

Where is the first large scale solar power plant in Tunisia?

The first large scale solar power plant of a 10MW capacity, co-financed by KfW and NIF (Neighbourhood Investment Facility) and implemented by STEG, is in Tozeur. TuNur CSP project is Tunisia's most ambitious renewable energy project yet.

#### What is the Tunisian Solar Plan?

The Tunisian Solar Plan contains 40 projects aimed at promoting solar thermal and photovoltaic energies, wind energy, as well as energy efficiency measures. The plan also incorporates the ELMED project; a 400KV submarine cable interconnecting Tunisia and Italy.

### Who produces electricity in Tunisia?

State power utility company STEG controls 92.1% of the country's installed power production capacity and produces 83.5% of the electricity. The remainder is imported from Algeria and Libya as well as produced by Tunisia's only independent power producer (IPP) Carthage Power Company(CPC),a 471-MW combined-cycle power plant.

How much money is needed to implement the Tunisian Solar Program?

The total investment required to implement the Tunisian Solar Program plan have been estimated at \$2.5 billion,including \$175 million from the National Fund,\$530 million from the public sector,\$1,660 million from private sector funds,and \$24 million from international cooperation.

### How much power does Tunisia produce?

Tunisia has a current power production capacity of 5,944 megawatts(MW) installed in 25 power plants, which produced 19,520 gigawatt hours in 2022. State power utility company STEG controls 92.1% of the country's installed power production capacity and produces 83.5% of the electricity.

### What is the energy sector in Tunisia?

The sector also offers opportunities for possible Build-Own-Operate (BOO) or Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) projects. Much of Tunisia's electricity production comes from gas turbines. Major players in this sector include General Electric (USA), Mitsubishi (Japan), Ansaldo (Italy), and Siemens (Germany).

The Board of Directors of the African Development Bank Group recently approved a \$27 million and EUR10 million loan package to co-finance the construction of the 100-MW Kairouan solar power plant in Tunisia, a country in North Africa.

The project consists of a 2,250 MW solar CSP (Concentrated Solar Power) plant in Sahara desert and a 2 GW HVDC (High-Voltage Direct Current) submarine cable from Tunisia to Italy. TuNur plans to use Concentrated



Solar Power to generate a potential 2.5GW of electricity on 100km2 of desert in South West Tunisia by 2018.

The Project is expected to yield high development impact in Tunisia with main benefits expected to be: (i) improved sustainability of energy sector through decreasing Tunisia"s average cost of electricity generation; (ii) reducing the dependency of Tunisia energy sector on the imported gas and reduce its vulnerability to the volatile gas ...

Two new solar photovoltaic (PV) plants are set to be constructed in Tunisia, helping the country reduce its reliance on fossil fuels. The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and Proparco, a ...

In Tataouine, in the governorate of Tunisia that goes by the same name, a photovoltaic power plant is in operation that can reach a maximum installed capacity of 10 MW to supply more than 20 GWh of energy per year to the national grid. The plant is equipped with a solar tracking system that optimises the energy that is produced. The project ...

Project Description Design, construction and operation of a greenfield solar photovoltaic (PV) plant with a contractual capacity of 100 MWac to be implemented under a Build, Own and Operate scheme (BOO). The plant is located in El Metbassta, Kairouan North region, around 150 km South of Tunis, Tunisia. The Project scope includes an on-site

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STEG Manager Sayari mentions some key data, including plans to generate 30 per cent of Tunisia's power by 2030 using renewable energy sources, primarily solar and wind power. Only 400 megawatts are currently produced with renewables: 250 megawatts from wind, 70 megawatts from photovoltaic roof panels, 20 megawatts from Tozeur and 60 megawatts ...

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The USD-86-million (EUR 80.1m) project is being carried out by Kairouan Solar Plant, a project vehicle fully owned by AMEA Power and registered in Tunisia. Financing was provided by the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group, and the African Development Bank (AfDB).

The project, estimated to cost \$932 million, consists of the construction of a 600 MW high-voltage direct current cable that will link the grids of Tunisia and Italy and enable bidirectional power flow between Africa



and Europe via a 124-mile undersea cable.

French renewable energy company Voltalia will develop and operate the solar power plant. The project is estimated to cost around 350 million Tunisian dinars, which is approximately \$114 million. Voltalia was awarded the project in May 2024.



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