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Overview

Is German battery storage a good investment?

German Battery Storage on a Ri. High and further increasing volatility of power prices due to the expansion of renewables on the one hand and significantly decreasing prices for battery cells in recent years on the other hand have led to a highly attractive market environment for battery storage (BESS) projects in Germany.

Why do we need energy storage systems in Germany?

Increasing the share of renewables poses new challenges: Excess energy produced during off-peak hours needs to be stored and made available when needed. Since energy storage systems (ESS) can balance supply and demand, they are an essential part of Germany’s energy transition. In line with this, the market for ESS is constantly growing.

What happens if the price of electricity goes down in Germany?

In Germany, the price of electricity can drift into negative territory creating a situation in which power suppliers – namely marketers of renewable power or conventional power stations like nuclear and lignite plants – have to pay for the excess power to be taken off their hands. (Unlike consumer goods, electricity can’t simply be destroyed.).

Why is Germany a good exporter of electricity?

The Alpine republic is flush with pumped storage power plants and is therefore well placed to absorb surplus (and thus less costly) electricity. In this way, Germany contributed directly to the lower electricity prices of its neighboring countries. In fact, last year Germany produced so much “extra energy” that it was a net exporter.

Why is there surplus power in Germany?

The reason there can be surplus power in the system is manifold – and not

exclusively the fault of renewables, as it is often posed. For one, over the past two decades there’s been a steep increase in the renewable energy in Germany’s power system. It now covers 47% of consumption, an all-time high.

How many home storage units are there in Germany?

In 2020, more than 100,000 home storage units were implemented across Germany, bringing the total number to 300,000. In 2018, photovoltaic (PV) and energy-storage for households reached grid-parity: storing PV energy with batteries became cheaper than the price from the public power network.

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