

South Africa wind and solar integration





Overview

Rome, 18th February 2025 – Strengthening regional energy integration, improving regulatory frameworks, and increasing investment in renewable infrastructure are essential to accelerating Southern Africa’s clean energy transition and enhancing climate resilience. Is large-scale integration of wind energy feasible in South Africa?

The paucity of studies on the technical feasibility of large-scale integration of wind energy into the South African grid system limits the overall development of wind energy systems as decision makers and investors have insufficient information to precisely ascertain the scale of wind power that is technically feasible in the country.

Does South Africa have wind and solar irradiation?

Regarding wind conditions and solar irradiation, South Africa is richly endowed. As can be seen from Figure 1, there are only few parts of the world where wind speeds or solar irradiation are as high as in South Africa. Nevertheless, the installed capacities for electricity generation from renewable energy sources are still low.

Is wind power a good option in South Africa?

The cost competitiveness of wind power in South Africa is on par with solar PV. Solar and wind energy are very low-cost bulk energy providers in South Africa. To conclude, South Africa has perfect conditions to introduce a very large amount.

Why is wind energy important in South Africa?

Wind energy The wind has always been an energy source in South Africa for many decades where early settlers who are majorly farmers used windmills to pump water for agricultural purposes, this act was largely responsible for the productivity afforded to the farmers .

Does aggregation affect wind energy in South Africa?



energy and the resulting shares of renewable energy in electricity generation. The main focus of this study lies on aggregation effects for wind energy in South Africa because wind shows a higher geospatial dependency than solar PV energy. For this reason the following wind energy scenarios were developed.

Does South Africa have a Wind Energy Resource Atlas?

Lastly, due to the discrepancies in the previous wind energy resource atlas, the South African government through the South African Wind Energy Project (SAWEP) developed a detailed Wind Atlas for South Africa (WASA).



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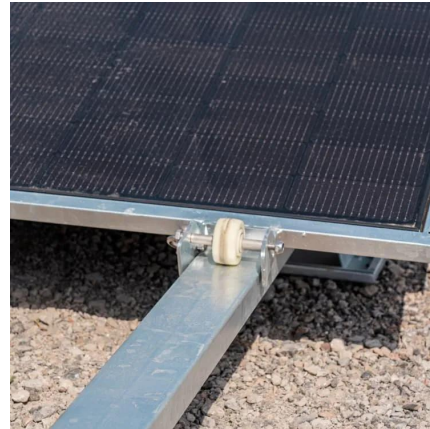
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