

General meetings of Elia Group on 17 May

The ordinary general meeting has approved the financial results for the 2021 financial year and the payment of a gross dividend of €1.75 per share. Two new directors were appointed: Laurence de l'Escaille replaces Jane Murphy and Pascale Van Damme replaces Saskia Van Uffelen. The extraordinary general meeting decided to amend the articles of association of Elia Group in order to authorise the board of directors to increase the authorised capital of Elia Group with a maximum amount of €600,000,000. This will give Elia Group the flexibility it needs to respond quickly to its capital requirements in view of future investment needs.

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Elia Group in rainbow colours



17 May is also the International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia. Our offices and our logo were given a rainbow makeover and the management and members of the Board of Directors of Elia Group all wore a pin with the rainbow flag. As a company, Elia Group is strongly committed to diversity and inclusion. These values are part of our ActNow programme.

We promote diverse and inclusive workplaces and want everyone to feel welcome at work. Our employees are a reflection of the society that we serve.

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On Wednesday 18 May, Elia Group published its quarterly report for the first quarter of 2022. The most important points are the expansion of Elia Group's international activities with WindGrid. The investment plan in Belgium and Germany is on track. The public consultation on the 2024-2027 tariff methodology for Elia Transmission Belgium (ETB) is ongoing.

Chris Peeters has been elected "Manager van het Jaar 2021" by the financial-economic magazine Trends. The financial prospects for 2022 are confirmed.

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Elia a guest speaker during the Belgian economic mission to the UK



Elia participated in the Belgian economic mission to the United Kingdom. It was the first mission since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and the UK's departure from the European Union. With the theme "The North Sea as power hub", Chris Peeters discussed the opportunities that there are at sea for Belgium and the UK:

"It is clear that the decarbonisation of our society will not succeed without a substantial expansion of offshore wind and the construction of additional interconnectors. This can only be achieved through intensive collaboration between countries and companies."

North Sea Summit marked by offshore collaboration



The heads of government and energy ministers of Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium met up with each other at the North Sea Summit in Esbjerg, Denmark. There, they underlined the importance of offshore developments and agreed on future collaboration.

Both Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission, and Kadri Simson, European Commissioner for Energy, attended the summit. Elia Group CEO Chris Peeters took part in a panel discussion. He emphasised the important role of off- and onshore interconnectors and collaborations between countries, companies and TSOs.

Important step in the P2H project Wedel



The two large electric boilers for the Power-to-Heat (P2H) project between Hamburger Energiewerke and 50Hertz have been successfully installed. By the end of this year, the P2H system must provide about 27,000 apartments with green city heating. The system converts electricity into heat when plenty of wind energy is available and grid congestion is imminent. 50Hertz is financing the 80 MW plant with €31.5 million.

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OFFSHORE NEWS



King of Sweden visits 50Hertz headquarters

King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden visited the Netzquartier as part of the Royal Technology Mission 2022. For 50Hertz, this is an excellent recognition of the good collaboration with numerous Swedish partners. Offshore wind plays a key role in the shift towards a climate-neutral society.

The further development of offshore wind in the North Sea and the Baltic Sea is absolutely necessary to achieve the climate objectives. European collaboration is crucial for this.

INNOVATION NEWS



The three OIC finalists are known

Sentrisense (Poland), LiveEO (Germany) and Octave Energy (Belgium) are the three finalists of the Open Innovation Challenge 2022. The winner will be chosen on Friday 10 June in Brussels. The central theme this year is sustainability. The competition is aimed at start-ups that can help the Elia Group with the current challenge facing the company.

The OIC aims to stimulate and accelerate innovation towards a carbon-neutral society. There are still a few places available for the final on 10 June at 10:30 a.m. in Brussels (The Square). Those who are interested can register **here**.

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS



New bird diverters between Harchies and Quevaucamps

The 150 kV overhead line between the high-voltage substation in Beloeil (Quevaucamps) and the existing pylon in Bernissart (Harchies) is being equipped with bird diverters. The marshes of Harchies are close to this line and are a magnet for many birds

The diverters reduce the risk of them flying into the line. Elia is installing a total of 300 spiral-shaped bird diverters, 11 red and white marker balls and 3 light beacons on the two pylons on either side of the E42 motorway.

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EGI NEWS



Hexicon and EGI bundle their expertise to optimise floating wind transmission connections

Hexicon and Elia Grid International (EGI) join forces to connect the wind energy produced by Floating Offshore Windfarms (FOW) to the onshore grid, and that on a global scale.

The two companies will develop concepts and projects to integrate large scale floating offshore wind parks into the onshore power systems. The 5-year long cooperation consists of two phases, covering the provision of advanced expertise during both the pre-development and the development phases of the projects.

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