

Schoenherr advises Verbund on acquisition of 272MW wind project from Monsson



Schoenherr Romania advised Verbund Wind Power Romania on the acquisition of a 272MW wind project from Monsson. Located in Caras-Severin county, the project is now at the "Ready to Build" stage, with the construction phase expected to start in 2026.

Schoenherr's legal advice covered all facets of this large-scale deal, including corporate/M&A, energy regulatory, real estate, competition and foreign trade. The transaction was signed on 9 April 2025, closing being subject to regulatory clearances.

"After few years of modest growth, onshore wind energy deployment has picked up again in Romania, with unprecedented deal volumes, in connection with both operational and development assets," said *partner* **Monica Cojocaru**, who led the Schoenherr team advising Verbund in this matter. "We are happy to advise major international investors such as Verbund - who have been active in the country's wind energy sector since its early stages, in expanding their portfolios and further supporting Romania in achieving its sustainability goals."

The transaction is part of Verbund's plans to expand its portfolio in the Romanian renewable energy market, in line with the group's corporate strategy of having 25% of its total generation produced from photovoltaic and wind onshore sources by 2030.

Verbund is Austria's leading energy company and one of the largest producers of hydropower electricity in Europe. In addition to hydropower, the company's portfolio also includes photovoltaic and wind projects. Beyond its home market in Austria, Verbund also develops and runs projects in Germany, Spain, Italy, Albania and Romania.

Active in the renewable energy market in Romania for over 17 years, Monsson has become the leading supplier of projects electricity from renewable sources, with a portfolio of over 5GW of wind and photovoltaic projects.

The Schoenherr team advising Verbund in this transaction was led by **Monica Cojocaru** (partner) and included **Vlad Cordea** (managing attorney at law), **Simona Lehniuc** (managing attorney at law), **Cristina Olariu** (attorney at law) and **Valentina Pruteanu-Bujor** (attorney at law), who advised on corporate M&A and energy regulatory matters.

The firm's real estate support in connection with the transaction was coordinated by **Madalina Mitan** (partner), with further assistance from **Claudiu Stan** (managing attorney at law), **Laura Buzatu-Teodorescu** (senior attorney at law), **Ionuț Sava** (senior attorney at law) and **George Șopîrla** (attorney at law).

Schoenherr has been retained to advise on regulatory clearances, which will be handled by the firm's competition, EU & foreign trade team led by **Georgiana Badescu** (partner).

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