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## Overview

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A newly built 228 km 225 kV transmission line connecting Kayes in Mali and Tambacounda in Senegal has significantly improved electricity supply and access for 404,000 people in Mali, Mauritania, and Senegal. The Gambia River Development Organization (OMVG) Interconnection has helped improve access.

This is the most complete and up-to-date open map of Africa's electricity grid network. This dataset serves as an updated and improved replacement for the Africa Infrastructure Country Diagnostic (AICD) data that was published in 2007. Coverage This dataset includes planned and existing grid lines.

The United Nations designates 16 countries in the great region of West Africa. They are Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte D'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, and Togo. In this report we have included Cameroon, which.

The West African Power Pool (WAPP) is a cooperation of the national electricity companies in Western Africa under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). The members of WAPP are working to establish a reliable power grid for the region and a common market for.

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The IRENA West Africa Electrification Platform is an open-access, interactive online platform that allows for an overview of electrification investment scenarios for Western African Countries. The platform shows which mix of technologies (centralized grid-connection, different types of mini-grids. Where in West Africa is the biggest power generation project?



There are significant power generation projects planned or underway in most parts of West Africa, with regional economic heavyweight Nigeria the most active market and also home to the biggest scheme: the 3GW Mambilla hydroelectric plant.

How many kV is a power line in Africa?

The lines range in voltage from sub-kV to 700 kV EHV lines, though there is a very large variation in the completeness of data by country. An interactive tool has been created for exploring this data, the Africa Electricity Grids Explorer.

Why should West Africa synchronize its power grids?

The synchronization of West Africa's national power grids marks a major leap in providing cleaner, more reliable electricity in a region historically challenged by unstable and costly power generation. A key benefit includes harnessing Guinea's abundant hydropower potential (approximately 6,000 MW), allowing its distribution throughout the region.

What is the main source of power in West Africa?

Hydroelectric power is the dominant source of power in the region and is the focus of most of the large schemes underway, although there are also plans to develop more gas-fired plants and some initiatives to develop coal-fired capacity. West African countries have now begun to develop utility-scale solar power.



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### **Africa Electricity Grids Explorer**

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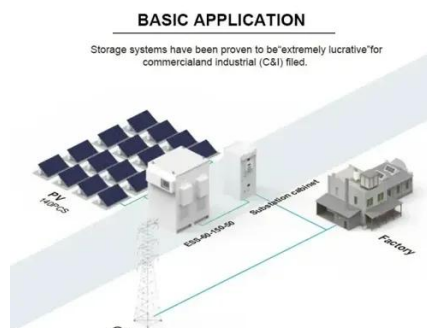


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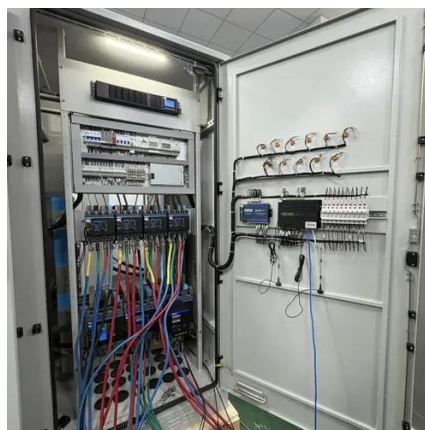
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## Enhancing Regional Power Trade and Energy Access in West Africa

The new program's benefits will extend across West Africa, fostering economic growth and quality job while demonstrating the power of regional collaboration. It underscores the World Bank ...





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