

Does financialization restructure Zambia's political economy of energy?

Zambia's energy sector is subject to dynamic developments. Our analysis of the GETFiT initiative and the BGFZ demonstrates how financialization restructures the country's political economy of energy. The cases yield four important insights into the financialization of development endeavours, thus expanding the debate with new empirical evidence.

Why should German and European service providers invest in Zambia?

For German and European service providers active in the energy sector, Zambia presents significant potential for business development. There are clear needs across the solar energy and storage value chain, including project development and financing, equipment manufacturing, system integration and contracting.

Can battery storage be used with solar photovoltaics in Zambia?

The Zambian regulation foresees customs duty and VAT exemptions for most equipment used in renewable energy or battery storage projects. Detailed information is provided in In this section, we discuss the opportunity of battery storage in combination with solar photovoltaics from a financial point of view.

How much power does Zambia have?

According to The Zambia Development Agency Energy Sector Profile (June 2013), Zambia has about 6,000 (MW) megawatts of unutilized hydropower potential. While only about 1,985 MW has been developed.

What is Zambia's energy transition?

Zambia's energy transition is a striking example of said strategies, all the more as the nation's fragile economic status has hardly attracted foreign investment in renewable energy in comparison, for example, to South Africa (Müller and Claar 2021).

Why is energy important in Zambia?

Energy is a prerequisite for the proper functioning of all sectors in the economy in Zambia. With the rising demand in Zambia and the SADC region outpacing generation, it is necessary to extend and upgrade distribution networks to improve the standard of living.

Renewable energy trading company, Africa GreenCo, through its subsidiary GreenCo Power Storage Limited, has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Zambia's state-owned power utility ZESCO Limited, for the deployment of a Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) project in the country. Africa GreenCo revealed that the MOU was ...

The energy deficit facing the nation is not just an economic issue but a national security concern that has far-reaching implications for job security, economic growth, and national development. Hakainde Hichilema,

President of Zambia at the EFFA Conference

Special economic zones in Lusaka, Zambia, face similar constraints ... in Zambia and SEZs and industrial development zones (IDZs) in South Africa. For the purposes of this paper, the terms SEZs, MFEZs, and IDZs are loosely taken to be equivalent and used ... storage and distribution facilities for trade and, re-exports. Export processing zones ...

4 Zambia's Investors Guide Handbook [Zambia's Investor Guide Handbook, April 2016] Page 3 1.1. FACTS ABOUT ZAMBIA The Location: marginal improvement over the 2015 outturn of 3 Located in the Southern African Sub-region, Zambia is a land-linked country bordered by the Democratic Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Angola, Namibia, Malawi, Mozambique, Zimbabwe ...

Lusaka, Zambia - July 12, 2024 - Vivo Energy Zambia, the company that distributes and markets Engen fuels and Shell lubricants in Zambia, is proud to announce the launch of its ambitious environmental campaign, Project Restoration. This initiative aims to address deforestation and promote environmental sustainability through an extensive tree planting program in Lusaka's ...

Zambia's energy mix is predominantly hydroelectric. Hydropower is renewable in nature, it is affordable and a cheaper source of energy. The challenge, however, is the intensifying variable of climate change - prolonged periods of drought ... economic development that relies on energy security to thrive.

China's use of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to spur its remarkable economic development was seen as the way to go, particularly for developing economies. Zambia, like most African countries, has established these zones with the help of the Chinese. In Zambia, the zones are called Multi-Facility Economic Zones (MFEZs), and are to operate

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