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development plans 2024:  
Atlantic Offshore Grid

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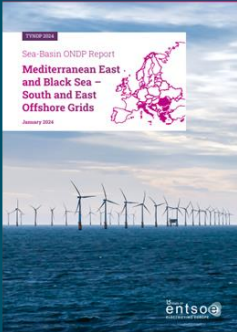
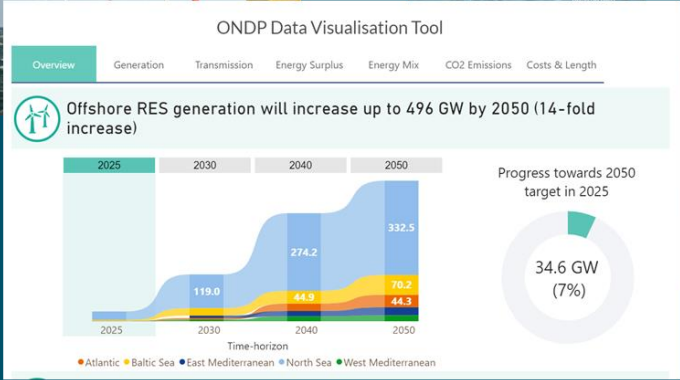
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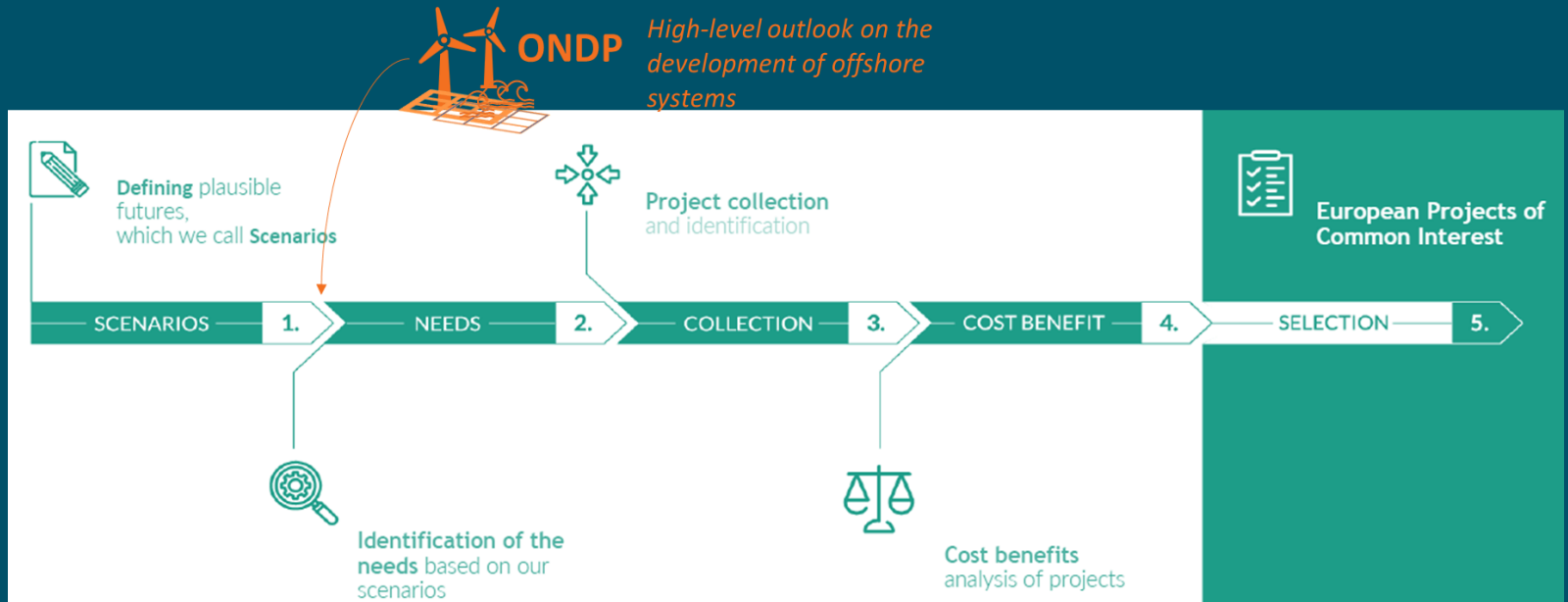
# Introduction

