

# Wind Assisted Ship Propulsion “WASP”

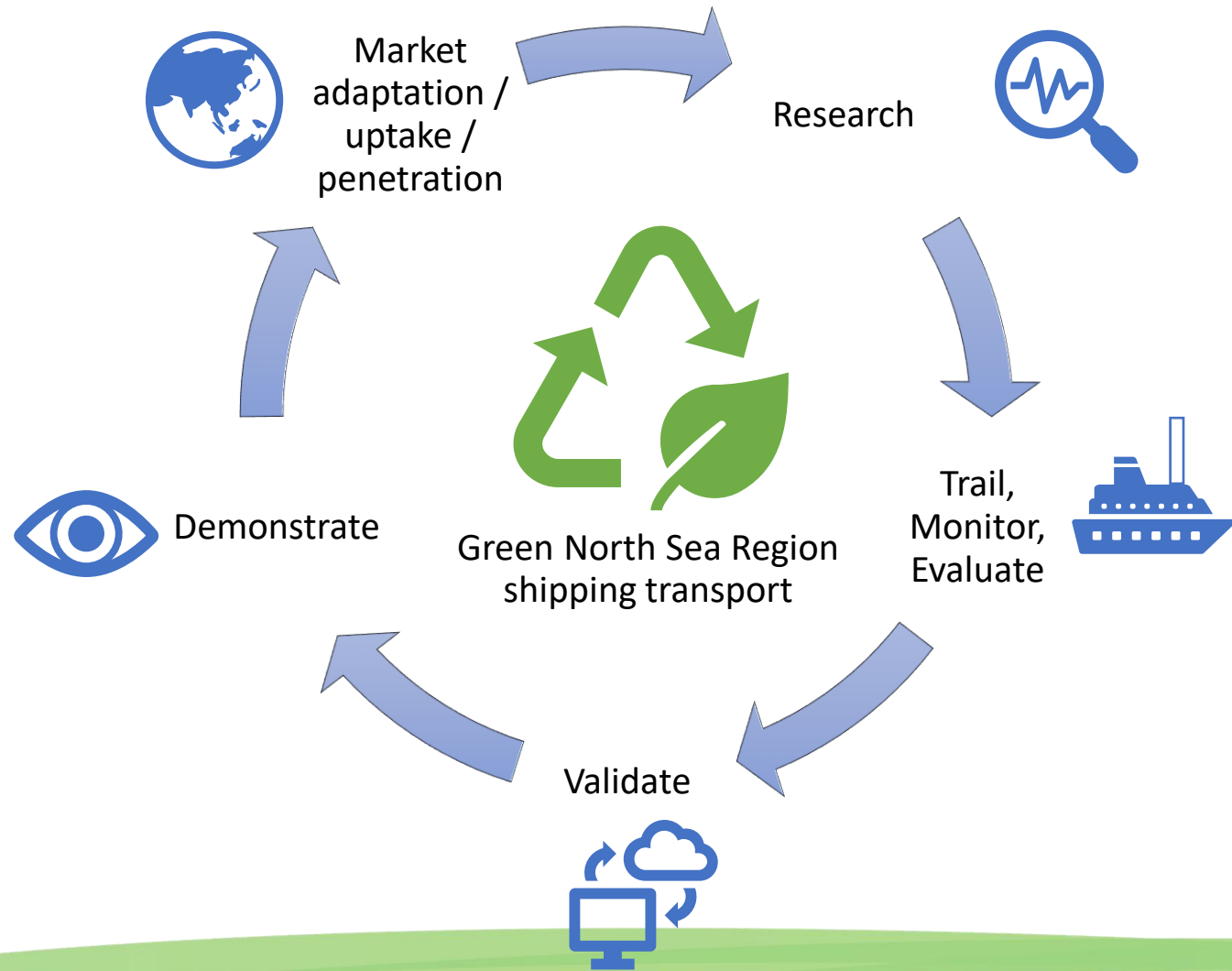
WASP is co-funded by the North Sea Region Programme 2014-2020  
Total budget € 5.393.222 - ERDF contribution 2.613.458 €  
Priority 2: Eco-innovation: Stimulating the green economy

