



Floating LiDAR certification

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Floating LiDAR (FLD) certification according Carbon Trust Offshore Wind Accelerator Roadmap

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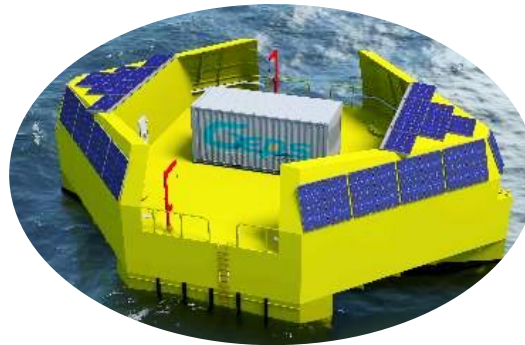
Floating LiDAR certification – Akrocean introduction

AKROCEAN is a service company which provides in situ ocean environmental data as a service.

Target markets:



OFFSHORE
WIND



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Set up in 2017, AKROCEAN is born from GEPS Techno solutions and VALEMO expertise



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Marine engineering company

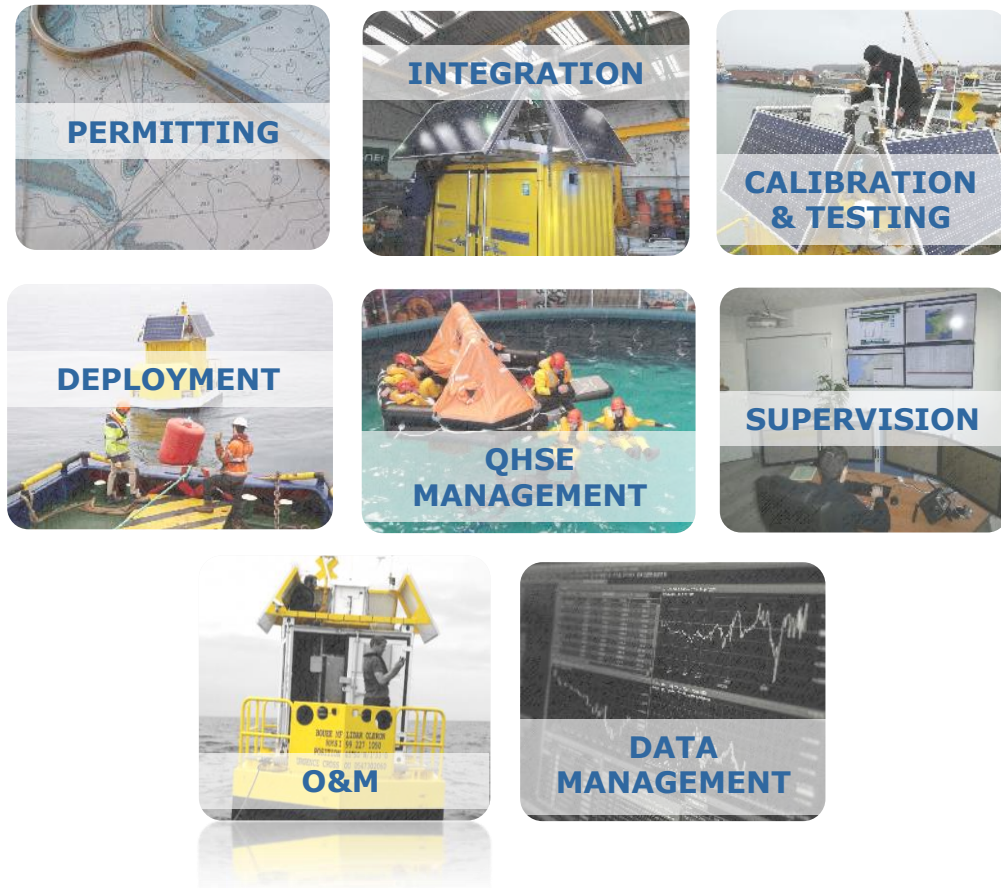


Operating and Maintenance company



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AKROCEAN INTEGRATES AND OPERATES MODULAR FLOATING PLATFORMS COVERING CLIENT'S ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING NEEDS.



