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Renewable energy is the future of power, but relying on solar, wind, etc. will require a more reliable and resilient grid. Effective energy storage would make it possible to smooth out discrepancies in supply and demand, and harness renewable power more efficiently.

Energy Storage to Steal \$277B From Power Grids by 2050; BloombergNEF, Mar. 2021; Energy Storage Grand Challenge: Energy Storage Market Report; U.S. Department of Energy, Dec. 2020; Bloomberg New Energy Finance; ARESEnergy Vault

AZEEM AZHAR: It's such a big challenge that we face general issue of de-carbonization and the one we're discussing today, which is how we rethink the grid is another big challenge within that. When you wake up in the morning, how do you think about this enormous apple that you've been told you've got to eat?

AZEEM AZHAR: In my book, The Exponential Age, I talk about the decline in price of renewables, and it's not just solar generated electricity, which depend on solar panels. It's also these mighty wind turbines are getting bigger and bigger. And I have an argument as to why they've got so much cheaper over time, but I would love to know your view as an insider.

AZEEM AZHAR: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, who are amongst my favorite forecasters in this arena, reckoned that by 2050, in order to have a clean grid and a pathway to net zero, we need to have about 7.7 terawatt hours of electricity storage available on the planet. That's either a big number or small number, I guess it depends on where we start. So in your estimation, whereabouts are we in terms of that kind of storage level today coming to the end of 2021?



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