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Can new data centres connect to Ireland's Electricity Grid?

Photograph: Getty Images/iStockPhoto New data centres will only be able to connect to Ireland's electricity grid if they also generate and supply power to homes and businesses, the regulator that oversees the energy industry has ruled.

Will Ireland's First fuel cell-powered data center rely on the grid?

An Irish-South Korean consortium, however, is trying a different approach by building Europe's first fuel cell-powered data center -- with no reliance on the grid -- in County Offaly. The partnership between Irish Lumclon Energy and South Korean SK Ecoplant, will use solid oxide fuel cells to power the data center.

How good is Ireland's energy storage strategy?

Smith pointed out that Ireland's energy storage strategy, published in 2024, was "quite positive." A lot of high-level plans and a technology agnostic outlook. "Unfortunately, we haven't seen a lot of progress on those actions which is a problem we are trying to address," said Smith.

What is Ireland's energy storage framework?

The framework recognises that the energy storage landscape is rapidly evolving. While Ireland currently relies primarily on battery storage and the Turlough Hill Power Station in County Wicklow, new technologies are emerging that could play a key role in the future.

Under the current Enduring Connection Policy (ECP), electricity storage projects need to secure planning permission before applying for a grid connection. The framework advocates for ...

Energy Storage Ireland urges EirGrid to deliver Ireland's 500 MW storage target by 2030, boosting renewable energy, lowering electricity costs, and improving energy security.

"The fundamentals for storage are really strong in Ireland, because we're a relatively isolated system on the periphery of Europe. As we get to 2030 and Ireland starts building lots of ...

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Last year, a local council in Dublin refused a Google data center development, citing "insufficient (grid) capacity" and a "lack of significant on-site renewable energy";

New wholesale electricity market rules have been introduced in Ireland, designed to allow battery storage assets to participate directly. From 11 November, the Scheduling and Dispatch ...

Ireland has lifted a de facto ban on connecting new data centers to the electricity grid around Dublin -- a move that gives the industry long-awaited clarity on the requirements for building ...

Ireland's data centre market is in danger of stalling over a grid connection moratorium but new proposals could unlock some new schemes outside Dublin.

In Ireland, data centers are straining the electric grid to the brink of blackout threats. These dire warnings by EirGrid, the Irish electric grid operator, ushered in a 2022 ban on new ...

Deployment of battery storage will be capable of responding in milliseconds to frequency changes, importing or exporting electricity from the grid as needed, and helping efficiently stabilise the grid, ...

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