



Renewable Energy Sources and their role in the energy supply for Greece and Europe

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Energy Transition Landscape





The four driving forces of the Energy Transition



Ref: Energy management: The heartbeat of a rapidly changing world https://sap.com



Energy Transition - Decarbonization





Energy Transition – Decarbonization – Hydrogen Value Chain



Ref: Hydrogen Value Chain, Feb. 2021, https://www.daydream.eu/hydrogen-energy-global-road-map-2020-2050



Energy Transition - Decentralization

<u>RES penetration in</u> electricity production Ideal penetration:

100% -120%

<u>Electricity Grid</u> Current capacity: 10 GW Ideal future capacity: 20 GW (2028) 30 GW (2030) Electricity Storage 3 GW (2030, ref: IPTO)

Higher capacity will be needed for the implementation of the FF55 package



Decentralization – Renewable Energy Sources Technologies

	Total installed costs (2021 USD/kW)			Capacity factor			Levelised cost of electricity		
				(%)			(2021 USD/kWh)		
	2010	2021	Percent change	2010	2021	Percent change	2010	2021	Percent change
Bioenergy	2 714	2 353	-13%	72	68	-6%	0.078	0.067	-14%
Geothermal	2 714	3 991	47%	87	77	-11%	0.050	0.068	34%
Hydropower	1 315	2 135	62%	44	45	2%	0.039	0.048	24%
Solar PV	4 808	857	-82%	14	17	25%	0.417	0.048	-88%
CSP	9 422	9 091	-4%	30	80	167%	0.358	0.114	-68%
Onshore wind	2 042	1 325	-35%	27	39	44%	0.102	0.033	-68%
Offshore wind	4 876	2 858	-41%	38	39	3%	0.188	0.075	-60%

Source: IRENA (2022), Renewable Power Generation Costs in 2021, International Renewable Energy Agency, Abu Dhabi.





Decentralization – Electricity Storage



Greece is becoming a key energy storage market hub for Europe.



Digitalization - Electricity Grid Strategy - Industry





Digitalization - Electricity Grid Strategy - Europe

The trans-European networks for energy (TEN-E) regulation supports **cross-border projects** to link member states' energy networks and support the **integration of renewables**. It sets corridors across the EU to chart priority areas for investments.

The revised policy identifies 11 priority corridors focusing on:

- electricity
- offshore grids
- hydrogen and electrolysers



THE MAIN INNOVATIONS ARE:



compulsory sustainability criteria for all projects

ending support for new oil and

natural gas infrastructure



a new focus on **offshore electricity** and **hydrogen**



the acceleration of **smart grid** deployment and electrification



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Three **priority thematic areas** are also defined:

- the deployment of smart electricity grids, improving the efficiency of electricity networks
- a cross-border carbon dioxide network, enabling CO₂ capture and storage
- smart gas grids, focusing on renewable and low-carbon gas sources



Energy Transition - Deregulation

Globally, EU is leading in energy market deregulation by

- a) opening its energy markets and fostering competition and
- b) adopting policies to promote small-scale distributed energy generation.

On November 12th, 2018, EU negotiators agreed upon a legal framework for "citizen energy communities". <u>European energy communities</u> are now allowed to own, rent, or buy their electricity distribution network⁽¹⁾.

Future actions: efforts needed to <u>design the market</u> which will <u>allow citizen</u> <u>communities and SMEs</u> to generate and distribute energy on a small scale, <u>making</u> <u>them part of the energy transition</u>.



Deregulation – Energy Communities in Greece

Installed capacity, total: 785 MW

Number of Energy Communities: 1300

September 2022





Deregulation – Energy Communities in Greece





Renewable Energy Sources Driving Forces



Source: CRES and "2020 vision: why you should see the fossil fuel peak coming in the next decade." Carbon Tracker 2018.





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