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How can Cuba build a more resilient energy system?

Building a Cleaner, More Resilient Energy System in Cuba recommends numerous ways by which domestic policy in Cuba can prioritize working towards a more sustainable, resilient grid -- especially by investing in the energy transition-- and ways in which international cooperation can support these goals.

What happened to Cuba's electricity grid?

REUTERS/Norlys Perez HAVANA - Cuba's national grid collapsed on Friday, leaving the entire population of 10 million people without electricity and underscoring the precarious state of the Communist-run country's infrastructure and economy. Restoration of service is under way but long-term challenges will remain.

What challenges does the national electric system face in Cuba?

The National Electric System (SEN) faces far-reaching technical challenges that threaten the economic and social development of Cuba. After more than forty years of operation without capital maintenance, the basic thermoelectric generation infrastructure, as well as its distribution capacity, have collapsed.

What types of energy systems are covered in Cuba?

Coverage includes generation and storage systems, renewable energy installations (hydropower, solar PV, wind, biomass, ocean, and solar thermal), electrical grid history and characteristics, and an analysis of Cuba's electrical energy resiliency.

What happened to the energy sector in Cuba?

From that more recent crisis arose the so-called Energy Revolution and the government changed the leadership of the then Ministry of Basic Industry, responsible for the sector. With few traditional sources of its own, Cuba has always been dependent on imported energy.

Should Cuba update its energy grid?

While small-scale, such renewable energy initiatives can reduce pressure on the energy grid and provide relief in especially vulnerable places. Due to rising temperatures and increasingly unreliable energy infrastructure, action to update Cuba's energy grid is urgently necessary.

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