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Denmark set to resume net gas export status after Tyra production restarts

TotalEnergies has started gas and condensate production from the Tyra redevelopment project in the Danish North Sea, meaning that Denmark is set to resume its position as a net exporter of natural gas in Europe.

The French company, in a statement last Friday (22 March), said that Tyra is expected to reach plateau production rates of 5.7 MMcmd of gas and 22,000 b/d of condensate.

Gas production was initially used for commissioning and to fill the pipeline, according to a technical notice. First exports to the Danish market were expected to start sometime between yesterday and Sunday, according to the notice from the operator.

After exports have been re-established, offshore work is set to continue with more wells started up in Tyra and satellite fields Valdemar, Roar and Tyra SE also set to be brought on stream. The project is expected to take around four months to reach full production.

Tyra has been out of action since September 2019 when production was suspended to allow the redevelopment project to take place. Work started with decommissioning of the original facilities, with TotalEnergies saying that as much as 98.5% of the decommissioned materials were reused or recycled. The redevelopment continued with the construction and installation of eight new platform topsides, two jackets and six bridges.

Nicolas Terraz, TotalEnergies president of exploration & production, said the revamped Tyra development uses “state-of-the-art digital solutions and technological innovations to produce more efficiently and with 30% lower greenhouse gas emissions than the former facilities”.

Danish state-owned partner North Sea Fund said that design, construction and installation of the new facilities has taken more than a decade in all. It added that back in 2013, natural subsidence of the reservoir and new knowledge about wave impacts were the catalysts for the redevelopment project.
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