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# **EERA Design Tool for Offshore wind farm Cluster (DTOC)**

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# EERA DTOC in a nutshell



## EERA-DTOC

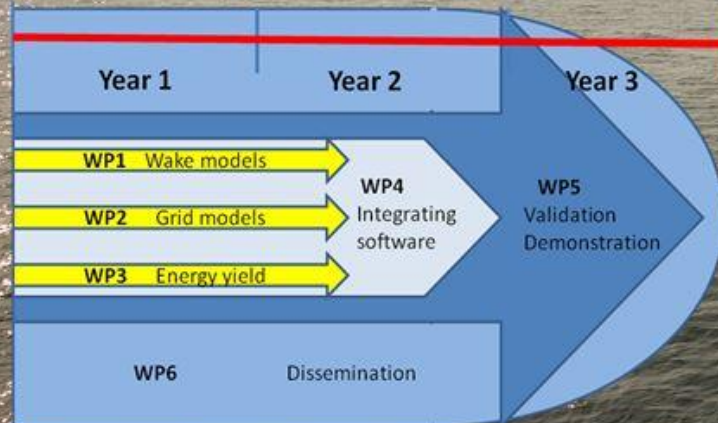
European Energy Research Alliance - Design Tools for Offshore Clusters

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Start 1 January 2012, runs for 3.5 years  
Total funding is ~4 M€, EU share is 2.9 M€.



### Product Vision:

A robust, efficient, easy to use and flexible tool created to facilitate the **optimised design of individual and clusters of offshore wind farms.**

A keystone of this optimisation is the **precise prediction of the future long term wind farm energy yield and its associated uncertainty.**



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# Project partners

- DTU Wind Energy (former Risø)
- Fraunhofer IWES
- CENER
- ECN
- EWEA
- SINTEF
- ForWind
- CRES
- CIEMAT
- University of Porto
- University of Strathclyde
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**“Design Tool for Offshore wind farm Clusters” is the first EERA project.  
EERA is based on national science activities.**

# EERA – European Energy Research Alliance



**Background:** The EERA JP Wind Energy was officially launched at the SET-Plan conference in Madrid in June 2010. The strategy and main activities of the JP is described in the "Strategic Action Plan" (yearly updated).

The programme vision is:

- to provide strategic leadership for the scientific–technical medium to long term research
- to support the European Wind Initiative and the Technology Roadmap's activities on wind energy, and on basis of this
- to initiate, coordinate and perform the necessary scientific research.

## Joint Programme and Sub-programmes

**Wind Conditions.** Coordinated by Prof. Erik Lundtang Petersen, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

**Aerodynamics.** Coordinated by Dr. Peter Eecen, ECN (NL)

**Offshore Wind Energy.** Coordinated by Dr. John O. Tande, SINTEF (NO)

**Grid Integration.** Coordinated by Dr. Kurt Rohrig, FhG IWES (DE)

**Research Facilities.** Coordinated by Dr. Pablo Ayesa Pascual, CENER (ES)

**Structural design and materials.** Coordinated by Dr. Denja Lekou, CRES (GR)

**Topic ENERGY.2011.2.3-2:**

**Development of design tools for Offshore Wind farm clusters**

*Open in call: FP7-ENERGY-2011-1*

*Funding scheme:* Collaborative project

- EERA DTOC is 3.5 years: January 2012 to June 2015
- Budget is 4 m€ hereof 2,9 m€ from EC
- Parallel project is ClusterDesign coordinated by 3E

- To contribute to the SET-Plan on the development of offshore wind power.
- To demonstrate the capability of designing virtual wind power plants composed of wind farms and wind farm clusters while minimizing the negative spatial interactions, improving the overall power quality output and providing confidence in energy yield predictions.

The objective of this topic is to develop new **design tools** to optimise the exploitation of individual wind farms as well as wind farm clusters, in view of transforming them into virtual power plants.

