



## Elia Group and Octopus Energy Group (UK) to develop flexibility services for consumers

At the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow, Elia Group and Octopus Energy signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) bolstering their joint commitment to focusing the energy transition squarely on consumers. Test projects will be set up over the next two years, combining Octopus Energy's KrakenFlex flexibility platform with re.alto, Elia Group's energy data marketplace. This will not only make it possible to offer consumers energy services, such as charging their electric vehicles and using their heat pumps when there is sufficient green electricity to do so, but will also help ensure balance on the grid and facilitate the transition to a sustainable energy system.

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## CRM auction Y-4 results announced

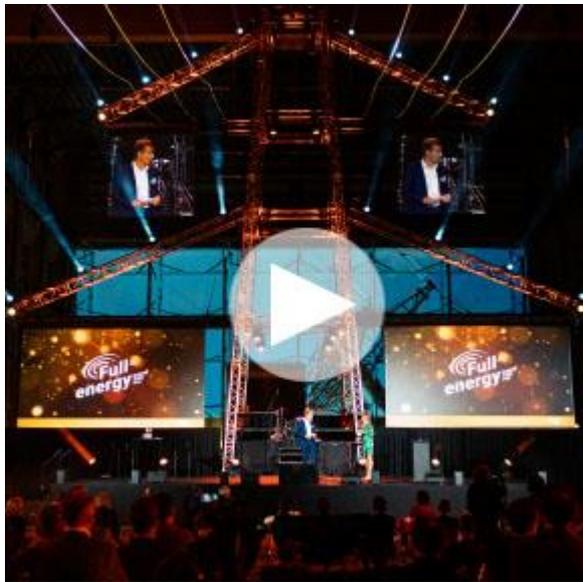
In late October, Elia announced the results of the first Capacity Remuneration Mechanism (CRM) auction for delivery year 2025-2026. The upshot is that the market parties offered sufficient capacity for a competitive auction. Both traditional and new market players took part. Forty projects were selected, representing a total capacity of 4,447.7 MW. The average annual price is €31,671.57 per MW. A second auction will follow in 2024 (Y-1) for delivery year 2025-2026.

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## Green Bid wins hackathon

Elia Group's first hackathon for consumer-centric energy services was won by Green Bid. More than 100 participants signed up for the event, including student programmers, startup employees and representatives of large companies. Federal Energy Minister Tinne Van der Straeten visited the event on the first day. The winning team will now continue developing their proposal with experts from Elia Group in The Nest, our in-house digital incubator.

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## Elia celebrates 20th birthday

On 21 October, Elia celebrated its 20th birthday together with external stakeholders. The event took place at the former Interescaut power station in Schelle and was attended by a great many stakeholders as well as national and international guests. Relive the event with this video:

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## Flemish minister-president visits 50Hertz

During a working visit to Germany, Flemish Minister-President Jan Jambon visited 50Hertz headquarters in Berlin. The Flemish minister-president is in Germany to celebrate 20 years of Flemish diplomatic and economic representation. Elia Group was highlighted as a Belgian-German success story. During the meeting, the main topic of discussion was the Arcadis Ost 1 project. The new wind farm will be connected by 50Hertz to the German grid, but it is being built by Flemish companies Parkwind (Colruyt group) and DEME.



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## Decrease in EEG surcharge for 2022

The four transmission system operators in Germany have published the EEG surcharge for 2022. The EEG surcharge has dropped to 3.723 cents per kilowatt-hour, down 2.777 cents compared to 2021. The EEG scheme is a support measure for renewable energy producers. The amount is calculated on the basis of forecasts of the share of renewable energy in the system and expected electricity consumption. The main reasons for the lower EEG surcharge are the high electricity prices on the exchange and the (associated) high EEG account balance.

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## 50Hertz uses simplified licensing procedure for first time

Using the simplified procedure, 50Hertz was able to start construction and commissioning of a major line between Pulgar (near Leipzig) and Vieselbach (near Erfurt) faster than usual. The high-voltage line has been upgraded over a distance of 27 km and three of the 65 pylons have been expanded. Since this is such an important line, the permit was obtained using the simplified procedure provided for by law.

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## 50Hertz may start construction of Bertikow-Pasewalk overhead line

Transmission system operator 50Hertz may start building a new high-voltage line in its grid area. The Bundesnetzagentur, the German regulator, has given the go-ahead for the construction of the 380-kV power line between the Bertikow substation (in Brandenburg) in the south and the Pasewalk substation (in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania) in the north. The 30-km high-voltage line will replace an existing 220-kV line, increasing transmission capacity in the region by a factor of four or five and facilitating the integration of renewables.

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## Gramme-Rimière project presented to local residents

The 380-kV Gramme-Rimière line is being upgraded over a distance of 14 km in Liège province. This is necessary to prepare the grid for the energy transition and to enhance security of supply on the Liège network. The line, which dates back to 1976 and currently consists of a single 3-phase transmission line with 34 pylons, passes through the municipalities of Huy, Modave, Nandrin and Neupré. The project was presented to local residents at an information session, which is the first step in the legal procedure for applying for a project permit.



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## Elia receives important sustainability recognition

Last month, Elia was awarded a risk score of 9.9 in environmental, social and governance (ESG) by Sustainalytics, a world leader in this type of analysis. This means that the risk of major financial consequences for Elia due to ESG factors is negligible. This excellent score puts us right at the top of public utilities and shows that [the Act Now sustainability programme](#) has inspired confidence in the financial markets.

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