

The development prospects of energy storage solar industry in Africa





Overview

What is Africa's solar outlook for 2025?

The Africa Solar Industry Association (AFSIA) has published its Africa Solar Outlook for 2025, detailing remarkable growth in energy storage, with 2024 registering a 1,045% increase over 2023. AFSIA recorded annual capacity stalled at just around 50 MWh until 2022, which tripled in 2023 to over 150 MWh.

Why is solar energy growing in Africa?

The rise of renewable energy in Africa has coincided with a decade of growth globally, with solar energy alone experiencing a 30% growth a year. For solar, the growing demand for clean electricity coupled with up to 80% reduction in the cost of solar PV panels has driven this growth.

Why are solar and wind projects gaining momentum in Africa?

In Africa, solar, wind and geothermal projects are gaining momentum as countries look to reduce their dependence on fossil fuels, lower carbon emissions and increase people's access to electricity. The rise of renewable energy in Africa has coincided with a decade of growth globally, with solar energy alone experiencing a 30% growth a year.

What are the most popular solar-plus-storage developments in Africa?

As noted by AFSIA Solar, one of the most notable solar-plus-storage developments in Africa is Norway-based independent power producer (IPP) Scatec's 225MW/1,140MWh Kenhardt project in South Africa. The site started operation in late 2023 (pictured above).



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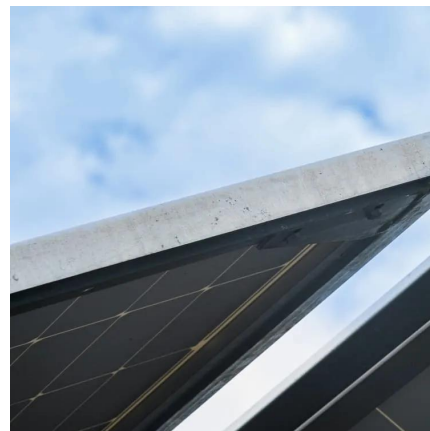
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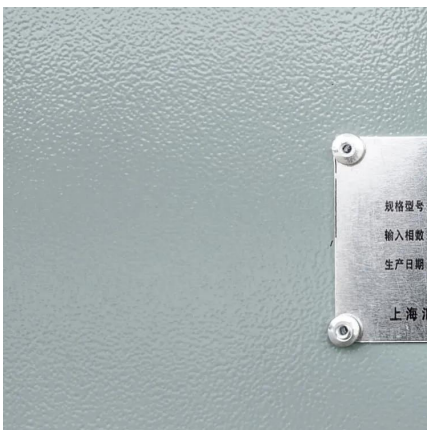
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