# ONPD launch



# The ONPD in the TYNDP

# Offshore Network Development Plans (ONDPs) in the TYNDP



# 2030-2040-2050 offshore MS's non-binding targets

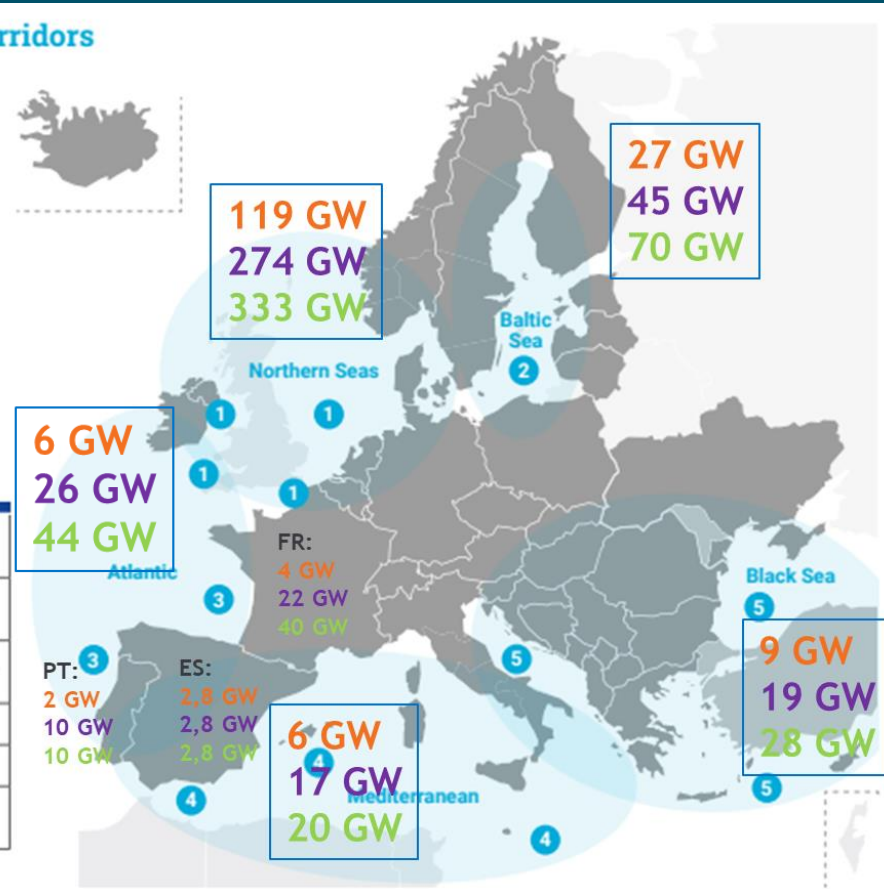
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## Priority Offshore Grid Corridors

- 1 Northern Seas Offshore Grids (NSOG)
- 2 Baltic Energy Market Interconnection Plan (BEMIP offshore)
- 3 Atlantic Offshore Grids (AOG)
- 4 South and West Offshore Grids (SW offshore)
- 5 South and East Offshore Grids (SE offshore)

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| TEN-E Priority Offshore Grid Corridors | Countries involved             |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 1. NSOG                                | BE, DK, FR, DE, IE, LU; NL, SE |
| 2. BEMIP offshore                      | DK, EE, FI, DE, LT, LV, PL, SE |
| 3. AOG                                 | FR, IE, PT, ES                 |
| 4. SW offshore                         | FR, GR, IT, MT, PT, ES         |
| 5. SE offshore                         | BG, CY, HR, GR, IT, RO, SI     |

