

## **News Release**

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## BASF completes purchase of 49.5% of the offshore wind farm Hollandse Kust Zuid from Vattenfall

- Approval of all relevant authorities received
- Construction work in the North Sea already started
- Power supply for low-emission technologies to begin in 2023

Following the approval of all relevant authorities, BASF has today successfully completed the purchase of 49.5% of the offshore wind farm Hollandse Kust Zuid from Vattenfall. The closing of the transaction, originally expected for the fourth quarter of 2021, was completed earlier than planned.

According to the agreement BASF and Vattenfall had signed in June 2021, the purchase price amounts to  $\in 0.3$  billion. Including BASF's contribution to fund the wind farm construction, BASF's total commitment amounts to around  $\in 1.6$  billion. BASF intends to reduce its investment by selling shares to a financial co-investor; the respective process has been initiated already.

Construction work for the wind farm in the Dutch North Sea started in July 2021. The subsidy-free offshore wind farm is expected to become fully operational in 2023. At that time, it will be the largest offshore wind farm in the world with a total installed capacity of 1.5 gigawatts. The electricity from the wind farm will enable BASF to implement innovative, low-emission technologies at several of its production sites in Europe. Another significant part of the electricity production is reserved for Vattenfall's Dutch customers.

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