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## Financing offshore wind

Lessons learned from Europe and Asia

By EKF Denmark's Export Credit Agency





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#### **About EKF**

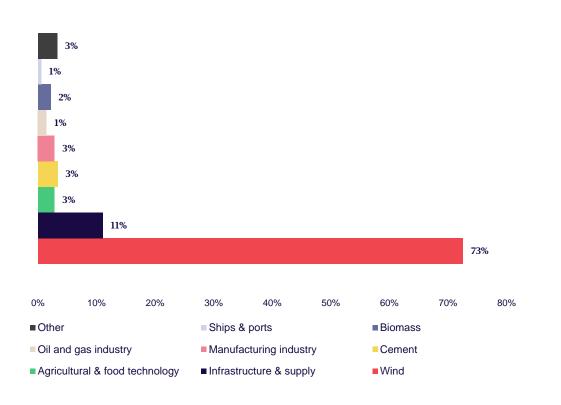
- > Denmark´s official export credit company
- > Owned and guaranteed by the Danish state
- > Nearly 100 years of experience
- > Operates on commercial terms



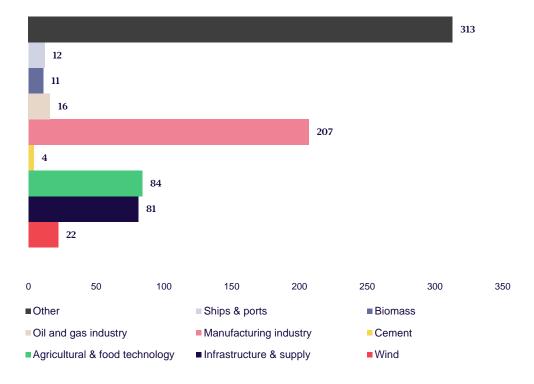
#### **EKF's sectors**



#### **Guarantee & Loan Exposure**



#### **Number of customers**

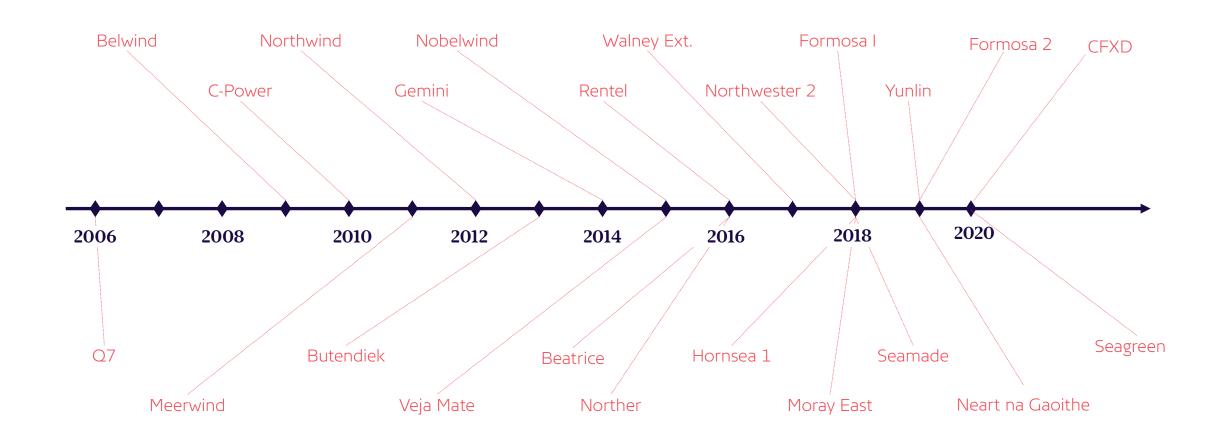


Almost 1/3 of the world's total offshore wind capacity has EKF as financing partner!



### 14 years of offshore wind experience





### What is project finance?

#### In Project Finance

- the credit assessment is done on future cash flow and not on an existing balance sheet.
- the asset of the project (SPV) generates the <u>cash flow</u> to repay the loan.
- the debt is <u>non-recourse</u>.



