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Summary

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Description

Polymath Solar is a venture brought to life by Willem van Schalkwyk and Emsie Klopper (PhD). Willem's experience as an entrepreneur started in 2003 and includes Aviation, Software development and now Renewable Energy. He completed the 'Solar Power Technician' and 'Solar Power Designer' courses with the Maxx Academy in 2014. During the early years in the solar industry his focus was on residential solutions, using popular entry-level inverters, but soon matured to Victron and SMA and until 2021 his ventures installed only Victron, Fronius, SMA and SolarEdge products. As experience levels grew, he ventured into the commercial space and now focuses primarily on the commercial and industrial segments of the RE industry. Willem completed his P4 Certification with AREP in 2017 and obtained his PV Greencard in 2018. The Green Solar Academy approached Willem in 2019 to start presenting the Solar Professional Designer: Commercial course, and he presented this course as well as the 'system design and engineering' days at the Green Solar Academy Super Solar School. In January 2022 Polymath Solar was birthed when Dr. Emsie (Emma) Klopper and Willem joined forces, to take a new direction in the Renewable Energy industry. Emma worked with Willem from 2020 doing Design and Engineering, first as a part-time design engineer, but later full-time. Emma is now a Director and Shareholder of PolyMathSolar, and is also contracted as a part-time lecturer at the University of Pretoria since 1992 teaching both undergraduate and post graduate courses in meteorology. Her background in meteorology supports the niche of solar energy applications.