# NOWITECH Innovations in offshore wind energy

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# **NOWITECH** in brief

- A joint pre-competitive research effort
- Focus on deep offshore wind technology (+30 m)
- Budget (2009-2017)
  EUR 40 millions
- Co-financed by the Research Council of Norway, industry and research partners
- 25 PhD/post doc grants
- Key target: innovations reducing cost of energy from offshore wind
- Vision:
  - large scale deployment
  - internationally leading

Research partners:

- SINTEF ER (host)
- ► IFE
- NTNU
- MARINTEK
- SINTEFICT

SINTEF MC

**Industry partners:** 

- CD-adapco
- DNV GL
- DONG Energy
- ► EDF
- Fedem Technology
- Fugro OCEANOR
- Kongsberg Maritime
- Norsk Automatisering (TBC)
- Rolls Royce SmartMotor
- ► Statkraft
- Statnett
- Statoil

Associated research partners:

- DTU Wind Energy
- Michigan Tech Uni.
- ► МІТ 🗸 🗸
- NREL
  - Fraunhofer IWES
- Uni. Strathclyde
- ► TU Delft
- Nanyang TU

# Associated industry partners:

- Devold AMT AS
- Energy Norway
- Enova
- Innovation Norway
- NCEI
- NORWEA
- ► NVE
- Wind Cluster Norway



# **NOWITECH** focus area





LPC distribution of offshore wind farm (example)

#### Key issue: Innovations reducing cost of energy from offshore wind







#### EU TP wind KPI in new SRA: Reduce LCOE by 50% from present levels for similar sites by 2030



# From R&D to innovations to cost reductions







# Innovations in NOWITECH (def.)

.. are research results with potential to be further developed into new or significantly improved goods, services or processes providing value for industry and/or society.

# The innovation strategy of NOWITECH

...is to bring forward relevant research results to a certain maturity at which further development is typically industry based towards more competitive and commercial application.

# Transfer of knowledge between R&D and industry is critical for successful innovation



# Successful innovations are achieved









ThermaSiC

#### Fugro Oceanor SEAWATCH

Sub-Hydro









#### **De-risking monopole for Dudgeon 402 MW Offshore Wind Farm** MARINTEK using CFD, lab experiments and FE SIMA analysis













#### Reducing O&M costs by Remote Presence Norsk Automatisering







- Operation and control
- Converter interoperability
- System stability
- Fault handling
- System services
- Security of supply
- New market solutions



#### Enabling far offshore wind farms with HVDC and VSM technology







#### SmartWind (H2020) wind farm control concept









#### **Droplet erosion test facility developed by SINTEF MC**





# **Recruitment and education**

- 24 PhD and 5 post doc students are granted by NOWITECH
- In addition, through other funding, 25 PhD students and 3 post docs are ongoing at NTNU
- Since start of NOWITECH some hundred master students have specialized within wind energy
- The Erasmus Mundus European Wind Energy Master (EWEM) programme gives further weight to the wind education at NTNU and NOWITECH







# **Efficient dissemination of results**

- Active use of web, newsletters and e-room for information sharing
- 637 publications by NOWITECH at e-room database with full text access for all partners
- Workshops/meetings for partners
- Established seminar series on Industry meets Science with Wind Cluster Norway
- Wind energy R&D conference held every January in Trondheim: EERA DeepWind







# An attractive partner on the international scene

- ► Active in EERA, TPwind, EAWE, IEA, IEC
- Heading offshore works within EERA JPwind and TPwind
- Partner in EU projects, e.g.: Twenties (2009-), DeepWind (2010-), HiPRWind (2010-), EERA-DTOC (2012-), InnWind (2012-), WindScanner (2012-), LeanWind (2014-), EERA IRP wind (2014-), BestPaths (2014-); + H2020 applications





# **NOWITECH** achievements



Successful innovations



#### Excellence in research



Strong educational program





# A new FME on offshore wind is in preparation

- As suggested by the boards of NOWITECH and NORCWE the research partners had a joint workshop to discuss a possible future new FME on offshore wind (2017-2024).
- This was successful with the partners agreeing on a process to prepare the best possible FME application on offshore wind energy.
- A core team was selected with Finn Gunnar Nielsen, Kristin G Frøysa, Trond Kvamsdal and John Olav G Tande for driving the process.
- Industry parties are invited to join a Industry Reference Group for the further reporting and dialogue on the development of the new FME.





## We make it possible!

NOWITECH is a joint 40M€ research effort on offshore wind technology:

- Numerical tools and sub-structures
- O&M and materials
- Grid and wind farms

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