

Wind power capacity in Central and Eastern Europe to reach 16 GW by 2020

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A recent report by the European Wind Energy Association (EWEA) states that installed wind power capacity in the 12 EU member states in Central and Eastern Europe is likely to increase to 16 GW in 2020 from 6.4 GW last year.

EWEA's Eastern Winds report predicts that wind power will be able to cover the electricity needs of nine million households in Central and Eastern Europe by the end of the decade.

According to the report, in 2012 the leader in terms of installed wind power capacity in the region was Poland with 2.5 GW, followed by Romania with 1.9 GW, and Bulgaria with 0.7 GW.

The report also points out that the growth in installed wind power capacity in Turkey is likely to exceed that of the Central and Eastern European states. Ankara plans to boost its capacity to 20 GW by 2023 from the current 2.3 GW.

Source EWEA