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Bladefence and Bladena Solutions ApS are pleased to announce that they have today entered into a partnership. The companies will work together to implement advanced blade enhancement technologies and maintenance methods in order to maximize long-term durability, production values and asset integrity on our customer's blades.

Bladefence's Managing Director Ville Karkkolainen comments: "Bladena's specialized knowledge on structural blade failures and innovative structural enhancement technologies complements Bladefence's vision of preventive blade maintenance concept perfectly. This partnership will also ensure that we remain on the cutting edge of blade enhancement technologies and it will help us to provide our customers with the best possible solutions for their blades."

Bladena's Managing Director Ryan Lauridsen comments: "The innovative and customer focused approach by Bladefence to the blade service market is a perfect match for the retrofit technologies by Bladena. Utilizing the Skylift equipment for installation of e.g. the D-String® technology secures the end customer a safe and cost effective blade maintenance solution."

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Bladefence, established in 2011 in Helsinki, Finland, offers sophisticated methods for repair and maintenance to maximize the performance and long-term endurance of wind turbine blades. Since 2012, Bladefence has been certified by DNV-GL for wind turbine blade repairs, based on the high level of quality of personnel, work methods, materials and documentation, as well as compliance for the GL certificate guidelines. Bladefence utilizes advanced skylift equipment and UV-curing blade repair method in its operations. In combination, these enable operations in harsh weather conditions, cutting-edge efficiency and minimize turbine downtime.

Bladefence currently operates throughout Europe and Canada with offices in Helsinki and Toronto.

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Bladena provides structural enhancement technologies for retrofit and new design, which provide for lighter and stronger blades with higher durability. Bladena's technologies are available as a toolbox that addresses the root causes of individual problem areas in the blade design and manufacturing. They are flexible in their design and each manufacturer may develop their preferred way of implementation to accommodate individual requirements.

Bladena's Technology Platform originates from more than 10 years of research and development work at DTU-Risø in Denmark. Amongst others, this work formed the basis for 7 patents, which were taken over by Bladena, when it was launched as a spin-off from DTU in December 2011.

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