



# Rwanda energy independence



## Overview

Currently, the government plans to bring electricity access to 100% of the population by 2024, as opposed to 74. In July 2023 it was announced that Saudi Arabia would provide a soft loan of \$20 million to fund an electricity project in Rwanda set to benefit 60,000. Energy use in Rwanda is undergoing rapid change at the beginning of the 21st century. Most of the country uses firewood as its main energy source. Opportunities exist in Micro and Small Hydropower projects and shared regional hydropower projects with East Africa (EAC) Partners. It represents all the energy required to supply end users in the country. The Minister for Infrastructure, Dr Jimmy Gasore, opened the GRC led Renewable Energy for Sustainable Growth Conference in September last year, and it is encouraging to see many of the themes discussed.



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### Energy in Rwanda

The extent of grid electricity is limited and mainly concentrated near Kigali. Most of the country uses firewood as its main energy source. Rwanda is planning to expand from 276 MW of grid power in 2022 to 556 MW in 2024 and may import some additional electricity from neighboring countries. In addition, it is installing small solar units throughout the country to ensure that households located in off-grid areas have access to electricity, or to help deal with power outages. Currently, the government plans to brin...

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### New Energy Policy for Rwanda – SG Global Renewables Centre Blog ...

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Concentrated political power in Rwanda enabled rapid and ambitious construction of power plants but resulted in an oversupply crisis, plunging the sector into significant debt and raising the cost of ...

### Energy – Official Rwanda Development Board (RDB) Website

Rwanda's energy sector is characterized by a diverse mix of energy sources and a strong commitment to increasing access to electricity. Rwanda's energy targets under the National Strategy for ...

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