

Public announcement by the Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency concerning the publication and display of the site development plan 2023 and the associated environmental reports (North Sea and Baltic Sea) as part of the strategic environmental assessment.

The Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH) has updated the site development plan 2023 in accordance with §§ 8 para. 1 sentence 1, para. 2, para. 4 sentence 2 in conjunction with § 6 Offshore Wind Energy Act (WindSeeG). It was published on 20 January 2023.

The site development plan is the sectoral plan for the orderly expansion of offshore wind turbines and their grid connection systems in the German Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the North Sea and Baltic Sea. Under the statutory conditions, it may also contain sectoral planning specifications for the territorial sea on the basis of an administrative agreement with a coastal federal state. In addition, it may define areas for other forms of energy generation. The revision primarily serves to implement the expansion target for the installed capacity of wind turbines to 30 gigawatts by 2030 through the amendment of the WindSeeG.

On 17 December 2021, the BSH announced the initiation of the procedure for amending and updating the site development plan for the EEZs of the North Sea and the Baltic Sea in accordance with section 8 para 1 and 4 sentence 1 of the WindSeeG.

On the basis of the results of the multi-stage participation of the authorities and the public the site development plan 2023 was updated and the strategic environmental assessment was completed. The opinions and comments were taken into account. This can also be seen in the documentation of the handling of the comments, which will be published subsequently.

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The site development plan 2023 and the environmental reports for the North Sea and the Baltic Sea as well as the consideration documentation are available on the BSH website at

https://www.bsh.de/DE/THEMEN/Offshore/Meeresfachplanung/meeresfachplanung_node.html in German

and on

[FEP 2023](#) regarding international participation

for download.

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