



## EUR23\_21 – Recommended Practice for electrification of oil and gas facilities

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# Summary

- Introduction to IOGP
- Introduction to Electrification
- IOGP Electrification Recommended Practice
- Example – Brownfield Mechanical-driven Compressor replacement
- Example – long step-out power from Shore

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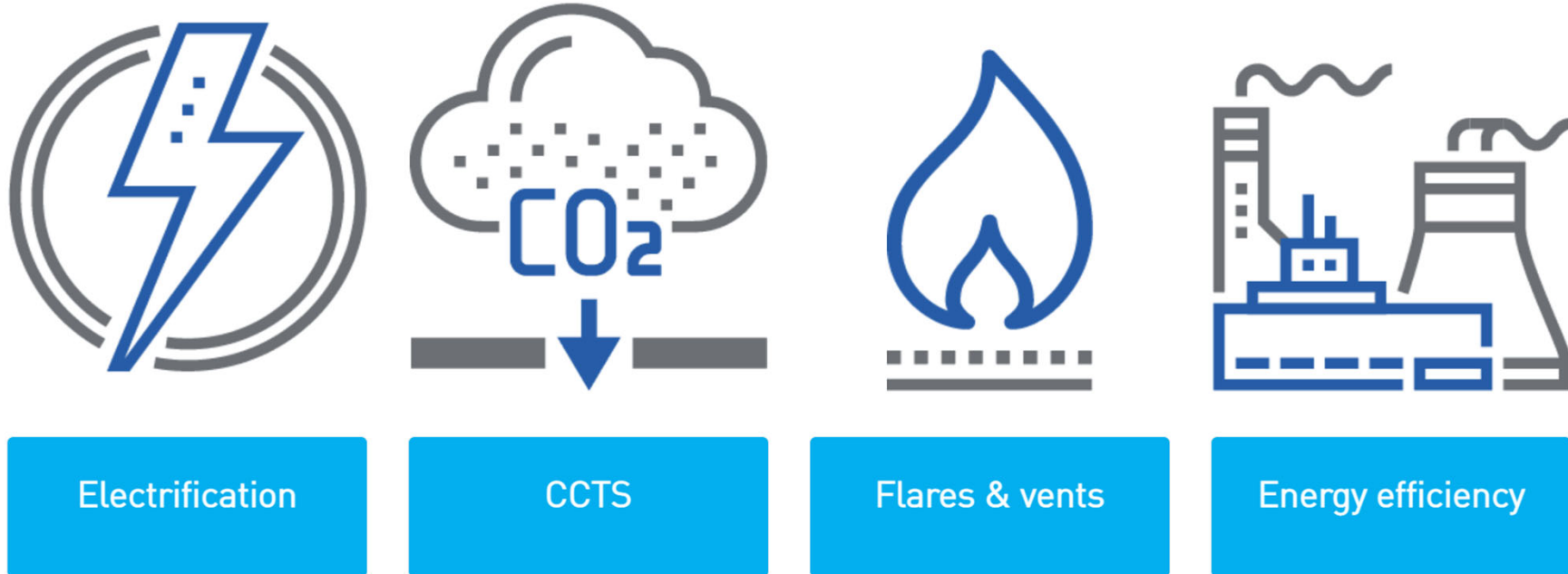
- constructive discussion with Governments and regulatory bodies
- performance and efficiency in HSSE management
- reduced cost and schedule in capital projects
- science-based recommendations that inform decision making, using its historic data and expertise
- collaboration on the energy transition while providing the technical work that underpins it

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# Decarbonisation via Electrification



The four Energy Transition topics are:

1. Electrification
2. Carbon Capture Transportation and Storage
3. Minimization of all flaring and venting activities
4. Best available technology in energy efficiency

# Progressing Lower Carbon Agenda via Standardisation and Collaboration

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## Main Themes

IOGP task force 1 focused on Electrification

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### Why Electrification?

- The use of electricity for shaft power (compression, pumping) and heat (fired heaters, boilers) allows the facility to use lower carbon intensity electricity AND to get to higher efficiency
  - Use so-called “green” electrons rather than burn hydrocarbons
- An electrified solution means projects do not “lock in” Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions for the lifetime of the asset
  - Electrify now, use fully green electrons later

### Electrification Scope

- Power from shore or nearby facilities, including national grid as well as shared infrastructure
- Integration of renewables power supply, including backup power supply
- Decarbonisation of self-generation

# Electrification - Stakeholders

1 Standards Development Organisations  
 2 CLC/TC 14, CLC/JTC 6, TC 234  
 3 TC 67, TC 207, TC 265, TC 301

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**12 Operators**

**12 SDOs<sup>1</sup> / Industry Groups**

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- Qatargas
- Qatar Petroleum
- Repsol
- Saudi Aramco
- Shell International Exploration & Production BV
- SOCAR
- Sonangol EP
- Spirit Energy
- Suncor
- Total
- Tullow Oil
- Vår Energi
- Wintershall Dea
- Woodside Energy Ltd
- YPF SA
- Zakum Development Company (ZADCO)

**National and other associations**

- American Petroleum Institute (API)
- Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA)
- Bundesverband Erdgas, Erdöl und Geoenergie e.V. (BVEG)
- Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)
- Consejo Colombiano de Seguridad (CCS)
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**OGCI**  
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**IEC**  
**MGP**  
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**Neptune Energy**  
**Norwegian Env't Agency**  
**North Sea Energy**  
**OGTC**  
**ZEP**

# Deliverables

- Lessons Learned Report (internal)
  - To be repeated / avoided for future electrification projects
- Recommended Practice (external - published 2022)
  - “How to” guide based on the lessons learned
  - Includes references to other valuable sources
- Equipment Compendium Updates (in progress)
  - Equipment/technology specific
  - Gives more details on technologies for deployment



# Recommended Practice

- The use of electricity for shaft power (compression, pumping) and heat (fired heaters, boilers) allows the facility to use so-called “green” electrons rather than burn hydrocarbons
- Even in cases where connection to a low carbon intensity grid is not *immediately* possible, an electrified solution can replace mechanical drivers and fired equipment which would otherwise “lock in” emissions for the lifetime of the asset
- The recommended practice provides
  - A summary of technologies most likely to be used in an electrification concept
  - Methodologies for evaluation of the benefits and challenges of electrification
  - Guidance on key activities and studies to be done during a project development

# Recommended Practice - Content

- Scope for electrification
  - Greenfield vs brownfield
- Power transmission solutions
  - HVAC
  - HVDC
- Power system components
  - Subsea power cables
  - HVAC substations
  - HVDC substations
  - Electric drives, heaters, other loads
  - BESS, renewable power generation
- Project technical feasibility assessment
- Project techno-economic feasibility assessment
  - Project benefits
  - Project trade-offs
- Project development activities
  - Grid connection
  - Studies
  - Project management & NTR
- Project delivery / execution activities
  - Design & engineering verification



# Examples

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## Brownfield Mechanical-driven Compressor replacement

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The main map shows the Wadden Sea region with islands labeled: Hollum, Ballum, Ballumerbocht, Nes, and Kooiplaats. Two compressor locations are highlighted with green boxes: AWG-1 near Kooiplaats and AME-1 near Nes. An inset map in the top left shows the broader geographical context, including the Netherlands, Friesland, and Belgium.



