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Africa Energy

11 routes to universal energy access in Africa by 2030

The Guardian, 29th October 2015

What's the best way to ensure access to affordable and reliable energy for all in Africa, off-grid or grid? Our panel shares their thoughts. ... [Full story](#)

Made in Africa: Off-grid solar business gathers pace, gets support

AFK Insides, 28th October 2015

The off-grid solar bandwagon in Africa has gathered quite some steam in the last half decade and is quickly becoming a force to reckon with in some rural parts of the continent that are far off their nation's electricity network. ... [Full story](#)

Africa can be answer to India's energy woes: KPMG-CII Study

Business Standard, 28th October 2015

Africa can be the answer to India's rising energy demands, according to a study jointly done by KPMG and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). Besides infrastructure development and mineral resources, Africa holds immense potential as a credible nuclear energy supplier, the study titled "India and Africa — Collaboration for Growth" noted. ... [Full story](#)

Total va aider au financement de l'accès à l'électricité dans les pays pauvres

Jeune Afrique, 27th October 2015

Le géant pétrolier Total et la plateforme européenne de microcrédit solidaire Babyloan ont annoncé lundi s'être associés pour créer la première plateforme de financement participatif dédiée à l'accès à l'énergie en Afrique, en Asie et en Amérique latine, qui sera accessible au public début 2016. ... [Full story](#)

Off-grid solar power is gathering steam in Africa, what's next?

Devex, 26th October 2015

For years solar seemed like a potential solution for millions without access to electricity in Africa, but high costs and slow technology left it largely out of reach. In the past few years, however, that has changed. With increased investment, cheaper products and innovative business models, solar is not only on the rise, but could transform the way the continent is powered. ... [Full story](#)

Electrify Africa in 10 years? No problem says Head of AfDB

Bloomberg, 26th October 2015

The African Development Bank's new president wants to bring electricity to the poorest parts of the continent within a decade and says he can mobilize \$55 billion a year to make it happen. Akinwumi Adesina, who was elected to lead the lender in September, is undaunted by the scale of the challenge. ... [Full story](#)

Young leaders tipped to be at core of Addis Ababa energy summit

RFI, 26th October 2015

To discuss major issues related to global energy use and production, decision makers from across the globe are set to meet at the World Energy Leaders' Summit, in Addis Ababa, this week. One of

the main objectives of this summit is to facilitate discussions between the government, private sector and the public on energy related issues. ... [Full story](#)

Off-grid energy access: Affordable payment solutions to clean power

ESI Africa, 26th October 2015

Last week, US-based firm, Angaza, announced the closing of a \$4 million Series A financing. The round was led by a large United States-based family office and included New York-based The Social Entrepreneurs' Fund (TSEF) amongst others. ... [Full story](#)

Despite threats, Africa is looking to nuclear with Russia and China's help

The Conversation, 26th October 2015

Many African countries are in the grip of a nuclear fad. They believe nuclear energy will bring with it an international currency of prestige. Countries with nuclear energy programs are seen as rich and technologically advanced and as a result possess advanced status compared to other developing countries. ... [Full story](#)

Tired of importing almost all its energy, Morocco has built Africa's biggest solar farm

Quartz, 26th October 2015

Germany has caught plenty of flack for installing solar power on a large scale—critics say the country simply isn't sunny enough to benefit from the infrastructure it has enthusiastically built. No one could level that accusation at Morocco, however; which is one of the reasons why a massive solar project at the edge of the Sahara Desert is so significant. ... [Full story](#)

Le Royaume-Uni s'engage en faveur du solaire en Afrique

Jeune Afrique, 22nd October 2015

Cette nouvelle initiative, "Energy Africa", rejoint plusieurs autres projets lancés ces dernières années en vue d'accroître l'accès à l'électricité en Afrique. Grant Shapps, le ministre britannique chargé du développement international, a lancé ce jeudi la campagne « Energy Africa », qui vise à promouvoir l'accès universel à l'électricité sur le continent d'ici à 2030, à travers notamment la promotion de l'énergie solaire. ... [Full story](#)

