

# Guidelines for the development of energy storage in Poland

Will energy storage facilities improve the stability of Poland's electricity grid?

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#### What is the new electricity storage law in Poland?

It also ensures a tariff framework for storage that is non-discriminatory and cost-reflective. With these measures, the amended law removes regulatory barriers to the development of electricity storage in Poland. The reform entered into force in 2021. More information can be found on the webpage of the Ministry Climate and Environment here.

### When will the energy storage scheme be launched in Poland?

Call for applications under the Scheme "Energy storage facilities and related infrastructure for improving the stability of the Polish electricity grid" will be launched already this year. Subsidy contracts are to be entered into by the end of 2025, while the period for spending the funds ends with 2028.

### Will Poland have a power storage system?

The project has obtained the first license promise in Poland for electricity storage, PGE said in a press release. The storage system will be set up at the 716-MW Zarnowiec pumped-storage power plant with 3,600 MWh of storage capacity. The hybrid system will be capable of supplying power to about 200,000 households for at least five hours.

### Is electricity storage a hot topic in Poland?

Despite the fact that electricity storage is becoming a "hot topic" in Poland, it is still quite a new subject here. Thus, projects planned for the coming years are still at an early stage of development. One of them is the new research programme commenced by the Polish Gas Company.

#### Is Moty a priority project for pumped-storage energy in Poland?

Since the Report indicates Mloty as a priority projectfor the development of pumped-storage energy in Poland, the paper mentions the more than fifty-year history of the construction of this power plant, suspended or revived in the rhythm of political and social turns.

The European Commission has approved a EUR1.2 billion Polish scheme to support investment into electricity storage facilities to help reduce the reliance of the Polish electricity system on fossil fuels and to facilitate the smooth integration of variable-generation renewable energy into the national electricity system.

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raises with respect to the environment and unemployment. Innovative technology is needed to overcome the problems that arise and could simultaneously make use of abandoned mine infrastructure. The increased electricity generation coming from ...

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Despite the positive developments, a dark cloud is still hanging over Poland's energy future. Poland is one of just three EU Member States that have not submitted a draft National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs), due last year in June 2023. For years, experts have been calling for an update of the NECP and Poland's Energy Policy until 2040 ...

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One of the largest barriers has been the lack of policy development and slow implementation of the Clean Energy Package to open ancillary services to market structures that would drive the development of storage. As a result, current capacity is dominated by pilot projects with strong network operator involvement. This is particularly highlighted by Lithuania, ...

Europe is currently facing the potentially biggest energy crisis in history. There are many reasons for this, and the current geopolitical situation makes it clear that we are being forced to take immediate action to ensure sufficient energy supplies to consumers. Until recently, the European Union was dependent on Russian energy resources (mainly oil and gas). For ...

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