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# RVO.nl Metocean measurement campaign

Hollandse Kust Noord Offshore Wind Farm

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# Introduction to the metocean campaign

Purpose, project overview, observations and comparison



# Purpose of the measurements

Fugro carried out a metocean measurement campaign at the Hollandse Kust Noord Offshore wind farm (OWF) to support future wind farm developers.

The resulting dataset should allow developers to **reduce the uncertainties in the metocean conditions** and;

- Carry out more accurate calculations of the annual energy yield;
- Calibrate and/or validate metocean models available for the wind farm design.



# Project Location



((()) 2 Seawatch Wind LIDAR Buoys deployed: HKNA, HKNB



Data collected from April 2017 24 to April 2019



Buoys were deployed approximately 15 NM offshore



Water depths of 23 m at both buoys



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## **Parameters observed**

- Wind at 10 elevations to 200m
  - Speed
  - Direction
  - Turbulence intensity
  - Inflow angle
  - Wind shear/veer

- Wave
  - Height
  - Period
  - Direction

Current profile down to 22 m

Water temperature

- Atmosphere
  - Pressure
  - Humidity
  - Temperature

Water level or relative tide





# Borssele – RVO.nl – June 2015 - March 2017

1 SeaWatch Wind LIDAR buoy deployed June 2015 and 1 SWLB buoy deployed February 2016

### Parameters:

- Mooring at 30 m water depth
- Wave height, period and direction
- Current profile (28 m) and water temperature
- Wind speed and direction at 11 elevations
- Air pressure
- Air humidity and temperature
- Water level (tide)

Wind observations:

Wind speed and direction, turbulence intensity, inflow angle and wind shear/veer





# HKZ – RVO.nl - June 2016 – June 2018

2 SeaWatch Wind LIDAR buoys deployed

### Parameters:

- Mooring at 23 m water depth
- Wave height, period and direction
- Current profile (22 m) and water temperature
- Wind speed and direction at 11 elevations
- Air pressure
- Air humidity and temperature
- Water level (tide)

### Wind observations

Wind speed and direction, turbulence intensity, inflow angle and wind shear/veer





### Fugro SEAWATCH Wind LIDAR Buoy

Building upon proven technology:

A compact, proven measurement buoy that includes wind profile, waves, current profile, and meteorology





# **Replaces Conventional Met Masts**

High reduction in:

- Construction time before first data
- Foundations complexities
- Difficulties to access and crew transfer (safety)
- High cost of design, installation and maintenance



# **R&D** Timeline



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# The SEAWATCH Wavescan Platform



Seawatch metocean buoys: servicing in Trondheim,



### **SEAWATCH Wavescan Platform**

- Selected as the platform for the Lidar
- Successful track record world-wide since 1985
- Uniquely designed to optimise wave direction measurements
- Full onboard processing of all measured data
- Two-way communication link for data transfer and control
- Robust and reliable in temperature extremes and harsh environments
- Multi-parameter platform with mounting options for a wide range of oceanographic and meteorological instrumentation



# The SEAWATCH Wind LiDAR Buoy

The ZephIR LIDAR selected from a comprehensive motion sensitivity analysis comparison of commercial alternatives

In collaboration between Fugro OCEANOR, NOWITECH, Christian Michelsen Research (CMR) and Statoil (now Equinor)



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# **CarbonTrust OWA Roadmap Validation**

IJmuiden offshore validation trial

- Conducted 2014-2015
- 6 months trial
- DNVGL issued independent performance verification
- Culminated in OWA Stage 2 Type Validation





# **Pre-Commercial Wind Profile Data Comparison**

### Wind Speed

- R2 = 0.99 (Best practice criteria > 0.98, minimum 0.97)
- Slope = 0.98 (Best practice criteria 0.98-1.02, minimum 0.97-1.03)
- Mean offset between 0.11 m/s and 0.15 m/s

### Wind Direction

- R<sup>2</sup> = 0.96 0.97 (Best practice criteria >0.97, minimum >0.95)
- Slope = 0.97 0.99 (Best practice criteria 0.97-1.03, minimum 0.95-1.05)
- Mean offset between 1.5 and 5.8 degrees (Best practice criteria <5 degrees, minimum <10 degrees)</li>





### **SEAWATCH Wind LiDAR Buoy - Approval Pre-commercial**



DNV GL Pre-commercial approval certificate for 2014-2015 validations

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port title:	ASSESSMENT OF THE FUGRO/OCEANOR	Deutsc
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port No.:	GLGH-4257 13 10378-R-0003, Rev. B	

