
Realizing the Far and Large Offshore Wind Innovation Program (FLOW)



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- A. Vision and objectives:** FLOW is instrumental to realizing the Netherlands' renewable energy goals, and will create sustainable, knowledge intensive employment

The Founding Fathers of FLOW represent essential parts of the offshore wind energy value chain – other partners can join

Founding Fathers of the FLOW consortium

WIND FARM
DEVELOPMENT
AND OPERATION



ELECTRICAL SYSTEM
AND GRID INTEGRATION



OFFSHORE ENGINEERING,
CONSTRUCTION
AND MAINTENANCE



VESSELS AND EQUIPMENT FOR
OFFSHORE INSTALLATION AND
FOUNDATIONS



WIND TURBINE
DESIGN AND
MANUFACTURING



WIND ENERGY
R&D



Far-offshore wind energy is indispensable for realizing the Netherlands' renewable energy goals

Dutch renewable energy goals 2020

- Target 2020: **CO₂ reduction of 30%** compared to 1990
- Realizing the target includes a requirement of **20% renewable energy**
- Towards 2020 **6,000 MW offshore wind energy**

Far-offshore (>50-60 km) wind energy is indispensable

- Considering the interests of other users, near shore locations (<50-60 km off-coast, <30 m water depth) can only accommodate ~3,000 MW¹⁾? Limiting factors are:
 - Special areas
 - Oil and gas platforms
 - Shipping routes
- Far-offshore locations offer room for more than 10,000 MW with the least impact on other users and the environment



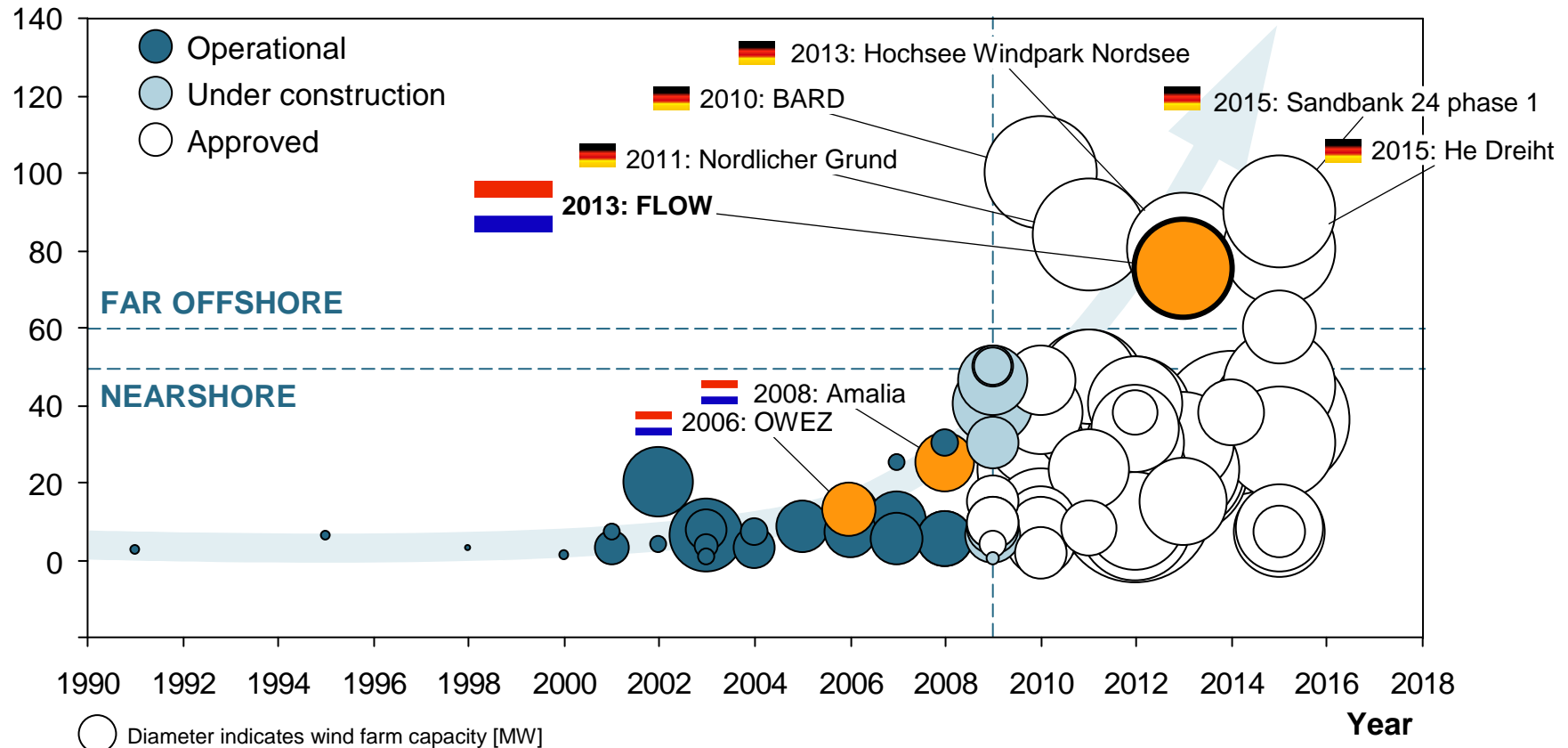
1) Scenario 2 in DNV report "Identification of Suitable Sea Areas for Wind Farms with Respect to Shipping and Safety, The Netherlands", which includes a.o. limitations by shipping routes (no rerouting), ship approach to ports, oil and gas installations, present nature reserve areas, military zones

If we act now, we can be among the leaders in far-offshore wind energy – to date, no far-offshore wind farms are operational

Europe – Distance to shore/year

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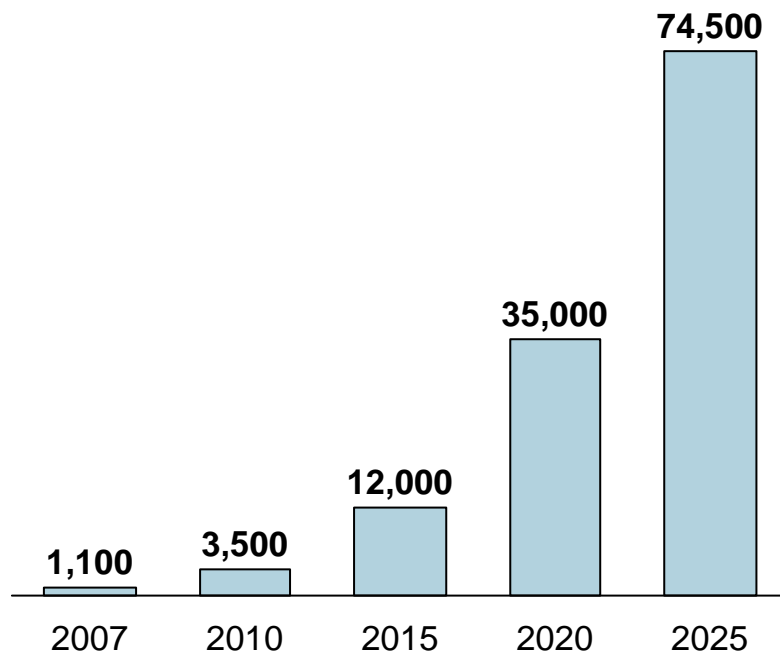
Distance to shore (KM)



