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Are Transformers The new bottleneck of energy storage supply?

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Could a bottleneck slow the energy transition?

Low-carbon energy technologies are growing, but bottlenecks could slow the energy transition at a time when the rollout of clean technologies needs to accelerate.

Can unlocks help address energy bottlenecks?

Although the identified bottlenecks pose major risks for a successful, fast, and orderly energy transition, there are also multiple unlocks that are available today to resolve them and thus mitigate the risks of a delayed transition. When assessing these unlocks, we found that they can help address 11 out of the 16 bottlenecks.

What is a bottleneck & how will it affect the future?

The highest-risk bottleneck is projected to be in materials--specifically the supply of rare earth metals for magnets, with severe imbalances in magnets for predominantly offshore wind expected by the end of this decade. Medium-risk bottlenecks could arise in land, infrastructure, and investment.

Are energy bottlenecks a risk for achieving net-zero commitments?

In our energy transition scenario that would achieve existing climate commitments, two-thirds of the potential bottlenecks assessed run a risk of delaying the path to net-zero commitments. Around a quarter of these potential bottlenecks are classified as high risk, without unlocks identified to date.

What are the bottlenecks for solar PV scale-up?

The major bottlenecks for solar PV scale-up are projected to center on materials scarcity. Copper and tin are the most critical materials and will constitute the main bottleneck of solar PV development in most scenarios. However, unlocks are available, as supply could ramp up (especially for tin).

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Battery energy storage systems (BESSs) have been identified to have a good potential to offer valuable ancillary services for many of the challenges that the transition towards highly renewable energy systems might bring, both on local and system levels. This study presents a techno ...

This report investigates the barriers to more effective and efficient interconnection of distributed energy storage resources. The report is informed by research and interviews with key stakeholders in the energy industry and the state energy policy community.

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