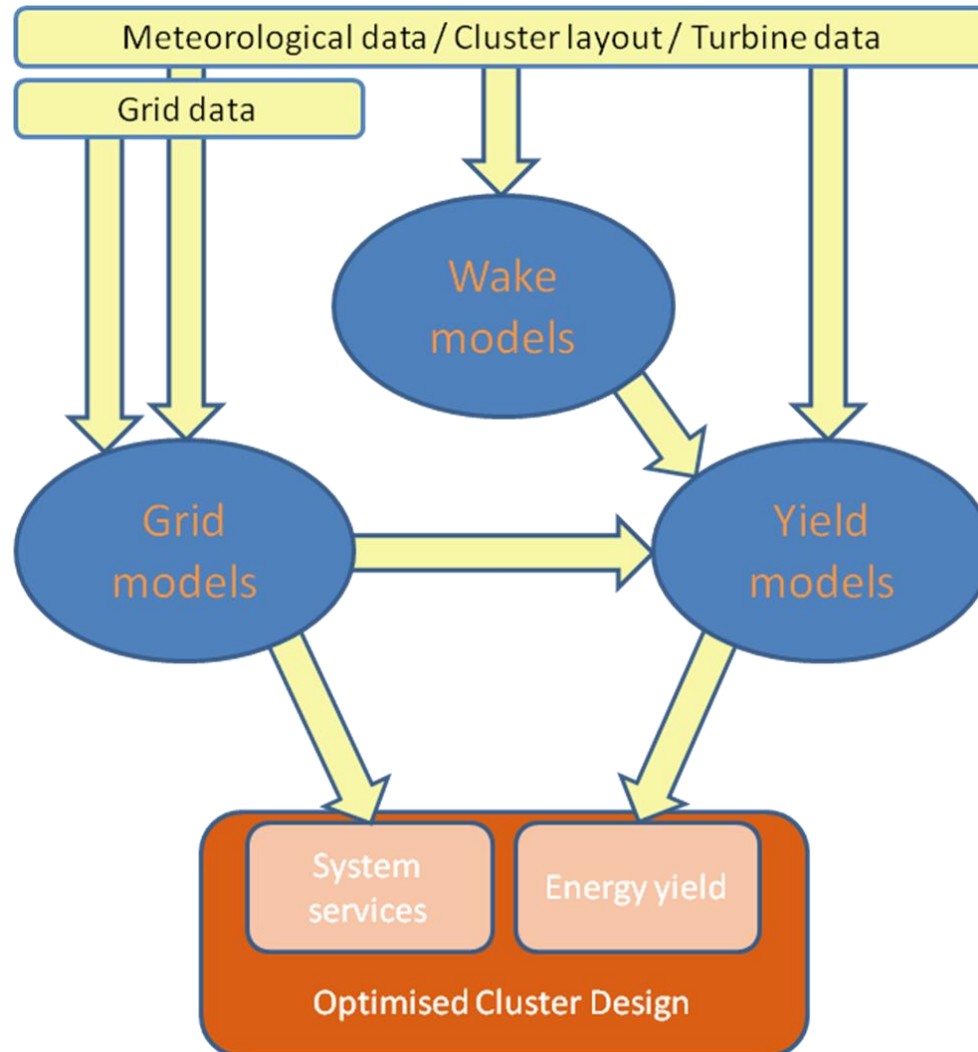
Such design tools should integrate:

- Spatial modelling: medium (within wind farms) to long distance (between wind farms) **wake effects**
- **Interconnection optimisation**: to satisfy grid connection requirements and provide power plant system service.
- **Precise energy yield** prediction: to ease investment decisions based on accurate simulations

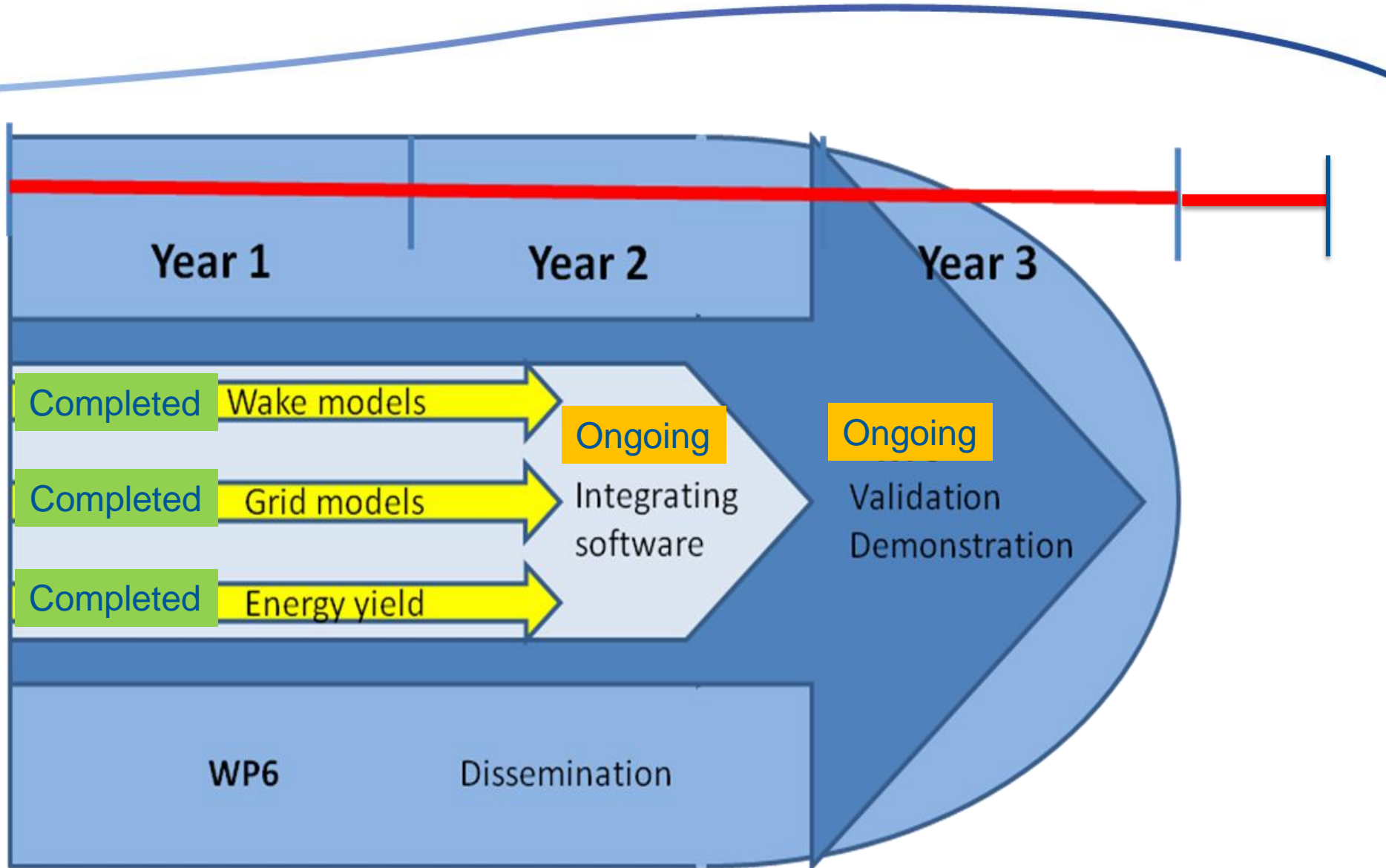
The project should focus on offshore wind power systems and **make optimal use of previously developed models.**



