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Overview

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Updated 1st July 2025 - The Red Sands Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), set to be Africa’s largest of its kind, has officially reached commercial close. Developed by Globeleq, which is 30% owned by Norfund, in partnership with African Rainbow Energy, the 153 MW/612 MWh project was signed off in.

Global energy storage capacity was estimated to have reached 36,735MW by the end of 2022 and is forecasted to grow to 353,880MW by 2030. South Africa had 2MW of capacity in 2022 and this is expected to rise to 4MW by 2030. Listed below are the five largest energy storage projects by capacity in.

A consortium led by Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) and EDF has secured preferred bidder status for three battery energy storage system (BESS) projects in South Africa. The projects, Oasis Aggeneis, Oasis Mookodi, and Oasis Nieuwehoop, collectively amount to an impressive 257MW/1,028MWh of.

A Chinese green technology company has been contracted to supply battery energy storage systems (BESS) for the Oasis 1 cluster of projects in South Africa. Envision Energy announced the contract with the EDF Group, to supply three battery energy storage systems (BESS) amounting to 257MW of capacity.

Scatec’s Kenhardt solar-plus-storage site in South Africa (above), which went online at the end of 2023. Image: Scatec. Africa’s energy storage market has seen a boom since 2017, having risen from just 31MWh to 1,600MWh in 2024,

according to trade body AFSIA Solar's latest report. The Solar Africa.

Africa 's largest standalone battery energy storage system (BESS) project, the 153 MW/ 612 MWh Red Sands project in the Northern Cape, has reached financial close, having raised some R5.4-billion in debt financing from Absa and Standard Bank. The project was selected as a preferred bidder in 2024.

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