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Evaluation of port facilities for transport operations of widmills components

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600 training programmes



50 International Shipping companies



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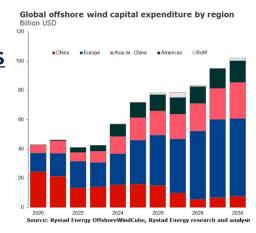


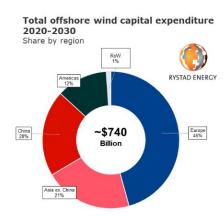
Introduction



Offshore wind

- ▶ Very <u>specific industry</u>, strong growth and <u>great expectations</u>
- **▶** Efficiency improvement
- ► Large volume elements
- ► Transportation challenge
 - ► Inland transport
 - ► Waterborne transport

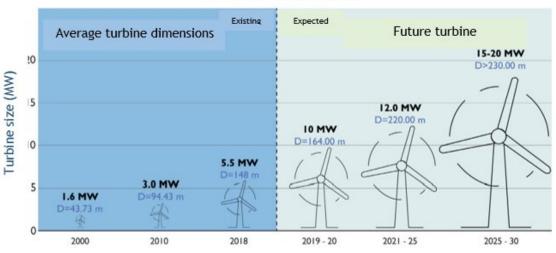








Offshore Wind Energy



Introduction



Port infrastructure and fairways

- ► Large areas (storage and handling)
- ► Large volume components
- ► Facilities and equipment for handling <u>high loads</u>







- ► Mooring and loading
 - **▶** Procedures
 - ► Loading / unloading operations
 - **▶** Operational limits



- ► Compatible navigable and manoeuvring areas
- ► Additional manoeuvring assistance (tugs)



Introduction



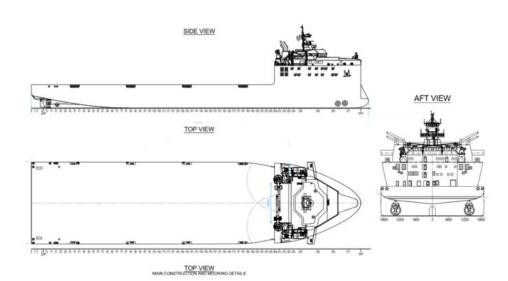
Heavy lift vessels

- \blacktriangleright L/B \rightarrow 3.8-4.5
- ► Large draft variation (16 m)
- ► Exposed to large loads (75.000 t)
- ► Loading process

Flo-Flo / Ro-Ro / skidd on

▶ Propulsion: azimuth propellers (2) + bow thruster







Assessment



Access conditions of vessels to port areas - Methodology

► Concept design (empirical formulation ROM 3.1-99 / PIANC 121 - 2014) 🙆



► Numerical model with Autopilot + safety margins



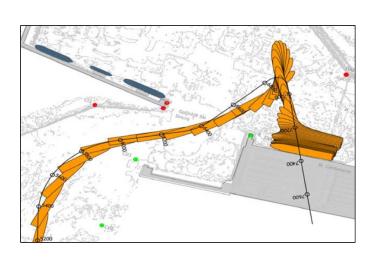
► Real Time Simulator (RTS)

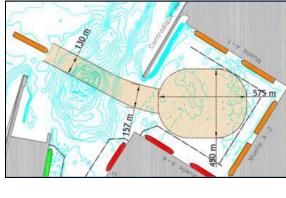


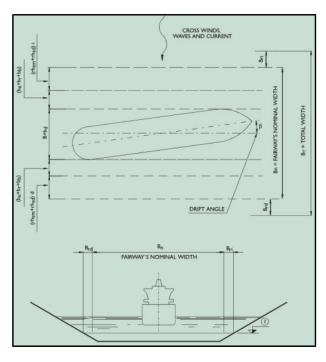












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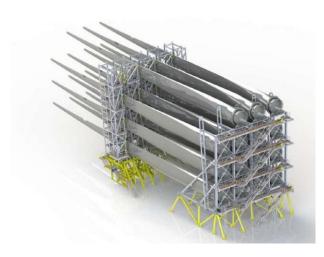


Loading /unloading process

- ► Relative movements between vessel and cargo → Limited movements
- ► Stowage process → Control loads
- ► Grillage and sea fastening
- ▶ Passing ships effects when loading / unloading





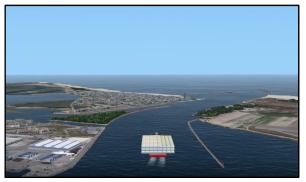


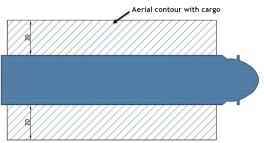




- 1. REQUIRED AERIAL & NAVIGABLE AREA FOR SAFE MANOEUVRES
- 2. ACCESS LIMITS
- 3. TUG REQUIREMENT
- ► Access channel with limited width (straight and curved sections)
- ► Wide sheltered manoeuvring area with other nearby terminals
- Wind (20 kn) + waves (Hs = 2.5 m open sea) + river discharge current (1.5 kn) (river + tide)
- ► Heavy lift vessel 173 x 42 x 5.5 m
- ► Manoeuvres to / from the offshore berth in the port
 - ► Approaches without cargo
 - ▶ Departures with cargo cargo stacked along and across the vessel length extended beyond the beam up to 20 m