A strong Dutch value chain, combined with our ideal location, can claim a large market share in a rapidly developing new sector

Total installed offshore capacity in Europe [MW] will increase according to EWEA reference scenario

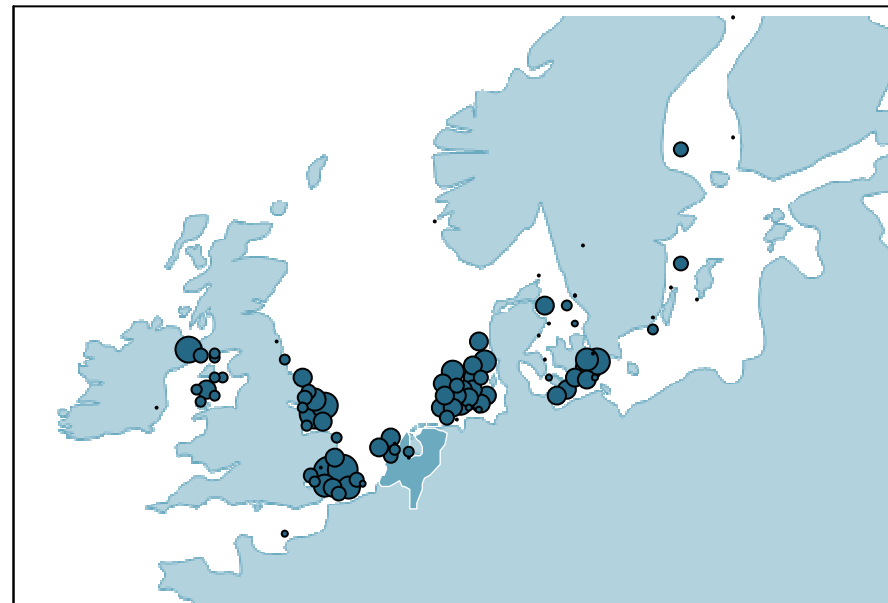
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Ideal location of the Netherlands among the most important offshore wind energy countries

Expected commissioning before 2015

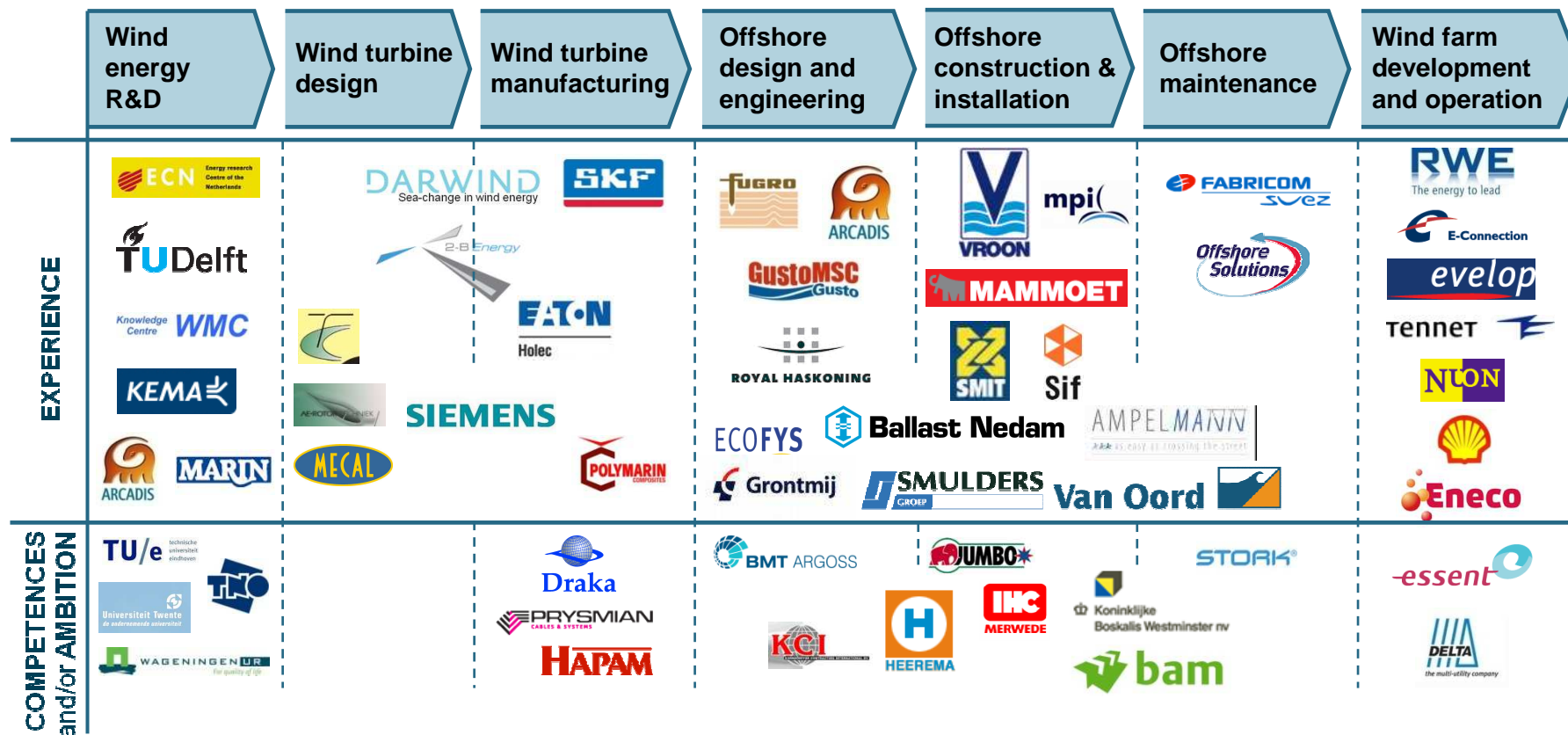
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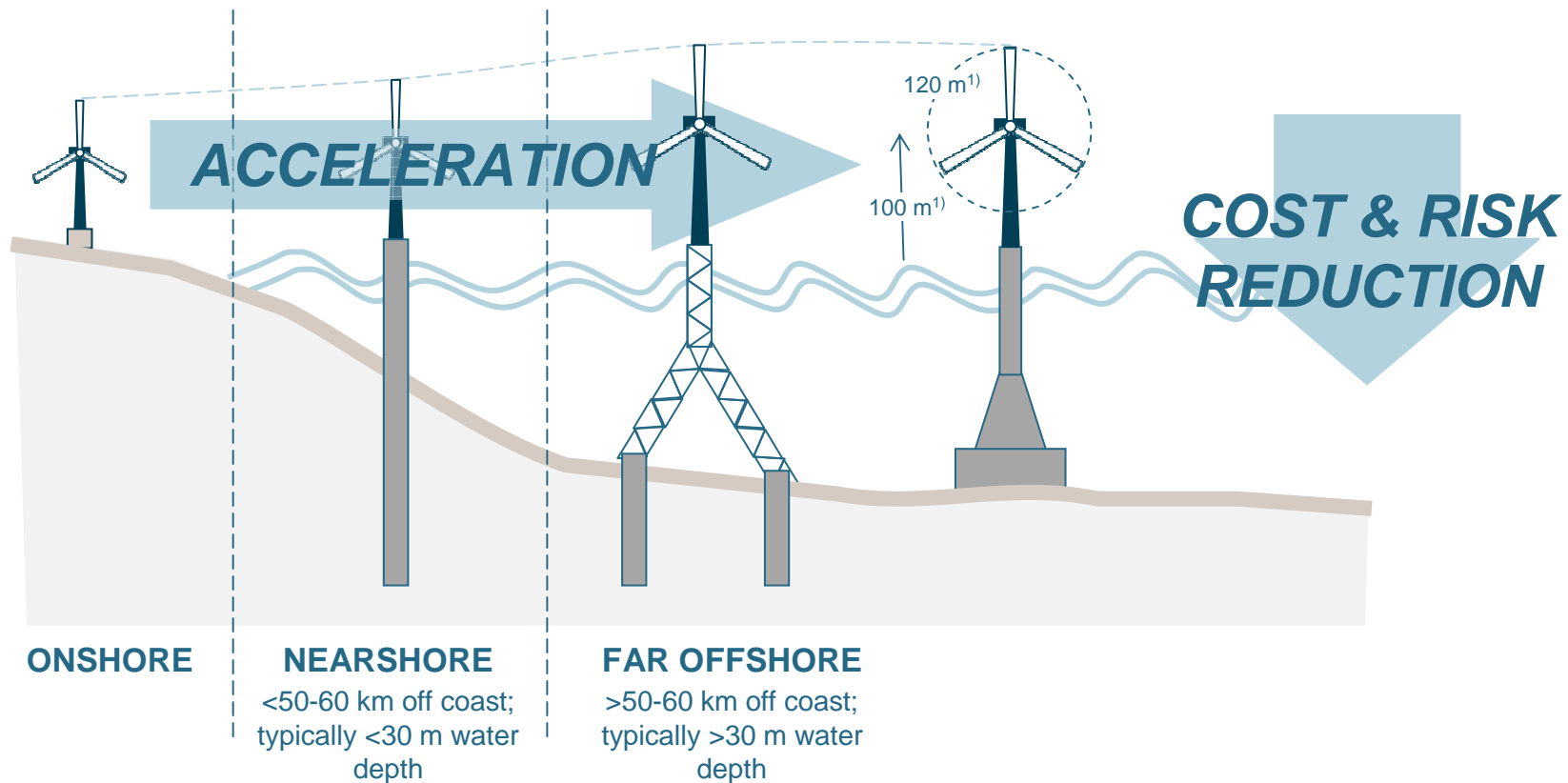
The Netherlands has the potential to develop a very strong offshore wind energy value chain

