

PRESS RELEASE

MEYER WERFT: First order in the offshore market

Green electricity: steel construction for four converter platforms in the North Sea

Papenburg, November 22, 2023 – MEYER WERFT has achieved a breakthrough in its entry into the growing offshore converter platform business. The Papenburg shipyard is carrying out the majority of the steel work for converter platforms destined for the DolWin4 and BorWin4 offshore connections as well as BalWin1 and BalWin2. All connections and platforms for green electricity are located in the North Sea. MEYER WERFT is thus laying the technical foundation for a green power supply using wind energy and thus a sustainable future.

For the first time in the world, the Papenburg shipyard is using the laser hybrid welding process in the construction of DC platforms. MEYER WERFT is thus emphasising its claim to technological leadership in sustainable maritime solutions, as it does in cruise ship construction. Other competences of the MEYER Group will also be used for this order: ND Coatings, for example, will be responsible for the very demanding preservation process.

"This order is a milestone for us in our entry into the construction of converter platforms, which we will also build at NEPTUN WERFT in Rostock in the future. This successful expansion of our product portfolio secures knowledge and employment at our German shipyards and at the same time makes a decisive contribution to the energy transition," explains Jan Meyer. As Chief Business Innovation Officer, he will be responsible for the development of new business areas, including the new offshore wind business area. "We are delighted to have found new customers for a new MEYER Group product with our expertise and capacities. We firmly believe in this new market," adds Managing Director Thomas Weigend.

The converter platforms will be manufactured at the Spanish shipyard Dragados, which works on behalf of the German company Amperion. "With Meyer Werft, we have another

competent partner on board alongside Dragados. We are particularly pleased that the majority of our platforms will now be manufactured in Germany”, says Peter Barth, managing director at Amprion Offshore. MEYER WERFT is supplying steel block sections with a volume of almost 6000 tonnes of steel each for DoIWin4 and BorWin4 and around 15,500 tonnes of steel each for BalWin1/BalWin2. The volume of steel thus corresponds roughly to that of a large cruise ship. Deliveries of the components are planned for the period from autumn 2024 to spring 2027.