

Industrial companies increasingly the driving force behind climate protection

Düsseldorf, 18^{th} July 2022 - Politicians in Europe are setting ambitious targets for CO₂ savings, and companies are also increasingly proving to be the driving force behind climate protection. Demand from industry for renewable energies is also growing rapidly. "For example, we just advised an automotive supplier on its entry into wind power", says Markus W. Voigt, CEO of the aream Group.

As a result, contracts for the purchase of two wind farms with two turbines each were signed in mid-July: The automotive supplier acquired the turbines from JUWI, a specialist in renewable energies. The wind farms are currently being built in Hesse and are scheduled to be commissioned at the end of the year. Their installed capacity totals 16.8 megawatts. The automotive supplier intends to use the electricity itself, thus taking a further step towards climate neutrality.

The signing of the deal does not mark the end of the collaboration, which is set to run for the long term. Markus Voigt: "We advised the company, structured the transaction and carried out both the purchase process and the design of the power purchase agreement, in cooperation with the responsible energy supplier." After commissioning of the wind farms, aream will take over the commercial management.

With its products, the automotive supplier is already making an important contribution to reducing vehicle weight and thus CO₂ emissions. In addition, the company has committed to reducing its emissions by at least 25 percent by 2025.

For JUWI, a subsidiary of MVV Energie AG, this is another transaction with a strategic investor. "We are pleased to be able to further expand our investor base in this area and thus also strengthen our long-standing business relationship with the aream Group, an experienced investment and asset manager", says Katharina Feiden, Head of Project Finance & Marketing at JUWI.

More information: <u>www.aream.de</u>.

About aream

The aream Group is a fully integrated investment and asset manager for institutional investors with a focus on sustainable infrastructure in the renewable energy sector, which includes wind and solar power, grids and storage technology. In this context, aream is represented along the entire value chain from project development to plant operation. With a transaction volume of more than EUR 1.5 billion, the company has been covering the entire spectrum of asset management services for over 15 years and ensures the commercial and technical optimization of the assets. In addition to classic project investments in clean energy, aream also offers investment opportunities in climate-tech companies: directly or via private equity solutions. aream combines investment expertise with technical and commercial know-how and ensures sustainable performance with stable distributions, returns and value growth through a structured investment and risk management process.



About the JUWI Group

The JUWI Group has been one of the leading specialists for renewable energies for more than 25 years and offers complete project development as well as other services related to the planning, construction, and operational management of renewable energy plants. Its business areas primarily include projects with wind and solar energy as well as hybrid systems with storage for industrial applications.

The company belongs to Mannheim-based MVV Energie AG, one of the largest municipal energy suppliers in Germany. Worldwide, JUWI employs more than 1,100 people and has implemented more than 1,200 wind turbines with a capacity of more than 2,800 megawatts at around 200 locations worldwide in the wind segment; in the solar segment, there are around 1,850 PV plants with a total capacity of around 3,250 megawatts. JUWI's operations management services wind energy and photovoltaic plants with a capacity of more than 4,100 megawatts. JUWI has initiated a total investment volume of more than ten billion euros for the realization of energy projects.

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