

Should Bolivia use solar energy to generate synthetic fuels?

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How can Bolivia improve energy production?

Bolivia continues to make efforts to upgrade the infrastructure needed for renewable energy production. The National Interconnected System (SIN), which the government has put in place, aims to improve the nation's capacity for producing electricity by building additional power plants, transmission lines and substations.

What type of energy system does Bolivia use?

Similar to the country's total energy system, the power sector relies heavily on natural gas (AETN, 2016). The electricity network in Bolivia is broken into two classifications: the National Interconnected System (SIN) and the Isolated Systems (SAs).

How will Bolivia's energy transition affect fuel imports?

Increase in CAPEX suggests that during the transition, fuel imports will reduce, particularly those for fossil oil. Using Bolivia's own excellent solar resources to generate synthetic fuels in BPS-1 and BPS-2 would result in energy independence and security.

What are the heating demands in Bolivia?

Residential heating demands in Bolivia are quite low, though they do notably increase throughout the transition as access to energy services increase, except for biomass for cooking, which is phased out by the end of the transition. Heating demands are projected to increase from 52 TWh in 2015 to 205 TWh in 2050. Fig. 12.

Does Bolivia have a long-term energy plan?

As previously mentioned, the Bolivian government does not provide any long-term energy planning study, however, the UNFCCC (2015b) states that RE will compose 81% of electricity generation by 2030. Bolivia's scenario for 2027 according to MHE (2009) states that biomass sources will comprise 8% of total final energy demand.



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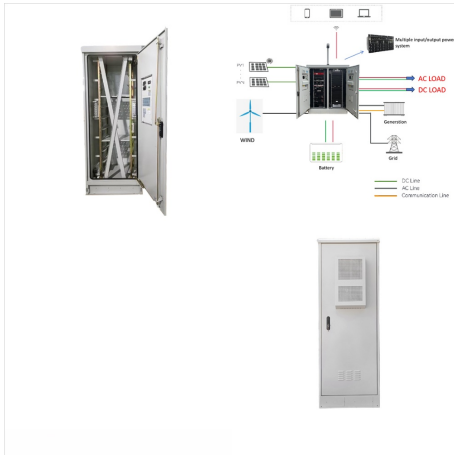
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The primary source of energy for Bolivia from this study is solar PV. Such high shares of solar PV in Bolivia are supported by solar resource findings in Breyer and Schmid (2010), which determined Bolivia to be among the ten countries with the maximum solar irradiation for fixed optimally tilted PV systems.