

Local involvement leading to multiuse: example of the Middelgrunden wind farm pilot in Denmark Hans Chr. Sørensen, PhD





Middelgrunden Wind 40 MW

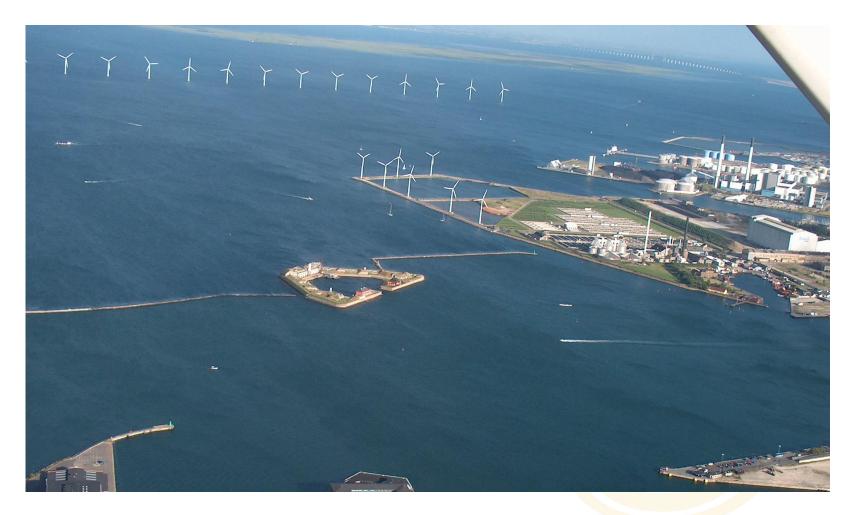
Two owners

20 MW: HOFOR (Copenhagen water and energy supply)

20 MW Middelgrunden wind cooperative with 8,553 members

Established year 2000 3.5 km outside Copenhagen as the Worlds largest offshore wind farm

Delivering 3% of power to Copenhagen

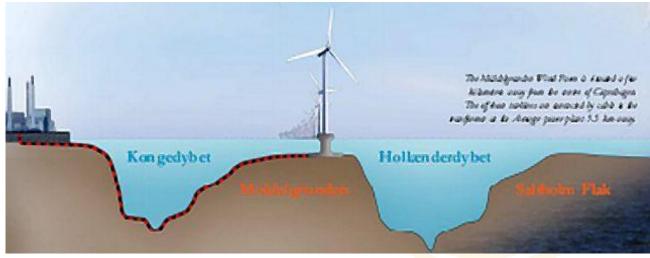




Placed on a natural reef

Navigation lines with heavy traffic only 800 meters from the wind farm







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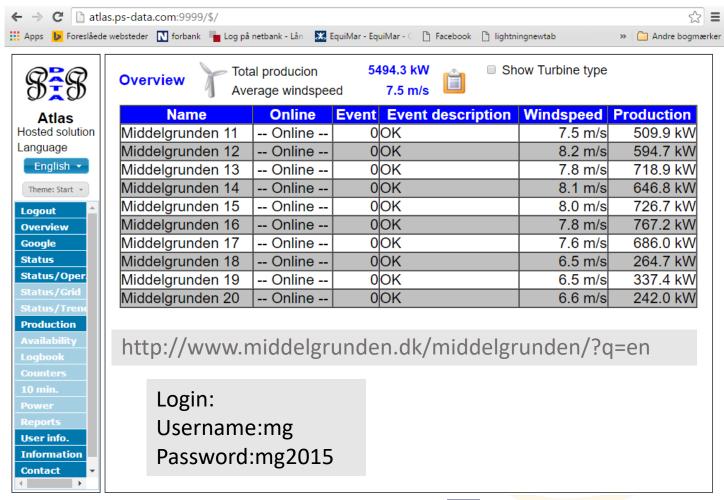




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Two separated organizations during operation

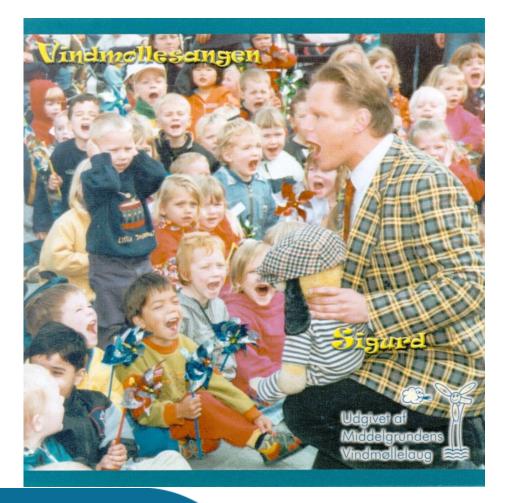
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The Cooperative's principle: all data is free

Boat trips already during construction



An artist created a video about wind and released it at the town square





Danish tradition in wind

Cooperative owners visiting/climbing their turbine 3rd Sunday in June



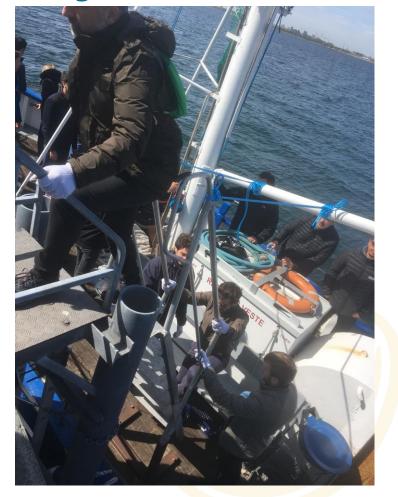




The owner visits slowly developed

Now groups of students and planners are requesting tours







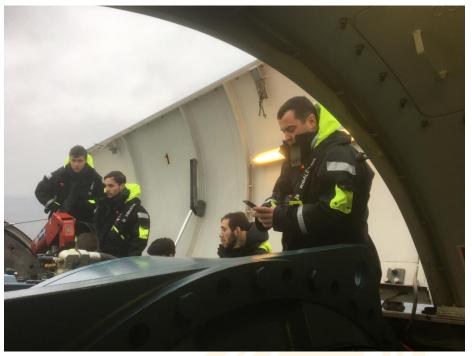
Other boat operators has asked for service

And aspects arise like health & safety, insurance & legal responsibility



Departure in RIB boat equipped with survival suit





But it is too hot - even during the winter - to climb with survival suit



Also professionals are visiting

Which create other discussions about health & safety improvements









Offshore wind and tourism

We have 30-40 trips a year and many requests from small groups

- The original approach where the owners are visiting the turbines are still actual. Every 2 years about 150-200 people climb their turbines (20th of September 2020 next time).
- Only Cooperative owned turbines today offer visits to other than the owners.
- And we take even guests from the professional developers to visit the farm.
- Independent operators of tourism in Copenhagen wants to include.
- Leisure diver's organization wants to take advantage of the platform as the reef is an attractive site for them.









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