

What's going on with Ecuador's first large-scale solar power project?

QUITO, March 3 (Reuters) - Ecuador's government on Friday signed a deal with Spanish company Solarpack for the construction and operation of the country's first large-scale solar power project, with an estimated investment of nearly \$145 million.

Is Ecuador laying the foundation for 15% solar PV growth?

Ecuador is laying the foundation for 15% solar PV growth over the coming decade, data and analytics company GlobalData reports. The country is currently taking its nascent steps into non-traditional renewable energies, particularly solar PV deployment.

Will solar power grow in Ecuador?

"As of 2019, with an installed capacity of 26.7 MW solar PV formed a negligible portion of Ecuador's capacity mix," comments Somik Das, Senior Power Analyst at GlobalData. "Going ahead, GlobalData notes that growth in solar capacity is anticipated to see an expansion, seeing cumulative installed capacity of more than 4GW by 2030."

What will Ecuador's energy mix look like in 2030?

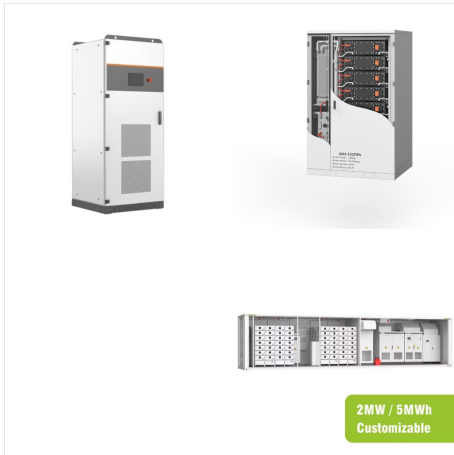
While solar PV is a key area of Ecuador's energy mix that has potential for growth, GlobalData anticipates that hydropower will account for more than 65% of the power supply in 2030. Oil-based generation will be in second place. Both the wind and biomass potential are limited, IRENA's data indicates.

Could solar power change Ecuador's energy mix?

That would have the potential to radically alter Ecuador's energy mix. Ecuador's Master Plan for Electricity (PME) 2018-2027 outlines energy initiatives led by the Ministry of Energy and Non-Renewable Natural Resources (MERNNR). Despite some setbacks due to Covid-19, governmental support for new solar projects increased during 2020.

How much energy does Ecuador use?

The most recent government figures from 2018 show total capacity from all energy sources in Ecuador was 8677MW, drawing primarily from hydropower (58.4 percent), fossil fuels (39.1 percent), biomass (1.7 percent), and solar, wind, and biogas, which are less than 1 percent each. But forecasts anticipate change of a greater magnitude.



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Quito, Provincia de Pichincha, Ecuador, situated at latitude -0.2143 and longitude -78.5017, is a favorable location for solar photovoltaic (PV) power generation due to its consistent sunlight exposure throughout the year. The average energy ???



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Now, Solarpack has the green light to use the El Aromo site for solar generation, and the focus is, once again, on Ecuador's energy matrix. Of the original 1,500 hectares cleared at the RDP site, El Aromo will cover 290 ???



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