

PRESS RELEASE | Berlin, 17 September 2026



Successful Contract Signing: Another Offshore Converter Platform to be Built in Rostock

- NEPTUN SMULDERS Offshore Renewables (NSORe) is to deliver a 2 GW converter platform for the LanWin3 North Sea project.
- Siemens Energy remains on board as the partner responsible for the high-voltage components.
- 50Hertz CEO Stefan Kapferer: "This strengthens the entire value chain in the region."

50Hertz and NEPTUN SMULDERS Offshore Renewables (NSORe) have successfully concluded negotiations for the construction of an offshore converter station for the LanWin3 offshore grid connection project in the North Sea. With the signing of the contract, the way is now clear for the second major project whose key components are to be manufactured within NSORe's production set-up, including NEPTUN shipyard in Rostock-Warnemünde and Smulders' yard in Vlissingen. In June, 50Hertz had already awarded a billion-euro contract for the LanWin6 offshore grid connection system to the consortium NSORe and Siemens Energy. As with LanWin6, Siemens Energy will be responsible for supplying the high-voltage components for the LanWin3 project. The volume for the contract attributable to NSORe for the two offshore converter platforms amounts to approximately EUR 2.5 billion, the majority of which will be spent on production and services in the state of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

Stefan Kapferer, CEO of 50Hertz: "With our LanWin3 and LanWin6 projects, we are creating the conditions needed to securely integrate large volumes of offshore wind energy from the North Sea into the German power grid. As the client for 2 GW converter platforms, we require strong partners and robust industrial structures, both of which are available in Rostock-Warnemünde. With this second contract, we are further strengthening the entire value chain in the region and helping to advance the energy transition at sea. From a political perspective, the next step must be to further refine the Offshore Wind Energy Act to provide planning certainty and prevent delays in the construction of offshore wind farms."

Malte Poelmann and Dieter Weyns, Managing Directors of NSORe: "We are very pleased about this follow-up order. It reflects the growing importance of offshore energy infrastructure and further strengthens the position of NSORe as a key player in the energy transition. By combining the expertise and production capabilities of our sites in Rostock and Vlissingen, we are well positioned to successfully deliver both projects on schedule and to the highest quality standards."

The project partners are responsible for the complete implementation and turnkey delivery of the facilities. This includes overall system design, component procurement, construction, installation onshore and offshore, as well as commissioning. At the Warnemünde shipyard, key components such as the topside, the main building of the offshore platform, are to be constructed. Smulders will manufacture the steel substructure, known as the jacket, at its own shipyard in Vlissingen in the Netherlands.

NSORé, headquartered in Rostock, is a joint venture between NEPTUN WERFT, a member of the MEYER WERFT Group, and the Belgian company Smulders, a subsidiary of the French Eiffage Group. 50Hertz had already commissioned Siemens Energy in 2024 to supply the high-voltage technology for the project and has now amended the steel construction and platform scope of the contract, relocating the order to Germany. LanWin3 is an offshore grid connection system whose onshore converter station will be located at the future grid connection point in Mühlenbeck near Schwerin. Both converter stations will be linked via the NordOstLink (NOL) HVDC transmission corridor and a multi-terminal hub in Heide, Schleswig-Holstein.

Press Contacts

50Hertz

Volker Gustedt
+49 151 5537 6345
volker.gustedt@50hertz.com

MEYER WERFT

David Hecker von Aschwege
+49 160 7039 123
david.hecker@meyerwerft.de
Frank Elsner, Frank Elsner Kommunikation
+49 170 48 15 181
frank.elsner@elsner-kommunikation.de

Smulders

Britt Weckx
+32 14 408 158
Britt.weckx@smulders.com

About 50Hertz

50Hertz operates the electricity transmission system in the north and east of Germany, which it expands as needed for the energy transition. Our extra high voltage grid has an electrical circuit length of more than 10,700 kilometres. The 50Hertz control area covers Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, and Thuringia, as well as the city states of Berlin and Hamburg. Within these regions, 50Hertz and its more than 2.500 employees ensure that 18 million people are supplied with electricity



Contact

50Hertz Transmission GmbH | Heidestrasse 2 | 10557 Berlin | Germany
Press officer | Volker Gustedt | T +49 30 5150 2878 | M +49 151 5537 7634 | volker.gustedt@50hertz.com

around the clock. 50Hertz is a forerunner in the field of secure integration of renewable energy. In our grid area, we want to integrate 100 percent renewable energies securely into the grid and system by 2032 - calculated over the year. In this way, we supply affordable energy for a strong economy. The shareholders of 50Hertz are the Belgian holding Elia Group (80 percent), which is listed on the stock exchange, and the KfW bank group with 20 percent. As a European TSO, 50Hertz is a member of the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E).



Contact

50Hertz Transmission GmbH | Heidestrasse 2 | 10557 Berlin | Germany

Press officer | Volker Gustedt | T +49 30 5150 2878 | M +49 151 5537 7634 | volker.gustedt@50hertz.com