



# Facts & figures 2023





## About us

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We operate the electricity transmission system in the north and east of Germany, and are expanding it to meet the requirements of the energy transition. We are leaders in renewable energy sources (RE) – by 2032 we aim to move our grid and system over 100 per cent to RE, calculated over the course of a year.

The 50Hertz grid area covers the federal states of Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia, as well as the federal city states of Berlin and Hamburg. In these regions, the 50Hertz team of roughly 1,800 employees ensures the power supply for 18 million people around the clock. In 2023, our extra high-voltage grid had a total circuit length of over 10,660 kilometres – or the distance from Berlin to Rio de Janeiro.

The shareholders of 50Hertz are the listed Belgian holding company Elia Group (80 per cent) and the KfW banking group (20 per cent). As a European transmission system operator, we are members of the European association ENTSO-E.



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- O Central regional centre / control centre

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O Central regional west / Sub Station Hamburg East

## **Our duties**



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## Transmission system operator

We provide the electricity network infrastructure of today and tomorrow.



## System controller

We keep the electricity system in balance.



### **Market facilitator**

We are part of the integrated European energy market.



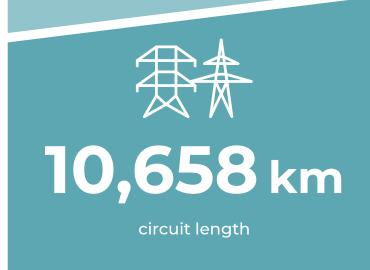
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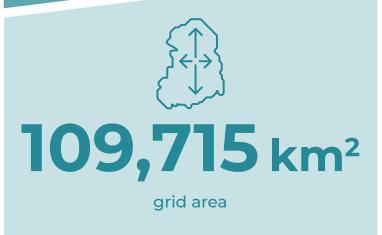
We integrate renewable energies into the market transparently.



# 2023 in overview







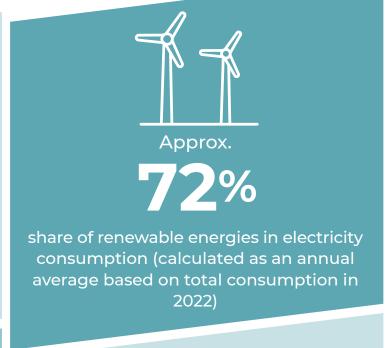
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## **Environment**







