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Overview

Albania drafted a law on the energy performance of buildings including the obligation to meet zero-emission and nearly zero-emission standards and use solar energy. Could solar power reduce Albania's reliance on energy imports?

Albanian researchers say that solar could be key to reducing Albania's reliance on energy imports, but the nation will need to invest in grid infrastructure, streamline laws, and enhance access to funding to support deployment.

Do new buildings in Albania need to be energy efficient?

Starting in 2026, all new and renovated buildings in Albania will need to comply with minimum energy performance requirements and use renewable energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Is solar a viable alternative to electricity in Albania?

A move toward more solar is partly an attempt to diversify Albania's electricity sources. In "Evaluation and integration of photovoltaic (PV) systems in Albanian energy landscape," which was recently published in Solar Compass, the scientists said that solar is an adaptable and affordable alternative, given Albania's sunny climate.

What incentives are there for PV development in Albania?

There are already incentives in place to bolster PV development in Albania across three mechanisms: net metering for PV systems up to 500 kW, feed-in tariffs (FiTs) for projects of up to 2 MW, and an auction scheme for large-scale solar facilities.

Should new buildings use solar energy in 2026?

Starting in 2026, all new buildings would need to use solar energy. The draft law stipulates that investors must consider the use of renewable energy overall, cogeneration systems and heat pumps and the introduction of district heating and cooling.

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