Solar power to light the way for Africa as low-carbon campaign launches

The Guardian, 22nd October 2015

Kofi Annan, Bob Geldof, Richard Branson and international business leaders have joined politicians from 14 African countries to launch a global campaign to bring solar power to the 620 million people on the continent who must still use kerosene, candles and wood to light their homes and cook. ... [Full story](#)

South Africa to put \$15 mln in nuclear energy preparation: Treasury

Reuters Africa, 21st October 2015

South Africa says it has put aside 200 million rand (\$15 million) in preparation for its nuclear energy program to ease pressure on growth caused by ongoing electricity shortages, the Treasury said on Wednesday. ... [Full story](#)

Énergie : Google se positionne sur le projet éolien de Turkana au Kenya

Jeune Afrique, 21st October 2015

La société norvégienne Vestas Wind a annoncé avoir trouvé un accord avec le géant technologique américain Google pour la cession de sa participation dans le projet éolien du lac Turkana au Kenya. Selon cet accord, Vestas devrait céder les 12,5 % qu'il détient dans le consortium Lake Turkana Wind Power (LTWP) en 2017, lors du démarrage effectif du parc éolien. Le montant de cette cession n'a pas été rendu public. ... [Full story](#)

La distribution de l'électricité progresse au Nigeria, selon une étude

RFI, 21st October 2015

L'électricité serait de mieux en mieux distribuée au Nigeria : 9,7 heures en moyenne cumulées par jour. C'est le principal enseignement d'un sondage réalisé par NOI Polls, un cabinet indépendant nigérian. ... [Full story](#)

L'Afrique face au défi de la transition énergétique

Agence Ecofin, 21st October 2015

La problématique de la transition énergétique n'est pas nouvelle. Ces dernières années, l'on assiste à un retour de la question dans les grands forums internationaux. Et pour cause, la croissance continue de la demande engendre des interrogations sur la disponibilité d'énergie à long terme, en quantités suffisantes pour éviter une crise majeure, sachant que l'essentiel de l'offre provient de ressources par définition limitées. ... [Full story](#)

Google's newest renewable energy investment: Africa's biggest wind farm

The Washington Post, 20th October 2015

Google has made a reputation for itself in recent years as a major investor in renewable energy. And this morning, the company announced its newest investment: a wind power project in Kenya that, when completed, will be the continent's biggest wind farm. ... [Full story](#)

Renewable energy is about to boom in Africa, and we need to pay attention to it

Forbes, 19th October 2015

It's an incredibly exciting time for Africa, and the world is finally starting to take notice. Two out of every three people in sub-Saharan Africa live without electricity, according to the US government's Power Africa statistics. ... [Full story](#)

From hearing aids to farming, solar energy powers climate innovation

Reuters, 19th October 2015

Set against the might of climate change, can small measures like solar-powered batteries or drip irrigation make a difference? Innovations involving both are among 10 finalists in the 2015 Sustainia Award, an international competition for projects with a potential to address the impact of climate change. ... [Full story](#)

Africa Climate

Nigeria: Oxfam wants govt to build farmers' resilience to climate change

All Africa, 25th October 2015

AS the national climate change adaptation strategy and action plan for climate change in Nigeria - NASPA-CCN indicated that climate change is already having significant impacts in Nigeria, and these impacts are expected to increase in the future, with a recent estimates' suggestion that in the absence of adaptation, climate change could result in losses of between 2percent and 11percent of Nigeria's gross domestic product (GDP) by 2020. ... [Full story](#)

Climat: à Bonn, les pays du Sud tapent du poing sur la table

RFI, 23rd October 2015

A Bonn, le compte à rebours a commencé pour les négociations sur le climat. Les 195 Etats (+ l'UE) réunis dans l'ancienne capitale de l'Allemagne de l'Ouest doivent présenter ce vendredi un texte qui servira de base de travail pour la conférence de Paris (COP 21). ... [Full story](#)