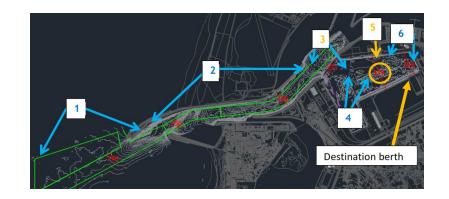




PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT (Required area and Critical points)

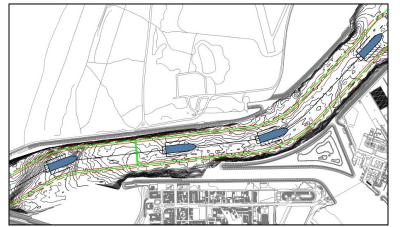
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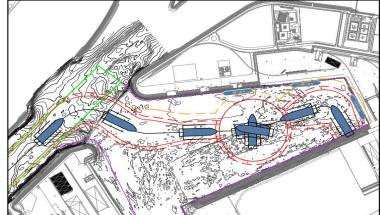
- 1. Outer channel. Straight section
- 2. Inner channel. Curved section
- 3. Basin access. Curved section
- 4. Basin
- 5. Turning area
- 6. Astern navigation and berthing





$$W = W_{BM} + \sum W_i + W_{BR} + W_{BG} = W_M + W_{BR} + W_{BG}$$





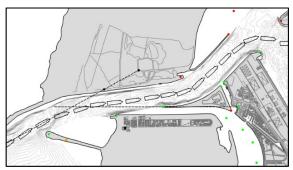
Area		Hydrodynamic (44 m)	Aerial (84 m)
1	Outer channel	140.8 m	180.8 m
2	Inner channel	128.8 m	168.8 m
3	<u>Basin</u> entrance	156.7 m	196.7 m
4	Basin	83.6 m + 44 m (pt side)	123.6 m + 44 m (<u>pt side</u>)
5	Turning area	360.0 m* + 44 m (bow)	360.0 m + 44 m (bow) & 400.0 m (Stern)*
6	Approach to berth (astern)	191.0 m + 44 m (stb side)	231.0 m + 44 m (stb side)

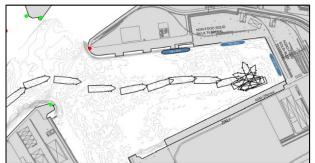


DETAILED ASSESSMENT

Real Time Simulator

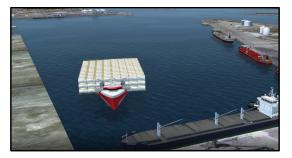
- ► Operational limits (wind, waves & current)
- ► Best manoeuvring strategies
- ▶ Human factor
- ▶ AtoN
- ► Tug requirements
- ► Required aerial / navigable area (statistical analysis <-> risk level) → Interferences

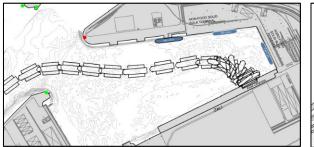


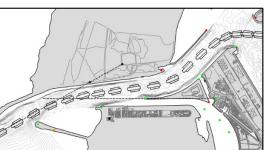








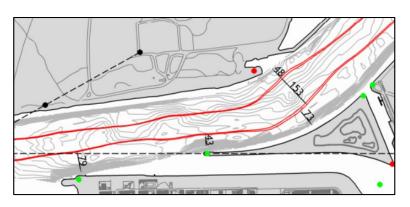


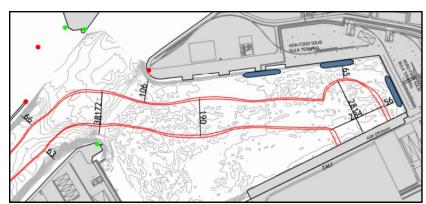


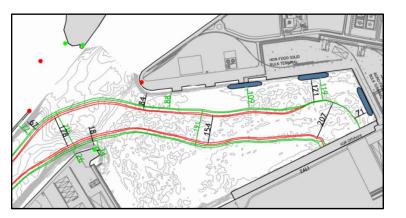


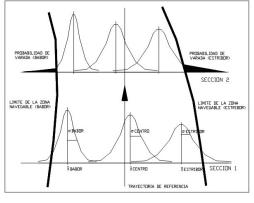
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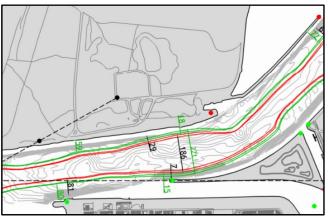
- ► Statistical analysis (Normal distribution (p + ci)) of the enveloped of repeated manoeuvres <-> Risk level)
- ► Detailed required aerial and navigable area











Summary



- ▶ Offshore wind industry → Opportunity
- Strong growth
- Creation and adaptation of facilities and shipyards
- Specific analysis and studies to guarantee safe operations
 - ▶ Nautical studies
 - ► Loading /unloading operations
 - ► Grillage and sea fastening
 - **....**





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