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# Partners



# Project cycle



2  
Ventifoils  
(Econowind)



2 Flatrack  
Ventifoils  
(Econowind)



Flettner rotor  
(Norsepower)

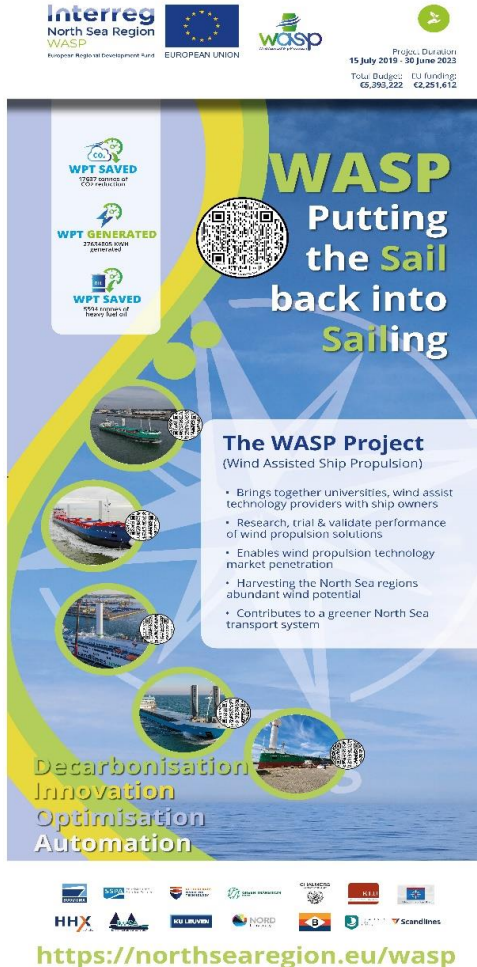


Flettner  
(Eco flettner)



Twin wing  
(Econowind)

# Project key objectives



The poster for the WASP project features the title 'WASP Putting the Sail back into Sailing' in large, bold letters. It includes a QR code and three 'WPT SAVED' icons with values: 1000 tonnes of CO2 avoided, 2762400 kWh generated, and 1534 tonnes of heavy fuel oil saved. A central text box titled 'The WASP Project (Wind Assisted Ship Propulsion)' lists key objectives and outcomes. At the bottom, it lists 'Decarbonisation', 'Innovation', 'Optimisation', and 'Automation' and provides the website URL <https://northsearegion.eu/wasp>. Logos for various partners are shown at the bottom.

Interreg North Sea Region WASP European Regional Development Fund EUROPEAN UNION

Project Duration: 15 July 2016 - 30 June 2023  
Total Budget: EU funding: €5,390,222 Co-funding: €2,251,612

**WASP**  
Putting the Sail back into Sailing

**The WASP Project**  
(Wind Assisted Ship Propulsion)

- Brings together universities, wind assist technology providers with ship owners
- Research, trial & validate performance of wind propulsion solutions
- Enables wind propulsion technology market penetration
- Harvesting the North Sea regions abundant wind potential
- Contributes to a greener North Sea transport system

Decarbonisation  
Innovation  
Optimisation  
Automation

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- **Primary objective:** Research, Trial and Validate the operational performance of a selection of wind propulsion solutions on five vessels operating in the North Sea region.
- **Installations:** Five systems successfully installed and in operation. Engineering, installation procedures, port operations, maintenance and training aspects are all being carefully assessed.
- **Monitoring & Evaluation:** All of the systems are being monitored by an expert evaluation team. Sea trials are being conducted and a digital twin is under development.
- **Performance:** Verification of the average annual savings on fuel are underway, but these are expected to be up to 10%, without adjusting the motor vessel operational profile.
- **Business Case Evaluation:** A broad evaluation of the current state of the industry has been completed. Comprehensive model on wind propulsion innovation uptake & and more detailed analysis of each business case is now underway.

