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Overview

Can solar energy reduce energy consumption in Africa?

In response to climate change, we often resort to energy-intensive heating and cooling systems to maintain thermal comfort within buildings. However, passive solar systems (which harness solar radiation) and smart building designs (that create optimal indoor conditions) are now being adopted across Africa to reduce energy consumption.

Why should we adopt bioclimatic architectural systems in Africa?

Adopting bioclimatic architectural systems across Africa will help people to obtain thermal comfort in their homes and businesses as their environment changes and will reduce energy consumption within the residential sector. Are there any passive solar systems that should be used in African countries that have not yet been tested?

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Do passive solar systems work in Africa?

Throughout Africa, various regions have integrated passive solar systems into their architectural practices because of the continent's diverse climate and natural habitat. Previous studies by Santos et al. comprehensively addressed the climate-specific demands of these areas.

Can solar energy be used for cooling in Africa?

Scholars have investigated strategies such as passive and active solar heating, material use for solar protection, and natural and mechanical ventilation for cooling in various African regions (Fig. 1). Fig. 1. Solutions Identified by Region from 2012–2022. (Adapted from (Santos et al. 2022)).

What is the future of solar energy in Africa?

Innovative solar projects are revolutionizing rural African communities,

offering solutions to long-standing energy access challenges. From off-grid systems to mini-grids and solar-powered water pumps, these technologies improve living standards, foster economic growth, and promote sustainability. The future of solar energy in Africa is bright.

How will bioclimatic architecture impact Africa by 2100?

By 2100, projections suggest arid and tropical climates will dominate the continent. Adopting bioclimatic architectural systems across Africa will help people to obtain thermal comfort in their homes and businesses as their environment changes and will reduce energy consumption within the residential sector.

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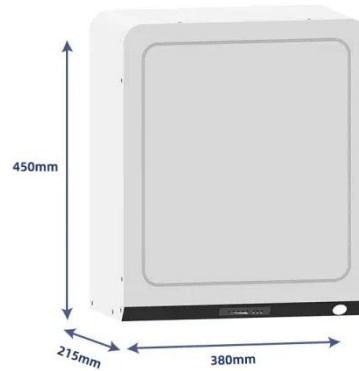
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