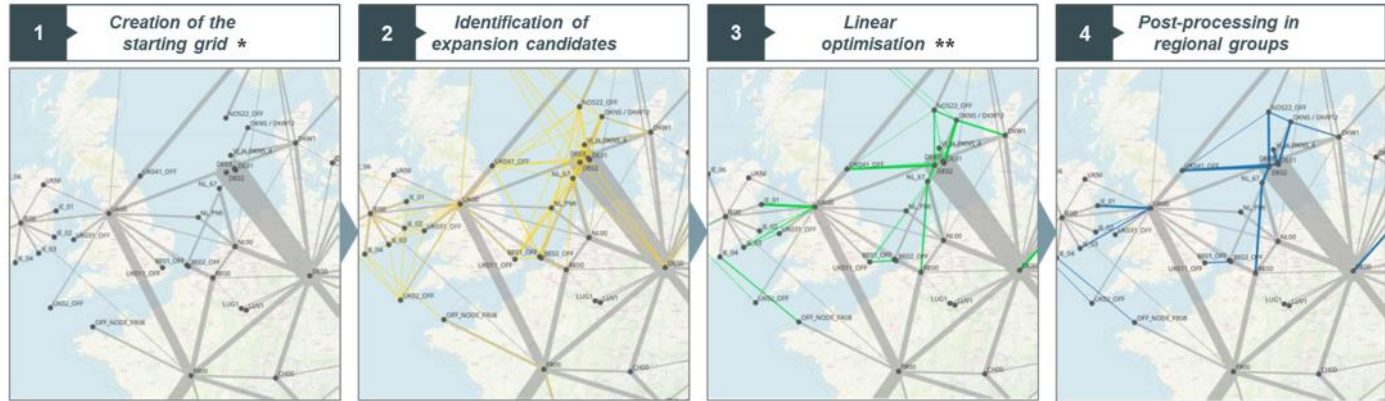




# The ONPD Approach and Main Findings

# The ONDP Approach, summarized in four steps

## Schematic Visualisation:



\* 2030 for 2040  
2040 for 2050

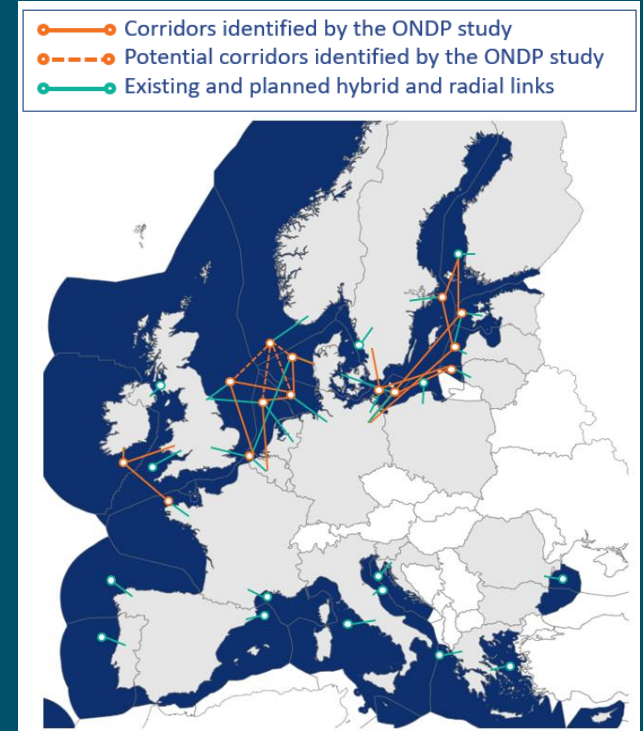
\*\* minimize TOTEX

\*\*\* check plausibility and adjust

# Up to 1 out of 7 GW will be connected via Offshore Hybrid Corridors

The future European offshore transmission system will be a combination of radial offshore RES connections, classical point-to-point interconnections, offshore hybrid projects combining both functions and multi-purpose solutions integrating energy sectors

