

German firm to build SE Asia's top commercial solar park

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The first part of the park, in Ayutthaya, should be open by the end of July this year, providing one megawatt of energy, said Hamburg-based Conergy in a statement.

By the end of the year, the park should be completed, with a total power output of three megawatts.

When fully operational, the park will produce 4,500 megawatt hours of [electricity](#) per year, equivalent to 2,000 tonnes of [carbon dioxide](#).

However, the output is small compared to Germany, where the biggest solar park has a maximum output of 53 megawatts and can provide 15,000 families with electricity.

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