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Task and objective: 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Assessment of an Offshore Performance Verificaton of the Fugro/Oceanor SEAWATCH Wind LiDAR Buoy at RWE IJmuiden Met Mast in the Dutch Northsea Sector

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"An evaluation of the Fugro/Oceanor SWL Buoy floating LiDAR system was completed by comparing its measurements against data from the IEC-compliant IJmuiden met mast. Sufficient data were collected to allow an assessment in line with the Roadmap. In the IJmuiden offshore trial very encouraging results were indeed obtained. DNV GL concludes that the FO SWL Buoy system has demonstrated its capability to produce accurate wind speed and direction data across the range of sea states and meteorological conditions experienced in this trial (i.e. up to about 5.8 m significant wave height and 9.8 m maximum wave height and 10 min averaged wind speeds up to 26 m/s). Furthermore, it has recorded excellent availability throughout the 6 month period and demonstrated structural survivability in the met-ocean conditions present from early spring."



# Seawatch Wind Lidar buoy – Sensors

### PARAMETER

Wave height, period and direction:Current profile and water temperature:Wind speed and direction:Wind speed and direction profile:Air pressure:Air humidity and temperature:Water level (Tide):

MANUFACTURER AND MODEL

Fugro WaveSense 3 Nortek Aquadopp Profiler 600 kHz Gill Windsonic ZephIR 300 Lidar Vaisala PTB330 Vaisala HMP155 Thelma Water Level Sensor



# Seawatch Wind Lidar buoy – Redundancy & backup

#### Power

- 4 independent fuel cells and compartments
- 3 different sources (fuel cells, solar panels, lithium batteries)
- 5-9 months autonomy (most recent version is 9 months)

### **Equipment/Sensors**

- 3 different compasses
- 2 Met stations (1 on the LIDAR + 1 in the mast)

### **Data Collection**

 Raw wind data (10 min average + scanning frequency/pattern of Zephir LiDAR (1 Hz)) stored internally in the LiDAR

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- Raw current data stored internally in the current meter
- Raw wave data stored internally in the wave sensor
- Raw and processed wind data (10 min average + 1 Hz) stored in the datalogger
- All other data stored in the datalogger
- Raw All 10 min data transmitted to shore, in some cases also 1 Hz data

# Seawatch Wind Lidar buoy – Mooring



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# **Quality Assurance**

Of the system and collected metocean data



# **Quality Assurance**

### **Measurement System Quality**

- Offshore Wind Accelerator (Carbon Trust OWA) Type Validated Pre-commercial stage system according to OWA roadmap
- Manufacturing according to ISO standard ISO9001 compliance since 1985, ISO9001:2008
- Factory calibrated sensors LiDAR onshore validated against UK met mast
- Factory Acceptance Test
- OWA Unit Validated Pre-deployment system validation min 40 measurements in each wind class

### **Data Validation**

 Comparison with nearby similar measurements (wind and waves) performed by Deltares

### **Double Measurements**

Comparison between two SWLB as one redundant system



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SeaWatch Wind LIDAR Buoy - Validation process								
Pre- Commercialisation validation	LIDAR Supplier validation	Project validation	Project validation					
OWA Type Validation Approval by DNV GL:	Pre-supply Approved by DNV GL:	OWA Pre-Deployment Approved by DNV GL:	Met, wave and current validations					
(RWE) IJmuiden IEC- compliant met mast comparison	Pershore IEC met mast comparison, UK	Titran, Frøya 2017	Deltares independent validation reports 2017-2019					
2014	Each unit Completed	Completed						
(5.8m Hs 9.8m Hmax)		A	Deltares Enabling Delta Life					

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# Pre/Post - deployment validation site: Titran, Frøya



Positions of SEAWATCH Wind LIDAR Buoy and Land LIDAR at the Island Frøya



# Pre/Post - deployment validation – Titran, Frøya

- Pre- and post validation site approved by DNVGL
- Onshore LIDAR reference at Stabben Fort is established; standard anemometry reference masts (NTNU [Norwegian University of Science & Technology]) available
- More than ten SWLB successfully validated at site since March 2015





