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Is Bulgaria relying on battery technology & energy storage?

A South African investor opened a battery factory in Rousse last year Bulgaria is relying heavilyon battery technology and energy storage overall in its energy transition. Belgian company ABEE launched a EUR 1.1 billion project in December for a battery plant, recycling facility and a research and development center.

What are Bulgaria's energy storage subsidies?

The subsidies are for battery systems required to be installed together with renewable electricity plants of at least 200 kW in capacity. Following a three-month delay, the Ministry of Energy of Bulgaria combined five planned procedures for grants for energy storage facilities into three and launched calls for two of them.

How much money does Bulgaria earmark for battery systems?

Bulgaria earmarked EUR 273 millionin subsidies for battery systems required to be installed together with renewable electricity plants.

The successful implementation of battery projects will significantly contribute to the security of the energy system in Bulgaria and the region." The public call was open for projects equal to or greater than 10 MW with at least two hours of storage capacity, which will be primarily used in the frequency regulation markets.

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In addition, this month Bulgaria"s decarbonisation efforts have taken an important leap forward with the conclusion of the country"s first renewable energy with co-located battery energy storage systems tender, which awarded grants to ...

The new legislation coupled with new financing by the European Union's RRF means that about 1,000 MWh of new battery capacity is expected to be connected to the grid within the next two years. That capacity will be used ...

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power segment, Bulgaria needs urgent grid upgrades alongside energy storage. Solar and wind power are intermittent - completely dependent on the weather.

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Presently, Bulgaria's installed battery storage capacity stands between 40 MWh and 50 MWh. However, a new national legislation as well as funds through the European Union's Recovery and Resilience Facility mean the country can install another 1 ...

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