

The offshore transition to renewables

Plural offshore wind technology insights

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We have extensive expertise across offshore technology applications

Our focus - offshore:

Mechanical and digitally-enabled technologies, and value-added services

Wind



- Development and installation
- · Production facilities
- Subsea / transmission
- O&M

Oil and gas



- Exploration
- Production facilities
- Subsea
- O&M

Marine



- · Oceanic shipping
- Offshore support vessels
- LNG
- · Commercial brownwater
- Fishing

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Wind is an increasingly attractive offshore segment for energy corporations, technology manufacturers and investors

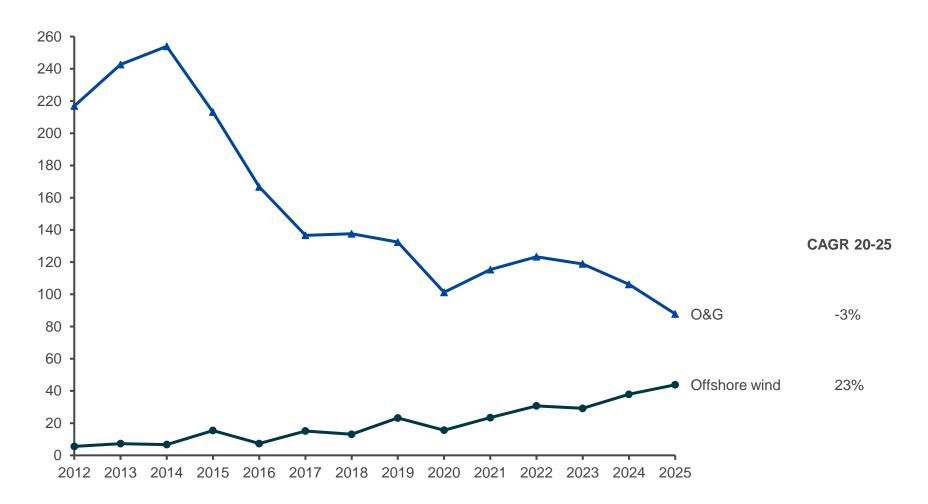
Summary

- Global capacity in offshore wind is increasing globally. This is being driven by:
 - Increasing cost competitiveness with other forms of clean power generation
 - Practical benefits of offshore wind (e.g. negligible land usage and constant power generation)
 - Energy companies' desire to diversify
- The offshore wind sector is fundamentally changing, moving further from the shore and into deeper waters. This will have implications for supply chain spending:
 - Foundations will become bigger and more expensive
 - There will be increased amounts of larger transmission equipment installed
 - Digital technology uptake will be accelerated



Globally, offshore O&G CAPEX has declined sharply; offshore wind is in early stage growth with a strong outlook

Upstream O&G and offshore wind, CAPEX \$bn



Source: Wood Mackenzie [March 2020], Plural analysis

Offshore wind has numerous technology synergies with other industries, offering a strategic transition from a challenged O&G sector

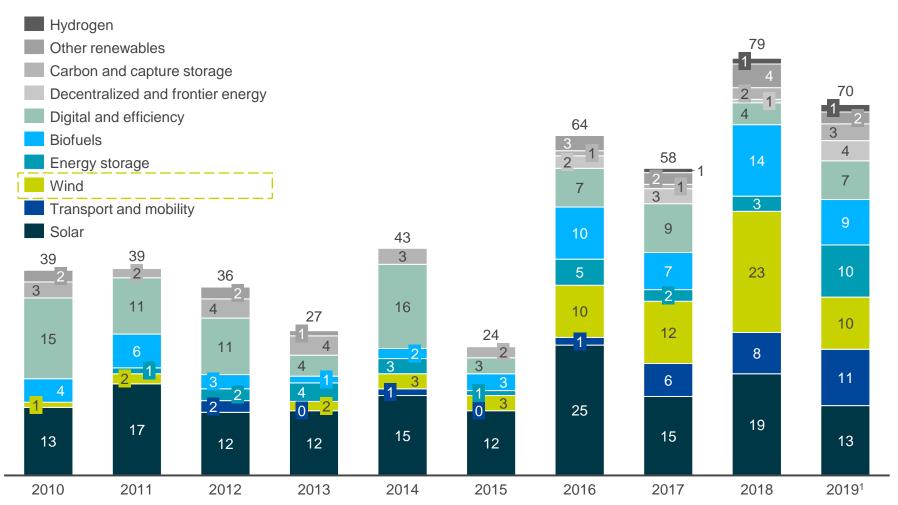
Offshore wind cross-sector technology transfer opportunities

