

Why is Burkina Faso launching a solar power plant in Komsilga?

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Is Burkina Faso suitable for solar power projects?

This suitability assessment was carried out at the request of the Government of Burkina Faso to map potential areas for utility-scale solar photovoltaic (PV) and wind projects. Currently, less than 25% of the population has access to electricity and the majority of those with access live in urban areas.

Will a 50 MWp solar power plant bolster Burkina Faso's electricity supply strategy?

In a pivotal move to bolster Burkina Faso's electricity supply strategy, the Minister of Energy, Mines, and Quarries, Simon-Pierre BOUSSIM, and Serge CONSEIGA, General Director of Energie Plus, sealed an agreement for the construction of a 50-megawatt peak (50 MWp) solar power plant in the commune of Komsilga, Burkina Faso.

What is Wärtilä doing in Burkina Faso?

Wärtilä has delivered a 15 MWp solar photovoltaic (PV) power plant to the independent power producer (IPP) Essakane Solar SAS in Burkina Faso. The solar PV plant was constructed next to a 55 MW Wärtilä power plant running on heavy fuel oil. The engine power plant provides backup, while the solar farm produces energy during the day.

Can Burkina Faso achieve 95% electricity access?

The country aims to reach 95% electricity access, with 50% in rural areas and universal access to clean cooking solutions in urban areas, with 65% in rural areas by 2030, up from 9% in 2020. The utilisation of Burkina Faso's renewable resource potential would enable the country to reduce its heavy reliance on thermal generation and energy imports.

What is the largest engine-solar PV hybrid power plant in Africa?

The solar PV plant and the engine power plant are controlled and operated in synchronisation, making it the largest engine-solar PV hybrid power plant in Africa. IAMGOLD Essakane SA is the largest privately held business in Burkina Faso.

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Burkina Faso has made great progress in the field of renewable energy in recent years, and 2024 is expected to be a watershed year for the nation's solar energy industry. Burkina Faso is well-positioned to use the power of the sun to boost economic growth, expand access to energy, and lower carbon emissions because of its abundant sunlight ...

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Burkina Faso marks a significant leap in its renewable energy journey with the inauguration of the Zano photovoltaic solar power plant. With a peak capacity of 24 Megawatts, this state-of-the-art facility contributes 38 GWh of clean electricity annually, aligning with the nation's commitment to achieving 15% renewable energy by 2025.

The findings of this study indicate that a portion of Burkina Faso's land area is suitable for solar PV and wind development. It suggests a maximum development potential of approximately 95.9 and 1.96 gigawatts (GW) for solar PV and wind projects, respectively, taking into consideration an installation density of 50 megawatts (MW)

Supporting sustainable economic growth through solar power in Burkina Faso. In Burkina Faso, the Sustainable Energy and Economic Growth in the Boucle du Mouhoun Region project (Cowater International Inc., over \$17 million, 2017-2023) is stimulating economic growth by focusing on improving access to renewable energy, local economic development ...

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