

Press release

More wind power for Lower Saxony: RWE is constructing Sandbostel-Bevern wind farm

- **Turbines to feature a combined installed capacity of 22.8 megawatts**
- **Green electricity for over 13,000 homes**
- **Collaboration with local citizens' energy cooperative**

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

“By expanding onshore wind facilities, we are helping to shape the energy transition in Germany. Every wind farm and every solar module counts on the path towards achieving our ambitious climate targets. We see strong potential for growth in this market with a strong regional character. To tap into this potential in the regions, we are entering into partnerships with local authorities or citizens' cooperatives and continuing to build our strong team. RWE is recruiting around 200 new employees in the short term, who will work exclusively on local project development for onshore wind and ground-mounted photovoltaic systems.”

Construction of RWE's next German onshore wind farm, the 22.8-megawatt Sandbostel-Bevern project in Lower Saxony, has commenced. A total of four Nordex wind turbines are being erected in the Rotenburg (Wümme) district, at the south-western edge of the Hamburg metropolitan area. What is special about this project is that three turbines with a total installed capacity of 17.1 megawatts (MW) are owned by RWE, while a further, identical turbine with a nominal capacity of 5.7 MW is erected by RWE on behalf of the local citizens' cooperative OsteWind GmbH & Co. KG. The cooperative will operate this turbine themselves. “Following completion of the work, currently planned for the end of this year, the four wind turbines will produce enough green electricity to supply over 13,000 households with climate-friendly energy,” says said Jens Edler-Krupp, who is responsible for developing RWE's German onshore wind farms.

The new wind farm in northern Lower Saxony is not just more proof of RWE's ambition to implement every feasible renewables project in Germany, it also shows that collaboration with local partners is an excellent way to drive the energy transition forward. RWE already operates onshore wind farms with an installed capacity of more than 580 MW in the country. In order to keep up the fast pace of expanding renewables, RWE wants to invest up to €15 billion gross in the expansion of offshore and onshore wind, solar, storage, flexible back-up capacities and hydrogen by 2030.



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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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