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# HiPRWind: Offshore wind in deep water

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# Outline

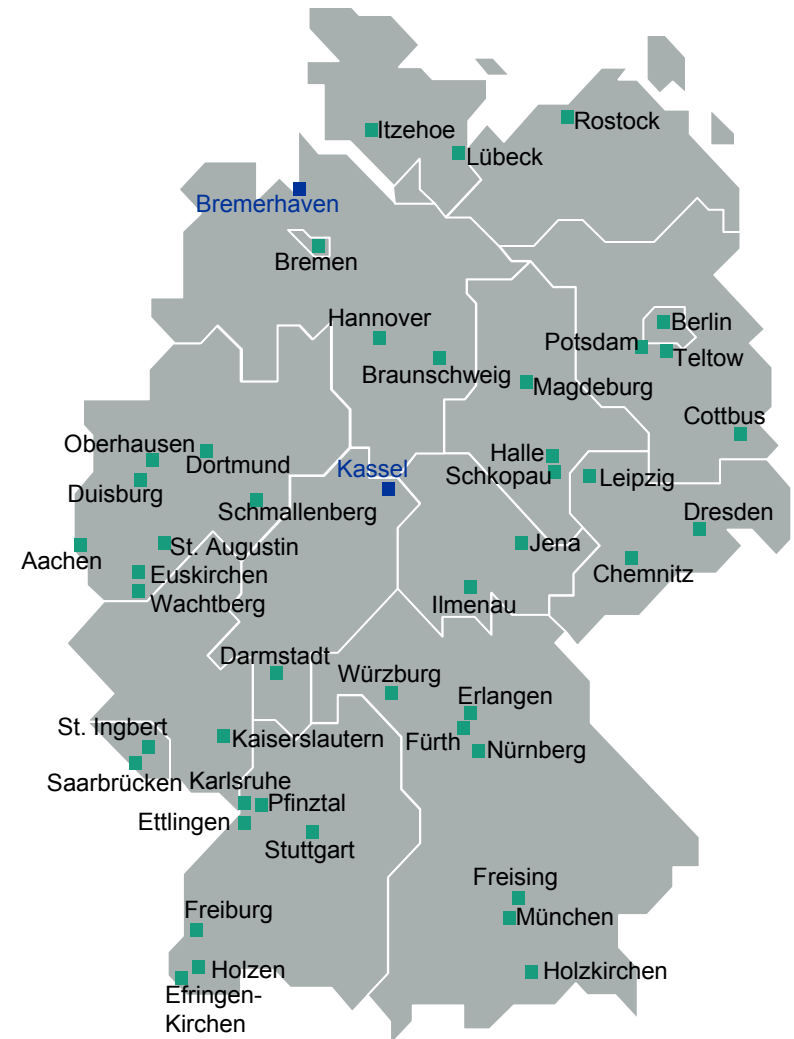
1. Our organisation
2. Floating wind and offshore renewables
3. The HiPRwind work programme
4. Current status
5. Expected impact

# 1. Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft in Germany

60 institutes at 40 locations

2010

Staff	18130
Turnover	1 653 M€
↳ R&D	1 397 M€
↳ Industry	459 M€



## ■ Institutes

- Branches of Institutes, Research Institutions, Working Groups, Branch Labs and Application Centers