# EERA DTOC concept



# WP structure



## Integrating software

- Selecting software – done
- Defining interfaces and links – done
- Implementation – ongoing
- Internal testing - ongoing

## Validation and demonstration

- Scenario definitions – done
- Set up scenario runs – ongoing
- Demonstration completed (early 2015)

Demonstration

- Validation of wake models based on:
  - ❖ scanning lidar data and ship-based lidar near Alpha Ventus (ongoing)
  - ❖ satellite data at more than 10 wind farms in the North Sea (ongoing)
  - ❖ SCADA data from Lillgrund and Rødsand-2 in the Baltic Sea (ongoing)

Validation

- Use and bring together existing models from the partners
- Develop open interfaces between them
- Implement a shell to integrate
- Fine-tune the wake models using dedicated measurements
- Validate final tool



# EERA DTOC portfolio of models



Name	Partner	Status	Programs	Input/output	Script/GUI	Database interface	IPR	Com
<b>CFDWake</b>	<b>CENER</b>		Fluent, C++, OpenFOAM	ASCII	script	Yes		
<b>CorWind</b>	<b>Risoe DTU</b>	Ope	DOS exe Delphi	CSV files	no	no	+	+
<b>CRES-farm</b>	<b>CRES</b>	Ope	Linux/ Fortran77	ASCII	no	no	+	
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single PC

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Runs on Cluster  
under  
UNIX/Linux

# User Requirements



- A **robust, efficient, easy to use** and flexible tool created to facilitate the **optimised design** of individual and clusters of offshore wind farms.
- A keystone of this optimisation is the precise prediction of the future **long term wind farm energy yield** and its associated uncertainty.

- The sub-models are protected by IPR...
- ...but the interfaces in the model chain are going to be open
- File formats for data exchange are based on existing industry standard formats, e.g. the WAsP types based on XML and ESRI shape file standard

# DTOC software development timeline

*end user  
requirements*

*pre-design*

*design*

*test reports*

**2012**

**2013**

**2014**

existing  
models

dry runs

proof of  
concept

prototype

DTOC V0.5

DTOC V1.0

# Validation and demonstration



# Data needs

SCADA wind farm data (see next slide)

Electrical grid cost

Wind turbine parameters (INNWind, AVATAR, NREL, WAsP)

# Data from wind farms

- ❖ Horns Rev 1 SCADA data comparing to nine wake models (completed)
- ❖ Lillgrund SCADA data comparing to ten wake models (completed)
- ❖ Rødsand-2 SCADA data comparing to several wake models (ongoing)

SCADA data stays at DTU (Kurt S. Hansen)

- ❖ Alpha ventus SCADA data comparing long-range scanning wind lidar, ship-based wind lidar wind, FINO-1 met mast several wake models (ongoing)  
comparing to several wake models (ongoing)

SCADA data stays at ForWind

- ❖ Satellite SAR from more than 10 large offshore wind farms comparison  
qualitative to several wake models (ongoing)

(No SCADA data)

Industry partners are very important!

Iberdrola, Statoil, Carbon Trust,  
Hexicon, Statkraft, E.On, RES

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