

Is Burkina Faso suitable for solar power projects?

This suitability assessment was carried out at the request of the Government of Burkina Faso to map potential areas for utility-scale solar photovoltaic (PV) and wind projects. Currently, less than 25% of the population has access to electricity and the majority of those with access live in urban areas.

Is there a potential for utility-scale solar PV & wind power development in Burkina Faso?

More in-depth studies must be carried out to further screen areas, using criteria beyond annual average wind speeds and the other parameters highlighted in this study. The findings of this study indicate that there is significant potential for utility-scale solar PV and wind power development in Burkina Faso.

Can Burkina Faso achieve 95% electricity access?

The country aims to reach 95% electricity access, with 50% in rural areas and universal access to clean cooking solutions in urban areas, with 65% in rural areas by 2030, up from 9% in 2020. The utilisation of Burkina Faso's renewable resource potential would enable the country to reduce its heavy reliance on thermal generation and energy imports.

How will Burkina Faso improve electricity trade with neighbouring countries?

Additionally, the results from this report are intended to inform the design and development of the country's regional projects as Burkina Faso is planning to enhance electricity trade with neighbouring countries through regional interconnectors with Benin, Niger, Nigeria and Togo.

How accurate is the land cover classification in Burkina Faso?

As such, the accuracy of the land cover classification is approximately 62.6% (Bontemps, et. al, 2011). Figure 8 shows the land cover for Burkina Faso. Figure 8. Land cover in Burkina Faso Source: GlobCover 2009 (ESA and UCLouvain). Note: Copy in the "Global Atlas for Renewable Energy" of the International Renewable Energy Agency.

What is the road network in Burkina Faso?

The road network considered in this analysis was provided by the National Observatory of Territorial Economy office in Burkina Faso. It includes the national, regional and departmental roads across the country as shown in Figure 6. Figure 6.

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On February 4th, 2021, Buy-Us Solar launched a project in Burkina Faso to irrigate using solar energy. The Burkinabe supplier of solar motor pumps hopes to contribute to the development of irrigated agriculture in this Sahelian country. ...

This project is expected to improve Burkina Faso's energy security, diversify its energy mix, increase national electrification rates, and reduce electricity costs. It aligns with ...

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