

# 8th Communication Platform Conference of Taiwan Offshore Wind Energy Industrial Cooperation

*Thousand Wind Turbines Project Office, Taiwan Energy Bureau*

## OWEC TOWER

**Foundations for Offshore Wind Turbines &  
Taiwan Offshore Wind Industry Solutions**

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## 1. Introduction 簡介

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- **Concept, FEED, basic design, etc.**  
概念、FEED、基本設計...等
- **Projects Installed** 安裝案件

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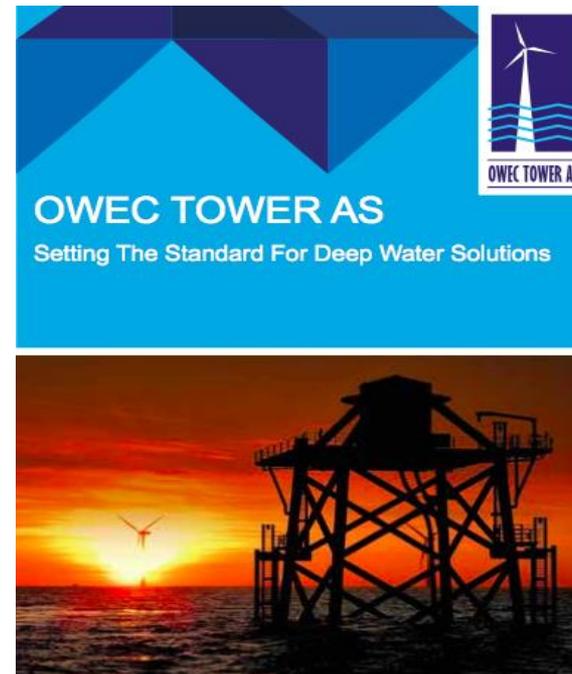
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Leading Technology Company



- **OWEC is a leading Design & Engineering** company developing foundation solutions for offshore wind farms
- Invested **16 years into developing offshore windfarm foundation solutions**
- **Pioneer and Leader** in developing **Jacket Substructures**
- Delivery of **Concept Designs and FEED** for >50 offshore wind farms
- Experience of detail engineering:
  - **for around 100 Jacket structures**
  - **4 full scale installed wind farms,**
  - All fully certified, installed in time and within budget



Ormonde OWF, UK



Thornton Bank OWF, Belgium



## Track Record 實績 : Concept, FEED, basic design

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- Studies for >50 offshore wind farms in Europe, US, Asia:
  - ✓ Benchmarking including all foundation types
  - ✓ Concept designs, FEED and basic design for Project owners
  - ✓ Tender designs for Yards (EPC) or Installation Companies (EPCIs)
- R&D studies with:
  - ✓ Yards,
  - ✓ Steel Suppliers,
  - ✓ WTG-suppliers, etc.





Track record 實績: installed OWEC Quattropod®

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### OWEC Quattropod®, 4-Legged Jacket Solution:

- This is a complete WTG support structure, which includes:
  - ✓ A transition piece (**midsection**),
  - ✓ **Jacket** substructure
  - ✓ **Pile Stoppers** (pre-piling) or pile sleeves (post-piling)
  - ✓ Secondary steel



# Track record 實績: Beatrice – UK - 2 WTG - 10MW

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- First 5MW turbine deployed offshore
- First application of a jacket substructure for offshore wind
- Still today deepest jackets supporting a WTG



## General

- Project owner: Talisman Energy / SSE
- 22km off the northeast coast of Scotland
- 2 WTG Repower (now Senvion) 5MW
- est. Project costs: 41Mio € (35 Mio £)
- Fabrication yard: Burntisland Fabrications Ltd

## Environment

- Water depth : 45 m (tidal range: 8m)
- Soil profile: Sand

## Jacket / piles:

- Height / Footprint: ca. 70 m, 19x19m
- Weight: ca. 750 t (jacket & associated equipment)
- Piles: 120 t each; length: ca. 45m





# Track record 實績: Alpha Ventus – Germany – 6WTG – 30 MW

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- First German offshore wind farm
- First jacket design approved by GL and BSH (German administration)
- Pre-pilling applied for the first time
- Innovative grouted connection / piles stopper