Floating LiDAR certification – Akrocean Services

**OFFSHORE
WIND
ASSESSMENT**

WINDSEA FLOATING LIDAR



**BIRDS AND
BATS
ASSESSMENT**

FLY'R SEA FLOATING 3D RADAR



**ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT**

SEAOBS STATION



Floating LiDAR certification – Akrocean Current projects



ENERGINET

**2020-2021
Thor offshore Wind
Farm**

1 year commercial wind
and metocean campaign

For Energinet



**2019
LEG Light platform
North Sea**

Pre-deployment campaign
reviewed by DNV GL

Carbon Trust OWA Road
Map Stage 2



**METEO
FRANCE**

2019 to 2023

**New French offshore
wind areas**

4-years Master service
agreement
(up to 6 x 12 months
campaigns)



**2017-2018
Oleron Wind Farm**

1 year commercial wind
resource campaign

For Météo-France



**2018
Fécamp Offshore Wind
Farm**

6 months
Offshore Trials
(wind assessment)
reviewed by DNV GL

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Map Stage 2



Floating LiDAR certification – Akrocean Current projects



2019 - 2021

**Star of the South 2GW
offshore wind project**

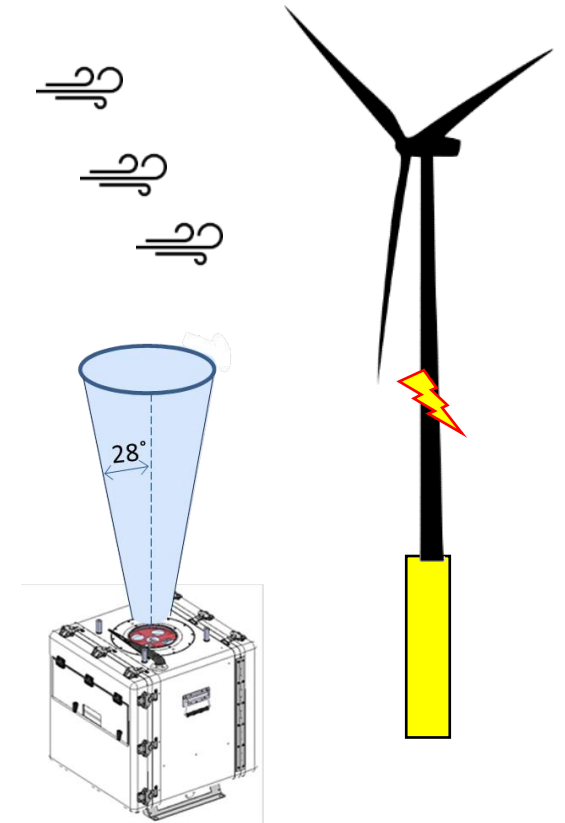
2 years commercial wind and
metocean campaign

2 x Floating LIDARs
1 x Wave Buoy



Floating LiDAR certification – Context

- Growth of offshore wind developments in the world
 - North Europe, APAC, USA
- Need of reliable wind data sets
 - Energy Yield assessment
 - ROI calculation => LCOE
- New method of wind measurement => LiDAR technology
 - Replacing met mast onshore
 - And offshore...