Hybrid corridors will progressively grow to link to up to 14% of offshore RES in 2050



# Benefits and challenges of offshore corridor development

## Energy Security Increase

Resulting from cross-border interconnections and increased redundancy

## Price-convergence

Hybrid corridors would contribute to reduce price difference between market nodes

## Better utilisation of offshore RES

Hybrid corridors reduce green energy surplus and help to avoid up to 5 to 8 Mton CO<sub>2</sub>



## System risk

e.g. comply with reference incident measures as stated in network codes and guidelines

## Operational challenges

No experience yet with operation of HVDC systems.

## Offshore RES development

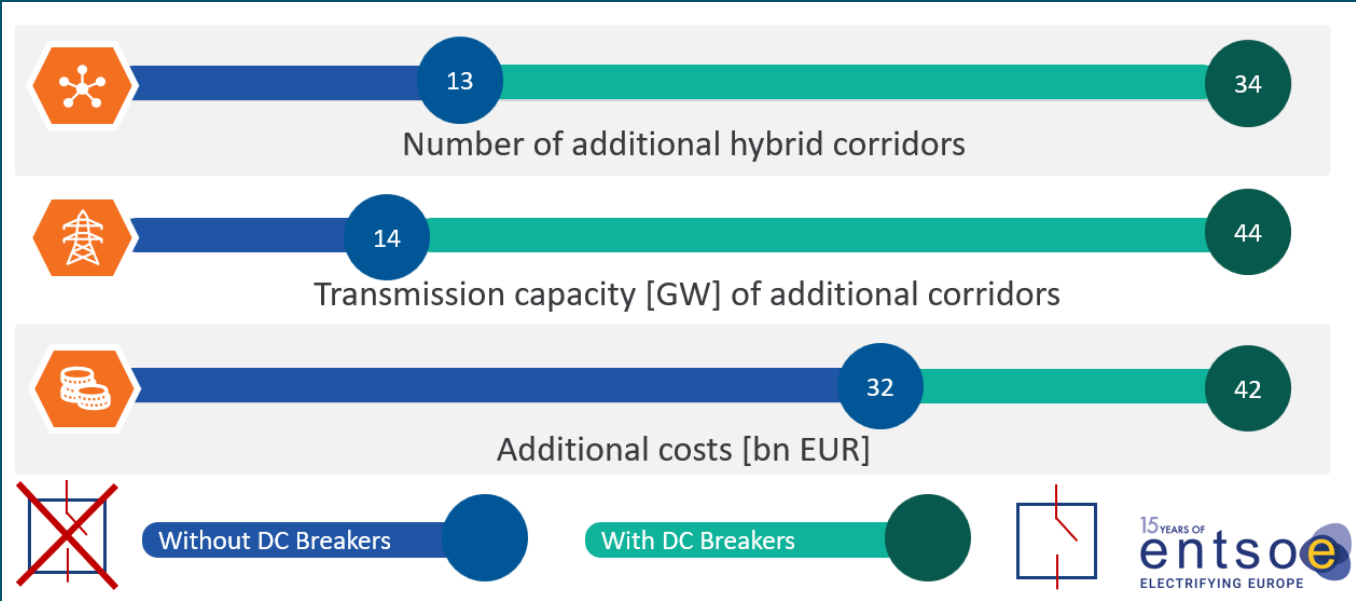
is at risk in case coordination across multiple actors fails - complex coordination is decisive

