

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.

Can solar power be used in the future?

Solar power can make an important contribution to energy production over the coming decades and the demand for renewable energy could be met by PV deployment on between 0.5% and 1% of the global land area, provided its deployment accounts for the location-specific impacts of climate change. Export citation and abstract BibTeX RIS

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Is solar energy a good option for land use?

However, recent studies based on satellite views of utility-scale solar energy (USSE) under operation, either in the form of photovoltaics (PV) or concentrated solar power (CSP), show that their land use efficiency (LUE) is up to six times lower than initial estimates^{17,18,19}.

This work reviews over 100 academic studies and U.S. government reports on the land use impacts of solar and wind power.

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Agrivoltaics is an innovative approach that combines solar energy generation with agricultural land use. By installing solar panels above crops or alongside farming operations, this system allows for the ...

The expansion of photovoltaic (PV) plant infrastructure is occurring at a rapid pace; yet, our comprehension of the impacts of PV plants on ecosystem functions in terrestrial environments ...

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Our study aims to provide a comprehensive global analysis of the impacts of land-based solar power development on ecosystem functions in terrestrial ecosystems, with the objective of ...

The world is currently experiencing tremendous growth in the deployment of solar photovoltaic panels. Most of this new capacity is being located on rural, agricultural, or other ...

This innovative solution seamlessly integrates solar energy generation with agriculture, fostering a powerful synergy on the same land. So, what is agrivoltaic farming? Also known as agrisolar or ...

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