



## Press Release

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# EQUANS SELECTED TO DELIVER A LARGE-SCALE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM IN THE NETHERLANDS

**Equans Solar & Storage and Equans Nederland are pleased to announce they have been selected by ENGIE to deliver a 35MW/100MWh battery-based energy storage project at the Maxima power plant in Lelystad, the Netherlands.**

**The project combines different types of generation with an advanced battery energy storage system and is expected to come into operation in 2025. The project is anticipated to increase security of energy supply and provide flexibility to the Dutch electricity system through the energy transition.**

Equans Solar & Storage together with Equans Nederland offered a solution for the transition of the existing Maxima site to a sustainable plant and are responsible for the balance of plant, civil works and grid connection under the contract.

Fluence, a global market leader in energy storage, will supply the energy storage technology, software and services for the project.

The Dutch government is committed to reducing CO2 emissions by 49% by 2030, compared to 1990 levels, and achieve a 95% reduction by 2050, as outlined in the 2019 Climate Act. To accomplish these goals and ensure the stability of the Dutch electricity grid, TenneT, the transmission system operator, outlined that the Netherlands will need to bring online at least 9 GW of battery energy storage capacity by 2030.

The Maxima power plant site is perfectly located for large-scale battery storage. The site itself already has an energy hub with a 900-MW gas-fired power plant and a 32-MW solar farm. Thanks to the new battery park, sustainably generated energy can be stored locally and released at a later time. This plays an important role in the reliable integration of renewable energy sources into the power grid.



From left to right: Hugo Smith, Vice President Services EMEA Fluence, Marco Siebelink, Manager operations & maintenance Maxima Power Plan ENGIE, Arjan Sixma, Head of projects NL ENGIE Flexible Generation, Erik Groen, Head of Battery Storage international Equans, David Vermaas, Project Manager Equans. ©Sjors Evers

*“Building a BESS project on existing power plant site requests high level skills. We are very happy in the trust of ENGIE. Together with our central BESS expertise and local execution skills, we are ready to address this fast-growing market”,* says **Elisabeth Benedetto, Executive Vice President of Energies BU at Bouygues Energies & Services and Head of the Equans Solar & Storage brand.**

*“After commissioning the Giga Buffalo 25 MW/48 MWh project close to Lelystad, the Maxima BESS project is an interesting step forward in larger scale projects”,* says **Ruud Schenk, Managing Director Equans Infra & Energy.**

## **ABOUT EQUANS**

Equans, a subsidiary of the Bouygues group, is a world leader in the energy and services sector with operations in 20 countries, 90,000 employees working on 5 continents and a turnover of 18.8 billion euros in 2023.

Equans designs, installs and supplies tailor-made solutions to improve its customers' equipment, systems and technical processes and optimise their use in support of their energy, industrial and digital transitions. Thanks to a strong local footprint based on its historic local brands and excellent technical expertise, Equans' highly qualified experts are capable of supporting regions, cities, industries and buildings in the fields of HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning), Refrigeration and Fire Safety, Facility Management, Digital and ICT, Electricity, Mechanics and Robotics. Equans is the leader in the main European markets (France, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom) and is also well positioned in the United States and Latin America.

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## **ABOUT EQUANS SOLAR & STORAGE**

Leveraging decades of experience, Equans Solar & Storage is the one-stop partner for scaled, integrated and performant solutions on solar & storage energy projects.

Covering the entire value chain from design to operation, including installation and maintenance, we provide services such as the development and delivery of large-scale solar farms, front-the-meter grid-scale Battery Energy Storage Solutions (BESS) and energy grid systems.

Operating in 15 countries, with more than 1,500 experts dedicated to solar PV and high voltage, Equans Solar & Storage has installed 5.5 GW solar energy capacity worldwide, 550 MWh BESS and is operating and maintaining approximately 2GW of solar PV plants.

Our mission: serving energy transition and low-carbon world by leveraging our expertise in solar and storage. [www.equans.com/solar-storage](http://www.equans.com/solar-storage)

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