Sleipnir Installs Hollandse Kust West Beta Topside

Heerema Marine Contractors has successfully completed the installation of the topside for TenneT's Hollandse Kust (West Beta) offshore transformer platform. The operation was carried out by the heavy-lift vessel Sleipnir between the night and morning hours of 21 May 2025, approximately 50 kilometers off the coast of Egmond aan Zee, Netherlands.

This milestone marks the completion phase of the third and final 700 MW offshore platform in the Hollandse Kust (west) area. Once commissioned later this year, it will expand the total installed offshore wind transmission capacity in the Dutch North Sea from 4.7 to 6.1 gigawatts. The project contributes to the Netherlands' long-term offshore energy ambitions, which target 21 GW of capacity by 2032.

Floating Wind Foundation Launched for EolMed Project in France

The first floating foundation for the EolMed pilot offshore wind project has been launched from the port of Fos-sur-Mer in southern France. The EolMed project will consist of three floating turbines with a total capacity of 30 MW, installed roughly 18 kilometers off the coast of Gruissan in the Mediterranean Sea.

This launch represents a key step in France's efforts to develop floating offshore wind capabilities in deep-water regions where fixed-bottom turbines are not suitable. The demonstration aims to provide insights into installation logistics and long-term system performance, supporting France's broader renewable energy strategy.

Aikido AO60 Floating Platform to Be Deployed in Norway by 2027

Aikido Technologies has confirmed its plan to deploy the AO60 floating wind platform off the Norwegian coast by 2027. The 15 MW-capable platform consists of 13 modular steel elements, such as trusses and columns, which can be fabricated at existing shipyards or steel facilities and assembled near the test site in a matter of days.

The AO60 features a pin-joint assembly design that eliminates major welding and painting, enabling rapid deployment using current maritime infrastructure. Its foldable structure, activated during ballasting, is intended to streamline offshore wind platform construction and reduce costs.

RWE

First Monopile Installed at Denmark's Thor Offshore Wind Farm

RWE has successfully installed the first of 72 monopile foundations at its 1.1 GW Thor offshore wind farm located 22 kilometers off the Danish coast near Jutland. Each monopile measures approximately 100 meters in length and weighs up to 1,500 metric tons.

The heavy-lift vessel "Les Alizés" is being used for the transport and installation of the monopiles, with support operations coordinated from the Danish Port of Thyborøn. This milestone follows years of development and marks a significant step toward the completion of Denmark's largest offshore wind project to date.

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Remazel Awarded Major Contract for Cadeler's Wind Ace Vessel

Remazel Engineering has been contracted by Cadeler to design and manufacture an MP Upending Hinge and Seafastening Cradles system for the new Wind Ace installation vessel. The equipment will handle monopiles with diameters between 9 and 12 meters and lengths up to 120 meters, with weights reaching 2,900 tonnes.

Wind Ace is part of Cadeler's A-class vessel fleet, known for its 5,600 m² deck and more than 17,600 tonnes of payload capacity. This contract reinforces Remazel's role in delivering advanced lifting and handling solutions for large-scale offshore wind projects.

Minesto's Dragon 12 Tidal Kite Begins Grid-Connected Power Production

Minesto has announced that its 1.2 MW Dragon 12 tidal energy system, also known as "Luna," has entered grid-connected power production mode in Vestmannasund, Faroe Islands. The device, recently upgraded with a longer tether, is producing renewable electricity while continuing performance testing.

Vestmanna has become a focal point for stakeholders observing Minesto's progress. The Dragon 12's early results align with expectations and represent a key step toward expanding the use of tidal energy in commercial-scale projects.

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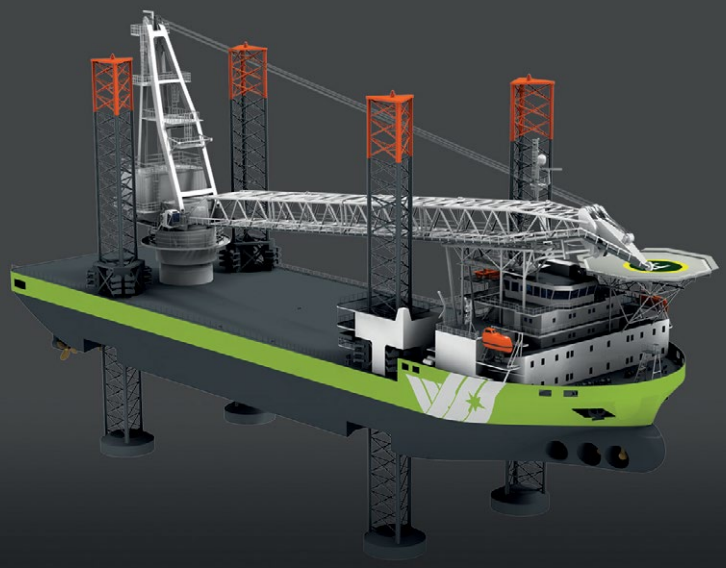

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