# Ships and installations

					
<b>Ship owner</b>	<b>Van Dam Shipping</b>	<b>Boomsma Shipping</b>	<b>Scandlines Gedser-Rostock</b>	<b>Shipping company Röd Braren</b>	<b>Tharsis Sea-River Shipping</b>
<b>Country</b>	The Netherlands	The Netherlands	Denmark	Germany	The Netherlands
<b>Vessel</b>	Ankie	Frisian Sea	Copenhagen	Annika Braren	Tharsis
<b>Ship type</b>	General cargo DWT 3638 t	General cargo DWT 6446 t	RoPax DWT 5000 t	Minibulker DWT 5035 t	General cargo DWT 2300 t
<b>Wind Propulsion Technology (WPT)</b>	2 retrofit front-placed suction wing of 16 meter.	2 Flatrack suction wings of 11m	Flettner rotor	Flettner rotor	2 flexible wings
<b>WPT Provider</b>	Econowind	Econowind	Norsepower	ECO Flettner	Econowind
<b>WPT installation</b>	March 2020	November 2020	September 2020	October 2020	Q1 2021
<b>Trials planned</b>	Q1 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	2021	2021

# MV Ankie



# MV Copenhagen

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North Sea Region  
WASP  
European Regional Development Fund



# MV Annika Braren





# MV Frisian Sea

Interreg  
North Sea Region  
WASP  
European Regional Development Fund



# MV Tharsis



# Sea Trial Procedures & Preliminary Results

## Type A

Short trial with the device on and off

## Type B

Random periods of device on or off during normal operation

## Type C

Comparing longer periods before and after installation

## Type D

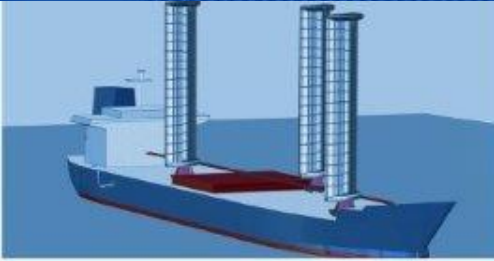
Sister ship comparison

- Sea Trials: Completed for Four Vessels – MV Tharsis partially completed Q1 2022 (*Covid delay*)
- Preliminary Results: Aligning with expectations – in fuel savings = up to 10% – procedure & route dependent results (thrust generation analysis, normalisation/comparative studies underway)

# Thank you for your attention!

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# Decade of Wind Propulsion 2021-2030



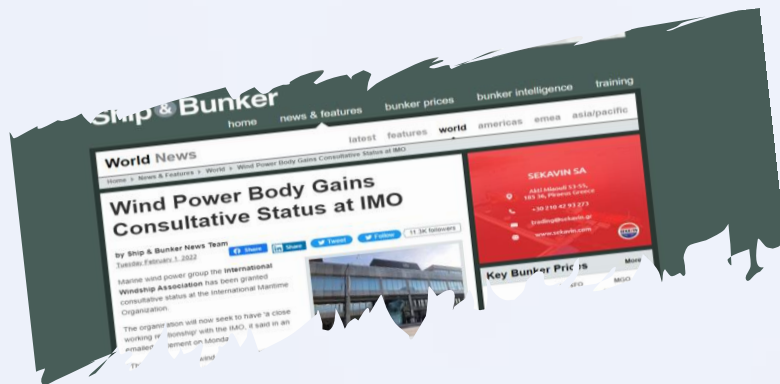
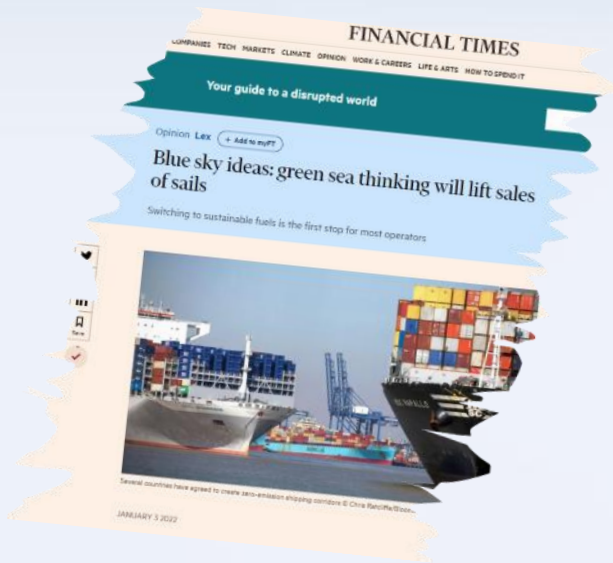
Delivery | Optimisation | Facilitation



