

Will solar power change in the Atacama Desert?

A group of scientists from the Universidade de Vigo in Spain have sought to predict possible future variations in the solar photovoltaic power resource in the Atacama Desert in northern Chile, the world's region with the highest solar radiation levels, during the period 2021-2060.

Does Atacama have solar power?

On account of these characteristics, Atacama has exceptional conditions for producing solar power, and effectively, the solar power installed capacity in this region represents 92.9% of the total installed capacity in Chile (4,150 MW). The potential of Atacama for solar energy production has made it called "the solar El Dorado".

Does RSDs influence photovoltaic energy generation in the Atacama Region?

However, photovoltaic energy generation relies on not only RSDs, but also other variables, such as surface air temperature (TAS) and surface wind velocity (sfcWind). In this vein, the existing literature is insufficient to provide useful meteorological and climatological information for PV generation in the Atacama region.

Where is the Atacama Desert located?

In the north-central part of the country is located the Atacama Desert. With an area of 105,000 km², it covers most of the Antofagasta region and the northern part of the Atacama region. It is one of the driest places in the world and one of the few where annual irradiance exceeds 2,500 kWh/m².

Are there aerosols in the Atacama Desert?

Although few measurements are available for the Atacama desert, aerosols are expected to be abundant in the Atacama Desert due to the dry and arid conditions that tend to favor wind-blown dust.

What is the climatological AOD of the Atacama Desert?

Retrievals from the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) 21, 22 allow estimating for the Atacama Desert an annual climatological AOD slightly lower than 0.1 in the visible part of the spectrum.

Greenergy revealed that it targets 5 GW in solar power capacity and 4.2 GWh in energy storage by 2026. Chile is Greenergy's main energy storage development hub. The company said Chile is key for its expansion in the ...

A Mytilineos PV project in the Atacama Desert, one of the sunniest places in the world. Image: Mytilineos. Home to some of the world's highest solar irradiation levels and urgently in need of ...

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use of the solar resource. In spite of the fact that the Atacama Desert is in the ...

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In terms of solar irradiation, the Atacama Desert has the highest solar energy resource in the world [2, 3, 6]. Knowledge regarding the solar spectrum is important for ...

This inauguration strengthens Chile's role as a pioneer in harnessing the solar potential of its regions and the Atacama Desert to develop energy storage battery systems (BESS) for long-duration ...

With support from the IDB, Subsole will be the first company in Chile's fruit industry to use solar photovoltaic energyThe Atacama desert is the driest place on earth and the region ...

Abstract Satellites have consistently pointed to the Altiplano of the Atacama Desert as the place on Earth where the world's highest surface irradiance occurs. This region, near the Tropic of Capricorn, is characterized ...

Tierra Atacama is located in the middle of the driest desert in the world: the Atacama Desert. About 80% of the days each year are sunny and clear, making the use of ...

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Atacama Desert Solar PV Park is a ground-mounted solar project which is spread over an area of 435 hectares. The project generates 1,145,000MWh electricity and supplies ...

The Atacama desert ranges from the pacific ocean to the high plains of the Andes, reaching heights of more than 6000m in places. It is the driest location on the planet (outside of the poles) where in some places there ...

H 2 production from solar electricity in the region of the Atacama Desert - Chile - has been identified as strategical for global hydrogen exportation. In this study the full supply ...

The solar farm is the largest new energy project built by POWERCHINA in the Americas and the first grid-connected solar power project independently built by POWRCHINA ...

The sale of phases one to three - Quillagua 1, Quillagua 2 and Víctor Jara - represent 23% of the Oasis de Atacama project and a combined capacity of 451MW for solar PV and 2.5GWh for BESS.

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Chile's Atacama Desert has been shown to have the highest long term solar irradiance of any place on Earth 1 and it is a national priority to encourage the use of this resource according to the ...

In the Atacama Desert, the driest in the world located in northern Chile, the only Concentrated Solar Power tower in Latin America operates, a symbol of an energy revolution in the making against climate change. Aerial ...

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