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Can multifunctional solar power plants support evidence-based and transparent decision-making processes? Conclusion This study set out to create and test a typology of multifunctional solar power plants (SPP) that can support evidence-based and transparent decision-making processes. Informed by case evidence and confirmed by expert interviews, a typology with four main dimensions has been identified: energy, economic, nature and landscape.

What is the emergent typology of multifunctional solar power plants?

This paper presented an emergent typology of multifunctional SPPs. Compared to monofunctional SPPs, the spatial configuration of these solar power plants is adapted to include a variety of functions. The typology consists of four dimensions: energy, economic, nature and landscape.

Why is energy density of multifunctional solar panels lower than regular SPPS?

Often, energy density of multifunctional SPPs is lower compared to regular SPPs that focus only on maximizing electricity production. Attention for the other three dimensions decreases energy density because either available space for PV panels or panel efficiency is reduced.

What is a multifunctional solar power plant?

Development of ground-mounted solar power plants (SPP) is no longer limited to remote and low population density areas, but arrives in urban and rural landscapes where people live, work and recreate. Societal considerations are starting to change the physical appearance of SPPs, leading to so-called multifunctional SPPs.

Can a typology of solar power plants be expanded?

The typology may be further expanded and enriched by spatial analysis of solar power plants in other parts of the world. Furthermore, the experts that were interviewed were all Dutch and part of a professional and academic community that also includes the authors of this paper. This brings two limitations.

What are land use functions besides solar energy generation?

Based upon the case study, we found three major land use functions in addition to solar energy generation: agriculture, other renewable energy technologies and other commercial activities related to the SPP or the site.

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