



Cost Effective Fixed and Floating Substructures

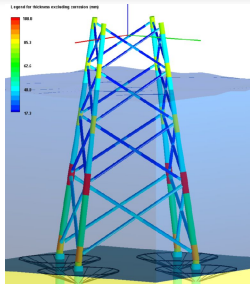
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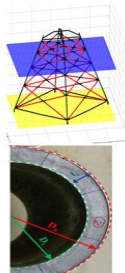
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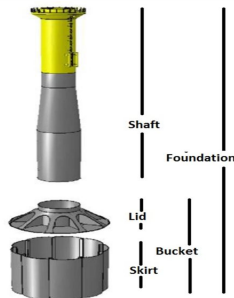
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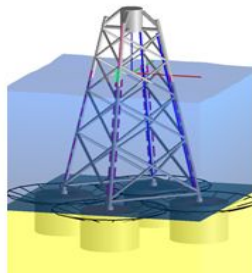
Jacket: 10MW and 20MW designs



Hybrid jacket using sandwich material



Mono-bucket

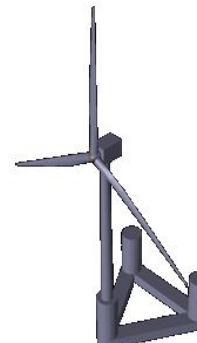


Jacket with suction buckets

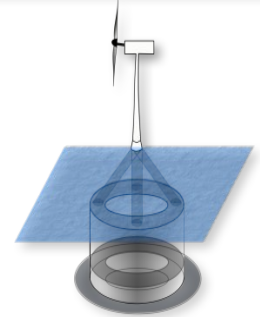
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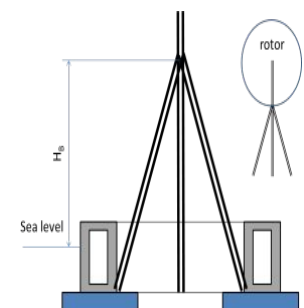
semi-floater



Semisubmersible

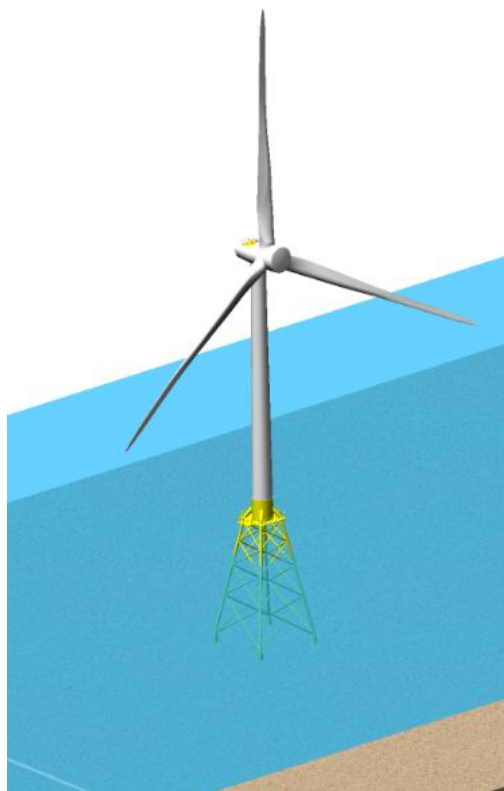


Concrete torus



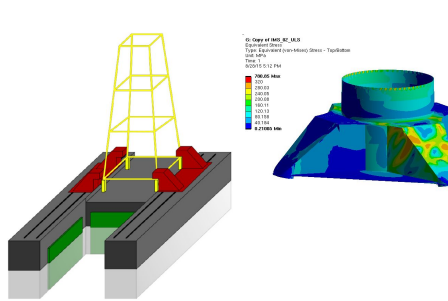
Concrete torus linked with floating bodies

Bottom-fixed

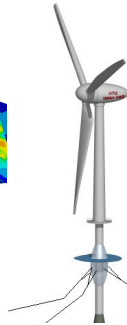


- Develop innovations on component level and scaled experiments
 - Addressing soil & structure, material & joining, component optimization and damping systems
- Cost reduction of 10 MW bottom fixed concepts by 20%
 - 17-43% demonstrated, i.e. 20% is realistic.
- Predesign of a foundation for 20MW
 - Jacket design developed (2170 t lifting mass, ~93€/MWh).