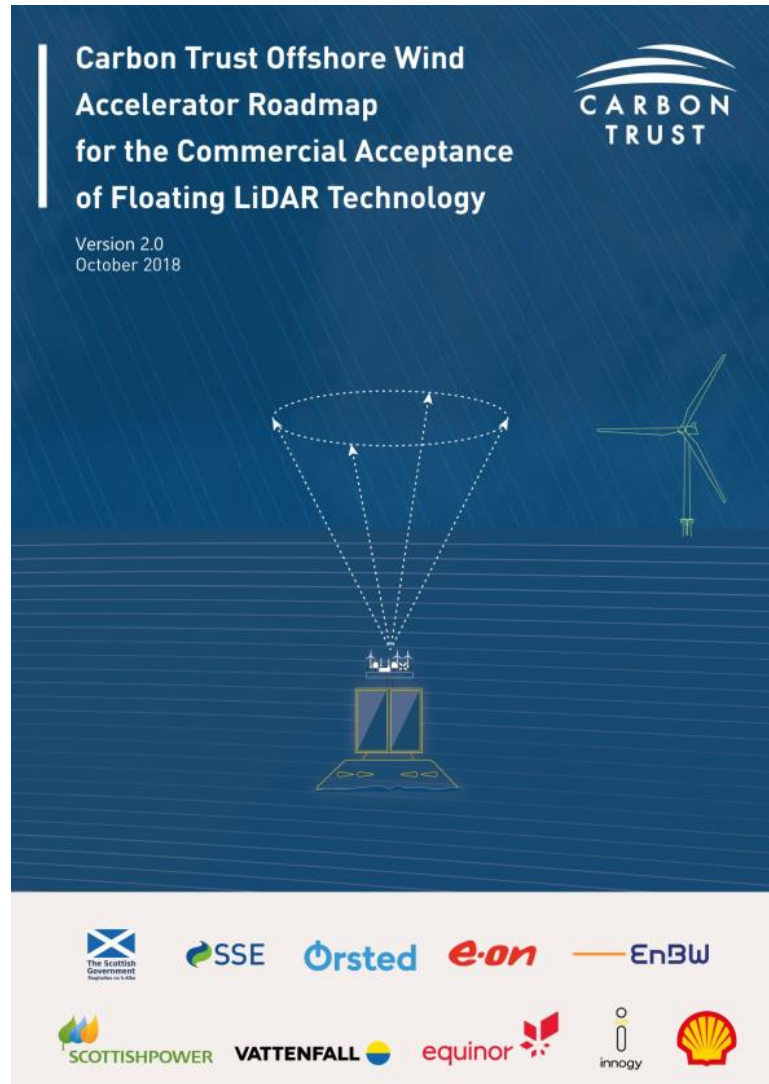
Floating LiDAR certification – Context



- **Challenge:** Bring confidence to investors in FLD wind data replacing trusted met mast measurements
- **Benefits:**
 - Cost 10 to 15 times less (LCOE impact / lower risk)
 - Easy permitting (development schedule)
 - Low environmental impact
 - Quick installation (light vessel)
- **Risks:**
 - Low experience
 - More impacted by environmental conditions



Floating LiDAR certification – Carbon Trust Roadmap



- Joint industry project
- Roadmap/Guide for FLD to become commercially accepted (bankable data)
- 3 stages
 - 1 => Baseline (LiDAR unit)
 - 2 => Pre-commercial (type validation)
 - 3 => Commercial (significant body of operational evidence)

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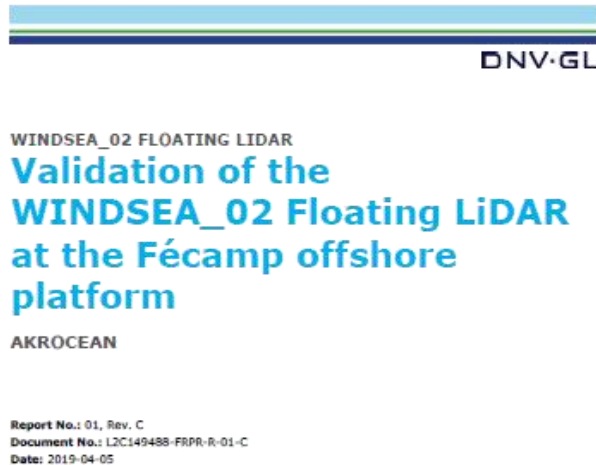


- Type validation trial of 6 consecutive months against a trusted measurement source (met mast or fix LiDAR)
- What is assessed? (independently reviewed with blind principle)
- **System availability (overall and monthly)**
 - Must be >95% overall and >90% monthly
- **Post processed data availability (overall and monthly)**
 - Must be >85% overall and >80% monthly
- **Data Accuracy R2 – Coefficient of Correlation (Wind Speed and Dir)**
 - Must be >0,97 (speed), >0,95 (direction)
- **Sensitiveness of the system to sea conditions (waves & current)**
 - Determination of a trial envelope and sensitivity coefficient
- **Uncertainty of the trial**
 - According IEC standard

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- Period & Place

- April to October 2018 at Fecamp offshore wind met mast (owned by EDF-R), English channel



OVERALL SYSTEM AVAILABILITY (6 MONTHS): 99.6%

OVERALL WIND SPEED POST PROCESSED DATA AVAILABILITY (6 MONTHS): 97.9% AT 119M

R2 WIND SPEED ACCURACY AT 119M : 0,998

R2 WIND DIRECTION ACCURACY AT 119M: 0,999

COMBINED UNCERTAINTY OF THE FLS FOR THE WS BINS FROM 4 TO 16M/S: 1,5% TO 3.1%



Figure 3-1 Overall system availability and Overall Post-processed Data Availability

