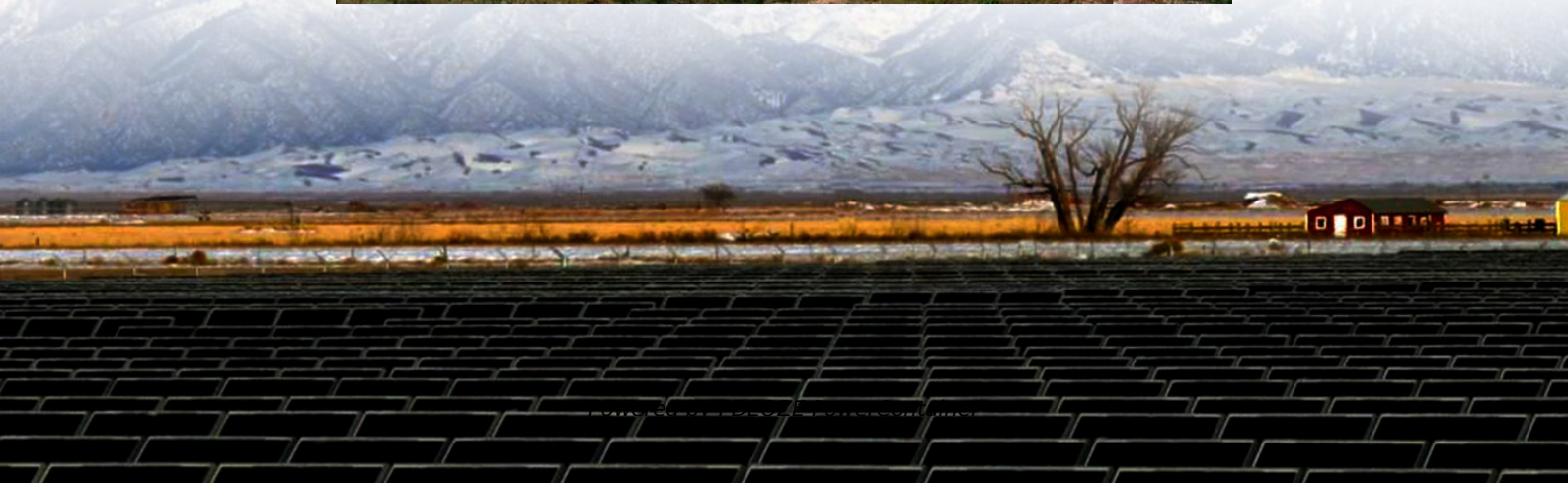


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Overview

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How can the DRC bridge the digital divide?

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The operator has struggled with the deployment of mobile sites in the country, as the majority of its base stations are dependent on diesel generators for power.

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For public administration and education services to be adopted at scale, they must first be available on existing 3G/4G networks until 5G reaches these populations. Otherwise, the risk ...

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Vodacom and Orange have joined hands to form, a first of its kind, rural towerco partnership in Africa. Through this partnership, the companies will collaborate to build, own, ...

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Expanding 3G/4G networks and the upcoming launch of commercial 5G services are expected to improve Vodacom's service quality and coverage, catering to the ever-growing demand for ...

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