AWG-1



AME-1

# Project

## AWG platform electrification

- NAM (Shell/XOM/EBN)

**TNO** innovation for life

 PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

### DECARBONISATION OPTIONS FOR THE DUTCH OFFSHORE NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY

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# Project Overview

AME-2: offshore location

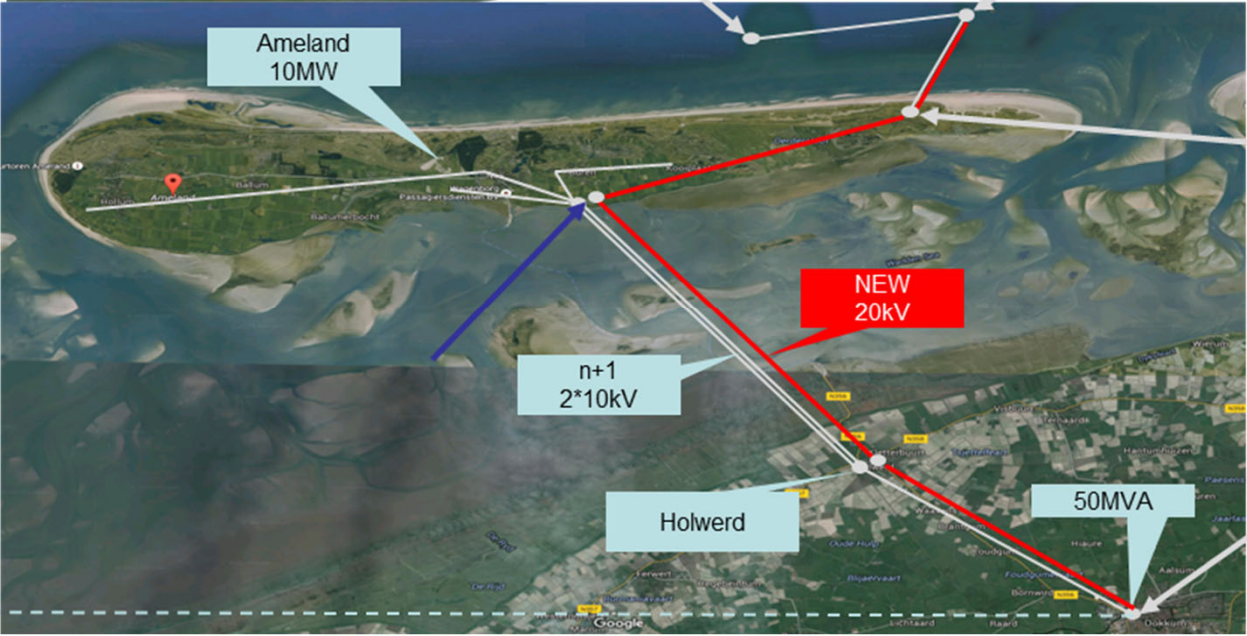


New 20kV cable to Ameland for AWG-1 and AME-1  
AWG compressor driven by electric motor

AWG-1: production platform



AME-1: land location



Dokkum MV transformer station



# Project Overview

- Part of “Duurzaam Ameland” development



## Ameland Gas West

- Start production 1986
- Production ~1M m3/d
- Gas Turbine (GT) mechanical drive gas compressors
- GT generators
- Attended Installatoin
- Close to shore
- End of life >2035

# Electrification Project Scope

- Convert the AWG production platform near Ameland (NL North sea)
  - from gas-powered
  - to an electrically-driven facility
- Subsea cable from AME-1 to the AWG platform, a new compressor and the overall integration into the production system
  - 5 km; 8MW; 20kV; seabed / land single cable from Ameland; water depth 0m(!) – 5m  
[Includes cable to Ameland island and AME-1 by local power company]
- Gas turbine driven exchange for 7MW fully electric driven compression
- Major brownfield modifications / integrations on AWG-1
- New E-house including transformer and Variable speed drive system (VSDS)
- De-complexing and electrification of the AME-1 location



# Electrification Project Schedule

## Project Milestones

- 2014 Notification of NOx emission limits changes (including offshore)
- 2016 Identify/Assess
- 2017/2018 Define; Contracting & Procurement (CP) strategy for Long lead items
- 2018 Final Investment decision
- 2021 Subsea Cable laying
- 2022 Commissioning and Start-up

