Florida International University partners with Florida Power & Light to build innovative solar research facility

THINK PARTNERSHIPS...Florida Power & Light Company and FIU joined forces in 2015 to build a commercial-scale distributed solar power facility, a project that involves the installation of more than 5,700 solar panels and generates electricity for the company’s 4.8 million customers.

THINK RESEARCH...The partnership provides the opportunity for students to make a direct contribution to the growth of solar energy in the state while gaining valuable experience working side-by-side with professionals. The opportunities for collaborative research also advance the company’s goal of cost-effectively tripling its solar generation in Florida by the end of 2016.

THINK WORKFORCE...The project marks the expansion of a long relationship between FIU and Florida Power & Light, which includes a robust internship program, an on-campus customer-care training center, and hundreds of company employees who are graduates of FIU and remain active with the school through boards and alumni groups.

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