

Are large-scale solar power projects a risky investment in Tanzania?

In Tanzania, risks associated to large-scale solar power projects (no sovereign guarantee and no minimum off-take agreement) are higher than risks associated to conventional power projects (backed and guaranteed by the government). Such high risk perceptions increases the already high upfront investment of large-scale solar power projects further.

Is there a solar power project in Tanzania?

The only relatively large-scale solar power project recently commissioned in Tanzania (i.e. the Kigoma 5MW solar Photovoltaic plant connected to an isolated mini-grid, commissioned late 2017) had a PPA signed in 2013 at a tariff of 18US\$/kWh.

Are there barriers to large-scale solar power in Tanzania?

The Tanzanian official power system expansion plan shows a dominant dependence on fossil fuel-fired power plants till 2040. Hence identifying and analysing the underlying barriers for the deployment of large-scale renewables are essential. This study investigates the barriers to large-scale solar power in Tanzania.

Is Tanzania a good place to install solar power?

This viewpoint can be justified, as Tanzania (a country of approx. 1 million km²) possesses abundant available land for large-scale solar power installation which has no competition with other land uses.

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Conclusion Utility-scale solar projects in Tanzania represent a significant opportunity for the country to enhance its energy landscape. With a supportive regulatory framework, strategic ...

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