

# Prospects of compressed air energy storage projects

What is compressed air energy storage?

Compressed air energy storage (CAES) is a promising energy storage technology due to its cleanness, high efficiency, low cost, and long service life. This paper surveys state-of-the-art technologies of CAES, and makes endeavors to demonstrate the fundamental principles, classifications and operation modes of CAES.

What is energy storage & why is it important?

Energy storage (ES) plays a key role in the energy transition to low-carbon economies due to the rising use of intermittent renewable energy in electrical grids. Among the different ES technologies, compressed air energy storage (CAES) can store tens to hundreds of MW of power capacity for long-term applications and utility-scale.

Is CAES a good energy storage technology?

As a large-scale energy storage technology, CAES has the advantages of large storage capacity, long operation life, non-pollution and so on, and it has a wide application prospects. But the energy storage efficiency, system cost and other factors put a brake on the further development of CAES.

When was compressed air first used?

Starting in 1896, Paris used compressed air to power homes and industry. Beginning in 1978 with the first utility-scale diabatic CAES project in Huntorf, Germany, CAES has been the subject of ongoing exploration and development for grid applications. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has a history of supporting CAES development.

What are the benefits of a liquid air storage system?

The LAES system uses liquid air as the storage medium, greatly increasing the energy storage capacity and reducing the air storage space and storage cost. Therefore, LAES technique has the potential of massive promotion and application. Air storage subsystems of some typical CAES plants are illustrated in Table 2.

Is a photovoltaic plant integrated with a compressed air energy storage system?

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The development process, working principles, research statuses and challenges of compressed air energy storage systems in different forms are comprehensively expounded, ...

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