

Press release

RWE drives expansion of renewables: Two new wind farms for Germany

- **Projects awarded in North Rhine-Westphalia and Lower Saxony with total capacity of more than 45 megawatts**
- **Construction to begin in a few months**

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Katja Wünschel, CEO Wind Onshore and Solar Europe & Australia, RWE Renewables:

“It will take a huge effort if Germany is to draw almost all of its electricity from renewable energy by 2035. This shows how important it is to accelerate the expansion of renewable energy. RWE wants to contribute to this, especially in its home market of Germany, and implement every project that is possible. The wind farms in North Rhine-Westphalia and Lower Saxony are good examples of this. By the end of the decade, we plan to invest up to 15 billion euros gross in our green core business here in Germany.”

Double success for RWE in onshore wind power infrastructure auction: The German Federal Network Agency has awarded it the Grevenbroich wind farm in North Rhine-Westphalia and the Bartelsdorf 2 project in Lower Saxony. These positive decisions will help RWE to accelerate its expansion of renewables in Germany. This year alone, the company is investing about €60 million into three new onshore construction projects, including Sandbostel-Bevern in addition to Grevenbroich and Bartelsdorf 2.

In specific terms, three Nordex units are being constructed at the location in the Rhenish mining region, accounting for 5.7 megawatts (MW) each. The scheduled start date for the Grevenbroich wind farm, with a total installed capacity of 17.1 MW, is as early as the second quarter of 2022, and it is expected to go into operation at the end of this year.

In the rural district of Rotenburg (Wümme) between Hamburg and Bremen, RWE will add five Nordex turbines to its existing wind farm Bartelsdorf, taking the total to 21. This will give the wind farm an additional 28.5 MW of capacity. The start of construction in this case is planned for the summer of 2022, with commissioning in 2023. A special aspect in this case is that two of the newly constructed units will pass to Bürgergesellschaft Heidland Wind GmbH & Co. KG, a local citizens' cooperative, while the others will be operated by RWE.



This is one way in which RWE is continuing its successful collaboration with local partners.

Sustainable growth to 2030

Both onshore projects are part of RWE's "Growing Green" strategy. By the end of the decade, the company will have invested €50 billion gross in its core business, expanding its green generation capacity to 50 gigawatts. In Germany alone, it aims to invest up to €15 billion gross in offshore and onshore wind, solar, batteries, flexible generation and hydrogen. To further maintain the pace of expansion, RWE has advertised 200 new positions for the development of onshore wind and utility-scale photovoltaic plants in Germany.

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Pictures of RWE's onshore wind portfolio for media use (credit: RWE) are available at the [RWE Media Centre](#).

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RWE is leading the way to a green energy world. With an extensive investment and growth strategy, the company will expand its powerful, green generation capacity to 50 gigawatts internationally by 2030. RWE is investing €50 billion gross for this purpose in this decade. The portfolio is based on offshore and onshore wind, solar, hydrogen, batteries, biomass and gas. RWE Supply & Trading provides tailored energy solutions for large customers. RWE has locations in the attractive markets of Europe, North America and the Asia-Pacific region. The company is responsibly phasing out nuclear energy and coal. Government-mandated phaseout roadmaps have been defined for both of these energy sources. RWE employs around 19,000 people worldwide and has a clear target: to get to net zero by 2040. On its way there, the company has set itself ambitious targets for all activities that cause greenhouse gas emissions. The Science Based Targets initiative has confirmed that these emission reduction targets are in line with the Paris Agreement. Very much in the spirit of the company's purpose: Our energy for a sustainable life.

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