

MADE IN ITALY

# HELP

Patented system for detecting the presence of copper and aluminium cables on the backbones of **photovoltaic systems.** 



## **Made in Italy technology**

### for an efficient monitoring

Patented system for detecting the presence of copper and aluminium cables on electric lines of photovoltaic backbones in DC or not yet connected. It protects the wells of the cable ducts and the access to the technical rooms.



During the day

it measures the flow of current
generated by the photovoltaic modules

During the night
it generates a series of pulses
on the cables



### **Energy transfer**

Through the TAHELP-TX device, the **energy is transferred by electromagnetic induction** to the cable, arriving **at the field box** where the DC LOOP device is present, which closes the circuit.



#### **Transformation and detection**

The **impulse** then **retraces the return cable** until it reaches the TAHELP-RX device. Here, again by electromagnetic induction, it is **transformed into a current pulse** and detected by HELP, which measures it and **compares its values** with those memorized during installation.



#### Signalling with alarm

HELP signals, with an alarm through the **programmable relay** or the **RS485 port with ModBus protocol**, if there are differences between the control signal and the value stored during the calibration phase, and allows you to alert **the security personnel or the Police**.



### Why photovoltaic systems should be monitored

### Protecting the photovoltaic backbones

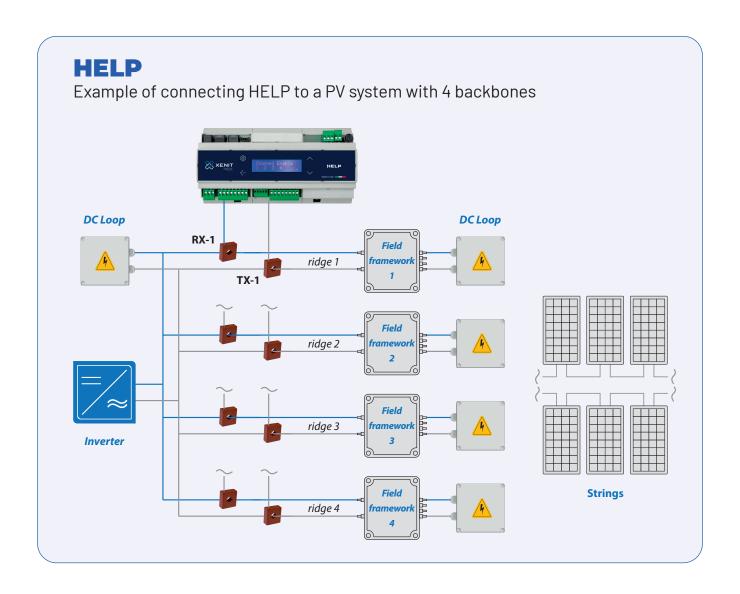
Photovoltaic systems, especially medium and large ones, are **subject to copper theft**.

The most targeted parts are the photovoltaic backbones that connect the field switchboards to the inverters. In these sections, cables are used which can reach a **diameter of 300mm<sup>2</sup>**.

In the evening when the PV inverter shuts down, if these wires are removed, it cannot be detected. The **HELP device allows these lines to be protected without the need for an electrical contact**, as the control signal is injected by electromagnetic induction using a patented system.

# **Easy installation**

both on new and existing plants, in a few minutes



# Who it is for

### Protect power lines from theft and anomalies

Green electricity production companies	Protection and monitoring of power lines	
Investment Funds	Protection of assets and guarantee of expected ROI	
Plant owners	Protection of the plant and its profitability	
Financial Institutions	Credit Protection	
Asset Manager	Strategic management of the photovoltaic investment	
Insurance	Protection of the guarantee given	
EPC	Guaranteeing the client the design and maintenance of a profitable and safe plant	
Design studies	Designing systems that are intrinsically protected against the risk of copper theft	
Photovoltaic installers	Generating new and exclusive business opportunities	
Technical consultants	Offering clients technologically advanced solutions	





# **Functionality and advantages**



#### It reports tampering

HELP goes into alarm if:

- · even just one of the cables of the four backbones is cut
- the length of even just one of the two backbone cables changes
- the wells of the cable ducts or access to the technical rooms are violated
- HELP is tampered with
- a short circuit occurs
- the DC LOOP circuit breaker is removed



### It offers total protection

HELP offers you total protection, because it reports if:

- the 4 pairs of cables of each control unit are tampered with
- access to the cable duct wells or technical rooms takes place, thanks to 2 dedicated lines.



#### No electrical contact

Thanks to an innovative patented system, **it checks for the presence of cables in two ways**, without using any electrical contact with the line to be protected.



### It checks for the presence of cables in two ways

During installation with **self-calibration**, **it adapts** to the lengths and characteristics of your system (**power and frequency of each channel**), to the **aging of the system** or to any **sudden changes in temperature and humidity**.



	HELP	
POWER SUPPLY	230VAC	
NOMINAL ABSORPTION	Max 5W in normal operation and 12W in calibration	
CONTROL CHANNELS	4 TAHELP-TX sensor outputs and 4 TAHELP-RX sensor inputs	
ISOLATION VOLTAGE	4 kV between TAHELP-TX, TAHELP-RX and trunk cable	
DISPLAY	LCD 16x2 backlit with the possibility of a second remote external display	
RELAY OUTPUT	NC and NO contacts, 1A capacity, normally powered in the absence of alarms	
RS485 PORT	Opto isolated, with MODBUS-RTU SLAVE protocol for remote supervision	
INPUTS/OUTPUTS	2 analog/digital 0-10V, Buzzer	
OPERATING TEMPERATURE	-20° + 70°	
AUTOMATIC ALARM RESET	Programmable at preset time intervals	
WEIGHT	536 g	
TRACK CONTAINER	DIN	
DIMENSIONS (L X H X D)	213 x 62 x 110 mm	

	TAHELP-TX	TAHELP-RX	
TYPE	Transmitter	Receiver	
CABLE TYPE	FG70R/4		
CABLE LENGTH	1.90 m extendable up to 10 m		
HOLE DIAMETER	Standard 26 mm suitable for cable with section up to 150 $\text{mm}^2$		
	Special versions for cables up to 300 mm <sup>2</sup>		
DEGREE OF PROTECTION	IP65		
OPERATING TEMPERATURE	-20° + 85°		
ISOLATION VOLTAGE	4 kV, tested on 100% of the production, according to EN60742, EN60950		
WEIGHT	460g	587g	
CONTAINER	Self-extinguishing plastic UL94-HB		
DIMENSIONI (L X H X P)	30 x 76 x 70 mm		

	DC LOOP	
TYPE	Circuit breaker	
PROTECTION	Fuse 1000VDC 10A gL	
CONNECTION TYPE	Multicontact or other types on request	
CABLE TYPE	Solar cable 4mm² - length 90cm	
DIMENSIONS (L X H X D)	55 x 105 x 105 mm	
DEGREE OF PROTECTION	IP55	
OPERATING TEMPERATURE	-25° +40°	
MAX OPERATING VOLTAGE	1100VDC	
WEIGHT		

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