

## **SolarTech Power Solutions**

# **Chilean energy storage solar engineering company**



## Overview

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Why is energy storage important in Chile?

Image: Greenergy Grid constraints have prevented Chile from maximising the potential of its world-class solar resources. Energy storage has, therefore, become a necessity to ensure the financial viability of PV projects, writes Jonathan Tourino Jacobo.

How can technology help develop solar and storage projects in Chile?

Several technological innovation can help develop solar and storage projects in Chile. This includes AI, smart grids, and energy storage innovations. Chile generates over 60% of its electricity from renewable sources, with the Atacama Desert hosting some of the world's most powerful solar farms.

Is Chile ready for a standalone energy storage project?

This project alone nears the capacity (13GWh) the Chilean Ministry of Energy sought in a public land bidding auction for standalone energy storage projects in May of 2024. Chile has been one of the countries at the forefront of the renewable energy transition in Latin America, first with solar PV and now with BESS.

Why is Chile pursuing energy storage in Antofagasta?

Chilean president Gabriel Boric (centre) at the inauguration of an energy storage plant in the northern region of Antofagasta in April 2024. Chile has strong conditions for wind and solar energy, and is pursuing storage to help overcome intermittent supply (Image: Ximena Navarro / Dirección de Prensa, Presidencia de la República de Chile).

Will Zelestra develop solar and storage projects in Chile?

Zelestra will develop a 220 MWp of solar Photovoltaic and 1 GWh of energy storage capacity in Chile. Solar and storage projects are crucial in Chile's decarbonization goals for enhanced security, grid stability, and efficient

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How can solar energy and storage improve grid stability in Chile?

Integrating solar energy and storage technologies is crucial for addressing the intermittency and grid stability in Chile. Key projects include Cerro Dominador, solar and PV hybrid, Zelestra's 220 MW solar and 1 GWh battery project, and AES Andes solar and battery storage hub.

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