## General

- Project owner: DOTI (EWE, E.ON, Vattenfall)
- 6 Repower (now Senvion) 5MW
- est. Project costs: 250Mio €
- Fabrication yard: Burntisland Fabrications Ltd

## Environment

- Water depth: 28 m
- Soil profile: sand

## Jacket / piles:

- Height / footprint : ca. 56 m, 20x20m
- Weight: ca. 500 t
- Piles: OD 72", length: ca. 20-40m



# Track record 實績: Ormonde – UK– 30WTG – 150 MW

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- First serial production and installation of jackets
- First commercial deployment of steel jacket foundations
- “Built in record time, Ormonde was the first large project using jacket foundations and 5MW turbines in the UK”



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2012

## General

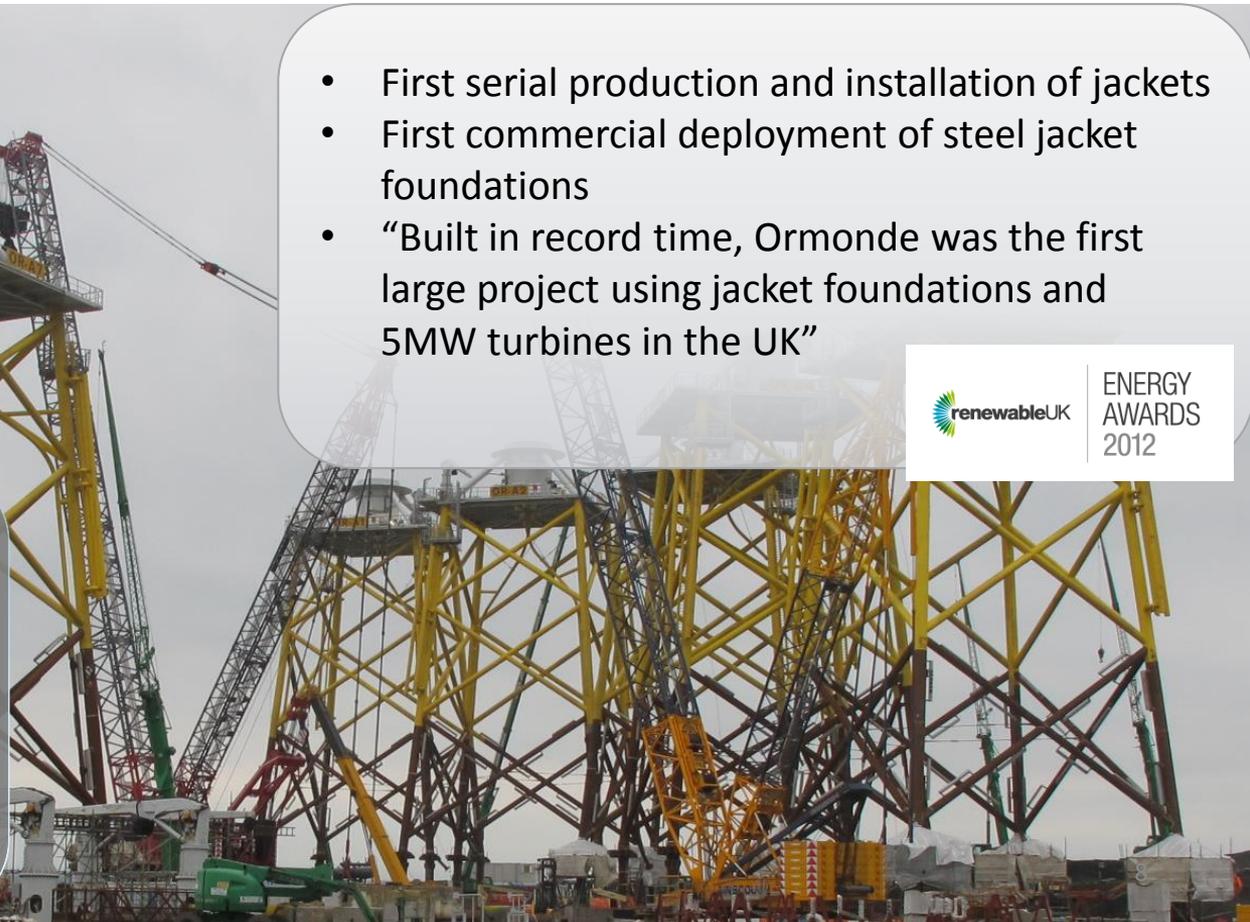
- Project owner : Vattenfall (prev. Eclipse)
- 30 Repower (now Senvion) 5MW
- est. Project costs:552 Mio €
- Fabrication yard: Burntisland Fabrications Ltd

