Next-generation Energy Technologies: A Role of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS for Net Zero Carbon Concept

## **Synopsis**

As the world races toward net-zero carbon, nextgeneration energy technologies must address the critical challenge of renewable energy intermittency. Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) emerge as a linchpin solution, enabling grids to harness solar and wind power reliably while phasing out fossil fuels.

This talk explores how BESS bridges the gap between variable renewable generation and 24/7 energy demand, from stabilizing grids to empowering decentralized microgrids. Highlighting innovations in lithium-ion, solid-state, and hybrid storage systems, it underscores the technology's role in reducing curtailment, supporting EVs, and ensuring energy equity.

However, scaling BESS globally demands overcoming cost, mineral sustainability, and policy fragmentation. With the market poised to grow tenfold by 2030, collaboration among governments, industries, and innovators will determine whether BESS becomes the cornerstone of a carbon-neutral future. The path to net zero isn't just about generating clean energy—it's about storing it intelligently, and BESS holds the key.

## About the Speaker

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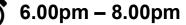




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