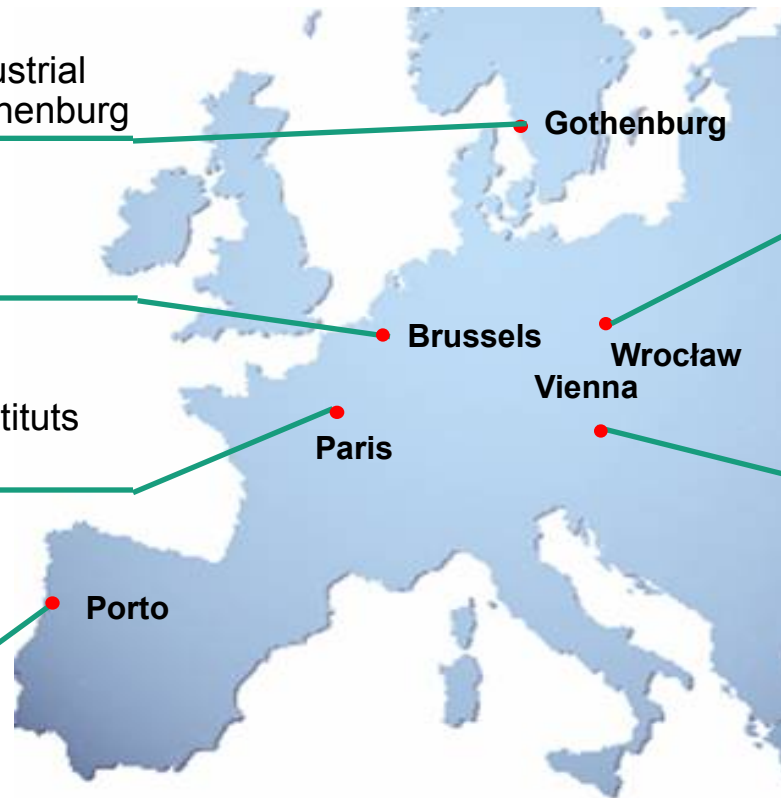
# 1. Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft in Europe

Fraunhofer-Chalmers  
Research Centre for Industrial  
Mathematics (FCC), Gothenburg

Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft  
Bureau Brussels

Fraunhofer-Cooperation  
with "Association des Instituts  
Carnot"

Fraunhofer Portugal  
Research  
Associação



Fraunhofer Project Center  
for Laser Integrated  
Manufacturing in cooperation  
with Politechnika  
Wrocławska

Fraunhofer Austria Research  
GmbH

- 7 Fraunhofer USA Centers
- 4 offices in Asia
- activities in Russia, the Middle East and India

# 1. Fraunhofer IWES: Profile

## Research spectrum:

- Wind energy from material development to grid optimization
- Energy system technology for all renewables