Offshore wind energy value chain (under development)

NON-EXHAUSTIVE



FLOW aims to accelerate far-offshore wind energy and to reduce the associated costs and risks

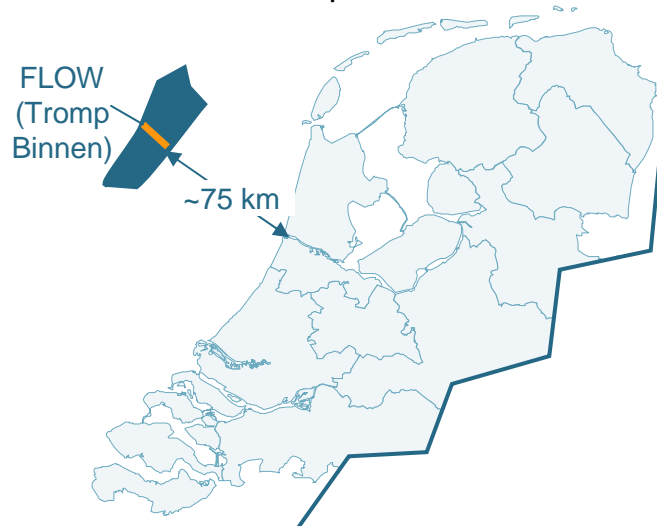


1) Typical dimensions of a 5 MW offshore wind turbine

Deliverables of FLOW are the realization of a demo wind farm far offshore by Q3 2013 and > 20% cost/kWh reduction by 2015

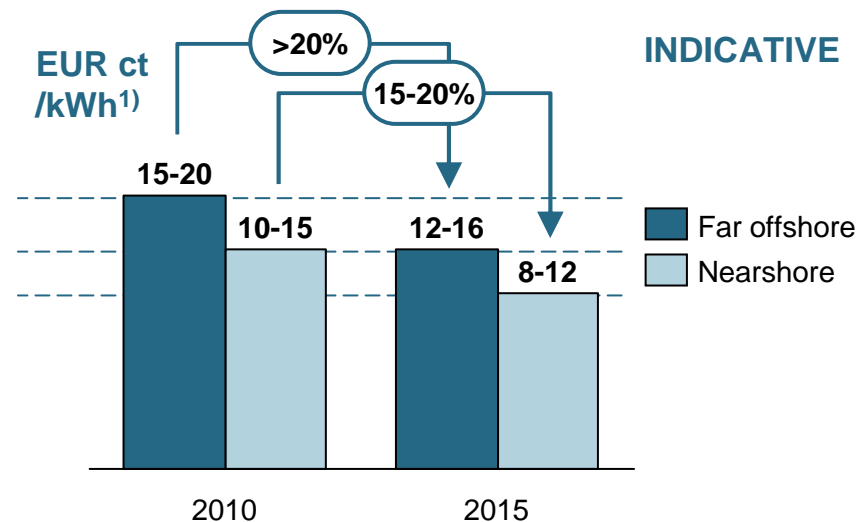
Deliverable 1 – Acceleration: FLOW demo wind farm operational by Q3 2013

- Demonstration wind farm to build knowledge and competence:
 - 20-60 turbines of 5-6 MW
 - >50-60 km offshore
 - >30 m water depth