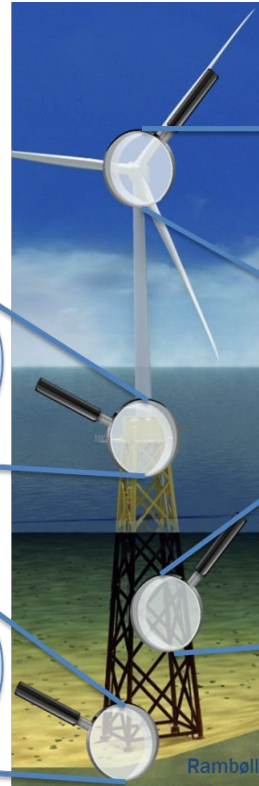
WP4 Achievements – Bottom-fixed Structures



Innovative designs & installation



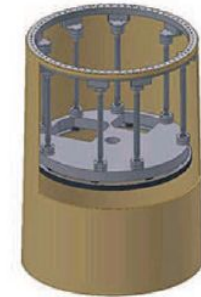
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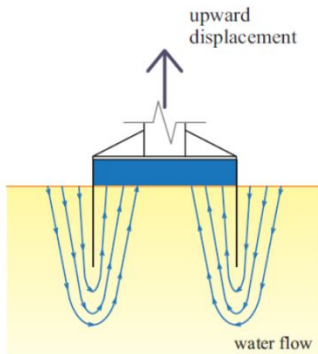
Load
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Innovative
Material

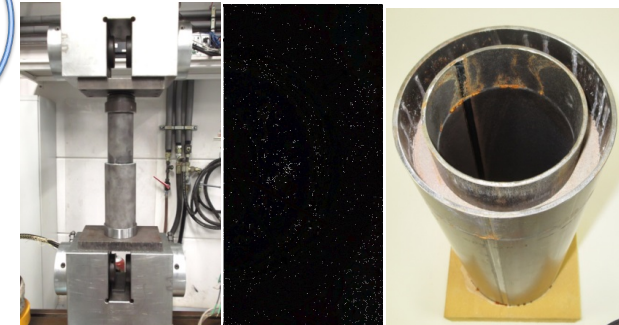
Soil &
Foundation



Innovative damping devices



Innovative foundations:
Buckets and vibro driven piles

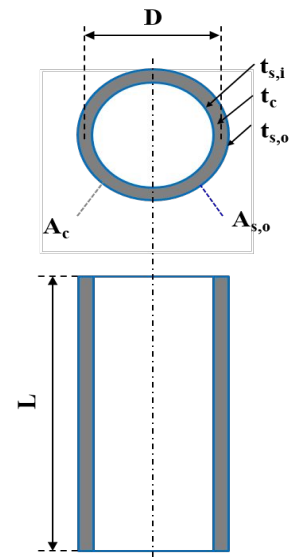
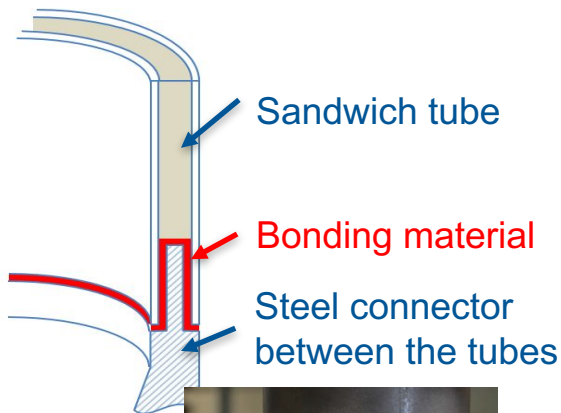


Sandwich materials and testing

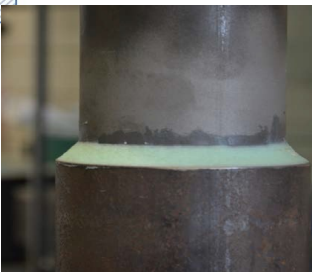


Resulting in a various bottom mounted design solutions for 10 and 20 MW wind turbine size