## Society

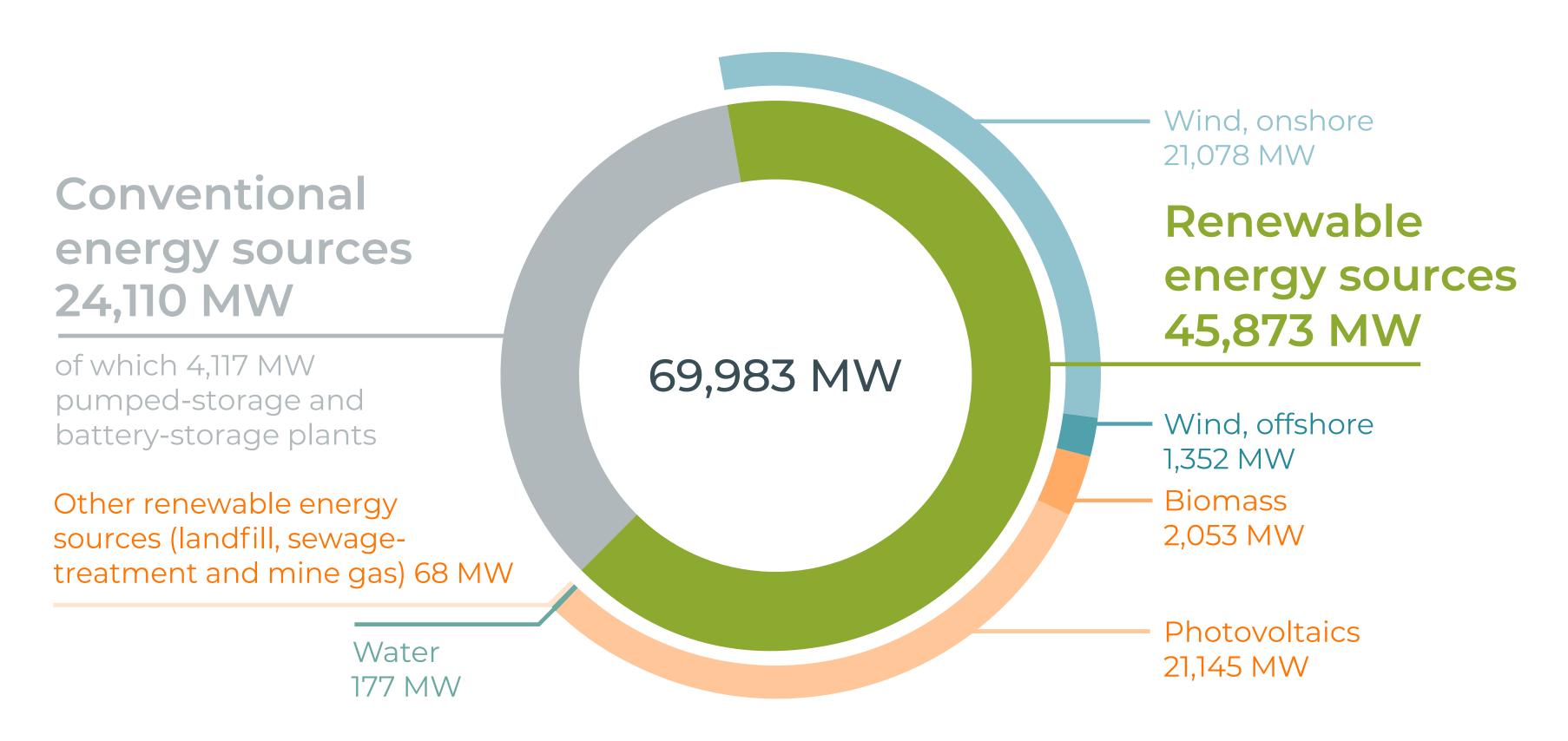






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## Installed capacity in the 50Hertz grid area



