



Large-scale energy storage battery prices in East Africa



Overview

Record-low BESS pricing of \$73-75/kWh has been achieved in the broader Middle East and Africa region, signalling a trend of declining costs that will further accelerate market growth in East Africa. A landmark project in the region is Uganda's 100 MW solar and battery storage. South Africa hosts the biggest single installation: Scatec's Kenhardt 1-2-3 complex, combining 1,140 MWh of batteries with large-scale solar to provide dispatchable power under a long-term contract. Egypt follows with the Abydos 1 BESS at 300 MWh, developed by AMEA Power. Other significant systems. Africa's energy storage market has seen a boom since 2017, having risen from just 31MWh to 1,600MWh in 2024, according to trade body AFSIA Solar's latest report. The Solar Africa Solar Outlook 2025 details that energy storage has become a critical complement to variable renewable energy (VRE). The energy storage market in East Africa is currently undergoing a significant transformation, emerging as a critical component of the region's energy transition and economic development strategy. Driven by a confluence of factors including robust demand from the mining sector, the rapid expansion. Ember provides the latest capex and Levelised Cost of Storage (LCOS) for large, long-duration utility-scale Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) across global markets outside China and the US, based on recent auction results and expert interviews. All-in BESS projects now cost just \$125/kWh as. Raw Material Costs: Global lithium prices dropped 14% in Q1 2024, but shipping delays add 8-12% to final costs. Solar Integration: 63% of West African solar projects now include storage systems. Government Policies: Nigeria's new tax rebates cut battery import duties by 15%. Speaking at Solar Storage Live Cape Town, Nicola Cencelli, JUWI Head of Business Development.

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