# **SOLAR** PRO. **Solar panels in Iusaka Palau**

#### Who is launching Palau's first solar PV + battery energy storage system?

Alternergy Holdings Corp.and its subsidiary Solar Pacific Energy Corporation have inaugurated Palau's first solar PV +battery energy storage system (BESS) project, marking a significant milestone in the region.

#### How will solar energy be produced in Palau?

Solar electricity will be produced by a hybrid 15.3 MWdc (13.2 MWac) solar photovoltaic (PV) plus 10.2 MWac/12.9 MWh battery energy storage system facility. Extensive safeguards to protect Palau's pristine environment SPEC did not leave any stone unturned to protect the pristine Palau ecosystem.

### What is a solar PV project in Palau?

With a capacity of 15.3 MWp solar PV and 12.9 MWh BESS, the project supports Palau's goal of achieving a 45% renewable energy share by 2025. The project's total investment of USD 29 million contributes to Palau's energy independence, clean power generation, carbon emissions reduction, and local employment opportunities.

### What will Palau's solar PV project do?

The project, which is also Palau's first grid-scale solar PV plant, will contribute significantly to the country's nationally self-determined contribution to meeting global climate targets as agreed in the Paris Accord. These include reaching 35% renewable energy, and reducing energy sector emissions to 22% below 2005 levels, by 2025.

How many people benefited from Palau solar PV & Bess project?

"The project provided employment to about 300 peopleduring construction," he said. The Palau Solar PV +BESS project, with a capacity of 15.3 MWp solar PV and 12.9 MWh BESS, is one of the biggest foreign direct investments in the country with a total project cost of USD29 million.

#### Does Palau rely on fossil fuels?

As a small island developing state, the Republic of Palau sought to wean itself off its dependence on fossil fuel for power, which accounts for 99.7% of the country's power generation. To address this issue, Palau invited Solar Pacific Energy Corporation (SPEC), Alternergy's solar developer, to develop a clean, renewable energy source.

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Located on Palau's largest island, Babeldaob, the Project will comprise a 15.28-megawatt peak capacity solar photovoltaic facility, and a 12.9-megawatt battery energy storage system. When complete, it will be among the largest hybrid facilities of its kind in the Pacific and generate over 20 per cent of Palau's energy needs.

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SMA, in collaboration with Solar Pacific Energy Corporation (SPEC), a subsidiary of Philippines-headquartered renewable energy company Altenergy, has successfully commissioned the large-scale solar-plus-storage project in the Pacific Island nation of Palau. This is the largest power plant of its kind in the Western Pacific Region and will help ...

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