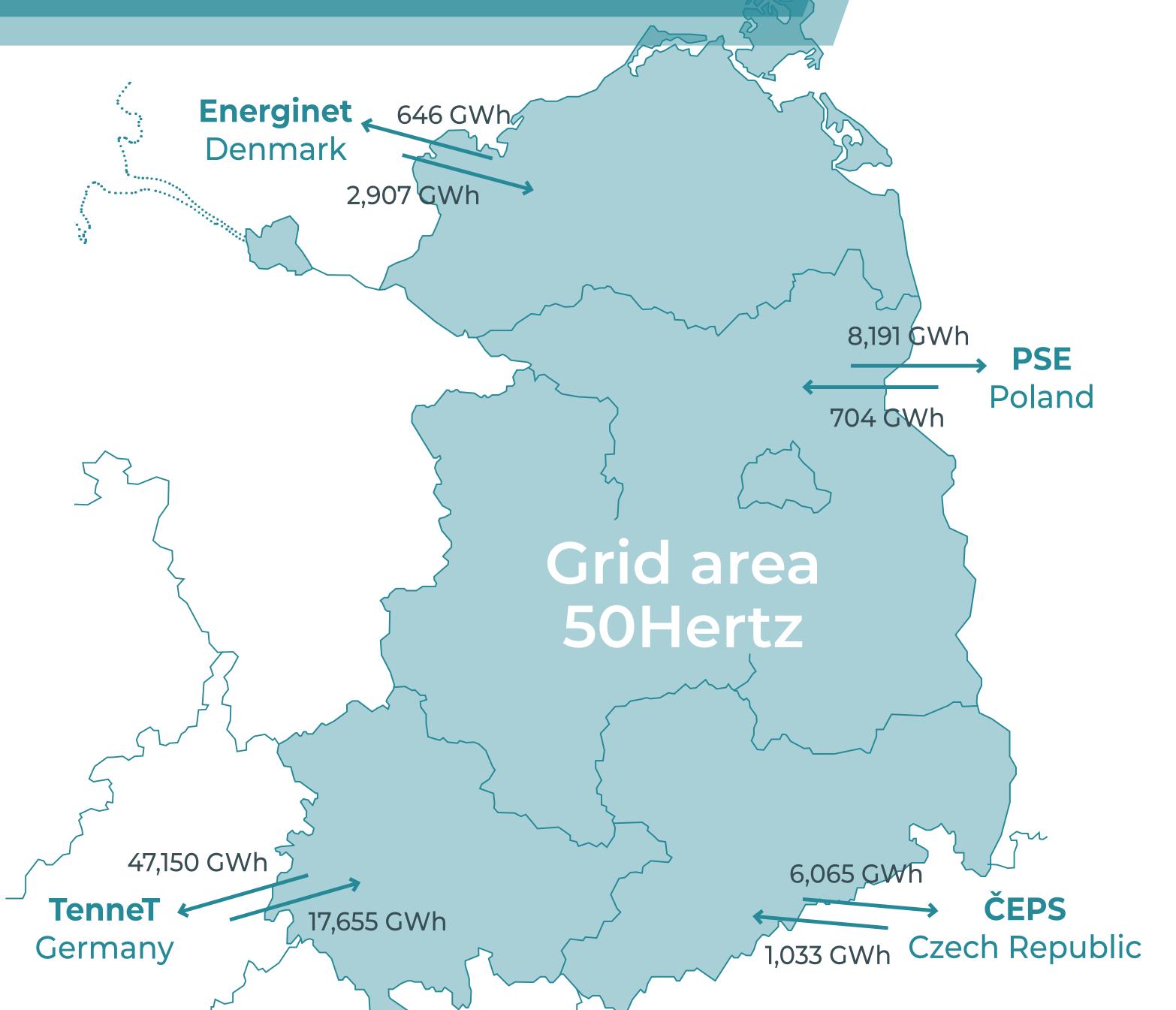
## 2023 in figures

# 50Hertz generates a positive export balance\*

We are a major exporter of electricity in Germany and in Europe. Within the 50Hertz grid area, a continually increasing volume of electricity comes from renewable sources. By contrast, the population is relatively small and hence energy demand lower.

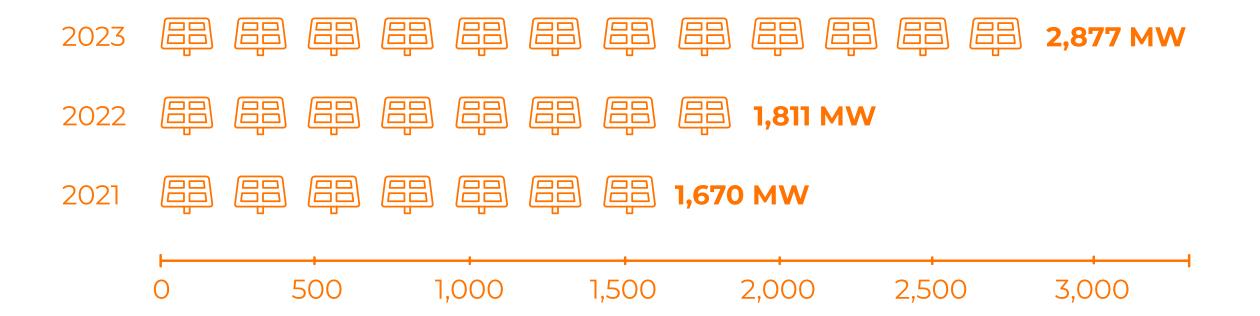
We transport the resulting surplus via the extra high-voltage grid to metropolitan areas in the south and west of Germany and to our European neighbours.

\* The amounts shown refer to physical electricity flows, not to commercial exports.