Deliverable 2 – Cost and risk reduction: Cost/kWh reduction of 20% by 2015

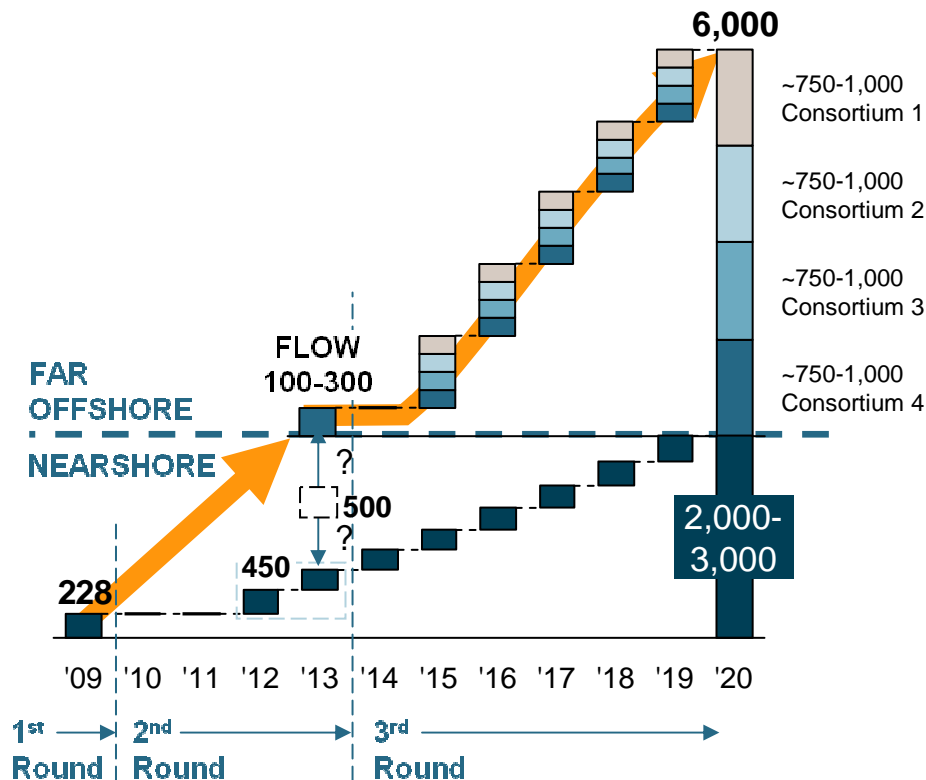
- Same cost reduction target as nearshore wind energy, but in more difficult conditions (>50-60 km offshore, >30 m water depth), reducing the economic gap between nearshore and far-offshore wind energy through development of far-offshore competences



1) Total cost of energy (including grid connection costs) in line with ECN study for SDE in Second Round

The 6,000 MW of offshore capacity will be installed in large tranches and by several different consortia

Capacity increase through 2020 [MW]

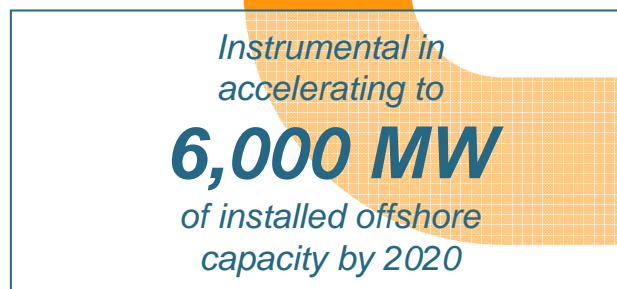
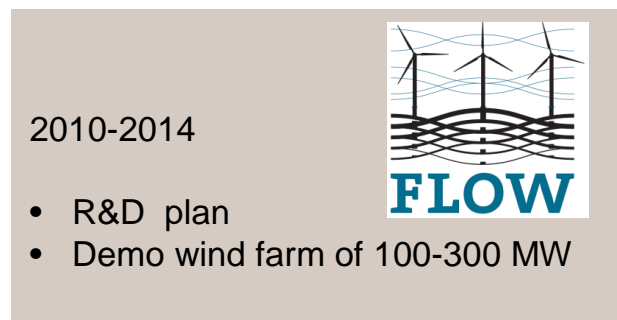


Comments

- **The Dutch government aims to realize 6,000 MW in offshore wind energy by 2020**
 - 228 MW realized in the 1st Round
 - 450 MW will be realized in the 2nd Round
 - 5,000 MW will need to be realized in a 3rd Round, of which ~3,000-4,000 MW will need to be built far offshore
- **FLOW will accelerate the realization of far-offshore wind energy to reach the 6,000 MW goal by 2020 – other consortia will also benefit**
 - FLOW far-offshore knowledge will result in cost and risk reduction required for large-scale investments in the 3rd Round
 - If knowledge building does not start until the 3rd Round, the 6,000 MW target will not be attained by 2020
 - Other consortia will also benefit from knowledge built in FLOW
- **The Dutch government decided to install an additional 500 MW in the 2nd Round – location (near/far-offshore) to be decided**

FLOW directly creates jobs – indirect benefits include savings on governmental wind energy funding and the creation of additional jobs through market leadership of Dutch companies

INDICATIVE



1 DIRECT BENEFITS

- **400-1,000 FTE/year¹⁾** from 2010-2014, depending on the FLOW demo wind farm size and the involvement of companies in the Netherlands in the production/installation of the FLOW demo wind farm

2 INDIRECT BENEFITS

- **~EUR 1.0 – 1.5 billion¹⁾** in savings on governmental wind energy funding from 2015-2030
- **~10-15,000 additional FTE¹⁾** creation by 2020, depending on the European market share of companies in the Netherlands
- **~ 4-5 Megaton CO₂** emission reduction/year²⁾

1) Rough estimates by FLOW, based on EWEA studies, etc.

2) Acceleration from 3 .000 to 6.000 MW leads to 3,9 Megaton CO₂ emission reduction/year, based on ECN calculation method, and on average CO₂ emission of 0,6 kg per kWh; adding the international acceleration through FLOW leads to rough indication of 4-5 Megaton

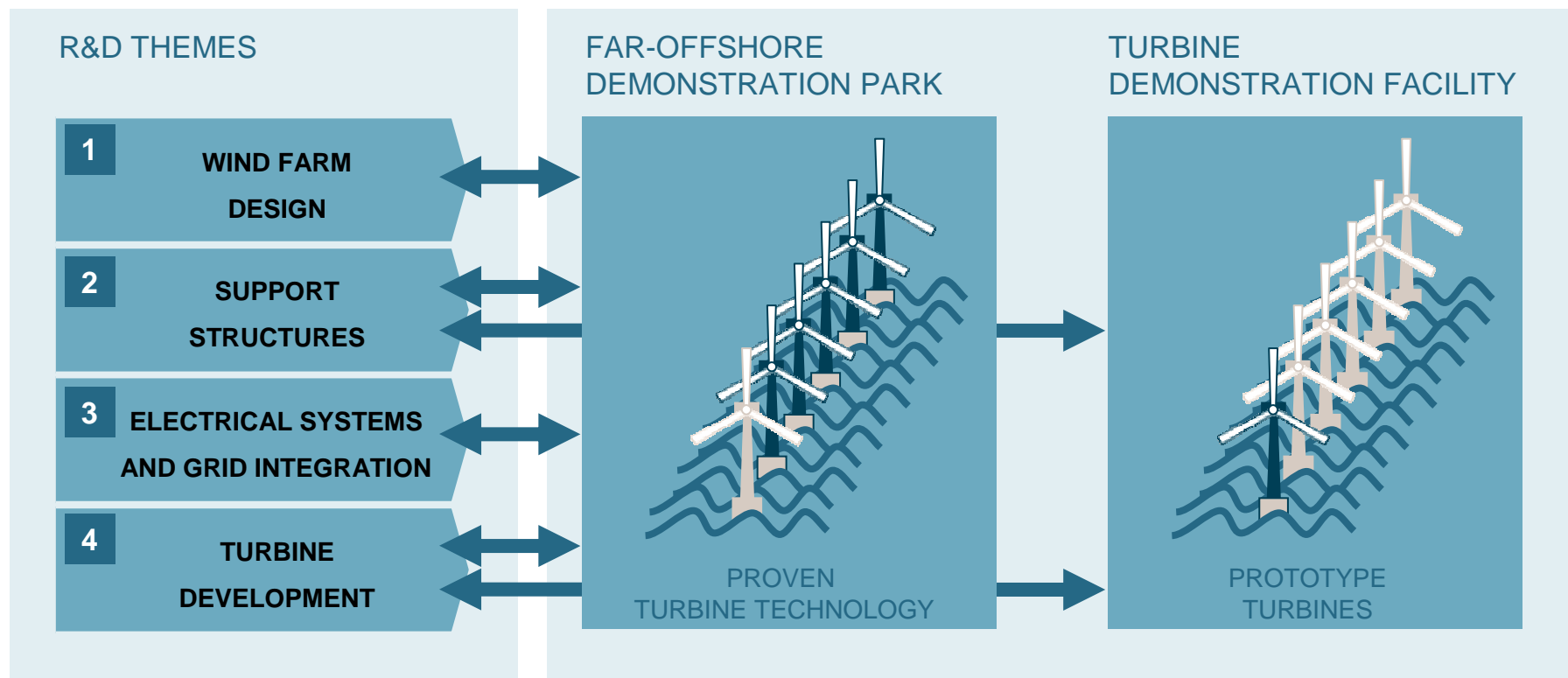
B. Activities: FLOW will consist of an R&D plan and a demo wind farm far offshore, and will require significant public-private funding

