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Cyprus 50GW energy storage project



Overview

Cyprus activates its first major battery energy storage system (BESS) to boost grid stability and integrate more renewable energy. Discover the project's impact. How many energy storage applications have been approved in Cyprus?

The Cyprus Energy Regulatory Authority (CERA) representatives reported establishing a regulatory framework for energy storage in 2019, followed by market rules approval in 2021. The Cyprus Transmission System Operator has received 13 storage applications totaling 224 megawatts capacity, with eight applications processed and five under review.

Why does Cyprus waste so much energy?

AKEL MP Costas Costa characterised Cyprus as “the only country in the world where thousands of megawatt-hours go unused due to lack of centralised green energy storage systems,” adding: “During the day we waste megawatt-hours because we lack storage, and at night we are one step away from blackouts.”

How many megawatts can a battery store in 2026?

The planned battery storage infrastructure, to be installed between 2026 and 2030, will have a total capacity of 160 megawatts with the capability to store renewable energy for 2-3 hours, Papanastasiou told the House Energy Committee.

Will a storage system be installed at Dhekelia Power Station?

Electricity Authority of Cyprus (EAC) Chairman George Petrou announced ongoing tender processes for installing storage systems at the Dhekelia power station, with company proposals expected by month-end. Industry representatives raised concerns about existing programs.

Should the European Union invest in hydrogen storage technology?

Renewable Energy Association President Fanos Karantonis advocated for

hydrogen storage technology investment, noting significant European Union funding in this direction, while the Cyprus Biogas Association highlighted that existing storage schemes focus exclusively on battery technology.

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