



Cote d ivoire new energy storage project

Will a lithium-ion battery energy storage system be installed in Cote d'Ivoire?

A lithium-ion battery energy storage system (BESS) made by Saft will be installed at a 37.5MWp solar PV power plant in Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast). It is the African country's first-ever large-scale solar project and the batteries will be used to smooth and integrate the variable output of the PV modules for export to the local electricity grid.

How many solar power plants are planned in Cote d'Ivoire?

Additionally, 12 other photovoltaic solar power plants are planned between 2025 and 2026. By 2030, Cote d'Ivoire aims to achieve a 45% share of renewable energy in its national energy mix, up from 34.5% today, and plans to generate approximately 1,686 MW from solar power and other renewable sources by 2040.

Why should Cote d'Ivoire invest in a solar power plant?

The solar power plant is regarded as a model project for the expansion of solar energy in Cote d'Ivoire. It is an important contribution to the fight against climate change and a decisive step towards increasing the share of renewable energies in the country's electricity supply to 45% by 2030.

Where is the first solar power plant in Cote d'Ivoire?

In Boundiali in the north of Cote d'Ivoire, the country's first solar power plant has now been inaugurated by Ivorian Prime Minister Beugre and Mamboury and German Parliamentary State Secretary Babel Kofler. The power plant has already been providing up to 37 megawatts of power since June 2023.

How will Cote d'Ivoire contribute to energy transition?

Cooperation with Cote d'Ivoire is to be further intensified within a climate and development partnership. The aim is to support energy transition towards more renewable energies in the West African country and to further expand its role as a net electricity exporter to enhance security of supply in West Africa.

Why did KfW build a solar power plant in Cote d'Ivoire?

"We also endeavoured to create employment for the local population," emphasises KfW Project Manager Clara Winkler-Tometry. During the construction phase, 75% of the workers came from the region. The new solar power plant in Cote d'Ivoire is helping to achieve the goals of German development cooperation in the expansion of renewable energies.



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