### Wind Lidar buoys – pre-deployment validation results

Buoy no	Validation period	No of days	Max WS
WS149	11/3 - 25/3/2015	14 days	25.5 - 31.5 m/s
WS156	1/7 - 29/9/2015	90 days	17.5 - 22.4 m/s
WS157	11/12/2015 - 4/1/2016	24 days	27.6 - 32.2 m/s
WS158	5/4 - 3/5/2016	28 days	18.5 - 23.4 m/s
WS170	2/3 – 21/3/2017	19 days	23.3 – 27.48 m/s

Tabulated results of Pre-deployment validations for all buoys deployed in the measurement programme

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#### WIND SPEED ACCURACY

Overview of linear regression analysis results for wind speed comparisons between the SWL Buoy and the reference Lidar for height 100 m

Buoy no	WS149	WS156	WS157	WS158	WS170
pe (X <sub>mws</sub> )	1.011	1.008	1.014	1.010	1.015
coeff. (R <sup>2</sup> <sub>mws</sub> )	0.994	0.987	0.974	0.985	0.98

#### WIND DIRECTION ACCURACY

Overview of linear regression analysis results for wind direction comparisons between the SWL Buoy and the reference Lidar for height 100 m

Buoy no	WS149	WS156	WS157	WS158	WS170
Slope (X <sub>MWd</sub> )	0.976	0.958	1.005	1.029	0.994
Regr.coeff. (R <sup>2</sup> mwd)	0.981	0.987	0.981	0.992	0.993
Mean offset (OFF <sub>mwd</sub> )	-4.93	-6.82	-3.07	0.43	-1.42



### Wind Lidar buoys – pre-deployment validation results

Mean Offset (OFF<sub>mwd</sub>) accuracy for wind direction (WD) has been a significantly improved from Borssele & HKZ campaigns. Achieved by using a compass of better quality.



Correlation of LIDAR buoy and Land LIDAR for 100 m height (buoy WS158): Wind Speed (left) and Wind Direction (right)

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# Data reports

https://offshorewind.rvo.nl/windwaternh



## Data Set types

#### By month, by location

- Deltares validation reports (PDF)
- Data & descriptive reports (PDF)
- Raw data files (Excel)
- RVO Statement of Compliance

### Outstanding

- Concatenated report for full measurement campaign
- Final validation reports and acceptance



TNW Ancillary Studies

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#### Metocean Campaign - Background

Raw Zephir data HKNB April 10 - December 2 2017 (WS170) Raw Zephir data HKNB December 2 2017 - April 9 2018 (WS140)

Fugro is executing a metocean campaign in Hollandse Kust (noord) Wind Farm Zone to provide meteorological and oceanographic data. The measurement campaign started in April 2017 and will end in April 2019. Validation reports of the measurement system can be found under 'Validation Metocean Campaign'. Available data is quality approved by Deltares and quality checked by Navigant. The monthly reports and monthly datasets are disclosed under 'HKN Metocean Campaign Data & Reports'. Raw (wave) data files are disclosed under 'Metocean campaign 1st year raw data (April 2017 - April 2018).

#### Validation Metocean Campaign Metocean Study (Report) Report - Metocean Study, version March 2019 - DHI Validation reports Metocean campaign, version December 18, 2018 Metocean Study, Appendices E, F and EVA – DHI Metocean Study (Report) **HKN Metocean Campaign Data & Reports** Report - Metocean Study, version March 2019 - DHI Data & Reports - February 2019 - Fugro Metocean Study, Appendices E, F and EVA - DHI Data & Reports - January 2019 - Fugro Data & Reports - December 2018 - Fugro Data & Reports - November 2018 - Fugro Metocean Database HKN Data & Reports - October 2018 - Fugro Data & Reports - September 2018 - Fugro Data & Reports - August 2018 - Fugro The Metocean Data Portal can be accessed through https://www.metocean-on-Data & Reports - July 2018 - Fugro demand.com/. Please open this link in Google Chrome for best performance of the Data & Reports - June 2018 - Fugro Data Portal. Data & Reports - May 2018 - Fugro Data & Reports - April 2018 - Fugro Results inside the Hollandse Kust (noord) Wind Farm Zone (HKN WFZ) provided in Data & Reports - March 2018 - Fugro the Metocean Data Portal are aimed to serve as input for design and certified by Data & Reports - February 2018 - Fugro DNVGL. Data & Reports - January 2018 - Fugro Data & Reports - December 2017 - Fugro Results outside the HKN WFZ are aimed to support feasibility level studies with Data & Reports - November 2017 - Fugro metocean data to be expected on the IJmuiden-Ver, Ten Noorden van de Data & Reports - October 2017 - Fugro Waddeneilanden and Hollandse Kust (west) Wind Farm Zones. No certification body Data & Reports - September 2017 - Fugro is requested to certify the results of the Metocean Data Portal outside the HKN WFZ. Data & Reports - August 2017 - Fugro Data & Reports - July 2017 - Fugro Met. Camp. 1st year raw data (April 2017 - April 2018) Data & Reports - June 2017 - Fugro Data & Reports - May 2017 - Fugro Raw Wave data HKNA Data & Reports - April 2017 - Fugro Raw Zephir data HKNA April 10 - June 10 2017 (WS149) Raw Zephir data HKNA June 11 - August 28 2017 (WS155) Raw Zephir data HKNA September 7 2017 - January 26 2018 (WS156) Raw Zephir data HKNA January 26 - April 10 2018 (WS158) Raw Wave data HKNB



