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Geographic hotspots for solar power generation



Overview

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As the fastest deployable energy generation technology with the highest year-on-year growth rate 4, solar PV technology is projected to supply 25–49% of the global electricity needs by 2050 .

These areas should be identified as hot spots for future deployment of large-scale PV project to obtain best power generation benefits with minimum installations costs. Further improvement on PV system efficiency would also contribute to the generation potential. Which countries are a solar resource hotspot?

In terms of absolute areas, alongside some of the aforementioned countries, the US, Mexico, Chile, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina and China are also solar resource hotspots at global scale. By identifying these global hotspots, our study also highlights the possibility of international cooperation for developing the solar industry.

How do I use the Global Solar Atlas?

Welcome to the Global Solar Atlas. Start exploring solar potential by clicking on the map. Select sites, draw rectangles or polygons by clicking the respective map controls. Calculate energy production for selected sites. The Global Solar Atlas provides a summary of solar power potential and solar resources globally.

What is spatial assessment of solar energy potential?

Spatial assessment of solar energy potential at global scale. A geographical approach Spatial analysis of the distribution and intensity of onshore solar resources globally, continentally and nationally. The analysis of the most recent global horizontal irradiation (GHI) and direct normal irradiation (DNI) data.

What is solar generation potential?

Generation potential of solar generation in a chosen area is defined as the certain amount of geographical potential in that area that can be actually converted into electricity given the available solar power technologies .

Which countries will dominate global solar production?

Egypt, Botswana, Morocco and Sudan also feature in the global PVOUT top 20, thanks to similar solar radiation totals and land availability, suggesting African nations could come to dominate global solar production rankings if all the region's ambitious renewable energy development plans take root.

Why are solar applications so low in GHI hotspot countries?

Also, the performance of solar applications in GHI hotspot countries is low, as they hold below 50 MW PV capacity or even none at all.

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Hotspots of multidecadal wind (a)-(c) and solar (d)-(f) generation

To reach its goal of net greenhouse gas neutrality by 2050, the European Union seeks to massively expand wind and solar power. Relying on weather-dependent power generation, ...

High resolution global spatiotemporal assessment of rooftop solar

The hotspots for the potential are concentrated in and we assumed that 100% of the estimated rooftop is available for installing solar panels i.e., orientation and slope of the ...



(PDF) Hot Spots Identification for Global Solar Energy Potential: A

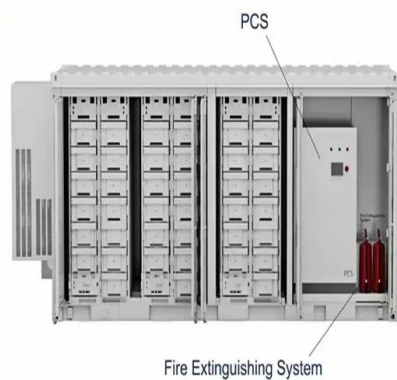
In this paper, hot spots for solar energy in global scale are presented based on the Global horizontal irradiation (GHI), Direct normal irradiation (DNI) and Photovoltaic power ...



The top global solar power potential hotspots , Reuters

China is by far the number one global solar

power producer in terms of installed capacity, but is 150th on the list of nations ranked by the World Bank in terms of photovoltaic (PV) power potential.



A GIS-based high spatial resolution assessment of large-scale PV

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