Major Scientific and Technological Innovation in Green Transformation



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- We examined technological, market, and policy pathways to rapidly scale up mature renewable energy solutions, such as wind, solar, and storage, while ensuring grid stability.
- We identified and analyzed near- and medium-term innovations in power grids, energy storage, and low-carbon technologies to accelerate China's transition toward a clean and carbon-free future.

!> Findings

- Wind and solar technologies have achieved significant efficiency, cost reduction, and large-scale deployment gains, but key areas like deep-sea wind power and thin, perovskite solar cells still need more research and demonstration.
- Building a flexible, renewable-friendly power grid is essential to increase clean energy integration. This requires faster deployment of cross-regional transmission, active distribution networks, and intelligent microgrids.
- Diverse energy storage technologies and applications are enhancing the flexibility and reliability of energy systems, yet longduration and seasonal storage still face technical and economic challenges.

Recommendations



Accelerate the construction of a coordinated grid system (including main, distribution, and micro grids) to better integrate renewables at a large scale.



Promote high-quality demonstration projects and strengthen collaboration between industry, academia, and the international community.



Promote breakthroughs in wind and solar technologies, build a renewable-based energy system, and advance full-lifecycle recycling.



Expand the energy storage system with diverse technologies to enable a high and efficient use of renewables and maintain power system stability.