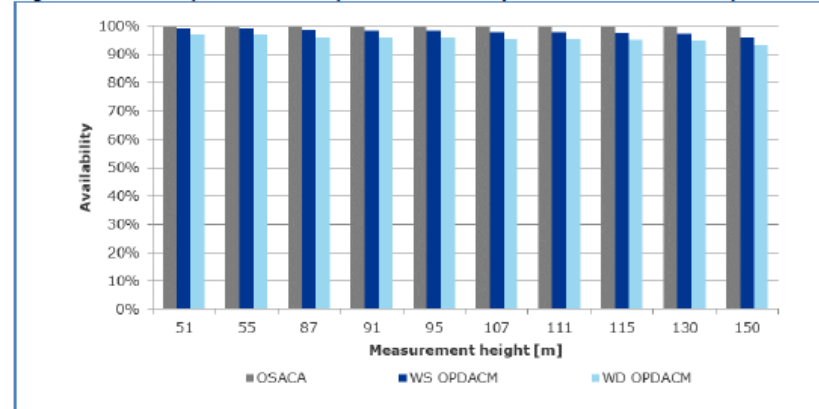
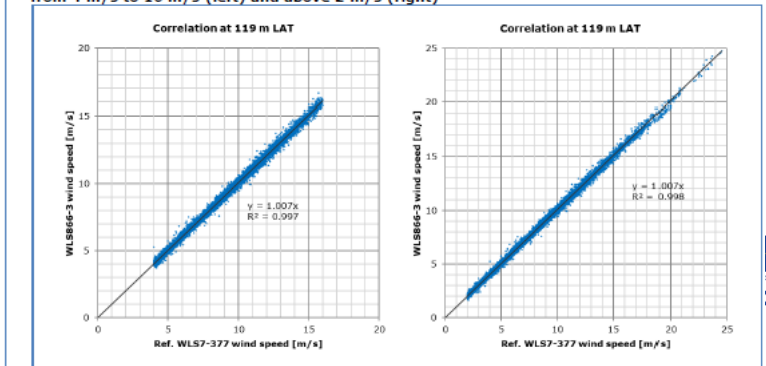


Figure 4-4 All-directional correlation of wind speed between the Reference LiDAR at 118.9 m LAT and the WINDSEA_02 Floating LiDAR at 119.0 m LAT for the wind speed range from 4 m/s to 16 m/s (left) and above 2 m/s (right)



All KPIs regarding wind speed accuracy meet the best practice acceptance criteria given in 1/.

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Based on the Fécamp trial campaign results as reported here, DNV GL draws the conclusion that **the WINDSEA employing a Windcube V2 unit has formally qualified for Stage 2 “pre-commercial” in the context of the Carbon Trust Offshore Wind Accelerator Roadmap for the Commercial Acceptance of Floating LiDAR Technology /1/.**

If a different unit than the WINDSEA_02 is employed for a wind resource assessment campaign, DNV GL recommends to analyse the unit’s characteristics to confirm that the unit is the same “type” and that the results of this trial campaign are still valid.

For achieving stage 3 and to better assess the impact of varying environmental conditions on the WINDSEA accuracy, DNV GL recommends to perform a complete classification test, which requires several trials at different locations and with different units.

Floating LiDAR certification – WINDSEA technology

WINDCUBE LIDAR



ALUMINIUM
5 X 3M FLOAT

WAVE ENERGY
CONVERTER
(400W)



