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 **NEMMO**
MAKING BETTER BLADES

Final Event:

On the Cutting Edge of Tidal
Blade Design and Materials

5 September, 2023 - 16:00 - 17:30

Bilbao, Spain



Programme

Time	Topic	Speaker
16:00	Welcome & introduction	Pablo Benguria Uribe, Tecnalia
16:10	Novel testing procedures for tidal composite blades	Jean Baptiste Jorcin, Tecnalia
16:20	Increase of blades strength by means of adding carbon nanoparticles included in composite formulation	Célia Mercader, Canoe
16:30	Design and testing of novel antifouling strategies for turbine blades	Yan Delaure, Dublin City University (DCU)
16:50	Accelerated ageing test to reproduce the degradation of composite material in sea water	Jean Baptiste Jorcin, Tecnalia
17:00	Environmental and socio-economic assessment of a 34 MW tidal energy farm based on the NEMMO project	Marco Bianchi, Tecnalia
17:15	Mechanical testing of large-scale prototype and demo installation	Javier Grande, Magallanes Renewables
17:25	Final remarks // End of event	Pablo Benguria Uribe, Tecnalia

NEMMO Project

Final event

Welcome and introduction



September 4th 2023, Bilbao



Next Evolution in Materials and Models for Ocean energy

Starting date: April 1st 2019

Ending date: September 30th 2023

Participant No./Status	Participant Organisation Name/[Short Name]	Country
1 (Coordinator) / RTO	Tecnalia Research & Innovation [TECNALIA]	Spain
2.SME	Grupo INPRE Composites [INPRE]	Spain
3.RTO	Israel Institute of Technology Technion [TECHNION]	Israel
4.RTO	Dublin City University [DCU]	Ireland
5.RTO	Association Pour Le Developpement De L'enseignement Et Des Recherches Aupres Des Universites, Des Centres De Recherche Et Des Entreprises D'aquitaine [ADERA]	France
6.RTO	Fundación para el Desarrollo y la Innovación Tecnológica [FUNDITEC]	Spain
7.SME	Sagres SL [SAGRES] / Magallanes Renovables [MAG]	Spain
8.RTO	SSPA Sweden AB [SSPA]	Sweden
9.RTO	Instituto Tecnológico de Aragón [ITA]	Spain
10.SME	SP Nano Ltd. [SPNano]	Israel
11. IAG	Ocean Energy Europe [OEE]	Belgium
12. RTO	Blade Test Centre A/S [BLAEST]	Denmark

- **NEMMO gathers the entire value chain:**
 - **2 industrial partners** that will directly commercialise NEMMO results :
 - **SPNano:** Their SP1/CNT technology is being forecasted to impact, wind energy and EV market
 - **INPRE:** composite blade manufacturer, having manufactured six 9m-long-blades for MAG.
 - **8 RTD partners** to provide leading edge technological advances
 - The largest **global network of ocean energy professionals (OEE)** will promote NEMMO results to their members and to potential investors and stakeholders in their European links.
 - An **end user (MAGALLANES)** within the consortium facilitates early assimilation of results by industry while generating the credibility essential for market success

The key objective of the NEMMO project is to **design, model and test downscaled prototypes of larger, lighter and more durable composite blades for >2MW floating tidal turbines** to reduce LCoE of tidal energy to €0.15/kWh, meeting 2025 SET-Plan targets and making it competitive to competing fossil fuel sources.



NEMMO is about BLADES!

Concept

- ✓ A major share of tidal energy OPEX costs is caused by **failures, damages and fouling growth** in blades.
- ✓ Available simulation tools and testing procedures have **limited capacity to predict the behavior** of components and devices at real operational conditions.
- ✓ NEMMO project seeks to **enhance blades performance** (+20% hydrodynamic performance, -34% OPEX) for 20 years in >2MW tidal generators by means of novel:
 - Behavioral models
 - Testing procedures/methodologies
 - Materials and coatings
 - AFC strategies
- ✓ A set of **three 1:1 scale blades** including best performing solutions will be manufactured and validated in Magallanes ATIR device.

Results so far

- ✓ Development and validation of suitable computational fluid dynamics (CFD) workflow for **simulating tidal turbine cavitation**
- ✓ **Carbon nanoparticles** included in composite formulation to increase blades strength → good performance, but **not feasible at industrial level**
- ✓ **Active Flow Control** strategies analyzed, but implementation is not feasible in current Magallanes blades
- ✓ **First Reduced Order Modelling** of the main mechanical properties of the above-mentioned materials
- ✓ **Accelerated ageing test** to reproduce the degradation of composite material in sea water. Validation in the Bay of Biscay (HarshLab)
- ✓ 2 formulations for **antifouling coatings** developed and tested in floating jetty (Pasaia Port) and in HarshLab (Bay of Biscay)
- ✓ Best performing **biomimetic surface textures** selected
- ✓ Design and validation of a novel test platform for **biofouling testing** under realistic dynamic stress conditions at Malahide Marina (Ireland)



Figure 1. One of the 1:1 blades manufactured by INPRE

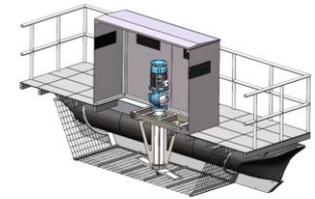


Figure 3. Tecnalia's HarshLab in the Bay of Biscay (Spain)



Figure 2. DCU's dynamic antifouling test rig (Ireland)



Ongoing

- ✓ Manufacturing of four **1:1 tidal blades** with new geometry
- ✓ Validation of fatigue **testing procedures in a 1.1 blade**
- ✓ Validation of a **set of three 1:1 scale blades** in Mag's platform at EMEC

