840-861 MWh battery storage projects in 2021 (CSI Solar)
- Diversified solar business model + global presence = competitive advantage in identifying early storage market opportunities
- Deep understanding of power grids and power markets to identify the markets/locations that maximize the value of storage

# Battery Storage Solutions Integration (CSI Solar)

- Proprietary, integrated battery storage technological solutions
- Bankable fully-wrapped capacity and performance guarantees, supported by robust risk management strategies, financial modeling and warranty designs
- Long term operations & maintenance including battery capacity augmentation

Storage
pipeline,
MWh

Contracted/ In Construction	Forecast	Pipeline	Total
2,261	215	2,651	5,127

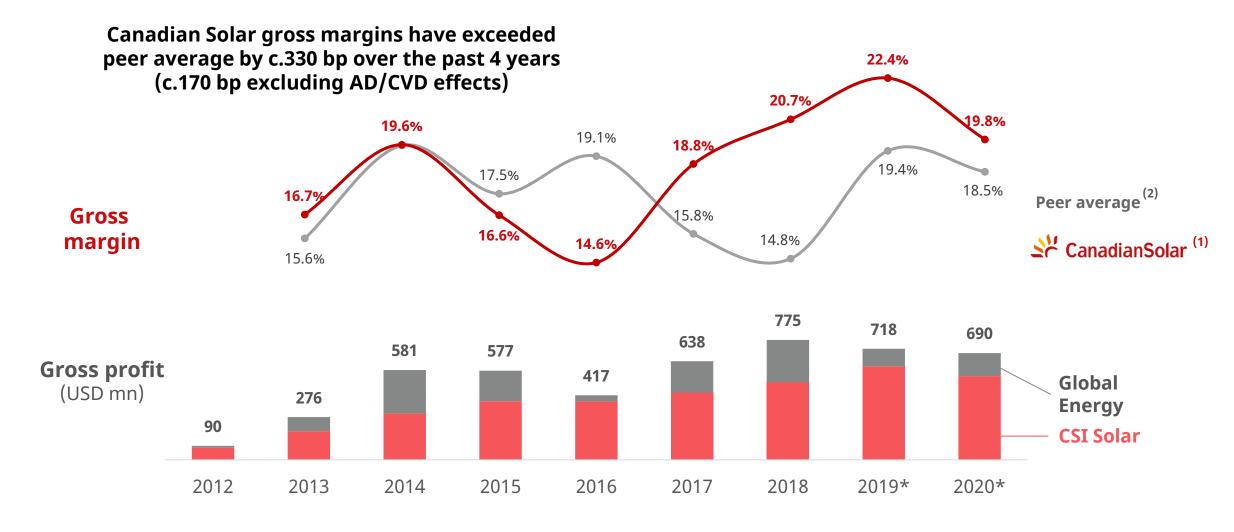
# Battery Storage Project Development (Global Energy)

- Signing storage tolling and other off-take agreements with a variety of power purchasers
- Permitting/interconnection
- Financial modeling
- Fully integrated with solar development

In Operation	In Construction	Backlog	Pipeline	Total
3	2,901	465	17,591	20,957



#### Delivering industry-leading margins over the past several years



<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the effects of anti-dumping and countervailing duties in the U.S. Excluding this, margins would be c.130 bp lower for 2017-20, 150 bp higher for 2016 and unchanged for 2013-15.

<sup>(2)</sup> Annual gross margin average of Jinko Solar, LONGi, Trina Solar, JA Solar and First Solar (where available). Source: FactSet \*2019 onward segment margins revised to conform with current period presentation. Pre 2019 segment gross profit are for the former Module and System Solutions (MSS) and Energy business segments which may not be comparable (total gross profit unchanged).



#### Attractive through-cycle ROIC of 10% and ROE of 16% over the past 7 years

In USD millions, except % data

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Cumulative/ Average
Total equity (book value)	730	833	899	1,060	1,273	1,425	1,893	
+ Long-term borrowings	134	607	493	404	394	619	446	
+ Short-term borrowings	726	1,157	1,600	1,958	1,028	933	1,202	
+ Other interest-bearing debt	150	176	577	408	543	402	533	
- Cash and equivalents	550	553	511	562	444	669	1,179	
- Cash to secure short-term debt	113	107	133	245	134	69	27	
Invested Capital	1,077	2,112	2,926	3,023	2,659	2,642	2,868	2,472
EBIT (non-GAAP)	356	260	143	251	399	278	208	
- 26.5% tax (Canadian statutory rate)	-94	-69	-38	-67	-106	-74	-55	
Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT)	262	191	105	185	293	204	153	1,459
ROIC = NOPAT / Invested Capital	24.3%	9.1%	3.6%	6.1%	11.0%	7.7%	5.3%	9.6%
Net Income	240	172	65	100	237	172	147	1,132
ROE = Net income / Total equity	33.4%	21.0%	7.4%	9.6%	19.3%	12.3%	9.3%	16.1%



#### Canadian Solar trades at an attractive valuation relative to peers...



<sup>1.</sup> The above relative valuation analysis is intended for illustration purposes only. Investors are encouraged to do their own due diligence based on own analysis of publicly available financial information.



