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## PRESS RELEASE

## Plug in here and play offshore with Ports of Normandy!

Active in every aspect of the industry (production, logistics, maintenance), Ports of Normandy's three sites – Caen-Ouistreham, Cherbourg and Dieppe – have the broadest geographic reach on the coast of France. They feature some of the most efficient port facilities and are currently creating almost 1000 direct jobs.

On the occasion of the Wind Europe / Electric City 2021 exhibition, the elected representatives of Ports de Normandie - Benoit Arrivé, vice-president of Cotentin and mayor of Cherbourg en Cotentin, David Margueritte, president of Cotentin and vice-president of the Normandy region and Valérie Nouvel, Vice-President of the Manche Departmental Council, in the presence of Caroline Ferrari, Ambassador of France in Denmark, have presented Ports of Normandy offshore wind activity.



In the **Port of Cherbourg**, accessible 24/7 to vessels drawing up to 14 m, Ports of Normandy invested €100 M to deliver a hard-standing area of 100 ha dedicated to marine renewable energies and a wharf capable of bearing loads greater than 15 tonnes per square metre.

At the **Port of Caen-Ouistreham**, Ports of Normandy recently reclaimed 3 ha from the sea so EDF can install a maintenance facility for the Courseulles wind farm. Additionally, close to €28 M has been invested in port facilities, notably for accommodating maintenance vessels.

As for the **Port of Dieppe**, it's ready to host the EMDT maintenance facility for the Tréport wind farm.

## Some of the companies which have chosen Ports of Normandy

**LM Wind Power, a subsidiary of GE**, decided to install its most competitive factory to date in the Port of Cherbourg. Since opening in April 2018, this LM Wind Power factory has been producing 107 m blades for the Halliade X 14 MW. Ports of Normandy has been on hand to help the wind-turbine manufacturer fulfil its ambitious development plan.

In 2020 **Van Oord** also chose the Port of Cherbourg to ensure, on hard-standing of 5 ha, the logistics for the foundations of the offshore wind farm at Saint Brieuc. The foundations are transported by sea to the port where they are stored until the installation vessel collects them. The wind-turbine installation vessel is expected to dock approximately eighty times.

Also in the Port of Cherbourg, **EDF** will soon be deploying on hard-standing of 15 ha its assembly hub for the Fécamp wind farm. EDF has also entrusted Ports of Normandy with managing the preparation works for this hub. Works are scheduled to start in early 2022, with maritime operations getting underway the following year. At the same time, EDF launched works in Ouistreham to develop the maintenance facility for the Courseulles wind farm.

**SAIPEM**, the company contracted to install the foundations of the Courseulles wind turbines, currently occupies 8 ha in the Port of Cherbourg for the delivery, storage and transport by sea of 260,000 tonnes of quarried materials. Starting in August 2022, one hundred calls are expected.

From January 2022, **Boskalis**, the consortium's contractors installing the foundations of the Fécamp wind turbines, will occupy 5 ha in the Port of Cherbourg for the delivery, storage and transport by sea of 350,000 tonnes of quarried materials. About twenty calls are planned during 2022.

Lastly, in Dieppe, Ports of Normandy has just updated its partnership with **EMDT**, a subsidiary of **Engie**, for the construction of the maintenance facility for the Tréport wind farm.

In total, more than €40 M will be additionally invested in Ports of Normandy's facilities over the next three years.

Moreover, the master development plan for the Port of Cherbourg has been adopted and allows for the possibility of building new infrastructure for the medium and long-term needs of the sector.

"Ports of Normandy is ready, anticipates the future and is proud to be a major port organization in Northwest Europe for wind turbines at sea. More than ever, the goal is to be able to satisfy highly specialized demands in order to secure new industrial and logistical opportunities for other offshore wind farms, both French and international, whether fixed or floating," declared the elected representatives present: Benoit Arrivé, vice-president of Cotentin and mayor of Cherbourg en Cotentin, David Margueritte, president of Cotentin and vice-president of the Normandy region and Valérie Nouvel, Vice-President of the Manche Departmental Council.



## **ABOUT PORTS OF NORMANDY**

Owner and administrator of the ports of Caen-Ouistreham, Cherbourg, and Dieppe, "Ports of Normandy" comprises:

6,000 direct, indirect and induced jobs (INSEE Study 2016) /  $\leq$ 410M invested in Normandy (2007-2020) / 100 ha dedicated to Marine Renewable Energies and 2 forthcoming maintenance sites / 2 million cross-Channel passengers per year / 7 million tonnes of goods per year / Close to 60 cruise ship visits per year and more than 150,000 cruise passengers / 3,200 marina berths, a dry stack marina and 33,600 overnight stays / 1/3 of all fish (tonnage) landed in Normandy / comprehensive ship repair provision.

Ports of Normandy, an alliance between Normandy Council, the departments of Calvados, Manche and Seine-Maritime and the agglomeration communities of Caen-la-Mer, Le Cotentin and Dieppe-Maritime, at the service of economic development in the region. Learn more about "Ports de Normandie" at portsdenormandie.fr

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