Creating an innovation ecosystem for wave and tidal energy – opportunities and challenges **The Scottish Story**



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Why wave and tidal?

By 2080 ocean energy will have created 160,000 direct jobs and saved 5.2 billion tonnes of CO₂ emissions.

•Marine Energy Resources:

•Widespread and close to 1/3 of world's population

•Wave and tidal energy at mid-high latitudes

•OTEC (Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion) is at tropical latitudes, so complementary with wave and tidal

•High energy density, so space requirements will be limited

Technologies

•Technologies are still immature and diverging

•Tidal: some convergence towards horizontal axis turbines

•Unit costs of generated electricity (in £/kW and £/kWh) will be deciding factors

•Environmental Dividend

•Very little environmental impact, particularly for wave and tidal

•Marine energy resources have no other uses

•Competition for space for other uses should be manageable

•Markets for Marine Energy

•Utility-scale electricity generation

•Integration with desalination/production of drinking water

•Remote - largely diesel replacement



Why Scotland?

"The biggest opportunity since the pioneering days of offshore oil and gas"

- Scotland has:-
 - 206GW of offshore wind, wave and tidal potential
 - installed offshore capacity of up to 68 GW by 2050
 - higher capacity factors
 - the UK's greatest >100m deepwater potential
- 25% of Europe's wind and tidal resource
- 10% of Europe's wave potential



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Wave & Tidal Cluster Competitiveness

Firm Strategy & Rivalry

Advantages:

Opportunity exists to gain first mover advantages in Scotland – no incumbents. Can use Scottish base to serve international markets, esp in high value activities. Company collaborations taking place at early stage in industry development. Strong 'energy' supply chain already developed in Scotland from Oil & Gas and conventional power sectors.

Utility companies (SSE & SP) have critical roles in driving cluster development. Newcomers appearing – with new technologies.

Disadvantages

Small company base and many of the early innovative companies not expected to survive. Need new companies to enter industry.

Existing companies with relevant skills and technologies not always interested at such an early and risky stage in wave & tidal.

Difficult to compete for skilled labour against established industries.

Development path planned by some companies includes being taken over.

Parent companies likely to have existing supply chains.

Manufacturing capacity for overseas markets likely to be located close to market. Company income streams not yet defined.

From 2012

Advanced Factor Conditions

Advantages

Abundant wave and tidal natural resources - esp west coast locations. Good awareness and working links between industry and research base. Strong energy research institutions act as sources of innovation and technology-related entrepreneurship. Streamlined process for 'licensing' in Scotland Energy Lab – coordination and one-door approach for strong set of existing test and demonstration facilities, esp EMEC

Crown Estate supportive.

Big equipment likely to be produced locally because of transport implications.

Disadvantages

Skills availability – competition with other related industries. Investment difficult to secure.

Port infrastructure lacking – mismatch between existing port locations and energy sources.

EMEC at capacity – both occupier churn and expansion of facility needed. No array testing facilities in Scotland.

Continuous cycle of device development required (with support implications). Education & training weak – embryonic stage of industry. Need strategic look at infrastructure requirements across all energy (wind, wave & tidal. O&G, smart grids, transmission, etc.) (see NRIP3)



Related and Supporting Industries

Advantages

Scotland has the advantage of a very strong set of existing related and supporting industries developed largely to serve Oil & Gas industry.

Synergies with emerging offshore wind industry

Wave and tidal supply chain inputs already being sourced from onshore wind industry.

Disadvantages

Wave & tidal supply chain incomplete – but can draw on related. Oil & Gas activity on a high at present with high oil price. Port infrastructure required for renewables – expensive. Advantages of a 'mass market' in wave and tidal not likely to emerge – with resultant high cost implications for industry. Some cross-overs from related industries occurring but still limited. Easier in service activities.

Advantages Demand for renewable energy driven by ambitious climate change

targets. Demand for energy increasing worldwide. Market demand exists for both large and small devices.

Lot of niche markets expected esp for smaller devices and devices for large energy users (eg. GSK, HP, etc.)

Ongoing innovation essential for industry development. Potential to replicate ITF model for collaborative research.

Consumer demand emerging for renewable energy.

Public sector support important driver - via ROCs and various forms of grant funding, eg WATERS 2. Saltire Prize unique.

Disadvantages

Complex demand picture. Demand distant from supply. Current lack of standardisation across different markets acts against drive for cost reductions. Development of SMART Grid technologies and infrastructure will be essential to support renewable industries in Scotland Insurance problematic (expensive).







INFRASTRUCTURE AND INFRASERVICES

Lessons Learned

 Using cluster approach provides context, can see the whole industry and its interlinkages



Supporting the Industry – developing the innovation ecosystem



Providing the platform, e.g. EMEC

- In a new and emerging industry, you need to start at the beginning (though it goes further back than this!)
- 2001Recommendation made by the House of Commons Science and Technology Committee

openhydro

2003/4

- 2003EMEC established
- 2004Wave test site at Billia Croo opened
- 2004Pelamis 750 began testing at Billia Croo and became the world's first to generate electricity
- 2004EMEC initiated development of industry standards
- 2005UKAS (United Kingdom Accreditation Service) accreditation obtained
- 2006Tidal test site at Fall of Warness opened
- 2008 Open Hydro became the first tidal turbine to generate electricity to the grid in the UK



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Technology Development – from 2013



Cost of Energy challenge

Marine power cost of energy & Scottish revenue support



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- But some thing will remain constant driving costs down
- Expert support from elsewhere may well be limited



Funding the Industry - then











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- Beware optimism bias!
- Industries are not the same
- Individual industries require individual support





Supporting the Industry – opportunities for development



Consolidation

Tidal Power Scotland Limited Two large-scale tidal projects under construction in Scotland in 2016 MeyGen (Phase 1A + Phase 1B) and Sound of Islay

TPSL Target 170m

of tidal power projects under construction in 2016 in Scotland







Diversification

East Coast Oil and Gas – Subsea Power Hub comprises a novel seabed turbine that will use **ocean currents to generate electricity** which is then **stored in batteries**. Electrical failures within subsea umbilical cords are the <u>primary failure point for offshore oil and gas production</u>.





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Nova REStoreSystem



Fully operational site

Active Network Management and grid constraint



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The Shetland Tidal Projects – Nova Innovation





Building The Industry – the steps to commercialisation

- Focus on customers niche markets, shared wins, increase demand pull
- Address common needs, e.g. Ocean Energy ERA-NET
- Focus on business development requirements cross sectoral learning, learn from elsewhere
- Manage risks and collaborate to succeed
- Deliver Success



Thank You

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