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Supply Chain Constraints



Hookup

The offshore floating wind sector is on the brink of significant expansion, shifting from demonstration to multi-GW commercial projects, accompanied by numerous challenges and supply chain constraints

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Mooring Procurement in Terms of Oil and Gas





- UK Target for 2030 5GW
- 5GW 334 FWT x 15MW
- 1 FWT 3 x 1000m Mooring
- 5GW 1000Km of Mooring
- In terms of Oil & Gas
 - 1 x FPSO 9 x 1.6Km Mooring
 - 5 GW 1000Km 70 FPSOs
- 175 FPSOs installed worldwide since 1977
- 65 FPSOs installed in West Africa and Northern Europe
- 5GW capacity can fulfill electricity needs for Scotland's domestic & non-domestic





Installation Vessel Demand





Installation Vessel Days



Installation Vessel Availability

- CSV for pile installation
 - 1 x 400t Crane
 - 1 x 100t Crane
 - Deck > 2000m²
 - Accommodation > 75+
- AHV for mooring Installation
 - BP > 250t
 - Deck > 1000m²
 - Winch Storage 5000m x 300mm dia rope
 - Chain Locker -1000m²
- Tow and Station Keeping Vessel
 - BP > 200t



Current AHTS Fleet Age and Capacity

Requirement for Suitable Port

- Key Requirements for 500MW
 - 20 ha for lay down
 - 12 ha for wet storage
 - Quayside Length 500m
 - Bearing Capacity 40-100 t/m²
 - Water depth 12-20m
- 25 Ports suitable for expansion
- Requires approx. £3.5bn Investment by 2030 to meet 5 GW of floating wind target



Source - Offshore Wind Scotland



Seabed Challenge – Anchor Cost

- Drag Anchor and Driven Pile are more versatile compared to others
- Procurement cost of drag anchor is half of the suction pile
- Drilled piles are cost-effective compared to other pile types because of their smaller dimensions contributing to less weight
- Other anchors such as Gravity, SEPLA, VLA, and Torpedo anchors not included in the study
- All costs are based on building 1 GW floating wind farm

Seabed Challenge – Revised Anchor Cost

- A 3-leg drag anchor necessitates a larger mooring chain
- A 6-leg drag anchor mooring is practical but requires twice the quantity of anchors.
- Procuring a 6-leg drag anchor is slightly more cost-effective than procuring 3 suction piles
- Procuring drilled piles is costeffective compared to all other types of anchors

Anchor Type			Clay	Sand	Hard	Rock		
Drag			3	3	2	0		
Suction			3	1	0	0		
Driven			3	2	3	0		
Drilled & Grouted			1	1	3	3		
Anchor suitability for different soil types [3-best, 2-better, 1-fair, 0-not suitable]								
Millions	£40 - £35 - £30 - £25 - £20 - £15 - £10 - £5 - £							
		Drag Anchor	Suction	Pile Driver	n Pile Drille	ed Pile		

Seabed Challenge – Anchor + Mooring Cost

- Drag anchor system requires long anchor chain
- Drilled piles demand a substantial amount of grout, which is five times more expensive than the pile itself
- Piles utilize a shorter chain and long fibre rope, contributing to a reduced mooring procurement cost.

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£180 £160 £140 £120 £120 £100 £80 £60 £40 £20 £-								
	Drag Anchor	ment Cost	Pile Driver Mooring / Grout F	n Pile Drille Procurement Cost	ed Pile			

Seabed Challenge – Mooring + Installation

- Drilled pile takes 3 times longer than suction pile
- Re-setting of drag anchor could significantly increase schedule risk
- Suction piles are the quickest to install, followed by driven and drag anchor

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£100							
£50 —							
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Drag A	nchor Suction	Pile Driver	Pile Drille	ed Pile			

Seabed Challenge – Solutions

- Early assessment of Seabed
- Compliant 3-leg drag anchor system
- Reduce drag anchor test tensioning
 - Conduct tank tests to lower test tensioning needs.
 - Reduce the number of anchors for testing.
- Avoid drilled and grouted piles or explore alternatives
 - Triton Anchor
 - SCHOTTEL Self-Drilling Groutless Anchors
- Enhance drilled pile installation efficiency with Bauer technology

BAUER Offshore Drilling Technologies

Installation Challenge – Mooring

- Handling bigger chain
 - Max capacity 185mm chain
 - 6-Leg mooring design
 - Use of Nylon Rope
 - Load Reduction Devices
- Fibre rope storage capacity
 - Reels on deck
 - Potential use of CSV
- Stretching of fibre rope
 - Traditional stretching up to 40%
 MBL is not practical
 - JIP to comprehend requirements
 - Address stretching by incorporating re-tensioning capability

TFI Marine - Sea Spring

Construction stretch

Installation Challenge – Mooring Hookup

- Personnel Transfer
 - W2W Floating to Fixed, Floating to Floating is challenging
 - Weather Sensitive
 - Reduced workability 4 months
 - Vessel operability and personnel transfer are not aligned
- Tensioning Tensioner at floater or water column or seabed or at pile?
 - Floater
 - Onboard winch for messenger
 - Challenging to re-tension
 - Water column
 - Water depth restriction
 - Clump weight in catenary
 - Seabed
 - Longer chain
 - Pile
 - Enhanced pile size

In-Line- Tensioner

Installation Challenge – Hookup Solutions

- Eliminate Personnel Transfer
 - Tow using mooring lines
 - Develop Quick connection system
- Choose ILT location wisely
- Dry mate / wet mate subsea cable connection
 - Avoid stripping cable on the floater
 - Eliminating complex termination
 on floater

1. Early Engagement

2. Understand Seabed

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3. Transfer of Personnel

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How early should you engage?

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Early Engagement

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- **Operational Expertise**: Incorporate practical insights for enhanced operational efficiency.
- **Cost Optimization**: Identify cost-effective solutions and streamline logistics.
- **Risk Mitigation**: Assess and mitigate operational risks to prevent delays and unexpected costs.
- **Regulatory Compliance**: Understand and comply with regulatory requirements from the outset.
- **Technology Alignment**: Ensure project designs align with available technologies to minimize modifications.
- Efficient Installation: Optimize installation processes to reduce time and enhance efficiency.
- **Relationship Building**: Foster strong partnerships for collaborative success in current and future projects.
- **Timeline Management**: Coordinate early for efficient scheduling and adherence to project timelines.

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