

## News release from Vestas Northern and Central Europe

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### Vestas adds to Irish success with Lenalea Wind Farm

Vestas has secured a 30 MW order on the Lenalea Wind Farm in Ireland being developed by SSE Renewables and Coillte Renewable Energy.

Vestas will supply and install seven V117-4.2 MW turbines in 4.3 MW operating mode at the project, which is located in County Donegal. The turbines will be serviced through a multi-year Active Output Management 5000 (AOM 5000) service agreement, utilising Vestas' existing service base in the region. The V117-4.3 MW turbines will rise to a hub height of 76.5m and will be first delivered from the second quarter of 2023. Full park commissioning is expected in late 2023.

The Lenalea Wind Farm further highlights Vestas' recent success from the Irish RESS1 auction held in 2020, from which to date, Vestas has secured 180 MW in orders.

Gary Crowley, Sales Director, Ireland, at Vestas Northern & Central Europe, noted of the order: *"Ireland today has the highest share of electricity demand in the world met by onshore wind and we are pleased to be part of the continued progress of the wind industry in Ireland with the development of the Lenalea Wind Farm project. Vestas is proud to be working with our long-term partners, SSE Renewables, and their joint venture partner, Coillte Renewable Energy. Lenalea is yet another example of Vestas' strong technology fit for the Irish market and builds on our recent successes from Ireland's RESS1 auction"*.

Maria Ryan, Director of Development, Ireland, at SSE Renewables said: *"We have an excellent track record of project delivery with Vestas so we are delighted to be working with them once again as we progress Lenalea Wind Farm into the construction phase. The delivery of Lenalea will play a key role in advancing our strategic objective at SSE Renewables to drive the transition to a zero-carbon future and will play an important part in the green recovery and meeting Ireland's climate action goals. As we prepare to start construction, we look forward to working with our development partners Coillte Renewable Energy and the communities in County Donegal to realise the positive social and economic benefit that Lenalea Wind Farm will deliver, both during construction and throughout its operational lifetime"*.

Peter Lynch Managing Director, at Coillte Renewable Energy added: *"We are delighted to be involved in the co-development of Lenalea Wind Farm. Its success in securing capacity in the first RESS auction in 2020 was a major achievement and ensures both a guaranteed route to market for the green electricity that will be generated as well as providing a substantial community benefit fund to promote energy efficiency, climate action initiatives and a wide range of other community projects in the area"*.

SSE Renewables is leading on construction of the project and will operate Lenalea Wind Farm throughout its lifetime. Once operational Lenalea Wind Farm will generate enough electricity to power almost 20,000 Irish homes with green energy and offset over 31,000 tonnes of harmful carbon emissions annually.

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### **About Vestas**

Vestas is the energy industry's global partner on sustainable energy solutions. We design, manufacture, install, and service onshore and offshore wind turbines across the globe, and with more than 132 GW of wind turbines in 82 countries, we have installed more wind power than anyone else. Through our industry-leading smart data capabilities and unparalleled more than 117 GW of wind turbines under service, we use data to interpret, forecast, and exploit wind resources and deliver best-in-class wind power solutions. Together with our customers, Vestas' more than 29,000 employees are bringing the world sustainable energy solutions to power a bright future.

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### **About SSE Renewables**

SSE Renewables is a leading developer, owner and operator of renewable energy across the UK and Ireland, with a portfolio of around 4GW of onshore wind, offshore wind and hydro. Part of the FTSE-listed SSE plc, its strategy is to drive the transition to a net zero future through the world class development, construction and operation of renewable energy assets.

SSE Renewables is building more offshore wind energy than any other company in the world right now. It is currently constructing the world's largest offshore wind farm, the 3.6GW Dogger Bank Wind Farm in the North Sea, a joint venture with Equinor and Eni, as well as Scotland's largest offshore wind farm, the 1.1GW Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm in the Firth of Forth, which is a joint venture with Total. It also has the largest offshore wind development pipeline across the UK and Ireland at over 7GW, of which around 776MW is already consented.

SSE Renewables owns nearly 2GW of operational onshore wind capacity with over 1GW under development. Its 1,459MW hydro portfolio includes 300MW of pumped storage and 750MW of flexible hydro. Its operational offshore wind portfolio consists of 487MW across two offshore joint venture sites, Beatrice and Greater Gabbard, both of which it operates on behalf of its asset partners.

SSE Renewables is a Principal Partner to the UK Government in the run up to and during the COP26 UN climate summit in November 2021.

### **About Coillte Renewable Energy**

Coillte Renewable Energy is a business within the Coillte Group. Coillte Renewable Energy developed and constructed a number of operational projects in recent years, and is continuing to develop renewable energy projects, either as 100% Coillte projects or as co-development projects.

Coillte owns and manages almost a million acres of land, and the Renewable Energy business is responsible for developing renewable energy projects on these lands. The stated ambition of the Renewable Energy business is to develop a further 1GW of renewable energy over the next ten years, driving Ireland's ambition to achieve 70% of electricity generation from renewable sources by 2030.