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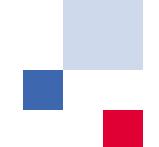


# Recultivation and Resettlement in the Rhenish Lignite Mining Area – Stakeholder Dialogue as an Important Element of Sustainable Development

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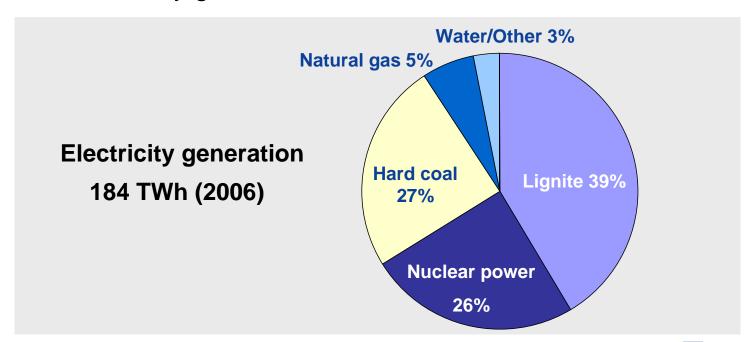


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#### **RWE Power**



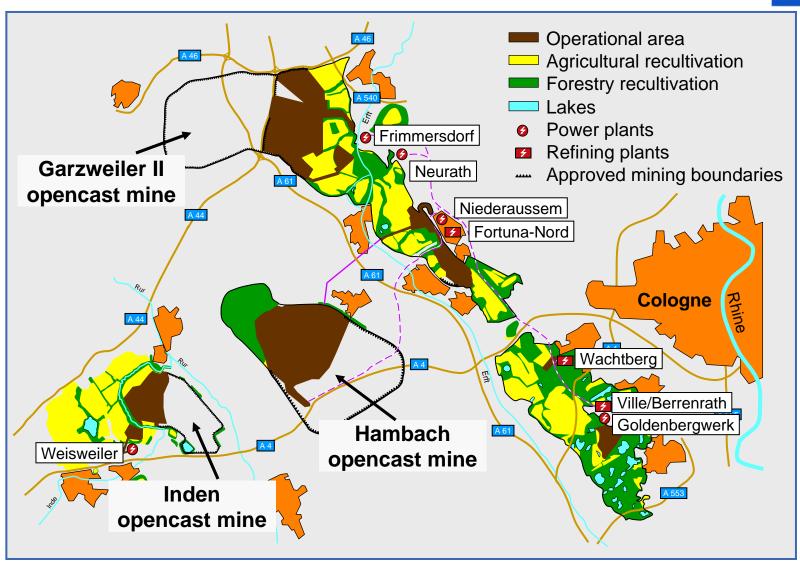
- RWE Power is the electricity producer within the RWE Group in Continental Europe
  - Workforce of about 17,000 inside and outside Germany
  - Broad-based energy mix with renewables, lignite, hard coal, natural gas, nuclear power
  - Electricity generation of more than 180 TWh/a





#### **Rhenish Lignite Mining Area**





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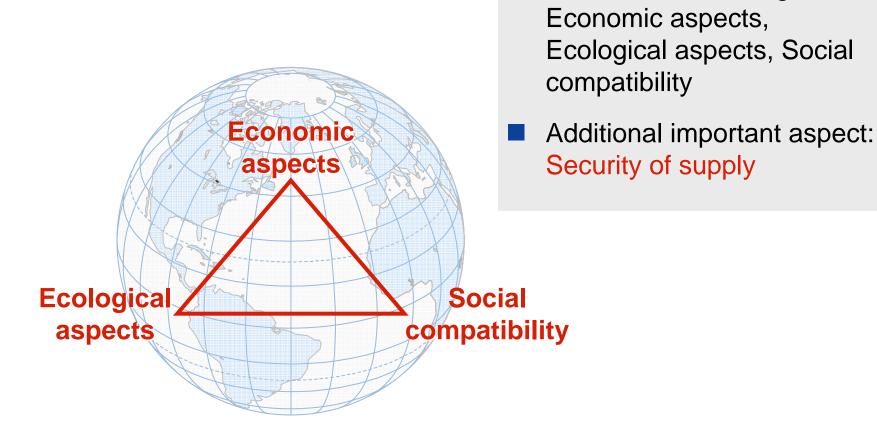


