

How many people in Senegal will get solar power?

Nearly 540,000 people in Senegal will get access to clean and affordable power following the launch of two solar photovoltaic (PV) plants, financed by IFC, the European Investment Bank and Proparco, under the World Bank Group's Scaling Solar program.

How many solar photovoltaic plants will be built in Senegal?

Two new solar photovoltaic plants will be built: the 25 megawatt peak (MWp) Kael solar park in the Touba region in western Senegal and the 35 MWp Kahone solar park in the Kaolack region in central western Senegal.

Does Senegal need a solar power plant?

Senegal's power sector has been historically reliant on costly fuel imports, with about 80 percent of its energy mix being oil-based. "The Kael and Kahone solar power plants exemplify our commitment to supporting Senegal's transition to cleaner, more affordable energy, while creating business opportunities for local communities.

Who sponsors Senegal's solar power plants?

The PV plants, located in Western Senegal, are sponsored by Engie, Meridiam, and the Senegalese Sovereign Wealth Fund for Strategic Investments ( FONSIS ). The competitive tendering process was led by Senegal's Energy Regulatory Commission ( CRSE ). For more information, please read the press release here.

Where are Kael and Kahone solar plants located?

The Kael and Kahone solar plants, the first financed and tendered under the Scaling Solar program in Senegal, became operational in May 2021. The PV plants, located in Western Senegal, are sponsored by Engie, Meridiam, and the Senegalese Sovereign Wealth Fund for Strategic Investments ( FONSIS ).

Which countries have scaled solar-backed PV projects?

Senegal is the second country to bring Scaling Solar-backed PV projects to the operational stage. In March 2019, the first solar plant financed and tendered under the Scaling Solar program was inaugurated in Zambia.

The French company Lagazel is inaugurating its third solar kit manufacturing unit in Thiès, Senegal. This locally manufactured equipment enables the electrification and productive use of solar photovoltaic energy in ...

The Bokhol solar power plant, built by VINCI Energies, will supply green electricity to 160,000 people. ... The facility also raises the renewable-energy production share in Senegal's energy mix, with a "green power" target of 20% for 2017. ...



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