FLOW's R&D plan will develop technology and innovative concepts that will directly be demonstrated in the demo wind farm

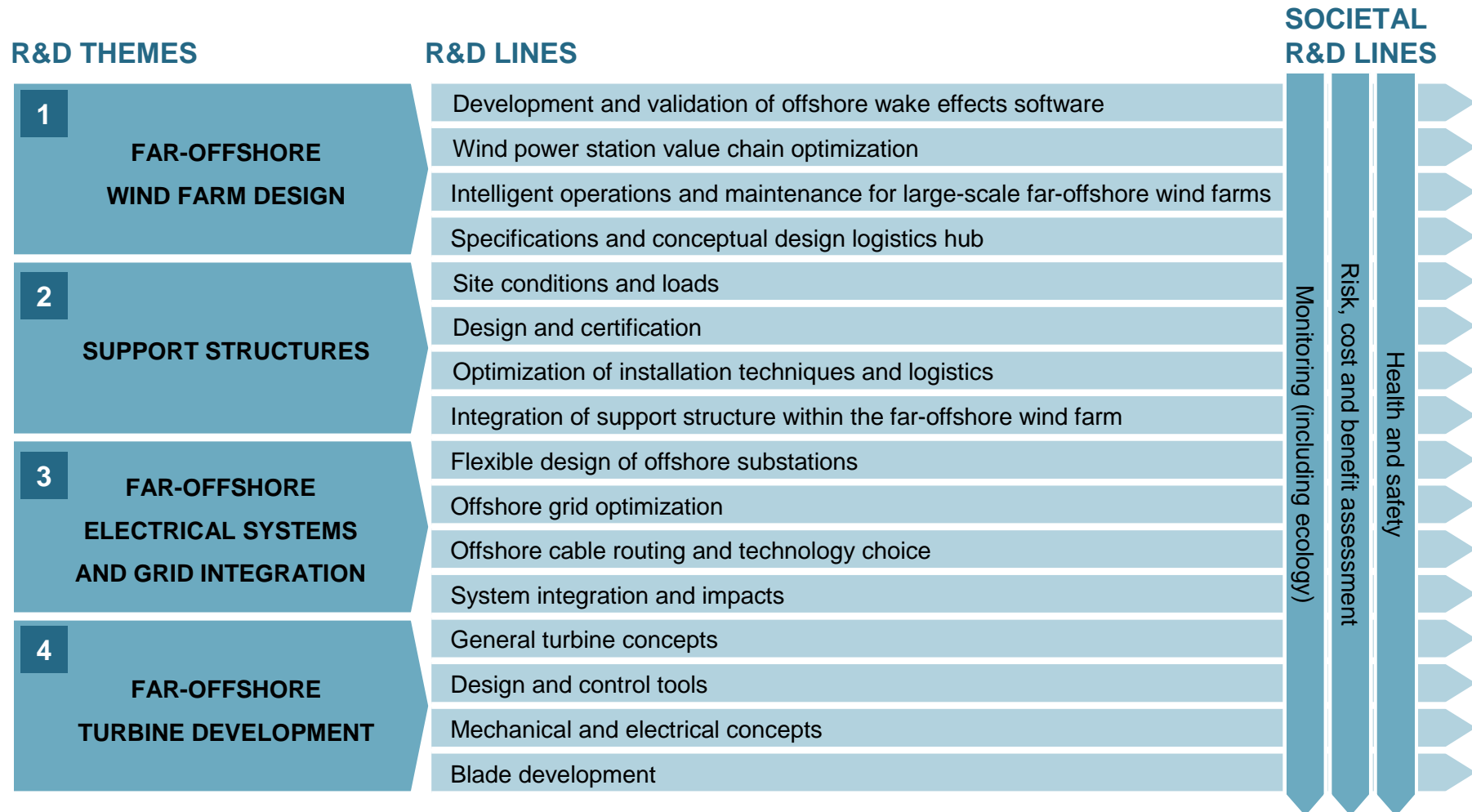
Elements FLOW

R&D PLAN

DEMO WIND FARM

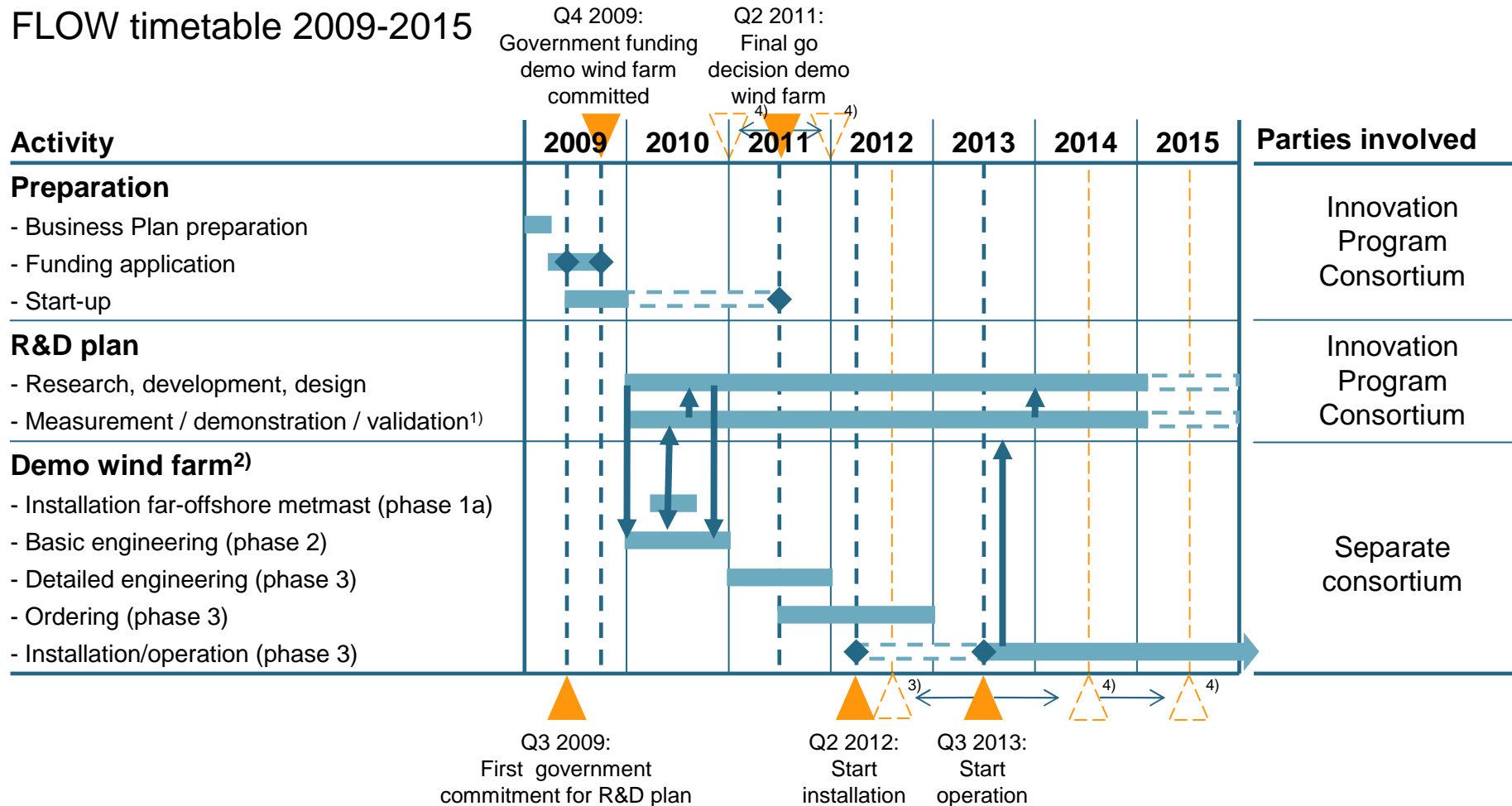


The R&D plan consists of 4 R&D themes, and incorporates 16 R&D Lines and 3 Societal R&D lines



The FLOW R&D plan will start in Q1 2010; the ambition is to have the FLOW demo wind farm operational by Q3 2013