## Many partners

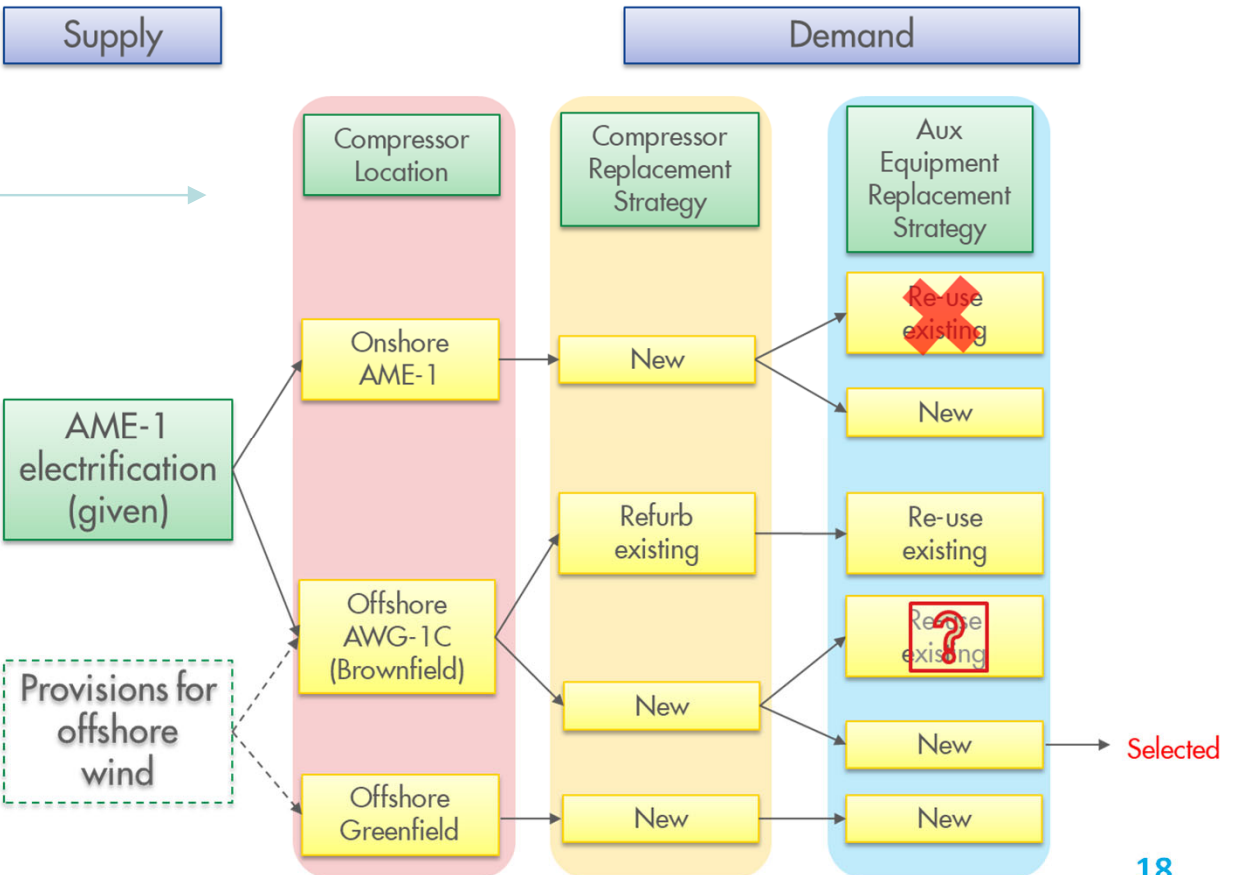
## Contractors / equipment suppliers

- Boskalis / Technip / TNO / JDR cables / ABB

# Project Challenges, key decisions

- Compressor options
  - Re-use
 Or
  - New
 Process/Control/Project interactions

- Power supply (grid capacity) insufficient for existing compressor power
  - New (smaller) compressor
  - Standard motor
  - Better control



# Power Transmission Challenges and Solutions

- New cable @ 20kV from Dokkum to AME-1 (Liander) and from AME-1 to AWG-1 (NAM)
- Cable capacity limits
- Onshore grid capacity limits
  - Offshore VSDS input transformer inrush
  - Choice of drive for harmonics
- Medium Voltage (MV) stations, Dokkum, Holwerd, Kooiplaats to be extended/modified
- New MV station next to AME-1 (permit issues)

# Project Development / Execution Challenges

- Non-technical risk given proximity to shore
- Large number of partners and views
- Cable through nature reserve (Natura 2000)
- Cable crossing Waddenzee (depth)
- Different companies / permits
  - Permitting by grid company until AME-1
  - To AWG-1 = NAM
- Connection lead time min. 2 years
- Permits vs. project schedule risk



# Electrification Components

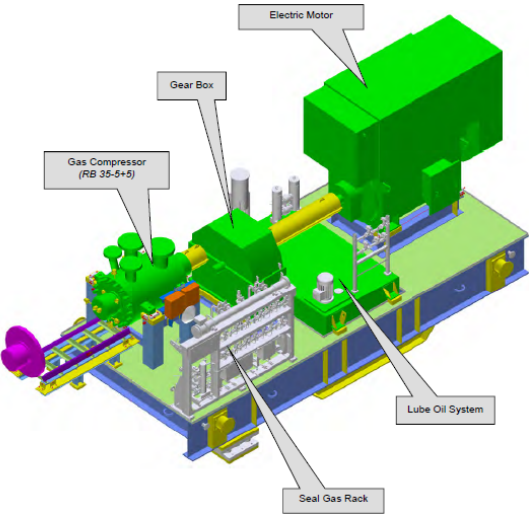
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# Compressor drive and motor

- New Compressor & motor module installed by single lift
- Active Front-end (AFE) Voltage Source Converter (VSC) VDS chosen due to issues with cable capacity, voltage drop/regulation etc.
- Pre-magnetisation dry-type transformer to avoid large transformer inrush



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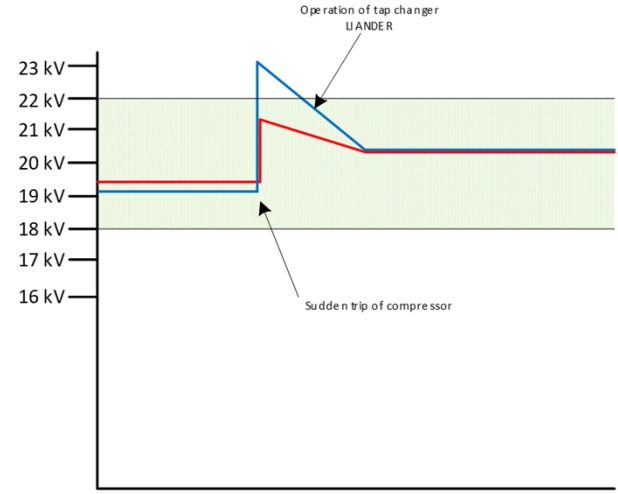
# Electrification Components (other)

- Limited interface to existing plant control system
- Simplified Shutdown System including Fire & Gas (no GT interactions)
- Additional Uninterruptible Power Supply equipment
- Additional Fibre Optic cable connections provided

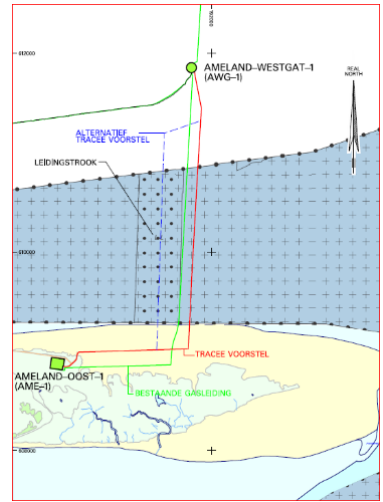
# Project Technical Feasibility (Grid connection)

- Limited cable ampacity/capacity
- Limited grid Short Circuit capacity
  - (initially 60 MVA; will rise to > 100 MVA)
  - Direct on-line motor start voltage drops not acceptable
  - AFE VSC selection allows grid-side active filtering

- Cable routing problematic
  - Existing pipelines
  - Unexploded munitions (UXO) risk (survey just-in-time)
  - Avoid Horizontal direct drilling (if possible) to reduce cost

