



ScotWind all systems go as full lease awards confirmed

- Today, 13 April 2022, the Crown Estate Scotland confirmed that all bidders offered leases in January 2022 have now agreed lease terms and been awarded exclusive seabed development rights
- This important milestone creates certainty for these developers and Scottish supply chain in work to secure offshore wind benefit for Scotland
- The Scottish Government has estimated that these projects could represent £1bn+ investment in Scotland for every GW delivered. 25GW of projects will now commence development work ahead of submission into the Scottish planning process

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Today Crown Estate Scotland confirmed that all bidders offered seabed leases on 17 January 2022 had accepted contractual terms offered and signed up to take on leasing rights and associated responsibility.

These 17 projects will now commence development work in advance of submitting applications to the Scottish Government. Many of these projects have already started wider engagement, including with the Scottish supply chain.

SOWEC has invited new entrants to join ongoing work to establish a collaborative framework to help maximise opportunities for Scotland's supply chain.

SOWEC industry co-chair Brian McFarlane said: "It is great to get confirmation that all developers wish to take on a lease and proceed with delivery of what is the world's biggest leasing round, and to join SOWEC's efforts to look at how our industry can collaborate together to improve opportunity for Scotland's supply chain."

Editors Notes

- The formal announcement of confirmation of the ScotWind leasing round can be found [here](#).
- The [Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council](#) (SOWEC) is a partnership between the Scottish public sector and the offshore wind industry. Co-chaired by Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism & Enterprise, and Brian McFarlane of SSE
- SOWEC's mission is to coordinate and grow the sector, ensuring the Scottish offshore wind industry is more sustainable, competitive, and commercially-attractive, both domestically and in the global offshore wind market.
- The Strategic Investment Assessment which set out a series of recommendations to SOWEC on supporting Scottish supply chain growth can be found [here](#).
- The Collaborative Framework Principles can be found [here](#). SOWEC is now working with ScotWind winners and other Scottish developers to put in place a framework with Scottish ports, with an initial focus on supply of floating offshore wind platforms.