

Could battery storage be a game-changer for Egypt's energy sector?

The integration of battery storage with solar PV is a game-changer for Egypt's energy sector, providing reliable and dispatchable renewable energy and reducing reliance on fossil fuels. It not only meets Egypt's current energy needs but also sets a precedent for future dispatchable hybrid renewable energy projects in the region."

How does solar power work in Egypt?

It takes Egypt's green energy transition to another level by harnessing the power of the sun, not just during the day but also at night, thanks to the combination of solar and battery storage. The project addresses the growing demand for electricity and reduces the need to import expensive fossil fuels.

Does Scatec have a solar project in Egypt?

In a separate announcement, Norway's Scatec said it had signed a 25-year PPA with Egyptian Electricity Transmission Co. (EETC) for a 1 GW solar and 100 MW/200 MWh battery storage hybrid project in Egypt. "This will be the first hybrid solar and battery project in Egypt," said Scatec CEO Terje Pilskog.

What is a large-scale energy storage project?

The project aims at providing the scientific, technological and policy basis required for the development and implementation of large-scale energy storage in Egypt, enabling increased penetration of renewable energy sources in the Egyptian energy system.

Which solar projects are being built in Egypt?

The first project involves a 1 GW solar plant with a 600 MWh BESS in the Benban area. The second project is a 300 MWh BESS at the site of Amea Power's 500 MW Abydos solar array, which is currently under construction. Both projects are in Egypt's Aswan governorate.

What is AMEA power doing in Egypt?

Amea Power, based in Dubai, is developing two large-scale renewable projects in Egypt after securing two PPAs with Egyptian Electricity Transmission Co. The first project involves a 1 GW solar plant with a 600 MWh BESS in the Benban area.

On completion, it will be the first integrated solar photovoltaic and battery storage project of this scale in Egypt, and a significant milestone in the country's energy transition.

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