



HOW WIND ENERGY SUPPORTS LOCAL COMMUNITIES

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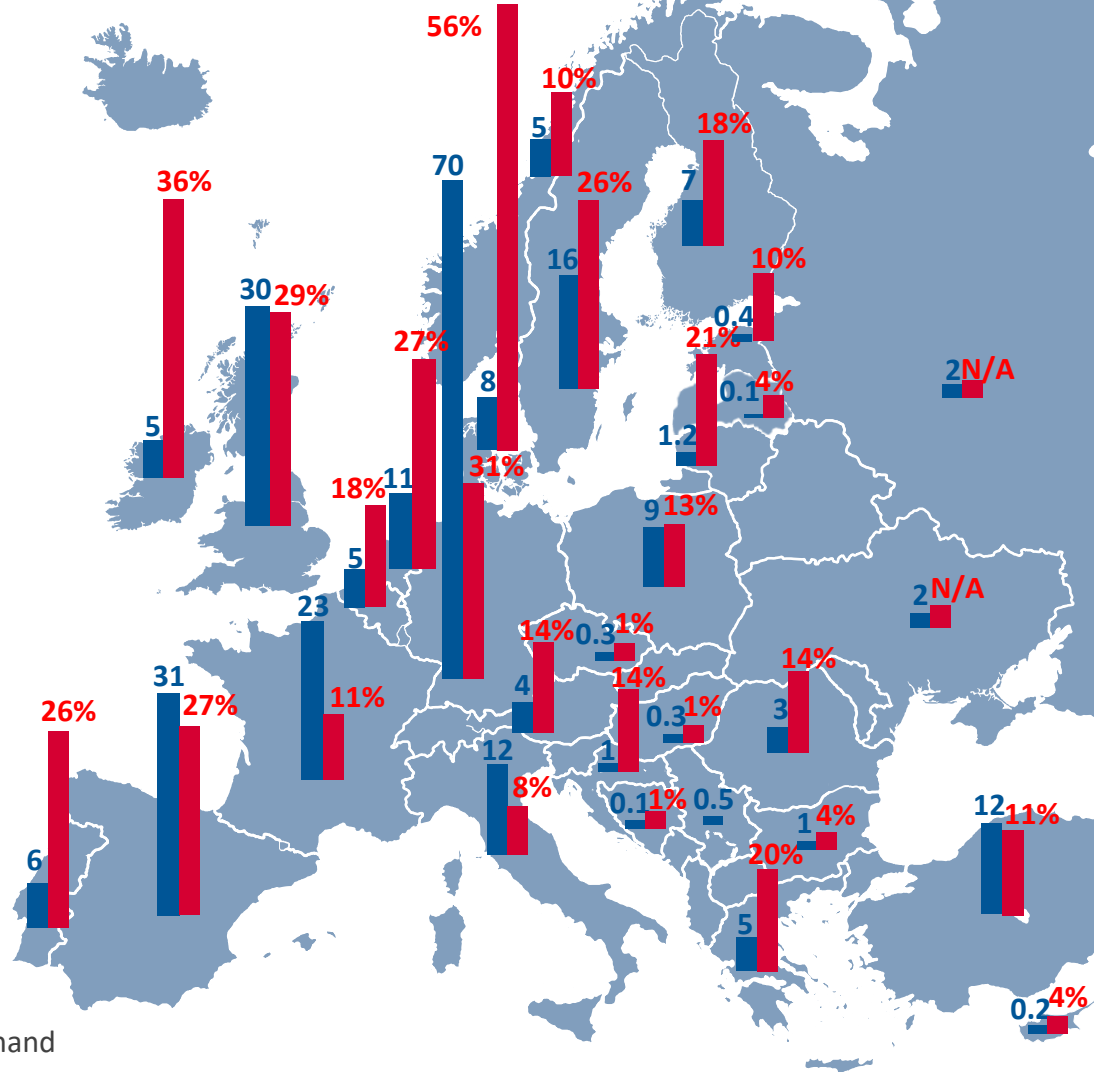
Wind energy in Europe

