



Press release

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wpd presents itself strongly positioned in the European market

As one of the market-leading project developers and operators of wind farms in Europe, wpd will once again be represented at WindEurope in Bilbao in 2024, one of the most important international trade fairs. The team represented at the trade fair stand is looking forward to an exciting exchange with familiar and new business contacts and can report numerous project successes in the European market.

In France, wpd commissioned four onshore projects in 2023 and started construction on five other wind farms. wpd France has thus realized projects with a total installed capacity of 571.4 MW and currently has a total of 1.5 GW of wind projects under development. 2024 began with a particular success for the team: the signing of one of the largest power purchase agreements (PPA) ever concluded in France with Equinix, a global service provider in the field of digital infrastructure.

The wpd Italia team was recently able to announce not only the start of construction on the 30 MW Licata project on the south coast of Sicily, but also the receipt of approval for the construction of a wind farm in the municipalities of Troia and Lucera in Apulia, the "Parco Eolico Montaratro". The next steps for the 81.2 MW project, which is located in the province of Foggia, can now be taken after the building permit has been received at the end of 2023.

In Spain, wpd is pressing ahead with the expansion of the 177 MW Torozos wind farm cluster. The cluster, which is located in the windy region of Castilla y León, consists of the four projects El Poleo, Las Panaderas, Navillas and Corralnuevo with a current total of 51 turbines. The construction of three more turbines from the manufacturer Vestas can start next summer. In addition, the wpd España team will begin construction of the first phase of integrating ground-mounted photovoltaic systems into the Torozos cluster in the near future. This first phase will comprise around 60 MW of solar modules.

In Croatia, wpd Adria has secured approval for the 30 MW Katuni PV project, which complements the wpd wind farm of the same name, which has been in operation since 2017 and has an installed capacity of 34.2 MW. Once the final building permit has been obtained, the solar park can be built next year. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, wpd has also received environmental permits and preliminary grid connection conditions for its Čadilj, Marino Brdo and Ruđer Bošković wind farms with a total installed capacity of 330 MW. Once further licences have been obtained, all projects should be ready for construction in 2025.

"We have exciting projects under construction in many European countries," says Dr. Hartmut Brösamle, Managing Director of wpd GmbH. "This applies from Northern Europe to Poland and the German domestic market to Greece and the other European wpd markets. We are broadly positioned and ideally equipped for the future."

With growing project pipelines in the areas of onshore wind and solar PV, wpd is contributing to the decarbonisation of the European energy industry. This is also reflected in the ongoing need for skilled labour in the 19 countries in which the company is active in Europe. Accordingly, the company is always on the lookout for new employees from the wind or solar sector and also lateral entrants to support the dynamic growth at wpd.

Visit our team at WindEurope 2024 in Bilbao at the wpd booth 1-C120!

About wpd

wpd is one of the world's leading developers and operators (IRPP) of wind and solar farms. Founded in 1996, the company develops, finances, constructs and operates wind farms and solar parks in 31 countries. The IRPP business includes projects in its own portfolio with a total capacity of 3,192 MW. Thanks to its growing expertise, the company is considered a reliable partner for Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs). wpd is steadily expanding its activities in the German domestic market and internationally in Europe, Asia, North America and South America and has a project pipeline totaling 19,320 MW of onshore wind and 5,015 MW of solar energy.

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