

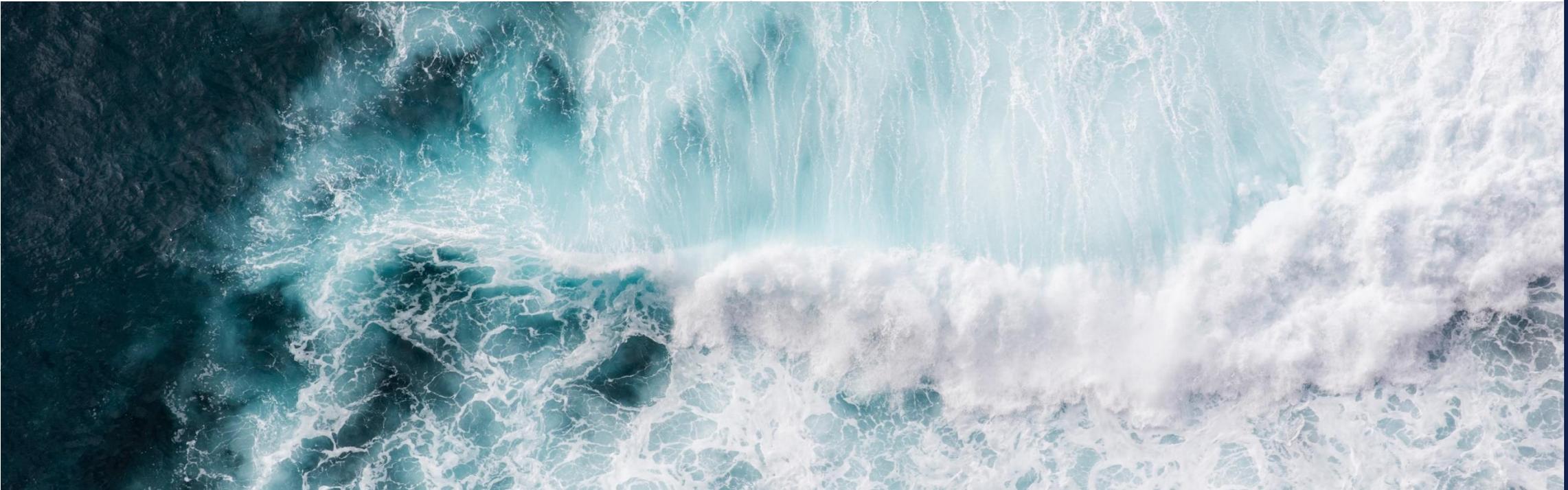


WHEN TRUST MATTERS

# Technology driving floating wind forward

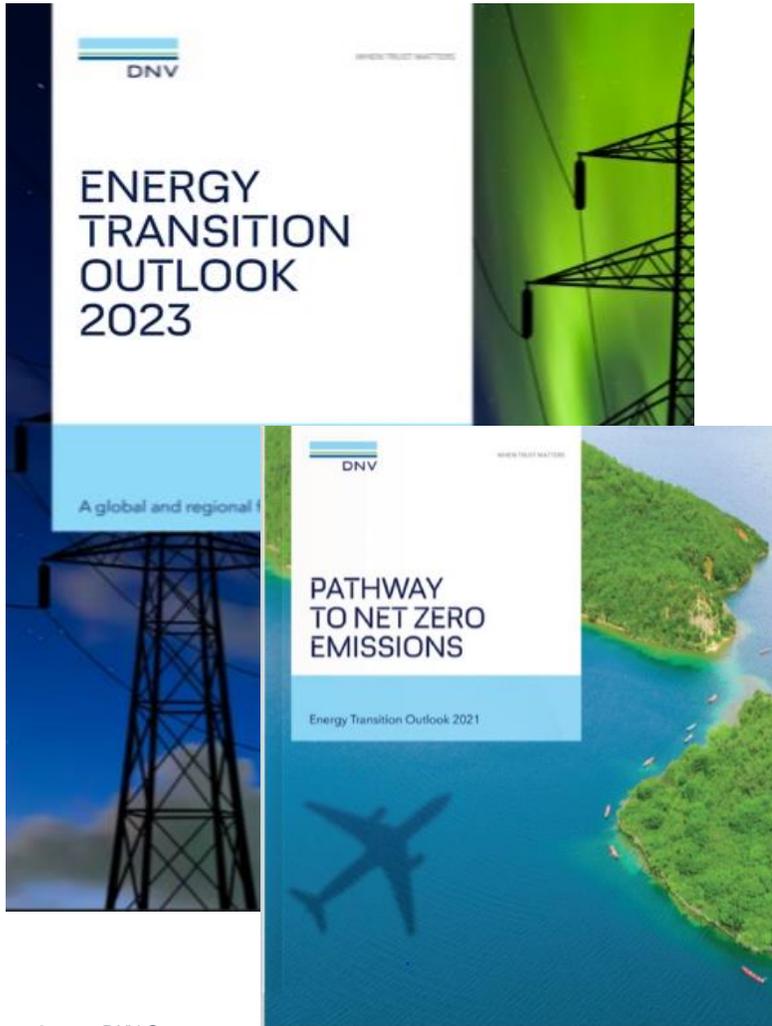
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# DNV has been forecasting the energy transition since 2017

