



## Publications

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### Energy Law Quarterly - Net-express

The Swiss electricity grid must meet future increased requirements and also needs to be upgraded, particularly the grid level 1 (transmission grid). This will lead to an increase in power line projects and the associated procedures. The planning and approval procedures required for the conversion and expansion often take several years. In addition, the expansion of renewable energies should not be delayed by a lack of grid capacity. A revision of the relevant laws is therefore intended to speed up the procedures for the expansion and conversion of the electricity grids. The bill is therefore also known as Net-express. The revision requires amendments to the Electricity Act (EleG), the Electricity Supply Act (StromVG), the Spatial Planning Act (RPG), and the Energy Act (EnG).

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### Oil & Gas Laws and Regulations Bulgaria 2026

DGKV prepared a publication in the ICLG about Oil & Gas Laws and Regulations Bulgaria 2026. This chapter covers common issues in oil and gas laws and regulations – including development of oil and natural gas, import/export of natural gas, LNG, import/export of oil, transportation, transmission and distribution and foreign investment.

### Hannes Snellman Contributed Finnish Chapter to the Orrick Global Offshore Wind Report 2026

The Orrick Global Offshore Wind Report 2026 features the Finland chapter contributed by our Real Assets Team together with Orrick. Insights into the evolving offshore wind landscape in Finland and the regulatory and commercial developments shaping the market.

Here is a snapshot of what is ahead for offshore wind in Finland:

- EEZ framework taking shape: Finland's Offshore Wind Power Act establishes a tender-based framework for offshore wind development in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The first

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EEZ areas are expected to be designated by the Finnish Government, with competitive tendering anticipated to commence in 2026.

- Permitting and grid developments: Reforms have aimed to streamline permitting processes and centralise permitting authorities, while amendments to electricity market legislation and transmission grid reinforcements are expected to support future offshore wind projects, including those located in the EEZ.
- Offtake and innovation opportunities: Growing demand from data centres, hydrogen projects, and other energy-intensive industries, together with an increasingly active PPA market, creates long-term offtake opportunities for offshore wind developers.

## SLAUGHTER AND MAY

### **Jostling for position: A neverending power struggle for grid connection**

Ofgem has launched a Call for Input on proposed reforms to tackle the fast-growing demand-side hashtag#GridConnection queue.

Ofgem's Curate, Plan, Connect framework sets out how it intends to reshape and streamline the process:

- Curate – Introducing stronger readiness requirements and potential financial measures for data centre projects to ensure only genuinely viable projects remain in the queue.
- Plan – Working with Government to prioritise strategically important projects and assess how capacity could be reserved or reallocated.
- Connect – Exploring new ways to speed up physical connections, expand self-delivery options and clarify the high-voltage framework.

These proposals could have a meaningful impact on demand-side developers, particularly in the hashtag#DataCentre space.



### **Veille RSE-ESG Jeantet**

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**The third Multi-year Energy Plan (PPE3), set by decree n° 2026-76 of 12 February 2026 and published in the Official Journal on 13 February 2026, defines France's energy roadmap for the period 2026-2035. This plan follows multiple consultations held since 2021.**



**BSP NEWSLETTER**



## Deals & Projects

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Hengeler Mueller advises Ørsted on divestment of its European onshore business to Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners. Ørsted, global leader in offshore wind, is divesting its entire European onshore renewables business (wind, solar PV, BESS) to the flagship fund of Copenhagen Infrastructure partners (CIP). The total value of the transaction is EUR 1.44 billion (DKK 10.7 billion).

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Hannes Snellman Advised OX2 in the construction, development, offtake, and Finnish law aspects of the project financing of two energy storage facilities with a combined capacity of 235 MW/470 MWh.



## Meet the Member

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# Secondments

## **Samuel Streuli, Attorney-at-Law, M.A. HSG Associate from valfor sharing his experience about secondment at Brodies**

"I was seconded for the whole month of November 2025 at Brodies LLP in Edinburgh. Within Brodies, I had the pleasure to join the corporate team, which is led by William McIntosh. My secondment at Brodies was a truly fantastic experience. From day one, I was welcomed into a team of exceptionally friendly and supportive colleagues who made it easy to feel at home in a new environment. The culture at Brodies is open, collaborative, and genuinely international, offering valuable insights into how a leading global law firm operates in practice. During my secondment I had the chance to meet various people at Brodies, particularly Kirsty Macpherson and Yaroslav Petrov from the Energy Law Group.

### **Advantages and challenges of the secondment**

Advantages of my secondment were that I had the chance to meet a variety of new interesting people, getting insights into cross border corporate work which enriched my understanding of international legal practice and strengthen my English skills. The main challenge of my secondment was the short period of time I stayed with Brodies which made it sometimes difficult to get involved in longer lasting projects. The colleagues at Brodies, however, managed to provide me with a lot of insights in their practice, which I really appreciated.

### **Recommendation**

I would absolutely recommend other members to go for a secondment in general. I can particularly recommend Brodies for a secondment. Brodies put a lot of effort into setting up a secondment schedule, including frequent check-ins with HR and even a visit at their Aberdeen offices, organizing frequent meetings with various contacts within Brodies and involving me in the corporate team and the whole organization."



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## ARTHUR COX

### Niamh Burke Renewable Energy Bursary 2026

The bursary of €10,000 is awarded to students pursuing studies related to renewable energy. By investing in emerging talent, the aim of the bursary is to foster the next generation of innovators and leaders driving a sustainable future.

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