

What are the main sources of energy in Burundi?

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What is the energy mix in Burundi?

The energy mix has remained virtually unchanged since 2010. New hydroelectric power stations at Jiji and Mulembwe with a total capacity of 48 MW are under construction. These new power plants will double Burundi's production capacity, which is currently 39 MW.

How will new power plants affect Burundi?

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Does Burundi have solar power?

Burundi's solar resources have a lot of potential. The average sunshine received annually is close to 2000 kWh/m²/year, which is similar to the southern Mediterranean regions in Europe. Initiatives in this direction are already under way.

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The new utility company will be connected to Burundi's existing transmission network operated by REGIDESO, the state-owned utility company that will continue to generate power from clean, run-of-river hydropower, and supply distribution-level power to the country's main urban areas.

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enduser.

A permanent economic crisis characterised by inflation and fuel shortages is driving an unplanned green revolution in Burundi as consumers flee one of Africa's worst performing utilities for the long-term security of off-grid solar systems.

African Trade and Investment Development Insurance (ATIDI) has insured the political risks for the \$7.7 million Ruvyironza hydropower project in Burundi, led by Songa Energy. The 1.65 megawatts (MW) run-of-river Upper Ruvyironza Project is the first hydroelectric independent power producer (IPP) and will be the second to be connected to...

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