

Our Topics

Sustainable Planning

When planning activities at sea, including wind and grid infrastructure, we must avoid impacts on marine ecosystems as much as possible and leave space for nature to thrive.

We engage in and make recommendations on Maritime Spatial Planning, cross-border collaboration, co-existence with nature and other activities, and ecological non-price criteria for offshore wind auctions.

Nature-friendly offshore wind and grid infrastructure

Offshore wind and grid infrastructure shouldn't cause further harm to environment, but provide new opportunities to protect, restore and integrate biodiversity – on and off-site.

We investigate and promote Nature-Inclusive Design approaches, mitigation and restoration measures, biodiversity data sharing, and multi-use of infrastructure.

Reaching climate and biodiversity targets in the Mediterranean basin

Med OCEaN provides recommendations on Maritime Spatial Planning and is investigating auctioning, the impacts of floating technology on nature, and Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs).

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Renewables Grid Initiative

The Renewables Grid Initiative (RGI) is a founding Member, convener, and moderator of OCEaN.

The European Climate Foundation (ECF), The VELUX Foundations, and the US-based National Philanthropic Trust (NPT) provide funding to enable selected NGOs to actively engage in the work of OCEaN. This is done via RGI-led consortiums and specific projects.



**Accelerating offshore wind
and grids while ensuring
healthy marine ecosystems**



Who We Are



The ongoing biodiversity and climate crises have prompted various non-governmental organisations (NGOs), wind industry actors and transmission system operators (TSOs) from across Europe to join forces and work together **to accelerate the deployment of offshore wind energy and grid infrastructure while ensuring alignment with nature protection and healthy marine ecosystems.**

OCEaN's two distinct coalitions – one covering the North and Baltic Seas and another in the Mediterranean region – represent over 40 organisations working towards this common goal.

What We Do

We facilitate open forums for discussion between our diverse Members, collect and share innovative practices that combine offshore wind and grid infrastructure deployment and nature protection, and advocate for solutions that address the biodiversity and climate crises in parallel.



North & Baltic Seas

Offshore wind has been present in northern Europe for over twenty years and there are ambitious plans to increase deployment in both the North and Baltic Seas to meet Europe's decarbonisation targets. Since its launch in 2020, OCEaN – North and Baltic Seas has grown to 30+ Members and is increasingly recognised for its unique multi-stakeholder perspective.

Mediterranean Sea

OCEaN – Mediterranean Sea was launched in 2023 to address the specific regulatory and planning context of the region, its unique challenges, and rich ecological diversity. This coalition brings together Members from Italy, Spain, France, and Portugal to advocate for nature-friendly offshore wind and grid development in the Mediterranean and adjacent Atlantic waters.



11 Grid Operators
18 Wind Energy Companies
19 Civil Society Organisations
One Common Mission:

Collaborating for a green Europe

Our Members

