

# Shinfox Energy (6806.TW/6806 TT)

### Forging ahead in offshore wind business

## **Outperform • Maintained**

Price as of August 20 (NT\$)	141.5
12M target price (NT\$)	161.0
Previous target price (NT\$)	161.0
Unchanged (%)	0.0
Upside (%)	13.8

#### Key message

- Despite a delay in the foundation installation schedule, Shinfox still aims to complete Taipower offshore II construction by end-2025F.
- We see a solid business outlook beyond 2025F, boosted by recent grid allocation of 700MW of an offshore wind project.
- 3. We project 2024-26F EPS CAGR of 60%.

### **Trading data**

Performance	3M	6M	12M
52-week trading range	(NT\$)	92.20 –	184.0
3M avg. daily trading (	mn)	9.63	
Foreign ownership (mr	1)	8.11	
Outstanding shares (m	n)	224.6	
Mkt cap (NT\$bn/US\$m	n)	31.79/	975

Performance	3M	6M	12M	
Absolute (%)	16	14.1	47.7	
Relative (%)	10.6	-5.5	10.8	

#### **Quarterly EPS**

NT\$	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q
2023	0.26A	0.35A	0.56A	1.78A
2024	0.46A	0.64A	0.76F	1.67F
2025	1.47F	1.20F	1.25F	3.14F

### Share price chart



#### Even

Shinfox Energy's 2Q24 EPS was NT\$0.64, missing our forecast, mainly attributable to: (1) delay of Taipower (TPC; TW; unlisted) offshore II project led to a revenue shortfall; and (2) higher-than-expected financing expenses for SFE Hercules, a heavy-lifting vessel.

#### **Impact**

**TPC offshore II update.** The firm has pushed back the foundation installation schedule by two quarters, and now expects installation of all 31 foundations to be completed by 1Q25, but reiterates the project will achieve its commercial operation date (COD) of end-2025. Management said the learning curve for maritime engineering has been longer than expected, but the firm aims to accelerate pin pile (PP) installation from seven days per set to three days. We project respective revenue contribution from TPC offshore II of NT\$15.6bn and NT\$21.5bn in 2024-25, with sequential growth in 3Q-4Q24.

Awarded 700MW in round 3.2 of offshore wind auction. Youde, the underlying project located off the coast of Changhua, Taiwan, has a target COD of 2029. With expected capex of well over NT\$100bn, we expect Shinfox Energy to seek investors and adopt an engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) model for better financial leverage. Subsidiary Shinfox Far East (SFE; SG) aims to utilize its maritime engineering fleet to secure foundation and wind turbine installation orders in 2026-27 for Taiwan and northeast Asia. Along with Fox Power Nanker IPP, which is set for construction in 2026-28, we see a solid business outlook for Shinfox Energy beyond 2025.

We trim 2024F EPS to NT\$3.52, but forecast a 2024-26F EPS CAGR of 60%. Management expects the refinancing plan for SFE Hercules to be completed in 1Q25, which would lower financing costs as the underlying debt would be denominated in NT dollars, rather than the current US dollars. We lower 2024-25F EPS to a respective NT\$3.52 and NT\$7.07, up 20% and 101%, as we factor in an updated TPC offshore II schedule, as well as higher opex and interest expense guidance. Our estimates for other major projects, including Changpin (54.6MW) onshore wind project and a 100MW solar project in southern Taiwan, remain unchanged. Despite inevitable revenue decline in 2026F, we expect 2026F EPS to grow 27% YoY, as the maritime engineering business carries a much higher gross margin.

#### Valuation & Action

We maintain Outperform on Shinfox Energy, with a 12M target price of NT\$161, based on 25x 2025F fully diluted EPS.

#### Risks

Political risk; longer-than-expected payback period for SFE.

