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Overview

Is there a future for energy storage in the Czech Republic?

Despite the ongoing discussions, there is no significant development in the area of energy storage. In 2015, the Czech Government adopted the National Action Plan for Smart Grids (“NAPSG”) prepared by the Ministry of Industry and Trade under principles set out in the update of the State Energy Concept, which was also introduced in 2015.

Is the Czech Republic ready for pumped-storage hydroelectric power plants?

Bulk energy storage is currently dominated by hydroelectric dams, both conventional as well as pumped. There are six localities considered for new pumped-storage hydroelectric power plants in the Czech Republic but public acceptance presents a challenge. Front-of-meter installations in the Czech Republic are mired in regulations.

Does the Czech government provide subsidies for electricity storage?

However, the Czech government provides subsidies to household projects consisting of photovoltaic panels with electricity storage systems. Batteries and thermal energy storage are the two most commonly used methods of electricity storage for households in the Czech Republic. 2.

Will a battery storage system help Czech companies achieve net zero?

The high penetration of renewable generation projects in the region could deliver a large amount of clean energy and really accelerate the journey to net zero, but at the moment Czech companies are not in a position to reap the full benefits of solar and other renewable energy sources. To do so, battery storage will be essential.

Why is Czech energy-accumulation so expensive?

According to the report, the main reason is the regulatory framework biased in favor of classical energy models. The Czech Republic is no exception. It is fair

to say that none of available energy-accumulation technology is perfect yet, and cost-effectiveness can be reached under specific conditions only.

Why are Czech businesses investing in renewable projects without subsidies?

The subsidy increases to cover up to 75% of costs for community projects. But what we noticed at Wattstor is that Czech businesses are investing in renewable projects even in the absence of subsidies, because they have realised the strong business case for generating clean energy on site.

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