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ZE Energy strengthens its presence in the German market with two large-scale battery storage projects

At the E-World energy & water trade fair, ZE Energy, an independent renewable energy producer and pioneer in the field of hybrid photovoltaic power plants, announced the signing of a strategic partnership with German developer SPP Development GmbH & Co. KG. This partnership concerns the development of two large-scale battery storage facilities (BESS) in the federal state of Brandenburg with a total output of 145 MW and a capacity of over 300 MWh.

A first milestone deal with a German project developer

SPP Development is an experienced renewable energy project developer based in Brandenburg. The company began specialising in large-scale photovoltaic power plants back in 2012. With strong investors at its side, the developer realised the first PPA-financed projects in Germany with a total installed capacity of 850 MW. SPP Development currently has a development portfolio of 5 GW for hybrid photovoltaic power plants.

The collaboration between ZE Energy and SPP Development, arranged by Dr Michael Schweiger, Managing Director of Solar Transact, concerns two strategically important locations in Brandenburg, which are to be connected to the 110 kV high-voltage grid.

SPP Development will take charge of the **development phases up to ready-to-build milestone**, while ZE Energy aims to commence operations in 2028 following construction.

Storage as an important flexibility component for the German energy system

Last year, 58.8% of German electricity generation came from renewable energy sources. Installed capacity from renewable energies rose by 11% to 210 GW, mainly due to the commissioning of 16.4 GW of new photovoltaic capacity.

In this context, large-scale battery storage systems are proving to be an indispensable flexibility solution for **balancing variations, providing ancillary services and contributing to the alignment of generation and consumption.**

In view of this rapidly changing energy mix and the ambitious targets for the development of renewable energies by 2030:

- Large battery storage systems are becoming indispensable for balancing peak generation and feeding electricity into the grid when demand rises.
- They offer the flexibility needed to help stabilise grids and the energy market, thereby supplementing dispatchable capacities.

A confirmed European commitment

With this transaction, ZE Energy is further expanding its **European portfolio** of storage solutions, complementing its expertise in hybrid photovoltaic and battery systems that can be operated either together or independently of each other. After Italy, where ZE Energy recently won a contract for a storage project as part of the MACSE tender, Germany is a **strategically important market** for the company's further expansion.

This transaction is in line with ZE Energy's international expansion. Following the award of a major project in the Italian MACSE tender, ZE Energy is consolidating its position as a key market player in the field of energy storage in continental Europe.

« The German storage market is entering a phase of acceleration, and we want to establish a sustainable presence there. This agreement with SPP Development enables us to develop two significant projects to meet the demand for flexibility in the German energy market by 2028. », said **Matthieu Rollet, Country Manager Germany at ZE Energy**.

About ZE Energy

Founded in 2019, ZE Energy is a pioneer in the field of hybrid photovoltaic systems combined with co-located or standalone batteries. Led by Nicolas Wolff, ZE Energy develops, finances, builds and operates solutions for storing and generating electricity from renewable energies and sells energy to end consumers or through tenders. The company currently operates in France, Italy and Germany.

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