272 GW

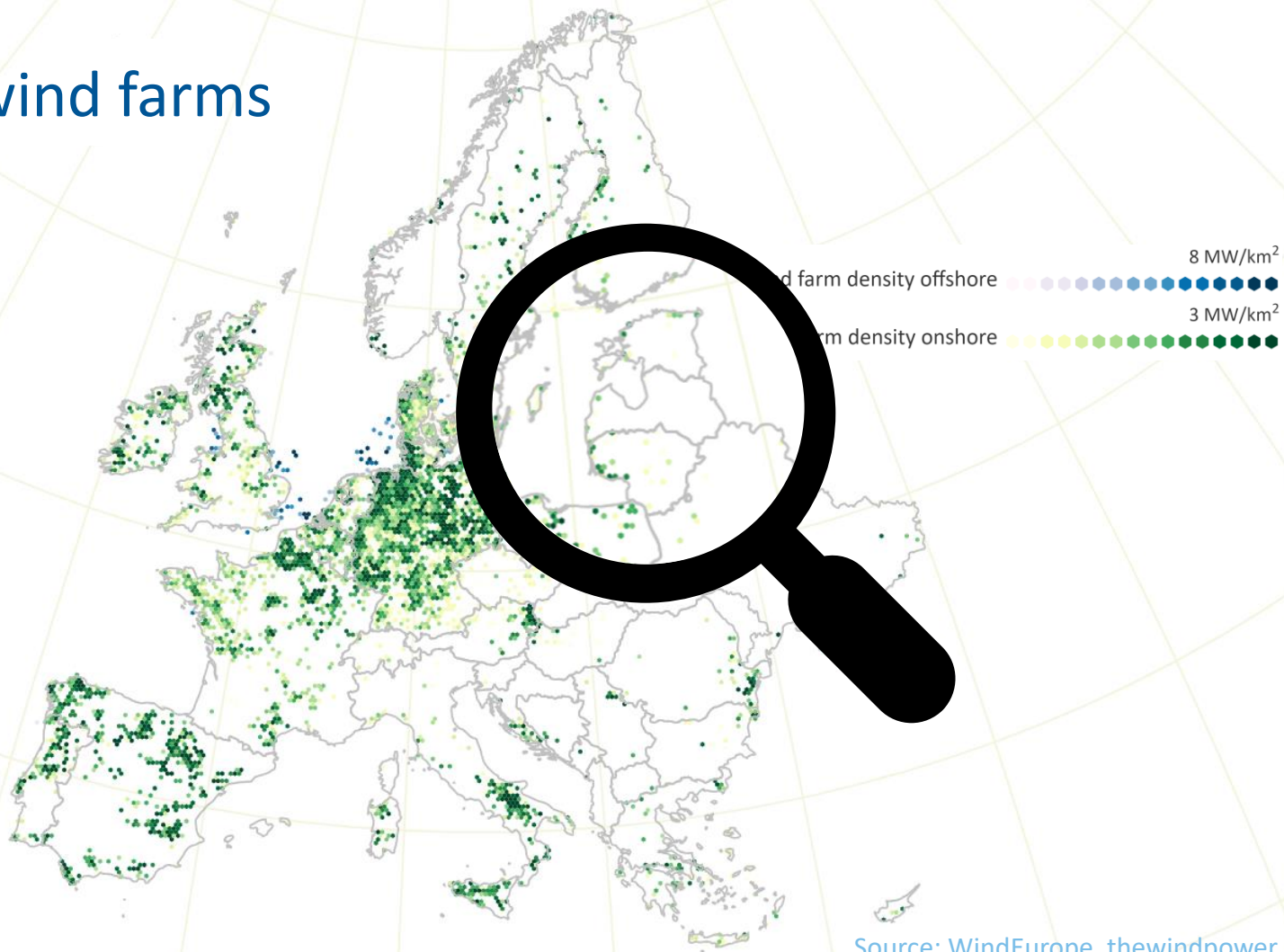
20%
of Europe's
electricity demand

Wind
EUROPE