**Annual budget:** approx. 22 M€

**Personal:** 230 (full-time: 160) at two locations (Kassel and Bremerhaven)

**Directors:** Prof. Dr. Andreas Reuter, Prof. Dr. Jürgen Schmid

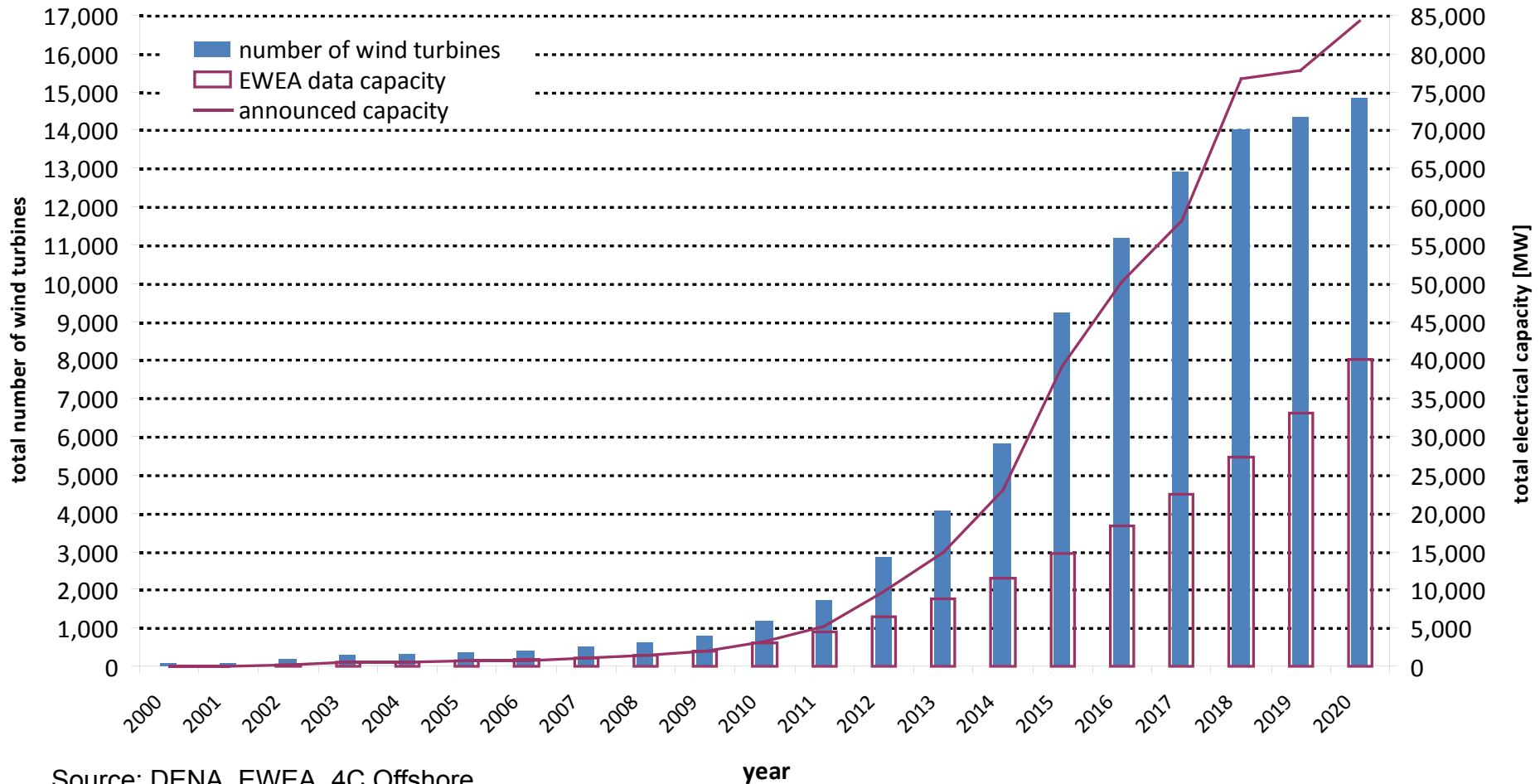
## Main facilities:

- Rotor blade test stands
- Nacelle test bench (2013)
- Electro-technical test stands
- Wind measurement network in Germany
- Material testing offshore and in climate chambers