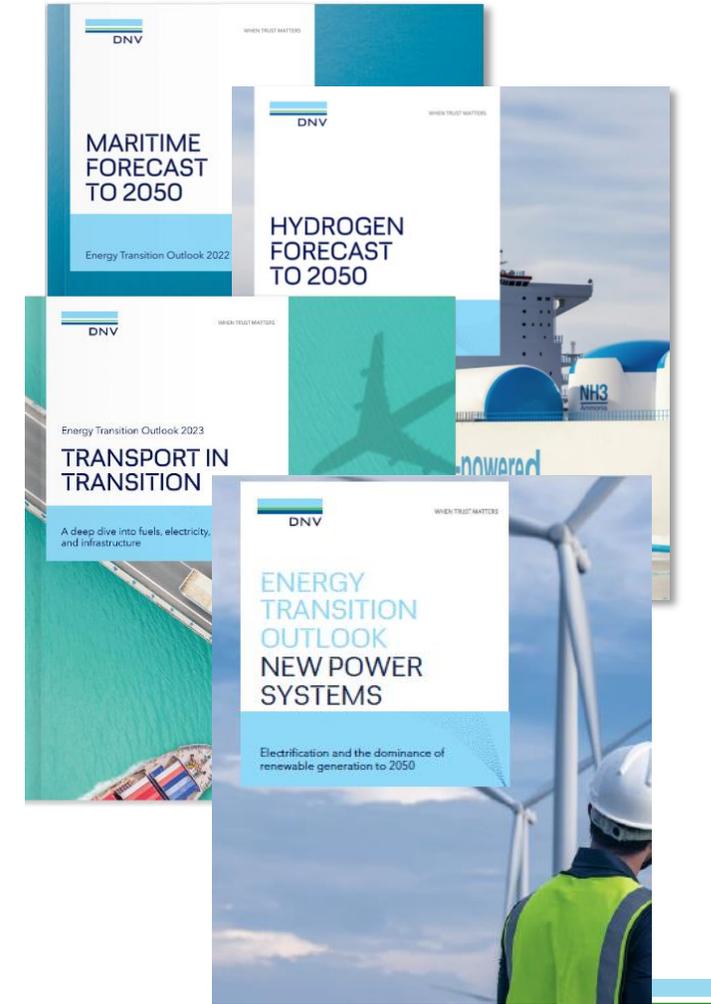
## Main publication



## Regional reports

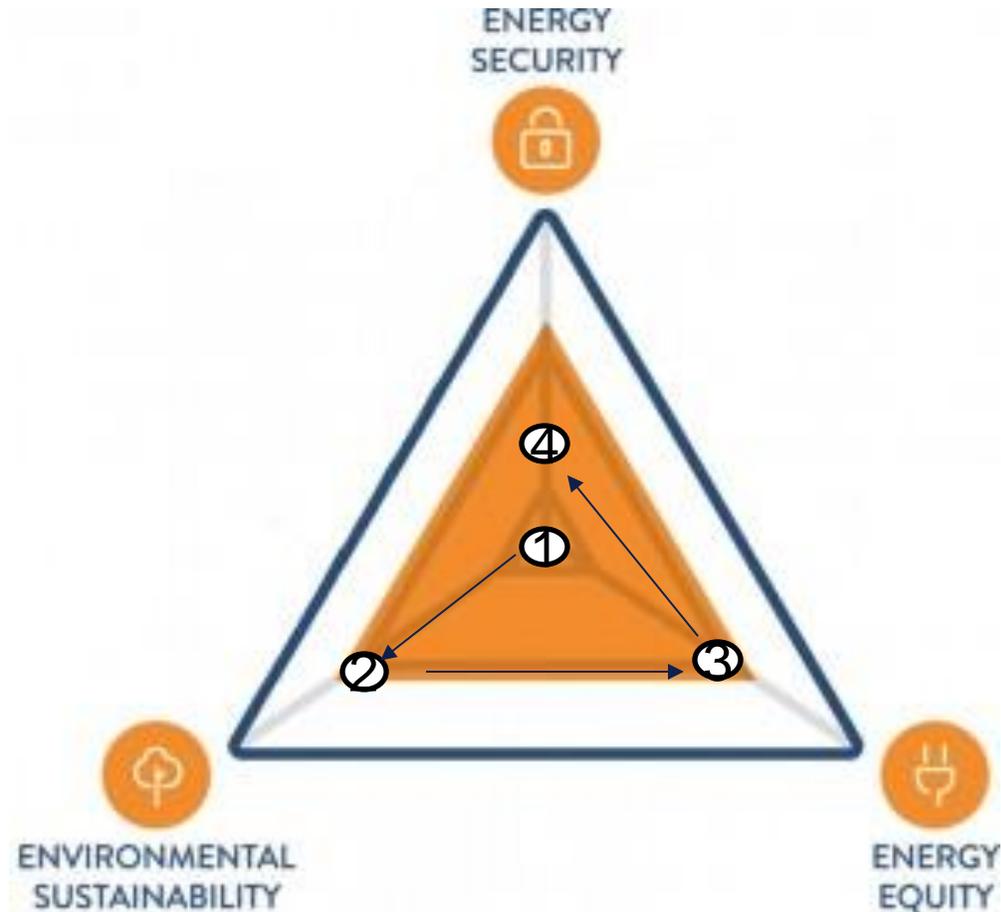


## Sector reports



# The Energy Trilemma

The Energy system Should be



1. Where we should be
2. Focus since 2015
3. Energy crunch 2021
4. Conflict between Ukraine and Russia 2022

World Energy Council's Energy Trilemma can be a good way of conceptualising the three energy policy concerns, which are often difficult to reconcile and in conflict to each other. The Energy Trilemma consists of:

1. Energy Equity, which aims to make energy affordable for consumers,
2. Energy Security, which seeks to ensure the reliability of energy sources, including price and geopolitics
3. Energy Sustainability, which seeks to minimise environmental harm, such as climate change emissions.