## Environment

- Water depth :17-21m (tidal range: 9m)
- Soil profile: sand, clay, mudstone

## Jacket /piles:

- Clusters: 2 (slight reinforcement main steel)
- Height / footprint:: ca. 47 m, 20x20m
- Weight jacket: ca. 450 t
- Piles: OD 72", length: 20-45m



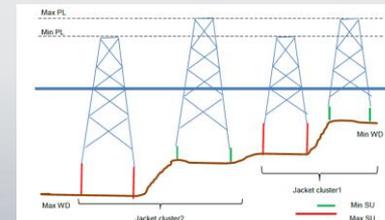


# Track record 實績: Thornton Bank – Belgium – 48WTG – 300 MW

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- Largest project-financed wind farm in Europe
- Fast track (<12 months between start design and start installation)
- Sand dunes, breaking waves
- Parallel design for OTS
- 5 clusters:
  - same footprint
  - same Midsection



## General

- Project owner: C Power (DEME, RWE, EDF, etc.)
- 48 Repower (now Senvion) 6,15MW & 1 OTS
- est. Project costs: 1,3 Mrd € (incl. Phase 1)
- Fabrication yard: Smulders

## Environment :

- Water depth :15-27m
- Soil profile: dense sand, clay

## Jacket / piles:

- Clusters: 5 (same footprint and same Midsection)
- Height / footprint:: ca. 44-54 m, 18x18m
- Weight jacket: <500t (average total operational weight), 800t (OTS)
- Piles OD 72", length: ca. 20-50m



# Track record 實績: Le Carnet – France – onshore proto Haliade Ge – 6 MW

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- First jacket for the Haliade (prototype) , turbine under development
- Large forces
- New developed Midsection, without cast

#### Key figures

- Project owner: Alstom (now GE)
- near Saint-Nazaire (France) on the shores of the estuary.
- 1 Alstom Haliade 150, 6MW
- 1 onshore proto , Alstom Haliade 6,2MW
- Fabrication yard: STX

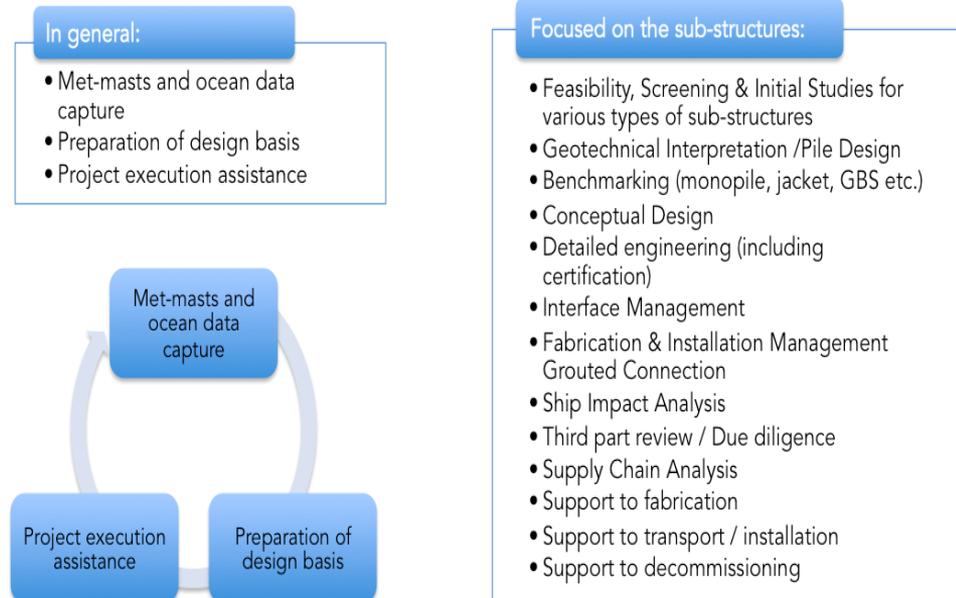
#### Jacket :

