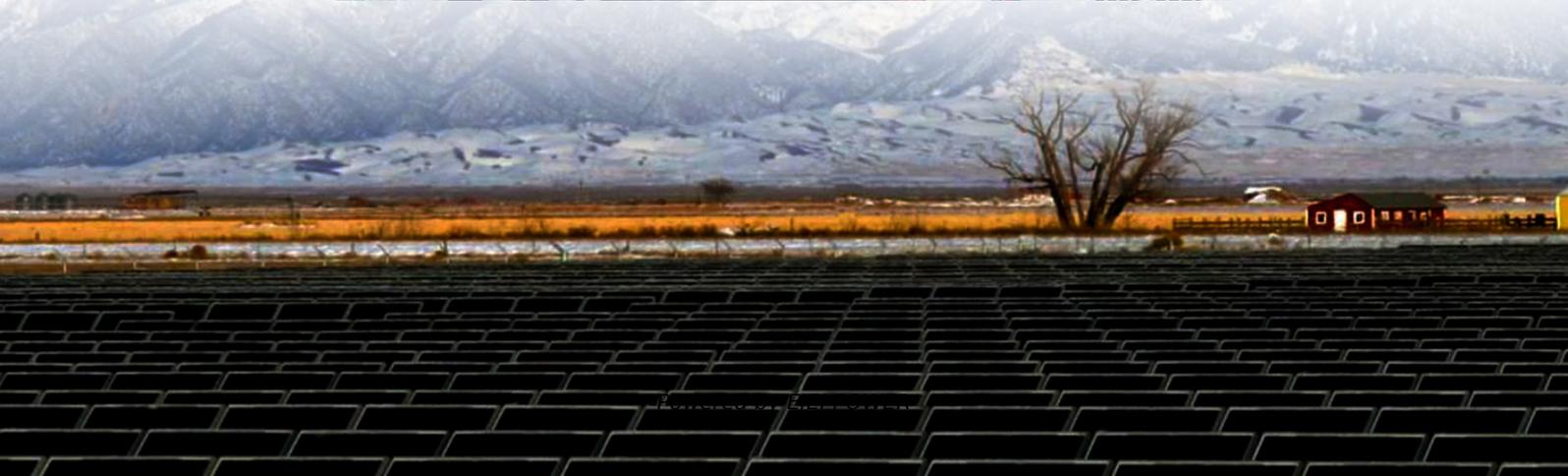


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Overview

Why is energy storage important in South Africa?

Stock photo. South Africa is at a pivotal moment in its energy transition: trying to decarbonise its economy (move away from coal) and make sure that everyone has access to reliable and affordable energy. Storage of renewable energy is very important for this transition. Solar and wind power are not available all the time.

Can South Africa halve the cost of solar and wind energy?

In answer, South Africa has launched a series of trailblazing green projects designed to tap its abundance of renewable energy sources, including the first concentrated solar power plants in Africa, and a fiercely competitive procurement program that has helped to halve the cost of solar and wind energy in just three years.

Should South Africa switch to a low-carbon energy system?

Today large renewable energy battery systems are seen as the best future option for storing renewable power with South Africa's state-owned electricity company, Eskom, beginning to set up battery storage. Several factors complicate South Africa's transition to a low-carbon energy system.

Should South Africa adopt energy storage technologies?

South Africa, facing similar challenges with renewable energy intermittency, could benefit from adopting these proven energy storage technologies. Energy storage technologies, particularly batteries, lower greenhouse gas emissions. In fact, they can drive decarbonisation. But high costs are a problem.



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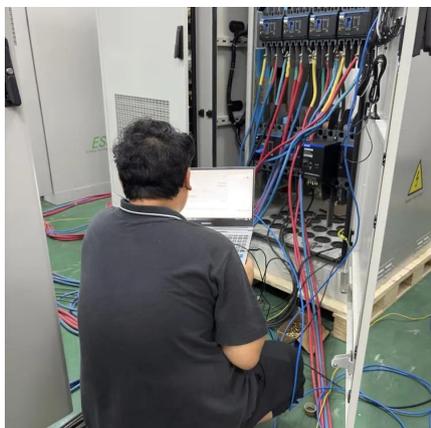
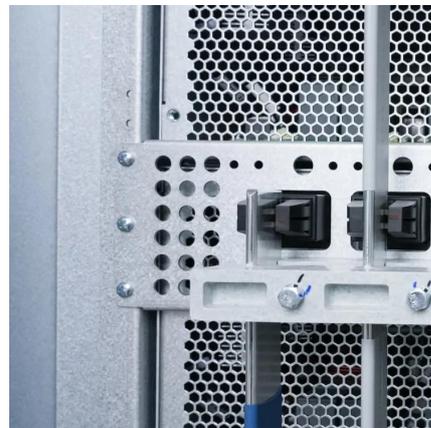


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