Key f	inanci	als ar	nd val	uatio	ns

	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
Revenue (NT\$mn)	4,301	11,250	18,856	27,367	19,797
Gross profit (NT\$mn)	548	1,168	1,809	2,754	3,705
Operating profit (NT\$mn)	252	789	1,163	2,315	3,333
Net profit (NT\$mn)	225	636	775	1,561	1,989
EPS (NT\$)	1.14	2.94	3.52	7.07	9.01
Cash DPS (NT\$)	0.50	1.44	1.50	3.50	4.50
EPS growth (%)	(69.7)	157.2	19.7	100.5	27.5
PE (x)	123.6	48.1	40.2	20.0	15.7
PB (x)	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	77.5	43.3	30.1	19.0	13.8
Net debt to equity (%)	45.3	83.2	115.7	131.1	109.5
Dividend yield (%)	0.4	1.0	1.1	2.5	3.2
Return on average equity (%)	2.8	5.9	6.8	12.6	14.7

Source: Company data, KGI Research estimates

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Figure 1: Breakdown of 2Q24 results & 3Q24 forecast revisions vs. consensus

				2Q24							3Q24F			
NT\$mn	Actual	KGI	Diff. (%)	QoQ (%)	YoY (%)	Consensus	Diff. (%)	Revision	Previous	Chg. (%)	QoQ (%)	YoY (%)	Consensus	Diff. (%)
Revenue	4,249	5,196	(18.2)	82.3	123.7	4,241	0.2	5,029	7,167	(29.8)	18.3	86.7	6,183	(18.7)
Gross profit	425	536	(20.7)	97.5	104.2	400	6.3	488	715	(31.7)	14.9	72.0	610	(19.9)
Operating profit	236	411	(42.6)	295.8	101.8	225	5.0	297	579	(48.7)	25.8	58.3	351	(15.3)
Net income	140	324	(56.6)	41.6	85.5	182	(22.9)	168	454	(63.0)	19.7	38.7	309	(45.5)
EPS (NT\$)	0.64	1.50	(57.6)	39.2	81.6	0.83	(23.7)	0.76	2.10	(63.6)	20.2	36.4	1.42	(46.0)
Gross margin (%)	10.0	10.3	(0.3) ppts	0.8 ppts	(1.0) ppts	9.4	0.6 ppts	9.7	10.0	(0.3) ppts	(0.3) ppts	(0.8) ppts	9.9	(0.2) ppts
Op. margin (%)	5.6	7.9	(2.4) ppts	3.0 ppts	(0.6) ppts	5.3	0.3 ppts	5.9	8.1	(2.2) ppts	0.4 ppts	(1.1) ppts	5.7	0.2 ppts
Net margin (%)	3.3	6.2	(2.9) ppts	(0.9) ppts	(0.7) ppts	4.3	(1.0) ppts	3.3	6.3	(3.0) ppts	0.0 ppts	(1.2) ppts	5.0	(1.6) ppts

