

# News release

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## RCG expands Benelux, German focus as renewables dominate low-carbon buildout

**The Netherlands** - 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - In anticipation of rapid growth, The Renewables Consulting Group (RCG), an [ERM](#) Group company, is expanding into the Northwestern European countries of Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxembourg and Germany as these respective governments continue to prioritise renewables.

The following targets and goals signify that Northwestern Europe will emerge as a significant leader in renewable energy throughout the decade:

- Belgium, which agreed to phase out nuclear power by 2025, envisions offshore wind as the centrepiece of its plans;
- The German government increased the offshore wind target to 30 GW by 2030; and
- The Dutch cabinet recently approved doubling of the offshore wind target to 21 GW.

As a result, RCG is redoubling its efforts. Rob van der Hage, who was recently appointed to oversee the buildout of Benelux and Germany, leads business development and go-to-market strategies from an ERM office in Utrecht, The Netherlands.

*“RCG is expanding its presence in Northwestern Europe as we see a significant increase by global market players to participate in offshore wind tenders and also increased M&A activity around renewable assets. With RCG’s deep local insights and knowledge in offshore wind combined with ERM’s legacy of sustainable solutions, we are uniquely suited to the energy transition.” – Rob van der Hage, Partner*

Assisting van der Hage in the market’s buildout is Michiel Müller, a Consulting Director in ERM. Müller was formerly Program Director for the North Sea Wind Power Hub program at Dutch transmission system operator TenneT. Previously, he was Managing Director for Power Systems and Markets with Ecofys (currently Guidehouse). Müller’s broad market experience combined with a background in offshore wind development, energy system and market design, system integration and grid development projects will greatly benefit clients.



Rob van der Hage and Michiel Müller lead RCG's Benelux and Germany operations.

## **About The Renewables Consulting Group, an ERM Group company**

RCG, an ERM Group company, is a specialized expert services firm supporting the global renewable energy sector. From strategy to implementation, the company serves businesses, governments, and non-profits around the world with technical and management consulting services for both mainstream and emerging renewable energy technologies. RCG works with the public sector, private equity and financial services firms, utilities and project developers, equipment manufacturers, and engineering and construction companies for on- and off-shore wind, solar, and emerging technologies including wave and tidal and energy-storage projects. RCG is headquartered in London, and has offices in New York, Tokyo and elsewhere. For more information, visit our website at [www.thinkrcg.com](http://www.thinkrcg.com) or connect with us on Twitter via @thinkrcg.

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