	Oil & Gas	Aerospace	Conventional power gen
Materials	✓	✓	✓
Manufacturing	✓	✓	✓
Robotics	✓		✓
Health and Safety	✓	✓	✓
Asset management		✓	
Harsh environments	✓		✓
Vessels	✓		

Source: Plural analysis

Oil companies have been diversifying into renewables since the 2014 oil crash. The price crash of April 2020 will accelerate this change

Diversified investments of major oil companies, \$bn



As of September 2019 Source: Bloomberg NEF



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Offshore wind has a number of practical benefits compared to other low carbon power sources

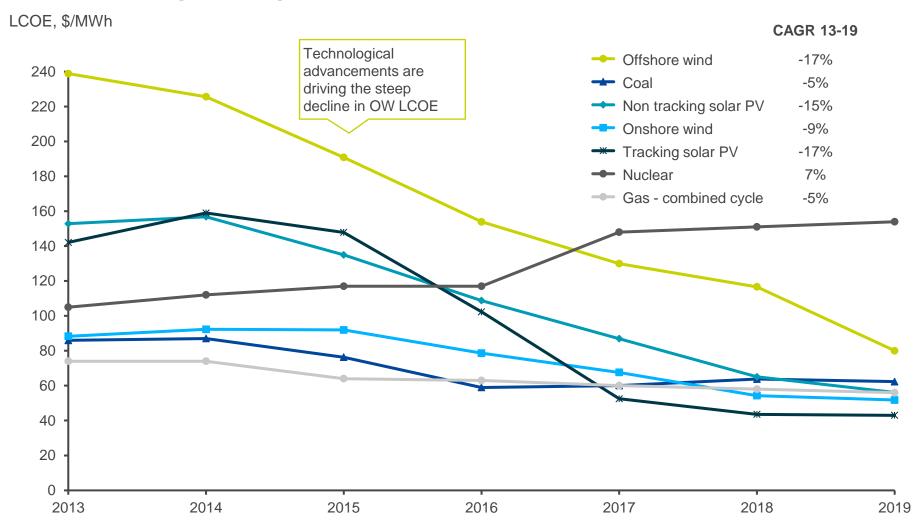
Practical benefits of low carbon power generation

	Capacity factor ¹	Ability to meet peak demand	Planning restrictions ²	Public perception
Offshore wind				
Onshore wind				
Solar PV				
Nuclear				

^{1. %} of the time the infrastructure is producing power Source: Plural analysis

^{2.} Inverse

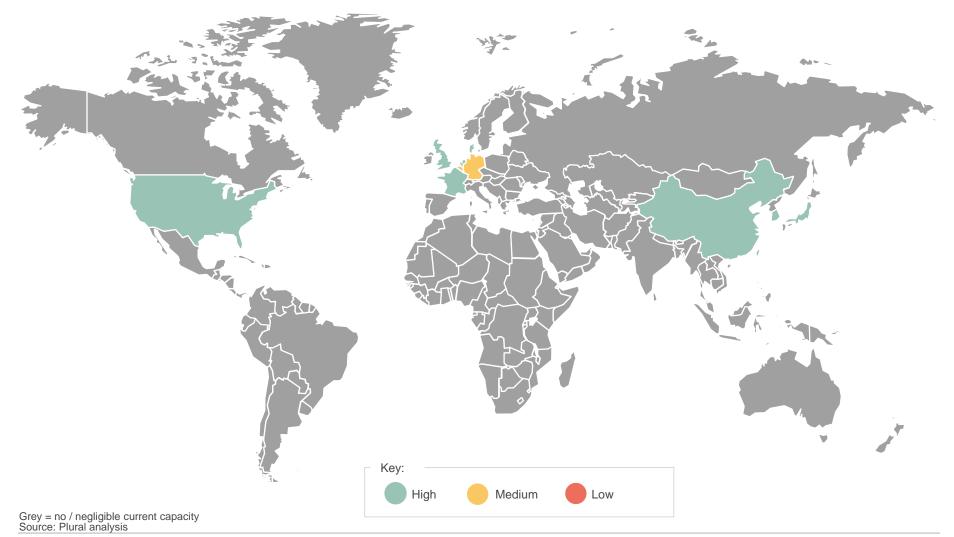
Offshore wind is fast becoming cost competitive with other renewables and carbon emitting power generation



