

## **SolarInnovate Energy Solutions**

# North Macedonia Outdoor Power Supply EK Factory







#### **Overview**

How many power plants are there in North Macedonia?

The electric power production system in North Macedonia consists of two coal power plants with a total installed capacity of 825 megawatts (MW), several hydro power plants with a total installed capacity of 695 MW, one combined generation power plant, a heavy oil plant, solar power plants, a few biogas plants, and two wind power farms.

Is North Macedonia a state-owned power company?

North Macedonia's state-owned power company was unbundled and partially privatized in the early 2000s. Austrian utility company EVN has been responsible for electricity distribution in North Macedonia since entering the market in 2006.

Does North Macedonia still have a coal power plant?

The smaller coal power plant, "REK Oslomej," which was dormant through 2020, was reactivated in 2021 to help North Macedonia reduce its reliance on electricity imports. ESM refurbished the "REK Bitola" coal power plant boilers in 2017, but its equipment is still largely outdated.

Who owns electricity in Macedonia?

The country's state-owned electricity company was unbundled and partially privatized in the 2000s. Since 2006, Austrian utility company EVN has been responsible for electricity distribution, while the state-owned company MEPSO operates North Macedonia's electricity transmission system.

How is North Macedonia transforming its energy sector?

North Macedonia's energy sector is transitioning towards cleaner and more efficient solutions. While lignite remains a primary energy source, the country is significantly increasing investments in renewables, including: Hydropower – A well-established sector with untapped potential for small and large-scale



projects.

What changes did North Macedonia make to its energy policy?

While there were no other major energy legislative changes, North Macedonia continues to harmonize its energy sub-regulations with the EU Energy Community's Third Energy Package (TEP).



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