



National infrastructure for storage of electricity from renewable sources

Grant amount: 50 % of the eligible costs, but not more than BGN 148 million and up to BGN 317 thousand for 1 MWh usable energy storage capacity.

Eligible projects: To envisage the construction of an electrical energy storage facility with a guaranteed (useful) capacity for storage duration of at least 2 hours and a **nominal alternating current power (AC power) of at least 10 MW**.

Projects must have the following stage of readiness at the time of submission of the application:

- Valid Statement of Affiliation;
- A valid preliminary contract for connection or a current contract for connection with ESO EAD, from which it is clear that the deadline for connecting the electric energy storage facility is no later than 31 March, 2026;
- To have a conceptual project prepared (if the project is not ready at the time of application) or a technical/working project (for projects in full project readiness).

Eligible applicants: Micro, small, medium and large enterprises registered under the Commercial Law, which have, independently or through their shareholder(s)/partner(s), equity capital of:

- BGN 6 million for project proposals for the construction of a storage facility with a planned capacity ≥ 20 MWh and ≤ 50 MWh;
- BGN 10 million for project proposals for the construction of a storage facility with a planned capacity > 50 MWh.

The candidate should have engaged a technical project manager (natural or legal person) who has worked on a project with similar parameters.

Upon submitting the application, the applicant must provide a bank guarantee of 3 % of the grant funding to ensure that it will sign a grant agreement with the Ministry of Energy upon approval. When signing the grant agreement, a bank guarantee for good performance in the amount of 10 % of the approved grant must be provided.

Eligible costs for construction of an electricity storage facility:

- Costs for acquisition of tangible fixed assets;
- Costs for acquisition of intangible fixed assets;
- Costs for construction and installation works;
- Costs for services of an engineering and technical nature in relation to design;
- Costs for construction of connection facilities and connection to the electricity transmission network;
- Administrative costs for state and municipal fees in connection with registration, licensing and permission regimes.

Ranking of projects: based on the requested grant per 1 MWh of usable electrical energy storage capacity, as proposals are ranked in ascending order of the requested grant per unit of usable electrical energy storage capacity.

Duration of project implementation: till 31.03.2026

Expected deadline for announcing the procedure: September 2024

The presented information is based on a guidelines version for public discussion of the procedure and changes may occur as of the date of its official announcement.





Contacts

Our consulting team has the necessary experience and knowledge to assist you in preparing the required documents, applying and reporting.

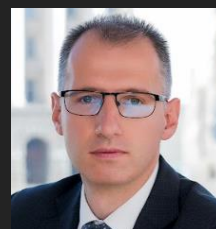
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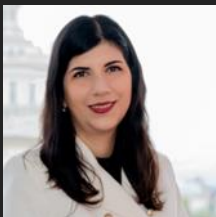
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