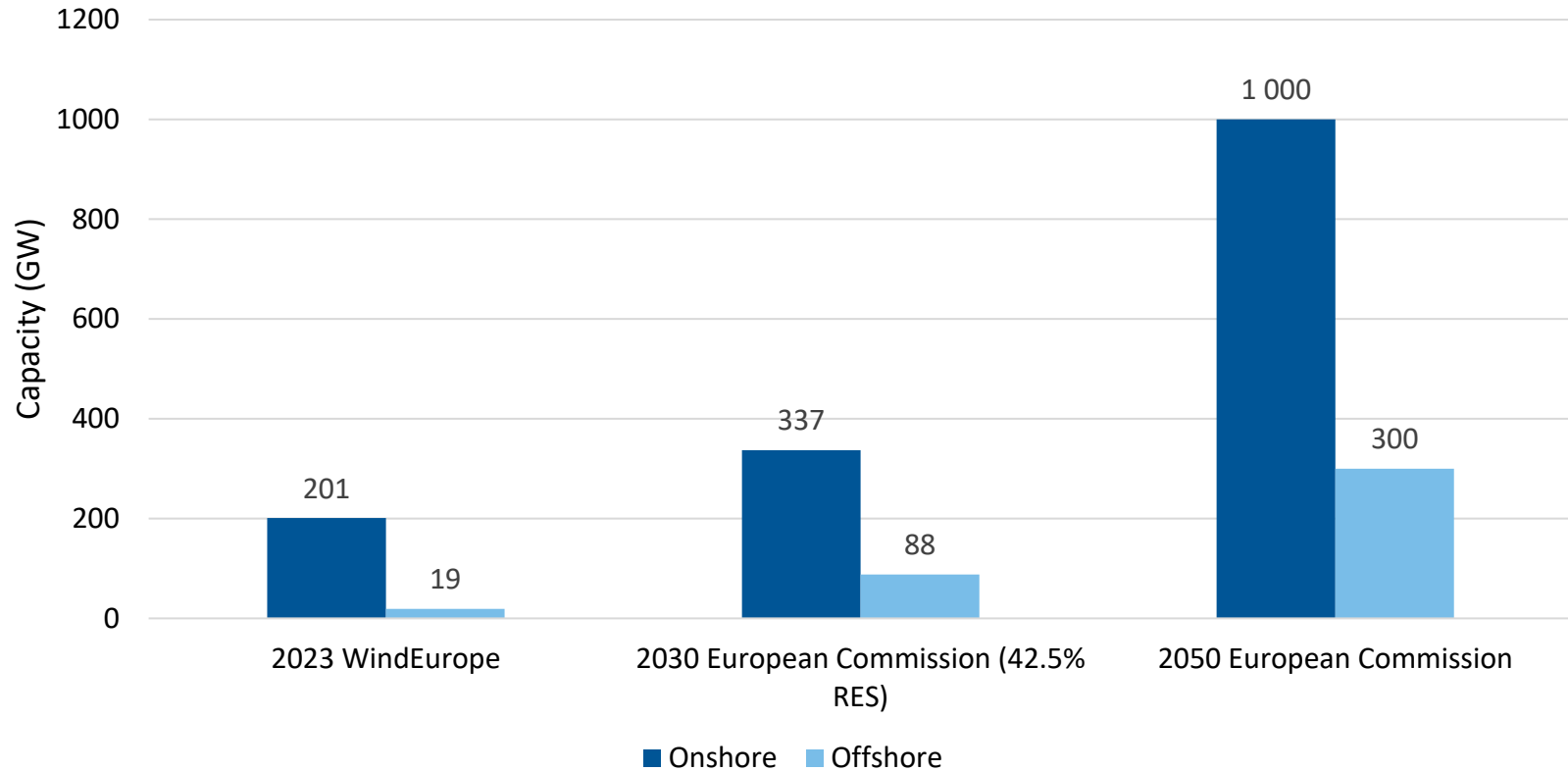
- GW installed
- Wind share of electricity demand