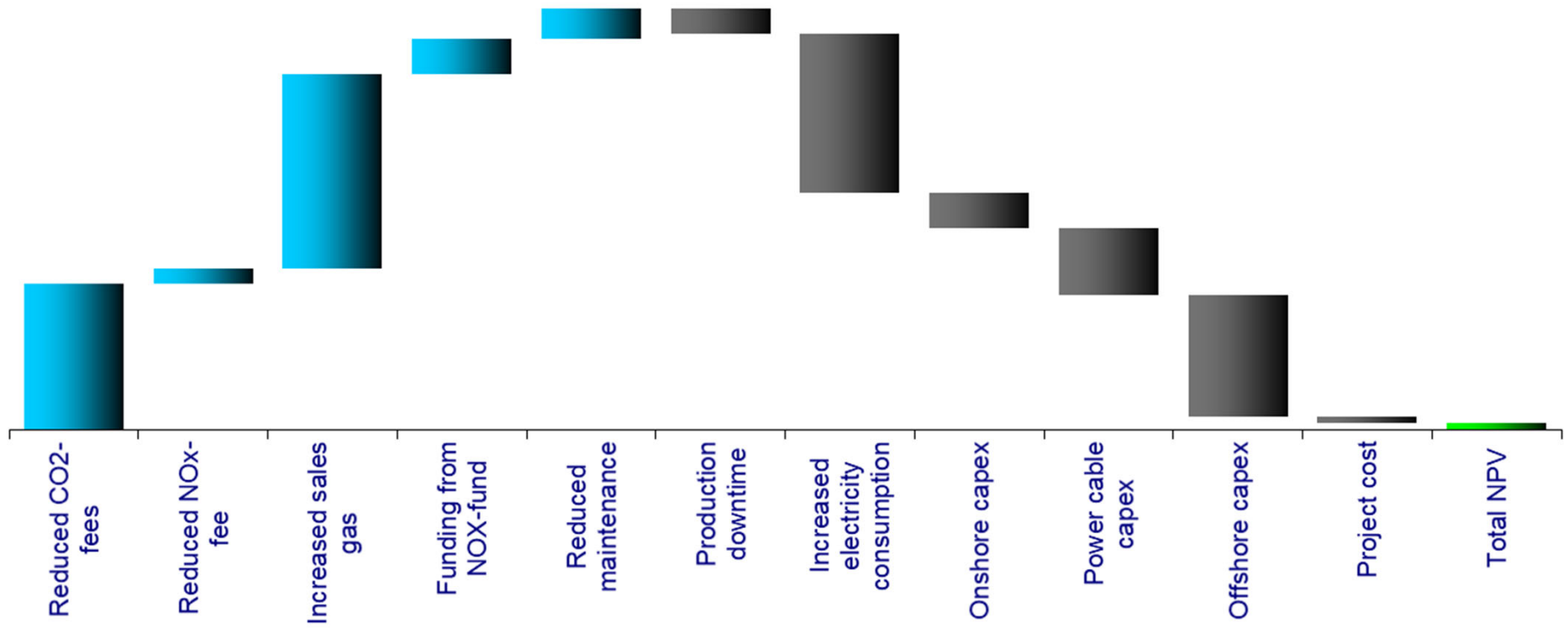


**@ 135 MVA AME-1**  
**@ 55 MVA AME-1**





# Project Techno-Economic Feasibility – typical only



# Project development

- Key studies
  - Compressor options study (power vs. recovery)
  - Power system studies including harmonics, dynamic studies (with grid company)
  - Typical Geotech studies for shallow/tidal/sandy cable lay
- Key activities
  - Ongoing management of non-technical risk - engagement with Duurzaam Ameland partnership

# Project Delivery / Execution

- Major Brownfield activities
  - Destruct scope
  - Module heavy lift

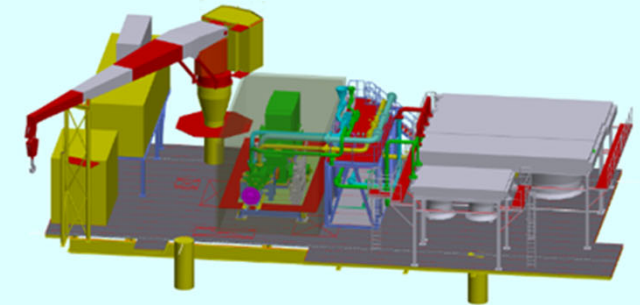
- Time-sensitive cable lay

- “Hot” market for subsea cables



Destruct scope

New Topsides



# Benefits and Trade-offs

- Significantly improve the energy efficiency and robustness of the production system
- Eliminate offshore emissions (end of life 2035)
  - 130 T/yr of NO<sub>x</sub>; 62 kT/yr of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Increase gas sales by eliminating fuel gas and recycling consumption
  - Increased availability of compression by replacing GTG with e-motor
- Reduced HSE risk with fewer visits/activities (No GT); transformer oil vs. GT oil risk
- Sustain relationships with local stakeholders by aligning with the sustainability ambition of the Island of Ameland
  
- Cable / grid capacity limits options to drive compressor
- Limited / no load growth possible

# Benefits and Trade-offs; SWOT summary for the project

## Strengths

- Significant reduction of carbon and NOx footprint
- Lower offshore maint (Opex) vs GTGs; fewer moving parts
- Higher efficiencies with e-motors
- Control without compressor recycle
- Inherently safer design (less fuel gas/diesel; less maint/lifts)
- Better working conditions: lower noise, vibration, pollution

## Opportunities

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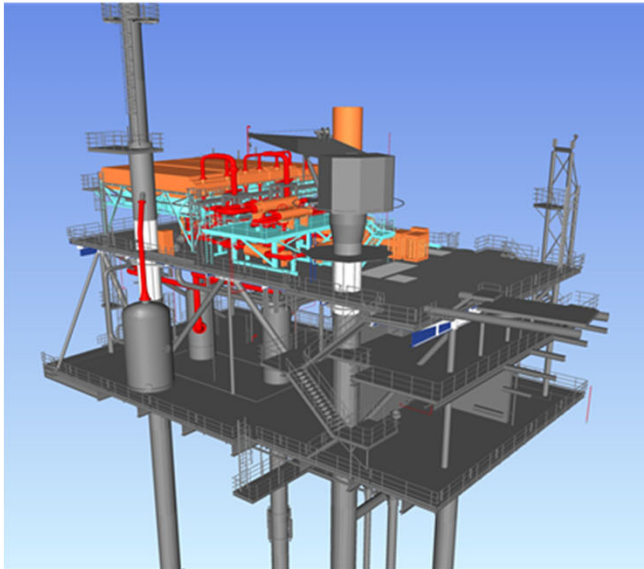
## Weaknesses

- Single point of failure for power supply (but route to shore is per single pipeline routing)
- Hot market for subsea cables and installers
- Dependent on heavy lift contractor
- Solution for weak grid means more equipment