# 1. Fraunhofer IWES: Business fields and projects

- Wind energy technology and operating management
  - Dynamics of turbines and components
  - Competence center rotor blade
  - Environmental analysis for wind and ocean energy
  - Control and integration of decentralized converters
  - Energy management and grid operation
  - Energy supply structures and systems analysis
  - Marine energies
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- Current projects include RAVE (First German offshore wind park), ORECCA, OC4 (IEA), MARINA Platform, Marinet, Pulse Tidal
  - Past projects include Upwind, CORES, Seaflow, Seagen, Kobold I+II
  - Member of IEA-OES and Wind, IEC TC 88 and 114, EERA Wind
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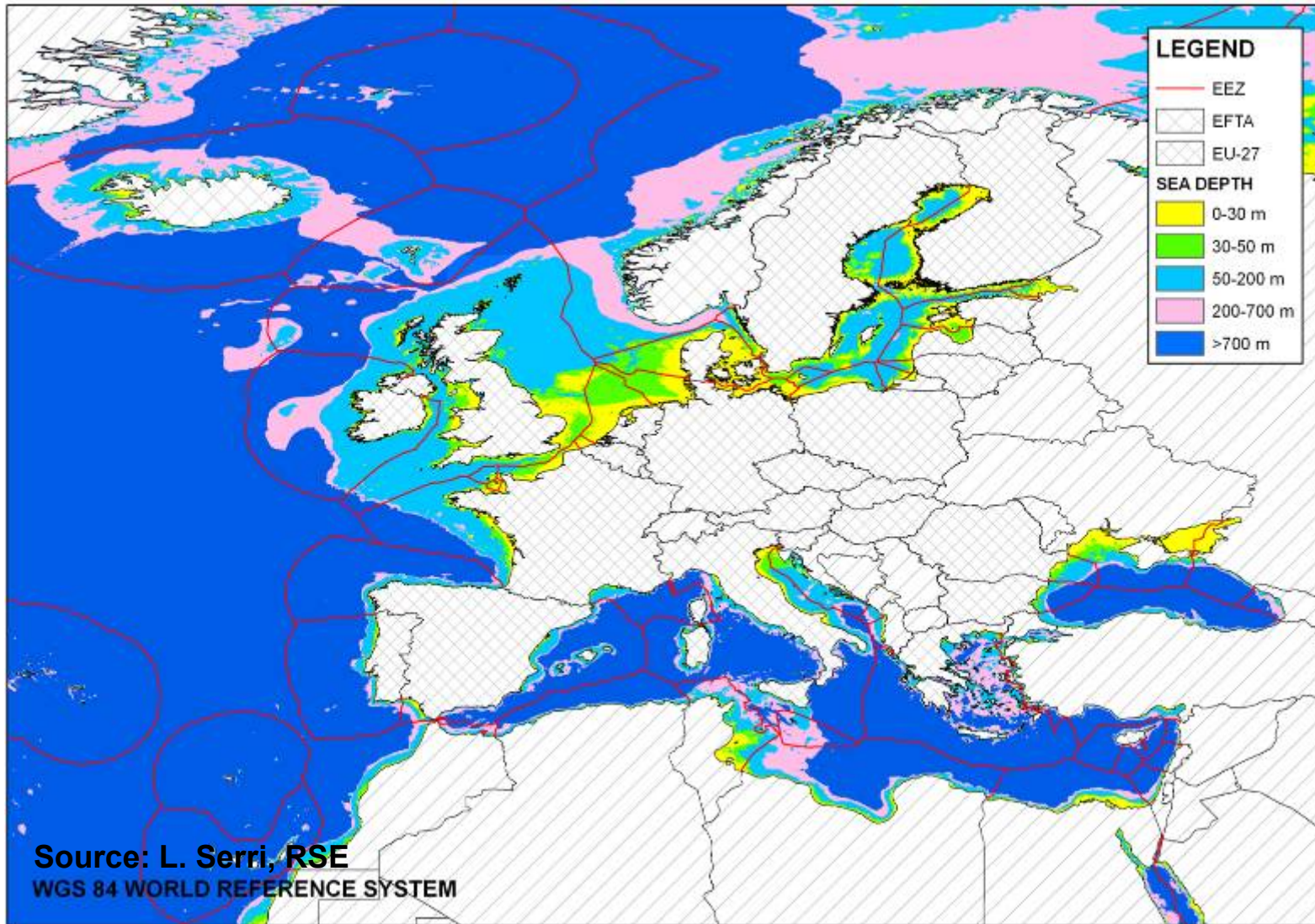
## 2. European offshore wind market development: EWEA scenario and “project pipeline”