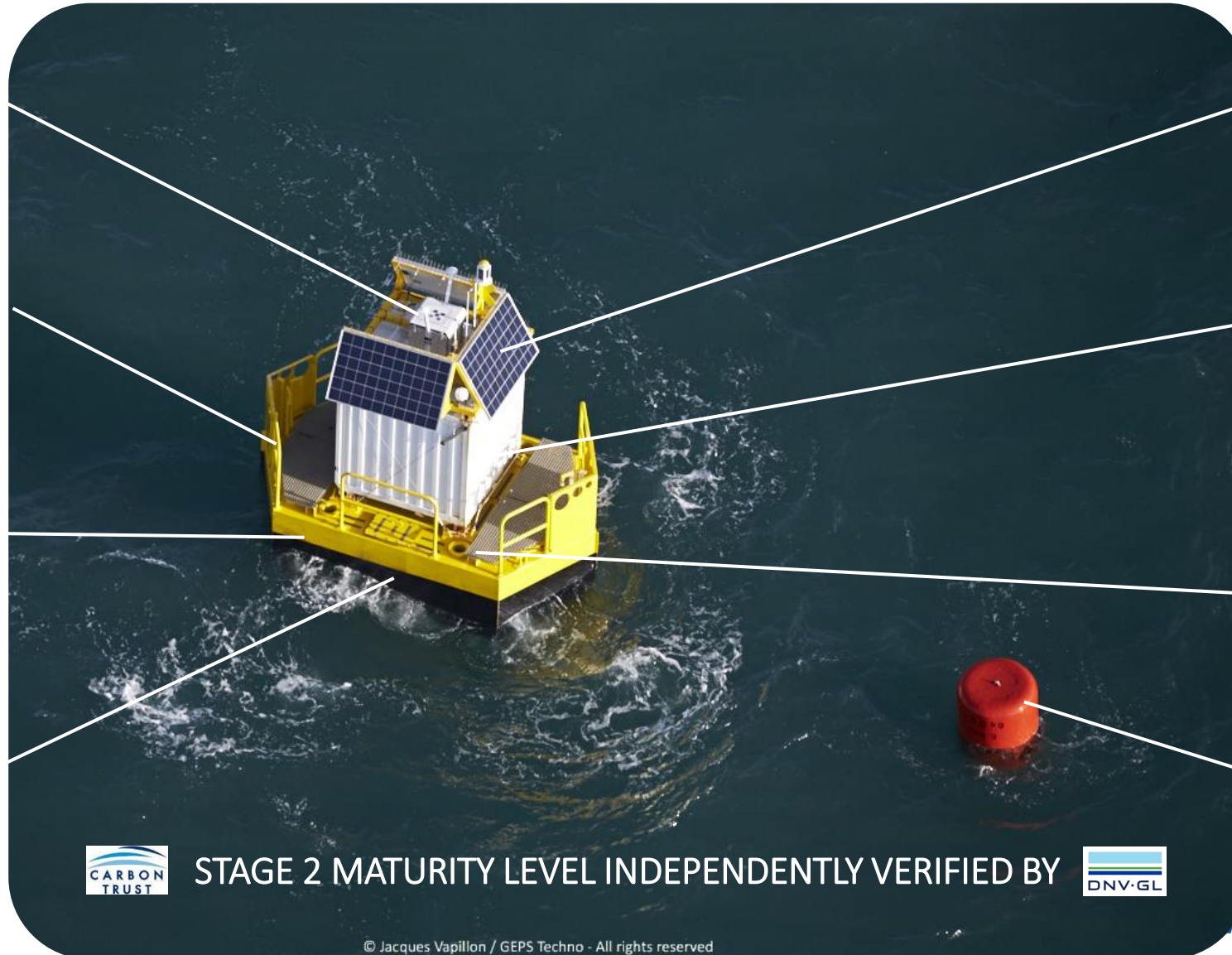
PASSIVE
STABILIZATION
(Pitch & Roll)

1,2 KW SOLAR
POWER CAPACITY

CONTROL ROOM
WITH BACKUP
POWER (UP OT
500W)
NO DIESEL

SUBSEA SENSORS
MOON POOLS

DAMPING
MOORING SYSTEM

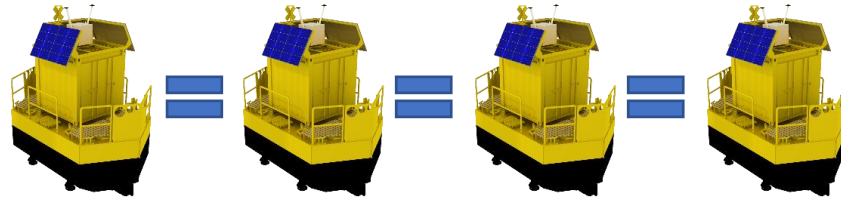


STAGE 2 MATURITY LEVEL INDEPENDENTLY VERIFIED BY



Floating LiDAR certification – Stage 2 validity

- New units (WINDSEA 3, 4, 5,...) have to be of same type than WINDSEA 2 (hired for Stage 2)
 - Same float
 - Same LiDAR unit
 - Same RAO
- Before each new commercial Campaign
 - Each new Lidar unit has to be verified onshore (against met mast)
 - Each new floating LiDAR of same type has to be prevalidated at sea (same conditions and KPI's than stage 2 trial but on short period (1 month at least) ideally in the same site type than commercial site (reducing uncertainty))
- Possible post validation in case of major change during commercial campaign or if prevalidation not performed



Floating LiDAR certification – on the road of Stage 3

Significantly higher pre-requisites:

- **Higher KPI's (Best practices)**
 - Ex: System availability must be >97% overall and >95% monthly (95/90 Stage 2)
 - Ex: Data accuracy must be must be >0,98 (speed), >0,97 (direction), (0,97/95 Stage 2)
- **6 x FLD unit verifications (3 short and 3 long)**
 - Meet best practices KPI's, against trusted reference source
- **3 x FLD offshore classification**
 - 2 individual FLD units to be trialled at the same test site (3 months min)
 - 1 FLD unit trialled at 2 different test sites
- **5 early commercial project deployments**
 - 12 month continuous single campaign meeting stage availability KPI

Thank you!



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Thank you!