- Sandwich tubes for chords and braces of the hybrid jacket
- Advantages:
 - Thin steel tubes made of high strength steel without stability issues or reduced quantity of steel
 - Reduced manufacturing time of steel tubes due to their small thickness



- Adhesive hybrid joints connecting chords and braces of the hybrid jacket
- Advantages:
 - Suitability with sandwich tubes
 - Replacement of time and cost consuming welding



Example: Innovative Foundations Buckets and Vibro-driven Piles

- **Results**

- Reduced capacity in comparison to impact-driven piles
- Significant set up effects

- **Outlook**

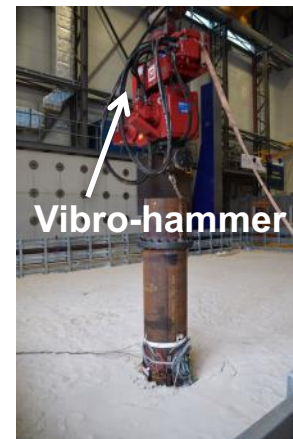
- Extensive investigation on the influence of the penetration rate
- Pile capacity under compression



Sand filling operations



CPT campaign



Vibro-hammer



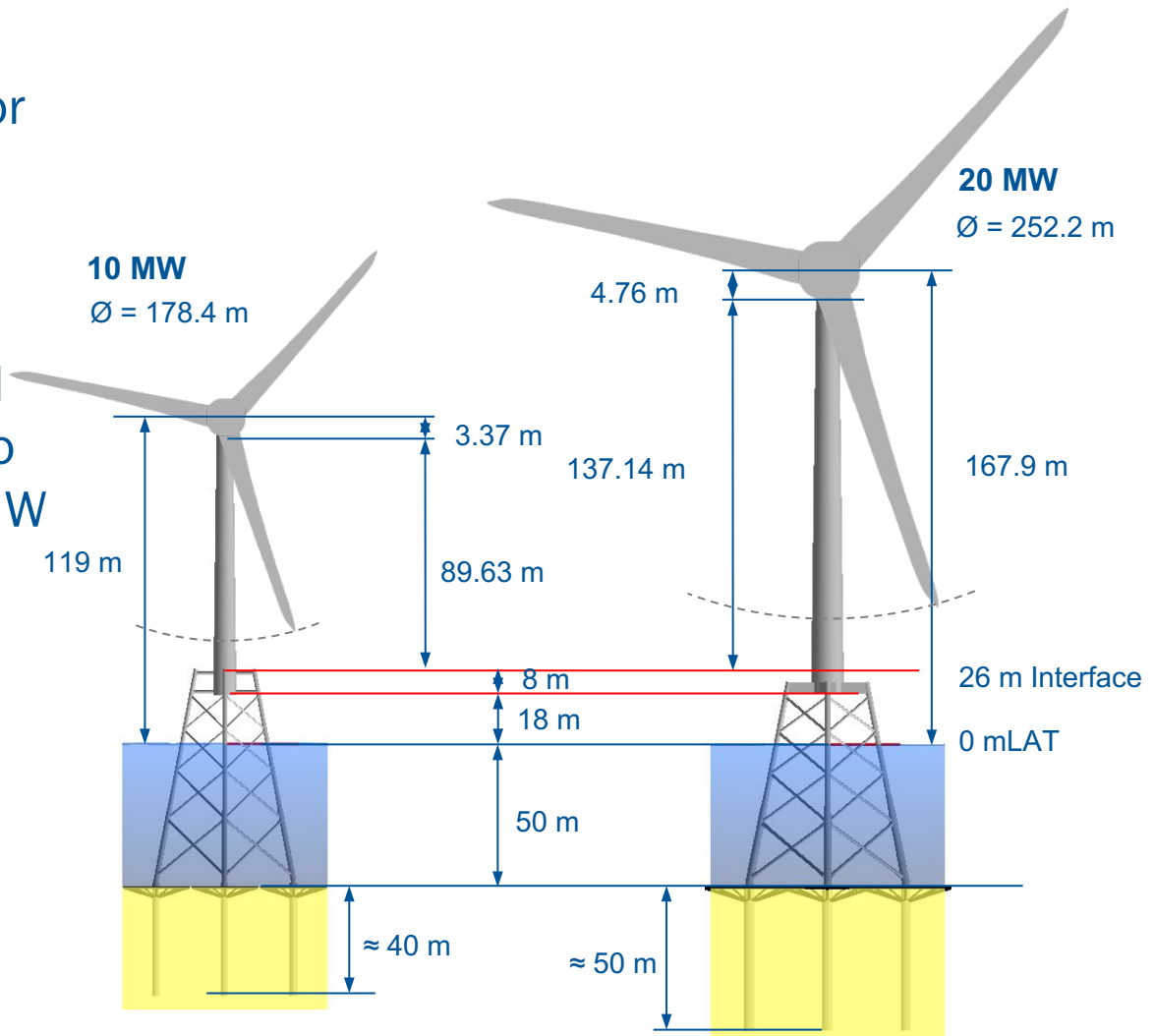
Pre-loading

Pile 1; end of the installation

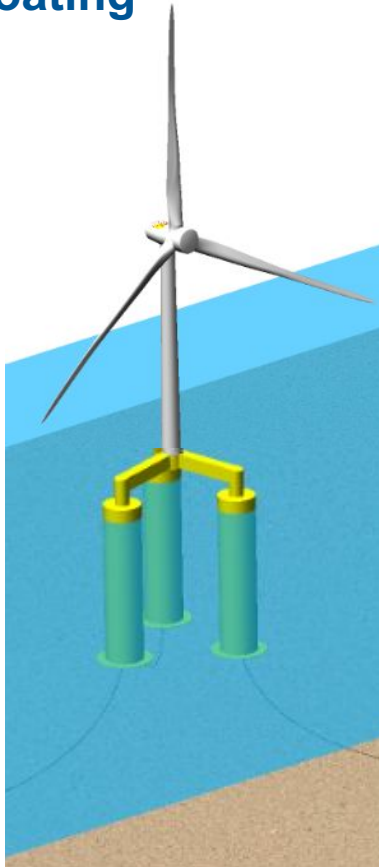
Pile 1; pre-loading stage

Overview of the 10MW and 20MW Designs

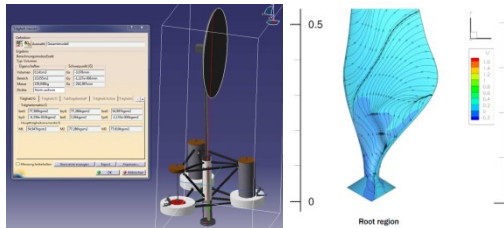
- Jacket design solutions for 10-20MW WTG
- Dynamic analysis of the concepts
- An exclusion zone is used to avoid excitations due to 3P frequency for the 10MW design
- 3P excitation is not anymore an issue for the 20MW design



Floating



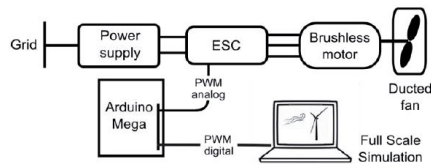
- Validate numerical tools using wave tank experiments
 - Addressing TLP and semi-sub in two wave tank tests.
 - Results public available.
- Develop reference floater designs for 10MW
 - Design of the “Triple Spar” floating support structure.