Source: DENA, EWEA, 4C Offshore

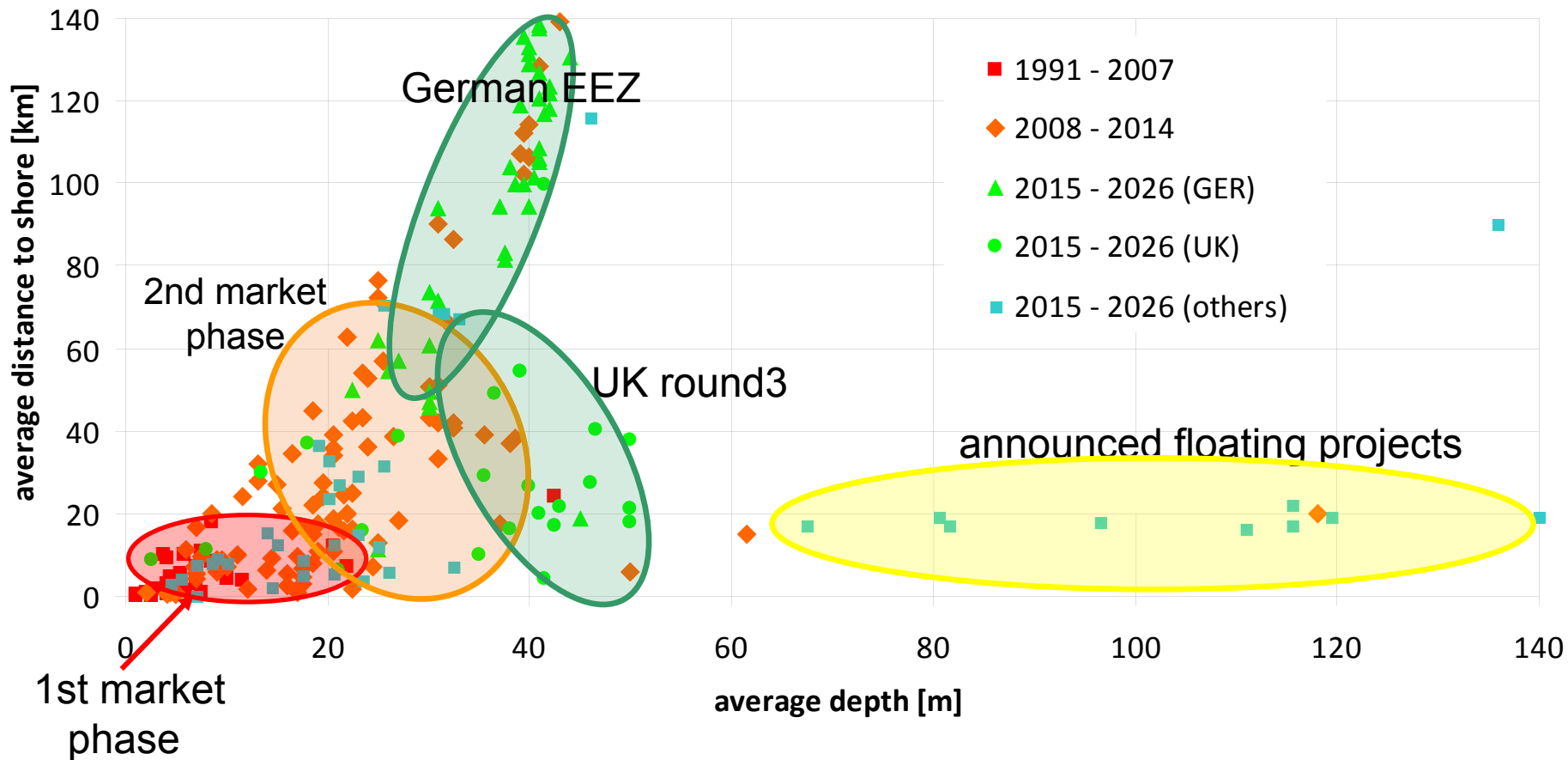


## 2. European EEZs and bathymetry map

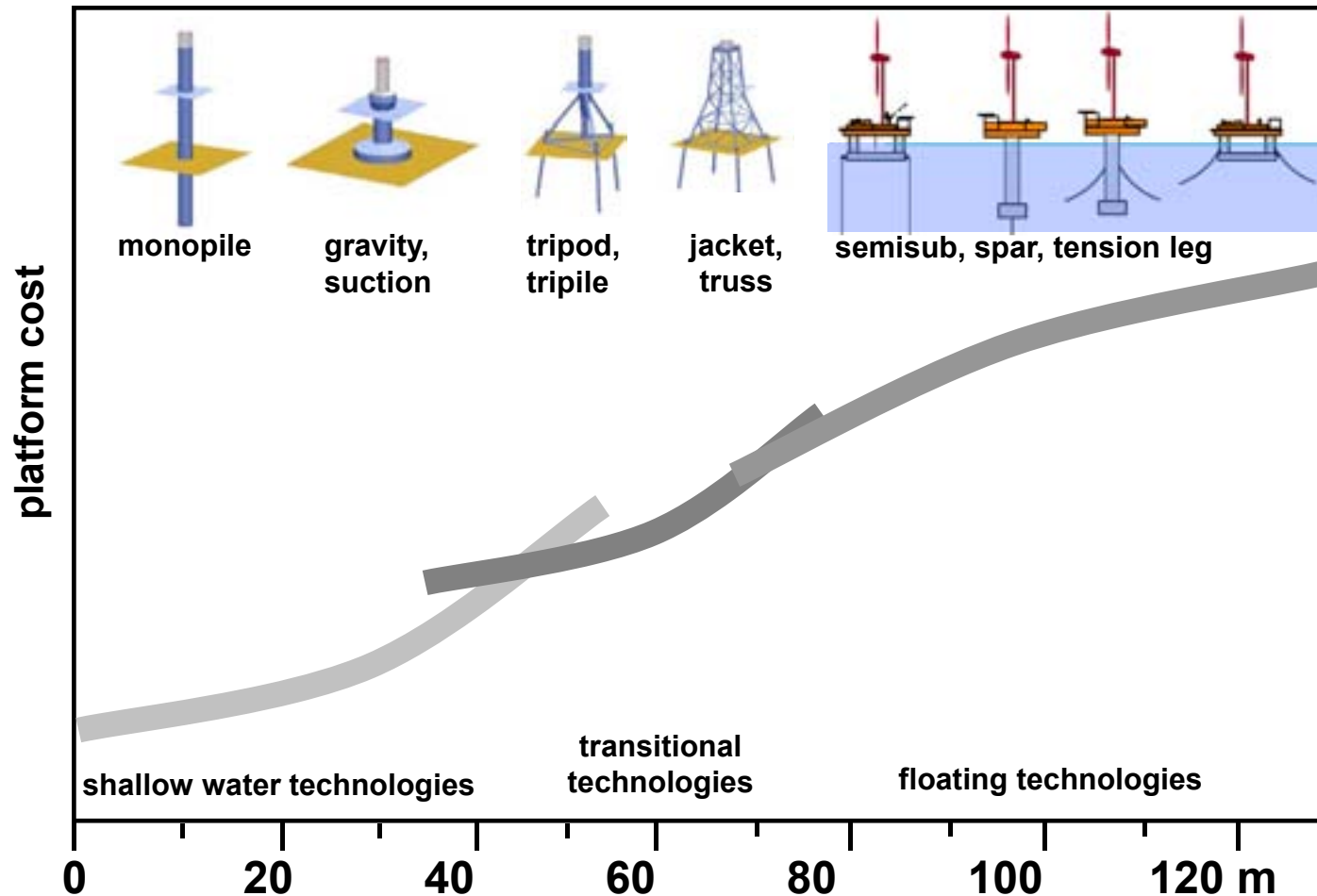




## 2. Development phases of the EU offshore