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United Arab Emirates purchases mobile energy storage power



Overview

On January 17, CATL and Masdar, the United Arab Emirates' clean energy powerhouse, announced a partnership for the world's first large-scale 'round the clock' giga-scale project, combining solar power and battery storage in Abu Dhabi. Why are Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates using battery storage systems?

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are taking advantage of falling prices to load up on Chinese-made battery energy storage systems, so they can boost their renewable energy ambitions. Battery storage systems are seen as crucial to integrating solar and wind energy into electrical grids.

Which country is building the world's largest solar and battery storage project?

The United Arab Emirates is building the world's largest solar and battery storage project that will dispatch clean energy 24/7.

What is a 'gigascale' solar & battery project in Abu Dhabi?

Meanwhile, the UAE has launched a "gigascale" solar and battery project in Abu Dhabi, which is planned to provide baseload energy 24 hours a day. The plant will have a 19GWh battery storage system, and is a partnership between utility Emirates Water and Electricity Company and renewables group Masdar.

Who is investing in Abu Dhabi's solar & battery project?

Meanwhile, technology for Abu Dhabi's round-the-clock solar and battery project will be provided by Chinese battery maker CATL, whose listing in Hong Kong in May was the world's biggest so far this year. Kuwait's sovereign wealth fund was among the cornerstone investors.

What is the largest combined solar and battery energy storage system?

Once it's online, will become the largest combined solar and battery energy storage system (BESS) in the world. Located in Abu Dhabi, the project will feature a 5.2 GW solar PV plant coupled with a 19 gigawatt-hour (GWh) BESS.

His Excellency Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, minister of industry and advanced technology and chairman of Masdar, said:.

Will Saudi Arabia have the world's fifth-largest battery storage capacity?

According to the consultancy, Saudi Arabia plans to have the world's fifth-largest utility-scale battery storage capacity, after China, the US, Australia and the UK. A solar facility in Neom, Saudi Arabia, which is planning the world's fifth-biggest battery storage system © Alamy

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