

Press release

Inauguration of the Bois des Saulx wind farm

Paris, 23 May 2024 - Amundi Energy Transition and Opale Énergies Engagées (Opale) inaugurated on 16 May the Bois de Saulx wind farm north of Dijon.

This wind farm, in which Amundi Energy Transition holds an 80% stake, was made possible thanks to the partnership signed between Amundi and Opale in 2020. Opale, which is also a shareholder in the wind farm, managed the construction of the turbines and is now in charge of their operation.

Now commissioned, the wind farm comprises six turbines with a total capacity of 18 MW, producing low-carbon electricity equivalent to the consumption of around 18,000 people and avoiding the emission of 22,000 tonnes of CO₂ per year.

For Amundi Energy Transition, Amundi's subsidiary dedicated to direct equity investment in the unlisted European infrastructure sector, this partnership ties in fully with its "Buy & Build" Core/Core+ investment strategy.

In line with Crédit Agricole's Societal Project, Amundi Energy Transition invests in assets and companies in the energy transition and decarbonisation sectors, such as renewable energy production infrastructures (wind, solar, hydro, biogas, etc.), energy distribution and efficiency infrastructures (heating networks, cogeneration, storage and frequency regulation, etc.), and infrastructures linked to energy consumption (electric mobility, energy renovation, smart meters).

"The commissioning of this wind farm reflects Amundi Energy Transition's commitment to invest alongside French and international industrial companies in order to decarbonise the economy," says **Lelia Raynard, Managing Director at Amundi Energy Transition.**

"Global warming is accelerating and France is aiming for carbon neutrality by 2050. Alongside energy efficiency and sobriety measures, the production of low-carbon electricity must increase, enabling the electrification of uses in all areas (industry, transport, buildings, etc.). Renewable energies, which can be mobilised quickly, have a major role to play in this ambition. Wind power in particular is a remarkably virtuous form of energy, and its production often coincides with periods of high energy demand," explains **Arnaud Grand, founding partner of Opale Énergies Engagées.**

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About Opale Energies Engagées : Développeur et producteur d'électricité français indépendant implanté à Besançon en Bourgogne Franche-Comté, ses secteurs d'activité sont l'éolien terrestre, le photovoltaïque et le biogaz. Fondé en 2008, Opale Energies a développé à ce jour près de 500 MW de projets éoliens autorisés, dont 45 MW en exploitation pour son propre compte. Aujourd'hui, le groupe possède un pipeline de près 170 MW de projets éoliens en développement ou cours d'instruction.

¹ Source: IPE "Top 500 Asset Managers" published in June 2023, based on assets under management as at 31/12/2022

² Amundi data as at 31/03/2024

³ Boston, Dublin, London, Milan, Paris and Tokyo

⁴ Amundi data as at 31/12/2023