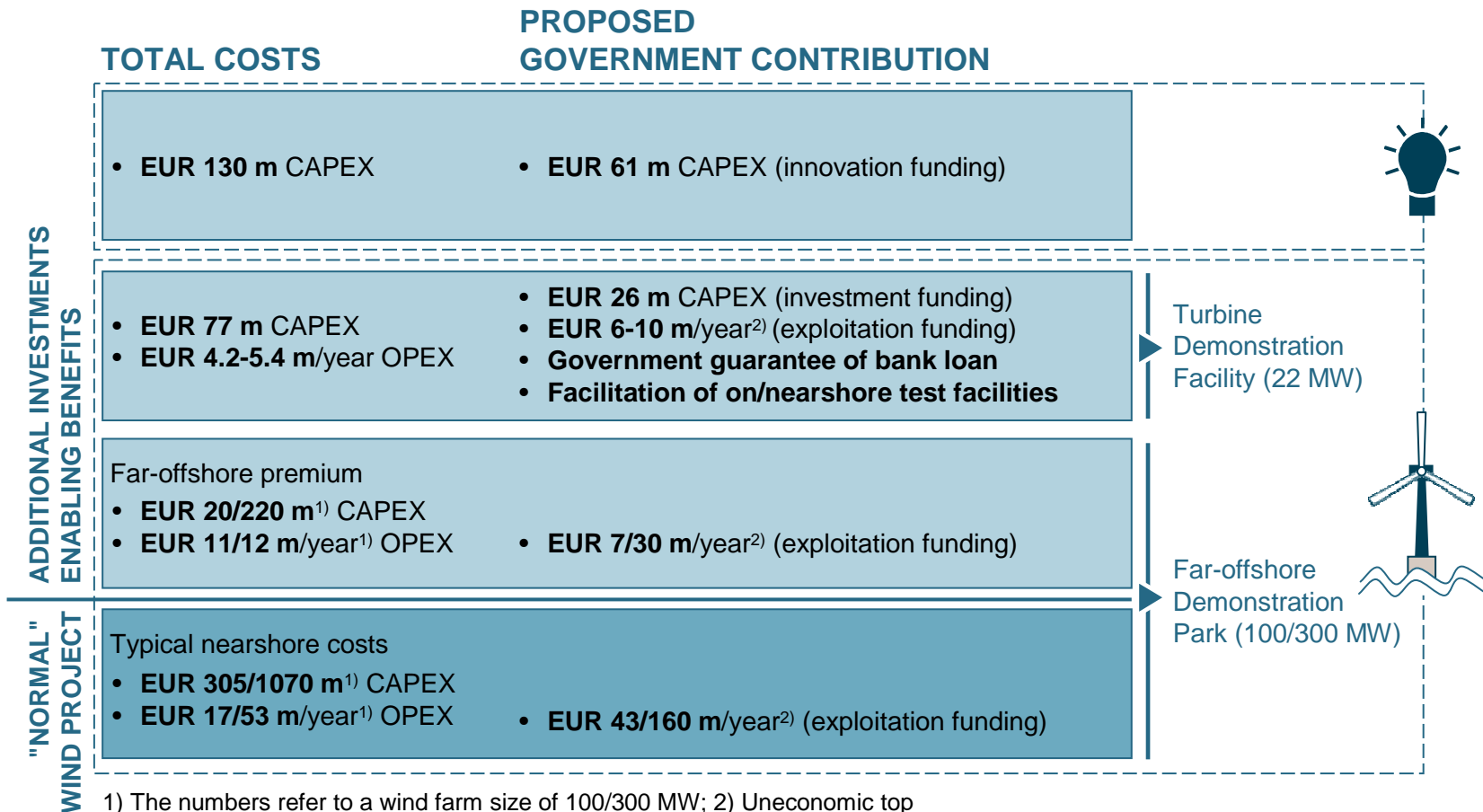
FLOW timetable 2009-2015



1) Also at readily available on- and nearshore locations; 2) For description of phases see Demo wind farm Plan; 3) If the demo wind farm will be only 100 MW instead of 300 MW; 4) Depending on external factors (value chain availability, grid connection capacity, licenses, government funding) and internal factors (IRR, capital availability)