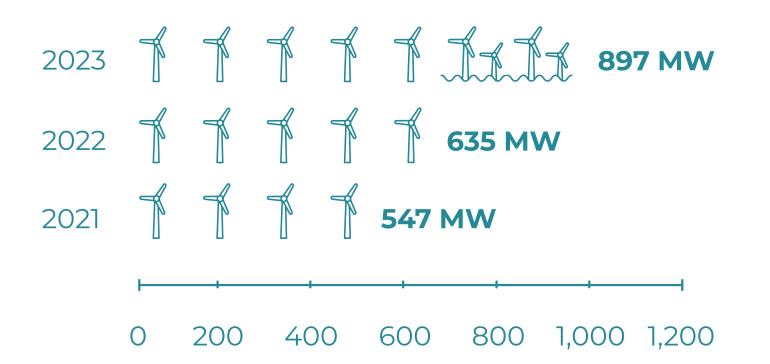


# Annual expansion of renewable energies in the 50Hertz grid area

## Expansion of **photovoltaics** (per year in MW)



## Expansion of onshore and offshore wind power (per year in MW)



# 50Hertz grid map

Switching stations (most with links to distribution system operators)

380 kV

220 kV

Transformation 380/220 kV

Transformation 380/150 kV

Other companies

110 Operating voltage in kV

<sup>\*</sup> New construction largely along existing route

Line	380 kV	
Line in approval stage/ under construction*	380 kV	
Line	220 kV	
HVDC/direct-current connection	400 kV	
Other companies	380/220 kV	
HDVC/back-to-back converter	380/150 kV	
HVDC/converter	400 kV	<b>→⊢</b>
Offshore grid connection	150/220 kV	

#### **Grid users:**

Our customers are regional distribution system operators and power stations, pumped storage plants, wind farms and large industrial facilities that are connected to the transmission system.

