

The difference between Oman's new energy and energy storage





Overview

How will Oman's new energy policy affect energy storage?

MUSCAT: A new policy framework unveiled by Oman's Ministry of Energy and Minerals last week is expected to lend new impetus to the growth of integrated renewable energy capacity, encompassing not only generation and transmission, but crucially, energy storage as well.

How has Oman restructured its energy sector?

In 2018, Oman restructured its utilities sector, making the Ministry of Oil & Gas (MOG) the main policymaker for all energy projects, and the MOG has also led on the implementation of several renewable energy projects.

Does Oman need energy storage?

Acknowledging the "absence" of energy storage technologies in Oman, notably because of the "high-costs" involved, the new policy nevertheless seeks to enable the deployment of economically feasible battery storage infrastructure and for these attendant costs to be recouped from large consumers benefitting from such investments.

Can Oman generate 30% of its electricity from renewables?

Oman has embarked on many projects in line with its goal to generate 30% of its electricity from renewables. These projects include a wind farm in Dhofar; two solar IPPs in Manah; 11 solar-diesel hybrid facilities; and the 'Sahim' initiative to install small-scale solar panels on residential and commercial buildings, among others.



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