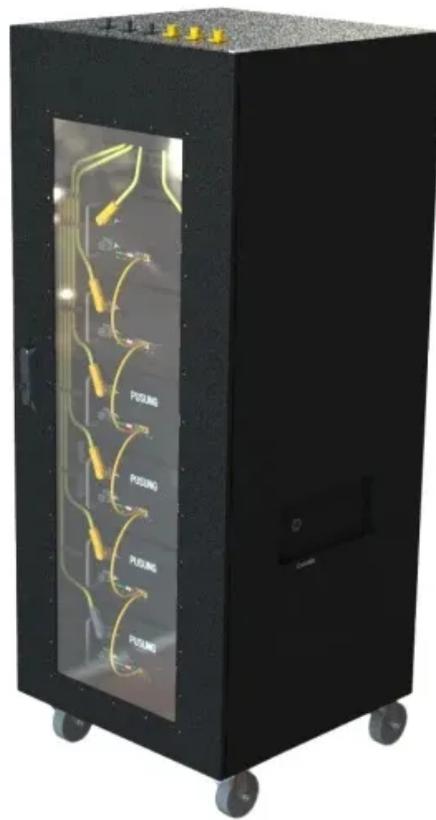


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Overview

Can solar energy be used effectively in Haiti?

Solar energy can be used effectively in Haiti, offering energy self-sufficiency to the most isolated cities in the absence of a power grid. The country's location in the tropics gives it very strong solar energy potential. It is believed that solar energy will play a fundamental role in access to electricity over the next 10 to 15 years.

Why is distributed solar PV the only energy source in Haiti?

Since only about 13% of the people even have grid access, distributed solar pv is the only energy source that can supply all the people electricity for now. Haiti has limited energy resources: no petroleum or gas resources, small hydroelectricity potential and rapidly declining supplies of wood fuels.

Is Haiti a solar power market?

Recently, many solar companies have seen Haiti as a huge market potential for solar energy. The founder of 10Power estimates that the potential solar power market is worth over \$500 million. In 2013, the completion of Hôpital Universitaire de Mirebalais came to an end. This hospital is the largest solar-powered hospital in the world.

Could a new solar system solve Haiti's fuel crisis?

Recognizing the vulnerabilities caused by HUM's dependence on fuel-powered generators, the new solar system serves as a promising solution. Haiti's current insecurity means that roads are often blocked, so accessing fuel is sometimes impossible. Other times, fuel might not be available at all or it is outrageously expensive on the black market.

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