
Solar module industry chain

How is the global solar PV supply chain diversifying?

It finds that efforts to expand crystalline silicon manufacturing in the United States, Europe, Southeast Asia, and India, as well as improvements in recycling and the emergence of perovskite - pioneered by Japan, make the solar PV supply chain more robust. This report analyzes progress in diversifying the global solar PV supply chain.

What is the supply chain for solar PV?

The supply chain for solar PV has two branches in the United States: crystalline silicon(c-Si) PV, which made up 84% of the U.S. market in 2020, and cadmium telluride (CdTe) thin film PV, which made up the remaining 16%. The supply chain for c-Si PV starts with the refining of high-purity polysilicon.

What role will China play in the solar PV supply chain?

However, irrespective of European regional goals, China will maintain a predominant role in the solar PV supply chain due to the advantages of manufacturing capacity and costs, and the need to expand global capacity by over 1.5 times.

Why is supply chain development important for solar photovoltaic (PV) capacity growth?

Supply chain development is crucial for solar photovoltaic (PV) capacity growth; however, most of its crucial value chain segments are concentrated in specific geographies such as China, Europe and the United States. Hence, from a sustainability perspective, it is critical that these supply chains become more diversified and resilient.

Global solar PV industrial business value 2020-2023 Value of solar PV businesses along the industrial value chain worldwide from 2020 to 2023 (in billion U.S. dollars)

This special report examines solar PV supply chains from raw materials all the way to the finished product, spanning the five main segments of the manufacturing process: ...

Inter-organizational relationships along the value chain are of vital importance to gain competitive advantage in the solar photovoltaic industry.

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Cui et al. find that open trade policy is a key factor for achieving low-cost solar photovoltaic supply chains. This conclusion holds even for regions, like Europe, that seek to ...

NLR analysts use these data sources to track supply and demand swings in the market, the resilience of the global supply chain, and domestic content for tax incentives. Solar ...

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