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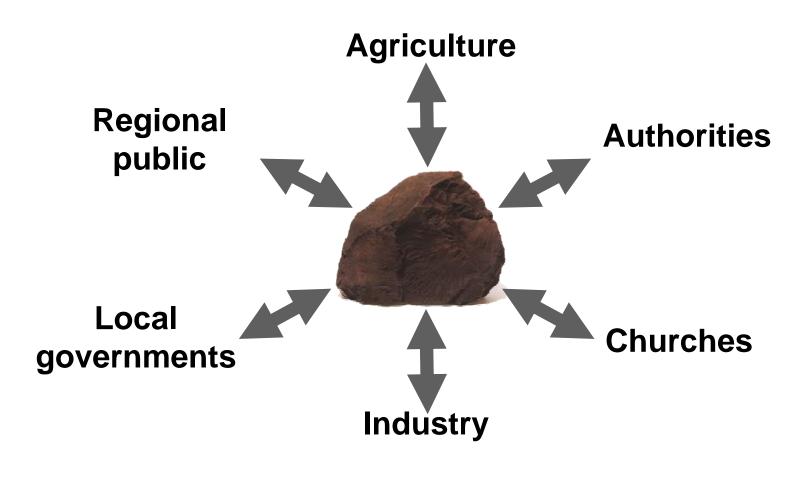


Usual understanding:



#### **Relevant Stakeholders**





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#### Recultivation





#### Recultivation – Agriculture





#### **Recultivation – Ecology**





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#### **Recultivation – Recreation**



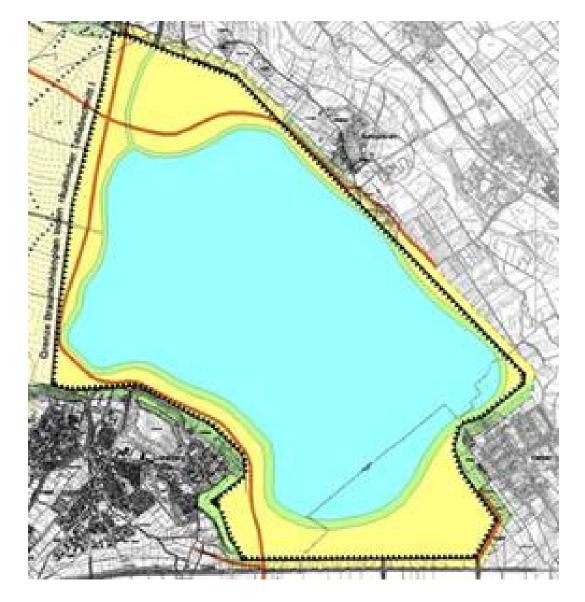


#### **Recultivation – Recreation**





#### **Residual Lake**





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#### Interests of the Stakeholders













## Involving local inhabitants by visiting different types of settlements

















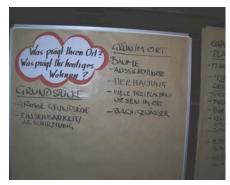




#### **Involving local inhabitants in planning workshops**





















# Involving local inhabitants by "morning pints" to present the planning concepts















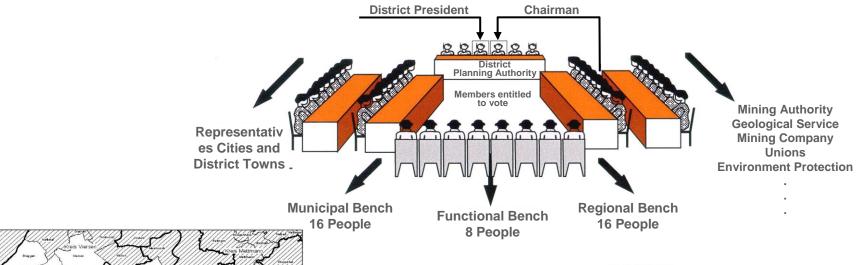




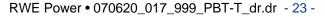
#### **Tailored Administration**

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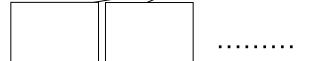


#### **Tailored Administration**

Mining Authority

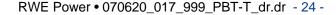


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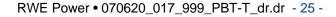
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- RWE Power has implemented a well-functioning stakeholder dialogue
- The consideration of the aspects of sustainability will become ever more important - this will continue to be a prerequisite for the use of lignite
- → The close dialogue with the various stakeholders will continue to be an important element of RWE Power's activities

