

Press release

Green electricity for 42,000 households – RWE to build two more onshore wind farms in Germany

- Company wins auction for wind farms with total capacity of 57 MW
- Construction on projects in North Rhine-Westphalia and Schleswig-Holstein to start in 2024

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RWE has been awarded two projects in the Federal Network Agency's latest auction for onshore wind farms. The company will build and operate a further wind farm in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia as well as one in the state of Schleswig-Holstein. Once commissioned in 2025, the ten wind turbines in total will be able to produce enough green electricity to supply the equivalent of around 42,000 households.

Katja Wünschel, CEO RWE Renewables Europe & Australia: "I am delighted that with the new wind farms we are laying further foundations for the energy transition in our home market of Germany. My thanks go to our development team as well as the authorities involved at both locations. Their speediness in approving a wind farm within just over a year shows that faster approval procedures can go from being the exception to the rule."

Wind power expansion in the Rhenish mining area

RWE will build its Aldenhoven wind farm on recultivated areas of the Inden open-cast mine in the west of Germany. With a total output of 34.2 megawatts (MW), the six wind turbines will be able to generate enough green electricity to supply around 24,000 households per year after commissioning in 2025. As early as the first quarter of 2024, the RWE team will start building the necessary roads and setting up the construction site.

Repowering project in the north of Germany

RWE's Lasbek wind farm is located in the Hamburg metropolitan region. The company will dismantle the farm's existing six wind turbines with a total output of 10.8 MW and replace them with four more powerful turbines. With the benefit of their experience on other repowering projects, RWE planners have scheduled the new construction to begin in the winter of 2024/2025, while the old turbines will remain connected to the grid for as long as possible. After commissioning, the wind farm will have a capacity of 22.8 MW and generate green electricity for the equivalent of around 18,000 households.



Investing in the energy transition

RWE already operates some 90 onshore wind farms in Germany – and plans to invest around €11 billion net in green generation capacities in the next seven years. In order to drive forward the expansion of renewable energies, RWE is looking for sites throughout Germany. If a site is suitable for wind farms or solar plants, RWE looks after the entire planning process as well as construction and later operation. For more information on this please go to: http://www.rwe.com/landverpachten.

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Pictures for media use of RWE wind farms in Germany are available at the <u>RWE Media Centre</u>. Credit: RWE

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RWE is leading the way to a green energy world. With its investment and growth strategy Growing Green, RWE is contributing significantly to the success of the energy transition and the decarbonisation of the energy system. Around 20,000 employees work for the company in almost 30 countries worldwide. RWE is already one of the leading companies in the field of renewable energy. Between 2024 and 2030, RWE will invest 55 billion euros worldwide in offshore and onshore wind, solar energy, batteries, flexible generation, and hydrogen projects. By the end of the decade, the company's green portfolio will grow to more than 65 gigawatts of generation capacity, which will be perfectly complemented by global energy trading. RWE is decarbonising its business in line with the 1.5-degree reduction pathway and will phase out coal by 2030. RWE will be net-zero by 2040. Fully in line with the company's purpose - Our energy for a sustainable life.

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