## & General challenges with

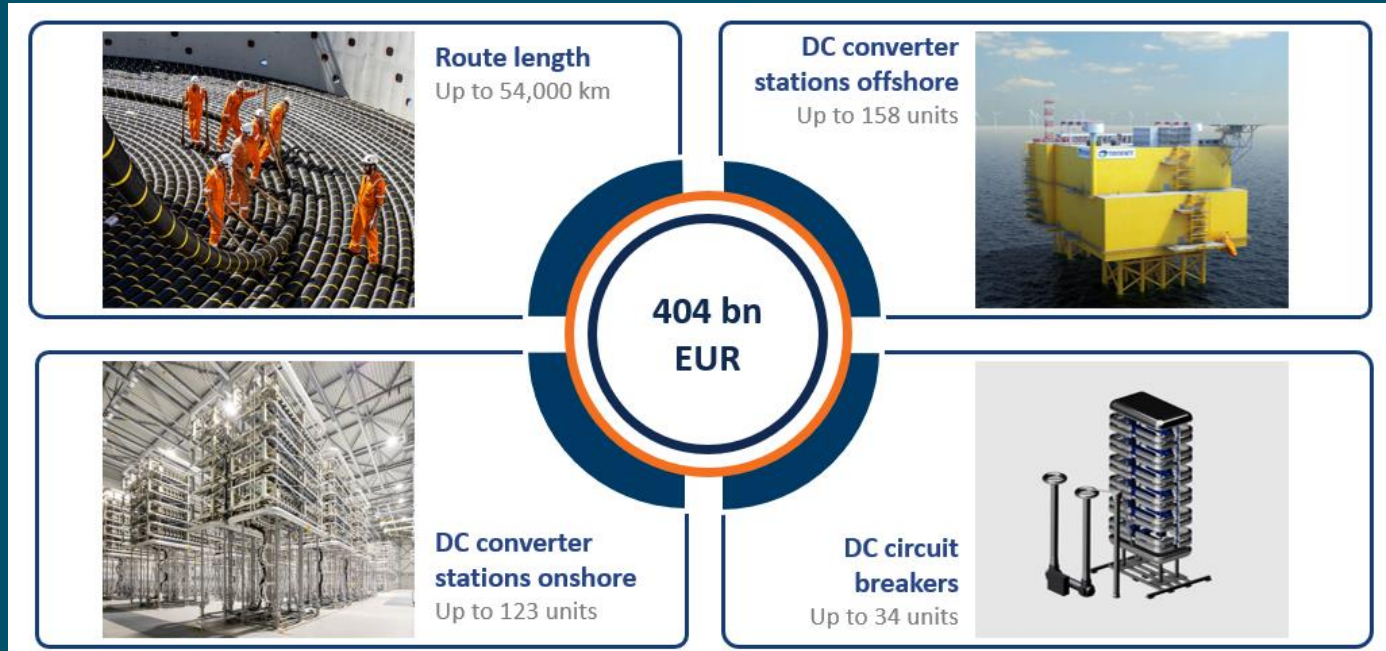
- Infrastructure supply chain (incl. workforce)
- Ports availability
- Environmental impact
- Flexibility

# DC Circuit Breakers: A major technological Breakthrough

With a total cost increase of only 3%, DC breakers allow to address the equivalent of 50% of the interconnection needs identified in TYNDP 2022 (up from 16% without DC breakers).



# TSOs need to invest 404bn EUR by 2050



# AOG – Atlantic Offshore Grid



# Sea Basin ONDP – Atlantic Offshore Grids – Corridor

## Who we are

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| Applying upper limits |              |              |              | TSO data status 6.4.2023 |             |              |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| MS 28.1.2023 (GW)     | 2030         | 2040         | 2050         | ONDP Data [GW]           | 2030        | 2040         | 2050         |
| ES                    | 1.56         | 1.56         | 1.56         | ES                       | 1.40        | 1.40         | 1.40         |
| FR                    | 1.70         | 7.50         | 16.50        | FR                       | 1.76        | 7.86         | 17.86        |
| IE                    | 0.5 - 1      | 7.00         | 15.00        | IE                       | 0.50        | 7.00         | 15.00        |
| PT                    | 10.00        | 10.00        | 10.00        | PT                       | 2.00        | 10.00        | 10.00        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>14.26</b> | <b>26.06</b> | <b>43.06</b> | <b>Total</b>             | <b>5.66</b> | <b>26.26</b> | <b>44.26</b> |