wind market in terms of water depth (m) and distance to shore (km) up to 2025

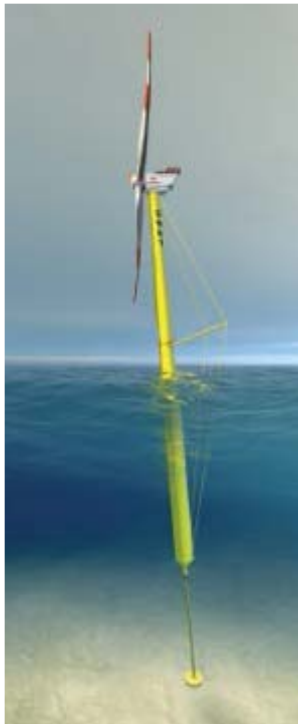
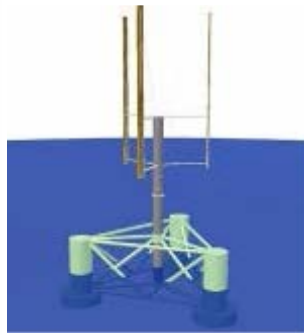
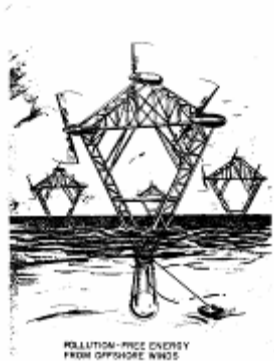


