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<div class="df_qntext">Does Botswana have a commitment to solar energy?

The commitment to solar energy is evident in the policies and frameworks that support the development of renewable projects. By integrating solar power into the national energy strategy, Botswana aims to foster a more resilient and sustainable energy future.

<div class="df_qntext">Where is the largest solar project in Botswana?

"As we reach another milestone in our renewable energy journey in Botswana, we are now looking forward to starting construction of the largest solar project in the country," said Scatec CEO Terje Pilskog. The plant will be located near Mmadinare, close to the former mining town of Selebi-Phikwe, 400 kilometres north-east of the capital Gaborone.

<div class="df_qntext">Will a 100 MW solar plant be built in Botswana?

State-owned Botswana Power Corp. has signed a power purchase agreement with a consortium of Chinese enterprises and other companies to construct a 100 MW solar plant in southern Botswana. The project is expected to start generation by the end of 2025.

<div class="df_qntext">How will solar power plants be financed in Botswana?

The solar power plants are estimated to be financed by BWP 936 million (USD 68 million) of non-recourse project debt and equity from Scatec. Financing for the first 60 MW will be provided by the Rand Merchant Bank in Botswana and the World Bank's International Finance Corporation (IFC).

<div class="df_qntext">How much solar energy does Botswana have?

With over 3,200 hours of sunshine per year, the country boasts an average insolation of 21 Megajoules per square meter on flat surfaces. This exceptional level of solar irradiance positions Botswana among the top countries in the world for solar energy potential, creating a unique opportunity for the nation to harness this renewable resource.

<div class="df_qntext">How will Botswana Power Projects be implemented?

These projects, with a combined capacity of 1.5GW, will be implemented through private sector investment, with the Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) acting as the offtaker under long-term Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) of up to 25 years.

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