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Ukraine Energy Storage Solar Power Generation Project



Overview

The National Energy and Utilities Regulatory Commission of Ukraine (NEURC) has approved the connection of a 3.8 MW solar plant, integrated with a 6.9 MWh energy storage system, to the national grid. Can solar power plants help Ukrainian society?

“Solar power plants can help Ukrainian society,” Sokolovskyi says, by giving energy independence to private citizens and businesses. Moreover, support for critical infrastructure like hospitals, clinics and schools – the kind of work Semenyshyn’s Repower Ukraine does – often comes from PV and energy storage combined.

Why is Ukraine investing €140 million in energy storage?

The €140 million total investment aims to enhance power grid stability, bolstering Ukraine’s energy security and independence. The project will be the biggest operational energy storage portfolio in Eastern Europe at the time of commissioning.

How much solar power does Ukraine have in 2024?

Figures from the Solar Energy Association of Ukraine (SEAU) earlier this year showed that the country added around 850MW of solar PV capacity in 2024, the majority of which came from self-consumption systems installed by businesses. It’s “become a trend”, Semenyshyn says.

Why are Ukrainian businesses turning to self-consumption solar PV systems?

Following three years of bombardments and damage to its energy infrastructure, Ukrainian businesses are turning to self-consumption solar PV systems to keep the lights on.

How does the war in Ukraine affect PV & storage?

The ongoing war in Ukraine has been a catalyst for PV and storage deployment. Image: Oleg Ivanov via Unsplash. When the shelling gets worse,

sales of renewable energy systems increase; when it eases, demand subsides until the shelling starts again. “It’s pretty funny,” says Artem Semenyshyn, board member at RePower Ukraine Charitable Foundation.

Did Russia attack Ukraine's energy infrastructure in 2024?

Energy has been a major target for Russian drones and missiles throughout the war, with an intensification from the spring of 2024; at the time of writing, news broke overnight that Moscow had carried out a “massive” missile attack on Ukrainian energy infrastructure.

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