# FOW technology – where are we now?

235 MW in operation

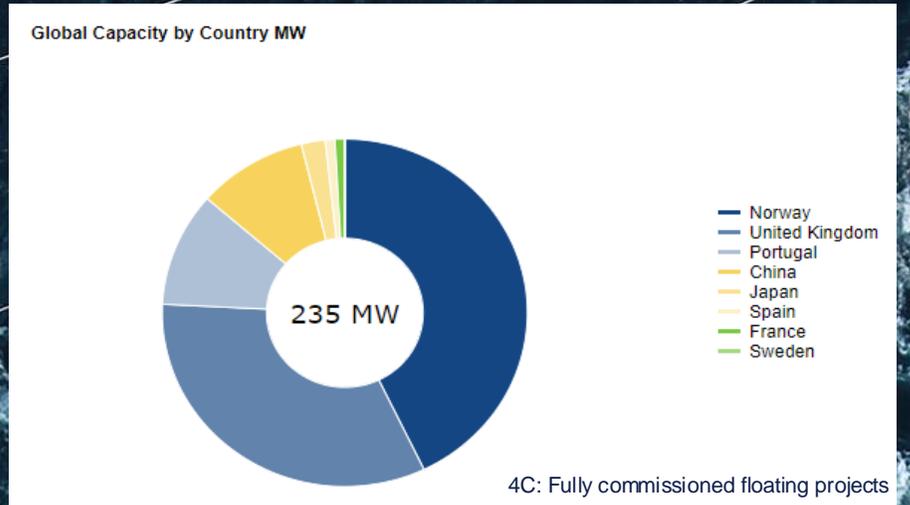
Pilots and demonstrators

Fundamental concept of FOW proven

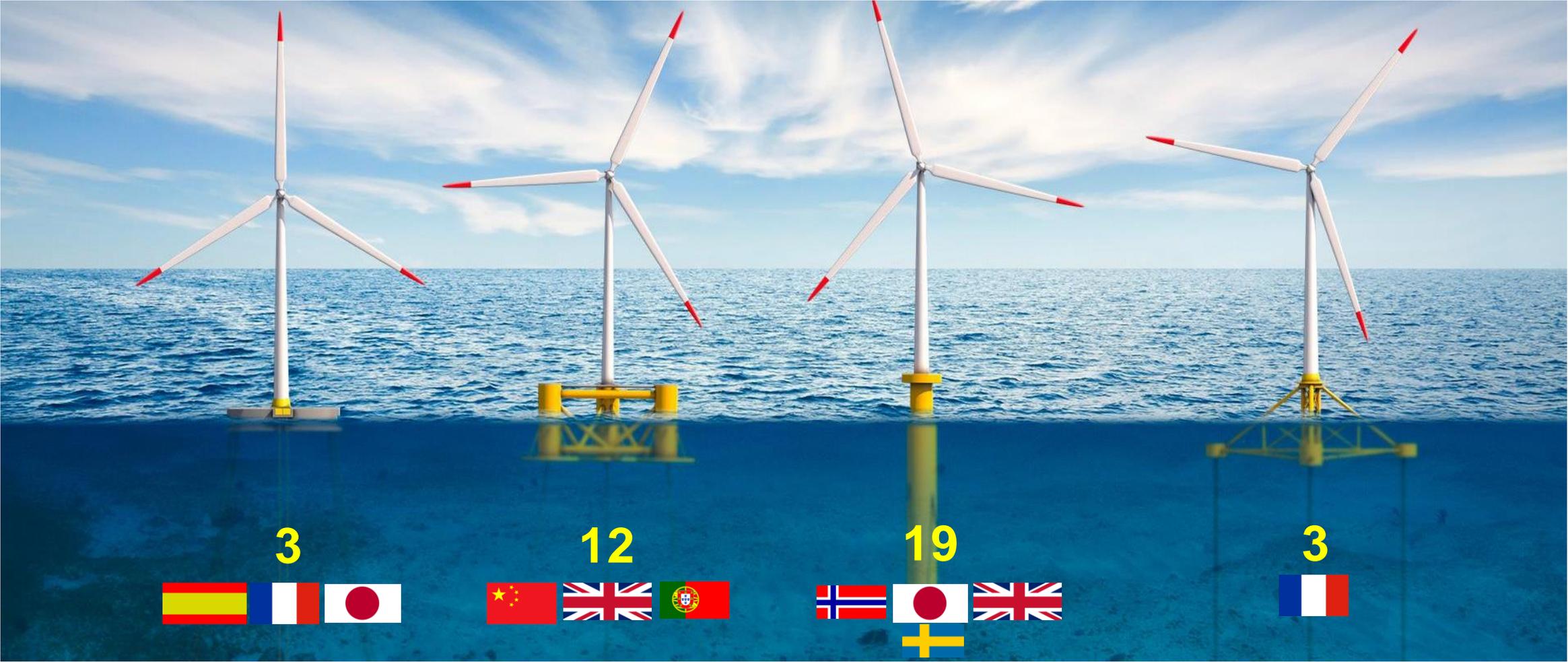
High capacity factor

High costs

Remaining technical and financial risks to be managed



# 235 MW in operation



# 3 examples out of the 50-150 concepts and fabrication strategies



Spar concrete floaters  
Aker Stord, Norway

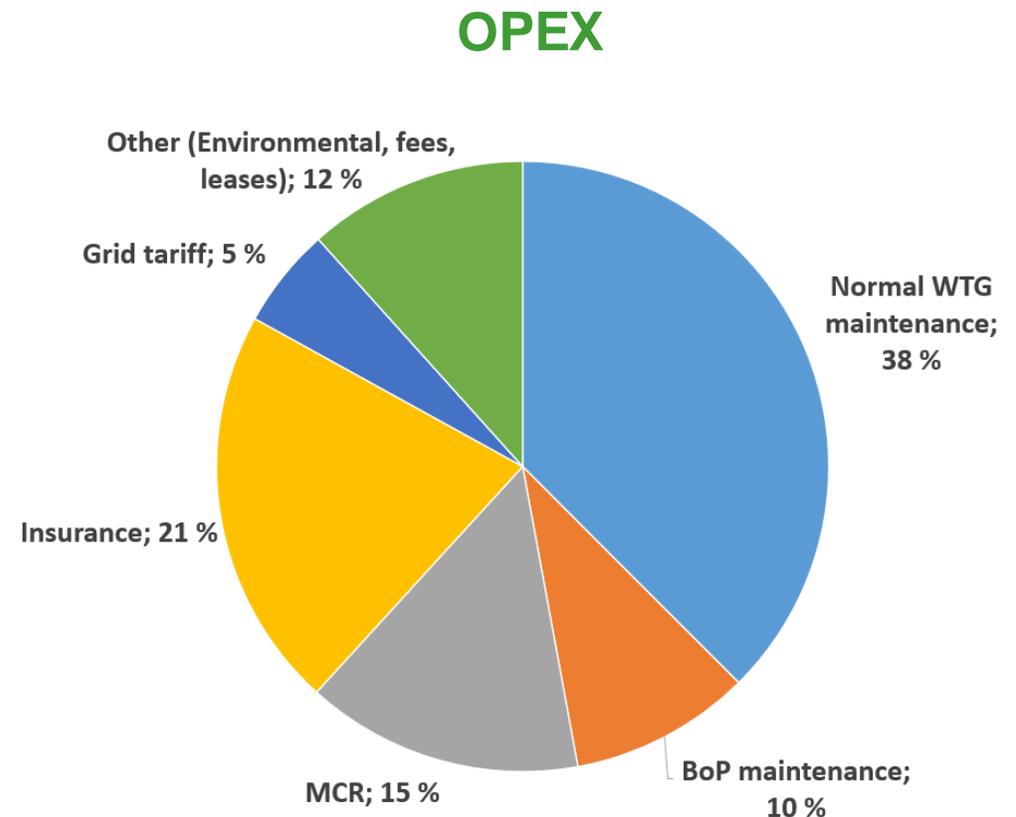
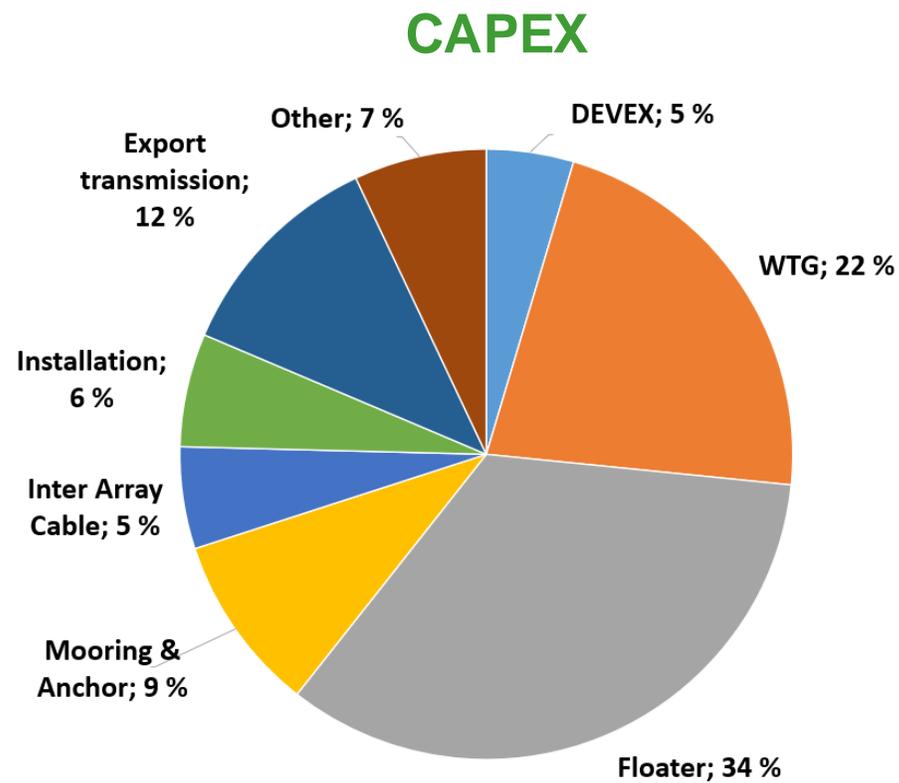


