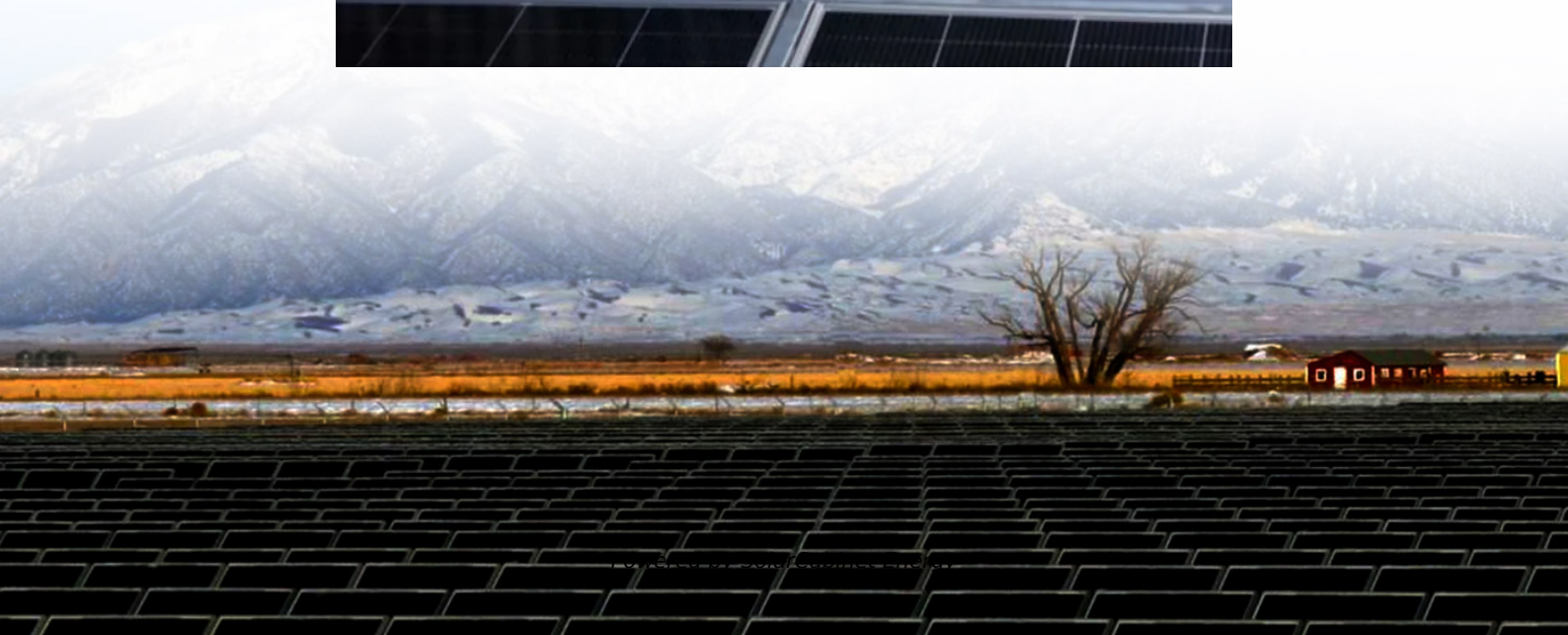


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Overview

It is an extraordinary energy storage facility that has recently been completed in the Rudong district of Shanghai, China. Built by the Ticino-based company Energy Vault, the impressive building, some 120 metres high, houses hundreds of concrete blocks that are moved up and down by lifts. Where is the gravity energy storage system based?

The research and development of the gravity energy storage system has been based in Ticino and operational since 2019 with its own R&D centre. The commercial demonstration unit has been connected to the Swiss national utility grid and used for two years of testing and software commissioning.

What is gravity storage?

Gravity storage has been proposed by a number of players, as a way to store solar and wind energy that has been generated at times when demand is low. On a sunny day, for instance, a solar farm's output could be stored as potential energy by raising concrete blocks.

Could gravity storage help balance a wind farm's electricity output?

Switzerland-based Energy Vault says it has built a large gravity storage installation in China which will help balance the electrical output of a wind farm, and it is now being "commissioned" before connection to the grid.

What is gravity energy storage (GESS)?

The Switzerland and California-based company announced that it is entering the first phases of commissioning for its first commercial-scale gravity energy storage system (GESS). Slated to be fully grid-interconnected in Q4 2023, the gravity tower will mark the world's first non-pumped hydro gravity-based storage facility.

How does The EVX gravity storage system work?

The EVx gravity storage system works by raising and lowering concrete blocks



to store and release potential energy, and will store 100MWh of energy, which it can deliver at 25MW.

Can gravity store and release energy?

Energy Vault is not the only company using gravity to store and release energy. Other concepts use inclined planes or underground installations. The Canadian company Gravitricity, for example, is building the world's first underground gravity energy storage prototype in a disused mine in Finland.



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