



#POWERTRACKER

*REPORTING THE RENEWABLES REVOLUTION
IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA*



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WHAT IS #POWERTRACKER?

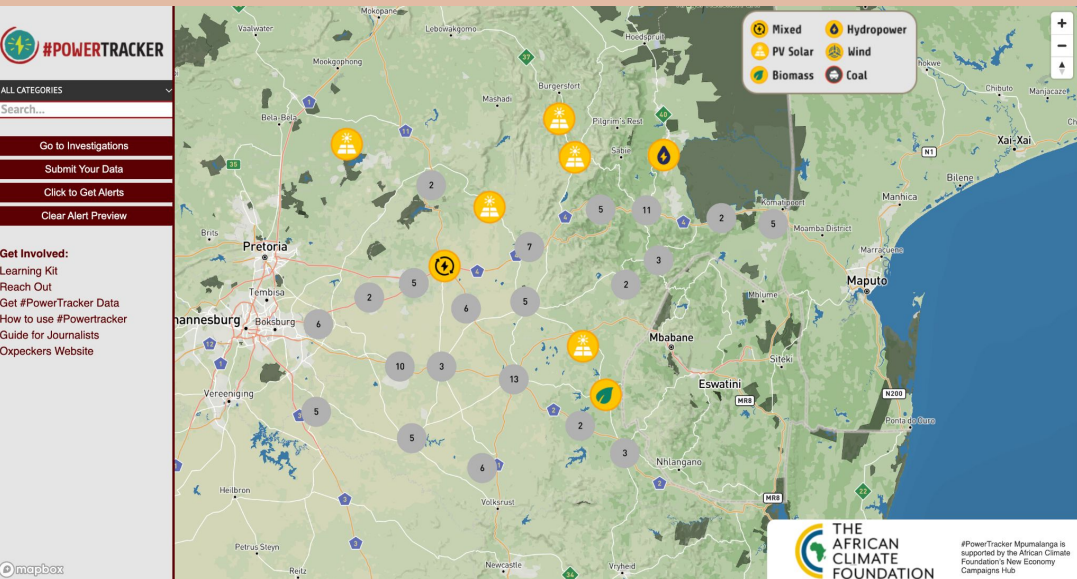


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Maps & tracks renewable energy projects
and coal-fired power stations across
Southern Africa

#POWERTRACKER: THE MAP



- 100+ renewable energy projects
- 12 coal power plants / decommissioning
- Information on ownership, finances (where available), environmental and social impacts
- Data sourced from multiple entities
- All of this information was captured in an exclusive dataset and collated into a single platform

#POWERTRACKER: SUCCESS STORIES



- Published more than 30 investigations and blogs since November 2022
- Stories based on data analysis of RE projects, financing, ownership types, impacts & more from five African countries
- Award-winning tool, including the Green Finance category at the 2023 Mail & Guardian Greening the Future Awards

#POWERTRACKER PARTNERSHIPS



We have also worked on #PowerTracker investigations with Climate Home News, Earth Journalism Network, the Pulitzer Center, Journalimfund.eu, the Open Climate Reporting Initiative, the Center for Advanced Defense Studies



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- Lack of consultations on decommissioning plans
- Impacts on informal business (implications of transition)
- Solar powering up some remote areas while some residents remain sceptical about the costs of solar power
- Multiple biodiversity & financial concerns over Namibia's ambitious GH2 project



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- Transition minerals: “... humiliation and despair are the only benefits the Congolese people will ever reap from the accelerated global pursuit of energy transition minerals.”
- Destruction of agricultural land and displacement
- Value chain for the production of EV batteries at the expense of public safety, public health and environmental protection

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