

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

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How much solar power does Burkina Faso have?

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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.

Will Burkina Faso invest \$400 million in solar?

"This new scheme will enable Burkina Faso to mobilize more than \$400 million in private investment in solar production and innovative battery storage systems," added Alexis Madelain, project team leader at the World Bank.

What will Burkina Faso's solar funds be used for?

The funds will be used to implement the country's Large Scale Solar and Rural Electrification Project. They will also support the government in outlining an upcoming tender for 325 MW of solar coupled with 335 MWh of storage capacity. Burkina Faso had just 62 MW of installed PV at the end of 2020.

Why is Burkina Faso launching a new energy project?

"This new project is in line with our strategy for the Sahel, which aims to double the rate of access to electricity by 2025, especially in rural areas, and to create the conditions for more private financing in the energy sector," explained Maimouna Mbow Fam, World Bank operations manager for Burkina Faso.

The transitional parliament of Burkina Faso has granted its endorsement to a conventional loan deal totaling EUR45.7 million with the Export-Import Bank of China. This financing will be used for the development of the Donsin solar power plant and its accompanying electricity storage system.

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climate-friendly renewable energy, and reduce energy cost for the country's citizens.

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