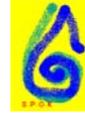


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The beauty in the wind

Big poetic expressions should be used in order to really describe the Middelgrunden offshore wind farm.

Even though the Danish wind industry has grown up since long time, we can still be breath taken by the beauty of these modern wind power plants.



Of course photography makes it possible to manipulate images to achieve the desired effect but wind turbines do look beautiful by themselves as they draw the power out of the wind.

It is my hope that this book will show that wind turbines exceed traditional power plants both visually and environmentally.

In planning the future big offshore wind power plants Middelgrunden should be used as an example especially with regard to the layout of the turbines. In that way we will have beautiful wind power plants in the future.

It has been a big challenge to follow the construction work throughout one year. Once the building site moved offshore, away from the dry dock, it was not possible anymore to pass by for a few hours when the sun was good. All offshore work takes much time and therefore I owe great thanks to the crews of Skagerak and Heimdal for the visits to their nice hot cabins and while they serviced the work. Also thanks to Michael and Nigel for Celtic entertainment, to Loke Film for use of rubber boat.

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