



RENEWABLE ENERGY

Wind Measurement Study



Wind Measurement Campaign of The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Background

- Conduct a Kingdom-wide wind measurement campaign to determine if wind energy is a feasible source of power in the Kingdom.
- Campaign based on a preliminary study conducted in 2010.
- Met masts are being installed at sites for a one year measurement study looking at wind conditions, additional infrastructure requirements and cost of electricity generation.
- Findings will be used for future wind farm development efforts.

Example of Wind Measurement Campaign at Qassim

- A 90m high mast has been installed at Qassim with sensors located at different elevations.



Tower construction



Sensors located on the towers and the record logger



Environmental Benefits



- Wind measurement is the first step toward wind farm deployment
- The Kingdom estimates potential wind power in the range of 7-9 GW
- Wildlife friendly

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