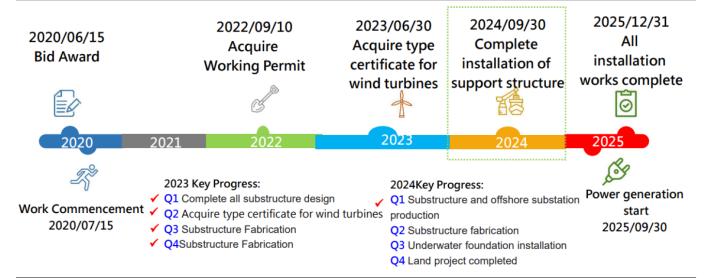
Source: Bloomberg; KGI Research

Figure 2: Breakdown of 2024-25 forecast revisions vs. consensus

	2024F						2025F					
NT\$mn	Revision	Previous	Chg. (%)	YoY (%)	Consensus	Diff. (%)	Revision	Previous	Chg. (%)	YoY (%)	Consensus	Diff. (%)
Revenue	18,856	22,706	(17.0)	67.6	21,237	(11.2)	27,367	24,484	11.8	45.1	26,999	1.4
Gross profit	1,809	2,300	(21.3)	54.9	2,100	(13.8)	2,754	2,981	(7.6)	52.2	2,893	(4.8)
Operating profit	1,163	1,873	(37.9)	47.4	1,306	(10.9)	2,315	2,552	(9.3)	99.0	2,071	11.8
Net income	775	1,483	(47.7)	21.8	1,109	(30.1)	1,561	1,937	(19.5)	101.4	1,688	(7.6)
EPS (NT\$)	3.52	6.86	(48.6)	19.7	5.43	(35.1)	7.07	8.96	(21.2)	100.5	7.81	(9.5)
Gross margin (%)	9.6	10.1	(0.5) ppts	(0.8) ppts	9.9	(0.3) ppts	10.1	12.2	(2.1) ppts	0.5 ppts	10.7	(0.7) ppts
Op. margin (%)	6.2	8.2	(2.1) ppts	(0.8) ppts	6.1	0.0 ppts	8.5	10.4	(2.0) ppts	2.3 ppts	7.7	0.8 ppts
Net margin (%)	4.1	6.5	(2.4) ppts	(1.5) ppts	5.2	(1.1) ppts	5.7	7.9	(2.2) ppts	1.6 ppts	6.3	(0.5) ppts

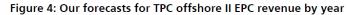
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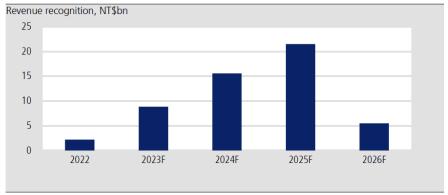
Figure 3: TPC offshore II project construction timeline



Source: Company data; KGI Research

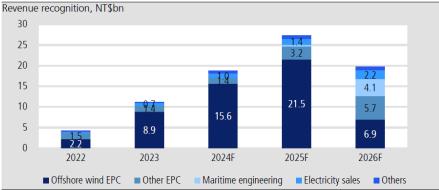






Source: Company data; KGI Research

Figure 5: Maritime engineering business to pick up momentum in 2026F



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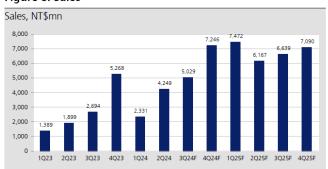


#### Figure 6: Company profile

Shinfox Energy was established in 2007, and is headquartered in New Taipei City. Having entered the renewable energy field in 2013, it now focuses on solar energy, wind power, and energy storage project development, as well as engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) services. It has also entered the natural gas and carbon credit businesses, securing a strong market position to profit from Taiwan's energy transformation and zero-carbon ambitions. The firm is the first company in Taiwan to provide EPC services for offshore wind power projects. In 2020, it won a NT\$62.9bn tender for the Taipower II offshore wind EPC project, and also provides operational and maintenance services.

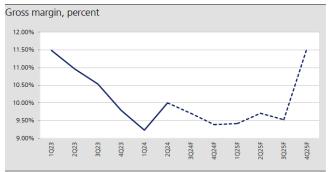
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Figure 8: Sales



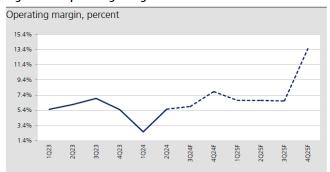
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Figure 10: Gross Margin



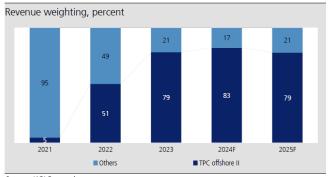
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Figure 12: Operating Margin



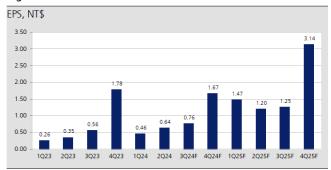
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Figure 7: Taipower offshore II EPC contract to be focus of operations in 2022-25F



