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How does PAYGO work in DRC?

Distributors must provide flexible payment PAYGO solutions to allow customers to spread out payment for the equipment, generally over up to 2 years. In order to scale up lending services, or simply to finance capital expenditures, private operators of isolated grids need access to capital; which is currently limited in DRC.

Is Snel still a key contributor to electricity access in Kinshasa?

SNEL, the national utility, remains a critical contributor to electricity access, in particular in Kinshasa, but is caught in a vicious cycle of mounting commercial losses, deteriorating assets and mounting debt.

Is Snel still a monopoly?

After a 40-year monopoly, SNEL is no longer the only electricity operator, but it remains by far the largest. SNEL operates 95% of the DRC installed capacity and remains the only transport operator in the country.

Focused on the complete opening of the market and the establishment of a regulatory agency since the beginning of the 2000s, the reforms of the electricity sector in the Republic of Congo are not ...

From remote mining camps to vital telecom infrastructure, Congo's outdoor energy storage market is powering sustainable development. By combining solar generation with smart storage, businesses ...

In the heart of Africa, the Democratic Republic of Congo faces unique energy challenges. With 65% of mining operations located in off-grid areas and 43% rural communities lacking stable electricity ...

Challenges of expanding the national grid coupled with the size of the country, make the Democratic Republic of Congo a prime market for green mini-grid developers.

The Democratic Republic of Congo has launched an aggressive strategy to dominate the global cobalt market, establishing a state-controlled export monopoly that could reshape the battery ...

Countries that rely heavily on imported energy may be vulnerable to supply disruption from external events such as the Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine. In countries that export large ...



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Summary: Discover how solar-powered outdoor charging systems are transforming energy access in Kinshasa. This guide explores practical applications, market trends, and cost-effective solutions for ...

The Republic of the Congo's energy sector is ripe for investment. The absence of reliable power grids and adequate electrical distribution has a dampening effect on investment and ...

The impending arrival of transformers ordered by Eni Congo and Pasel illustrates the pragmatic diplomacy that Brazzaville deploys to diversify its financial toolkit.

In 2017, an estimated 10% of the population were connected to the power grid, with significant regional disparities that partly reflect supply constraints, and partly economic disparities.

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