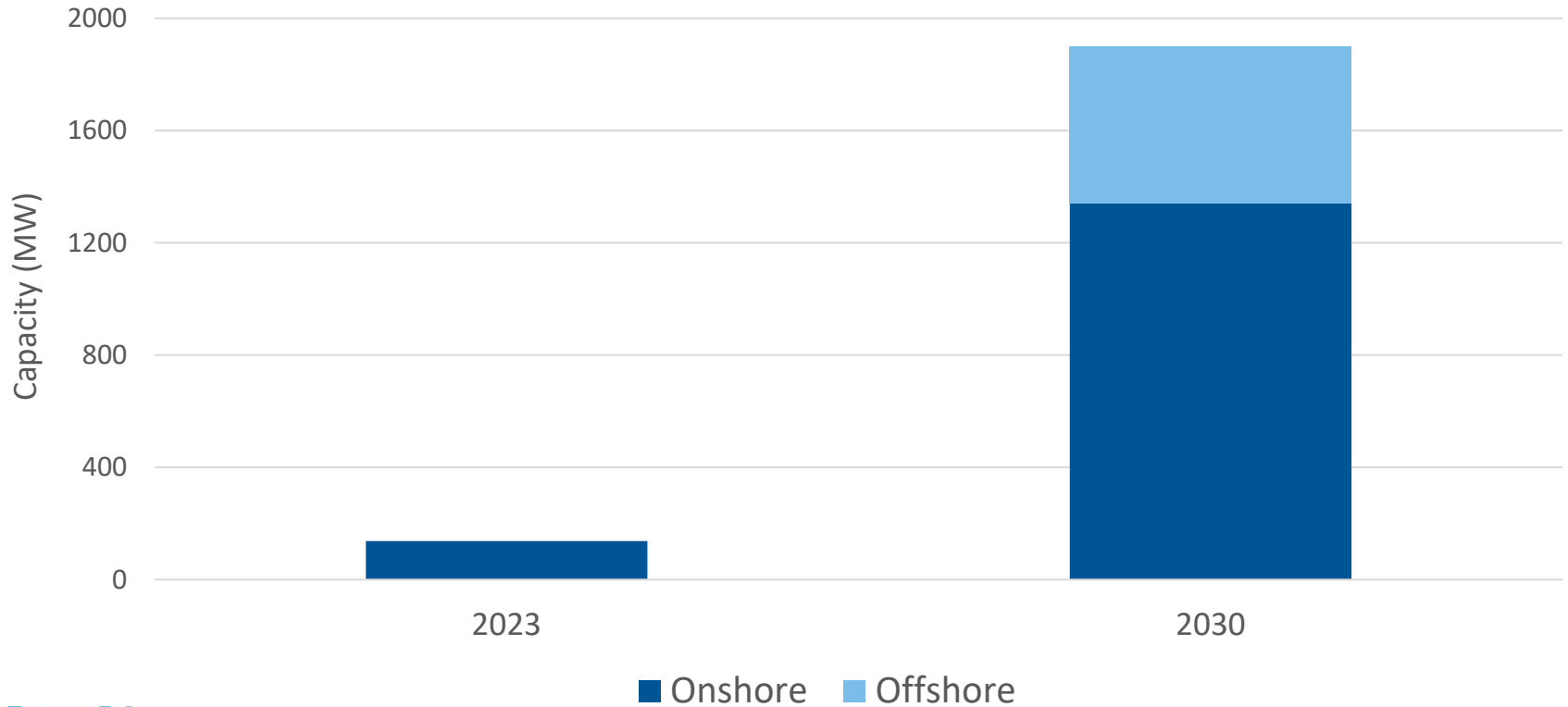
Europe's wind farms



Huge increase in wind capacity coming

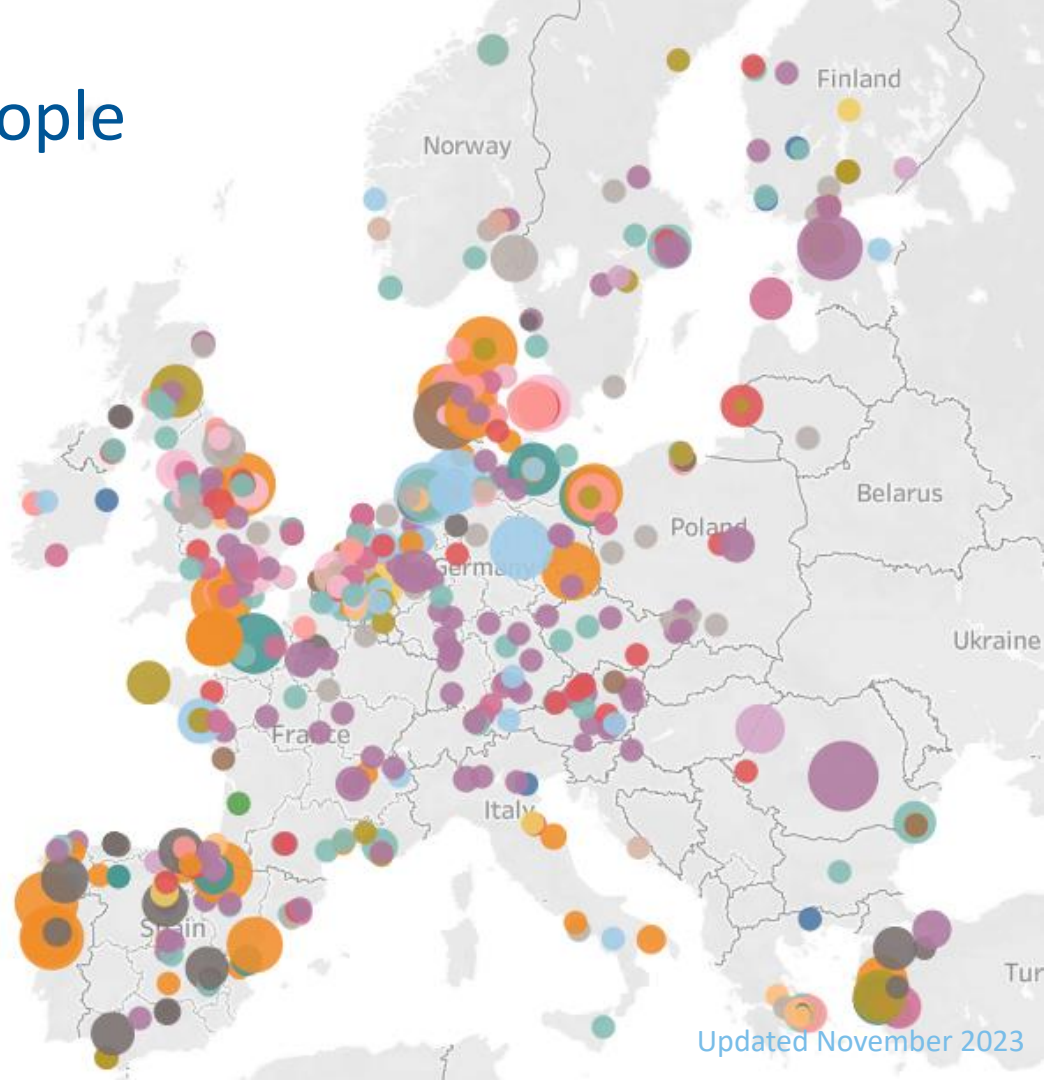


Latvia's capacity increase



Wind employs 300,000 people

- Components
- Assembly
- Blades
- Foundations
- Gearboxes
- Nacelles
- O&M
- Other
- R&D
- Towers
- Cables
- Generators
- Logistics
- Port



Employment in wind energy in Europe



370,000
jobs in
Europe today

600,000
jobs in
Europe in
2030

Economic benefits of wind energy in Europe

€57bn
to Europe's
GDP

1 new turbine
=
€16m
to the economy

How are local communities benefitting from wind?

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Taxes

Local community funds



Source: Citizens Democracy

Benefits in kind



Source: Germinal

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Co-Ownership



European Energy projects in Lithuania

€20,000

annual community
support fund

Ripple Energy projects in the UK

OWNED BY CONSUMERS

36%

of your electricity

£1,989

