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## Second interim closing of DG Infra Yield at EUR 163 million DG Infra Yield invests in Northwind Offshore Energy

DG Infra, the infrastructure fund manager sponsored by Gimv and Belfius, has the pleasure to announce the second interim closing of its DG Infra Yield fund which brings the investment capacity of the fund to EUR 163 million. The group of quality investors providing the capital of the fund includes pension funds, insurance companies, financial institutions and other investment funds. Negotiations are ongoing with various other potential investors, both Belgian and international, in view of a final closing of the fund raising by the end of the year.

DG Infra Yield meets the demand from institutional investors for investments in alternative investment products based on local tangible assets with low volatility and an attractive periodic cash yield. In combination with the sister fund DG Infra+, this means that DG Infra has EUR 300 million at its disposal for investments in infrastructure projects in the Benelux and its neighboring countries.

DG Infra Yield has made 5 investments to date in a diversified portfolio of energy assets and Public Private Partnership assets located in Belgium, The Netherlands and France. About 40 percent of the capacity of DG Infra Yield has now been invested.

Most recently, the Fund was invited to structure and participate in the subordinated loan facility which is part of the financing for the realization of the Northwind offshore wind power project. Northwind NV (www.northwindenergy.eu) is planning to build a wind power plant on the Bank Zonder Naam (Lodewijkbank), 37 kilometres in front of the Belgian coast. Once fully operational, the Northwind offshore wind farm will have the capacity to generate 216 MW. The construction of the 72 turbines is expected to start early in 2013. The company is led by the same highly experienced key people that were involved in the Belwind offshore wind project two years ago.

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## **About DG Infra**

DG Infra+ and DG Infra Yield are non-listed investment funds that focus on infrastructure and related assets. This includes investments in Public Private Partnership projects and other capital intensive projects often in regulated or long-term contract activities in industries such as energy, transport, waste, communication, healthcare and selected real estate projects. Together, DG Infra+ and DG Infra Yield have EUR 300 million available for investments, and are managed by a joint venture between Belfius and Gimv. More information on DG Infra can be found on www.dginfra.com.