

Offshore Renewable Energy



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Offshore Renewable Energy

- New solutions for installation and O&M
- Optimised designs for reducing costs of foundations and electrical infrastructure
- Test and analysis of materials and components for harsh environments
- Design tools for floating platforms
- Tank testing and numerical analysis
- Analysis and design of mooring systems and electrical connections
- Design tools for the optimisation of arrays

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- Performance assessment
- Optimisation of Power Take-Off and Control systems

Innovations for cost reduction in fixed offshore wind farms



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Offshore Renewable Energy at TECNALIA



contributing to numerous international committees and advisory groups

patents transferred to industry (including 2 SMEs)

worth on R&D

years of experience in the offshore renewable energy sector



organising international and national events, including ICOE 2010



collaborating with the regional government on the definition of **a marine energy strategy**

16 €42m

tank and open-sea testing of wave energy devices

Offshore Renewable Energy at TECNALIA

2 technology-based companies created



OCEANTEC

in partnership with Iberdrola,

development of wave energy converters.

Acquired by IDOM in 2018

nautilus 🖻

floating solutions

a consortium made up of four industrial companies plus TECNALIA

aiming at developing costeffective floating platforms for offshore wind in deep waters.





European Research Projects

participation in

led projects

>€7m funding >33% success

What we know



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Coupled, analytical and multi-physical models, including testing and validation

Physical and virtual sensing

Experimental modelling based on data analytics and deep learning

System engineering and decision tools Where we apply our knowledge

Testing of components for offshore applications in real conditions

Digital twins of components for offshore applications to support life extension, operation, maintenance and redesign

Design and optimization of offshore structures and systems, including among others foundations, mooring systems, dynamic cables, marine operations and electrical lay-out

Generation, modeling and evaluation of innovative concepts for cost reduction in offshore renewables

Research applied to innovative and integral solutions for foundations, towers and auxiliary systems of high power offshore wind turbines

- Numerical models for the design and evaluation of offshore wind turbines
- Design optimisation of jacket foundations.
- New solutions for join systems not screwed.
- Innovation in transition pieces for both fixed and floating.

- Coatings resistant to corrosion and biofouling.
- Tower design optimisation for large wind turbines.
- Integrated lifting systems in offshore wind turbines
- Connection of dynamic cables to structures.
- New solutions for electrical transformers for large wind turbines



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Open Sea Operating Experience to Reduce Wave Energy Cost



- Floating wave energy device (MARMOK-A-5) developed by the Basque company IDOM/Oceantec.
- Grid-connected and tested at BiMEP in two different configurations over three consecutive winters.
- Demonstrated survivability in rough seas up to 14 m maximum wave height and displayed increasing availability reaching 90%.
- The research team gained more than 1,000 man-hours of experience in operation and maintenance as well as confidence in its power performance and mooring system robustness.
- The experimental results confirm that the innovations can improve turbine efficiency by 55%, increase the overall power production by 30% and reduce the peak loads in the mooring lines by 50%.



LIFES50+

Qualification of innovative floating substructures for 10MW wind turbines and water depths greater than 50m

 Advanced numerical modelling and experimental testing of floating structures.

- Tools for costs calculation and life cycle analysis of floating wind turbines, developed for concepts assessment.
- Methodology for the risk analysis and application to the design, for the identification of potential design constraints.
- Recommended practice for the design of floating wind turbines.
- Industrialization of NAUTILUS design, considering manufacturing, transport, installation, O&M and decommissioning stages.
- Pre-FEED and FEED designs for different wind turbines and offshore sites across Europe and USA.

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A novel tidal blade design Tailored composites, coatings and appendages Models of harsh hydrodynamic and environmental stresses Numerical models for the prediction of lifespan and mechanical properties A new test rig to evaluate fatigue and cavitation

Novel testing procedure for bio-fouling and evaluation of marine environments

Next Evolution in Materials and Models for Ocean energy

Improvement of the design and performance of tidal turbine blades. It will create a larger, lighter and more durable composite blade for floating tidal turbines, enabling devices to reach capacities of over 2 MW. This will boost the competitiveness of tidal energy by reducing its Levelised Cost of Energy and increasing the yield of tidal turbines.

