

## SolarTech Power Solutions

# Solar panel management of communication base stations in Côte d'Ivoire



## Overview

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Where is the first solar power plant in Côte d'Ivoire?

In Boundiali in the north of Côte d'Ivoire, the country's first solar power plant has now been inaugurated by Ivorian Prime Minister Beugré Mambé and German Parliamentary State Secretary Bärbel Kofler. The power plant has already been providing up to 37 megawatts of power since June 2023.

Why is Côte d'Ivoire launching a solar power plant?

The new solar power plant in Côte d'Ivoire is helping to achieve the goals of German development cooperation in the expansion of renewable energies. "The aim is to promote a climate-friendly electricity network in West Africa," explains Winkler-Tomety.

When will a solar power plant open in Côte d'Ivoire?

In the northern region of the Côte d'Ivoire, the first phase of a solar power facility has been officially opened. The Boundiali solar power plant's financing was initially revealed in 2018, and details of its commissioning were made public in December 2022.

How many solar plants will Côte d'Ivoire build?

The Republic of Côte d'Ivoire is planning to build 12 photovoltaic solar plants with a combined capacity of 678 MW in different parts of the country by 2030. Likewise, the government plans to reach 1,686 MW by 2040.

How will a new solar power plant benefit Côte d'Ivoire?

The clean electricity generated in this way can supply 35,000 households, benefiting around 150,000 people. The new plant will save 35,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions every year - an important contribution to climate protection. The solar power plant is regarded as a model project for the expansion of solar energy in Côte d'Ivoire.

Why did KfW build a solar power plant in Côte d'Ivoire?

"We also endeavoured to create employment for the local population," emphasises KfW Project Manager Clara Winkler-Tomety. During the construction phase, 75% of the workers came from the region. The new solar power plant in Côte d'Ivoire is helping to achieve the goals of German development cooperation in the expansion of renewable energies.

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