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## What is the Sophia Project?

Aimplas, the Plastics Technology Centre, a Spain-based technological center that provides solutions to the plastics industry, is coordinating the Sophia project, which is aimed at the implementation of advanced digital solutions to increase the circularity of photovoltaic (PV) panels throughout the value chain.

## How will Sophia impact the solar industry?

panels in the long term, an eco-designed and easy dismantling solar panel will be developed as prototype. It is expected that in the ecodesign practise fully sustainable PV industry. Additionally, SOPHIA will contribute to the generation of new markets around the photovoltaic sector across Europe.

## How can Sophia improve the health of solar panels?

One of SOPHIA's great contributions is the creation of a prototype that allows analyzing the state of health (SoH) of solar panels. Thanks to this system, it's possible to evaluate efficiency, detect dark areas or structural damage, and decide whether the panel should be repaired or recycled.

## How long will the Sophia Project last?

The project began in June 2025 and is expected to last 36 months. The kickoff meeting took place in Valencia, where the initial milestones and strategies needed to implement the technologies and processes developed under the SOPHIA umbrella were defined.

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Learn how Project Sophia is leading the way in solar panel recycling and traceability in Europe using advanced digital technology.

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high-performance dielectric varnish. The non-reparable ones will be recycled ...

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The project will implement several Advanced Digital Solutions, involving all actors in the value chain, in order to increase the reuse and repair rates of these products.

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Promote the use of recycling innovative technologies to maximize the separation of their main components, such as glass, silicon & metals and plastics. Develop a prototype for a new eco ...

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