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Press release

Construction of Poland's first fully delivered offshore substation enters the next phase

CRIST Offshore has inaugurated the production phase of the offshore substation for the BC-Wind project with a symbolic steel cutting ceremony, marking the project's entry into the next stage of execution.

A steel cutting ceremony is an important milestone in industrial and shipbuilding projects. It marks the official start of production of structural components. In the case of BC-Wind, it also confirms the project's transition into the full execution phase following Ocean Winds' final investment decision (FID) and the issuance of the Notice to Proceed (NTP).

The offshore substation being delivered by CRIST Offshore will be a key element of the BC-Wind offshore wind farm infrastructure. It will receive the electricity generated by the turbines at sea, which will then be transformed and exported via a subsea cable to the onshore substation located in the municipality of Choczewo.

"The first steel cutting is a symbolic moment when what has so far existed as a visualisation or a model slowly begins to become reality. We would like to thank Ocean Winds for their trust and for entrusting us with the delivery of such an important piece of infrastructure. This project demonstrates that Polish companies are ready to deliver the most technologically advanced investments in the offshore wind sector and to play a meaningful role in its development," said **Daniel Okruciński, President of the Management Board of CRIST Offshore.**

The substation will weigh approximately 2,000 tonnes and will be equipped with all key electrical systems required for the operation of the wind farm.

"The steel cutting for the offshore substation is an important moment for the BC-Wind project and for the execution of our contract with CRIST Offshore. It marks the point where the project moves from the development phase into the construction stage. We are pleased that this key element of the offshore wind farm infrastructure will be delivered in Poland, in cooperation with a local partner with strong industrial capabilities. This milestone also reflects the growing capabilities of the Polish supply chain supporting offshore wind projects in the Baltic Sea, while our focus remains on delivering the project safely and efficiently," said **Kacper Kostrzewa, Managing Director in Poland, Ocean Winds.**

The construction of the substation is an important element in the development of the domestic supply chain for the offshore wind sector. The project engages hundreds of specialists from the shipbuilding, energy and engineering industries and strengthens the capabilities of Polish industry in delivering advanced offshore projects.

BC-Wind is Ocean Winds' first project in the Baltic Sea and a cornerstone investment supporting Poland's energy transition and long-term energy security. The project is located approximately 23 kilometres off the Polish coast in the country's Exclusive Economic Zone. It will also include significant local participation in the supply chain and port infrastructure, supporting the growth of domestic industry and expertise in offshore wind. The wind farm will comprise 26 turbines with a total planned capacity of up to 390 MW, which will allow the project to supply electricity to more than 488,000 households annually. BC-Wind is expected to deliver its first electricity in 2028.

CRIST Offshore is a company belonging to the CRIST Group, a leading shipyard group on the European market. CRIST Offshore is one of the leaders of the offshore sector in Poland. Since its establishment in 2011, the company has successfully delivered offshore structures for the Polish and European markets. It is currently executing an offshore transformer substation project covering the design, construction and offshore commissioning scope.

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Ocean Winds (OW) is an international company dedicated to offshore wind energy, created as a 50/50 joint venture owned by EDP Renewables and ENGIE. Founded on the belief that offshore wind is a key component of the global energy transition, we develop, finance, build, and operate offshore wind farm projects around the world.

As of 2026, OW's gross offshore wind capacity - already in operation, under construction, or with advanced development rights secured - reaches around 21 GW. Headquartered in Madrid, OW is currently active in 8 countries, focusing primarily on markets in Europe, Australia, parts of Asia, and Brazil.

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