

ELWIND Estonian - Latvian hybrid offshore wind project

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What is ELWIND?

ELWIND is a joint Estonian-Latvian state-run cross-border offshore wind project aiming to raise energy independence in the region by increasing production of green energy and improving interstate electricity connectivity.

Wind parks + hybrid interconnector



Why this way?

- Providing regulatory and business predictability to market participants, by taking care of the permits and conducting technical and EIA studies.
- Meaning Estonia and Latvia predeveloping two offshore areas and auctioning these out with certainty of grid connection.
- This will **mitigate the risks** and insecurities of the development for the interested parties.
- Planning to apply for EU funding (CEF)



Commission adopts first list of renewable energy cross-border projects



- ELWIND is officially adopted to the C-B RES list
- Preparing grant application to apply CEF funding for ELWIND studies
- Validating the studies list and expected cost.

Sõrve, Estonia FIWIND Kurzeme, Latvia **Cross-border hybrid 1** 2026 project concept in Baltic **Operational by 2030** 40 - 100 Sea 700 - 1000 MW 1.1 million Project construction MoU Prefeasibility study Final area decisions EIA 2021 2022 2025 2020 2028+ 2022 2023 2026 2030 2021 C-B RES list **CEF RES Application** Commissioning Auction Technical assistance nomination Transmission system infrastructure (TSI) consideration phase TSI planning and permitting **TSI construction phase** TSI commissioning phase phase Studies for offshore wind connection in onshore Construction timeline Commissioning Assessments of various scenarios for offshore wind connection Testing · Technical requirements for EIA studies Operation **ELWIND** connection Other technical and socio-economic studies Investment decision Technical design Tendering

- Planned onshore substation
- Planned offshore substation
- Estonian ELWIND wind park location
- Latvian ELWIND wind park location
- ---- Indicative hybrid interconnector alternative corridors

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ESTONIA

LATVIA

Opportunities of C-B cooperation

- Strengthening practical energy field cooperation
- Moving towards several goals
- Collaboration leads to building up similar process in large-scale C-B pro planning and permitting
- Possibilities to include EU funding

Main challenges of developing a C-B pro

- Planning procedures
- Synchronizing activities
- OS legislative framework under amer
- Finding most cost-efficient alternative connect OWPs.
- Maintaining attractiveness of the proj towards investors



Next steps

- Submitting superficies / Offshore license applications
- interaction with local communities and stakeholders
- Environmental Impact assessment
- C-B RES grant application
- Designing auctioning principles (including prequalification criteria)



Offshore wind development in Estonia

Enterprises are welcome to submit superficies license applications for wind energy development areas.



- Baltic sea: 377,000km²
- **EE maritime area:** 36 000 km², ca 9 %
- New offshore wind development areas in EE:

TALLINN

Kehtr

Parnu

oKilli

Mänamaa

Pämu-Jaagupi Lavassaare

oHaapsalu

Lihula

- 1 700 km²= ca 5%
- MSP: Q1 2022
- Potential: 7... GW

Offshore wind development in Latvia

The region has opened up for Offshore investments.







Thank you!

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