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What is the energy storage capacity in Portugal?

Energy storage installed capacity in Portugal is still predominantly based on hydropower pumping, which is today over 3 GW, and will increase to 4,164 GW when the Alto- Tâmega dam is completed this year. However, this paradigm is about to shift with the democratization of energy storage solutions with wind and solar production.

Why is storage important for the energy transition in Portugal?

With 21 318 GWh of electricity generated in Portugal between January and June 2022 - 57% of which of renewable origin - storage will be decisive for the much-desired energy transition for two major reasons. On one hand, storage will offset the intermittent generation of renewable energy.

Should energy storage be democratised in Portugal?

Energy storage is therefore essential if EU targets are to be met. Portugal's installed energy storage capacity is still predominantly based on hydro pumping, which currently stands at 4,164 GW year. However, this paradigm is about to change with the democratisation of energy storage solutions through wind and solar production.

Can storage replace thermal generation in Portugal?

The pursuit of economic viability by storage facility owners will inherently lead to charging during low-cost hours and discharging during hours that are more economically attractive. Storage can replace thermal generation in constraint markets, easing the grid and supporting Portugal's 2040 phase-out target.

Portugal's battery storage boom steadies prices, slashes blackouts and opens tech roles. Discover how new policies could reshape your power bill.

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This article briefly analyses the Portuguese regulatory framework for utility-scale energy storage technologies, in order to highlight the strategies that have been followed.

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Storage can increase self-consumption during non-solar hours, aligned with Portugal's 2030 goals (5,7GW). The seasonality of consumption in certain locations in Portugal, such as Algarve, combined ...

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Portugal will launch a competitive tender for 750 MVA of battery energy storage before January 2026, as part of a broader EUR400 million package aimed at improving grid reliability and ...

Nestled in the rugged hills of northern Portugal, the Porto Novo Pumped Storage Power Station stands as a marvel of modern energy engineering. Located near the Douro River basin, this ...

Portugal's government has announced the outcome of an energy storage tender that will see the installation of 500 MW of energy storage capacity to support the country's energy transition.

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