Conventional power station

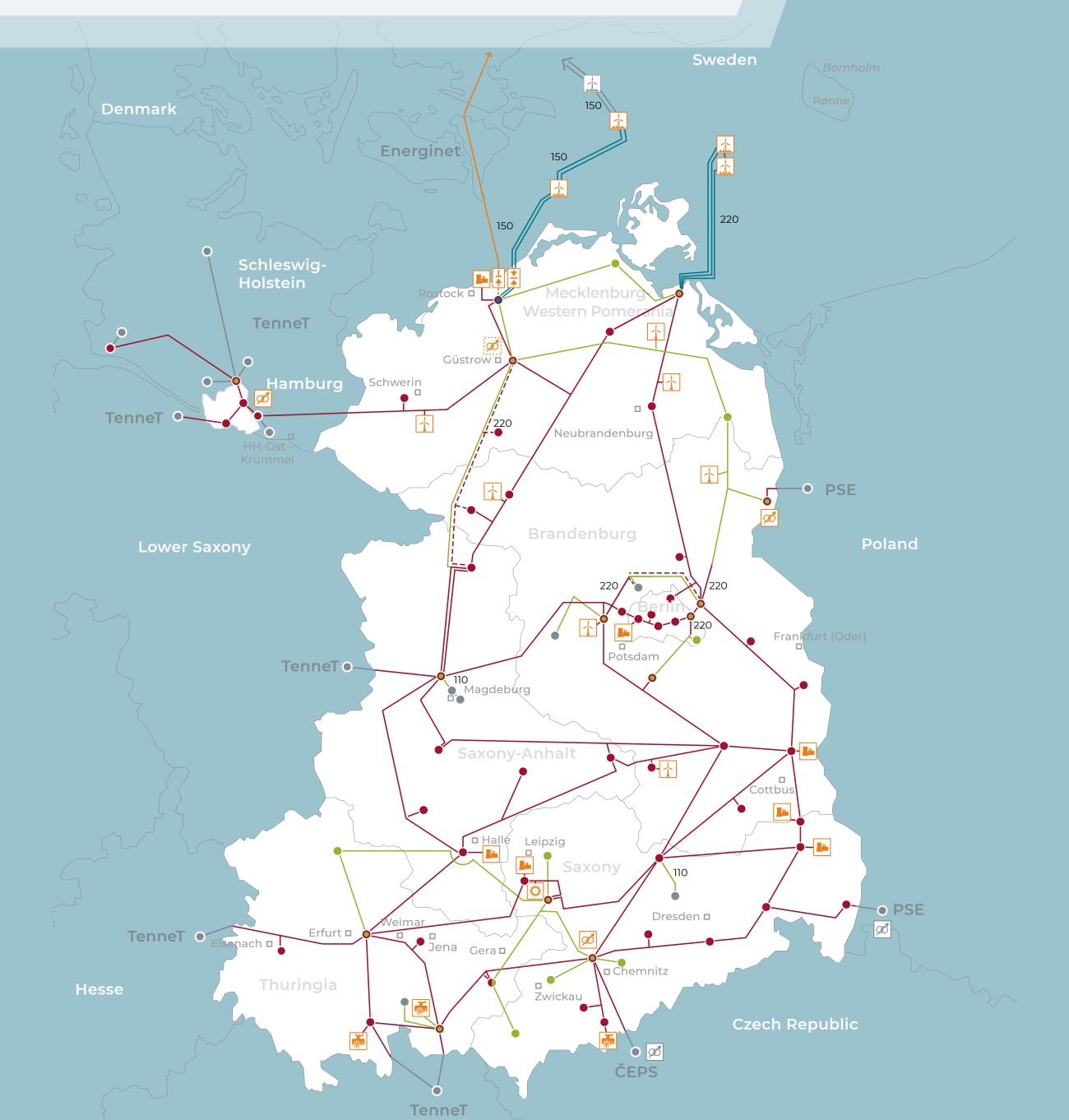
Pumped storage plant

Phase-shifting transformers

Onshore wind farm/Offshore wind farm

Photovoltaic (PV)





## Grid

# Our transmission system

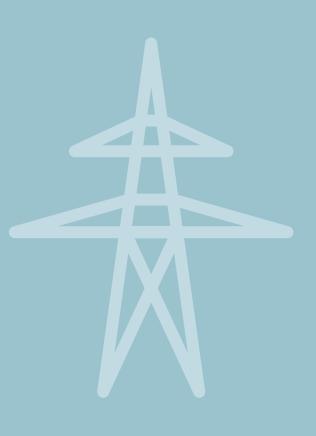
We operate an extra high-voltage electricity transmission system. In the east of Germany and in Hamburg, we are responsible for the reliable transmission of electricity over long distances, the connection of offshore wind farms, and for distributing electricity via substations. In 2023, the total length of 50Hertz's transmission system was over 10,600 kilometres.

