

News Release

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Axpo signs 10-year route-to-market agreement with British Solar Renewables

- **Axpo will buy all metered output from solar farm in Whaddon, Wiltshire owned and developed by British Solar Renewables (BSR).**
- **Facility is a co-located, utility-scale 16MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) alongside 25 MW of solar PV.**
- **BESS will be managed by Flexitricity, leveraging its unique trading arrangement with Axpo to provide full market access for optimisation services.**
- **Energy to be traded on wholesale markets.**
- **Battery to be optimised across wholesale markets, balancing services and the National Energy System Operator's Balancing Mechanism.**

Axpo Group has signed a long-term route-to-market power purchase agreement (PPA) with British Solar Renewables (BSR) to buy clean energy from its 25 MW solar PV project located at Whaddon Farm, Wiltshire. The site is a co-located, utility-scale 16MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) alongside 25 MW of solar PV.

The ten-year PPA is the first between the power supplier and the power generator that has been closed to date. Located in Whaddon Farm, Wiltshire, BSR's solar facility will supply Axpo with all of its metered output, allowing Axpo to trade its clean photovoltaic energy on the UK wholesale market. The agreement also supports the UK government's ambition to improve energy security by accelerating the generation of electricity from renewable sources.

For optimisation of the BESS, BSR has contracted Flexitricity to leverage a bespoke trading arrangement between Axpo and Flexitricity. This partnership facilitates accurate settlement between the boundary meter and the BESS asset meter, ensuring that no value is lost between the solar offtake and dynamic optimisation of the BESS.

Axpo UK Senior Originator Rob Bullyment said: "This agreement with BSR is an important step in the development of our UK business, supporting clients on their sustainability journey. It demonstrates once again Axpo's willingness and ability to partner with third parties to provide innovative solutions to the energy needs of our clients."



British Solar Renewables Chief Executive Officer Tim Humpage said: “We are pleased to offer Axpo the opportunity to deliver clean energy solutions to their customers. Their commitment to a decarbonised future closely aligns with our own, and this initiative plays a crucial role in advancing the UK's position as a clean energy leader, supporting the government’s ambitious target of reducing emissions by 81% by 2035.”

Flexitricity Chief Executive Officer Andy Lowe said: “We are delighted to be working with both BSR and Axpo to optimise the BESS at Whaddon Farm. This collaboration is a prime example of how innovative partnerships can contribute to a cleaner, more sustainable energy system, and support the National Energy System Operator’s Clean Power 2030 ambitions.”

About Axpo

Axpo is driven by a single purpose – to enable a sustainable future through innovative energy solutions. Axpo is Switzerland's largest energy producer and an international leader in energy trading and the marketing of solar and wind power. Axpo combines the experience and expertise of more than 7,000 employees who are driven by a passion for innovation, collaboration and impactful change. Using cutting-edge technologies, Axpo innovates to meet the evolving needs of its customers in over 30 countries across Europe, North America and Asia.

More information about Axpo’s PPA business can be found [here](#).

About British Solar Renewables (BSR)

British Solar Renewables (BSR) is a leading renewable energy developer with over a decade of experience in solar PV and battery energy storage systems (BESS). The company operates with a fully integrated platform, taking sites through development, construction and into operation. With a strong presence in both the UK and Australia, BSR is advancing a pipeline of nearly 18GW of projects collectively. BSR was acquired by ICG Infrastructure in July 2022 and is well-positioned for future growth to strengthen their capabilities.

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About Flexitricity

Flexitricity created and now operates the first, largest and most advanced demand response portfolio in GB and has unsurpassed knowledge of the market and its requirements. Headquartered in Edinburgh, Flexitricity partners with businesses throughout Great Britain to provide reserve electricity to National Grid. The word “Flexitricity” means “Flexible Electricity”.

The company looks for flexibility in electricity consumption and generation, creating revenue for energy users and generators as well as reducing national CO2 emissions and helping to secure energy supplies. Their team is fully engaged at industry and regulatory level and has a track record that demonstrates innovation and delivery success. Flexitricity is a wholly owned portfolio company of Quinbrook Infrastructure Partners, a specialist investment manager focused exclusively on lower carbon and



renewable energy infrastructure investment and operational asset management in the US, UK and Australia.

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