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Why is Burundi launching a solar PV plant?

The pioneering 7.5 MW solar PV plant has increased Burundi's generation capacity by over 10%, and is the country's first substantial energy generation project to go online in over three decades, supplying clean power to tens of thousands of homes and businesses - just before the start of COP26. ( Video)

Does Burundi have solar power?

Burundi has natural conditions favourable to the sustainable use of water and solar energy or wind power. The solar potential of Burundi is very interesting. The average annual power received is around 2000 kWh / m<sup>2</sup>; per year, equivalent to the best European regions (southern Mediterranean).

Will Burundi bring solar power to COP26 Gitega?

7.5 MW utility-scale power plant increases East African country's generation capacity by more than 10% on the eve of COP26 Gitega, Burundi - 25 October 2021: A multinational effort to bring solar power to Burundi has been realized with the commercial operation of the country's first-ever solar field.

Will Burundi's first grid-connected solar farm light up the country's energy system?

UK Minister for Energy, Clean Growth and Climate Change, Greg Hands, said: "Today's launch of Burundi's first grid-connected solar farm will light up the nation's energy system. It will strengthen the national grid supply and propel forward a promising future for the country in clean, green energy."

What does Burundi's solar plant announcement mean for the energy sector?

According to Geoff Sinclair, Managing Director of Camco Clean Energy, which manages REPP: "Once built, the solar plant will add nearly 15% to Burundi's generation capacity using clean energy." (This passage directly answers the question about the impact on the energy sector.)

Who is distributing hand-held solar chargers in Burundi?

Remarks by Michael Fichtenberg, MD of Gigawatt Global Burundi SA at a ceremony distributing hand-held solar chargers to community leaders at a football match in the early stages of the project, featuring Patrick Nzitunga, Assistant MD, and the Honorable Jean Jacques NYENIMIGABO, MP of Mubuga zone: .

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