



# Solar photovoltaic panels for railways





## Overview

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Solar railways involve the strategic installation of photovoltaic (PV) panels along railway tracks to harness solar energy directly into the rail transport network. This approach reduces the carbon footprint of train operations and enhances the overall energy efficiency of the rail. Swiss startup Sun-Ways is testing removable solar panels installed on an operational railway line through a pilot project with French railway operator SNCF in Switzerland. From pv magazine France Sun-Ways, a Swiss startup developing PV systems for railway tracks, has signed a collaboration. “Our vision is to power railways with unsubsidised, direct-wire renewable generation whilst delivering significant social impact for line-side communities. A pilot project is currently under way in Buttes, Switzerland, and will run through 2028.



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### [Solar Railways: Pioneering Sustainable Solutions in Train Transport](#)

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### [SNCF Tests Removable Solar Panels on Swiss Railway Tracks](#)

A pilot project testing removable solar panels on an active railway line is now operational in Switzerland, according to a report from pv magazine France. Swiss startup Sun-Ways has signed ...

### **Riding Sunbeams**

But it has huge potential - from metros, trams and railways in the UK and around the world. After extensive feasibility work and research, we connected the first pilot solar panels to the railway in 2019.



### **Swiss Startup Stuns the World by Powering Trains With the First-Ever PV**

A Swiss startup has achieved a groundbreaking milestone by launching the world's first photovoltaic solar plant on railway tracks, promising to revolutionize renewable energy integration in ...



### Solar power on the tracks , SNCF Group

The world's first solar power plant on a working rail line We're joining forces with Swiss start-up Sun-Ways to explore how movable solar power generation equipment can be installed ...



### Swiss startup activates world's first PV solar plant on railway tracks

An international research team recently carried out a technical and economic assessment to evaluate the viability of installing PV systems between or alongside railway tracks for rural



### [French railway operator tests solar on train tracks - pv magazine](#)

Swiss startup Sun-Ways is testing removable solar panels installed on an operational railway line through a pilot project with French railway operator SNCF in Switzerland.

### Solar Railways: How Europe's Train Networks Are Harnessing the Sun's Power



By integrating photovoltaic panels along railway corridors and stations, these systems transform passive infrastructure into powerful energy generators, powering everything from train ...



### [Solar panels will be rolled onto Swiss railway tracks 'like a carpet'](#)

Solar panels are set to be rolled out "like carpet" on railway tracks in Switzerland in a world-first. Swiss start-up Sun-Ways has been given the green light for a three-year pilot project in



### [Revolutionary Solar Panels Installed on Swiss Railway Tracks](#)

Swiss startup Sun-Ways has launched the world's first removable photovoltaic (PV) solar plant installed directly on an active railway track in western Switzerland, with 48 solar panels set to ...





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