Source: Bloomberg NEF, Lazard, Plural analysis

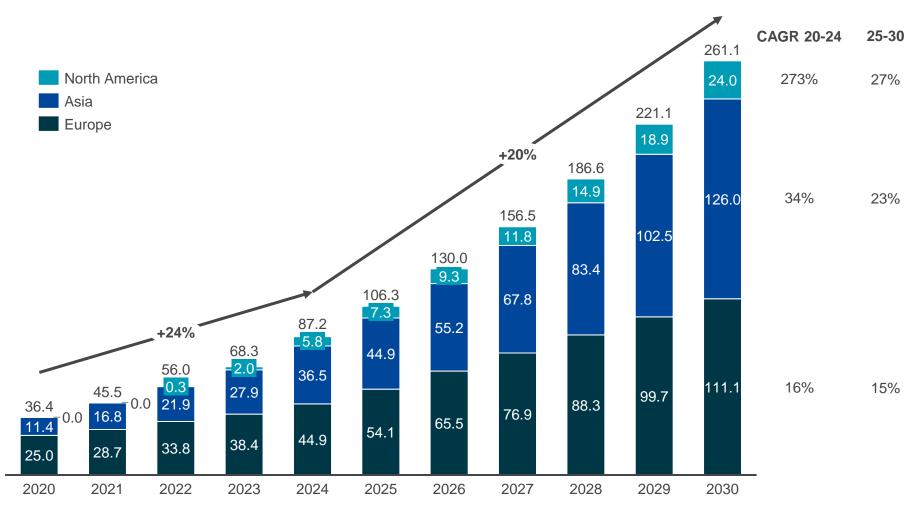
The majority of countries that currently have offshore wind infrastructure will experience high growth in capacity

Offshore wind capacity growth by country, 2020-25



Global offshore wind capacity is forecast to grow at 24% CAGR to 2024. Most of the growth is likely to come from Asia.

Capacity by region, GW



Source: BVG Associates, GWEC, Wind Europe, IRENA, Plural Strategy analysis



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The supply chain can be split out into 5 main segments