Climat : « Les pays africains ne seront pas de simples figurants à la COP21 »

Jeune Afrique, 22nd October 2015

À quelques semaines de l'ouverture de la COP21, la dernière ligne droite des négociations climatiques a commencé. Les délégations des 195 pays sont réunies dans la ville allemande de Bonn depuis lundi 19 octobre. Ils ont jusqu'au 23 octobre pour s'entendre sur un projet d'accord. ... [Full story](#)

Africa: Continent cries foul over UN Climate Change Draft Agreement

All Africa, 22nd October 2015

Developing countries, led by Africa and China, nearly walked out of the UN's climate talks in Bonn, Germany, on Monday, as the rift widened between the rich and poor nations over who should bear the larger financial responsibility to implement measures to curb climate change. ... [Full story](#)

Africa: Climate change and conflict - It's complicated

All Africa, 20th October 2015

Scientists may not see Mad Max-style "water wars" ahead, but they nevertheless see strong relationships between conflict and climate change. Whether dramatic changes in weather patterns drive conflict has long been the subject of great debate. ... [Full story](#)

South Africa likens draft climate deal to apartheid

Reuters Africa, 19th October 2015

South Africa on Monday criticised a draft United Nations accord on fighting climate change as a form of "apartheid" against developing nations. A summit in Paris is supposed to agree a global accord for tackling climate change in December, but a last week of negotiations on the draft text, which began in Germany on Monday, got off to a stormy start with developing nations saying their demands had been omitted from the pared down 20-page draft. ... [Full story](#)

China, developing countries crying foul over UN climate change summit in Bonn

Deutsche Welle, 19th October 2015

Developing nations have accused rich ones of sidelining their interests at crunch climate talks in Bonn, Germany. UN chief and French president back ambitious global deal ahead of Paris summit. The G77 group of more than 130 developing nations - including China and India - rejected a slimmed-down, draft agreement Monday that had been crafted for the five-day parlay in the former West German capital. ... [Full story](#)

L'Afrique rejette la version préliminaire de l'accord des Nations unies sur le climat

Agence Ecofin, 19th October 2015

Les pays africains ont rejeté, le 18 octobre, une version préliminaire de l'accord des Nations unies sur le climat qui doit être adoptée lors de la conférence COP 21 prévue à Paris du 30 novembre au 11 décembre 2015, la jugeant «défavorable» au continent. ... [Full story](#)

Africa Education

Grève des étudiants: vif débat sur l'éducation en Afrique du Sud

RFI, 29th October 2015

En Afrique du sud, certaines universités ont rouvert leurs portes hier mercredi, après dix jours de manifestations étudiantes. Les étudiants protestaient contre une hausse prévue de plus de 10% des frais d'inscription à l'université, hausse annulée par le président Zuma mais le débat sur l'éducation n'est pas clos. ... [Full story](#)

The discontent of South Africa's students goes beyond fees

Times Higher Education, 29th October 2015

Last week's announcement by the South African government of a moratorium on tuition fee increases was a significant climbdown. The move, agreed in the midst of a huge protest outside the government buildings, will buy time for alternative options for university and student funding to be explored. But even solving this issue will still leave many others unresolved. ... [Full story](#)

India: Education opportunities for Africans

Deutsche Welle, 29th October 2015

Tertiary education brings in quite a lot of money for Indian universities. About 16,000 Africans are studying there - a big chunk of them in New Delhi. The students hope to pass on their know-how to their respective home countries. ... [Watch video here](#)

En Afrique du Sud, le « printemps étudiant » bouscule le pouvoir

Le Monde, 23rd October 2015

Massés devant le siège du gouvernement, à Pretoria, des milliers d'étudiants ont crié victoire, vendredi 23 octobre, après l'annonce à la télévision par le président Jacob Zuma de l'annulation des augmentations des frais universitaires prévus en 2016. « Les discussions se poursuivront sur d'autres problèmes soulevés comme l'éducation gratuite, l'indépendance des universités et le racisme », a ajouté le chef de l'Etat. ... [Full story](#)

