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Overview

Currently, Cyprus has 125 MW of solar power capacity. The country aims to increase total renewable energy penetration in the electricity sector to 700-750 MW by 2023, primarily through solar power initiatives. Overview Solar power in Cyprus benefits from over 3,300 hours of sunlight annually, giving it the highest potential in the (EU). The 2023 Energy Profile for Cyprus highlights t.

In 2011, the Cypriot target of , including both photovoltaics and , was a combined 7% of electricity by 2020. While Cyprus saw a 16% increase in solar panel instal.

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How much solar energy does Cyprus have?

Cyprus is also characterized by an abundant solar energy resource across the whole year: the average global solar can reach 2000 kWh/m². Wind energy is instead quite limited over the island of Cyprus, with an annual average wind speed below 4 m/s in the majority of areas.

What is the future of solar power in Cyprus?

Solar photovoltaic (PV) power has already attained prominence, with installed capacity in 2030 expected to reach between 500 megawatts (MW) and 1,000 MW, depending on the scenario. The roadmap also indicates that deployment of renewables could greatly reduce energy import dependence while lowering the cost of electricity generation in Cyprus.

Does Cyprus have a bicommunal solar power plant?

In July 2023, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Cyprus announced a study for a bicommunal solar power plant in Cyprus, with funding from the EU. Managed by the UNDP and supported by the EU, the study aims to enhance cooperation between the island's communities and align with the European Green Deal.

Are there private power plants in Cyprus?

As a precondition to the accession of Cyprus to the European Union, the local market for electricity generation has been opened to private companies, but so far no private power plants have been built, although four licences have been granted by Cyprus Energy Regulatory Authority.

How will Cyprus' energy sector develop in the coming decades?

Cyprus, a European Union member state since 2004, is at the crossroads of determining how its energy sector, and particularly the power sector, should develop in the coming decades. The island country currently depends on imported oil to meet most of its growing energy needs.

How much energy does a PV system produce in Cyprus?

The energy produced in Cyprus from 1 kW PV system is estimated at 1650 kWh per year. From PV projects we have already installed in Cyprus we have seen that, in many cases, the energy produced is much higher. Examples of energy savings from 3, 4 and 5 kW PV systems for their first year of operation can be found in the table below.

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