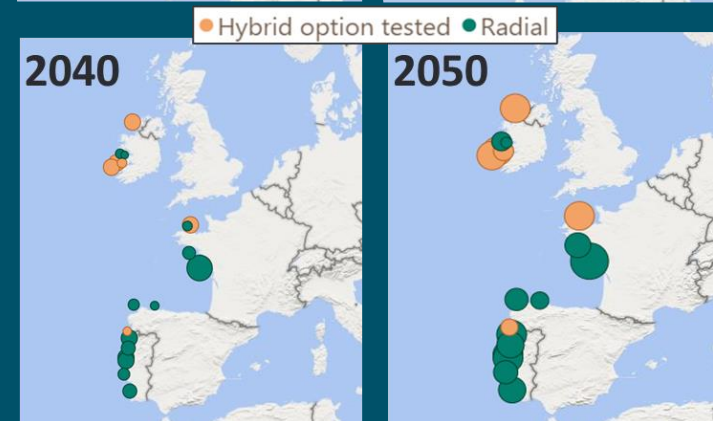
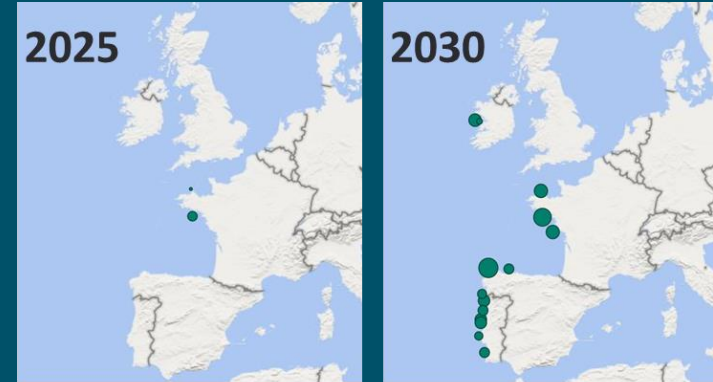
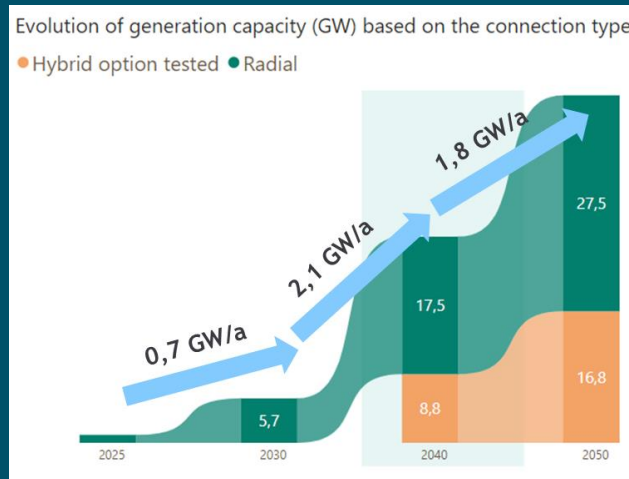
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# Evolution of offshore wind capacity in the Atlantic sea basin

