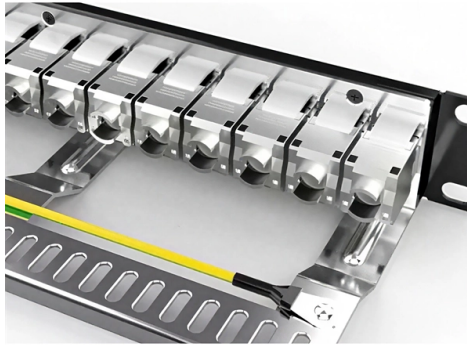


Global Energy Interconnection Influence



Overview

This study uses the Global Trade Analysis Project (GTAP) model to explore the economic and social impacts of the GEI initiative.

Key Takeaways

The development of Global Energy Interconnection (GEI) is influenced by technical, economic, environmental, policy, and social factors, all of which interact to determine its feasibility and effectiveness.

Technical Factors

Technical considerations are central to GEI development. The integration of ultra-high voltage (UHV) AC and DC transmission systems enables long-distance, large-scale energy transfer with minimal losses, which is critical for connecting renewable energy sources across regions and continents. Advanced smart grid technologies, including wide-area monitoring, adaptive control, and energy management systems, enhance system reliability, resilience, and real-time operational efficiency.

The interoperability of multiple systems and adherence to international standards are essential to ensure seamless integration and global acceptance.

Economic Factors

Economic viability is a key influence.

GE

It can reduce global CO₂ emissions and optimize energy costs by enabling higher penetration of renewable energy, which is increasingly cost-competitive compared to fossil fuels in many regions.

Investment in UH

Very infrastructure and smart grids requires substantial capital, but the long-term benefits include improved electricity access, reduced curtailment of renewables, and enhanced industrialization in less-developed regions. Market readiness, pricing mechanisms, and cross-border energy trade policies also affect the economic feasibility of GEI.

Environmental Factors

Environmental considerations drive the adoption of GEI. By facilitating the integration of low-carbon and renewable energy sources such as wind, solar, hydro, and marine energy, GEI contributes to global decarbonization and climate change mitigation. Reducing reliance on fossil fuels also addresses air pollution and health concerns, particularly in regions dependent on traditional biomass or coal.

Environmental regulations and international climate agreements further influence the pace and scale of GEI deployment.

Policy and Regulatory Factors

Government policies, international cooperation, and regulatory frameworks are critical.

GE

It requires cross-border coordination, harmonized standards, and supportive policies to enable large-scale interconnection and energy trade. Regulatory stability, incentives for renewable energy adoption, and alignment with global climate goals are essential to attract investment and ensure long-term sustainability.

Social and Access Factors

Social factors, including electricity access and quality of life, also influence GEI. Approximately 1.6 billion people still lack electricity, and interconnectivity can improve affordability and reliability of supply.

Public acceptance, workforce readiness, and stakeholder engagement are important for successful implementation.

Summary

The development of GEI is shaped by a combination of technical innovation, economic feasibility, environmental sustainability, policy support, and social considerations. Effective integration of these factors is essential to achieve a globally interconnected, low-carbon, and resilient energy system capable of meeting future energy demands.

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