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*The Scottish Government has this morning **published** the adopted Sectoral Marine Plan and its final Offshore Wind Policy Statement.*

Responding, Brian McFarlane, Co-Chair of the Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council, said:

“Scotland's offshore wind resource is one of the best in the world and the Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council is committed to its vision of an offshore wind sector that plays to Scotland's strengths, delivering jobs, investment and export opportunities in line with the UK Sector Deal.

“Today's announcements help achieve that by providing the policy certainty which developers and investors need to make plans for building the offshore wind farms of the future.

“The Scottish Government's belief that the ambition for the Scottish offshore wind sector should be raised to 11GW by 2030, from 1GW today, sets a pathway for the sector which aligns with Scotland's net-zero ambitions, in which offshore wind will play a fundamental role.

“Industry and government must now work collaboratively together, alongside other users of the sea, to create a competitive, commercially-attractive offshore wind sector in Scotland which can deliver both domestically and in the global offshore wind market.”

Notes:

- The [Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council](#) is co-chaired by Scottish Government Energy Minister Paul Wheelhouse and Brian McFarlane, Head of Projects, Offshore Development at SSE Renewables.

- More details on today's announcement can be found [on the Scottish Government's website](#).

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