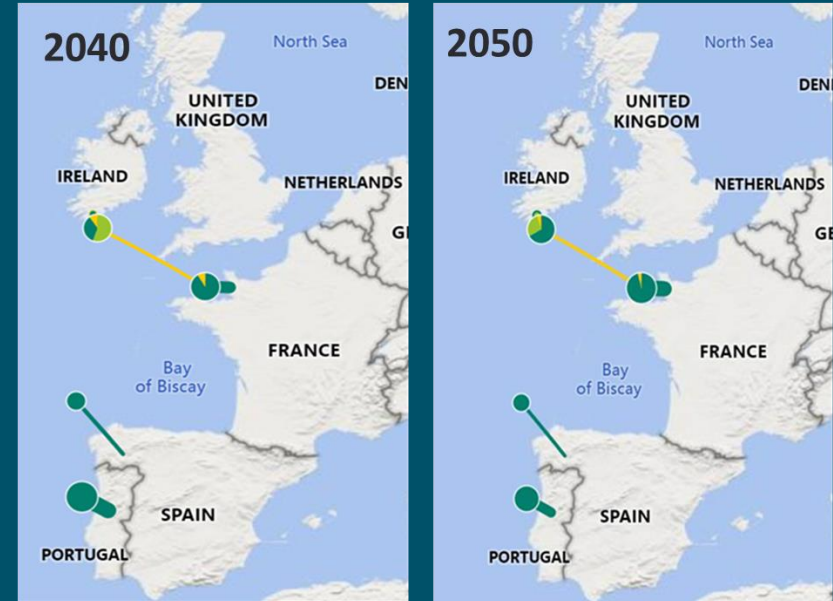
Capacities based on the Non-binding targets from the EU Member States.

From radial connections in 2030 to first hybrid projects by 2040 and 2050.



# Main findings

- One hybrid corridor between Ireland and France, (500 km, and 700 MW) located in north Britany in France and Celtic Sea in Ireland.
- Only a small number of candidates in the Atlantic offshore grids corridor has been tested, so other corridors may emerge in future studies.
- Floating technology represents an alternative for the Atlantic offshore grids corridor which often features deep water sites.
- The importance of Maritime Spatial Planning: allows a more optimal use of maritime space, reducing conflicts, as well as enhancing coexistence and synergies.



Transmission corridors in 2040

● Radial connection ● Existing and planned hybrid connections ● ONDP expanded hybrid corridors

# Marine Spatial Planning -> Environmental Impact and Other Use

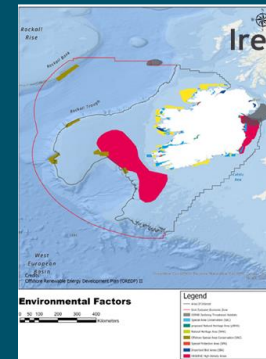
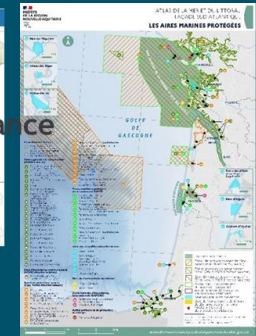
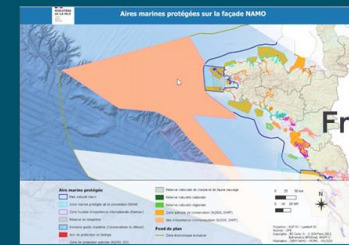
Two chapters dedicated to Marine Spatial Planning

**France:** South Atlantic and North Atlantic Basin Strategy documents approved in 2019 -> will be updated in 2024

**Ireland:** NSEC study -> to be published in Autumn 2023. National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF), was approved by the Government of Ireland in 2021

**Portugal:** adopted its Maritime Spatial Plan, the “Plano de Situação do Ordenamento do Espaço Marítimo Nacional (PSOEM)”, corresponding to the subdivision of the mainland, the subdivision of Madeira and the subdivision of the Extended Continental Shelf in December 2019

**Spain:** adopted its maritime spatial plan, the Planes de Ordenación del Espacio Marítimo (POEM), in February 2023.



# Marine Spatial Planning -> Environmental Impact and Other Use

- Offshore wind development must be done without affecting the landscape and cultural heritage integrity -> protection of the marine environment and recognising the potential for co-existence with other maritime activities.
- Offshore development needs to take into account protected areas -> environmental impact assessment (birdlife, wildlife studies, characterization of the marine habitats affected by the project acoustic study, analysis of the fishing activity and tourism).
- The routes to land for generation, will be designed to minimise the marine space occupied, using whenever possible existing wiring traces or other pre-existing infrastructures on the seabed, avoiding affecting habitats of community interest and respecting the environmental and terrestrial plans.

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