

Press release

RWE commissions wind farm on former opencast mining site

- **Aldenhoven wind farm: six 5.7 MW wind turbines have the capacity to supply up to 24,000 households with green electricity**
- **RWE makes investment decision to build two additional wind turbines near the Inden opencast mine in Düren-Merken**

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Wind energy for the region: RWE has commissioned the Aldenhoven wind farm in the Düren district, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany, which has a total installed capacity of 34.2 megawatts (MW). Since spring 2024, the company has installed six 5.7 MW wind turbines on recultivated land at the Inden opencast mine. This also benefits the local community. RWE pays the surrounding municipalities 0.2 euro cents per kilowatt hour produced. The new wind farm in Aldenhoven is expected to generate revenues of up to €150,000 per year. RWE plans to start construction of two additional 7 MW wind turbines near the new wind farm in Düren-Merken at the beginning of next year. The company has recently made the investment decision for this project.

Katja Wünschel, CEO RWE Renewables Europe & Australia: “We consider the Rhenish lignite area to be an ideal location for wind power. We have already installed wind turbines with a combined output of 249 MW. We are currently constructing a further 77 MW, and more projects are ready and waiting. The Aldenhoven wind farm is a prime example of efficient electricity generation on recultivated land. It demonstrates successful collaboration with the relevant authorities and local communities, as well as structural change in action. Six wind turbines can now generate electricity for an estimated 24,000 households on the site of the former Inden opencast mine. Many thanks to the RWE team and our partners.”

Green growth in the domestic market

Onshore wind energy plays a decisive role in the energy transition, forming one of the cornerstones of the expansion of renewable energy sources. RWE is currently constructing wind farms in its home market of Germany with a planned total capacity of 170 MW (676 MW already in operation), including 77 MW in the Rhenish lignite area ([Bergheim Wiedenfelder Höhe, Bedburg](#); 249 MW already installed in the Rhenish lignite area). To establish a strong presence in the regional wind and solar industries, RWE has its headquarters in Essen, as well as nine regional offices throughout Germany.



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Pictures, a film and video footage of Aldenhoven wind farm for media use are available at the RWE Media Centre (credit: RWE).

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RWE is leading the way to a modern energy world. With its investment and growth strategy, 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 one of the leading companies in the field of renewable energy. RWE is investing billions of euros in expanding its generation portfolio, in particular in offshore and onshore wind, solar energy and batteries. It is perfectly complemented by its global energy trading business. Thanks to its integrated portfolio of renewables, battery storage and flexible generation, as well as its broad project pipeline of possible new builds, RWE is well positioned to address the growing global demand for electricity, particularly driven by further electrification and artificial intelligence. 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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