Semi sub steel floaters  
Navantia, Spain



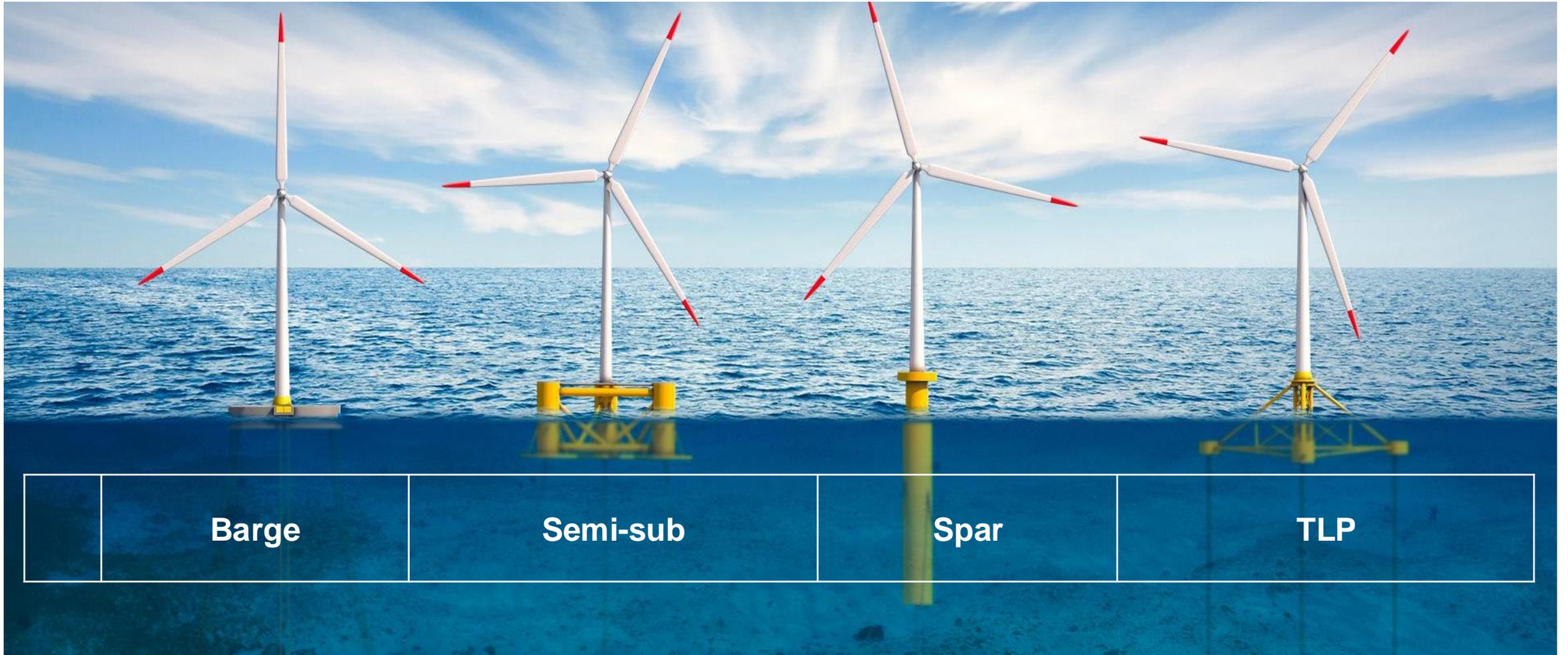
TLP steel floaters  
Eiffage, France

# Technology driving floating wind forward by reducing LCOE

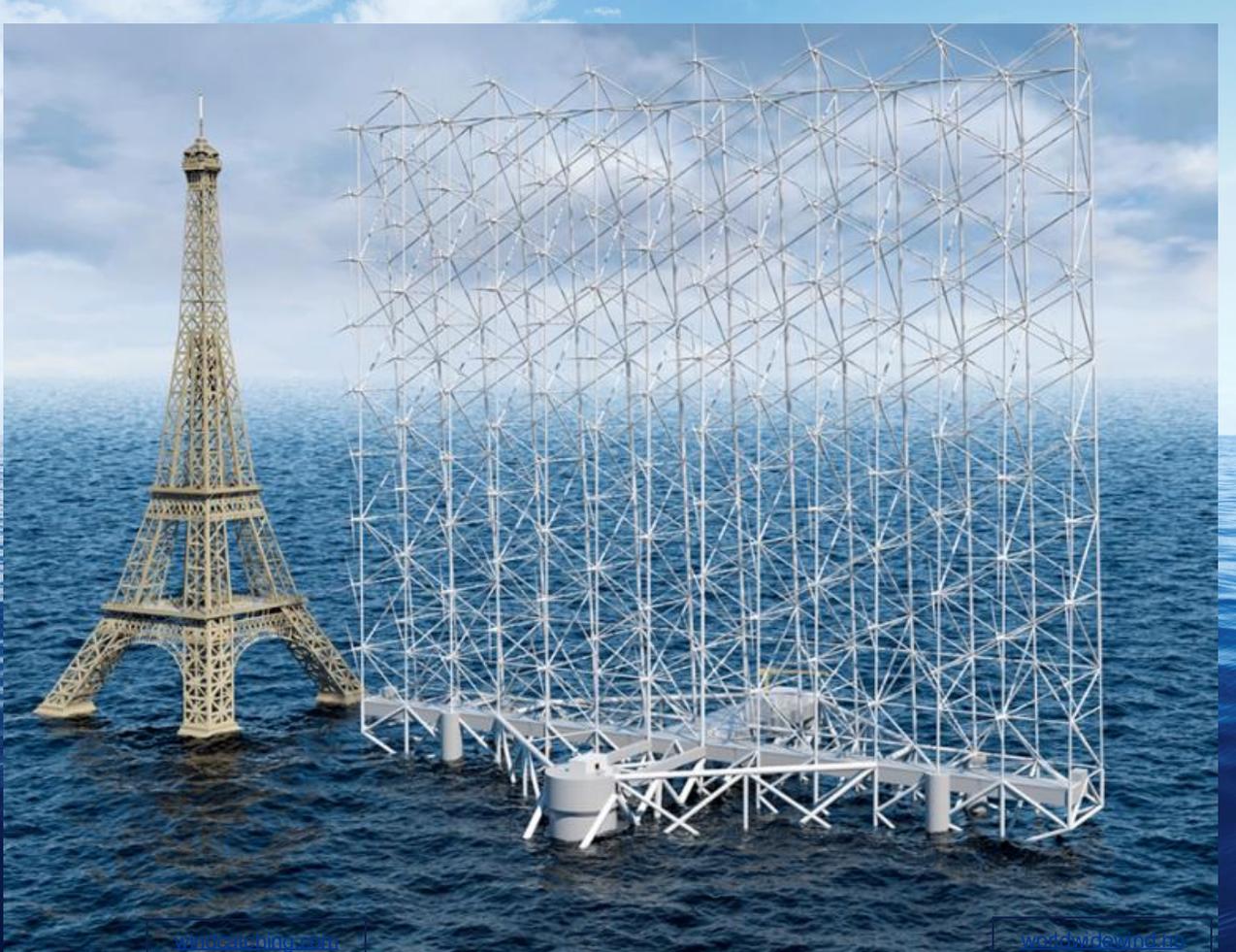


**Energy production:** Reliability, availability, wind farm layout

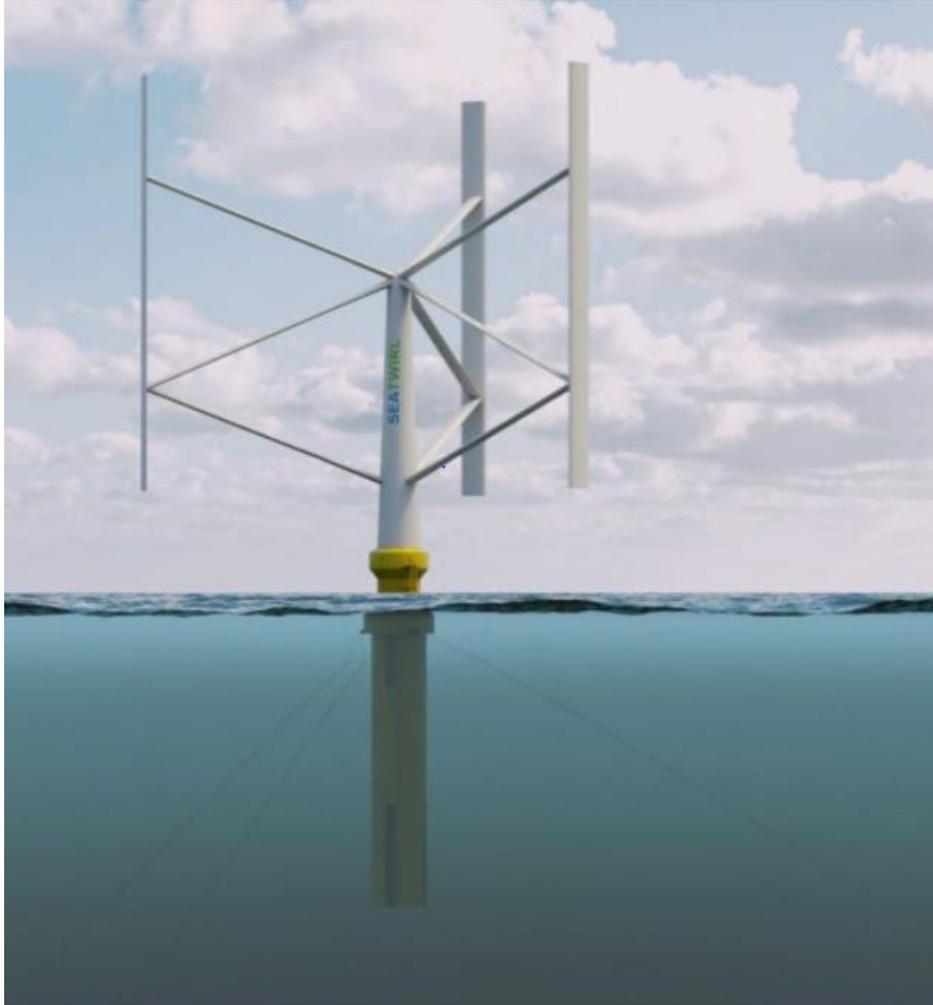
# 'Standard' floating wind concepts



# Innovative concepts



# Disruptive Concepts

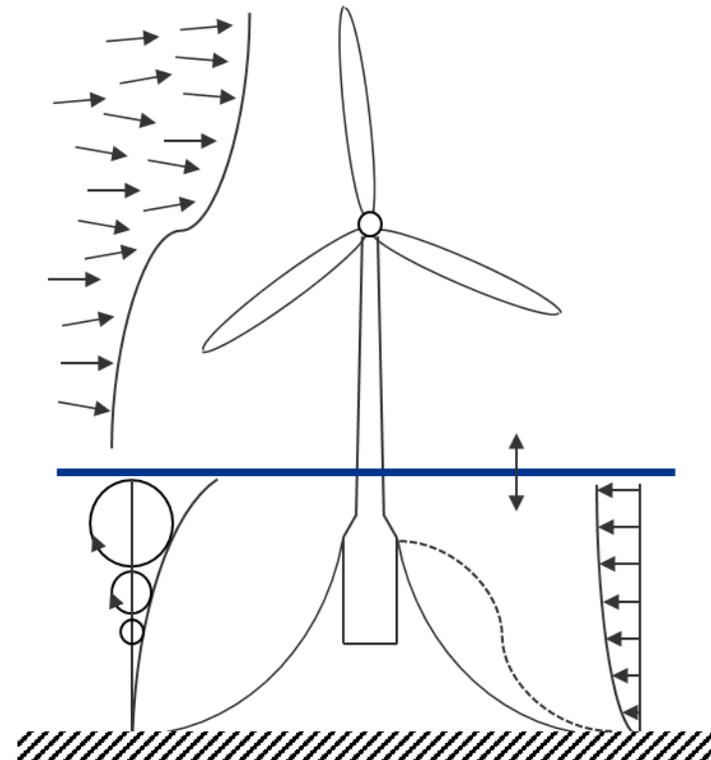


- Vertical turbine
- Specifically designed for floating application
- Turbine and floater integrated
- Generator at or below sea level (easy access and COG)
- Enabling offshore maintenance and repair/component replacement



# Floating wind is complex – both technically and commercially

- The technical complexity involved should not be underestimated:
  - The added complexity of going from bottom-fixed to floating (fatigue, mooring)
  - To couple the dynamic thrust from the turbine with a dynamically moving foundation
