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# Ankara promotes companies with energy storage systems





#### **Overview**

Is Turkey establishing a market for large-scale energy storage?

The latest announcement is a big step towards establishing a market for large-scale energy storage in the country, Energy-Storage.news heard from Korkut Öztürkmen, board member at Aksa Energy, one of Turkey's largest independent power producers (IPPs).

Where does Türkiye invest in energy storage?

Global energy storage investments have surpassed 150 GWh. Türkiye has already begun installations in Hungary, Bulgaria, and Spain, leveraging its geographic advantage close to Europe. Tokcan highlighted the importance of local expertise in manufacturing, system management, and maintenance to avoid dependency on foreign firms.

Can Türkiye become a regional hub for battery technology?

"We believe Türkiye can become a regional hub for battery technology, and our government is committed to making this a reality," Tokcan said. These efforts will position Türkiye as a leader in energy storage innovation, fostering collaboration and supporting renewable energy goals.

Why is Aksa energy launching a storage initiative?

According to the Aksa Energy board member, the storage initiative has been opened to support the development of renewable energy first and foremost. Renewable energy capacity has been tendered for in auctions to receive feedin tariffs (FiTs) but in recent rounds the prices have been too low to enable projects to be realised.

How big is Türkiye's energy storage capacity?

Türkiye's 35 GWh storage capacity accounts for grid-scale projects alone. Global energy storage investments have surpassed 150 GWh. Türkiye has already begun installations in Hungary, Bulgaria, and Spain, leveraging its



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Should energy companies be allowed to invest in energy storage?

The pre-licensing comes after key regulatory changes including an EMRA ruling in 2021 that energy companies should be allowed to invest in energy storage. Last year, energy laws were adapted to allow power producers to develop new renewables projects on the congested Turkish grid, if paired with energy storage.



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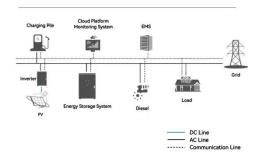
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