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# **HKN Measurement Summary**

Note: Final report and data submission outstanding: Preliminary discussion only



# **HKN Wind Farm Zone**

HKN wind farm survey and Northwind wake effects study

- Two stations HKNA and HKNB established and maintained throughout the project 2017-2019
- An operational backup system kept ready on shore
- High availability ensured by swapping the operational backup system with an active offshore station
- The active buoy then serviced on-shore and prepared as operational backup ('leap frogging')



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# **HKN Wind Farm Zone – Preliminary Results**

Availability – Downloaded Data (wind speed and direction): comparable with HKZ



Availability - Downloaded Data - Hollandse Kust zuid 2016-17

### HKN Wind Farm Zone – RVO.nl 2017-2019 Preliminary Results

### **Environmental conditions experienced at HKN Wind farm**

Parameter		Value	Date	(HKZ Comparison)
Highest Significant Wave height	m	7.20	Dec 2017	(6.48)
Max wave height	m	10.8	Dec 2017	(10.6)
Highest 10 min Average Wind speed (30 m)	m/s	24.5	Dec 2017	(28.9)
Highest 10 min Average Wind speed (200 m)	m/s	32.8	Dec 2017	(32.3)

HKN total data maxima not yetcollated and presented.HKZ data shown to illustratemeasurement regime capabilities



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# **Operational Experience**

# Reasons for operations





All deployed buoys had their scheduled service visits for refueling but there were a number of occasions we had to perform some emergency response operations.

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December 2017 we received a drift alert that on of our buoys was gone adrift. The buoy was recovered and the spare deployed. Original buoy was serviced and made ready for redeployment.



## Operational Challenges

### Vessels and their challenges

- 16 third party vessel hired
- On average vessels were on hire for 2 days
- Spot market vessel availability is not always guaranteed
- Suitability of vessel equipment was not always guaranteed
- Crew was sometimes unfamiliar with equipment and intended operations









## Operational Challenges

### Maintenance & emergency response operations

- Weather windows were usually narrow (max. 1m wave and 20 knt windspeed)
- Fast-track mobilisation
- Fast-track familiarisation with Fugro HSSE principles
- Fast-track introduction to project specifics
- Lifting operations and guidelines
- Availability of safety equipment on the vessels



### Operational challenges overcome



### Results

- 16 successful operational site visits
  - Suitable vessels available
  - Goals achieved
  - Safe operations: No injuries
  - No or only minor damage to equipment
- Numerous improvements on;
  - Crew safety
  - Equipment
  - Procedures
  - Fast-track of third party hire
  - Communication with authorities





# Data evaluation - Deltares

HKN evaluation outstanding: Comments based upon HKZ review





# **HKN – Deltares Field Data Validation**

### **HKNA and HKNB observations validated**

Wind, waves, air and water temperature, air pressure, water levels and currents validated with reliable sources in the North Sea (anemometer, LiDAR, hydrodynamic model, etc).

### References

Seawatch LIDAR buoy Intercomparison with LEG, IJmuiden, EPL, K13 and Q11.

Assessed quantitatively

General characteristics — eg: the vertical profiles of the wind and current speeds — are also qualitatively assessed.



![](_page_38_Picture_8.jpeg)

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Example parameter list and transmitted availability - January 2019 Credit: Deltares

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# HKN – Field Data Validation - Wind

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![](_page_40_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_40_Figure_4.jpeg)

HKNA, HKNB Wind Speed & Direction vs reference stations: EPL, LEG, K13.