  - Optimized power production (LCOE)
  - Uninterrupted power production (energy security)
  - Turbine availability
  - 20+ years' service life



# Risks

## FOWT

- High interfacing risk between different contractors
- Complex system interaction

## RNA

- Turbine control and adaptation
- Power curve
- Turbine reliability

## FOSS

- High voltage dynamic cable
- Floating substation HV power system
- Power systems fatigue

## Support structure

- Dynamic behaviour – tower stiffness
- Complex and costly substructure
- Series fabrication – supply chain
- Mooring and anchor design
- High fatigue – low maintenance



## Site assessment

- Remote monitoring
- Ground investigations

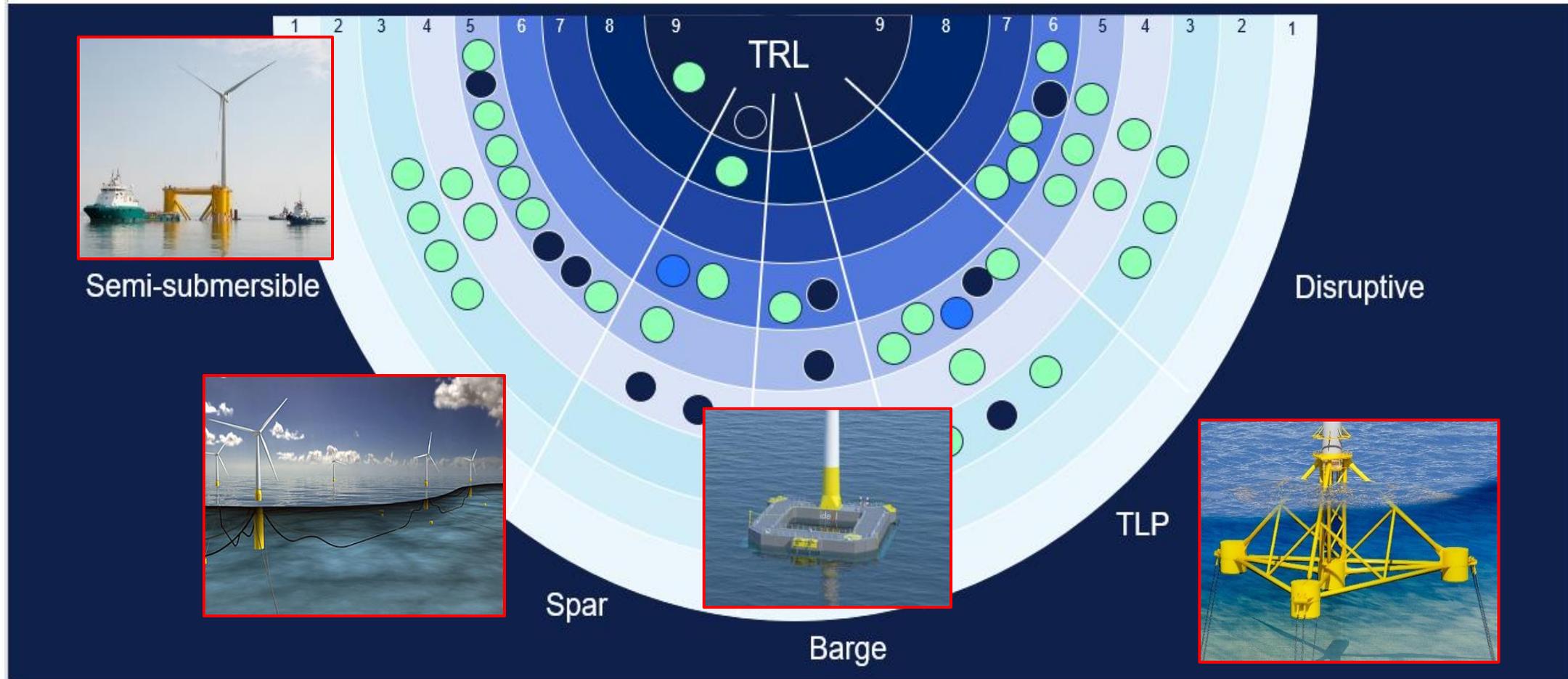
## O&M

- Substructure maintenance
- Major component change-out
- Accessibility

## Subsea cables

- Dynamic cable design
- Array cable disconnection/connection
- Cable fatigue
- Mass production