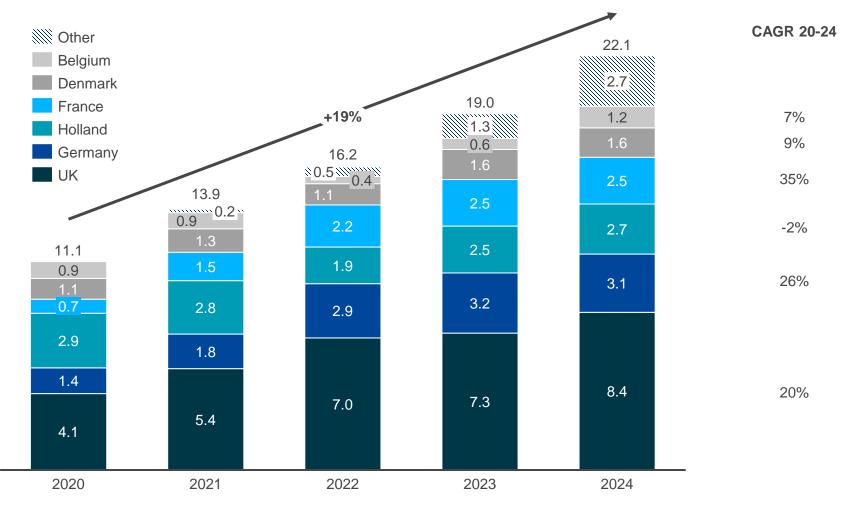
Supply chain map

Development	Turbine supply	Balance of plant	Installation	OPEX
Environmental surveys	s • Turbine manufacture	 Foundations 	Turbine and foundation installation / vessels	Maintenance and inspection services
Consenting & development services	 Rotor supply 	Array cables	Offshore substation installation / vessels	Maintenance, inspection and monitoring technology
 Engineering studies, consulting & project management 	Tower supply	Export cables	Offshore cable installation / vessels	Vessels & equipment
	Drive train supply	Offshore substation	 Installation ports and logistics 	Decommissioning
	Power conversion	Onshore substation	 Installation equipment 	
	Large fabrications	Electrical systems		
		Secondary steel work		

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European supply chain spending is set to almost double by 2024; driven by the UK, German and French markets

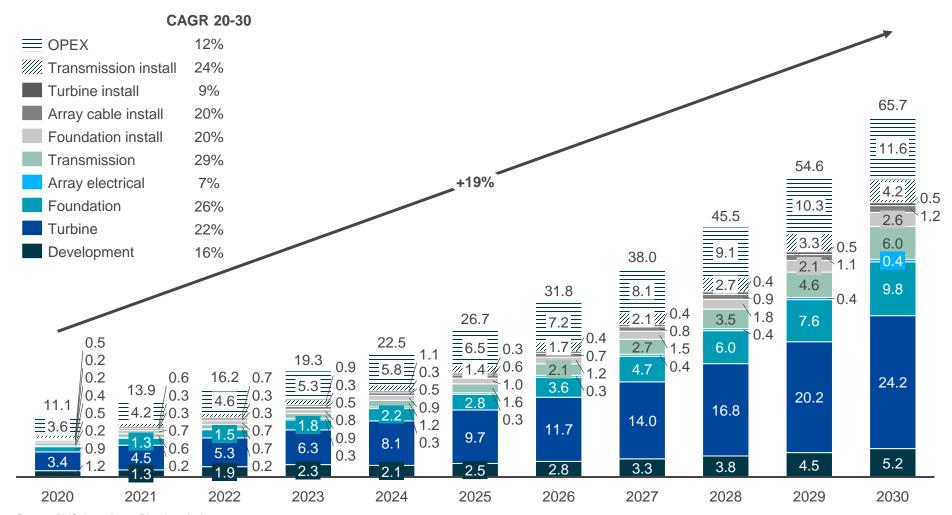
European expenditure across all offshore wind supply chain activities, Euro bn



Source: BVG Associates

The most promising technology segments are transmission, transmission installation and foundations driven by a shift towards deeper water farms

European expenditure across all offshore wind supply chain activities, Euro bn



Source: BVG Associates, Plural analysis

Emerging digitally-enabled tech segments are being driven by wind farms moving further from the shore and into deeper waters