Estimated savings over
your project's lifetime

How much of the project would you like to own?

(minimum of £25)

£714

£25

1%

£1,969

100%

£2,362

120%

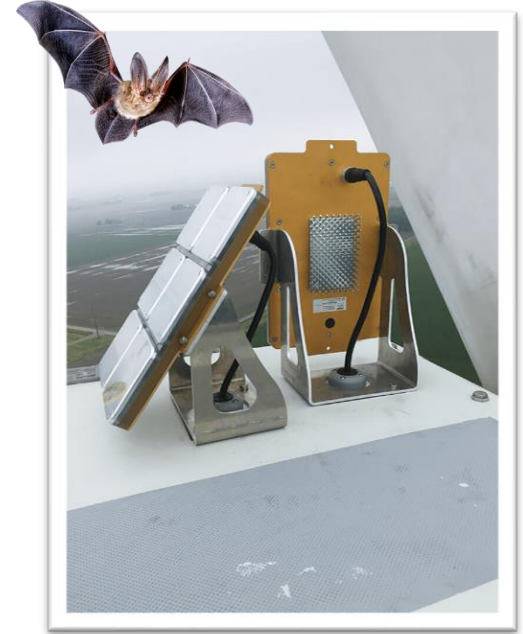
Wind energy has no or positive impact on tourism



Climate change is a big threat to biodiversity



We take additional measures to mitigate impacts during the operation of a wind farm



Wind farms in forests



Living up to our responsibility

An aerial photograph of a white wind turbine standing in a lush green landscape. The turbine is positioned on the right side of the frame, with its three blades extending outwards. The background consists of rolling green hills and fields, with a dense forest visible in the lower right corner. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

Early, transparent and comprehensive information and communication

Engagement of key local actors and activation of the local economy

Highlighting how local communities benefit from investments