

Finland's diversified power storage

What is the future of energy storage in Finland?

Reserve markets are currently driving the demand for energy storage systems. Legislative changes have improved prospects for some energy storages. Mainly battery storage and thermal energy storages have been deployed so far. The share of renewable energy sources is growing rapidly in Finland.

Which energy storage technologies are being commissioned in Finland?

Currently, utility-scale energy storage technologies that have been commissioned in Finland are limited to BESS (lithium-ion batteries) and TES, mainly TTES and Cavern Thermal Energy Storages (CTES) connected to DH systems.

Is this Finland's largest battery energy storage system?

Swedish flexible assets developer and optimizer Ingrid Capacity has joined hands with SEB Nordic Energy's portfolio company Locus Energy to develop what is claimed to be Finland's largest and one of the Nordics' largest battery energy storage systems (BESS). The 70 MW/140 MWh BESS project will be located in Nivala, northern Finland.

Is energy storage a viable solution for the Finnish energy system?

This development forebodes a significant transition in the Finnish energy system, requiring new flexibility mechanisms to cope with this large share of generation from variable renewable energy sources. Energy storage is one solution that can provide this flexibility and is therefore expected to grow.

Is energy storage the future of wind power generation in Finland?

Wind power generation is estimated to grow substantially in the future in Finland. Energy storage may provide the flexibility needed in the energy transition. Reserve markets are currently driving the demand for energy storage systems. Legislative changes have improved prospects for some energy storages.

Is energy storage legal in Finland?

Like the energy storage market, legislation related to energy storage is still developing in Finland. The two are intertwined as who is allowed to own and operate energy storages will define the business models of the storages. A major barrier to the implementation of ESS was removed when the issue of double taxation was solved.

With an installed capacity of 30 MW / 36 MWh, the project marks a major milestone and will play a vital role in strengthening Finland's evolving renewable energy infrastructure. Designed to ...

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