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The Future of EV Charging in Ethiopia

The oil and energy authority in Ethiopia has announced that they are working on developing an electric vehicle charging system (EV-CHARGE) in the country. They have been holding discussions and preparing guidance systems with various stakeholders to get this system up and running soon.

The Deputy Director General of the Authority, Mr. Ahmed Said, met with stakeholders at the Haile Grand Hotel to discuss the guidelines for the upcoming electric vehicle charging system. He explained that Ethiopia is transitioning from fuel-powered vehicles to renewable-powered electric vehicles, and there are several activities underway to facilitate this transition.

In April 2024, the Ministry of Transport and Logistics disclosed that the number of imported and domestically assembled electric vehicles in Ethiopia had exceeded 100,000. To accommodate this escalating fleet of electric vehicles, the installation of 60 charging stations has been undertaken across various locations in Addis Ababa.

Mr. Ahmed stated that a directive has been developed in collaboration with the Ministry of Transport and Logistics, as well as other relevant stakeholders. The final draft of this directive has been discussed and is now awaiting approval from the Ministry of Trade and Regional Cooperation.

Once the Ministry approves the directive, it will be sent to the Ministry of Justice, and the EV-CHARGE system will then be put into operation. As the authority, they have issued these standards and laws, and they are doing what is expected of them to ensure that all the relevant parties comply with the requirements.

Overall, it seems that Ethiopia is making significant progress in transitioning to electric vehicles, and the development of the EV-CHARGE system is a crucial step in this process. The authority is working diligently with various stakeholders to ensure a smooth and successful implementation of this new system.

Ethiopia is facing significant costs due to its reliance on fuel imports, with annual expenditures exceeding \$6.4 billion. This has led the government to prioritize the transition to renewable energy sources, which will not only reduce the country's carbon footprint but also provide a cost-effective solution.

Last month, the Petroleum and Energy Authority of Ethiopia drafted a policy to use existing fuel stations for dual purposes. If approved, the fuel stations will have spots for charging EVs (Electric Vehicles) too. Instead of building separate stations for electric vehicles, the government intends to use existing fuel stations to charge EVs. [Read More](#)

The shift to renewable energy is a crucial step in Ethiopia's efforts to combat climate change. The



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country has a wealth of renewable energy options, making it an ideal candidate for this transition. This move will not only benefit the environment but also contribute to the overall development of the nation.

This year, the Ethiopian government disclosed its plan to introduce nearly half a million electric vehicles in 10 years as part of an ongoing transition to electric mobility.

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