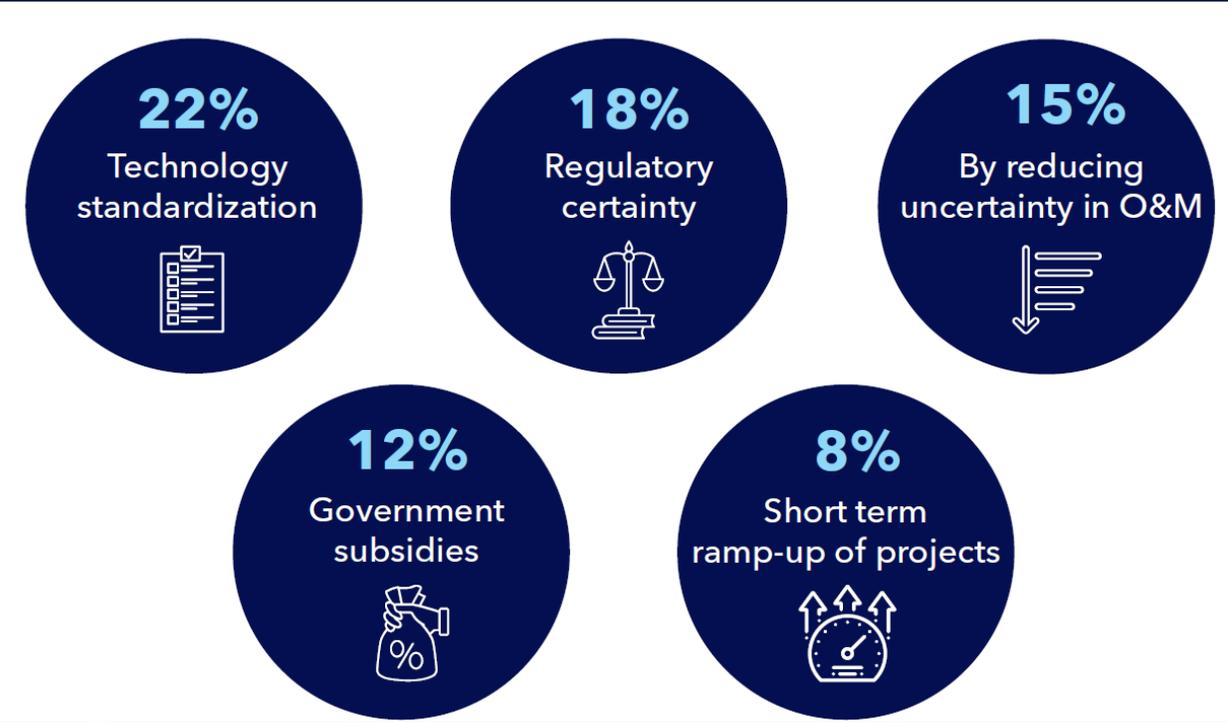
# A huge variety of concepts – searching for the best compromise



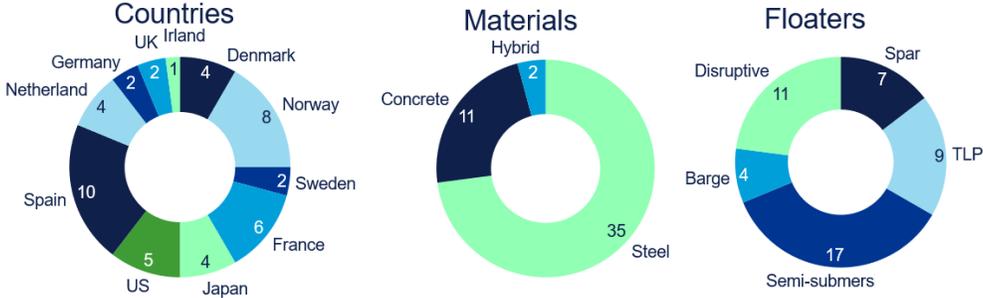
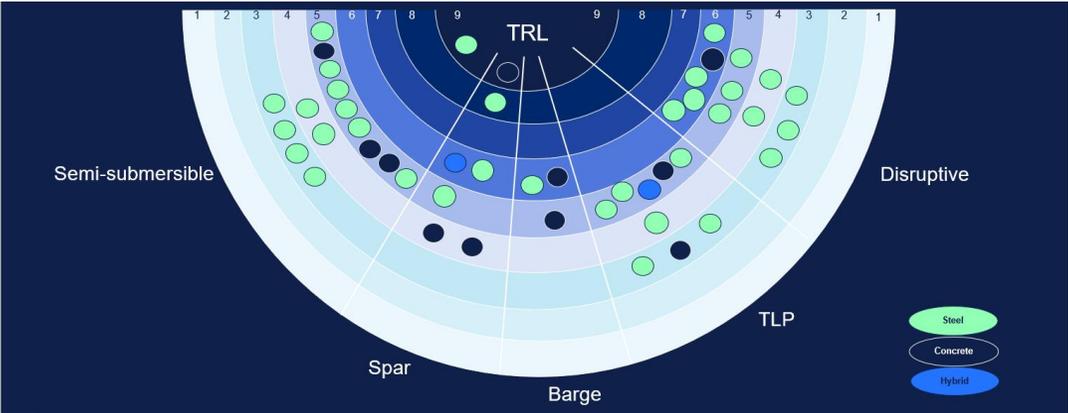
TRL: Technology  
Readiness Level

