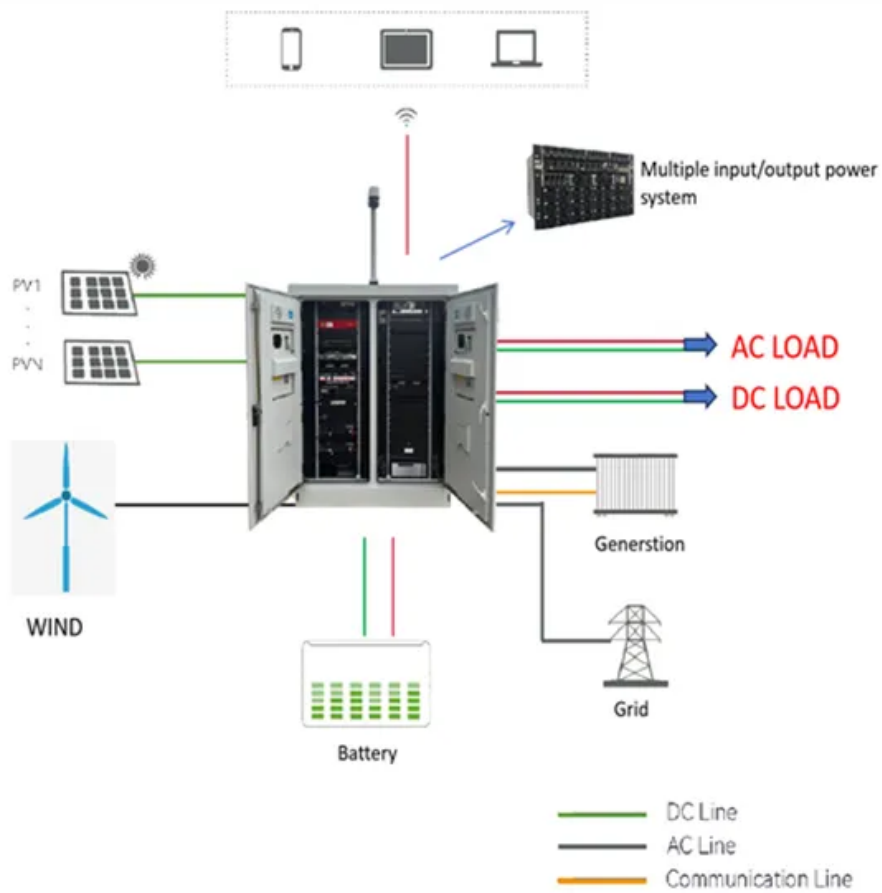


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Overview

A Scandinavian solar company has recently set a new world record by launching the largest rooftop vertical solar array, featuring 6,400 vertically mounted panels on a flat industrial rooftop to maximize space and energy output. Is Norway a good place for solar energy?

Snow, cold and hardly any sun for four months of the year: at first glance, Norway might not seem like the ideal place for a prospering solar energy industry. Nevertheless, Norway is making great strides in developing the technology, materials and solutions needed to make use of the largest energy source in our solar system.

Are Norwegian solar panels eco-friendly?

The ecological footprint of solar panels made with materials from Norway is therefore extremely small. REC Solar's factory in Fiskå in southwestern Norway has even been awarded a certificate for production of the world's cleanest silicon. Not only is Norwegian silicon production the world's cleanest, it is also the world's most energy efficient.

Can Norway's buildings generate enough solar energy?

A new study has revealed that Norway's buildings could generate enough solar energy to meet nearly half of the country's annual electricity demand.

How many solar plants does Norway have?

Norway reached 597 MW of cumulative installed PV capacity spread across 28,170 solar plants at the end of December, according to new figures from the country's grid operator, Statnett, via its Elhub subsidiary. The country added about 300 MW of new PV installations in 2023. By comparison, it installed 152.7 MW in 2022 and 42.7 in 2021.

How much solar energy will Norway produce in 2027?

With a 2030 target of 8 TWh of solar energy annually, equivalent to about 5%

of Norway's average yearly output, this initiative responds to potential power deficits anticipated from 2027 onward. Norway's current solar production at 0.454 TWh.”.

Is solar energy a key player in Norway's climate strategy?

The findings suggest that while the technical promise of solar energy in Norway is substantial, achieving it will require coordinated investment in infrastructure and policy. The report positions solar energy not just as a complementary force to Norway’s hydropower dominance, but as a key player in the country’s broader climate strategy.

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