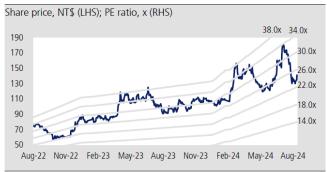
Source: KGI Research

Figure 9: EPS



Source: KGI Research

Figure 11: 12-month forward PE band



Source: KGI Research

Figure 13: 12-month forward PB band



Source: KGI Research



#### Income statement Quarterly Annually Sep-25F Dec-25F Mar-24A Jun-24A Sep-24F Dec-24F Mar-25F Jun-25F Dec-24F Dec-25F Dec-26F Income statement (NT\$mn) 2,331 4,249 5,029 7,246 7,472 6,167 6,639 7,090 18,856 27,367 19,797 Cost of goods sold (2,116)(3,824)(4,541)(6,566)(6,768)(5,569)(6,006)(6,271)(17,047)(24,614)(16,092)**Gross profit** 215 425 488 680 704 599 632 819 1,809 2,754 3,705 Operating expenses (156)(189)(191)(110)(202)(185)(193)141 (646)(438)(372)Operating profit 60 236 297 570 502 414 440 960 1,163 2,315 3,333 Depreciation of fixed assets (38)(102)(104)(106)(173)(175)(177)(179)(348)(702)(734)Amortisation of intangible assets (14)(15)(15)(15)(15)(15)(15)(15)(59)(60)(60)1,570 FRITDA 111 352 416 691 690 603 3,078 4.127 632 1,153 19 29 21 15 10 20 90 66 121 Interest income 22 21 3 7 2 2 3 2 14 Investment income 1 10 2 12 0 Other non-op income Non-operating income 29 31 23 23 15 12 22 23 105 72 135 Interest expense (31)(131)(130)(130)(108)(97)(106)(106)(422)(417)(503)Investment loss (3)(14)(16)Other non-op expenses 58 42 100 (130)(130)(108)(97) (417)(503) Non-operating expenses 24 (102)(106)(106)(339)112 2,965 Pre-tax profit 164 190 463 409 329 357 876 930 1,971 (44)(107)(90)(71)(243)(402)Current taxation (28)(65)(66)(175)(652)Minorities 15 41 22 11 3 (9)(8)88 (323)6 (8)Normalised net profit 99 140 168 367 325 266 277 693 775 1,561 1,989 Extraordinary items (0)0 140 Net profit 99 168 367 325 266 277 693 775 1,561 1,989 EPS (NT\$) 0.46 0.64 0.76 1.67 1.47 1.20 1.25 3.14 3.52 7.07 9.01 Margins (%) 10.0 95 9.2 9.7 9.4 94 97 11.5 9.6 10.1 187 Gross profit margin 2.6 5.6 5.9 7.9 6.7 6.7 6.6 6.2 8.5 16.8 Operating margin 13.5 EBITDA margin 4.8 8.3 9.2 9.5 8.3 20.8 8.3 9.5 9.8 16.3 11.2 4.8 Pretax profit margin 3.9 3.8 6.4 5.5 5.3 5.4 4.9 7.2 15.0 12.4 10.0 Net profit margin 4.3 3.3 3.3 5.1 4.4 4.3 4.2 9.8 4.1 5.7 Sequential growth (%) (55.7)82.3 18.3 44.1 3.1 (17.5)7.6 Revenue growth 6.8 Gross profit growth (58.3)97.5 14.9 39.4 3.4 (14.9)5.6 29.5 Operating profit growth (79.4)295.8 25.8 91.9 (12.0)(17.6)6.3 118.1 EBITDA growth (68.1)216.3 18.0 66.2 (0.2)(12.5)4.7 82.6 Pretax profit growth (64.5)46.4 15.5 144.2 (11.7)(19.6)8.4 145.9 Net profit growth (74.2)41.6 19.7 118.7 (11.4)(18.4)4.1 150.4 YoY growth (%) Revenue growth 67.9 123.7 86.7 37.6 220.5 45.1 32.0 (2.2)67.6 45.1 (27.7)Gross profit growth 34.9 104.2 72.0 31.9 226.9 40.8 29.5 20.3 54.9 52.2 34.5 Operating profit growth (22.3)101.8 58.3 96.8 741.3 75.2 48.1 68.3 47.4 99.0 43.9 EBITDA growth (9.0)118.7 77.1 97.9 519.1 71.2 51.9 66.9 59.3 96.0 34.1 264.3 Pretax profit growth 53.2 524 20.9 46.6 100.1 87.9 89 2 20.4 112.0 50.5 79.7 85.5 38.7 (4.4)228.3 89.3 64.7 88.5 21.8 101.4 Net profit growth 27.5