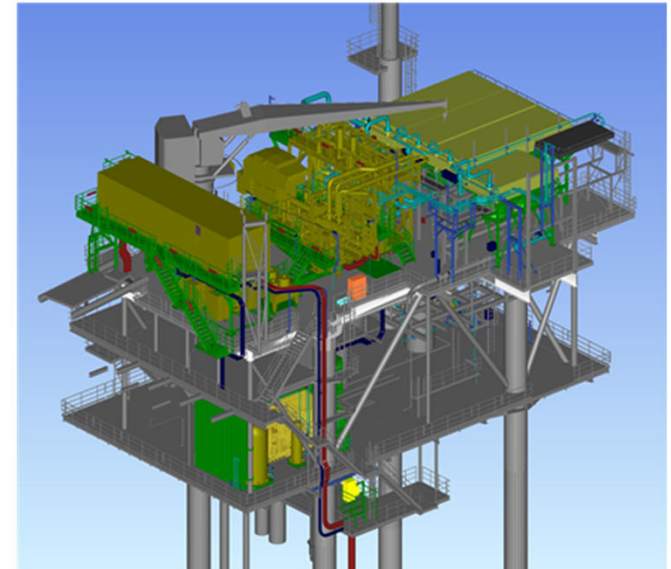
## Threats

- Permitting process
- Multi-faceted non-technical risks; stakeholder management
- Visible cable laying activities
- Spark-spread

# Outcome



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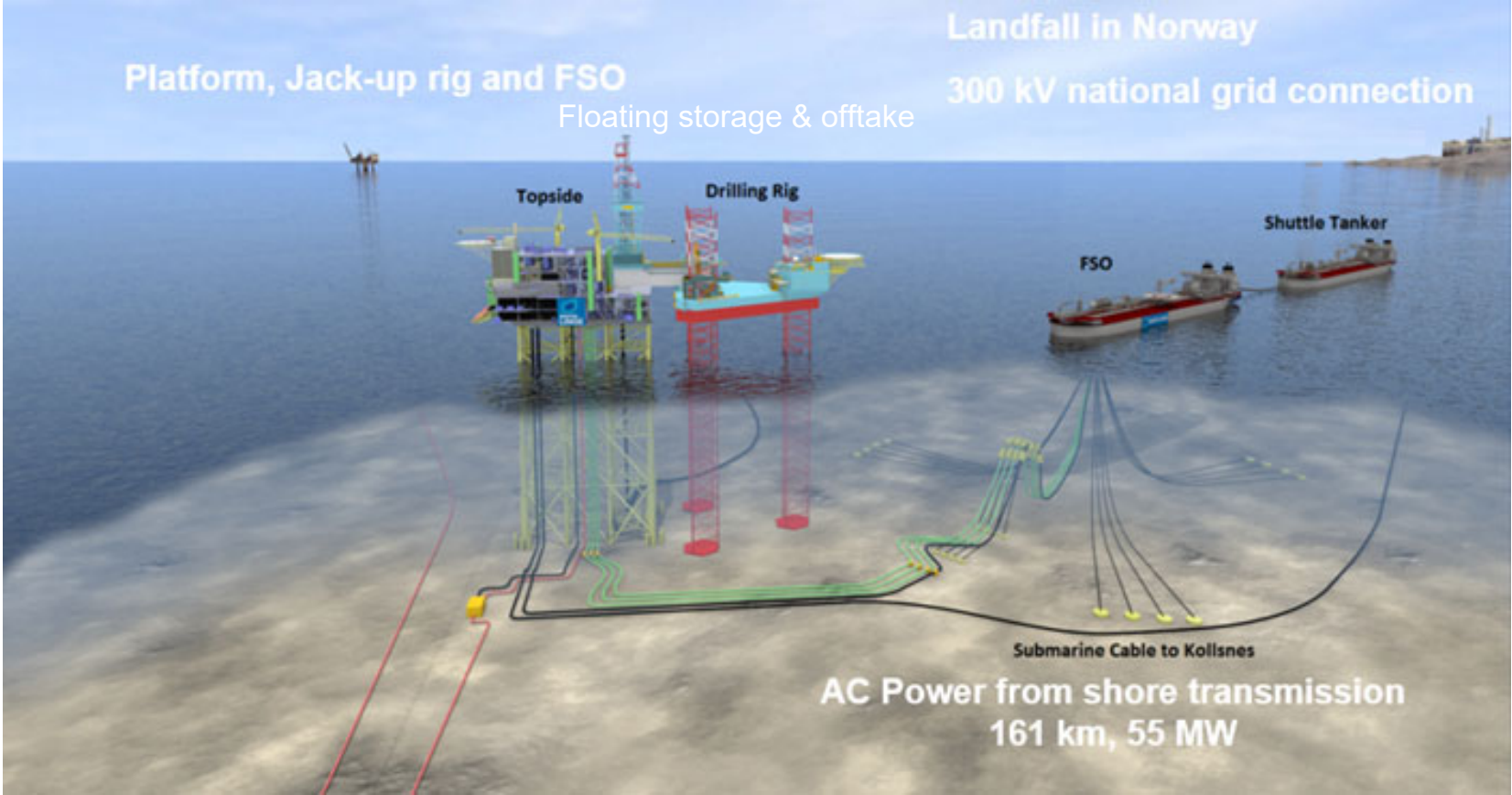
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Long step-out power from shore project

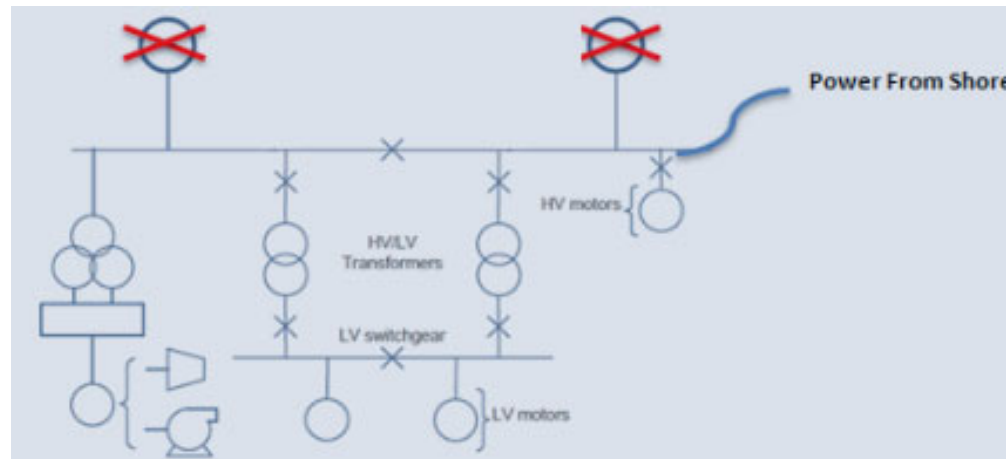


# Long step-out power from shore project





# Electrification Project Scope



Power from shore selected for :

- Weight issue regarding offshore Gas Turbine installation
- Strong regulatory incentive for Power From Shore
- Economically equal to offshore gas turbines
- Regularity of power
- Reduced local emissions
- Increased sales volumes
- Reduced maintenance

# Project Challenges, key decisions

- AC or DC?