The government is asked to contribute to the different cost categories of FLOW

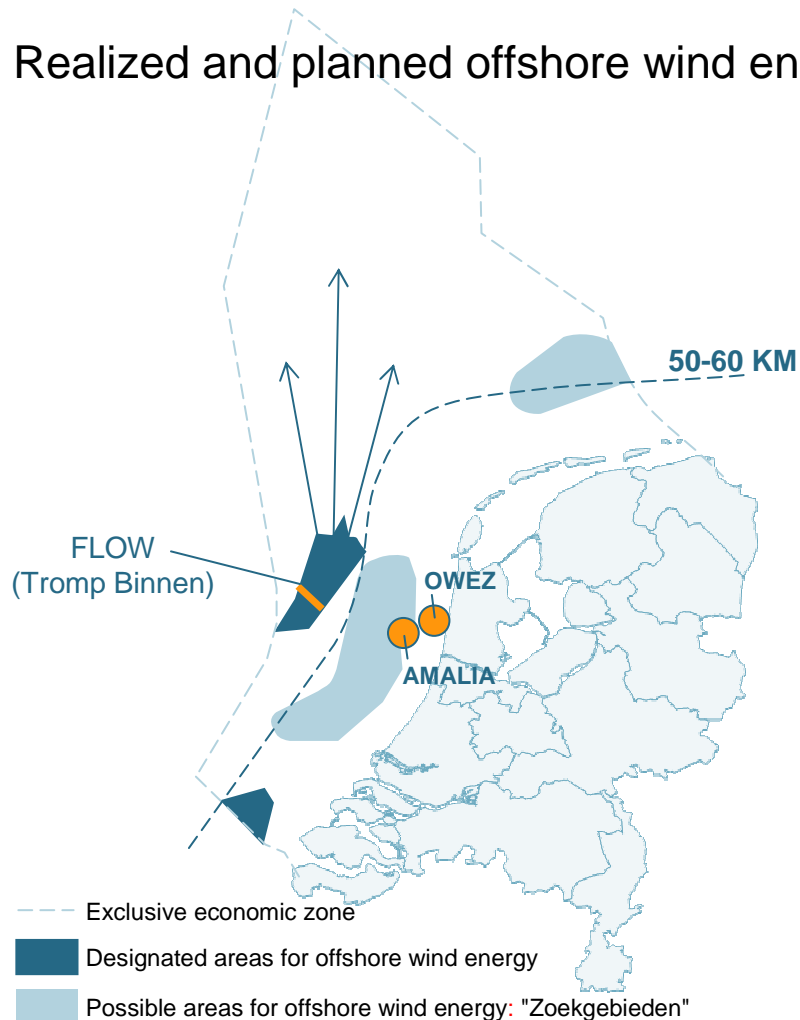
Total public-private costs and proposed government contribution [EUR m]



C. Backup

The FLOW demo wind farm will possibly be established at a designated area ~75 km offshore and at ~30-35 m water depth

Realized and planned offshore wind energy areas



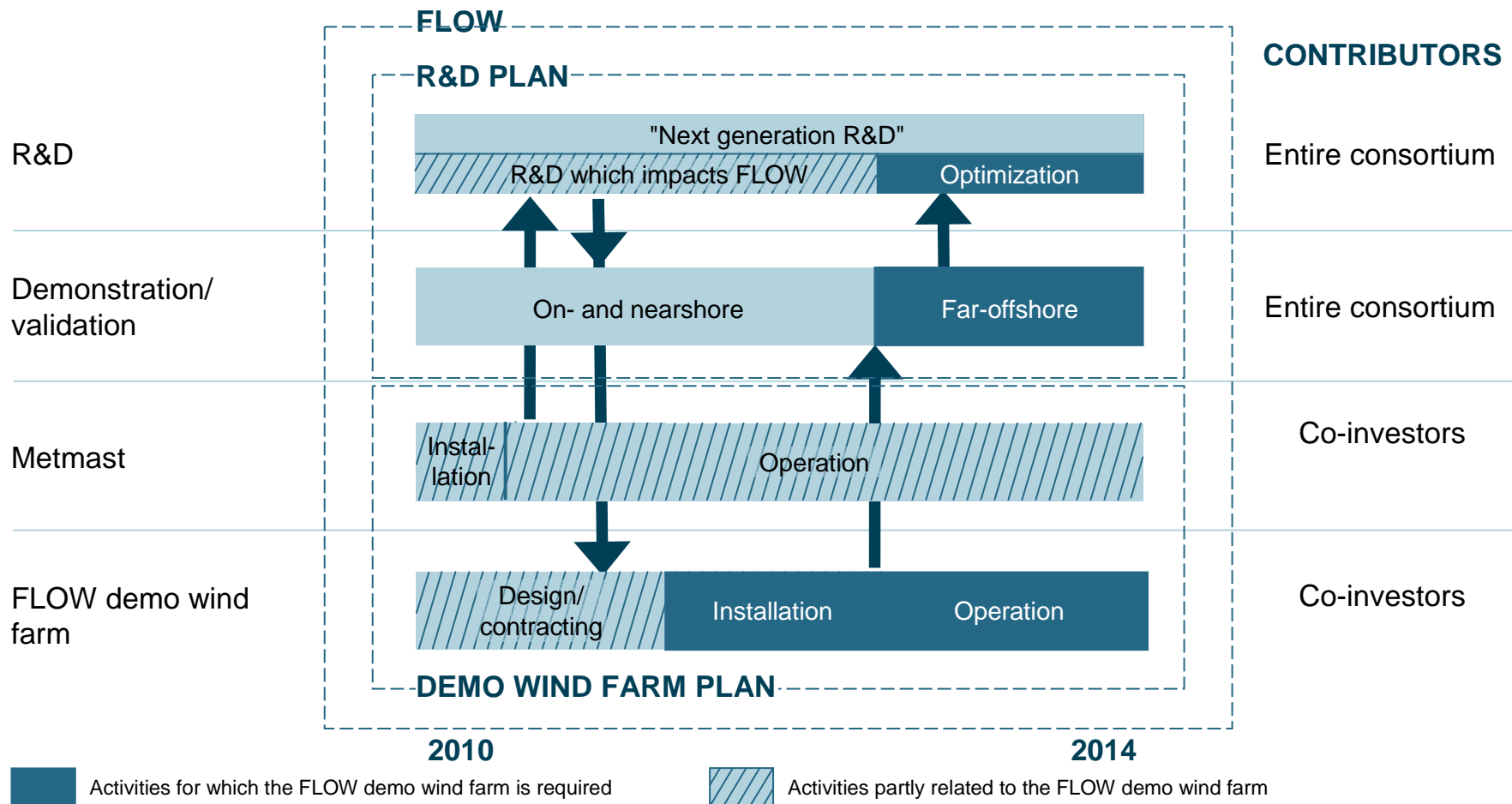
Source: Ontwerp Nationaal Waterplan, December 22 2008

Comments

- The Dutch government has designated two large areas for offshore wind energy, and appointed two possible areas called "Zoekgebieden"
- An important part of the potential areas are far-offshore (>50-60 km from the coast)
- **The FLOW demonstration wind farm will possibly be located at "Tromp Binnen", within one of the designated areas at a distance of ~75 km and a water depth of ~30-35 m**

