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What are the Belgian site energy BESS projects



Overview

Brussels (Brussels Morning) – ENGIE is constructing a massive Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in Vilvoorde, Belgium, with 200 MW capacity and 800 MWh storage, aiming to support 96,000 households with renewable energy solutions. Is ENGIE generating a Bess project in Belgium?

ENGIE is also generating two other BESS projects in Belgium which already have credentials in place, a 100-MW/400-MWh scheme in Kallo and an 80-MW/320-MWh battery in Drogenbos. The firm targets 10 GW of battery capability globally by 2030. At the end of 2023, it contained 1.3 GW of battery capacity in function and 3.6 GW secured under development.

What's going on with the Bess project in Belgium?

Groundbreaking on the BESS project. Image: Luminus. Infrastructure investor I4B and utility Luminus have closed the financing and launched construction on a 150MW/600MWh BESS project in Belgium.

What is ENGIE's Vilvoorde Bess project?

ENGIE has started building one of Europe's largest Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) at its Vilvoorde place in Belgium. The project, authorised in July 2023 and selected for power remuneration in October 2023, has an inaugurated capacity of 200 MW on a 3.5-hectare site. What are the specifications of ENGIE's Vilvoorde BESS project?

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Is Belgium a big market for energy storage?

Belgium is one of Europe's most developed markets for large-scale energy storage, with grid-scale lithium-ion BESS projects being deployed starting in 2020/21. 2025 has seen the start of construction on a 440MWh project from owners BStor and Energy Solutions Group and a 400MWh from utility and power generation firm Engie.

What does Bess stand for?

French electric utility ENGIE SA has undertaken construction of a 200-MW/800-MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) at its Vilvoorde site on the outskirts of Brussels in Belgium.

Where is a Bess gas plant based?

That site is based at an Engie gas plant and the French utility is also developing an 80 MW/320 MWh BESS in Drogenbos, in Belgium's Flemish region. This content is protected by copyright and may not be reused.

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