

# The balance between local content and industry growth

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- Business and supply chain development\*

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- Policy and local content assessment\*

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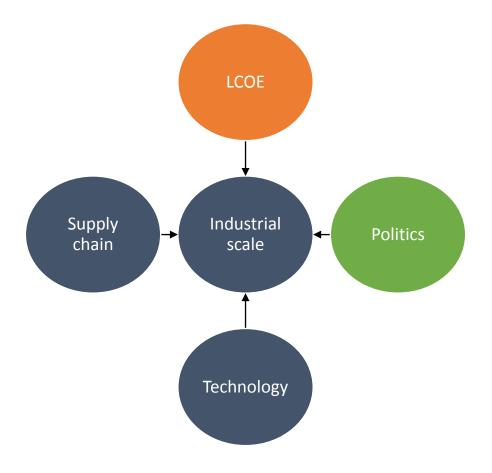
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# Agenda

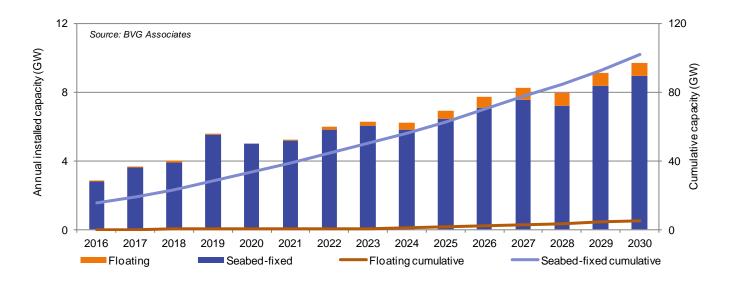
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## The European market

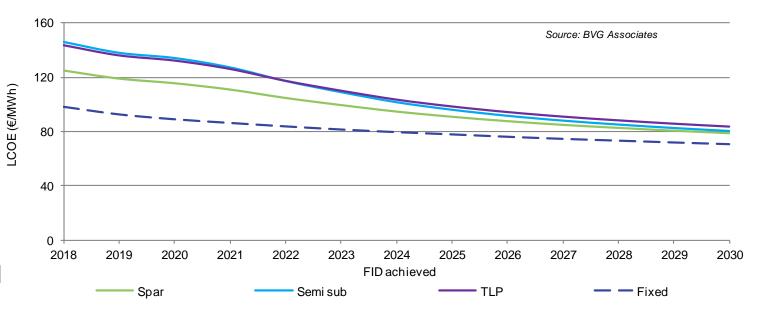
- There are no commercial-scale projects in development
- Minimum time from site award to turbine commissioning is probably seven years
- Floating wind will probably not reach critical mass before the late 2020s





## The LCOE challenge

- Significant cost reduction is possible for floating offshore wind
- Learning is slow because rampup in installation is slow
- We also expect fixed offshore wind costs to fall
- Fixed and floating offshore wind are complementary





### The political challenge

- Why does a government want floating offshore wind?
  - They need offshore wind badly, do not have available shallow water or want to access high wind resources
  - It believes floating offshore wind provides a *new* opportunity for industrial development
  - It believes in the long term floating will be cheaper than fixed offshore wind on the same site
- How long will governments stay patient and provide additional price support?
- Will politicians demand local content in return for support?
- What are the consequences to long-term cost reduction from using a local supply chain?



## The local supply chain risk

- A local supply chain pushes up costs, undermining the reputation of floating offshore wind and a clear cost reduction trend is vital
- A local supply chain is suboptimal engineering challenges are poorly tackled
- Local suppliers are, at the beginning, poorly equipped to scale up for commercial projects learning is not tackled
- Local activity to support local companies is great (and important) but choose your targets and enable not mandate

Element	Sub-element	Percentage of lifetime cost	Floating wind specific	Benefit of local supply	Scalability to commercial scale	Risk to future cost reduction	Exportability
Development and project management	Wind farm design						
	Sea bed surveys						
	Project development						
Turbine	Nacelle and hub						
	Blades						
	Towers						
Balance of plant	Subsea cables						
	Substations						
	Foundations						
	Anchors and mooring						
	Balance of plant other						
Installation and commissioning	Installation ports						
	Turbine construction						
	Foundation and turbine installation						
	Subsea cable installation						
	Subsea engineering						
	Installation other						
O&M	Routine turbine maintenance						
	Major repairs and spares						
	Other maintenance						
	Marine operations						
	Overheads and fees						



#### Conclusions

- All national and local organisations want to maximise the economic opportunity from infrastructure projects
- The floating wind industry has some visionary companies which really believe in their technology
- The future for floating wind is far from assured: need a vision for commercial deployment
- Auctions are very popular in offshore wind governments need a good reason to give extra support to floating wind
- If governments want to maximise the economic benefits from floating wind, they need to make sure that there is a sustainable industry
- Supporting local companies is important but intervention needs to be carefully targetted to give floating wind the best chance of success.