# Call for standardization

**Industry view:** How can investors mitigate their risks in such a fast growing industry?



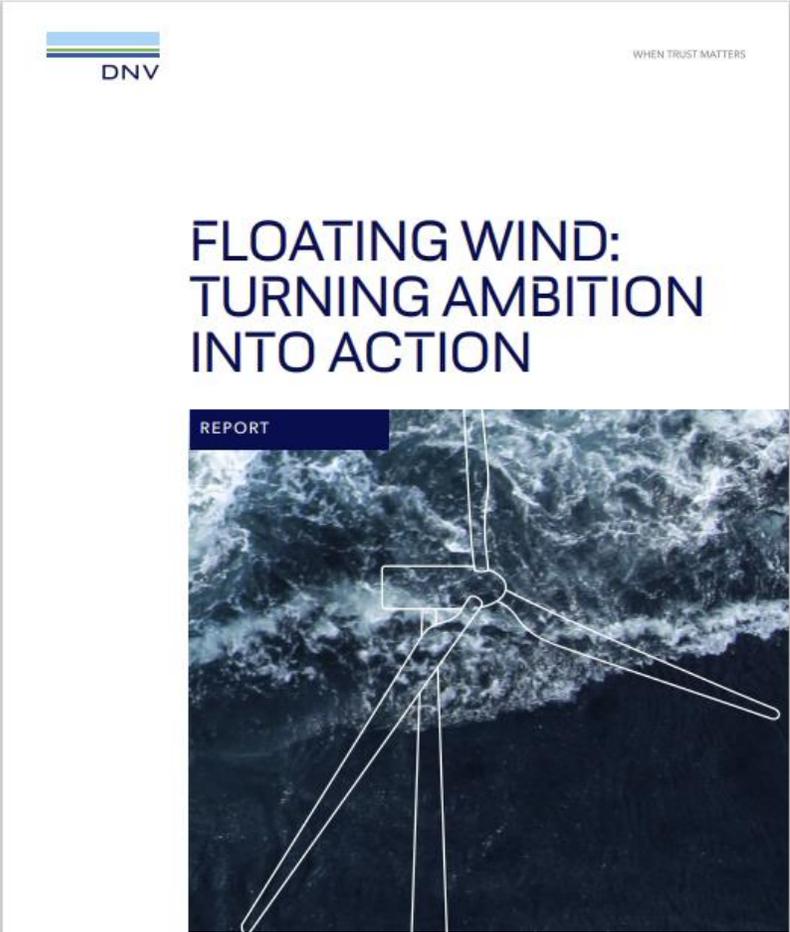
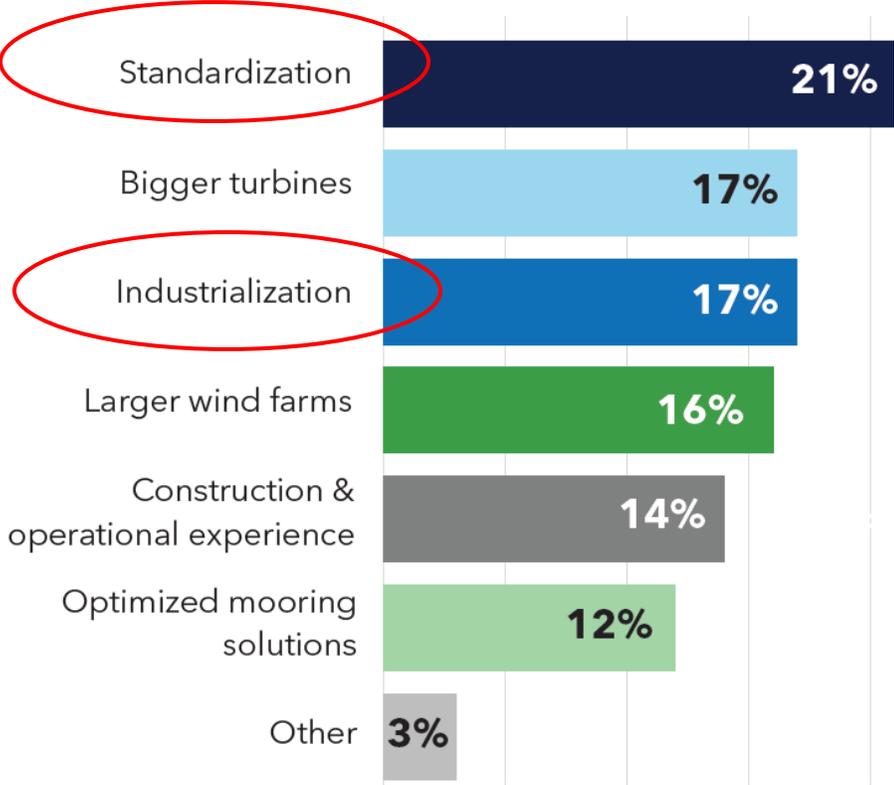
**DNV view:** Technology readiness of 50 selected concepts (out of 150 out there..?)



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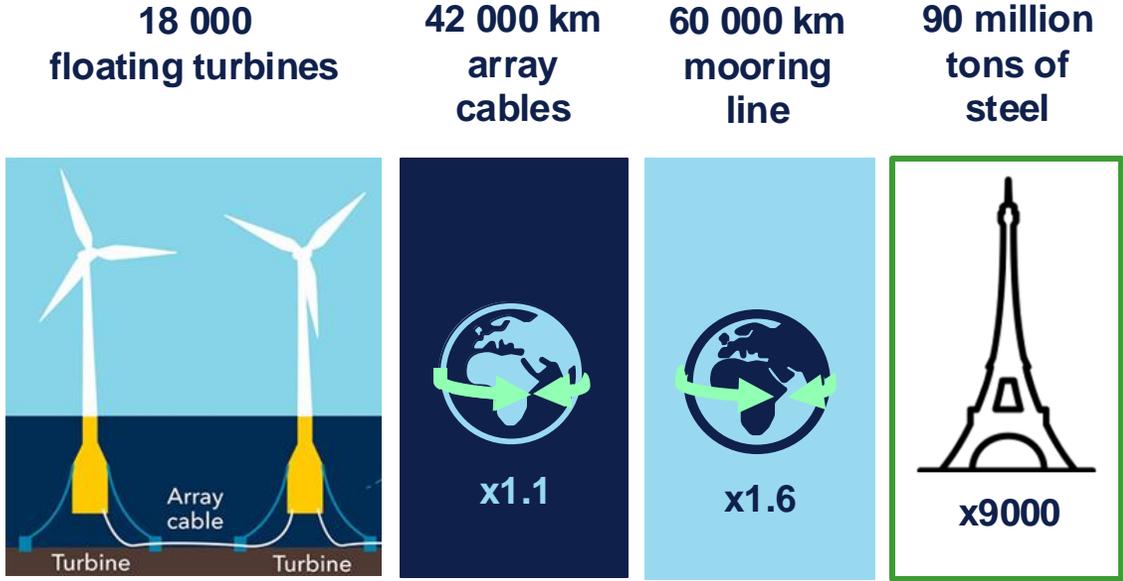
# Where will the LCOE reduction come from?



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# Supply chain is not yet ready – invest and develop!



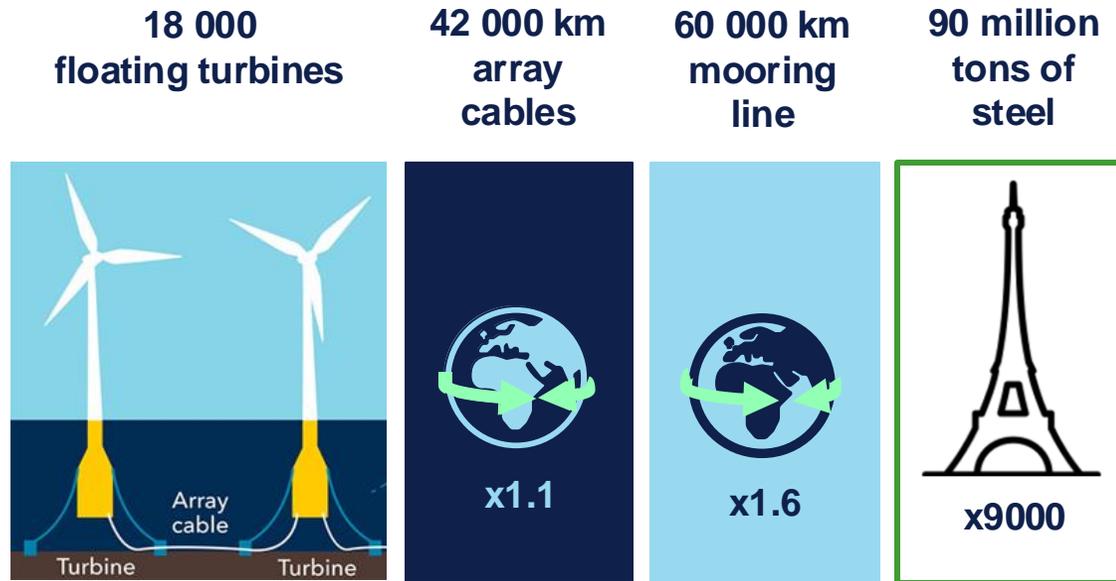
**Material need to meet DNV’s prognosis<sup>1</sup> of 270 GW installed capacity by 2050. This equals > 800 floaters per year!**

