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Response to notification in accordance with Article 5 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, regarding installation and operation of the offshore wind farm Windanker in the German Exclusive Economic Zone of the Baltic Sea

BirdLife Sweden has been offered to comment on the presented Environmental Impact Assessment and the communicated response upon BirdLife Sweden's opinion/concerns regarding the anticipated impacts on birds and possible mitigation measures at the Windanker OWF.

At this stage, we don't see any point in further communication, as the presented project report (IBERDROLA, Berlin, 2023-06-01) clearly indicates that our opinion is not wanted and not seriously considered. To begin with, the Swedish version of response (IBERDROLA/IfAÖ, 2023-03-17) uses "Google Translate language". Further, the specific responses to our concerns are, to a large extent, irrelevant and seems to be taken out of the blue. A response just saying: *"-Thank you for your comments, but we have no intention to make any further adjustments for birds, no matter what you're saying!"* would have shown as much more true and trustworthy.

Excuse me for being blunt and straight forward! BirdLife is a dedicated, serious and respected expert organization – and we wish to be addressed accordingly.



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