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Can Namibia's solar PV capacity be expanded?

HopSol spoke with ECP about how Namibia's solar PV capacity can be expanded and further integrated with the national grid.

How much solar power does Namibia have?

Namibia had around 176 MW of installed solar capacity at the end of 2020, according to the latest statistics from the International Renewable Energy Agency. This content is protected by copyright and may not be reused. If you want to cooperate with us and would like to reuse some of our content, please contact: editors@pv-magazine.com.

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The solar conditions in the Namibian region are to be considered of the best worldwide for solar generation. The country's average high direct solar insolation is 2200 kWh/m²/year, with a cover of minimum clouds.

How much electricity does Namibia generate per kWp?

Due to the constantly high irradiation, PV systems in Namibia generate twice as much electricity as comparable systems in Germany on an annual average. A daily yield of up to >5.6 kWh can be expected per kWp of installed PV capacity. In comparison, natural conditions for wind power are limited in the region.

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Independent Power Producer, SolarAfrica Energy, officially broke ground on its first utility-scale solar farm based in the Northern Cape. Known as SunCentral, Phase 1 of this project will total approximately 342 MW in generation capacity, with Phases 2 and 3 bringing the overall size to an impressive 1 GW therefore making it one of the largest ...

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As of 2020, solar generation accounts for around 20% of Namibia's total power generation. In terms of capacity, solar PV has increased from around 20 MW in 2015 to around 150 MW in 2020 (note that this includes both utility scale and rooftop solar PV).

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emissions from renewable power is calculated as renewable generation divided by fossil fuel generation multiplied by reported emissions from the power sector. This assumes that, if renewable power did not exist, fossil fuels would be used in its place to generate the same amount of power and using the same mix of fossil fuels. In countries and ...

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Given the government's plan to expand power generation capacity - 60% of which should be from renewable energies - and growing interest from commercial electricity consumers to invest in self-generation facilities, the Namibian renewable energy market is dynamic and replete with viable business cases. Given the high

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