
UZBEKISTAN AND FRANCE FORGE FUTURE WITH GAME-CHANGING DEALS IN ENERGY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND EDUCATION

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Uzbekistan and France are taking their partnership to the next level with game-changing agreements in energy, infrastructure, and education. At the Uzbek-French Business Forum in Paris, investors showed strong confidence in Uzbekistans growing market, sealing various deals beneficial for both countries. President Shavkat Mirziyoyevs visit on March 11 [] marked by a warm welcome and high-level talks with President Emmanuel Macron, set the stage for deeper cooperation as trade between the two nations reaches new heights.

A major highlight was a 25-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) between Uzbekistan and French company Voltalia for a 526 MW hybrid energy project, which includes solar, wind, and battery storage. This project is expected to enhance Uzbekistans renewable energy capacity.

In the water sector, SUEZ will modernize Uzbekistans drinking water supply system, launching a public-private partnership (PPP) project in the Surkhandarya region to improve water access for 1 mn residents. Additionally, an educational partnership with the TIAME National Research University will be established to train water management specialists.

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