

Will 2023 be the Year for ancillary services in Poland?

In line with the EU directives, 2023 might be the year when BESS will finally be able to access the ancillary services market in Poland. This is the key reform to prepare for accession to pan-European PICASSO and MARI platforms where balancing products will be procured, and energy storage projects become active market participants.

What is ancillary services in Poland?

Ancillary services form an auxiliary market, which enables a competitive operation of the basic market, which is the electricity market. The market of ancillary services in Poland is developing slowly. The main organizational effort is aimed at introducing competition mechanisms in the electricity market.

Are battery energy storage systems available in Poland?

A few battery energy storage systems are already present in the Polish electricity market. Nevertheless, these prototype facilities are mainly focusing on R&D for bigger investments in the future.

Do energy storage systems provide ancillary services?

However, the intermittent nature of renewable energy requires the support of energy storage systems (ESS) to provide ancillary services and save excess energy for use at a later time. ESS policies have been proposed in some countries to support the renewable energy integration and grid stability.

Which energy storage projects are being developed in Poland?

BESS projects announced, in construction and commissioned. Currently, the largest amount of installed capacity in energy storage in Poland is in pumped hydro storage plants (1,767.6 MW). However, the development potential lies primarily in the emerging battery energy storage.

Does Poland need a Register of installed energy storage facilities?

According to the new regulations, a register of installed electrical energy storage facilities will be established in Poland. However, the purpose of the electricity storage register regulation is to harmonize the form of transmission of information on energy storage.



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