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# **Estonia s distributed energy storage advantages**







#### **Overview**

Where is Estonia's largest battery storage facility located?

The flagship battery storage project commenced operations on February 1, only days before cutting ties with the Russian power grid. Estonian state-owned energy company Eesti Energia has inaugurated the nation's largest battery energy storage facility at the Auvere industrial complex in Ida-Viru County.

Why did Lithuania announce 800 MWh energy storage tender?

In similar moves, only a day before it began to unplug from Russia's electricity grid and join the EU's network, Lithuania announced 800 MWh energy storage tender to the tune of EUR 102 million (\$ 105 million) with the goal to procure balancing services to the transmission system operator and ensure the resilience of its grid.

What is Estonia's Auvere Bess project?

Estonia's Auvere BESS project is designed to participate in both the electricity exchange and other energy markets to ensure the security of electricity supply. According to Eesti Energia board member Kristjan Kuhi, the battery is able to respond very effectively to fluctuations in the power system.

How does Eesti Energia's battery work?

According to Eesti Energia board member Kristjan Kuhi, the battery is able to respond very effectively to fluctuations in the power system. "This modern capacity significantly reduces the costs of balancing the Baltic electricity system and thus the end price for the consumer," Kuhi said.

How much does a Baltic electricity system cost?

The 26.5 MW/53.1 MWh system was developed to boost the stability of the regional electricity grid and mitigate high peak electricity prices for consumers. The project, which came with a price tag of €19.6 million, was



commissioned on February 1 only a few days before the desynchronization of the Baltic electricity system from the Russian grid.

Why did Latvia start a battery storage project in 2024?

Previously, in November 2024, Latvia activated its first utility-scale battery storage project in preparation for the decoupling from Russian grid. The 10 MW/20 MWh BESS was added a to its 58.8 MW Targale Wind Park, which has been operating since 2022, and supplied by Chinese company Hoymiles.



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