

PRESS RELEASE

CCE and BKW sign a 10-year power purchase agreement for solar power from Italy

Bern/ Vienna, 05.december 2024. BKW concludes a long-term power purchase agreement with the German-Austrian solar developer CCE Holding for a 42-Megawatt solar plant in Lazio. This 10-year contract is the largest to date in Italy for BKW and underlines BKW's commitment to driving forward the energy transition in Italy.

Under this contract, BKW will purchase the electricity from the CCE Montalto Di Castro solar plant. The plant produces around 65 gigawatt hours of electricity per year. This is enough for more than 26,000 Italian 4-person households. The solar project is due to go into operation next year and is an important addition to renewable energy production in Italy.

Amanda Niklaus, Head of Department, Origination Central and Southern Europe, says: "We are delighted to be working with CCE on this strategically important project. This agreement is an important step in expanding our renewable energy portfolio, contributing to our decarbonisation goals and underline our strong position in the Italian clean energy market."

Martina Nicodemo, Originator Italy: "This agreement is the result of months of close collaboration and innovative structuring to ensure mutual benefits for both parties. The successful execution of this PPA highlights our deep market expertise and ability to align renewable energy projects with the needs of forward-thinking energy buyers."

Shared vision for a sustainable energy future

CCE Holding is an important player in the development of solar energy. With a strong track record in Italy and across Europe, CCE is committed to sustainable energy production. Cristiano Francese, Director for Energy Markets & Offtake at CCE says: "This agreement represents the first long-term PPA for CCE and it is critical to the development of the Montalto di Castro project, as well as of our pipeline in Italy. It supports CCE's goal to realise a sustainable future and the development of Italy's solar potential through partnerships like the one with BKW."

The collaboration between BKW and CCE reflects the growing momentum of sustainable energy initiatives in Italy and underlines the commitment of both companies to clean energy solutions for the benefit of people and the environment.

Power purchase agreements as an important pillar of BKW's strategy

The conclusion of this long-term purchase agreement for renewable energy in Italy is in line with the "Solutions 2030" strategy, which BKW presented on 8 November 2024. The strategy envisages relevant growth for BKW in the area of long-term power purchase and supply contracts.

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CCE Holding

CCE, based in Vienna, Austria, focuses on the realisation, financing, flexibilisation and operational management of large ground-mounted PV systems, commercial PV rooftop systems and Battery Energy Storage Systems. With its solution orientated approach and many years of experience along the entire value chain, the company aims to make an important contribution to the global energy transition. In addition to Austria, the company is currently active in Italy, France, the Netherlands, Germany, Romania and Chile. As part of its commitment to sustainable and responsible business practices, CCE is committed to the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact for labour rights, environmental protection and combating corruption in all its forms.

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