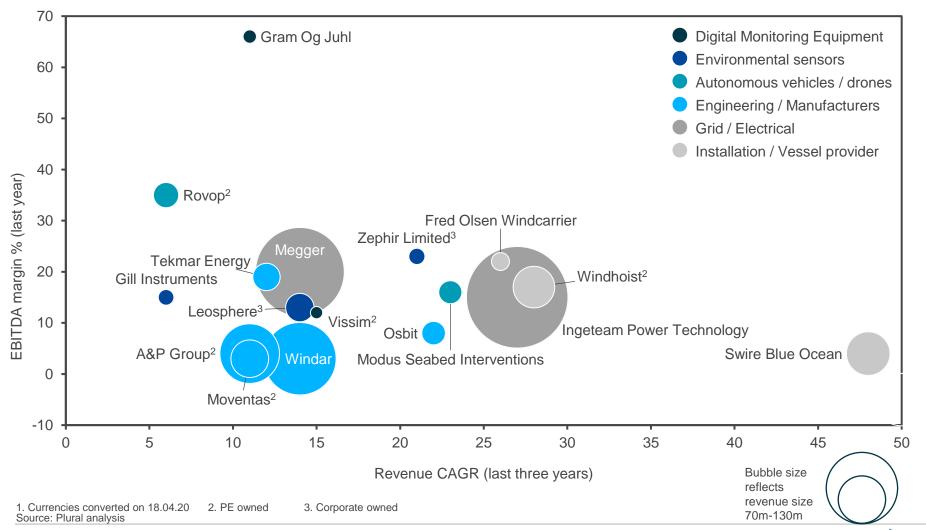
Key technology trends in offshore wind

Technology	Expected outlook 2020-30	Comment
Digital monitoring equipment	7	 With the shift to windfarms being further out to sea and sitting in deeper waters, it is becoming more cost efficient to monitor wind farms using digital technology, rather than paying for expensive surveys to be carried out The development of floating wind farms and the subsequent accelerated shift of wind farms to be further away from the shore will help to drive uptake in these technologies
Autonomous vehicles / Drones	7	 This shift is also increasing the uptake of autonomous vehicles and drones Instead of using divers in deeper water, an autonomous vehicle can carry out the inspection more safely and efficiently Drones can be quickly deployed to inspect turbines that may have suffered damage
Predictive analytics	^	 Using increasing levels of data from sensors and other monitoring equipment, O&M costs can be driven down by using predictive analytics for fault prediction This reduces downtime of the turbine and need for costly inspections Services are provided by start ups or the big turbine suppliers

Source: Plural analysis

A number of installation / vessel providers and digital connectivity / monitoring players look attractive

Selected potential targets in the European offshore wind supply chain, Euro¹





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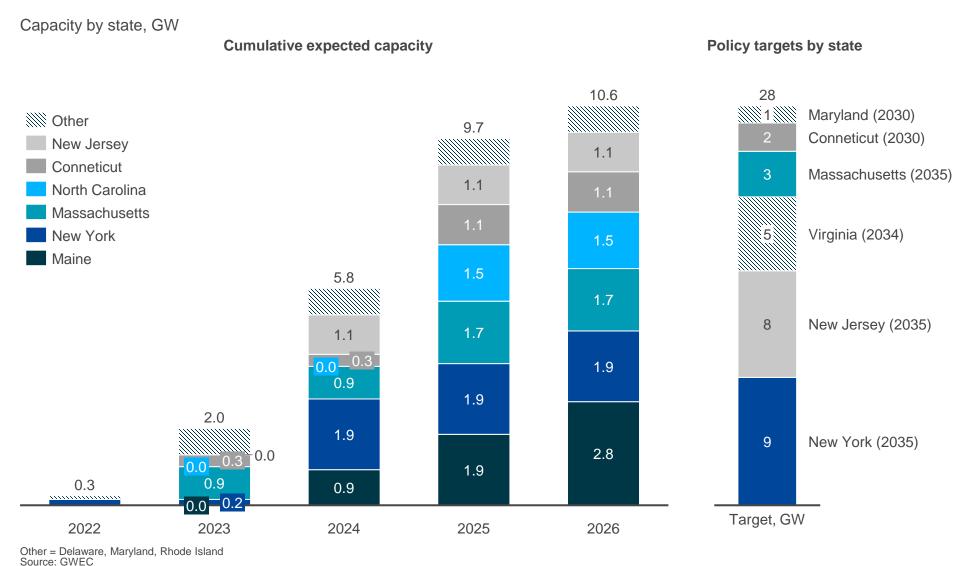
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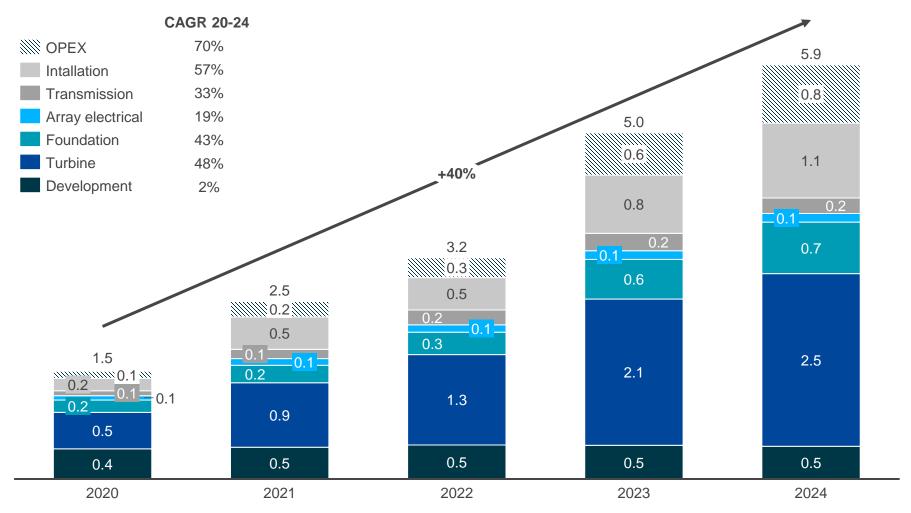
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North American capacity is likely to sharply increase from 2023 and concentrate in the North East



