

## **Energiekontor presents report on wind farm optimisation and offers know-how on the market**

- **Positive findings after 5 years of systematic optimisation of the Own Farm Segment**
- **Conclusion: On average 2% additional yield p. a. and over 20% cost reduction**
- **Starting now Energiekontor offers wind farm management as a service**

**Bremen 13 July 2021.** In the "Report Wind Farm Optimisation 2016-2020" published today, Energiekontor reviews the impact of optimisation measures in the Own Farm Segment over the last five years. According to the report, 2% additional yield p. a. and more than 20% cost reductions have been achieved across all wind farms. At the same time, Energiekontor AG announces that it will also be offering its optimisation know-how to external wind farms in the form of holistic wind farm management as a service starting today.

Energiekontor AG has been projecting and operating over 100 wind farms since 1990 and is known as a wind energy pioneer. Since 2016, Energiekontor has also been systematically optimising yields in the Group's own wind farms. In the meantime, the internationally successful company has achieved a very extensive level of knowledge about which retrofitting brings how much more power to which turbine under which circumstances. This knowledge is based on the innovative technologies for increasing the yield of wind turbines, which were developed together with the industry and are independent of manufacturers. The cost side was also analysed in detail, and numerous cost factors could be reduced, in some cases significantly.

"The effects of the optimisations have far exceeded our expectations. Through our systematic approach, we were able to reduce the electricity production costs in our wind farms by more than 20% and also generate 15.5 million kWh of additional wind power per year. This can supply an additional 6,500 two-person households," says Carsten Schwarz, Board Member at Energiekontor AG and responsible for operations management. "In this way, we are also making an important contribution from operations in order to drive forward the energy transition. Thanks to the significant increases in earnings and cost reductions, we are setting standards here for optimised continued operation, as the report shows," Schwarz continues.

From July 2021, Energiekontor will also offer comprehensive wind farm management services for external wind farms. The focus is on operational management, optimisation and electricity marketing as well as repowering of wind farms. Energiekontor is already responsible for the operational management of wind farms it has planned and acquired itself with an installed capacity of 1 GW - the equivalent of 2 billion kWh per year, which corresponds to the electricity requirements of 600,000 two- to three-person households.

"We are now also offering other owners to manage their wind farms as operations managers and to optimise them with our methods, because we want to apply our special know-how for wind farm success more broadly. Whether it's a new project or an existing farm, continued operation under the EEG or electricity marketing, our expert teams are happy to share our experience from 128 wind farm projects and more than 30 years of operational management with other wind farms," announces Carsten Schwarz.

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Since the end of the EEG subsidy, many wind farm owners have been striving to continue operating their plants economically in order to achieve reliable revenues even in the face of unpredictable market price developments. Large and experienced project developers and operators like Energiekontor, who are already producing renewable electricity cost-effectively with a combination of volume, experience and innovative methods, are showing the way to the future. They are helpful partners for other market participants and positive examples of the opportunities in the industry - and not least an essential pillar for sustainable energy supply in all sectors.

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The "[Report Wind Farm Optimisation 2016-2020](#)" and further information on the topic can be found at [www.energiekontor.de/windpark-management](http://www.energiekontor.de/windpark-management)

### **About Energiekontor AG:**

A solid business policy and a lot of experience in renewable energies: That's what Energiekontor has stood for in more than 30 years. Founded in Bremerhaven in 1990, the company is one of the pioneers in the industry and is now one of Germany's leading project developers. Its core business ranges from the planning and construction to the operational management of wind farms in Germany and abroad and was expanded in 2010 to include solar energy. In addition, Energiekontor operates wind and solar farms with a nominal output of more than 310 megawatts in its own portfolio. Energiekontor AG also aims to play a pioneering role in economic terms and to realise the first wind and solar parks in all target markets at market prices as quickly as possible, independently of state subsidies.

In addition to its headquarters in Bremen, Energiekontor has offices in Bremerhaven, Hagen im Bremischen, Aachen, Augsburg, Bernau bei Berlin and Potsdam. The company also has offices in England (Leeds), Scotland (Edinburgh, Glasgow), Portugal (Lisbon), USA (Houston/Texas and Rapid City/South Dakota) and France (Toulouse, Rouen).

The proud balance sheet since the company was founded: 128 realised wind farms and 12 solar parks with a total output of more than 1 gigawatt. This corresponds to an investment volume of 1.8 billion euros.

The Company went public on 25 May 2000. The Energiekontor AG share (WKN 531350 / ISIN DE0005313506) is listed in the General Standard of the German Stock Exchange in Frankfurt and can be traded on all German stock exchanges.

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