- design, model and test blade materials and prototypes
- enable developers to significantly reduce both capital and operational costs
- improve the yield and reliability of tidal turbines
- advance the state-of-the-art of tidal turbine technology

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Development and demonstration of an automated, modular and environmentally friendly multifunctional platform for open sea farm installations of the Blue Growth Industry

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Design of a low-cost, corrosion-resistant, lowmaintenance modular concrete floating multipurpose offshore platform, capable of accommodating aquaculture, wind and wave energy systems and then to test and validate this design through the construction and sea deployment a pilot scale platform.



Laboratory for Experimentation and Validation of Materials, Components and Subsystems in Real Marine Environment.

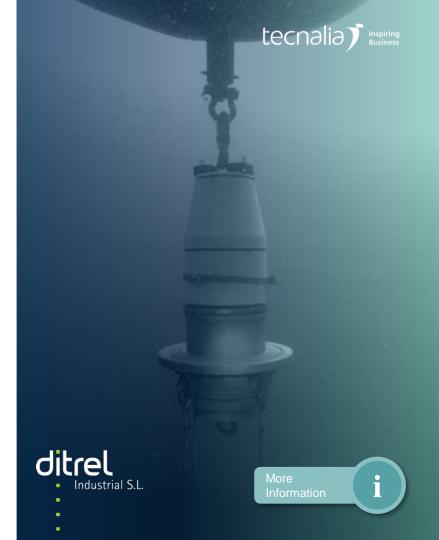
- Evaluation of materials, components and standalone systems in real offshore environment: Atmospheric, splash, immersion, confined and marine bottom zones.
- Trial of solutions to protect against corrosion, fouling, corrosion-fatigue. Corrosion monitoring.
- Training of personnel in offshore operations.

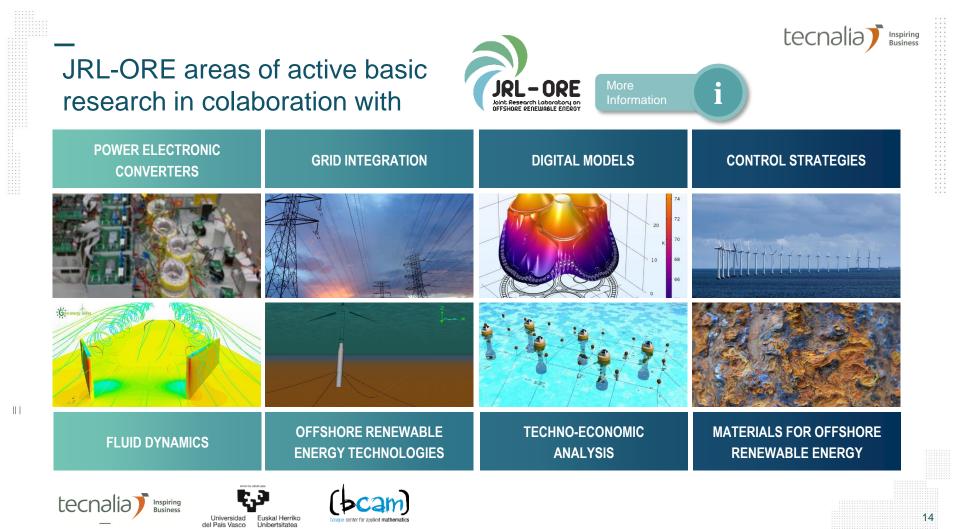


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Innovative umbilical power connection system specifically designed for offshore renewable energy converters

- TECNALIA defined and patented the innovative umbilical power connection system
- This patent was licensed to DITREL and we are working together to commercialize it.
- DITREL has completed the survivability trials of a prototype after 6 months installed at BIMEP.





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