North American supply chain CAPEX spending is likely to rapidly grow, with an OPEX market establishing from 2023

North American expenditure across all offshore wind supply chain activities, Euro bn



Source: BVG Associates, Plural analysis

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Both upside scenarios and market risks in offshore wind are driven by a potential change in government interventions and Covid-19 impact

Upside scenarios and market risk

Upside

- Governments looking to add stimulus into their economies can use clean energy infrastructure projects as a way to boost demand & jobs in their Covid-19 hit economies
 - The UK Government has highlighted Offshore Wind as a sector that can help to drive a post Covid-19 recovery and has committed to 40GW of cumulated capacity by 2030
- A Democratic led government in the United States is likely to increase funding for and change legislation in favour of decarbonisation

Risks

- Increasing fiscal deficits due to Covid-19 could make governments less willing to subsidise offshore wind projects
- The decrease in oil and LNG price as a result of Covid-19 may make offshore wind less financially attractive compared to these non-renewable alternatives
 - This is less applicable for European countries that are highly committed to decarbonisation
- Increasing farm sizes means that # offshore wind projects in Europe is staying flat
 - Infrastructure suppliers' revenues will still be exposed to relatively high variance



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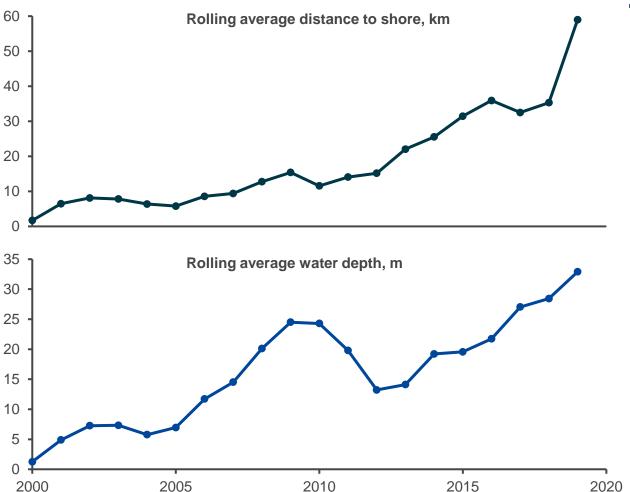
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Wind farm sizes are increasing, but number of new wind farm projects remains low; some sectors are project driven which can lead to high variance in revenue

European, offshore wind number of installed wind farms and average size, MW Source; WindEurope

European wind farms are moving further away from the shore and into deeper waters, creating new supply chain opportunities

European offshore wind farms, rolling average water depth and distance to shore



Commentary

- This shift enables wind developers to target more productive areas of water with a higher consistency of wind speed
- The development of floating wind turbines could accelerate this change
- Transmission infrastructure, particularly export cables, will increase in proportion of spend because of the increasing distance from the shore
- Digital monitoring equipment will become more necessary, as will the need for vessels that can withstand higher wind speeds and carry larger foundations
- Foundations will become more expensive with the transition to deeper water. Jackets are expected to be used more frequently since monopiles are currently unsuitable for use in deeper waters

