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Will a 150-megawatt solar farm be built in Kosovo?

PRISTINA, May 19 (Reuters) - A group of international and local investors have started to build a 150-megawatt (MW) solar farm in western part of Kosovo as the Balkan country is trying to phase out its dependence from coal. The Solar Energy Group Europe (SEGE) consortium plans to start production within 12 months.

Does Kosovo have solar power?

Kosovo has the potential of capturing solar energy directly and converting it to electricity. The region of highest solar potential based on global horizontal irradiation is the southeastern part of Kosovo, centred around the city of Gjakova. Solar power is already used on the roofs of some buildings.

Will Kosovo use solar energy for district heating?

In late December 2022, Kosovo became the first country in the Western Balkans Economy to use solar energy for district heating. Kosovo's Minister of Finance, Labour and Transfers, Hekuran Murati, said the project would ensure access to the central heating system for about 38,000 citizens.

Which companies are affecting the energy sector in Kosovo?

Besides government institutions, there are also companies with great impact in energy sector such as Kosovo Energy Corporation (KEK), Transmission, System and Market Operator (KOSTT) and Kosovo Electricity Distribution and Supply (KEDS). A lot of legislative documents that aim the adjustment of electricity sector have been approved.

Who regulates the energy sector in Kosovo?

Regulation of activities in energy sector in Kosovo is a responsibility of the Energy Regulatory Office (ERO). An additional factor in the energy sector in Kosovo is Ministry of Economic Development (MZHE), which has the responsibility of dealing with issues that have to do with energy. MZHE prepares legislation and drafts strategies and projects.

Who is Unisolar?

Based on previous personal experiences in energy systems and having it all the necessary European qualifications for photovoltaic systems, the two co-founders established company Unisolar L.L.C., with the aim of reaching the heights of a successful business in the field of renewable energy in Kosovo and wider.

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In 2024, Kosovo completed its first ever solar auction with winning bidder, the Orllati consortium, for a 100 MW solar park in Kramovik.. This groundbreaking solar auction ensured a transparent and level playing field for qualifying bidders and is a testimony to growing investor interest in Kosovo''s vast renewable energy potential.

The Kosovo Assembly passed the National Energy Strategy in March 2023, laying out the government"s vision for the energy sector in the coming decade and committing to increase generation from renewable energy sources to at least 35 percent of the generation mix, reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 32 percent, and phase out at least one lignite ...

To support the green transition in Kosovo*, the European Investment Bank (EIB) has signed a EUR33 million investment loan for the construction one of its largest solar photovoltaic plants near Pristina - with a capacity of up to 100 MWac (120MWp). By increasing the share and capacity of solar energy in power generation, the project will contribute to energy supply ...

DT Global is proud to help Kosovo on its path to sustainable energy. As Afrim Syla, Managing Partner at Elen--a solar energy company--says, "alternative energy [...] is the future; it is cheaper, safer, and healthier." See USAID's video for more on how solar is transforming Kosovo''s energy sector.

The electricity sector of Kosovo relies on coal-fired power plants (92% as of 2023) [2] and is considered one of the sectors with the greatest potential of development. The inherited issues after the war in Kosovo and the transition period have had an immense effect on the progress of this sector. Regulation of activities in energy sector in Kosovo is a responsibility of the Energy ...

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Several companies, including international ones, have expressed interest in the first solar auction of the Republic of Kosovo of 100MW. This was announced by the Minister of Economy, Artane Rizvanolli. Rizvanolli together with the mayor of Rahovec, Smajl Latifi, colleagues from USAID Kosovo and some of the potential investors, have been welcomed by the residents of the area ...

Royal Beverage, a large beverage and soft drinks company in Gjilan that bottles for American-heritage brand RC Cola, recently installed solar panels as a direct result of market linkages made possible through the USAID Kosovo Energy Security of Supply activity.

The group, which includes Kosovan solar company Jaha, Swiss energy company Holdigaz, and German developer ZPV, offered a bid of \$0.0524/kWh. The authorities pre-selected six bidders for the...

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According to Visar, "Initially, the first companies in Kosovo to utilize this technology were fanatics of the energy savings and efficiency industry, with a focus on solar." Today, Kosovo institutions, businesses, and organizations are coming together to utilize solar energy to redefine Kosovo's energy mix and prevent climate change.

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