<sup>2.</sup> NA: Not applicable due to negative earnings.

<sup>3.</sup> TTM Trailing Twelve Month data to the latest guarter available.

<sup>4.</sup> Canadian Solar's EV/EBITDA calculation can be viewed on slide 37. Source for peer multiples: Factset data, company filings.

<sup>5.</sup> Prices as at November 30, 2021, market close.

#### ....supported by strong earnings performance...

Total Debt and Cash Breakdown										
	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21						
Short-term borrowings	1,202	1,217	867	1,083						
Long-term borrowings on project assets – current	199	264	491	297						
Capital leases - current	15	17	12	19						
Long-term borrowings	446	467	531	579						
Convertible notes	223	224	224	224						
Financing liabilities – non-current	82	81	83	82						
Capital leases - non-current	14	14	19	20						
Total debt	2,181	2,284	2,227	2,306						
Cash and equivalents	1,179	981	814	868						
Restricted cash - current:	458	539	494	487						
Total cash (for EV calculation)	1,179	981	814	868						
Net debt	1,002	1,303	1,413	1,438						

EBITDA Calculation										
	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	TTM					
Total revenue	1,041	1,089	1,430	1,229	4,789					
- COGS	-900	-895	-1,245	-1,001	-4,041					
Gross profit	141	195	185	229	748					
- Operating expenses	-139	-151	-158	-176	-624					
Operating profit	2	43	26	53	124					
-/+ Other expenses/income	17	-5	3	-7	8					
+ Depreciation & amortization	59	62	66	71	258					
EBITDA (non-GAAP)	79	101	95	117	390					
Impairments	16	1	0	0	17					
Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP)*	95	102	95	117	407					

\*EBITDA including impairments

Market Capitalization \$2,276 mn

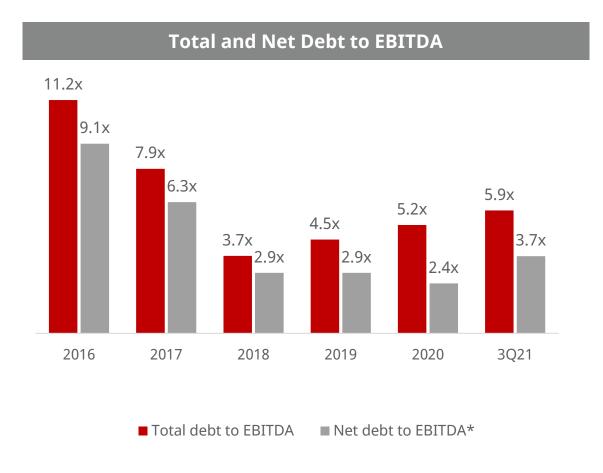
Total Debt \$2,306 mn Total Cash \$868 mn Non-Controlling Interests \$320 mn

Enterprise Value \$4,034 mn EV/EBITDA TTM 10.3x/9.9x\*

- 1. Source: Factset data, company filings.
- 2. Prices as at market close of November 30, 2021.
- 3. All Canadian Solar financials are actual reported values. For a reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP results, see accompanying table "GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation" on slide 46.
- 4. A previous version of this table included restricted cash to secure debt in the net debt calculation the latest version excludes all restricted cash and is a stricter measure of leverage.



#### ....and a strong balance sheet with adequate leverage



- Total and net debt to EBITDA at 5.9x and3.7x respectively
- Excluding non-recourse debt, the ratios would be c.1.4x lower



#### Strategically-minded management team with excellent track record



**Dr. Shawn Qu**Chairman
Chief Executive Officer

- ❖ Founded Canadian Solar in 2001 with NASDAQ IPO in 2006
- Director & VP at Photowatt International S.A.
- Research scientist at Ontario Hydro (Ontario Power Generation)



Yan Zhuang President CSI Solar Co., Ltd.

- Head of Asia of Hands-on Mobile, Inc.
- Asia Pacific regional director of marketing planning and consumer insight at Motorola Inc.