Africa's 'teaching shops': the rise of private universities

Deutsche Welle, 22nd October 2015

In the expansion of higher education, the establishment of private, for-profit universities has become "almost a defining principle". So says Adebayo Olukoshi, director of the United Nations' African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, who warned that the growth of the private sector was eroding universities' role in the advancement of the continent when he addressed the inaugural Times Higher Education Africa Universities Summit in Johannesburg earlier this year. ... [Full story](#)

Africa needs education, not exploitation

Times Higher Education, 22nd October 2015

A number of things struck me as I drove the 45 minutes or so from the hotel district of Sandton to Soweto during a visit to Johannesburg earlier this year. One is that Soweto is vast, and only small areas could be classed as slums – it consists mainly of well-maintained, if boxy, brick houses, each with a solar panel on the roof. ... [Full story](#)

Africa Water**Water restrictions begin in South Africa as drought worsens**

Bloomberg, 28th October 2015

South Africa's biggest water utility started restrictions in the largest city and capital because of increased demand spurred by persistent high temperatures. Residents of Johannesburg, Pretoria and the Ekurhuleni municipality in the eastern Gauteng province can't use hosepipes or sprinklers from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. until further notice as supply is under "severe strain," Rand Water Services (Pty) Ltd. said on the government news agency's website Wednesday. ... [Full story](#)

Biggest S. Africa water utility asks users to consume sparingly

Bloomberg, 23rd October 2015

South Africa's biggest water utility and municipalities of its largest city and capital asked users to consume sparingly as insufficient rains and persistent high temperatures curb supply. High demand in the cities of Johannesburg, Ekurhuleni to the east and Pretoria "will cause localized problems," Rand Water Services Pty Ltd. said in an e-mailed statement Friday. ... [Full story](#)

Hydroélectricité : douze entreprises pré-qualifiées pour Nachtigal au Cameroun

Jeune Afrique, 22nd October 2015

Elles se disputeront les quatre lots mis en compétition pour la passation des marchés de travaux et d'équipements du barrage hydroélectrique de 420 MW et dont la mise en service se situe entre 2020 et 2021. Un projet porté par l'État camerounais, EDF, Rio Tinto Alcan et IFC. ... [Full story](#)

Zambia: development of 750MW hydro plant to commence in December

ESI Africa, 22nd October 2015

On Tuesday, Zambia's state-owned power company Zesco, announced that China's Sinohydro will commence construction of a 750MW hydropower plant in Zambia in December. This development comes at a time when the continent's second largest copper producer is battling with production due to a deficit in power supply, Reuters reported. ... [Full story](#)

Africa: Renewable energy uncaps the power of atmospheric water generation

All Africa, 21st October 2015

The looming global water crisis and the rapid pace of climate change has heightened interest in atmospheric water generation (AWG) technology. Where water purification is not a practical solution and in places with little access to conventional water sources, AWG is a 'magic solution.' ... [Full story](#)

Ethiopia, a power house of energy at the roof of Africa

All Africa, 20th October 2015

Ethiopia is a country which is watered down by 12 river basins with their hundreds of tributaries that gush out from its highlands for ages. The Great Rift Valley that literally bisects the nation into two holds huge amount of geothermal energy resources unparalleled in Africa. ... [Full story](#)

Assainissement et irrigation prochaines étapes pour l'eau en Afrique

Les Echos, 19th October 2015

Les enjeux des infrastructures sont clés pour le développement de l'eau en Afrique. Une accélération remarquable se produit. La situation de l'assainissement est un enjeu de santé publique en Afrique, où seulement 57 % de la population possède un accès à une source d'assainissement améliorée ou partagée. ... [Full story](#)

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