



EU perspective on the sustainable blue economy and offshore renewable energy

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Putting the Blue into the Green

Sustainable Blue Economy

Transforming the blue economy value chains

Decarbonisation

- -Explore the full potential of offshore renewable energy
- -Transition to zero emission vessels
- Transform ports in hubs for sustainable development

Etc...

Biodiversity and coastal resilience

- -Protect and restore coastal and marine ecosystems
- -Invest in naturebased solutions

Etc...

-Value natural capital by promoting sustainable tourism

Responsible food systems

- Meet the CFP sustainability standards
- -Implement the strategic aquaculture guidelines
- -Invest in macro and micro algae

Etc...

Circularity

- Get rid of macroplastics
- Invest in circular design of fishing gears
- Develop recycling facilities for ships, recreational boats, offshore platforms and wind farms

Etc...



The Offshore Strategy: a step-change and EU-wide

2050

Offshore wind: **300GW** Ocean energy: **40GW**

Offshore renewable energy is only starting!

- Fast development in the North Sea and the Baltic Sea
- Blue energy is taking off in the Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea with emerging technologies
- Good case for outermost regions and islands
- Good potential identified in the Black Sea

Offshore wind : ≥ 60GW Ocean energy: ≥ 1GW

2025

Pilot farms:

Floating wind: **150 MW** Ocean energy: **100 MW**

Priority actions

- Maritime spatial planning
- Grid infrastructure
- Regulatory framework
- Research and innovation
- Support a strong supply and value chain across Europe



Today

Offshore wind : 12GW Ocean energy: 13MW

Recent development

- Increased objectives by MS
- Maritime spatial planning
- REPowerEU: upgrade targets, solar + permitting
- Fuel prices, energy efficiency and alternative sources and technologies
- R&I and Horizon Europe
- Development in the Atlantic areas, national energy and climate plans



Thank you!

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