## North America Risks – different to the North Sea

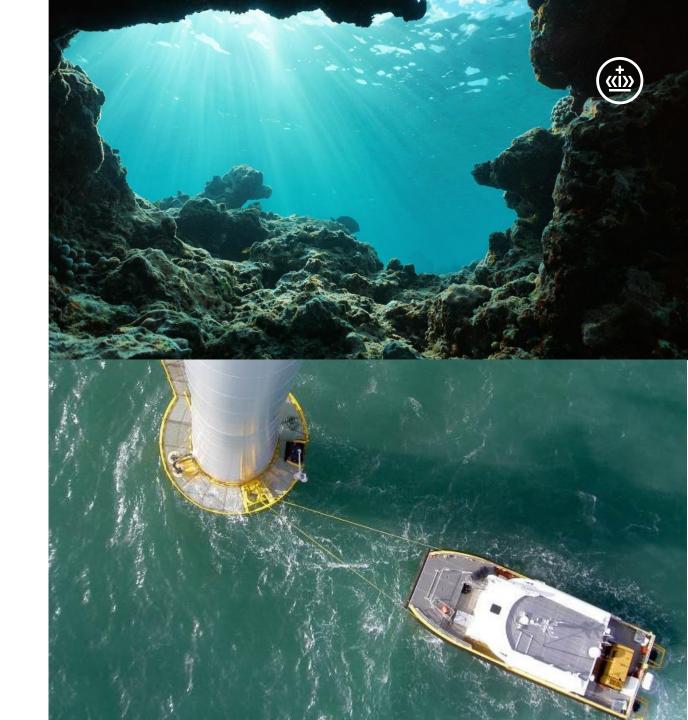
- > Changing weather
- > Tax equity
- > Other endangered species
- > Local opposition and litigations
- > Strong demand for localizationvs. low cost of energy

STAY AGILE AND BE READY FOR CHANGES!



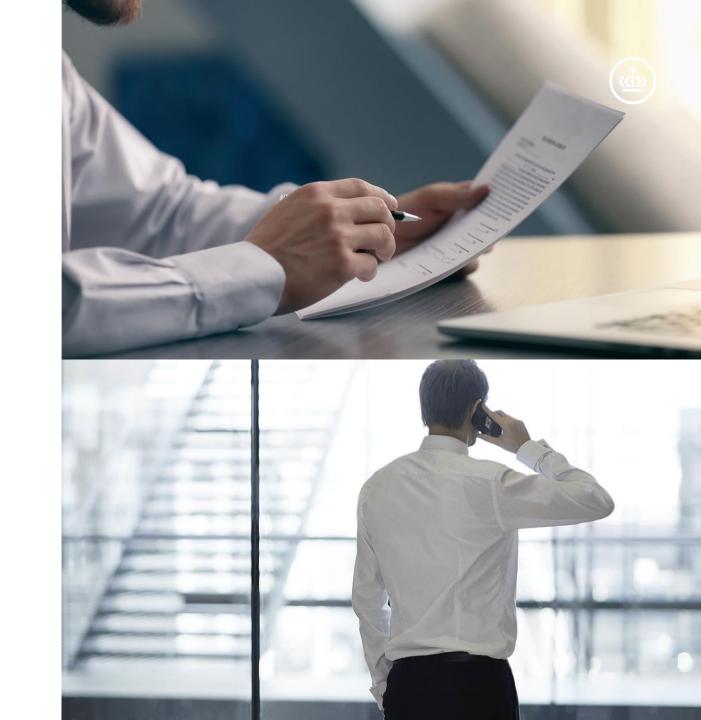
## Important challenges - and how we solved them? - page 1

- > Vessel defects
- > Delays due to design changes
- > Supplier defaults
- > Operational accident
- > Construction accident



## Important challenges - and how we solved them? - page 2

- > PPAs non-bankable
- > Legal issues, e.g. corporate structures
- > Multi-contracting
- > Contingency
- Local opposition, e.g. from fishermen or the community





# What can EKF bring to offshore wind in the US?

#### What we bring

- Great experience in offshore project finance: flexible, reliable and well connected
- Max share 80% of senior debt in offshore typically 25-50% of senior debt
- Max. exposure per transaction approx.
   USD 800 million
- > EKF can guarantee loans or fund in USD
- > Market pricing
- > EKF accepts documentation risk



### EKF – General requirements

- > Danish economic interest
- Complying with the OECD Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits
- > Pro rata and pari passu with financing parties
- > Risk sharing with all parties
- > Full due diligence including assessment of environmental and social aspects
- > Reputational risk



#### **Conclusions**

- > EKF has long and extensive experience from financing of offshore wind.
- > We believe US may become the next major market in the world for offshore wind energy, both fixed bottom and later floating.
- EKF aims to be a part of the financing of future US offshore wind energy projects long term.
- Offshore wind energy will play an important role for a greener, more sustainable world.









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