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Corsica Sole inaugurates the Campet-et-Lamolère photovoltaic power plant (40), a project combining energy innovation and heritage preservation.

The municipality of Campet-et-Lamolère, located in the Landes department, celebrated yesterday the inauguration of its new photovoltaic power plant, an ambitious project that demonstrates local commitment to energy transition.

The result of a joint project between Corsica Sole, the family that owns the Château de Campet, and the municipality of Campet-et-Lamolère, this solar power plant will have an annual production capacity of 18.8 GWh, supplying the equivalent of the energy consumption of more than 5,000 households.

As an independent solar energy producer and leader in energy storage in Europe, and backed by the ongoing commitment of its 130 employees, Corsica Sole is consolidating the development of its fleet of power plants throughout France.

Through this project in Campet-et-Lamolère, the energy company has signed its first Corporate Power Purchase Agreement (CPPA) with a steel manufacturer and stainless steel producer. This type of contract allows for the direct sale of renewable energy from the producer to the consumer while ensuring a stable price in the medium and long term.

Construction began in 2023 and was completed within a year. The plant was commissioned in the summer of 2024.



A sustainable and responsible project, born out of a region undergoing reconstruction

This project is part of an innovative and sustainable approach, at the crossroads of local history and energy transition. Developed in partnership with the family that owns Château de Campet and the municipality of Campet-et-Lamolère, this power plant illustrates a new purpose for land devastated by Storm Klaus in 2009. Solar energy production on this 9.7-hectare site generates essential income for the maintenance and restoration of the château, an architectural and historical heritage site.

Partners committed to the future

“This power plant is much more than an energy project. It embodies our desire to preserve our family heritage while embracing modernity. After Storm Klaus ravaged our forest and our economic balance, we found a sustainable solution with Corsica Sole to preserve this place steeped in history” explains **Anne-Lorraine de Pins, owner of Château de Campet**. She continues: *“This investment in green energy contributes to the conservation of this iconic site and the future of our region.”*

For the municipality of Campet-et-Lamolère, this achievement symbolizes a new stage in its development. *“The inauguration of this photovoltaic power plant marks a turning point for our region. We are fully committed to the energy transition, while promoting our local resources in a responsible manner”* says **Emilie Labeyrie, Mayor of Campet-et-Lamolère**. *“This project shows how we can combine heritage preservation with local economic development.”*

“This project is a source of real pride for our teams. It embodies the essence of our commitment: combining technological innovation, energy transition, and respect for the region. The success of this project is based on the synergy between all the local players, and we would like to thank the de Pins family for their trust throughout this adventure.” adds **Romain Buisine, Regional Director at Corsica Sole**.

A unique energy partnership with the steel industry

The Campet-et-Lamolère power plant also represents a step forward in the energy transition with the signing of a Corporate Power Purchase Agreement (CPPA) between Corsica Sole and a leading steel manufacturer. This 20-year contract enables the company to secure its supply of renewable electricity while contributing to the decarbonization of its industrial activities.

“With this CPPA, we are opening up a new avenue for collaboration between renewable energy producers and industry. It should be noted that solar energy remains the cheapest of all energy sources to date” emphasizes **Anthony Bonello, Director of Operations at Corsica Sole**.

Concrete commitments to the environment and biodiversity

In addition to producing green energy, Corsica Sole has implemented rigorous environmental measures. A reforestation project offsets the 9.7 hectares of land used for the power plant by planting 10 hectares of forest in the Pyrenees. At the same time, continuous environmental monitoring is carried out to preserve the ecological balance of the site.

Jean-Marie Esquié, advisor to the Campet-et-Lamolère town hall, adds: *“This project perfectly embodies the synergy between energy transition, heritage preservation, and local development. Thanks to the involvement of local stakeholders, we are proud to see our community at the forefront of decarbonization.”*

A project rooted in local life: visits for schools and local residents

The Campet-et-Lamolère photovoltaic power plant is part of a genuine regional project, strengthening ties with the local community. In collaboration with the Geloux primary school, educational visits have been organized for fourth and fifth grade classes, allowing students to discover the challenges of energy transition and better understand how a solar power plant works. In addition, visits were also offered to local residents and associations, giving them the opportunity to learn more about the project and appreciate the benefits it brings to the community and the environment.



Cutting the ribbon at the power plant inauguration

About CORSICA

SOLE CORSICA SOLE is an independent solar energy producer and a leader in energy storage in Europe. The rapidly growing company currently has more than 125 MWp of photovoltaic power plants and more than 160 MWh of energy storage facilities in operation. It is developing a portfolio of solar projects totaling more than 3 GW. Corsica Sole is also expanding into the field of renewable hydrogen production. A specialist in island areas since 2009, Corsica Sole develops, builds, finances, and operates its own projects in France and Europe. Corsica Sole deploys its expertise to provide, through renewable energies and technological innovation, a relevant response to the energy transition to combat climate change.

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