[www.decadeofwindpropulsion.org](http://www.decadeofwindpropulsion.org)

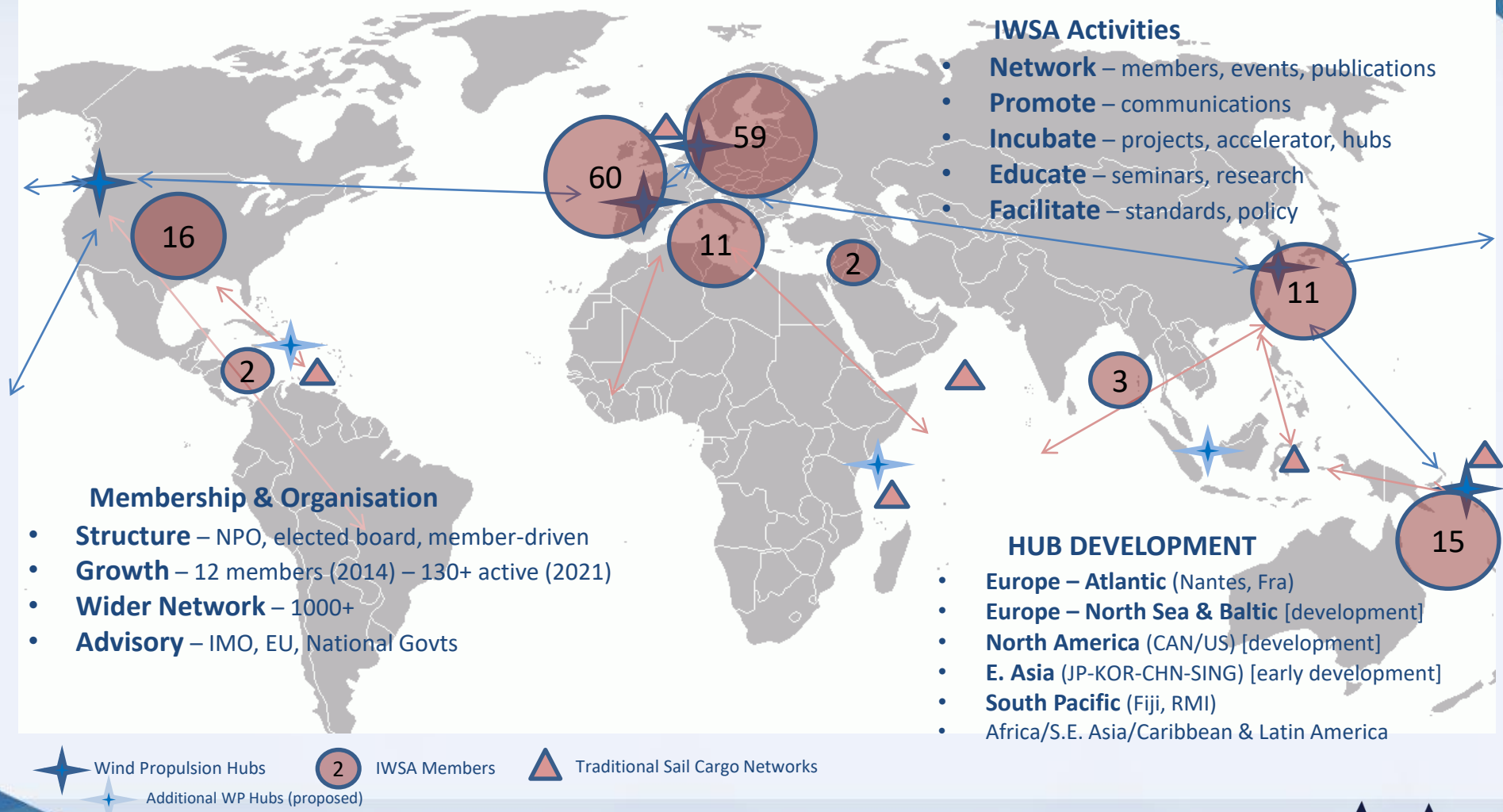






# Wind Propulsion Momentum...



# International Windship Association Network

A unique, fast growing tech segment: significant decarbonisation & operational cost reduction potential