**Dr. Huifeng Chang**Senior VP
Chief Financial Officer

- Co-Head of Sales & Trading at CICC US in New York
- CEO of CSOP Asset Management in Hong Kong
- Vice President of Citigroup Equity Proprietary Investment in New York



**Ismael Guerrero**Corporate VP
President of Energy Group

- President, Head of Origination and COO at TerraForm Global
- Vice President of Global Projects at Canadian Solar
- Director of Operations for Asia at the Global Sustainable Fund



Jianyi Zhang Senior VP Chief Compliance Officer

- Senior advisor to several Chinese law firms
- Senior assistant general counsel at Walmart Stores, Inc.
- Managing Partner at Troutman Sanders LLP



**Guangchun Zhang** Senior VP CSI Solar Co., Ltd.

- Vice President for R&D and Industrialization of Manufacturing Technology at Suntech Power Holdings
- Centre for Photovoltaic Engineering at the University of New South Wales and Pacific Solar Pty. Limited



Hanbing Zhang Chief Sustainability Officer CSI Solar Co., Ltd.

- Global Head of Marketing at Canadian Solar
- Founder and President of Women in Solar Energy, an industry association to promote the participation and career development of women in the solar industry

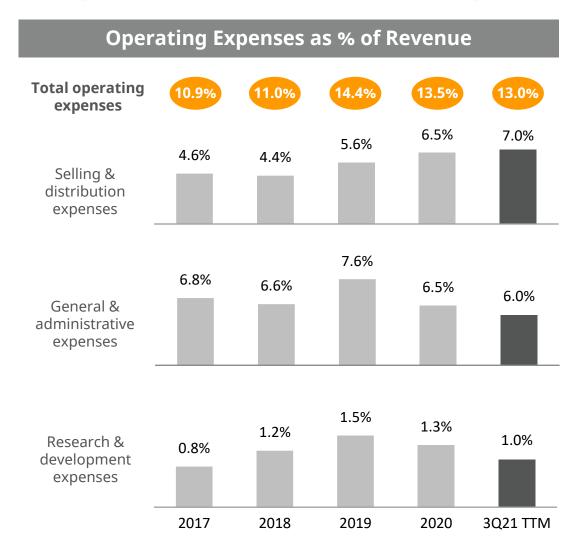




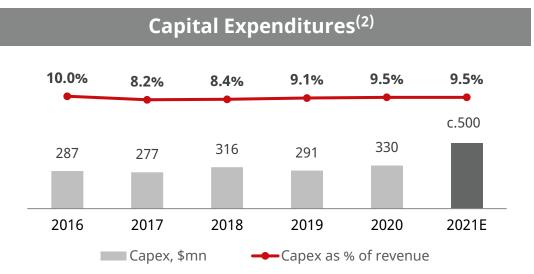
### **FINANCIALS**



#### Disciplined management of opex, working capital and capex







<sup>1)</sup> Inventory turnover days calculated as average gross inventory (adding back provisions) divided by cost of revenues x365 Account receivables days calculated as average gross accounts receivable (adding back bad debt allowance) divided by total revenues x365. Accounts payable days calculated as average accounts payable divided by cost of revenues x365.

2) Capex for PP&E only (does not include capex related to project development).



#### **Consolidated income statement**

USD millions except per share data	2018	2019	2020	yoy	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	qoq	yoy
Net Revenue	3,745	3,201	3,476	9%	914	1,041	1,089	1,430	1,229	-14%	34%
Cost of revenues	-2,970	-2,482	-2,787	12%	-736	-900	-895	-1,245	-1,001	-20%	36%
Gross profit	775	718	690	-4%	178	141	195	185	229	24%	28%
Selling and distribution expenses	-165	-180	-224	24%	-54	-64	-84	-84	-102	21%	88%
General and administrative expenses	-245	-243	-226	-7%	-56	-70	-67	-69	-83	21%	48%
Research and development expenses	-44	-47	-45	-4%	-14	-10	-12	-13	-13	3%	-5%
Other operating income, net	45	11	26		5	5	13	7	23		
Total operating expenses, net	-410	-460	-469	2%	-119	-139	-151	-158	-176	11%	47%
Income from operations	365	259	220	-15%	59	2	43	26	53	101%	-10%
Net interest expense	-95	-69	-63		-16	-16	-11	-12	-11		
Gain (loss) on change in fair value of derivatives	-19	-22	50		13	6	13	-12	10		
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	7	10	-65		-27	-2	-20	9	-24		
Investment income (loss)	41	2	-9		-6	10	1	5	3		
Income tax benefit (expense)	-62	-42	2		-21	2	-14	2	3		
Equity in earnings (loss) of unconsolidated investees	6	29	11		6	3	1	1	4		
Net income	242	167	147		9	7	14	19	38		
Less: net income attributable to non-controlling interests	5	-5	0		0	0	-9	7	3		
Net income attributable to Canadian Solar Inc.	237	172	147	-14%	9	7	23	11	35	213%	299%
Earnings per share – basic	4.02	2.88	2.46		0.15	0.11	0.38	0.19	0.56		
Earnings per share – diluted	3.88	2.83	2.38	-14%	0.15	0.11	0.36	0.18	0.52 <sup>(1)</sup>	189%	247%

<sup>1)</sup> We increased our issued share base by 1.1 million and 2.6 million shares during Q3 2021 and year-to-date with our ATM offering program. In addition, our Q3 diluted EPS was adjusted for 6.3 million shares to count for additional shares had our convertible bond been fully converted into equity.