- Height / footprint: ca. 25m, 16x16m
- Weight jacket: ca. 350 t



- **Benchmarking and parametric studies**, comparing all possible different substructures for :
  - OTS and
  - WTG up to 15MW
- Consideration for all **Wind Farm Life Cycle Phases**:
  - Planning,
  - Fabrication
  - Transport/Installation
  - Operation / Maintenance
  - Decommissioning

OWEC delivers comprehensive knowledge that covers the entire offshore wind project lifecycle and can offer:

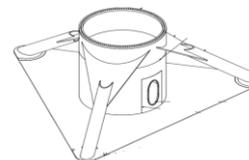




# Optimization through Innovation: Midsection 優化經由創新

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- Achievement of 16 years development, including input from several leading turbine suppliers, and yards
- Replaces 6-8 m of the tower section
- Most efficient interface tower/jacket, allowing to design a lighter jacket



- Version 3: Le Carnet.
- NO cast sections



- Version 2: Alpha Ventus, Ormonde, Thornton Bank.
- Smaller cast sections



- Version 1: Beatrice.
- Heavy cast pieces with complicated welding



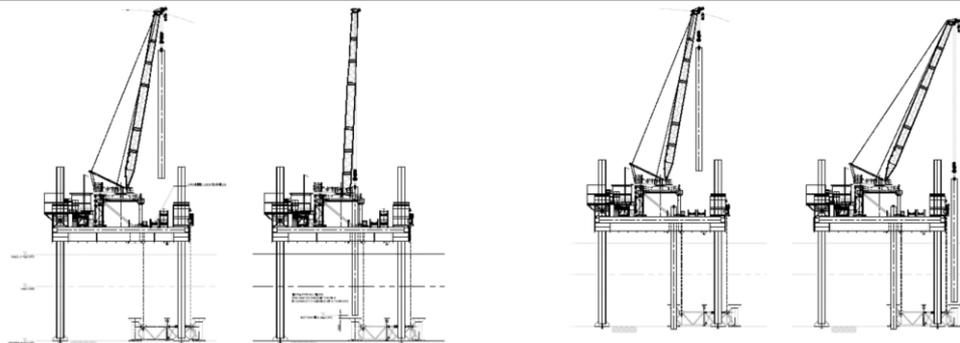
# Optimization through Innovation: Pre-Piling

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3 independent steps :

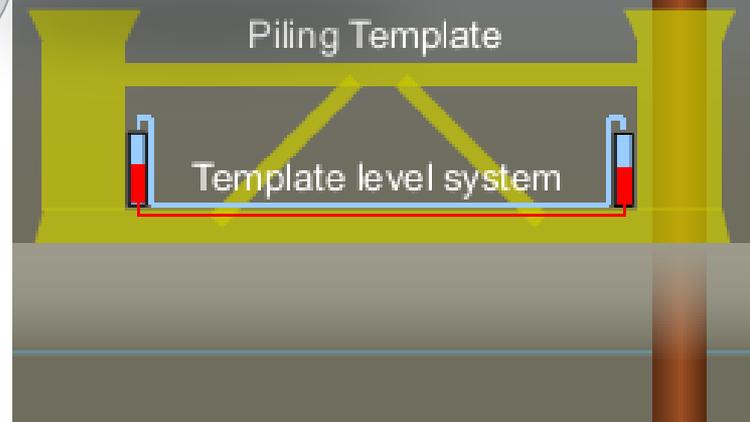
1. Seabed preparation
2. Pre-piling: driving of 3 (or 4) piles
  1. Lowering template to sea bottom
  2. Uprighting of pin piles
  3. Positioning of the pile into template
  4. Stabbing & driving of the piles
3. Installation of jacket foundation
  1. Sand excavation / cleaning of piles
  2. Positioning of the jackets on piles
  3. grouting of connection jacket pinpiles