161 kms, 55 MW

1<sup>st</sup> choice would have been to consider a DC transmission

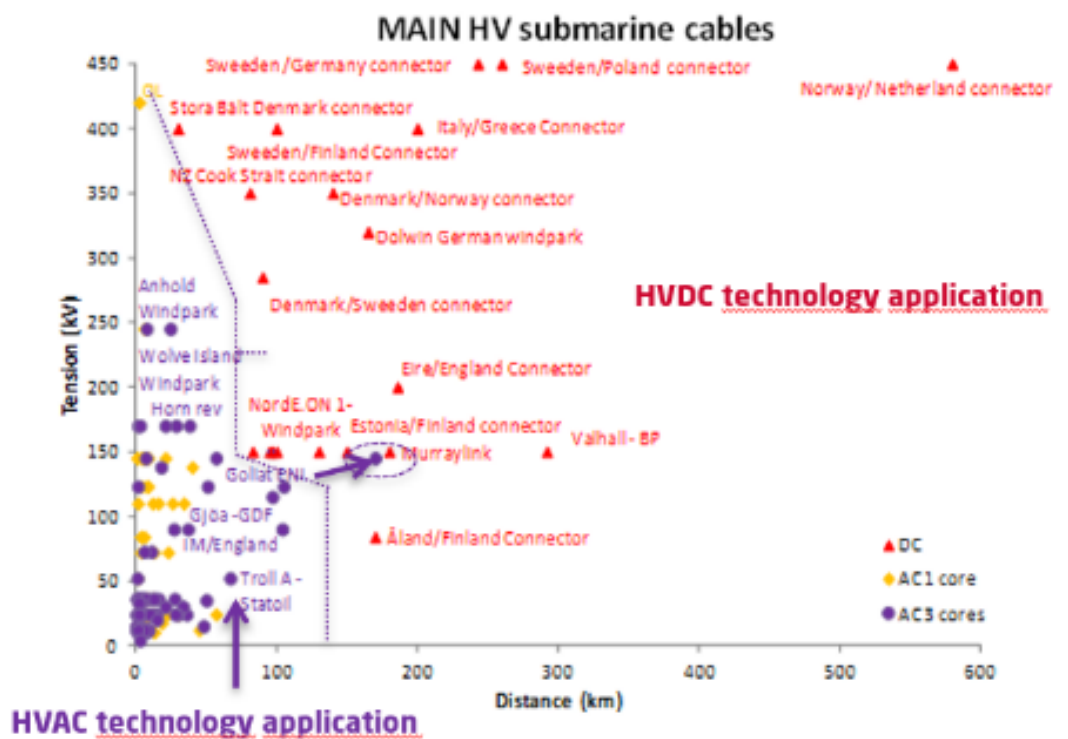
**DC issues for the project**

DC not feasible with existing layout  
 -> showstopper

**But there were AC issues for the project**

High voltage variation, resonances, cable reactive power

AC studies conducted -> Yes, we can !



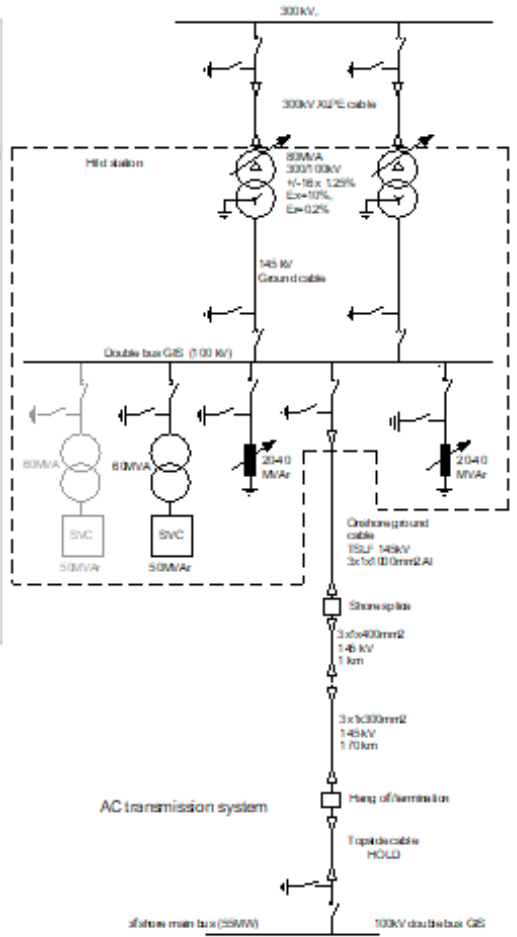
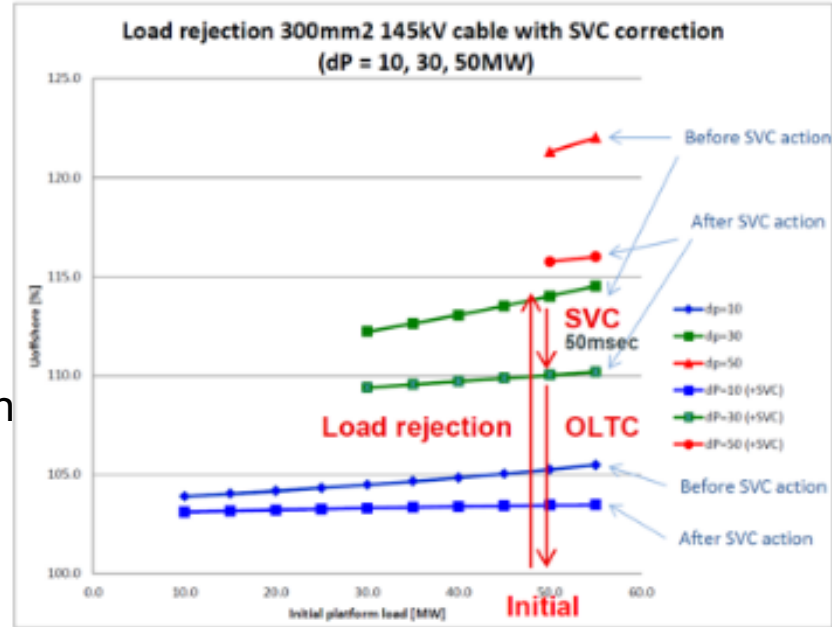
# Power Transmission Challenges and Solutions