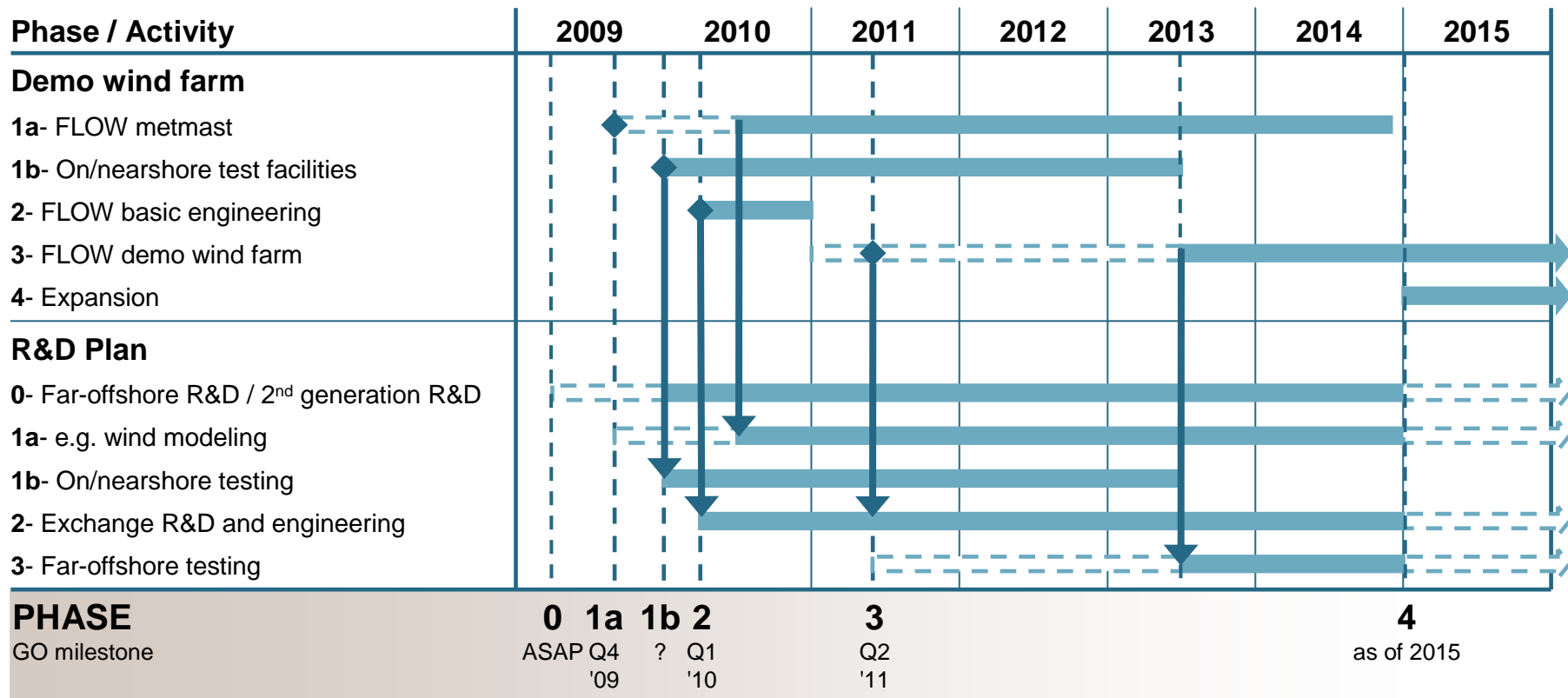
FLOW includes R&D, demonstration and validation, and will utilize a metmast and a demo wind farm

Overview of FLOW



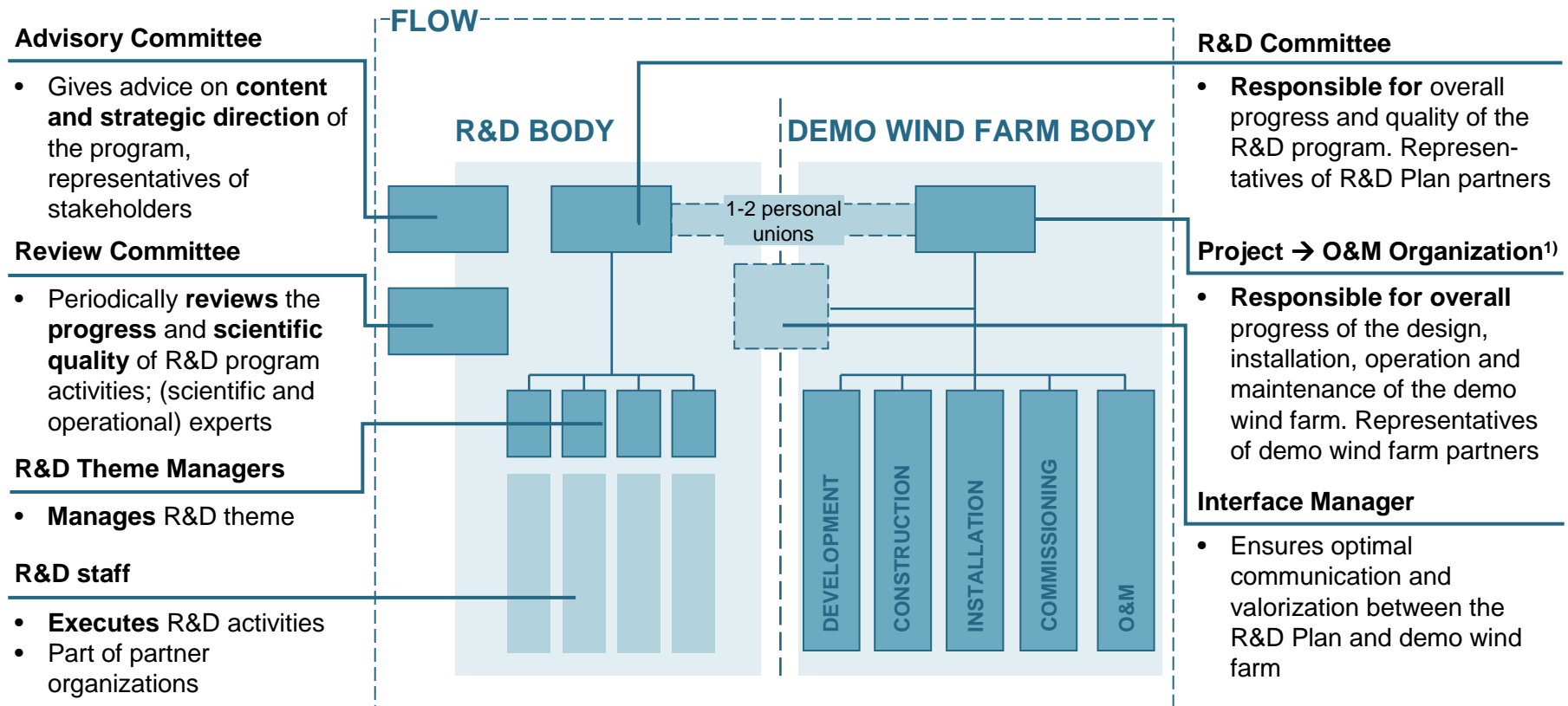
The phases of the R&D Plan and the Demo Wind Farm Plan are closely linked

FLOW phasing



FLOW will have a practical organizational structure

FLOW organizational structure



1) In base case: separate organization of Turbine demonstration Facility to be added