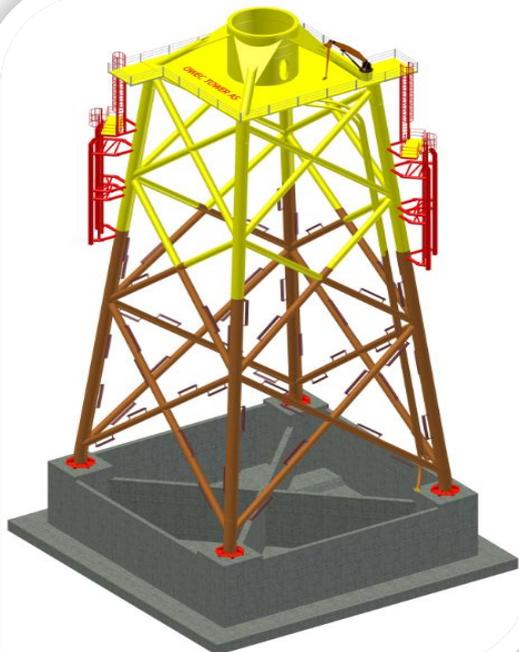
Subsea Hammer

Piling Template

Template level system







- Innovative solution for specific site conditions
- Combines advantages of
  - Jacket:
    - Keeps the jacket concept for substructure shaft
    - Transparency to sea loads
  - Gravity based solution:
    - Using a GBF for the foundation
    - Stability and load transfer to soil at surface levels due to weight



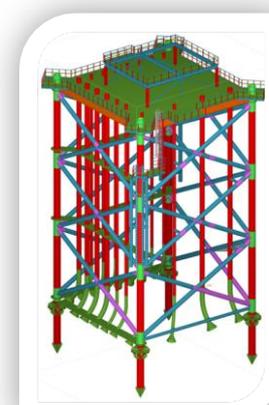
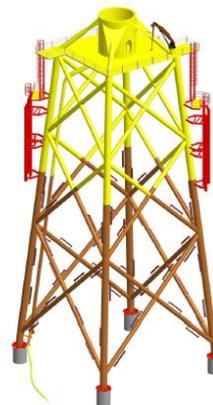
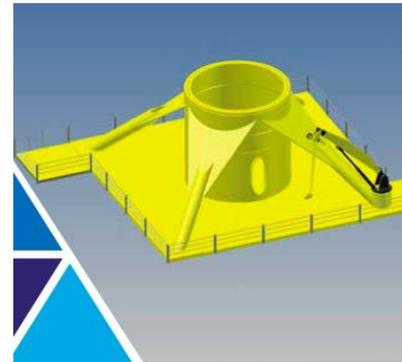
# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise: Dedicated Design

## 優化經由靈活性&專業知識

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### OWEC Engineered Solutions:

- Jacket
  - OWEC Quattropod<sup>®</sup>, 4-Legged
  - OWEC Trepod<sup>®</sup>, 3-Legged Solution
  - OWEC Hybrid<sup>®</sup>, Hybrid jacket
- Monopile
- Gravity based, GBS
- Pile / Suction bucket
- Offshore Transformer & Accommodation Platform Solutions
- Met-Mast Design





# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise : Steel Supply, Fabrication, Transport

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### Steel Supply

#### Challenges:

- Supply Chain not prepared for mass production
- Guidelines not adequate
- Balance to define between standardization & optimization
- Beveling, logistic, storage also to consider

#### Expertise:

- With major steel suppliers
- R&D related to:
  - Steel improved fatigue.
  - Automatized welding

### Fabrication

#### Challenges / Expertise:

- Constraints yards (size / welding)
- Few yards prepared
- Serial production
- Different fabrication method statement

### Transport

#### Challenges / Expertise:

- Deck arrangement
- Transport analysis
- Grillage / sea fastening





# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise : Pile & Jacket Installation

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### Pile Installation (post / pre-piling)

#### Challenges / Expertise:

- Tolerances x-y / z
- Pile-top elevation metrology, accuracy
- Levelling
- Noise reduction
- Monitoring
- Standardization (footprint, stick-up)
- Shimming

### Jacket Installation

#### Challenges:

- Lifting weight
- Foot print (3 vs 4 legs) & CoG
- Weather window
- Impact velocity, etc.
- Installation turbine, etc.