Source: Company data, KGI Research estimates



Balance sheet					
NT\$mn	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
Total assets	18,217	29,288	38,366	47,210	51,454
Current assets	13,320	22,855	26,231	27,050	31,275
Cash & ST securities	4,451	6,037	5,589	6,392	10,166
Inventory	1	0	7	5	7
Accounts receivable	200	1,134	1,124	1,142	1,591
Other current assets	8,667	15,684	19,511	19,511	19,511
Non-current assets	4,898	6,433	12,135	20,159	20,179
LT investments	1,643	498	658	665	679
Net fixed assets	1,202	5,102	10,394	18,472	18,537
Other assets	2,052	833	1,083	1,023	963
Total liabilities	7,641	16,969	25,548	31,174	33,879
Current liabilities	6,091	12,106	17,298	15,924	16,628
Accounts payable	516	1,809	3,144	1,770	2,474
Interest bearing ST liabilities	5,282	9,576	10,433	10,433	10,433
Other current liabilities	293	722	3,721	3,721	3,721
Non-current liabilities	1,550	4,862	8,250	15,250	17,250
Long-term debt	1,343	4,586	7,972	14,972	16,972
Other L-T liabilities	67	70	69	69	69
Total equity	10,576	12,319	12,818	16,035	17,575
Share capital	2,162	2,162	2,209	2,209	2,209
Retained earnings reserve	276	780	1,097	2,218	3,216
Minority interests	223	1,161	1,088	3,076	3,399
Preferred shareholders funds	-	-	-	-	-

	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
Growth					
Revenue growth	(0.8%)	161.5%	67.6%	45.1%	(27.7%)
Operating profit growth	(58.5%)	212.8%	47.4%	99.0%	43.9%
EBITDA growth	(46.6%)	169.0%	59.3%	96.0%	34.1%
Net profit growth	(50.6%)	182.6%	21.8%	101.4%	27.5%
EPS growth	(69.7%)	157.2%	19.7%	100.5%	27.5%
Profitability					
Gross profit margin	12.7%	10.4%	9.6%	10.1%	18.7%
Operating margin	5.9%	7.0%	6.2%	8.5%	16.8%
EBITDA margin	8.5%	8.8%	8.3%	11.2%	20.8%
Net profit margin	5.2%	5.7%	4.1%	5.7%	10.0%
Return on average assets	1.6%	2.7%	2.3%	3.6%	4.0%
Return on average equity	2.8%	5.9%	6.8%	12.6%	14.7%
Stability					
Gross debt to equity	62.6%	115.0%	143.6%	158.4%	155.9%
Net debt to equity	45.3%	83.2%	115.7%	131.1%	109.5%
Interest coverage (x)	12.5	19.6	3.2	5.7	6.9
Interest & ST debt coverage (x)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2
Cash flow interest coverage(x)	(104.4)	(133.4)	(3.3)	2.2	6.7
Cash flow/int. & ST debt (x)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.1)	0.1	0.3
Current ratio (x)	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.9
Quick ratio (x)	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.9
Net debt (NT\$mn)	4,793	10,249	14,826	21,023	19,250
Per share data					
EPS (NT\$)	1.14	2.94	3.52	7.07	9.01
CFPS (NT\$)	(14.30)	(25.67)	(6.43)	4.23	15.15
BVPS (NT\$)	47.90	51.62	54.27	59.96	65.58
Adj BVPS (NT\$)	52.63	51.62	53.34	58.68	64.19
SPS (NT\$)	21.87	52.05	85.75	123.92	89.64
EBITDA/share (NT\$)	1.86	4.56	7.14	13.94	18.69
Cash DPS (NT\$)	0.50	1.44	1.50	3.50	4.50
Activity					
Sales / avg assets	0.30	0.47	0.56	0.64	0.40
Days receivable	17.0	36.8	21.8	15.2	29.3
Days inventory	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2
Days payable	50.2	65.5	67.5	26.2	56.1
Cash cycle	(33.1)	(28.7)	(45.5)	(10.9)	(26.6)

