# **SOLAR** PRO. **Eswatini solar energy and storage**

### What is Frazer solar doing in Eswatini?

Frazer Solar has developed a large-scale solar-storage projectin Eswatini to supply electricity to the SADC grid for IPP client Frazium Energy. Upon commissioning, this will be one of the largest battery projects in Africa. CSR is a key focus for Frazer Solar.

Are solar panels a viable source of electricity in Eswatini?

Photovoltaic (PV) solar cells are increasingly prominent sources of small-scale electricity productionin Eswatini. The government actively encourages the adoption of solar panels in residential and commercial buildings to provide both electricity and water heating.

#### What is the main energy source in Eswatini?

Hydroelectric powercurrently stands as one of the most prominent energy sources in Eswatini. The EEC operates four hydropower plants, constituting 15% of the country's electricity production and plans to bolster the existing infrastructure.

Why is Eswatini's PV market growing?

The biggest driver of growth in Eswatini's PV marketcomes from private PV projects. In hopes of reaching ambitious goals, Eswatini has made solar panels and batteries exempt from import duties to help with this.

### What is driving Eswatini's growth?

The biggest driver of growth in Eswatini's PV market is private PV projects. In 2022,Eswatini partnered with Frazium Energy to commission a new 100MW solar storage project with 75,000 PV panels,hoping to produce more than 100 million kWh of electricity a year and generate at least 200 jobs.

### Does Eswatini have electricity?

Despite being one of Africa's smallest countries, Eswatini has an impressive, diverse topography and climate. Unfortunately, its electricity infrastructure is not reliable.

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services, products, and technologies related to solar energy systems, installation, maintenance, and innovation in energy storage. This report offers key market insights that can help SMEs and investors identify and navigate the embedded power generation landscape in Eswatini. From understanding regulatory frameworks and market drivers to analysing

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Frazium Energy chose the Kingdom of Eswatini to host the project after considering 11 countries. The company had planned a similar project in the Kingdom of Lesotho in 2018 but it was canceled following a dispute with the government.

Frazer Solar is developing a large-scale solar-storage project for IPP investor, owner and operator Frazium Energy. Phase 1 of the development involves solar PV coupled with battery storage to provide 200 MWH of dispatchable baseload electricity per day.

The solar component is complemented by a battery energy storage system, expected to be the largest in Africa. The energy off-taker is Eswatini Electricity Company (EEC), the national electricity utility parastatal company, under a 40-year power purchase agreement (PPA).

The Sigcineni Off-Grid Solution project began as a small-scale off-grid pilot study into the use of solar technology to meet rural electrification objectives, especially as some rural communities are far from the national grid and need alternative options.

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