HiPRWind High Power, high Reliability offshore Wind technology Jochen Bard, project coordinator, Fraunhofer IWES, Germany









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Outline



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Graph: Acciona Energia



European offshore wind market development: EWEA scenario and "project pipeline"





Development phases of the EU offshore wind market in terms of water depth (m) and distance to shore (km) up to 2025





WWW.ORECCA.EU

Cumulated capacity of offshore wind farms in selected European countries project pipeline data from 2011 to 2020





Areas suitable for offshore wind installations in European seas





Map shows operational (green) and planned (yellow) offshore wind farms



Offshore wind resources in Europe





Share of offshore wind energy potential of selected countries

¹max 700 m water depth, max. 200 km offshore, 20% of the area



Main floating wind turbine concepts









Spar

Tension Leg Platform

Semi-Submersible

Source:, Drifwind Study, ECN et al. 2002



Cost challenge in deep water





Manufacturing cost models for 5 MW turbine foundations (various sources)



Offshore supply chain and infrastructure



Pre-Installation	Installation		Operation
Surveys	Foundation	Turbine	O&M visits
Geot&Env.	Grid	Substation	
Port A	Ports B+C		Port A
Service Vessels	Installation Vessels & Equipment, Offshore Grid		Service Vessels





HiPRwind: key facts and figures



"High Power, high Reliability offshore wind technology" Project coordinator: Fraunhofer IWES



- Funded under the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme
 - Main source for European R&D funding, 50+ billions € over 7 years
 - Theme ENERGY.2010.2.3-1: Cross-sectoral approach to the development of very large offshore wind turbines
 - Involvement of offshore industry stakeholders required
- Project start date: November 1, 2010. End date: October 31, 2015
- Total budget 20 million €, total EC-funding 11 million €
- 1130 man months over 5 years



HiPRwind: Programme

 Aim: install and operate a floating MW-class wind turbine for research purpose

 Potential Location: BIMEP, off Bilbao, Spain



- Industrial challenge: design, procurement, construction and installation of the floating WT within three years of project start and within the available budget
- Research prospects: generate field data from experiments on a real wind turbine in harsh offshore conditions during at least two years



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HiPRwind: Work plan

Main research topics:

- Floater and mooring systems
- Controls, power and grid
- Condition and structural health monitoring
- Advanced rotor concepts

- -> Increased scale
- -> Improved reliability
- -> Improved cost efficiency







HiPRwind: Project timeline







HiPRwind: Consortium







HiPRwind: Status of the design process 11/2011

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- 10 partners working under Acciona Energia's lead
- Review and evaluation of basic design options completed
 - Semi-submersible selected
- Design framework completed (MetOcean, wind turbine,...)
- Sizing and design completed
- Modeling & simulation supported by tank testing
- Detailed engineering ongoing
 - Structural details, moorings, access
 - Assembly, Installation and Commissioning Procedures
 - Operation and Maintenance concept
 - Certification and Permitting requirements for the offshore site





Expected impact of HiPRwind



- Showcases European know-how
- Delivers R&D results for the benefit of the industry
- Promotes a Spanish test location with proposed installation at BiMEP
- Encourages international collaboration across borders and sectors
- Provides a forum for the floating wind community
- Interacts with a cluster of European projects to maximize the impact:
 - ORECCA: Development of an offshore wind-wave-current roadmap
 - Marina Platform: Research on multi-purpose platforms
 - Marinet: Experimental infrastructure for offshore renewables research
 - Oceans of tomorrow: sustainable use of the oceans
 - Floating Wind Demo projects
 - Further combined wind-wave and wind-tidal projects...



Combined European and National Funding



- Pre-HiPRWind: EOLIA project, Spanish funding
- Basque Regional Government co-funding through its public energy agency EVE: a test field area in the Biscay Bay, "BIMEP" Site
- FLOATMET: Spanish-French collaborative project to develop a floating offshore MET station
- WETSITE: Spanish Collaborative project, led by ACCIONA ENERGIA, site assessment, environmental conditions, met ocean resource and study of the wind turbine
- Floating Wind Turbine Structure: Spanish funding

All projects are in line with the recommendations of the SET PLAN



Floating concepts: other examples







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...and many more...

Floating Wind Projects & Timeline in Europe









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