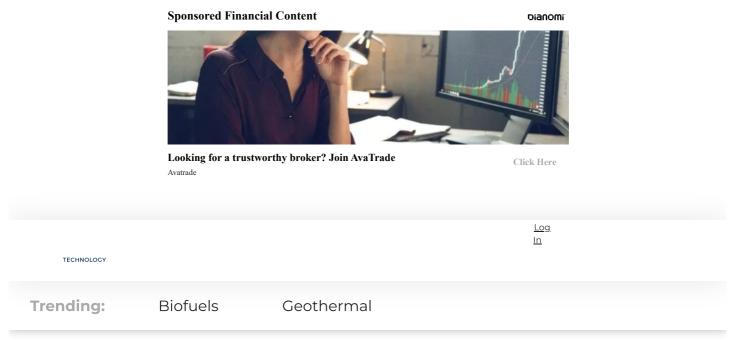
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The 96MW Jasper solar power project located in Northern Cape Province near Kimberly in South Africa is the biggest solar power plant in Africa. It began full commercial operations in October 2014 and is capable of generating 180GWh of clean, renewable energy annually.

The photovoltaic (PV) power plant was developed by a consortium of SolarReserve, the Kensani Group and Intikon Energy. Construction of the plant, which has an operational life of more than 25 years, was started in October 2013.

The plant will produce enough electricity to meet the demands of approximately



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power purchase agreement was signed for the project with Eskom, South

site situated adjacent to the 75MW Lesedi solar PV power plant, which came online in May 2014.

The Jasper plant features 325,360 Yingli YL295P-35b multi-crystalline modules, which have a peak power rating of 295W.

The power generated at the plant is delivered to the electricity grid through 78 INGECON® SUN PowerMax central inverters. The 1MW central inverters are



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A consortium of <u>Iberdrola</u> and South African company Group Five was awarded the construction contract worth \$150m for the development of the project. The team also constructed the transformer substation, the 132KV overhead power line and

Yingli Green Energy supplied the PV modules while Ingeteam was contracted to provide the inverters and control system.

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