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Greece inspects energy storage project



Overview

Does Greece have a battery storage subsidy program?

Greece's latest auction has awarded subsidies to 188.9 MW of standalone, front-of-the-meter, utility-scale battery energy storage. The auction was the third and final edition of a battery storage subsidy program launched in 2023, with the country now turning its focus towards a new 4.7 GW unsubsidized BESS scheme.

Why is Greece focusing on energy storage?

Greece has been actively focusing on energy storage since the emergence of the RES "boom" in 2020. The country recognised the pivotal role of energy storage in the energy transition and emphasised its importance in the first iteration of the country's National Energy and Climate Plan in 2019.

Will Greece install 900 MW of storage by 2030?

According to the Greek National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP), the nation aims to install 4.3 GW of storage by 2030. Thus far, 900 MW has been allocated via the Greek Regulatory Authority for Energy, Waste, and Water (RAAEY) tenders. Therefore, the remaining share would be delivered under the new plan but without any subsidy support.

Does Greece have a zero-subsidy battery system?

The much-awaited ministerial decree for zero-subsidy standalone battery systems has been published in Greece. So far, Greece has provided support to 900 MW of standalone storage projects under three previous auctions.

What does the European Commission say about energy storage?

The Commission adopted in March 2023 a list of recommendations to ensure greater deployment of energy storage, accompanied by a Staff Working Document, providing an outlook of the EU's current regulatory, market, and financing framework for storage and identifies barriers, opportunities and best

practices for its development and deployment.

How much power will Greece have by 2030?

The government now aims for 2.65 GW of battery projects on the transmission grid and a further 900 MW on the distribution grid. According to the Greek National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP), the nation aims to install 4.3 GW of storage by 2030.

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