

# Vatican City hybrid wind solar

Will a Vatican solar project be built outside Rome?

In an apostolic letter, the pontiff said the project will be constructed on Vatican-owned property outside of Rome that spans 424 hectares, adding capacity to existing solar panel installations in the city state.

How much solar energy does the Vatican produce a year?

Thanks to a unique photovoltaic plant installed on the roof of the Vatican Audience Hall, the Papal State has been producing 300 MWh of solar energy every year since its installation in 2008. The project was planned and managed by BayWa r.e. with the PV modules, inverters and its installation donated by solar technology provider, SolarWorld.

How can the Vatican save CO<sub>2</sub>?

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Is Vatican City the greenest state in the world?

Vatican City may be the smallest sovereign state in the world, but it is also one of the greenest. It has long been an exemplar for tackling climate change through its approach to renewable energy.

What does Pope Francis say about climate neutrality?

"We need to make a transition towards a sustainable development model that reduces greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere, setting the objective of climate neutrality," Pope Francis wrote in the letter, titled *Fratello Sole, or Brother Sun*.

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The Vatican is set to join an elite group of nations generating all their electricity from renewable sources, following Pope Francis's announcement of a new solar power project. This initiative positions Vatican City as the eighth country worldwide to achieve this milestone.

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This project will make the smallest country by land mass entirely energy independent, with all of its electricity needs met by solar power. Once completed, Vatican City will join Nepal, Paraguay, Ethiopia, Albania, Bhutan, Iceland and ...

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