

## North Macedonia s GW-scale solar energy





#### **Overview**

A recent study by The Nature Conservancy (TNC), in collaboration with local stakeholders, highlights North Macedonia's vast renewable potential—11 GW for solar and 0.35 GW for wind. This could supply 7.7 terawatt-hours annually, covering the nation's projected electricity needs by 2030.Can North Macedonia develop solar energy?

The potential for solar energy development in North Macedonia is vast. With estimates suggesting that the country could harness up to 11 GW of solar PV capacity, there is significant room for growth.

How will a new solar plant help Macedonia?

Andi Aranitasi, EBRD Head of North Macedonia, said: "The new solar plant will help the country, which faces severe air pollution from coal, to reduce its reliance on ageing coal-fired infrastructure. It will also generate cheap electricity in times of very high market prices.

How much electricity will North Macedonia produce a year?

This means that if only a half of these priority locations were built out, they could produce 7.7 terawatt-hours of electricity per year—which exceeds North Macedonia's current electricity consumption and could even fully cover the estimated electricity consumption in 2030 under the energy efficient scenario of the NECP.

How much solar power does Macedonia have in 2022?

By the end of 2022, the country had reached a photovoltaic capacity of approximately 144 MW, with projections indicating rapid growth in the coming years. In 2023 alone, North Macedonia saw an impressive increase in solar capacity, with new installations contributing to a total increase of 251% compared to the previous year.

What are the benefits of expanding solar energy capacity in North Macedonia?



One of the most compelling benefits of expanding solar energy capacity in North Macedonia is its potential to enhance energy independence. In 2021, approximately 33.2% of North Macedonia's electricity consumption was covered by imports.

Should North Macedonia accelerate the transition to renewables?

Like others in the region, North Macedonia must balance its need to rapidly accelerate the transition to renewables to secure its energy future with the need to ensure that future is one where both the country's nature and people thrive.



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2 days ago. The product delivers renewables and energy storage grid-forming synchronously, GW-scale black start, seamless mode switching between Grid-Following and Grid-Forming, ...

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The first large-scale solar plant in North Macedonia has been connected to the power grid and is already producing clean electricity. The plant has been financed with the support of the



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#### <u>EU-funded solar plant starts operating in North</u> <u>Macedonia</u>

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#### **Fortis Energy**

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#### Renewable energy solar North Macedonia

According to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), as of 2022 over 80% of North Macedonia''s renewable energy capacity was from hydro/marine generation, with solar ...



#### <u>Solar Energy in North Macedonia: Opportunities</u> <u>With Photovoltaics</u>

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## SOLAR PLANT TRANSFORMS NORTH MACEDONIA'S ...

North Macedonia wants to generate at least 43 percent of its electricity from renewable energy sources by 2040. To date, the country has mainly used fossil fuels - ...

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## A Renewable Energy Future in North Macedonia , TNC

The results of the study are unambiguous: North Macedonia has an enormous untapped potential for renewable energy development. Even when completely excluding all ...

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## North Macedonia energy expert on PV: "1.7 GW target is not a ...

What are the main PV deployment segments in North Macedonia - residential, commercial or utility-scale? A balanced and just energy transition requires contributions from ...



North Macedonia boasts one of the highest potentials for solar PV in the Western Balkan region, with an average of 2,100-2,500 hours of sunshine per year, making it ideal for solar energy ...

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## North Macedonia puts its biggest solar power plant ...

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## NORTH MACEDONIA RENEWABLE ENERGY MARKET

This report, "North Macedonia Renewable Energy Market - 2025 Update", has been produced by Invest In Network as part of the Energy Week Western Balkans 2025 framework.



## PV EUROPE INTERVIEW-North Macedonia energy expert on PV: "1.7 GW ...

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## <u>Enel surpasses 10 GW of clean energy capacity</u> in the US and ...

03 14, 2024 Enel surpasses 10 GW of clean energy capacity in the US and Canada Enel North America has reached a 10.3 GW wind and solar portfolio and 1.3 GW of large-scale energy ...

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## North Macedonia's Future Sustainable Energy: Bold & Green

North Macedonia's Future Sustainable Energy vision drives bold progress toward clean power, energy security, and a resilient, low-carbon future.



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#### New report: World installed 600 GW of solar in 2024, could be

After the world crossed the milestone of 2 terawatts (TW) total solar in late 2024, the annual report predicts the world could be installing 1 TW of solar per year by the end of the

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North Macedonia today launched a just energy transition investment platform to guide its farreaching plans for a low-carbon and just ...

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#### Macedonia

Following the implementation of the first renewable energy law in 2021, the nation has seen a remarkable surge in investor interest, with grid connection requests for solar and ...



#### CAN Europe Study on What's Stopping Renewable Energy Growth in North

North Macedonia and Serbia, along with Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro, and Kosovo, have the potential to transition to a clean energy system with renewables including ...

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### RWE and PPC to build new 567 MWp photovoltaic ...

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