

Monitoring solar energy systems in Ethiopia





Overview

The current energy access in Ethiopia stands at 44%, where 33% is provided through grid connections and 11% through off grid solutions. In order to increase the electricity access, the Ethiopian government.

Does Ethiopia have a solar energy sector?

However, despite all its available potential, the country's energy sector especially solar energy is still in its infancy stage. The main objective of this systematic review is to identify the present status of solar energy utilization and development in Ethiopia and any possible challenges that may hinder its' utilization and development.

Is Ethiopia a good place to invest in solar energy?

Ethiopia has a rapidly growing economy and offers tremendous opportunities to solar PV suppliers worldwide, having among the strongest solar resources in the world. In particular, the region offers excellent potential for off-grid energy systems with solar PV systems being promoted to replace fuel-based lighting and off-grid electrical needs.

How much solar PV is installed in Ethiopia?

Solar PV capacity in Ethiopia has almost tripled in the past five years. However, 14 MW of solar PV systems has been installed up to now, counting for 0.3% of the Nation's total energy capacity. Ethiopia's solar capacity is expected to increase in the coming years with the number of ongoing solar PV projects.

How to use solar energy efficiently in Ethiopia?

For effective and efficient utilization of solar energy in Ethiopia, the following recommendations and policy implications will be useful: • Government should subsidize the cost of importation of Renewable Energy Technologies (RET) most especially solar PV to bring down the high cost in Ethiopia, and make it affordable.



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