## Onshore Reactor

- Oil filled reactor for fixed reactive power compensation

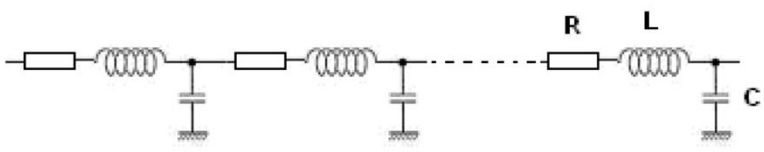
## Onshore SVC Static VAr Compensation

- Dynamic reactive power compensation
- Grid power factor regulation
- Voltage control during transient



# Power from shore design

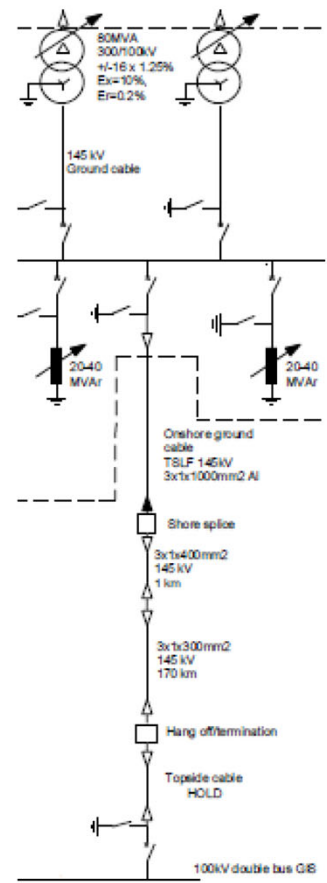
Cable energizing associated with a large inrush current and voltage transient



Cable  $\approx$  75 MVAR capacitor

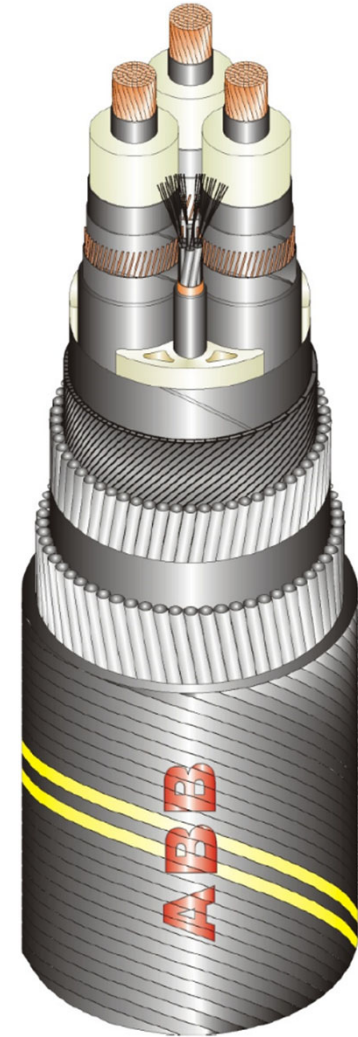
Mitigations:

- Energizing of the cable at 80% of rated voltage
- Single pole closing Gas Insulated Switchgear feeder



# Submarine Cable

- Longest AC cable in world - 161km
- Manufacturer – ABB (now NKT Cable)
- Consisting of:
  - Landfall 500mm<sup>2</sup> (lower ampacity)
  - Subsea 300mm<sup>2</sup>
- Installed in two sections (one subsea joint)
- Highest load is under no-load condition



# Cable design

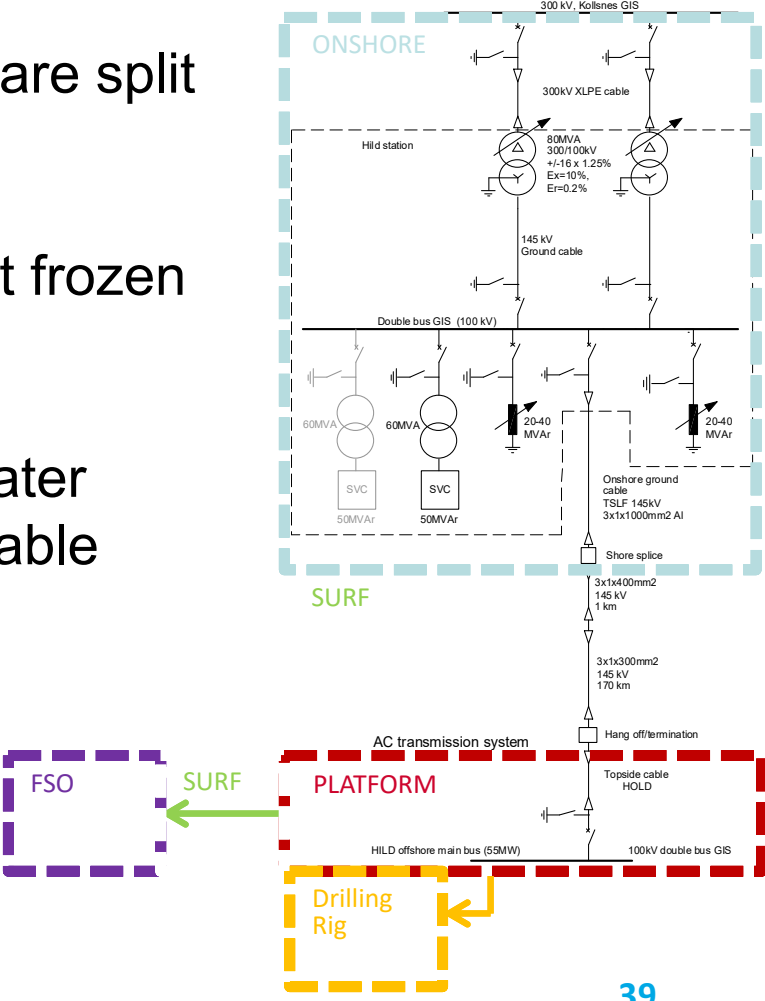
Power From Shore system design and performances (e.g. voltage variation, losses, resonances, reactive power) depend on cable data (i.e. provisional!)