<sup>1</sup>: DNV ETO 2023



**Huge competition to get access to right size and capabilities of vessels during installation, operation and service – matching the concept chosen!**

# Risks in construction: Supply chain capacity



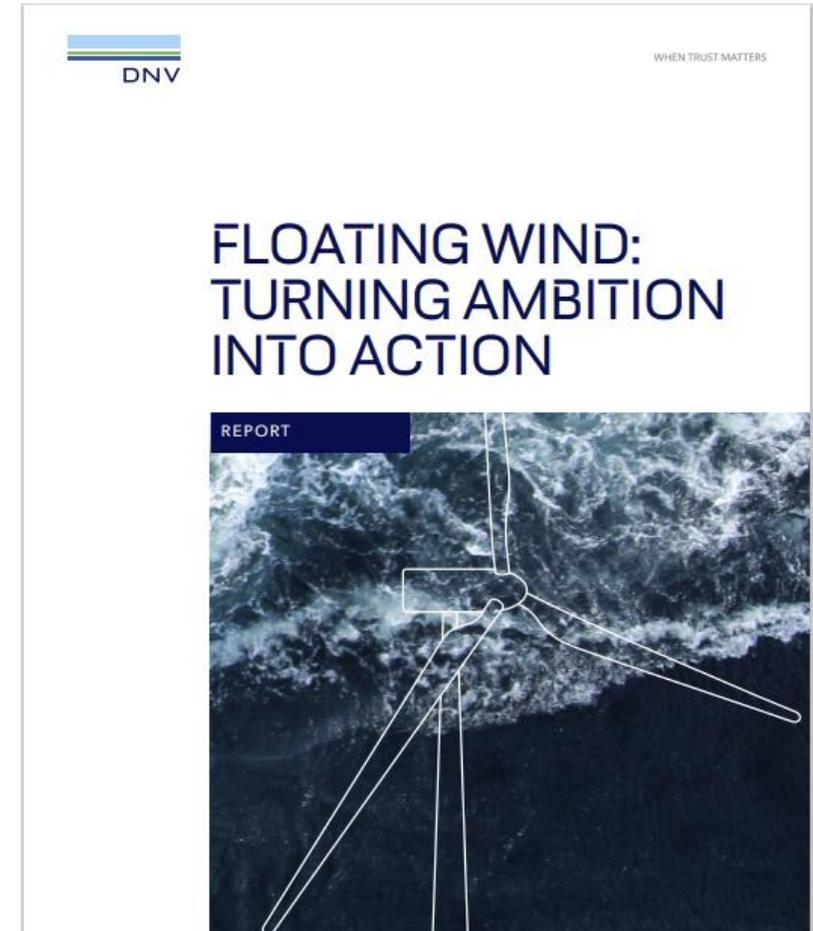
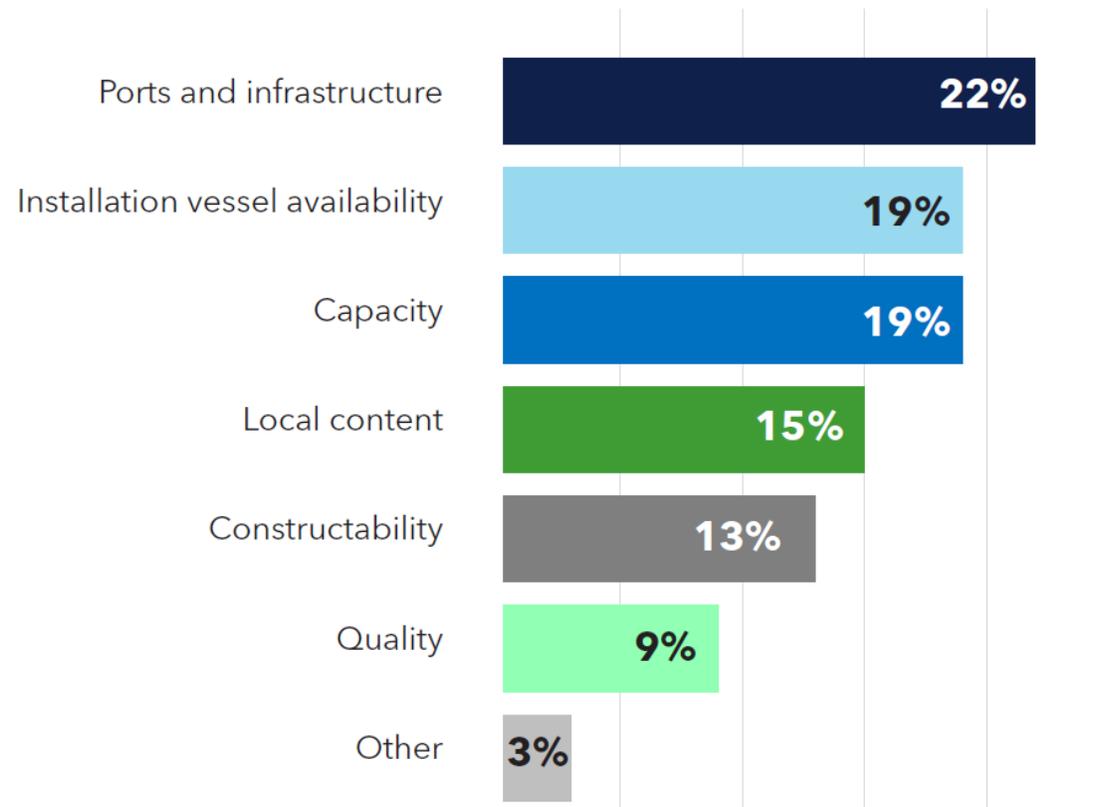
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	Category	Materials & Suppliers	Labour and experience	Shipyard Production	Total
Europe	UK	●	●	●	●
	France	●	●	●	●
	Norway	●	●	●	●
	Spain	●	●	●	●
	Portugal	●	●	●	●
	Germany	●	●	●	●
	Italy	●	●	●	●
	Turkey	●	●	●	●
Asia	China	●	●	●	●
	S. Korea	●	●	●	●
	Japan	●	●	●	●

**DNV analysis of current capacity to single-source floating structures of steel for a 1 GW project in one year (67 structures per year)**

# Where do you see the biggest risk in supply chain?



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# Industry has still a lot to figure-out & develop on O&M

## Cost Effective O&M

### Planned activities:

Remote operation, monitoring, inspection, repair etc.

### Major component replacement:

Tow-to-port or In-situ?



# Summary

- Operation philosophy to be established day 1 (feed into design)
- Size matters – bigger turbines bigger windfarms (does size have a turning point?)
- Shore based MCR to be avoided
- Final design & solution is probably not yet there

# Thank you

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