Source: Wind Europe

In Europe, the turbine supply sector is dominated by a handful of large players

European offshore wind supply chain map, development and turbine

Segment	Sub-segment	Example suppliers
Development	Environmental surveys	Niras, IMARES, Fugro EMU, MMT, Gardine, Hi Def
	Consenting and development services	Typically specialised firms in country where the wind farm is installed
	Engineering studies, consulting and project management	• DNV-GL, Ode, RES
Turbine supply	Turbine manufacture	GE, MHI Vestas, Senvion, Siemens
	Rotor	GE, MHI Vestas, Senvion, Siemens-Gamesa, LM Wind Power
	Towers	 Ambau, CS Wind, Titan Wind Energy, Valmont SM, Windar
	Drive train	 Bearings: SKF, Timken, Rothe, Erde, Schaeffler Gearbox: ZF, Winergy, Moventas, GE
	Power conversion	ABB, The Switch, Siemens and GE
	Large fabrications	Grup Euskal, Liebherr, Sakana, Siempelkamp

Source: BVG Associates

There are numerous SME providers of installation services and vessels

European offshore wind supply chain map, balance of plant and installation

Segment	Sub-segment	Example suppliers
	Turbine foundations	Bladt, BiFab, Navantia, Sif Group, Smulders Projects
	Subsea cables (array and export)	 JDR Cables, Nexans, NKT Cables, NSW, Prysmian, Trelleborg Offshore
Balance of plant	Electrical systems	ABB, CG Power, GE Grid Sol., Siemens
	Substation structures (offshore and onshore)	Babcock, Bladt, Fabricom, Hollandia, Navantia
	Secondary steel work	Hutchinson Engineering, MTL, Wilton Engineering
	Turbine and foundation installation / vessels	Windhoist, Fred Olsen Windcarrier, Eide Marine Services (See wind Europe)
	Offshore substation installation / vessels	Seaway Heavy Lifting, Heerema, Scaldis
Installation	Offshore cable installation / vessels	DeepOcean, Jan De Nul, Siem Offshore Contractors, Tideway, Van Oord, VBMS
	Installation ports and logistics	Ostend, Hull, Ebsjerg, Eemshaven, Vlissingen
	Installation equipment	IHC, Mench, Oceanteam, Sepro Technology

Source: BVG Associates

Operations and maintenance technology is playing an increasingly important role down the LCOE of the industry

European offshore wind supply chain map, operations and maintenance

Sector	Sub-segment Sub-segment	Example suppliers
OPEX	Maintenance and inspection services	 Global Wind Service, Ziton, 3Sun Group, Briggs Marine, CWind
	Maintenance, inspection and monitoring technology	 Argus remote systems, Wirescan, Gram Og Juhl, ABB, UPTIME Engineering, 4 Subsea, Anemo Analytics, ONYX InSight, Ingeteam
	Vessels & equipment	 SOVs: Havyard, Rolls Royce, Ulstein CTVs: Bibby Offshore, Cwind, Dalby Offshore Equipment: Cranemaster, ACE Winches

Case study: In September 2020, BP announced a strategic review, forecasting increased exposure to renewables and decreased spend in upstream O&G

BP strategic review, 2020

Current output levels 10 year investment horizon 2030 position Capital intensity decreasing ~1.5 million barrels per day (40% decrease) Continued efficiency focus to help drive ROACE growth **Upstream O&G** ~2.5m barrels a day Carbon produced from upstream O&G operations No exploration in countries BP does not to be reduced by 30-35% currently operate within upstream O&G Investments of \$5bn by 2030 (a 10 fold 50 GW of renewable increase) energy capacity 2.5 GW of capacity Renewables In September 2020, BP committed \$1.1bn in Early position built out in 0 GW in offshore wind its first offshore wind investment (4 assets in CCUS, hydrogen and US

the NE of the US)

Source: BP

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