

PROJECT SHEET

DOLWIN3

TRANSPORT & FLOAT OVER INSTALLATION OF THE DOLWIN GAMMA HVDC TOPSIDE

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DOLWIN 3 PROJECT

The DolWin Gamma offshore platform is a High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) converter station that will be capable to deliver 900MW - enough to power 1,000,000 households with clean/green wind energy.

FEATURES		
Client	Nordic Yards GmbH, GE GmbH and TenneT Offshore GmbH	
Location	Warnemunde, Dolwin field offshore - German Bight (North Sea), Eemshaven, Rotterdam, Papendrecht	
Period	January 2015 – August 2017	
Contractor	Dockwise Shipping b.v.	
Seabed preparation	March – April 2016	
Fender Installation	April 2017	
Pile Cutting Campaign	May 2017	
Barge float over preparation Warnemuende		May 2017
Transport of HVDC topside by wettow		June 2017
Float over installation		July 2017
Fender Removal campaign		July 2017

Boskalis Vessels involved:

- Survey & preparation works: DSV ETD Protea & subsea excavator
- Dredging: TSHD Shoalway active heave compensated, AHTS Union Bear
- Gravelbed installation: DPFV Rockpiper
- Pile Cutting and Fender Installation: DSV Constructor
- Transport HVDC topside: AHTS Union Manta & President Hubert
- Field preparationworks for float over ops and main tow fender removal barge: AHTS Union Sovereign
- Assisting tug fender removal barge: Terramare 1

A Design





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DolWin Gamma was built in separate jacket halves installed at 27 meters waterdepth in the German Bight of the North Sea. The topside was fabricated in Warnemunde and was installed by means of the float over method onto the jacket halves. The topside alone measures approximately 50H x 50W x 105L and weighs 18,000 tons.

Boskalis was contracted via Dockwise Shipping BV by Nordic Yards GmbH to transport and install by float over method the topside for their client GE GmbH and ultimately TenneT Offshore GmbH from Warnemunde to the location in the German Bight.

The DolWin 3 project encompassed further a large range of work scope such as the seabed preparation, survey, the installation of the fenders, diving, cutting of pile sleeves, preparation of the barge carrying the topside for the float over, towing to location, performing the float over, and finally the removal of the fenders from underneath the topside.

SAFETY

Safety is our first priority during the execution of a project. The Boskalis NINA (No Injuries No Accidents) program was implemented in an early stage in all facets of the project and adopted by the client and all other stakeholders.





- **B** Seabed Preparation
- C PCFI
- **D** Tow
- E Float-Over
 - Fender removal







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