Source: Company data, KGI Research estimates

Profit & loss					
NT\$mn	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
Revenue	4,301	11,250	18,856	27,367	19,797
Cost of goods sold	(3,753)	(10,082)	(17,047)	(24,614)	(16,092)
Gross profit	548	1,168	1,809	2,754	3,705
Operating expenses	(296)	(378)	(646)	(438)	(372)
Operating profit	252	789	1,163	2,315	3,333
Non-operating income	56	68	105	72	135
Interest income	17	38	90	66	121
Investment income	-	-	3	7	14
Other non-op income	38	30	12	-	0
Non-operating expenses	1	(85)	(339)	(417)	(503)
Interest expense	(27)	(42)	(422)	(417)	(503)
Investment loss	(11)	(43)	(16)	-	_
Other non-op expenses	39	(0)	100	-	-
Pre-tax profit	309	772	930	1,971	2,965
Current taxation	(67)	(149)	(243)	(402)	(652)
Minorities	(17)	13	88	(8)	(323)
Extraordinary items	-	0	-	-	-
Net profit	225	636	775	1,561	1,989
EBITDA	366	986	1,570	3,078	4,127
EPS (NT\$)	1.14	2.94	3.52	7.07	9.01

Cash flow					
NT\$mn	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
Operations cash flow	(2,814)	(5,548)	(1,413)	935	3,346
Net profit	225	636	775	1,561	1,989
Depreciation & amortisation	114	196	407	762	794
Decrease in working capital	(1,078)	61	497	(1,832)	32
Other operating cash flow	(2,075)	(6,442)	(3,093)	443	530
Investing cash flow	(5,538)	(277)	(5,617)	(6,800)	(800)
Sale of ST investment	(1,283)	676	-	-	-
New investments	(1,036)	227	-	-	-
Capital expenditure	(1,816)	(789)	(5,388)	(6,800)	(800)
Others investing cashflow	(1,403)	(391)	(229)	-	-
Free cash flow	(2,590)	36	(3,683)	(6,087)	2,566
Financing cash flow	8,900	7,924	6,783	6,669	1,227
Increase in short term debt	3,363	2,855	3,781	-	-
Increase in long term loans	1,036	3,591	3,469	7,000	2,000
New ordinary shares issued	4,400	-	-	-	-
Ordinary dividends paid	(197)	(108)	(318)	(331)	(773)
Other financing cashflow	298	1,586	(149)	(0)	0
Forex effects	0	(18)	(86)	-	-
Total cash generated	548	2,081	(334)	803	3,773

ROIC					
	Dec-22A	Dec-23A	Dec-24F	Dec-25F	Dec-26F
1 - COGS/revenue					
<ul> <li>Operating exp./revenue</li> </ul>	6.9%	3.4%	3.4%	1.6%	1.9%
= Operating margin	5.9%	7.0%	6.2%	8.5%	16.8%
1 / (Working capital/revenue	1.9	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.8
+ Net PPE/revenue	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9
+ Other assets/revenue)	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
= Capital turnover	0.4	0.6	8.0	8.0	0.6
Operating margin	5.9%	7.0%	6.2%	8.5%	16.8%
x Capital turnover	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6
x (1 - tax rate)	78.5%	80.7%	73.9%	79.6%	78.0%
= After-tax ROIC	1.8%	3.2%	3.5%	5.4%	7.7%

Source: Company data, KGI Research estimates



#### SHINFOX ENERGY - Recommendation & target price history



Date	Rating	Target	Price
2024-03-28	Outperform	161.0	144.0
2023-12-15	Outperform	137.0	109.0

Source: TEJ, KGI Research

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