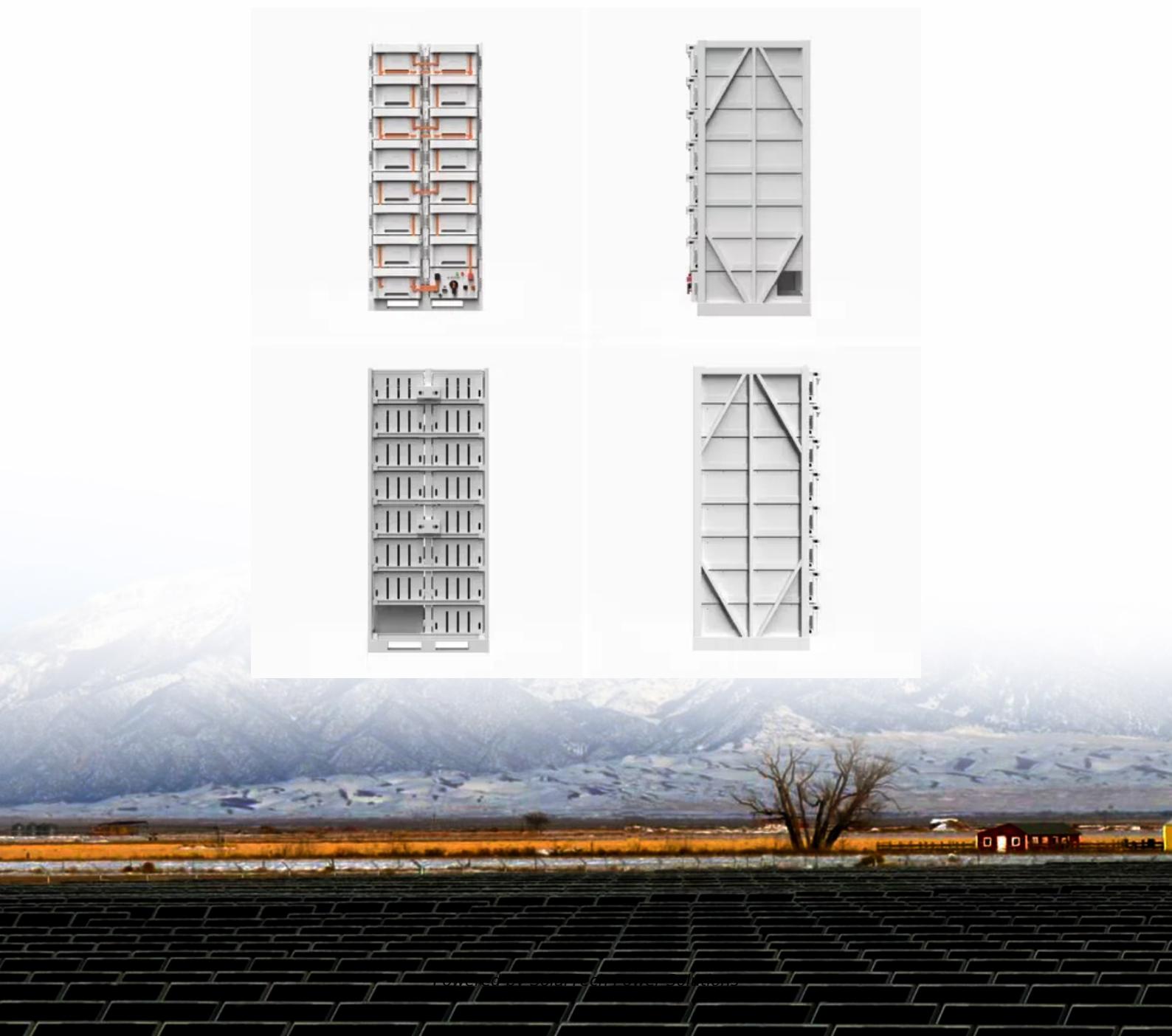
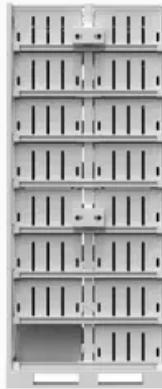
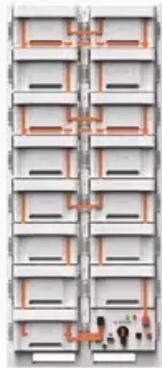


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Overview

Colombia faces several challenges to secure a reliable, affordable, and climate-friendly energy supply. Persistently low reserve-to-production ratios in oil and gas, together with advancing climate change, ar.

What is energy policy in Colombia?

Energy policy in Colombia is defined by the National Energy Plan (PEN) 2020–2050, which includes solar and wind in its different scenarios, including for both grid-connected and unconnected areas. Electricity planning is outlined by the 15-year Generation and Transmission Expansion Plans, which are updated yearly.

Does Colombia need more solar energy?

The results of the expert elicitation show an overall agreement regarding the need for more RES, especially solar energy, to diversify the energy mix in Colombia. According to the experts, a change could be beneficial, since Colombia could reduce its dependency on electricity generation from hydro-power and fossil fuels.

How can Colombia boost its low-carbon electricity generation?

In seeking to boost its low-carbon electricity generation, Colombia can learn from successful practices in other regions. In particular, embracing solar and nuclear energy can significantly enhance the electricity landscape.

Can solar power be used for residential self-sufficiency in Colombia?

Pre-feasibility of wind and solar systems for residential self-sufficiency in four urban locations of Colombia: implication of new incentives included in Law 1715 Renew. Energy, 130 (2019), pp. 1082 - 1091, 10.1016/j.renene.2018.06.087.

Are photovoltaics a viable option for Colombia?

Photovoltaics are an important element for Colombia's energy transition. For Colombian households, small-scale PV without batteries are the most

profitable. Additional support is needed regarding regulatory framework & financial instruments. Interviewed experts would prefer the introduction of power purchase agreements.

How much wind power does Colombia have?

Colombia's rich wind and solar energy potential is estimated at 30 GW and 32 GW, respectively, according to SER Colombia, which is more than Colombia's current installed capacity of 18.8 GW. Of particular interest is La Guajira region, with world-class wind resources (average wind speeds of 9.8 m/s) and 18 GW of Colombia's wind power potential.

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