Recommendations:

- Agreement on cable guaranteed value (R, L, C) prior to the contract award
- Target for a capacitance tolerance better than IEC 60840 (<8%)
- Take advantage of the manufacturing of the first cable length/batch to adjust capacitance with cable insulation thickness
- Guaranteed values shall be verified during the factory cable tests

# Project Development / Execution Challenges

- System approach and performance when scopes are split in several parts with different contractors
- Early order of cable when system design is not yet frozen due to long lead time of cable (26 month in 2014)
- Qualification of infield dynamic cable in shallow water with no international standard available for such cable
- Installation risks in North sea (crossings, trawling protections)
- Complex Offshore cable HV testing programme



# Subsea Cable Manufacturing

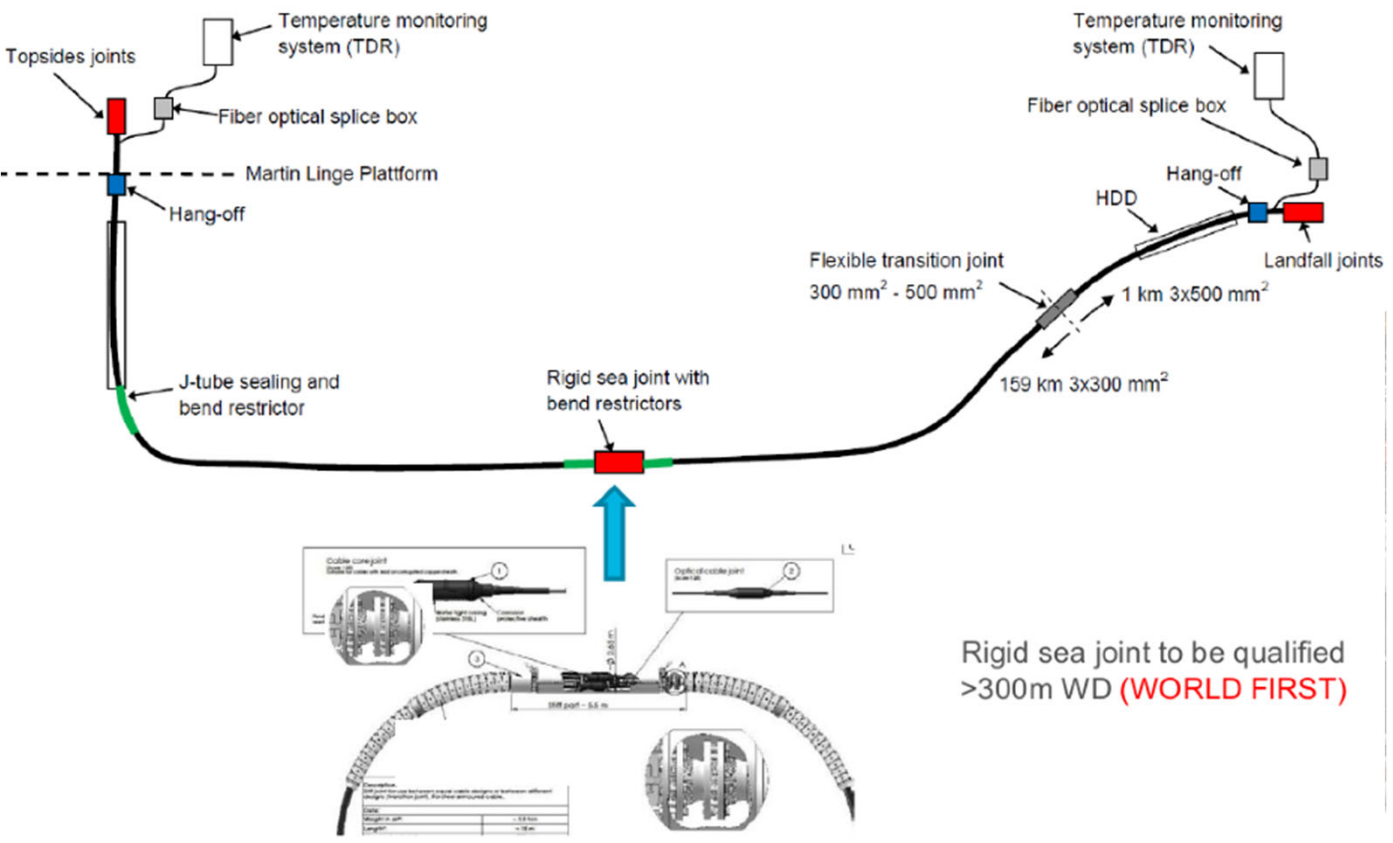


More than one year of manufacturing



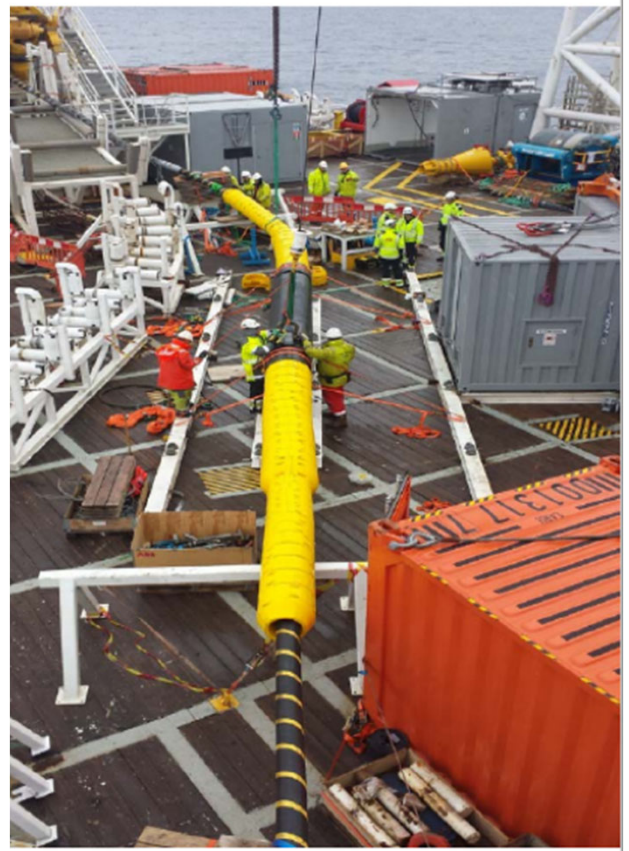
# Cable installation

- Midline splice operation in 6 days
- Load out speed at 250 m/h



Rigid sea joint to be qualified >300m WD (WORLD FIRST)

Offshore Joint before deployment



# Project summary

- Having multiple contractors involved -> greater effort on interfaces from end client
- Performance requirements are key in ensuring competitive power from shore studies by equipment manufacturers
- Invest in conceptual and pre-project definition
- Establish a good working relationship with grid company
- Be prepared for numerous data requests from contractors.

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- Facilitates future de-complexing
- Better use of the resource

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## Weaknesses

- TRL for some projects (extreme depth, DC, dynamic, turrets)
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- Hot market for subsea cables and installers
- Hot market for grid connections
- Solution for weak grid means more equipment

## Threats

- Permitting process
- Multi-faceted non-technical risks; stakeholder management
- Grid GHG intensity progress
- Brownfield process complications (waste gas, heat)
- Electricity prices – so-called Spark-spread
- Grid disconnection

# Questions?

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