### **Summary balance sheet**

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USD millions	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21
Cash and cash equivalents	370	438	526	669	579	1,103	1,179	981	814	868
Restricted cash - current	516	526	515	527	399	445	458	539	494	487
Accounts receivable	389	455	449	437	422	494	409	396	625	742
Inventories	385	338	413	554	547	625	696	934	1,130	1,213
Project assets - current	920	690	910	604	654	544	748	756	563	661
Other current assets	510	448	532	462	595	711	696	802	i 736	986
Total current assets	3,090	2,895	3,345	3,253	3,196	3,921	4,186	4,408	4,362	4,957
Restricted cash - non-current	26	17	7	10	17	14	3	3	! 3	2
Property, plant and equipment	933	958	996	1,046	970	989	1,158	1,265	i 1,398	1,367
Net intangible assets and goodwill	20	19	24	23	22	22	22	21	20	19
Project assets - non-current	393	404	238	483	493	589	390	327	¦ 390	423
Solar power systems	60	57	53	53	50	87	158	155	160	109
Investments in affiliates	128	153	150	153	79	78	78	74	63	83
Other non-current assets	423	536	495	446	432	491	542	586	629	522
Total non-current assets	1,983	2,144	1,963	2,214	2,063	2,271	2,351	2,431	2,663	2,525
TOTAL ASSETS	5,073	5,039	5,308	5,467	5,259	6,193	6,537	6,839	7,025	7,482
Short-term borrowings	1,071	1,080	1,056	933	1,016	1,065	1,202	1,217	<u>867</u>	1,083
Long-term borrowings on project assets-current	280	177	262	286	180	238	199	264	i 491	297
Accounts and notes payable	934	926	1,006	1,131	933	1,103	1,225	1,395	1,579	1,617
Other payables	380	440	453	446	449	458	509	588	658	704
Tax equity liabilities	158	50	53	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0
Other current liabilities	241	258	250	296	213	306	453	410	274	477
Total current liabilities	3,064	2,931	3,080	3,092	2,791	3,170	3,588	3,874	3,869	4,178
Long-term borrowings	434	463	526	619	580	624	446	467	531	579
Convertible notes	0	0	0	0	0	223	223	224	224	224
Other non-current liabilities	302	323	336	331	339	360	387	400	437	467
Total non-current liabilities	736	786	862	950	919	1,207	1,056	1,091	1,192	1,270
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,800	3,717	3,942	4,042	3,710	4,377	4,644	4,965	5,061	5,448
Common shares	704	703	704	704	686	687	687	687	745	793
Retained earnings	605	668	726	794	925	934	940	963	! 974	1,010
Other equity	-79	-91	-103	-105	-103	-120	-56	-80	-68	-90
Total Canadian Solar Inc. shareholders' equity	1,230	1,280	1,327	1,393	1,508	1,501	1,571	1,570	1,651	1,713
Non-controlling interests	43	42	39	32	41	315	322	304	! 313	321
TOTAL EQUITY	1,273	1,322	1,366	1,425	1,549	1,816	1,893	1,874	1,964	2,034



#### **GAAP** to non-GAAP reconciliation

In USD millions	FY19	FY20	2Q21	3Q21
GAAP net income	167	147	19	38
Add back:				
Income tax expense (benefit)	42	-2	-2	-3
Net interest expense	69	63	12	11
Non-GAAP EBIT	278	208	29	46
Add back:				
Depreciation & amortization	159	208	66	71
Non-GAAP EBITDA	437	415	95	117
Add back:				
Impairments	42	30	0	0
Non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA	479	445	95	117

- To supplement financial disclosures presented in accordance with GAAP, the Company uses non-GAAP measures which are adjusted from the most comparable GAAP measures for certain items as described herein.
- The Company presents non-GAAP values for EBITDA so that readers can better understand the underlying operating performance of the business, excluding the effect of non-cash costs such as depreciation, amortization and impairments.
- The non-GAAP numbers are not measures of financial performance under U.S. GAAP, and should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to other measures determined in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP measures may differ from non-GAAP measures used by other companies, and therefore their comparability may be limited.



