



The Energy Council of South Africa is dedicated to fostering collaboration, innovation, and action in the energy sector. Through delivery partnerships, advocacy and thought leadership, the Energy Council is advancing South Africa's just energy transition and ensuring a secure, sustainable energy future for all.



July marks a key moment in the Energy Council's calendar - a time to pause, reflect and assess the impact we are driving in the energy sector.

This month, we held our Annual General Meeting before an audience of our members, celebrating milestones, and shaping priorities for the year ahead. In this edition, I'm joined by Simon Baloyi, President and CEO of Sasol and Chairman of our Board, to share insights on the road ahead for South Africa's just energy transition.



Together with our members under our 2025 theme: Mobilising Investment and Delivery, we have concentrated our focus on enabling the energy sector with the capacity to deliver at the pace and scale required by South Africa's just energy transition. The Energy Council has rapidly grown to be South Africa's apex energy organisation, with diverse member representation and support. Continuing this growth path is necessary to support the exponential increase in capacity required across the public and private sector. This will determine the continued level of success we achieve in 2030 and beyond.

- Looking ahead, our mission together is clear:
1. Rapidly expand grid capacity. This is a common ambition to all stakeholders.
 2. Launch the SA Wholesale Electricity Market. This is central to all reforms.
 3. Strengthen public sector collaboration, supporting institutional delivery.

To build on these calls-to-action, Simon reflects on the road we have walked together in resetting the energy landscape in South Africa.

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Scatec and Red Rocket named as preferred bidders following the seventh bid window of South Africa's REIPPPP.

Six solar PV projects with a combined capacity of 1290 MW, submitted by Red Rocket and Scatec respectively, achieved favourable bid prices between R499.99 MWh and R514.06 MWh, successfully advancing to the preferred bidder stage.

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WATCH: Powering Africa amidst challenges, shifts and opportunities.

Africa's energy story is one of rising demand, innovation and possibility. James Mackay spoke to Business Day TV, on the sidelines of the Africa Unlocked Conference in Cape Town, unpacking Africa's role in the changing geopolitics of energy and whether the continent's policy and infrastructure are keeping pace.

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Energy aggregators accelerating the move to a new electricity market in South Africa.

Nedbank CiB shares insights on how aggregator-led models are accelerating South Africa's shift to a competitive electricity market. With regulatory reforms, cheap renewables, and private sector appetite growing, these models are unlocking flexible, affordable energy for businesses and municipalities alike.

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- 29 Jul - 1 Aug:** G20 Energy Transitions Working Group Meeting
1 Aug: Energy Council of South Africa Board Meeting
9 Aug: National Women's Day
27 Aug: Energy Council Leadership Forum Quarterly Strategy Session



WATCH: Energy Council Annual General Meeting Highlights.

Over the past year, the Energy Council has grown its membership, launched programmes that drive core objectives, and mobilised public and private partnerships to support South Africa's energy transition. Watch this short video to catch up on the AGM highlights.

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