## 50Hertz offshore circuit lengths in 2023 (total values):

220 kV AC sea cables	385 km
150 kV AC sea cables	290 km

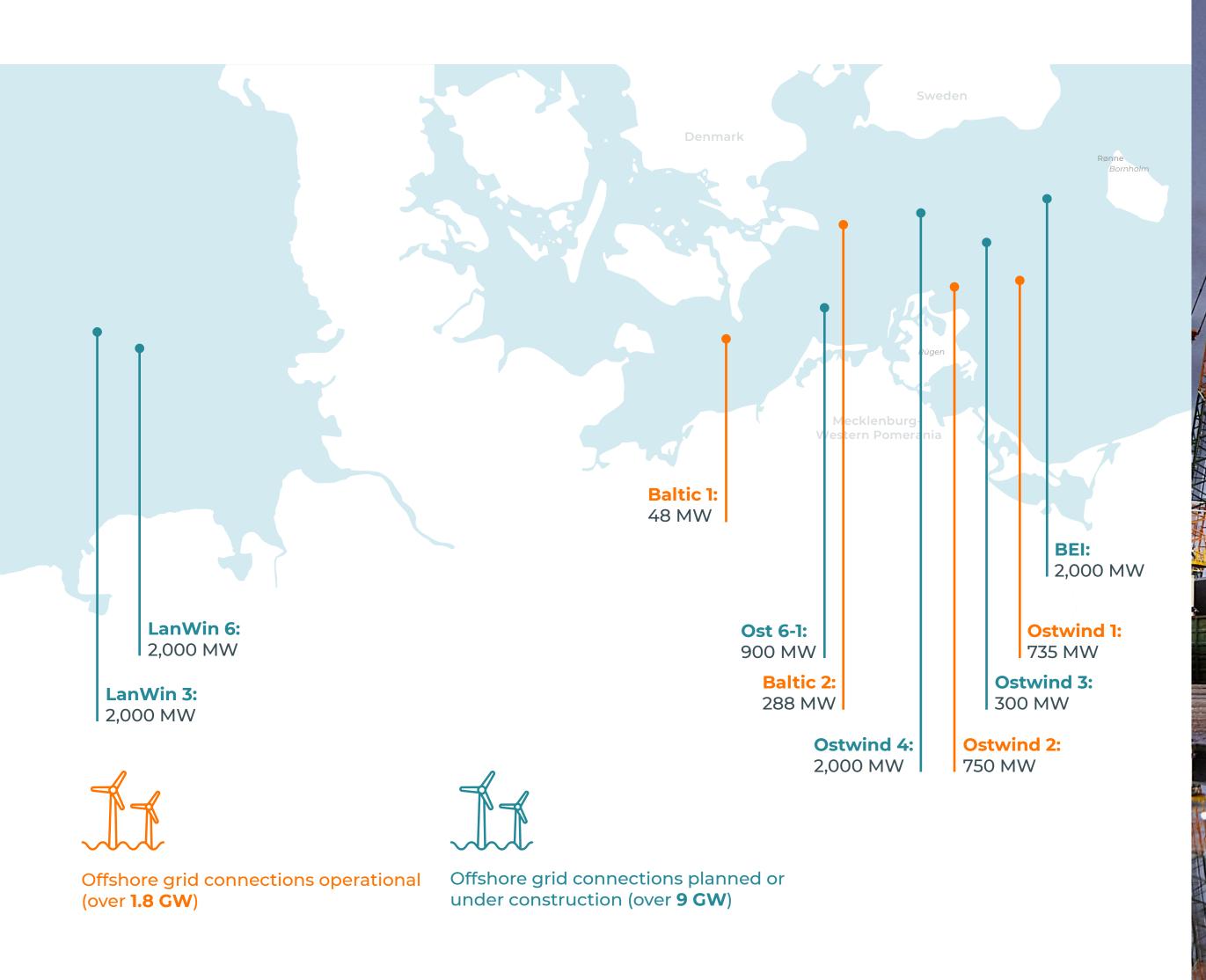
## 50Hertz onshore circuit lengths in 2023 (total values):

380 kV AC overhead lines	7,535 km
220 kV AC overhead lines	2,375 km
380 kV AC cables	55 km
400 kV DC cables (HVDC)	15 km
220 kV AC cables	3 km





# Our offshore wind energy





## **50Hertz listens**

For the energy transition to succeed, we need to develop the extra-high voltage grids. In the regions where existing capacity is being increased or new substations and lines are being built, there is a real need to inform and involve local residents. 50Hertz engages in this dialogue openly and transparently: we involve the public at an early stage, thereby improving projects and laying the foundation for the widest possible acceptance of our proposals.

You can find further information at:

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Would you like to get in touch? You'll find all our key contacts here.





## Commitment

# Nature conservation is important to us

50Hertz takes appropriate measures to compensate for unavoidable interference with nature, the environment and habitats. Our goal is for our compensatory measures to have the greatest possible benefit for all of society. We divide our measures into six categories:

planting, forestry, hydraulic engineering, species protection, renaturation and others. We involve the affected communities, nature conservation bodies, interested citizens and non-governmental organisations in planning and implementation from an early stage - because they know the specifics of the natural habitats in their area best. In partnership with each other, we develop suitable projects and put them forward in the course of the planning approval process.









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