#### Expertise

- Pre/post piling,
- Various installation vessels
- Heavy lift / Jack-up
- DP2 /DP3
- On-bottom stability / pile stopper
- Grouting procedure

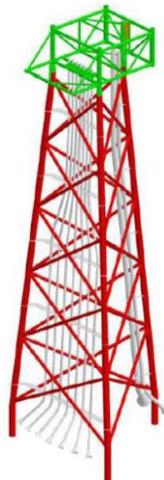




# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise: OTS

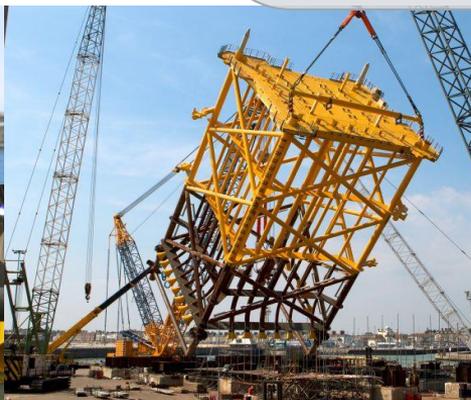
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### Key Features:

- Light design
- Extensive experience with cable interfaces.
- Optimized connection for J-tubes
- Allows same installation as jacket for WTGs:
  - Same footprint
  - Even for 3 legged
  - Possible pre-piling





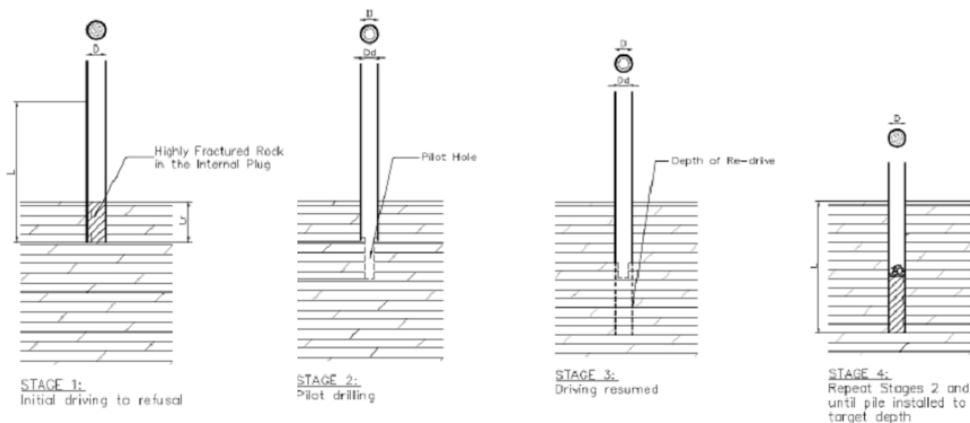
# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise : Pile

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### Piles design & installation:

- Steel & concrete piles
- Driven
- Drilled
- D-D-D (drive-drill-drive)
- Grouted socket
- Etc.





# Optimization through Flexibility & Expertise, with Partners:

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Engineering and Consultant Companies	Geotechnical Companies	Fabricators	Steel Suppliers & specialists	Installation Companies	WTG Suppliers

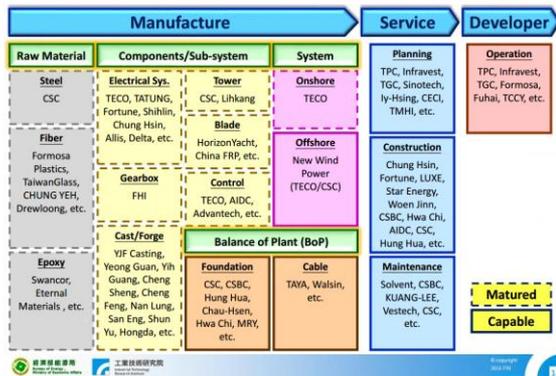


# Taiwan, Challenges & Solutions: Supply Chain

## 台灣，挑戰與解決方案

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### Supply Chain of Wind Power in Taiwan