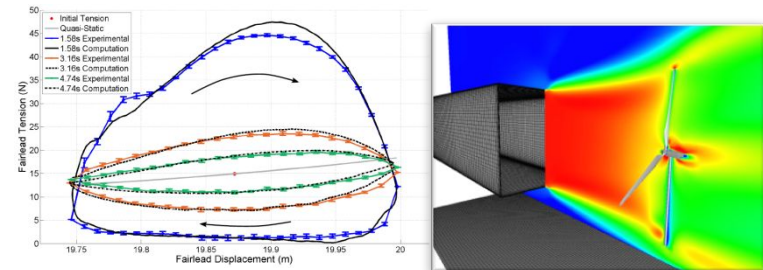
Development of methods and codes



Experiments: TLP, Semi-submersible, moorings, rotor



Methods for scaled tests

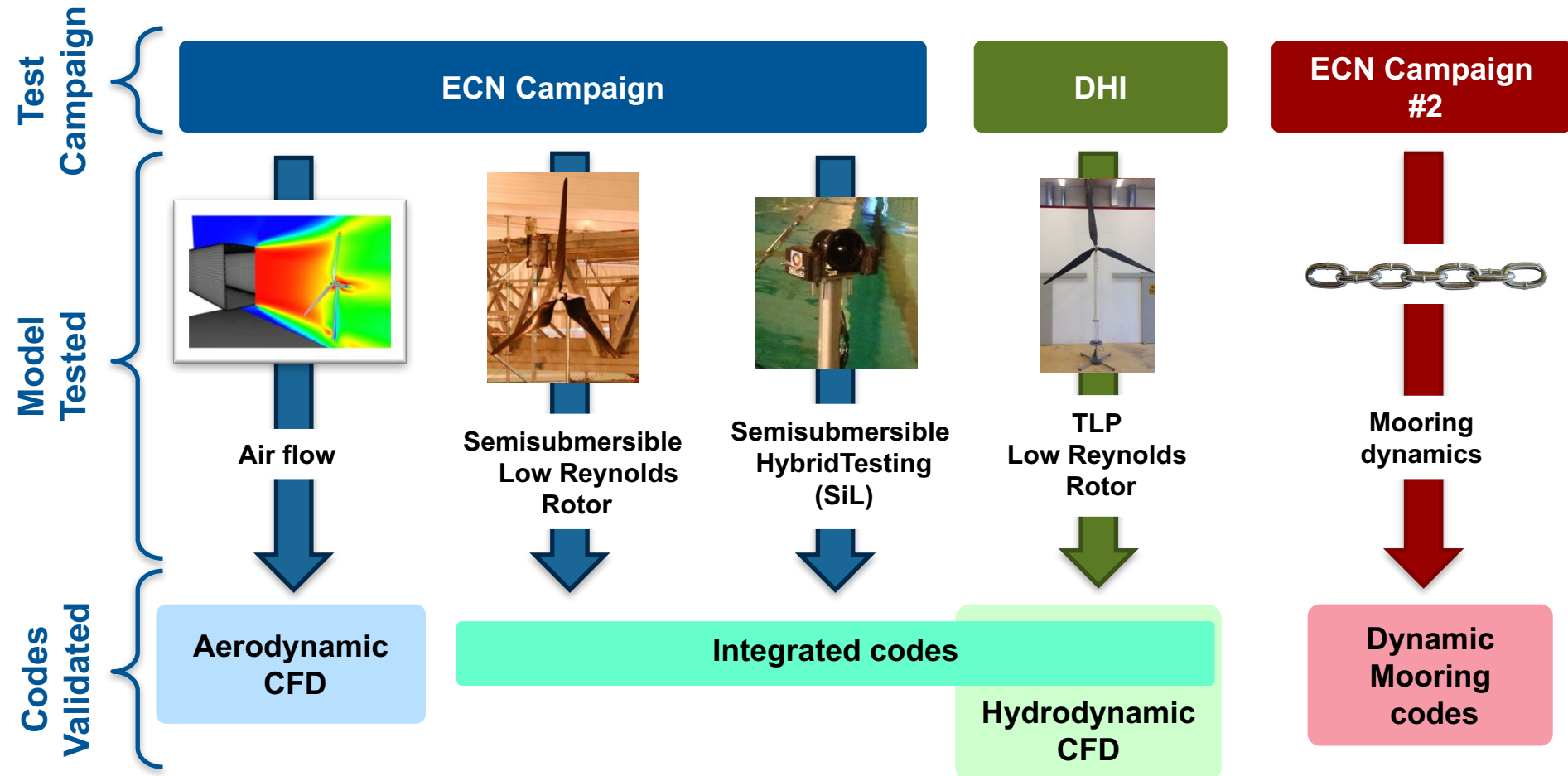


Code validation with experiments



Resulting in a various floating design solutions for 10 MW wind turbine size

Floating Offshore Wind Turbine Experiments



Floating Offshore Wind Turbine Experiments

Database with INNWIND.EU experimental data:

Download von Messdaten

Name*

First name*

E-Mail*

Institution/Company*

Selection*













Application*

Country*

How did you get to know about INNWIND.EU wave tank measurements?*

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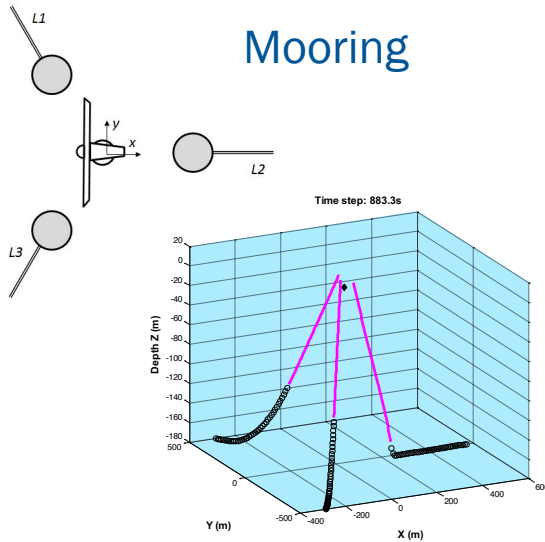


- Detailed analysis of the “Triple Spar” concept:

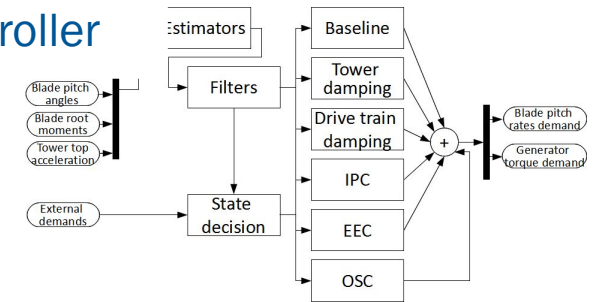
Concept Design



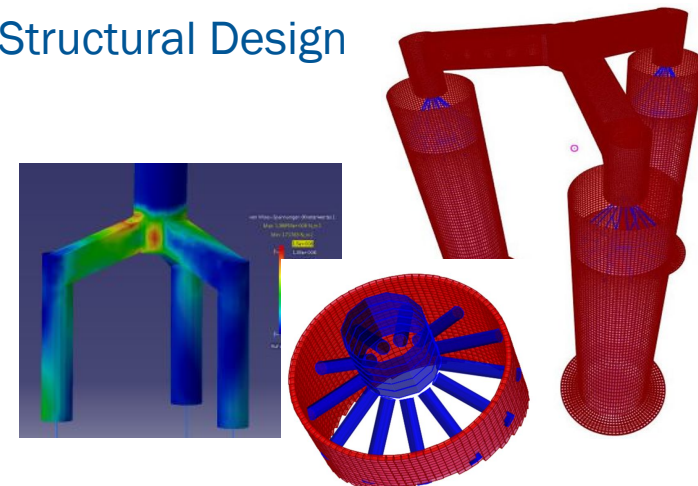
Mooring



Controller



Structural Design



10MW Triple Spar Geometry

Main properties:

Mass	Platform mass	2.82e7 kg
	Ballast mass	17 264 t
Main dimensions	Columns length	65 m
	Columns distance to the center	26 m
	Columns diameter	15 m
	Draft	56 m
Cost	Steel price	4 000 €/t
	Concrete price	236 €/t
	Ballast price	70 €/t
	Tripod cost	3.885e6 €
	Total platform cost	1.029e7 €

- Natural frequencies out of main wave spectrum energy range
- Design validation based on fully coupled simulations
- Moderate maximum pitch: 8.9°
- Structural design based on extreme loads
- Maximum tensions at mooring lines below breaking limit
- Successful control design for floating concept

Natural frequencies:

DoF	Td [s]	fd [Hz]
Surge	166	0.006
Sway	166	0.006
Heave	16.8	0.059
Roll	25.5	0.039
Pitch	25.5	0.039
Yaw	99.65	0.010



- Reference and evolutionary designs of 10MW and 20MW RWT models (different foundation concepts).
 - Various concepts studies
 - Hybrid jacket,
 - Reference jacket 10/20MW,
 - Reference floater 10MW
- Life-time extension of wind turbine & support structures as a result of integrating new innovations.
- Conducted experimental setups:
 - Hybrid joints and sandwich materials for the jacket and tower
 - Wave-tank tests for floating 10MW RWT
 - Suction bucket measurements for 10MW mono bucket
- More information on the INN WIND website:
<http://www.innwind.eu/work-packages/work-package-4>
- Publications:
<http://www.innwind.eu/publications>



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