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# ROBUR WIND starts strong into the new year 2021: WKA Blade Service GmbH is now part of ROBUR Wind GmbH

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ROBUR Wind GmbH took over the operations of WKA Blade Service GmbH with effect from 30.12.2020 and thus strengthens the rotor blade division of ROBUR WIND for a comprehensive range of services - all from a single source.

"For 25 years, WKA Blade Service GmbH has been a well-known and reliable partner for the inspection, repair and optimization of rotor blades from all manufacturers. Our goal is to unite comprehensive services in the onshore and offshore business under the brand of ROBUR WIND. In order to do justice to this unity, not only in name, it was time to integrate the operational business of WKA into ROBUR WIND and to push ahead with its internationalization," explains Kyriakos Kosmidis, Managing Director of WKA.

"Our portfolio of services showed parallels and we have steadily developed together over the past years. We are pleased to be able to present ourselves even more strongly as a single unit and to offer a comprehensive service portfolio", says René Psarski, Managing Director of ROBUR Wind GmbH.

ROBUR Wind GmbH with its meanwhile 250 experts combines all competences and services along the entire value chain in the onshore and offshore wind industry - all from one source. "The addition of "everything from a single source" makes it even clearer to our partners that there is now only one point of contact, namely ROBUR Wind GmbH. We now cover the entire life cycle of a wind turbine in our services," adds René Psarski.

"The idea and concept behind ROBUR WIND is very exciting and I am pleased to be able to join the company at this stage," says Michael Finnern, who has headed the operational rotor blade unit since January. "With Michael, we have been able to attract a true ex-pert in the wind industry. With his extensive career, including as Managing Director of BARD Service and BARD Logistik GmbH and most recently at WP Offshore B.V., he knows how the wind blows in our business and what matters. Both in wind energy and in the downstream process of disposal, he enriches us with his know-how. Primarily in rotor blade disposal, which is often a major problem in the field of wind energy disposal, he can support us with his knowledge in the recycling of individual components and optimize the process so that we can make our contribution to a better environment here as well ", Kyriakos Kosmidis elaborates. "I am very much looking forward to forging everything into one with my colleagues and growing with my new partner by my side," concludes Michael Finnern.

#### The WKA is now the ROBUR Wind Holding GmbH

ROBUR Wind GmbH will continue the business with its larger team at the headquarters in Bremen. The former WKA Blade Service GmbH has been renamed ROBUR Wind Holding GmbH since 31.12.2020 and will act as the holding of ROBUR Wind GmbH. The location in Lübeck will continue as a branch of ROBUR Wind GmbH.

## **About ROBUR Wind GmbH (ROBUR WIND):**

ROBUR WIND is part of ROBUR and combines all competences and services around onshore and offshore wind turbines. With almost 1.000 colleagues in Europe, North and South America, ROBUR WIND offers its customers the entire range of services for the long-term economic success of their turbines - onshore and offshore. We offer service and maintenance (O&M), major component exchange and repair, rotor blade and tower services, electrical and mechanical assembly, electrical engineering, qualification and training as well as obstacle marking.



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ROBUR WIND is characterized by a high degree of readiness for innovation, cross-manufacturer technical know-how and proven expertise - not least thanks to its profound know-how in the field of prototype erection. As an independent service partner of manufacturers, owners and operators, we also make our contribution to ensuring that onshore and offshore wind turbines throughout Europe produce a reliable total output of over 170 GW.

## **About WKA (now part of ROBUR Wind GmbH)**

WKA has been providing reliable service for all common rotor blade types and wind energy plants for 25 years. With perspective as a guarantee for calculated yields. On- and offshore. Through database tools, innovative materials as well as certified processes, WKA guarantees efficient and sustainable blade service. In addition to blade inspection, repair and optimization, WKA also offers blade replacement and complete recycling. WKA is also the ideal partner for upgrades such as pitch or aerodynamic optimization.

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