



Bornholm Energy Island project hits milestone

50Hertz and Energinet have awarded Siemens Energy a contract worth €1 billion regarding Bornholm Energy Island, confirming that this major German-Danish project is now moving to the implementation stage. Specifically, Siemens Energy will be tasked with the turnkey delivery of four converter systems as well as other technical components. Bornholm Energy Island will be a power hub located on the Danish island of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea. This hub will make it possible to transport electricity from wind farms to Denmark and Germany and will link both countries via an interconnector. The total cost of the project amounts to around €7 billion. The European Union has granted Energinet a subsidy totalling €645 million as part of its Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) programme.

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MCCS Checkpoint 25



The energy system is changing and with it requirements regarding grid control technology. Through the Modular Control Centre System (MCCS) project, Elia Group is devising a modular software solution that plays a key role in guaranteeing security of supply. MCCS Checkpoint 25 provided an opportunity to showcase how the software is gradually being integrated into our control centre and to highlight the latest developments.

Representatives from ENTSO-E, other distribution and transmission system operators, the research sector and industry discussed vendor-independent software solutions, modularity and open source, as well as changes in corporate culture brought about by digitisation.

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Elia Group Bankers' Day 2025 held at 50Hertz's Berlin HQ

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Elia Group has held its Bankers' Day 2025, an unmissable event attended by more than 70 guests from the financial sector. Attendees saw for themselves how their investments are driving innovative projects, including a visit to the Charlottenburg substation, the construction site of the Berlin diagonal power link, and a demonstration of our offshore activities in the Baltic Sea and North Sea. This was an excellent opportunity for Elia Group, 50Hertz and Elia Transmission Belgium (ETB) to shore up their relationships with key banking and legal partners!

Eurogrid: a frontrunner in the adoption of the EU Green Bond Standard

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Eurogrid GmbH, the parent company of 50Hertz, is the first German company to introduce a green financing framework aligned with the new EU Green Bond Standard. Eurogrid's Green Financing Framework is an important basis for managing its investments. It enables capital to be raised according to the latest standards and so opens up access to attractive conditions on the financial market. The finance strategy is closely linked to 50Hertz's strategic objective to cover all electricity consumption in its grid area over the course of a year with 100% renewable energy by 2032.

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Elia Group CEO Bernard Gustin elected Chairman of the Supervisory Board of 50Hertz



The 50Hertz Transmission GmbH Supervisory Board has been restructured in accordance with the provisions of the German Co-Determination Act and has elected the CEO of Elia Group, Bernard Gustin, as its new chairman. Konrad Klingenburg (DGB) was elected Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board at the suggestion of the union IG BCE. As 50Hertz now employs more than 2,000 people, the Supervisory Board has been expanded to 12 people in accordance with the Co-Determination Act. It is made up of an equal number of members, with half representing the employer and the other half being employee representatives. The term of office of the Supervisory Board members ends in 2030.

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50Hertz office annex opens its doors



Six new floors, over 300 additional workstations and 8,000 extra square metres: 50Hertz's office extension has now opened its doors to many new colleagues. The new annex at our Berlin HQ was unveiled following several years of construction. To make the energy transition a reality, the group is expanding. In 2024, we welcomed more than 700 new colleagues. We are committed to nurturing an environment in which our teams can succeed, both professionally and personally.

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Lixhe-Jupille – impressive operation in the skies over Visé

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It is with the precision of a goldsmith and millimetric coordination that the teams proceeded to replace the heads of three pylons in the municipality of Visé on September 22, 2025 by helicopter. Since June, we have been carrying out retrofit work on our 220kV Lixhe-Jupille line. Audits carried out on this link revealed that several bars on the pylons were ageing and needed to be replaced. The decision was therefore made to replace all pylon heads on this link in order to guarantee its long-term reliability.

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Elia Group asserts its presence in New York

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Elia Group took part in several events during the United Nations General Assembly and Climate Week NYC. The first event took place on 22 September and was organised in partnership with EnergyRe. It brought together opinion leaders to discuss the state of electricity transmission in the US and the practical measures needed to develop it effectively. That evening a second event was attended by the Port of Antwerp-Bruges and Belgian Prime Minister Bart De Wever, focused on excellence in energy and logistics, highlighting the enormous potential for innovation and transatlantic partnerships between Belgium and the United States.

Merksem commemoration 81 years on

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As it does every year, Elia paid tribute to the 22 Merksem power plant workers who died during the Second World War. Eighty-one years ago, they were executed by German occupying forces while working at the power plant. A memorial unveiled at Elia's high-voltage substation in Merksem keeps their memory alive. The workers continued their efforts during the war to keep Antwerp's lights on. Their sacrifice remains a powerful symbol of resilience and civic duty.

In wartime, electricity is more than just infrastructure: it powers hospitals and communications, and provides heat, safety and continuity. This annual ceremony in Merksem was not only a moment of remembrance, but also a reaffirmation of our values.

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Mobility Week: Elia Group CEO Bernard Gustin leads by example

This year's Mobility Week focused on the theme of '*Mobility for All*'. This aligns with our ActNow programme and our ongoing focus on inclusion. Throughout the week, our employees had the opportunity to take part in a series of initiatives and workshops designed to make mobility more accessible and inclusive within our organisation.

With a wide range of mobility services already in place, Elia Group continues to foster an environment where everyone can move comfortably and safely. During Mobility Week, Bernard Gustin, our CEO, revealed that he cycles to work every day, setting an excellent example for all our colleagues throughout the group!

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