



## Press release

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# wpd starts implementation of the Gennaker offshore project

With the conditional order of 103 Siemens Gamesa offshore wind turbines with up to 9 MW capacity each and the start of the main soil investigation at each individual turbine location, wpd has started the realization of the Gennaker offshore wind farm located 15 kilometers off the Baltic Sea coast near the Darß peninsula. At the same time, the tendering process for the other main components and installation vessels is ongoing.

With a total capacity of 927 MW, Gennaker will be the most powerful offshore wind farm in the Baltic Sea to date. According to the schedule, the full project capacity will be installed by the end of 2026. The project will thus make an important contribution to the German government's ambitious plans and targets for accelerating the energy transition.

"It is thanks to the unconditional will of the parties involved to realize the Gennaker project that we have reached this important milestone. With this turbine, we are relying on proven technology and, in Siemens Gamesa, on a long-standing partner with whom we are now realizing our fifth offshore project," wpd COO Achim Berge Olsen commented on the signing of the Master Supply Agreement with Siemens Gamesa.

"The signing of this Master Supply Agreement for one of the largest planned offshore wind projects in the Baltic Sea confirms the proven cooperation between Siemens Gamesa and wpd. We are pleased with wpd's confidence in our reliable and proven Direct Drive offshore wind turbines. In addition, we are proud to be able to contribute to the achievement of the ambitious offshore wind targets of the German government," expresses Marc Becker, CEO of Siemens Gamesa Offshore Business Unit.

"In the coming weeks and months, the grid connection will be tackled, and we can count on the good cooperation with the responsible grid operator 50 Hertz. Thanks to the constant support of the state government in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, we are confident that we will also be able to master the challenges that still lie ahead of us in the future," says long-time project manager and authorized signatory Andree Iffländer from the wpd Rostock site, describing the future.

The Siemens Gamesa wind turbines will feature a rotor diameter of 167 meters. With the PowerBoost option engaged, each machine's capacity can reach up to 9 MW from its nameplate capacity of 8.6 MW. Siemens Gamesa has also been conditionally awarded a 20-year Service agreement.

#### **About wpd**

wpd develops and operates onshore and offshore wind farms and solar parks, and is actively engaged in 30 countries around the world; the head office is in Bremen. The German company has already realized wind energy projects with around 2,520 wind turbines and an output of 5,620 MW, and is planning further projects with a total of 13,870 MW onshore, 30,400 MW offshore and 2,300 MWp solar energy.

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### **About Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy**

Siemens Gamesa unlocks the power of wind. For more than 40 years, we have been a pioneer and leader of the wind industry, and today our team of more than 27,000 colleagues work at the center of the global energy revolution to tackle the most significant challenge of our generation – the climate crisis. With a leading position in onshore, offshore, and service, we engineer, build and deliver powerful and reliable wind energy solutions in strong partnership with our customers. A global business with local impact, we have installed more than 120 GW and provide access to clean, affordable and sustainable energy that keeps the lights on across the world.

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