 Wind Propulsion Hubs    
  IWSA Members    
  Traditional Sail Cargo Networks  
 Additional WP Hubs (proposed)

# Direct Application of Wind Power

## Wind Energy

- Zero - Emissions
- Zero - Cost
- Zero - Volatility
- Zero - Infrastructure
- Zero - Storage

## Wind Propulsion Technology

- Zero - Development Time
- Zero - Compatibility Issues
- Zero - Additional Crew
- Zero - CAPEX?

## Win-Win-Wind Situation

## RETROFIT

5-20% propulsive energy  
& optimised up to 30%

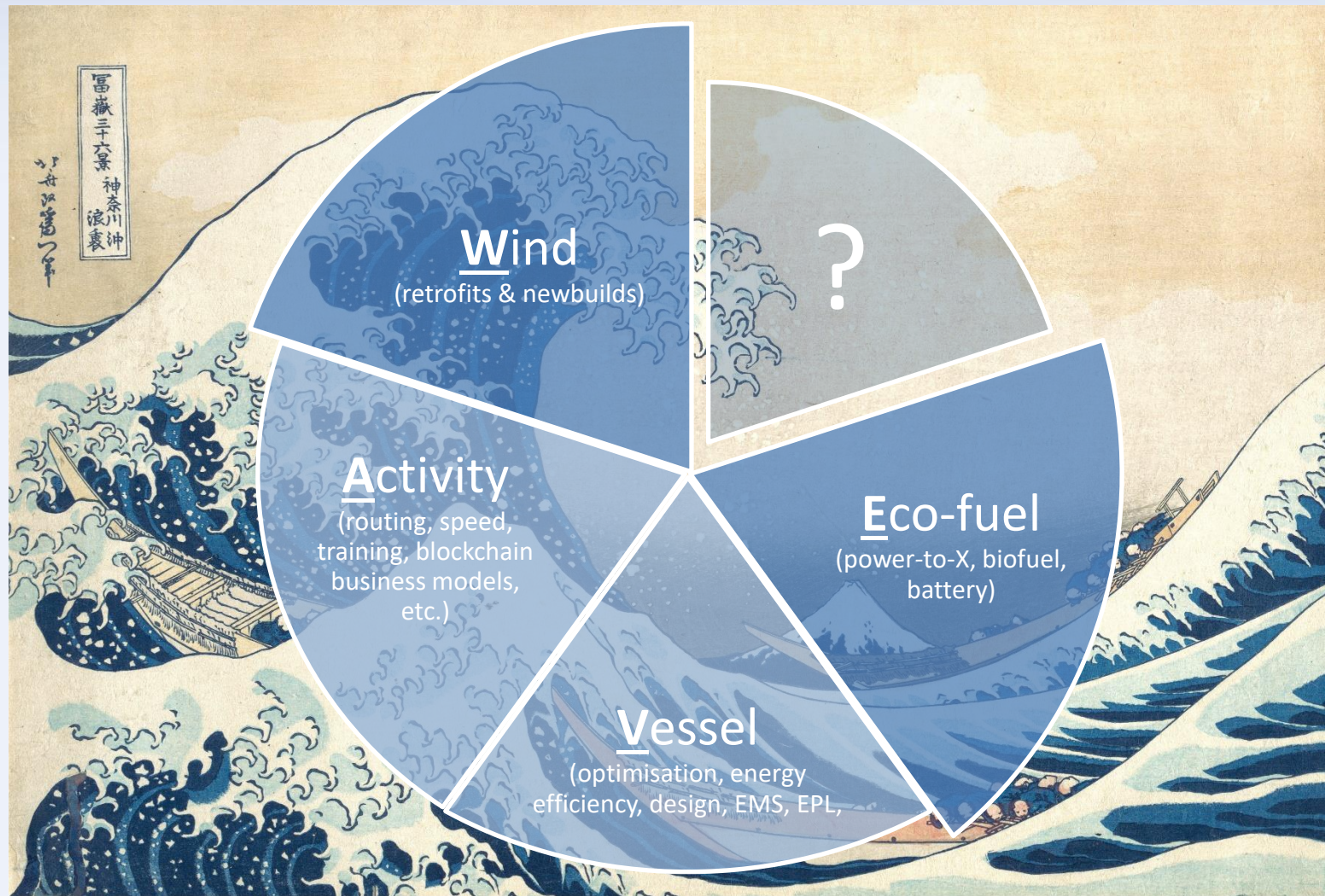
## OPTIMISED NEWBUILD

50-80%+ possible with  
operational changes

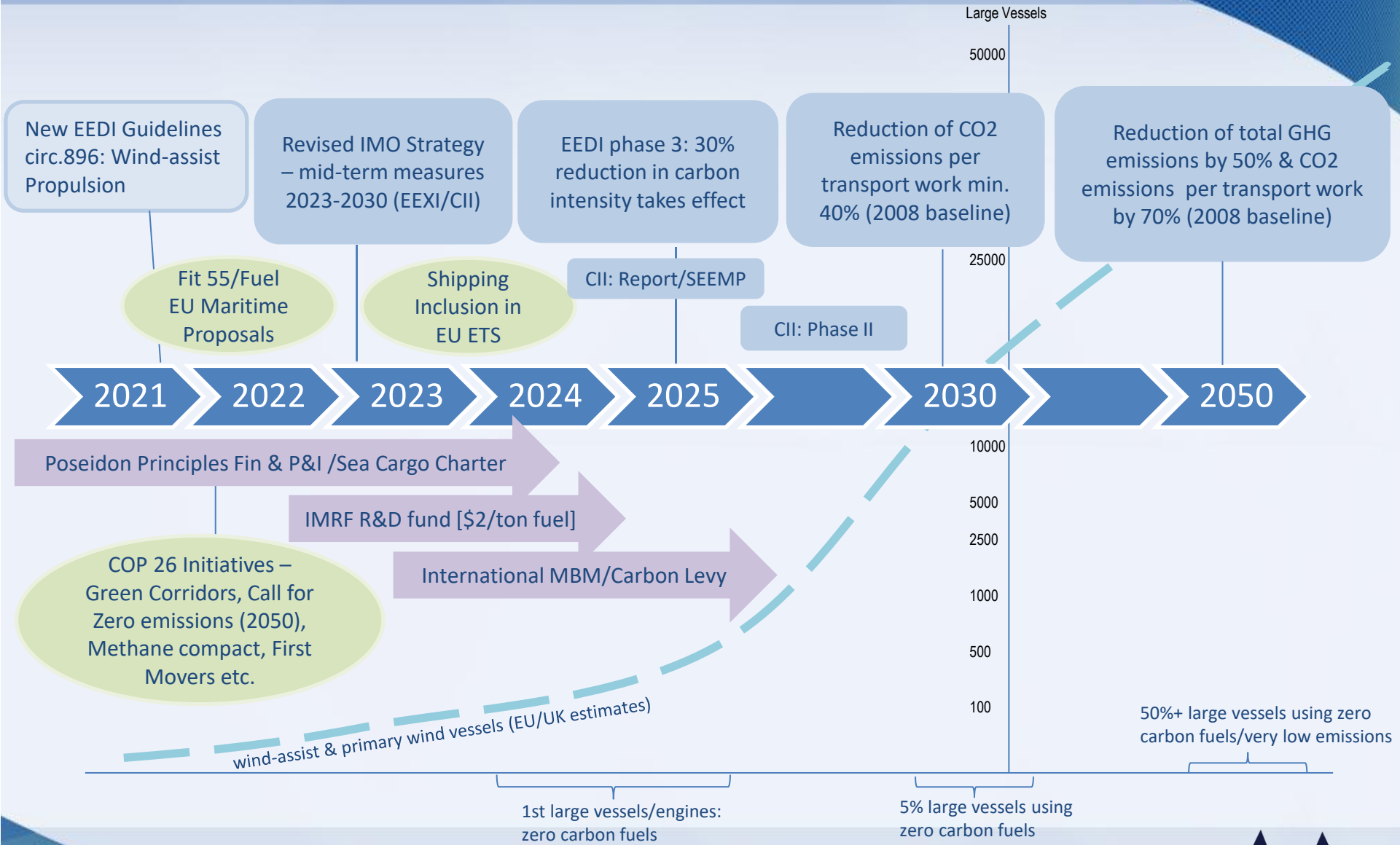




# Hybrid W.A.V.E.



# Policy Pipeline & Wind Propulsion



# Large Vessel Installations Today...

**19 Ocean Going Vessels with Wind-Assist Systems installed by Q2 2022**  
 & 1 Wind-ready + more than 20 small sail cargo, fisheries & cruise vessels in operation

## Ship Types

**Tankers x 2**  
 (1 x pending newbuild + 2 order)  
 1 x VLCC, 1 x LR2 Tanker