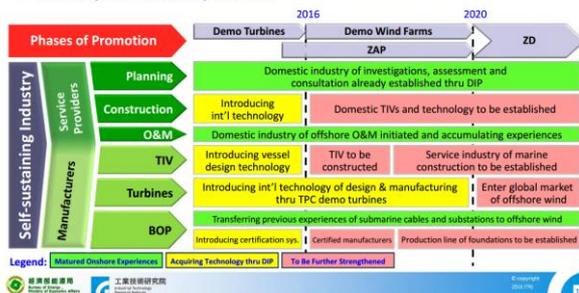


### Domestic competences:

- ✓ available,
- ✓ but limited regarding wind offshore, (similar to Europe as we have started 15 years ago)

### Self-sustaining Industry of Offshore Wind

- Identify the **missing links** thru DIP
- Match international experts with domestic players
- Develop in-house capabilities



### We propose to help the local supply chain to develop faster:

- ✓ As pioneer in Europe, we know this process
- ✓ We know well all interfaces
- ✓ We are already oriented toward the future (working on 15MW turbines)



# In-house Fabrication Capabilities. Keppel FELS.

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## OFFSHORE WIND FABRICATION CAPABILITIES



- In depth study and planning has been conducted to ensure the possibilities of producing jackets and monopiles on time on budget.
- Future studies on serial production method is currently being done to optimize our fabrication methods

### Current Capacity (Monopile):

- 12 to 16 per batch
- 6 months per batch
- 5 weeks between batches
- 1000t (MP & TP), MP: 80m/TP:15m, 8m diameter

### Future Capacity:

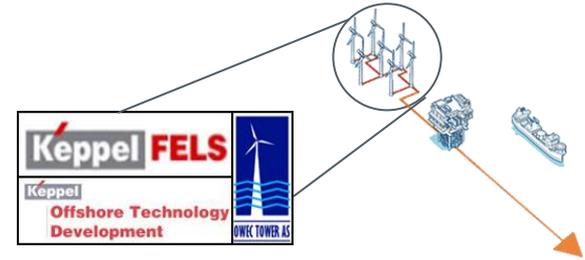
- Ongoing production planning

### Current Capacity(Jackets):

- 12 jackets per batch
- 6 months per batch
- 5 weeks between batches
- 800t jackets, 80m, 25m x 25m footprint

### Future Capacity:

- Ongoing production planning





# Taiwan, Challenges & Solutions: Earthquake / Soil Liquefaction

## 台灣, 挑戰與解決方案

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We propose Structural and Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering:

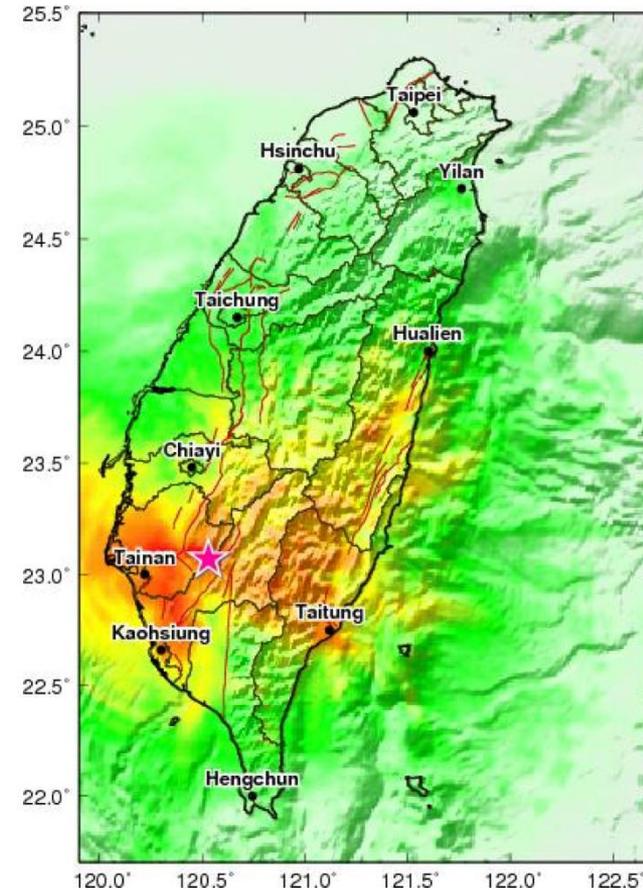
### ▪ PILES

- ✓ Establishment of earthquake response spectra in the horizontal and vertical directions
- ✓ Assessment of soil liquefaction ( scour protection / allowance)
- ✓ Confirmation / update Design Soil Profile
- ✓ Proper handling of earthquake loading
- ✓ Structural pile design
- ✓ Damping effect