## 2. Platform technologies change with water depth



Source: NREL, NTNU

## 2. Floating concepts: project examples



## 2. Cross sectoral projects and vision

- ORECCA:  
Ocean Renewable Energy Conversion Platforms - Coordination Action
  - Marina Platform – research on multipurpose platforms (FP7 2010-2014)
  - MARINET: EU-research infrastructure project for offshore wind and OE
  - Oceans of Tomorrow : sustainable use of the oceans
  - Combined Wind-Wave- , Wind-Tidal- etc. under preparation
  
  - EC vision:  
combining Offshore Wind, Ocean Energy and other uses with regard to
    - area (Maritime spatial planning)
    - offshore grid
    - components, technologies and structures
    - supply chain...
- ➔ Create a common offshore renewables market**

# 3. 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

### 3. HiPRwind: Programme

- Aim:  
install and operate a floating MW-class wind turbine for research purpose
- Potential Location:  
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: „unrestricted“ access to data from experiments on a real wind turbine in harsh offshore conditions during at least two years

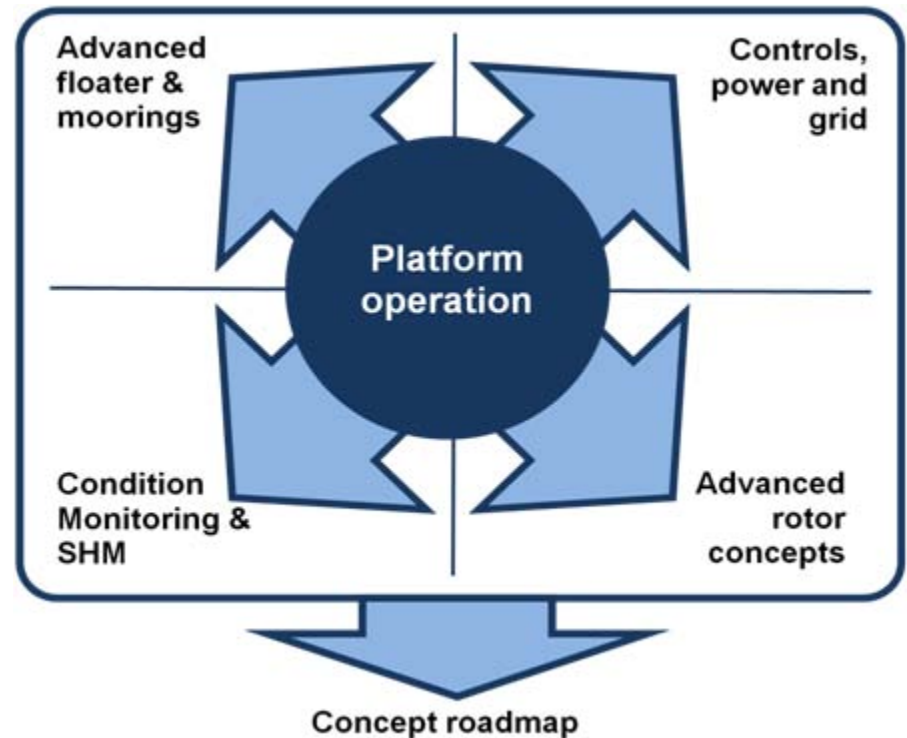




### 3. HiPRwind: Work plan

Main research topics:

