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EDF Energies Nouvelles and DCNS form a partnership in marine energies

EDF Energies Nouvelles, a leader in renewable energies, and DCNS, a European leader in naval defence systems, announce the signature of a partnership agreement covering the development and construction of marine energy projects in Europe.

The strategic partnership between EDF Energies Nouvelles and DCNS will enable the two companies to pool their respective expertise in the development, construction and maintenance of marine energy projects in Europe.

The projects that may be carried out under this partnership will include wave energy, marine current energy, and ocean thermal energy. The initial projects may go ahead in the French overseas departments and territories.

Concerned by sustainable development challenges, DCNS is looking to develop in renewable energies' activities through this cooperation. DCNS Group brought its experience and expertise of naval systems design and maintenance to the development of these new energy sources.

This partnership illustrates EDF Energies Nouvelles' intention to participate in the emergence of new segments, such as marine energies, by developing, beside wind and solar energy, selective projects to prepare for the future.

About EDF Energies Nouvelles

With operations in ten European countries and in America, EDF Energies Nouvelles is a market leader in renewable energies. With a development focused on wind energy for several years and more recently on solar photovoltaic, now a second priority avenue of development, the Group is also present in other segments of the renewable energies market: small hydro, biomass, biofuel and biogas. In addition, the Group is expanding its presence in the distributed renewable energies sector in partnership with EDF.

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About DCNS

DCNS is a leading European player on the world market for naval defence systems. The Group designs, builds and supports surface ships, submarines and mission-critical systems and equipment incorporating the most advanced technologies. Drawing on its dedicated teams, proven expertise and extensive industrial resources, DCNS is also expanding into new markets in civil nuclear energy, marine renewable energy and naval and industrial services. DCNS is committed to sustainable development and was one of the first defence contractors to achieve Group-wide certification to ISO 14001. The DCNS Group employs 12,000 staff and generates annual revenues of around €2.5 billion (2008 figures). www.dcnsgroup.com

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