

# South Korea s wind and solar power system

What is wind power in South Korea?

Wind power is a form of renewable energyin South Korea with the goal of reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) and particulate matter (PM) emissions caused by coal based power. After two oil crises dating back to the 1970s, the South Korean government needed to transition to renewable energy, which encouraged their first renewable energy law in 1987.

### Does South Korea need wind energy?

A major enabler for the steady growth of clean energy in the country is wind energy. With a climate and topography perfectly suited for large-scale onshore wind power generation, the government is now looking towards the untapped potential of offshore wind. However, before South Korean wind energy presents meaningful results, there is work to do.

### Can South Korea's wind energy sector make a difference?

The wind energy sector can become the difference-makerthat gives South Korea's renewable energy progress that much-needed boost. The country's vast potential for offshore wind is already starting to attract some of the leading developers in the industry. What remains to be seen is the scale of investments and the speed of the transition.

## Is solar and wind energy a sustainable future in South Korea?

Furthermore, the findings revealed that the opportunities and strengths of solar and wind energy are much stronger than their weaknesses and challenges. Hence, the present study strongly recommends the adoption, deployment, growth, and installation of solar and wind energy technology and related projects for a sustainable future in South Korea.

#### Will Korean government invest in solar & wind energy?

To this end, the Korean government plans to increase investments in the green energy field, where solar and wind energy will soon play a decisive role toward meeting energy demands and achieving a climate-friendly environment.

#### What percentage of South Korea's electricity comes from wind and solar?

Only 3.8%(21 TWh) of the generated electricity in South Korea comes from wind and solar. Saudi Arabia aside, this is the worst ratio among all G20 countries. As a part of its Green New Deal, South Korea aims to generate 20% of its power with renewables by 2030.



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