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Iberdrola wins grid go-ahead for Romanian wind plan

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MADRID, April 19 (Reuters) - Iberdrola Renovables (IBR.MC) said on Monday it has permission to link up to 1.5 gigawatts of wind energy to Romania's power grid, allowing it to move forward with its macro-wind project there.

Renovables is planning to build 50 wind farms in the region of Dobrogea in the south-east of Romania in 2011-2017, the world's largest generator of wind energy said in a statement.

"This permission will allow Iberdrola Renovables to develop Dobrogea, the most ambitious onshore wind energy project to date in the world," Renovables said in a statement.

Renovables, which is 80 percent owned by Spain's largest power group Iberdrola (IBR.MC), has run an office in Romania's capital Bucharest since 1999.

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