

Is Switzerland able to store energy?

The global challenge is not only to produce more energy from renewable sources, but also to be able to store it. With its hydroelectric power plants in the Alps and innovative projects, Switzerland is contributing to the search for solutions for the efficient, long-term storage of electricity.

Which energy storage projects have been commissioned in Switzerland?

Axpo commissioned its BESS in February this year while utility Thurplus commissioned a 3MW system in September last year. But Switzerland was the location for one of the largest energy storage projects commissioned in recent years, a 20GWh pumped hydro energy storage (PHES) unit which started operations in June 2022 in the Canton of Valais.

How does Switzerland contribute to the future of electricity storage?

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What is the energy storage capacity in Germany?

The light blue field indicates the storage capacity in Germany in pumped hydro (40 GWh, 7 GW), which represents 95 % of total energy storage today [den10], and is totally inadequate for the quantity of energy which will need to be stored (area under the purple curve).

Will Switzerland become Europe's 'electricity battery'?

As the Alpine glaciers slowly melt away, Switzerland will have the opportunity to build new dams and artificial lakes in the mountains. This will increase energy storage capacity in the Alps, strengthening Switzerland's role as Europe's "electricity battery".

How does Swiss Energy Vault work?

The Swiss start-up Energy Vault follows the same principle as pumping and turbines. But instead of water, it uses concrete blocks. When there is a surplus of green electricity, these "bricks" are hoisted on top of each other to form a 120-metre tower. They are then "dropped" using gravity to generate electricity.

Electrical Energy Storage, EES, is one of the key technologies in the areas covered by the IEC. EES techniques have shown unique capabilities in coping with some critical characteristics of electricity, for example hourly variations in demand and price. In the near future EES will become indispensable in emerging IEC-relevant markets in

Switzerland based ReVolt Technology, a spin-off from Norway's SINTEF, is developing rechargeable zinc-air batteries and wants \$30million in grants from the US Department of Energy to accelerate their

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Swistor is developing a novel energy storage solution to complement or replace rechargeable batteries, based on a carbon nanotube (CNT) supercapacitor. In contrast to batteries and most hybrid supercapacitors, our technology is environmentally friendly, exhibits fast charging (10 to 100x faster than traditional batteries), extended service life ...

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The Swiss Competence Center for Energy Research (SCCER) "Heat and Electricity Storage" (HaE) was one of eight centers, which have been established in the research fields of mobility, efficiency, power supply, grids, biomass, as well as economy and environment in light of the Swiss Government's Energy Strategy 2050.

A successful, and no less performant mechanical storage has been developed in Switzerland since 2017, by the start-up Energy Vault. It uses electricity to lift (recycled) composite blocks (of over 30 tonnes, piled like Lego bricks) with a 120-metre high crane which would lower them and therefore release kinetic energy when required.

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