

Namibia microgrid benefits

Two examples are the Zwartkop and Thabazimbi Chrome mines in South Africa, which are powered by gas-diesel hybrid micro-grids. This solution combines solar technology with high-speed reciprocating engines to offer the sustainable benefits of renewables and the reliability of conventional back-up power," he said.

Renewable electricity, and green hydrogen and its derivatives, provide Namibia with a real opportunity to attract meaningful foreign direct investment, create well-paying jobs, further diversify its export basket, and improve its terms of trade.

Benefits of Microgrids. There are several benefits to using microgrids, including: [1] **Increased Reliability:** Microgrids can provide a more reliable source of energy, as they can continue to operate even if the traditional power grid goes down. This is especially important for critical infrastructure such as hospitals, schools, and emergency ...

Namibia's future electricity grid is a fully integrated, self-monitoring and self-regulating system which renders the country's electricity grid stable, secure and cost-effective, and benefits from multiple indigenous generation supplies, most of which are substantially distributed across the country.

This is according to IMPower Pty Ltd - an engineering, procurement, and project management contractor (EPCM) operating in the solar and energy storage industry.

Through the African Energy Indaba, the company found many Africans are still without electricity - especially in rural communities.

A microgrid is a small-scale power grid that can operate independently or collaboratively with other small power grids- with its own generation, storage resources and definable boundaries.

South Africa consumes the most electricity in the sub-Saharan region, with demand continuing to outpace the installation of generation capacity.

According to the Electricity Sectoral Report by the Namibia Statistics Agency for May 2020, Namibia experienced a decrease in the production of electricity, registering 234 883 MWh, while 176 429 MWh was imported - mainly from South Africa.



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