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# **Solar energy storage and integrated energy storage in Azerbaijan**



## Overview

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Does Azerbaijan need a battery energy storage system?

The efficient operation of renewable energy facilities, with their inherently intermittent power flows, is impossible without implementing a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in Azerbaijan.

Will Azerbaijan develop its first industrial-scale battery energy storage system?

He also highlighted that efforts are ongoing to select a company to develop Azerbaijan's first industrial-scale Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). In September of this year, Azerenergy announced a new tender for the development of a 250 MW Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project, slated for completion by 2027.

Is China a key partner in Azerbaijan's adoption of battery energy storage systems?

China is poised to become a key partner in Azerbaijan's adoption of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) and other advanced energy technologies. During COP29, Azerbaijan's Ministry of Energy signed a Memorandum of Understanding with China Southern Power Grid International (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd and Powerchina Huadong Engineering Corporation Limited.

Are solar energy trends relevant for Azerbaijan?

These trends are highly relevant for Azerbaijan, and during the COP29 climate conference, the Baku International Sea Trade Port (BISTP) and Malaysia's Tiza Green Energy (a subsidiary of Citaglobal) launched the country's first project integrating solar energy with a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).

What is Azerbaijan's energy regulatory system?

Currently, Azerbaijan's energy regulatory system relies primarily on large-scale gas-fired power plants, which provide stable output unaffected by

weather conditions or climate variability.

Does Azerbaijan have solar power?

As Azerbaijan is relatively sunny, it has excellent solar power potential. According to the Ministry of Energy, technical potential is around 23 000 MW. The country's 2 400 to 3 200 sunshine hours annually compare well internationally, as does its solar intensity, estimated at 1 500 to 2 000 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>.

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