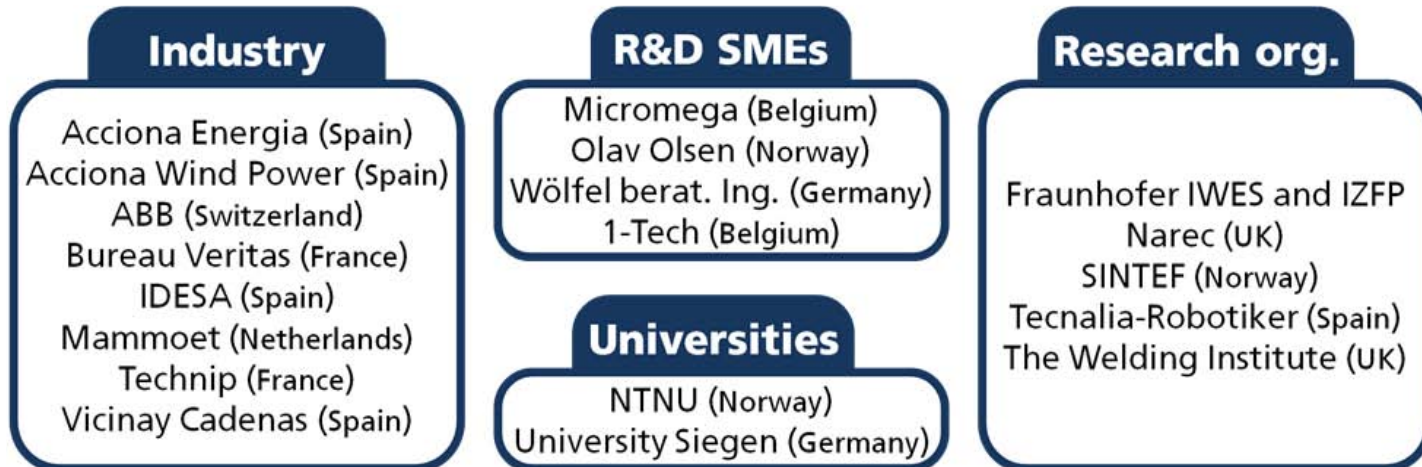
- Floater and mooring systems
- Controls, power and grid
- Condition and structural health monitoring
- Advanced rotor concepts



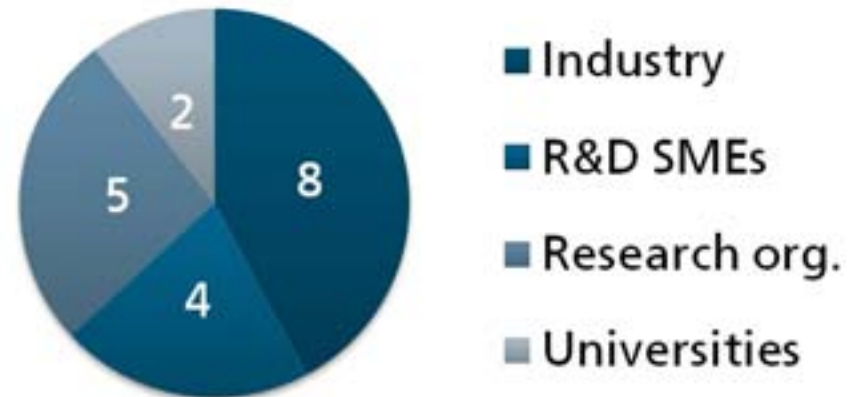
Timing:

- 1<sup>st</sup> year: design of the floating platform and of the research equipment
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year: procurement, construction and installation of the floating WT
- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year: WT operation and maintenance for experimental research

### 3. HiPRwind: Consortium



A strong consortium with experience in offshore developments:



## 4. Status of the design process



- 10 partners working under Acciona Energia's lead
- Review and evaluation of basic design options completed
  - Semi-sub selected
  - TLP and spar now ruled out for HiPRwind
- First general sizing completed
- Iterative analysis (structural, seakeeping, operations/installation) ongoing
  
- WP1 is on its way to delivering the structure on time. Many exciting challenges and a deadline at the end of 2011.
  
- Communication with Spanish authorities ongoing regarding permitting

## 4. Challenges in the design process



- Iterative design process
- Competences, contributions and roles of the partners
- Available software tools, interfaces between the tools and partners
- Design framework (Metocean, wind turbine, budget, ...)
- Turbine modification vs platform stability; Moorings and station keeping
- Assembly, Installation and Commissioning Procedures
- Operation and Maintenance concept
- Generation of a reliable budget for manufacturing, assembly, installation and operation
- Certification and Permitting requirements for the offshore site
- ....

## 5. Expected impact of HiPRwind



- Encourages **international collaboration** across Europe
- Delivers **R&D field results** for the benefit of the industry
- Showcases **European know-how**
- Promotes **Spain** as a technology leader for floating wind
- Supports the formation of a „**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
  - Further combined wind, wave and tidal projects (demo calls, NER 300)

# Thank you, gracias. For more information...

- Your questions are welcome!
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