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Overview

How will Lithuania support energy storage projects?

Image: Energy Cells via LinkedIn. Lithuania can move ahead with a scheme to provide €180 million (US\$200 million) in grants to energy storage projects after it was approved by the EU. The programme will provide direct grants for the construction of the projects, with a target to support at least 1.2GWh of energy storage projects.

Will EU grant a battery storage project in Lithuania?

European Commission delegation visiting a Fluence battery storage project in Lithuania. Image: Energy Cells via LinkedIn. Lithuania can move ahead with a scheme to provide €180 million (US\$200 million) in grants to energy storage projects after it was approved by the EU.

Why is Lithuania launching a major energy storage procurement exercise?

Only a day before cutting ties with the Russian power grid, the Baltic state announced the launch of a major energy storage procurement exercise. Lithuania has announced a EUR 102 million (\$ 105 million) energy storage tender in a bid to procure balancing services to the transmission system operator and ensure the resilience of its grid.

Which power plant provides energy storage in Lithuania?

Kruonis Pumped Storage Plant provides energy storage, averaging electrical demand throughout the day. The pumped storage plant has a capacity of 900 MW (4 units, 225 MW each). Kaunas Hydroelectric Power Plant has 100 MW of capacity and supplies about 3% of the electrical demand in Lithuania.

Will Lithuania install 800 MWh of energy storage facilities?

In the procurement exercise, Lithuania is seeking to install at least 800 MWh of energy storage facilities, which will be directly connected to the transmission network by the end of 2028.

Does energy security affect Lithuania's energy strategy?

With virtually no primary energy resources of its own, Lithuania progressed from a pro-nuclear to a renewable national energy strategy in just one decade. Based on the revised Copenhagen Securitization School, this article analyses energy security perceptions as a factor that determines the recent turn in Lithuanian energy strategy.

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