

# Can solar power generation be changed in location

Does solar energy affect land use change?

Although the transition to renewable energies will intensify the global competition for land, the potential impacts driven by solar energy remain unexplored. In this work, the potential solar land requirements and related land use change emissions are computed for the EU, India, Japan and South Korea.

# When does solar potential change?

Changes in solar potential annually(top panels),in december-january-february (middle panel),and june-july-august (bottom panel) in four scenarios where huge solar farms were constructed. The solar farms in Central Asia, Central Australia and Southwestern USA, Northwestern China are shown by purple polygons.

# How has solar energy changed the world?

Solar energy started its journey in niche markets, like most innovations, supplying electricity to applications where little alternatives existed in space and remote locations 22. Since then, cumulative investments and sales, driven by past policy, have made its cost come down by almost three orders of magnitude.

# Which countries have solar land requirements and related land use change emissions?

In this work, the potential solar land requirements and related land use change emissions are computed for the EU, India, Japan and South Korea. A novel method is developed within an integrated assessment model which links socioeconomic, energy, land and climate systems.

#### What is the future of solar energy?

Power generation by fossil-fuel resources has peaked, whilst solar energy is predicted to be at the vanguard of energy generation in the near future. Moreover, it is predicted that by 2050, the generation of solar energy will have increased to 48% due to economic and industrial growth [13,14].

### Does weather affect solar energy generation potential?

Provided by the Springer Nature SharedIt content-sharing initiative Globally, solar projects are being rapidly built or planned, particularly in high solar potential regions with high energy demand. However, their energy generation potential is highly related to the weather condition.



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