Shows very strong correlation

Wind roses January 2019 Credit: Deltares

![](_page_40_Picture_8.jpeg)

# HKN – SWLB Wind Intercomparison

![](_page_41_Picture_1.jpeg)

		Wind Speed						Direction	
Elev. (m)	$r^{2}$ (-)	r (-)	Bias	Sym.	n <b>(-)</b>	r <sup>2</sup> (-)	r (-)	Bias	n <b>(-)</b>
			(m/s)	Slope (-)				(°N)	
4	0.98	0.99	0.09	1.01	3944	0.98	0.99	-1.1	3944
30	0.99	0.99	0.04	1.00	3370	0.95	0.97	4.2	3368
40	0.99	1.00	0.04	1.00	3370	0.95	0.97	4.1	3362
60	0.99	1.00	0.03	1.00	3370	0.95	0.97	4.2	3364
80	0.99	1.00	0.02	1.00	3369	0.95	0.97	4.3	3366
100	0.99	1.00	0.04	1.00	3365	0.95	0.97	4.2	3363
120	0.99	1.00	0.04	1.00	3363	0.95	0.97	4.2	3361
140	0.99	1.00	0.03	1.00	3364	0.95	0.97	4.2	3361
160	0.99	1.00	0.03	1.00	3363	0.95	0.97	4.3	3360
180	0.99	1.00	0.03	1.00	3363	0.95	0.97	4.4	3357
200	0.99	1.00	0.05	1.00	3364	0.95	0.97	4.3	3362

Intercomparison HKNA vs HKNB January 2019 Credit: Deltares

![](_page_41_Picture_4.jpeg)

# HKN – SWLB Wave Intercomparison

![](_page_42_Picture_1.jpeg)

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![](_page_42_Figure_2.jpeg)

Transmitted Wave Spectra January 2019 Credit: Deltares

![](_page_42_Figure_4.jpeg)

HKNA vs HKNB Wave Height & Direction: very strong correlation

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Parameter	Unit	r <sup>2</sup> (-)	r (-)	Bias (unit)	Symmetrical Slope (-)	n (-)
hm0	m	0.99	0.99	0.01	1.00	4017
tp	S	0.69	0.83	-0.01	1.00	4017
mdir	°N	0.95	0.98	1.89	1.00	4017
hm0a	m	0.98	0.99	0.01	1.01	4017
hm0b	m	0.98	0.99	0.00	1.00	4017
hmax	m	0.92	0.96	-0.01	0.99	4017
mdira	°N	0.16	0.41	1.92	1.00	4017
mdirb	°N	0.95	0.98	1.62	1.00	4017
tm01	S	0.98	0.99	-0.01	1.00	4017
tm02	S	0.98	0.99	-0.01	1.00	4017
tm02a	S	0.78	0.89	-0.02	1.00	4017
tm02b	S	0.97	0.99	-0.01	1.00	4017

# HKN – DCSMv6 Currents and tides validation

![](_page_43_Picture_1.jpeg)

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Figure 7.2: DCSMv6-ZUNOv4 model bathymetry (via Google Earth).

![](_page_43_Figure_4.jpeg)

Credit: Deltares

![](_page_43_Picture_6.jpeg)

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# **Closing Remarks**

# **HKN Deltares Validation Assessment**

![](_page_45_Picture_1.jpeg)

The overall conclusion of the validation is that the quality of the HKNA and HKNB data is high and the dataset trustworthy.

This makes the dataset, which is rather comprehensive, including vertical wind and current profiles and directional wave spectra, relatively useful and of interest for site study analyses.

For instance, for wind assessment studies, morphodynamics and metocean desk studies and in particular for the Hollandse Kust (noord) Wind Farm Zone.

![](_page_45_Picture_5.jpeg)

# **HKZ Measurements (Deltares)**

### Not yet performaned for HKN Wind farm – pending final data submission

### Summary:

- The agreement between the LiDAR buoys and the wind and wave observations from fixed platforms is relatively high, especially when considering the closest locations, LEG, EPL and IJmuiden.
- Comparisons between the HKZA and HKZB LiDAR wind velocities at all levels show low bias, good wind speed correlations and slopes close to 1
- wind direction correlations also close to 1 at the lower levels, but slightly lower at higher levels.
- The validation of the temperature, air pressure, water level and current data also show an excellent agreement between the HKZ observations and other observations,
- in the case of currents and water levels also excellent agreement with model results.

The overall conclusion of the validation is that the quality of the HKZA and HKZB data is high and the dataset trustworthy.

### High confidence for the same conclusions for HKN Wind farm

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# Thank you for your time

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