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Latvia Coal-to-Electricity Energy Storage Project



Overview

What is the main source of renewable electricity in Latvia?

Hydroelectric power is the main source of renewable electricity in Latvia, followed by solar, wind and biomass cogeneration plants. In 2024, solar power in Latvia grew over 3.1 times to 6.7% of total electricity, becoming the third-largest source, while wind reached a record 38 GWh and hydropower, despite a 16% drop, still provided 54%.

What is Latvia's energy system?

Latvia's energy system is largely based on renewable resources, primarily hydropower from the Daugava River, supplemented by wind, solar, and biomass. While natural gas imports cover energy shortages, the country aims to increase wind and solar energy capacity, with significant progress already made in 2022.

Why are energy storage systems important in Latvia?

Energy storage systems are an essential element of Latvia's path towards a sustainable and energy-independent future. The importance of these technologies is being recognized and invested in by a growing number of companies and public institutions.

How can wind and solar power projects help Latvia?

Bringing wind and solar power projects online will also help reduce Latvia's dependence on natural gas imports and can contribute to lower electricity prices; current efforts to develop offshore wind will support this outcome.

Who is responsible for the energy transition in Latvia?

Local authorities are responsible for municipal energy supply and renewable energy projects, with Latvia's energy transition guided by the National Energy and Climate Plan and the Energy Strategy 2050.

Does Latvia have an electricity grid?

Synchronization of the Baltic states with the European electricity grids and desynchronization from the Russian unified energy system. The electricity grid in Latvia, however, is primarily managed by Sadales tīkls, the largest distribution system operator that serves 99% of the country's territory.

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