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### **Martifer Solar installs a 4.5 kWp Off-Grid system in Turkmenistan, Central Asia**

- **Enhanced with Martifer Solar PV modules**
- **Joint partnership among Aveiro, Barcelona, Hamburg and Ashgabat Universities**
- **The project is a mark of Martifer Solar in the OFF-GRID MARKET at Central Asia.**

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Martifer Solar, a subsidiary of Martifer SGPS, has recently installed a 4.5 kWp Off-Grid System in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan.

The system, installed in a building located in Ashgabat, was enhanced with Martifer Solar PV modules, SMA inverters and Sonnenschein batteries. Martifer Solar was responsible for the supply and full installation of the system.

The installation is capable of producing clean energy to avoid the emission of more than 1.5 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per year, and it is in the scope of a project that joins Aveiro, Barcelona, Hamburg and Ashgabat Universities.

This project represents a mark of Martifer Solar in the Off-Grid market, in which the company believes to grow in the next years and the opening of the Central Asian market.

According to Marcio Matos, responsible for Martifer Solar's Development, "This project demonstrates our ability and willingness to adapt and accept new challenges, as well as to approach new markets. We believe that Off-Grid markets represent a key opportunity to value renewable energy, not only by being a clean and noiseless way of producing energy, but also by reducing energy production costs with the replacement of diesel generators and grid extensions"

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## ABOUT MARTIFER

Martifer is a multinational industrial group with more than 3,000 employees focused on metallic constructions and solar energy.

Martifer Metallic Constructions division is a leading and innovative player in metallic constructions, aiming to achieve significant presence in selective markets, namely in Europe, Brazil and Angola. In this business area it also produces equipment for the energy sector, such as wind components and offshore structures.

In the solar sector Martifer Solar is focused on EPC and distribution of PV modules and components, with presence in 15 countries.

Martifer SGPS, SA is the holding company of the Group and has been listed on Euronext Lisbon since June 2007. In 2010, the revenues from its core businesses reached 602.1 million euro.

Martifer Solar is the solar energy division of Martifer Group, established in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Greece, Belgium, United States, France, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Canada, United Kingdom, Mexico and Mozambique. The company is also present in Cape Verde, having installed two PV facilities, and in India, with one ongoing project at the moment.

To date it has participated in the implementation of over 150 MW of photovoltaic solar energy worldwide.

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