

For the first time in history, solar energy became the leading source of electricity generation in the European Union in June 2025, marking a major milestone in the continent's transition toward ...

Even cautious estimates anticipate solar will become the dominant source of energy in Europe by 2050. Explore the basics of solar power and get to know this clean energy technology enhancing European ...

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To meet its 2050 climate neutrality target, the EU aims to achieve at least 700 gigawatts of solar generation capacity by 2030, which is four times the current capacity in 2020. This aspiration ...

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June 2025 marked a significant milestone as solar emerged as the EU's primary electricity source for the first time, generating 22% of all power that month, surpassing nuclear, wind, hydro, ...

At least 13 EU member states reached their highest ever share of solar electricity, including Belgium, Croatia, France, Hungary, Italy, Portugal and Slovakia. This dual trend of rising ...

Under the European Green Deal and the REPowerEU plan, solar power is a building block of the EU's transition to cleaner energy. Its accelerated deployment contributes to reducing the EU's ...

OverviewEU solar energy strategyPhotovoltaic solar powerConcentrated solar powerSolar thermalOrganisationsSee alsoSolar power consists of photovoltaics (PV) and solar thermal energy in the European Union (EU). In 2010, the EUR2.6 billion European solar heating sectors consisted of small and medium-sized businesses, generated 17.3 terawatt-hours (TWh) of energy, employed 33,500 workers, and created one new job for every 80 kW of added capacity.

The International Energy Agency (IEA) defines solar energy as the "conversion of sunlight into usable energy forms". Eurostat divides solar energy into solar thermal (radiation exploited for solar heat) and ...

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# Introduction to EU solar power generation

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