Ref to Kaynia (2017) to be presented BY NGI at the 3rd Int. Conf. on Performance, Design in Geotech. Earthquake Eng. in Vancouver in July 2017

### ▪ JACKET

- Acceleration / displacement due to earthquake to consider
- Influence of higher frequency modes, including local brace vibrations



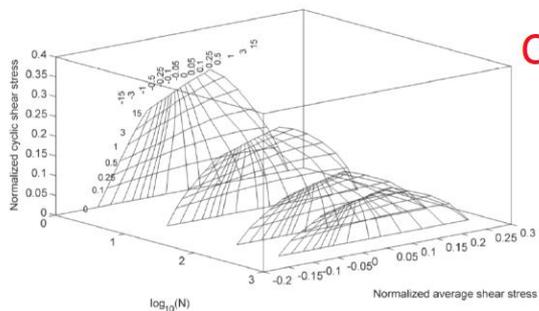


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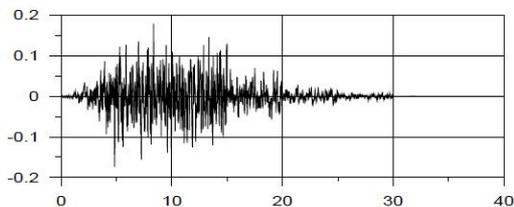
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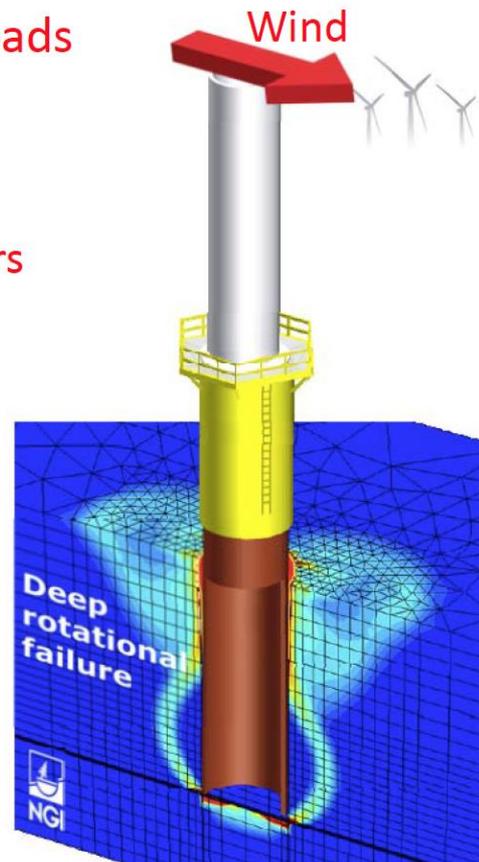
Cyclic data + Wind/Earthquake Loads  
= Cyclic foundation behaviour



Cyclic contours  
(lab tests)



Earthquake





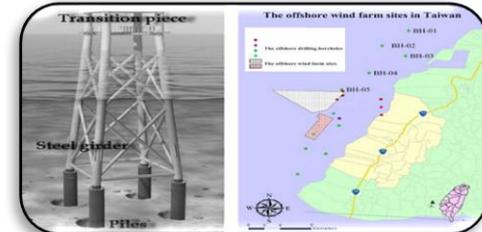
# Taiwan – Our Commitment

## 台灣, 我們的承諾

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### To be the **BEST PARTNER** to develop **A ROBUST INDUSTRY STRUCTURE** in **TAIWAN**:

- We bring 16 years of **offshore wind experience& know-how**
- An **unique TRACK RECORD: HIGH QUALITY, ON TIME and COST**
- **In-house FABRICATION CAPABILITIES**
- **Interface Management** competence:
  - **WIND TURBINE**
  - **STEEL SUPPLY**
  - **FABRICATION**
  - **TRANSPORT & INSTALLATION**
  - **CABLES**
- We bring innovations to solve challenges.
- OWEC is prepared to present soon **THE best solution for the local site conditions**, also for future turbines, considering:
  - **EARTHQUAKES**
  - **TYPHOONS**





Thank you

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