

Oceanloop wants to build Europe's largest land-based shrimp farm

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(Image:Oceanloop)

Bavarian shrimp farmer, Crusta Nova, has partnered with aquaculture engineering company, Neomar, to form what could be Europe's largest land-based shrimp farm.

The move will see Crusta Nova become part of what will be known as the Oceanloop Group. Under the partnership, Crusta Nova, which began shrimp farming in Germany in 2015, has rebranded as [Honest Catch](#).

“The Oceanloop Group of companies will create Europe's technology leader for land-based farming of saltwater shrimp,” a press release from the company said. “Oceanloop will significantly expand its farming capacity in Europe until 2027 by building the most sustainable and largest land-based shrimp farm in the world with over 2,000 tons of farming volume per year.”

Neomar has a shrimp farm in Kiel, on Germany's Baltic coast. The facility uses the [Oceanloop RAS](#) technology for sustainably raising antibiotic-free shrimp. The company said the global warming potential (GWP) of a ton of shrimp farmed in an Oceanloop facility is up to 77 per cent lower than in open pond farms. It uses up to 49 per cent less land and up to 96 per cent less water, all with the help of 100 percent renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power.

Oceanloop Group plans to sell its products to import -dependent markets such as the Middle East, Japan, and the United States.