

ACCEPTABLE POWER SETS THE DATA CENTER SCALE

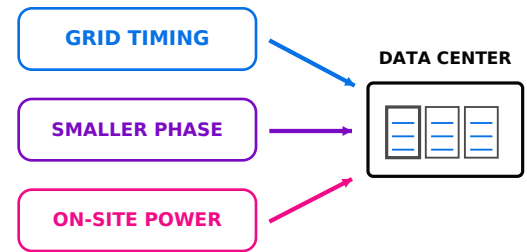
EdgeConneX | Maintal data center proposal

Maintal, Hesse, Germany

ENERGY PLAN UNDER REVIEW

No verified final cancellation or later construction start

On-site gas generation was part of the answer to the data center's power needs. Near homes, it became a central reason to question the project.



POWER OPTIONS SHAPE SCALE

ANALYTICAL DIAGRAM

WHAT HAPPENED

Residents and councillors opposed the proposed generation over noise, safety and emissions. A May news report was corrected to clarify that the entire project had not been cancelled. The energy concept was being revised, and July reporting said that alternatives remained under examination. No definitive later cancellation or construction start has been established in the sources reviewed. This EdgeConneX proposal is separate from AWS's Maintal project. [1-3]

EARLIER MOVES WORTH TESTING

- Test an acceptable power route before fixing campus capacity. Evaluate the generating equipment, emissions and noise as part of the development from the outset.
- Compare grid-connection timing with a smaller initial phase and alternative locations. Show the cost and scheduling consequences of each credible option.
- Make deferral a legitimate commercial choice if no workable power solution meets local constraints. Avoid leaving the community to absorb the difference between the desired schedule and available infrastructure.

THE BUSINESS LESSON

A power solution can solve an engineering problem and create a siting problem. Campus scale, timing and location need to be decided alongside the means of supply.

Earlier moves are our assessment of plausible risk reduction, not proof they would have changed the outcome.

SOURCES

- 1 Hessenschau | [Corrected project report](#)
- 2 City of Maintal | 13 Feb 2026
- 3 ZDFheute | 14 Jul 2026