**Bulkers x 2 (+1)**  
 (8 x pending + 3 order)  
 1 x VLOC, 1 x Ultramax  
 1 x Kamsarmax (wind ready)

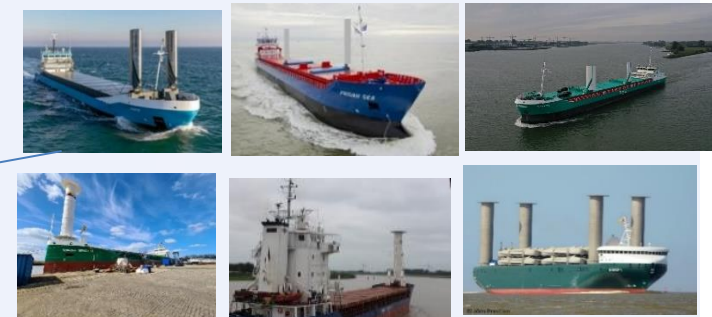
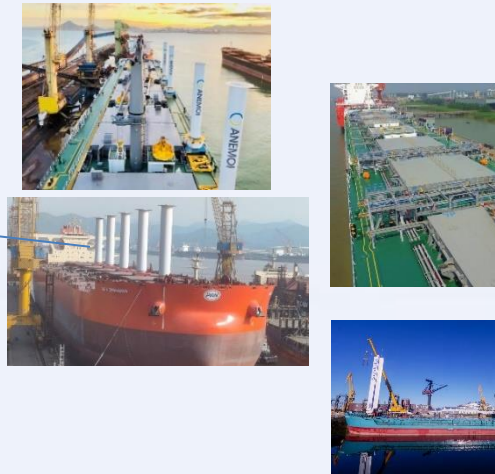
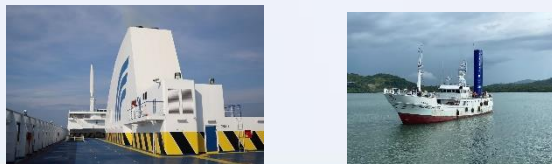
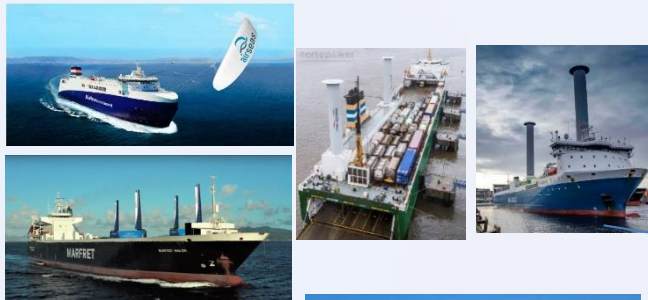
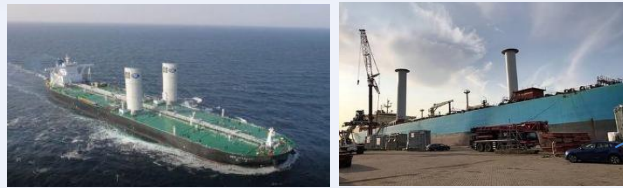
**RoRo x 4**  
 (2 x pending + 1 new build)

**Ferry/Cruise x 3**

**General Cargo x 7**  
 (3 x pending)  
 Various sizes: 2–12,000dwt

**Large Fishing Vessel x 1**

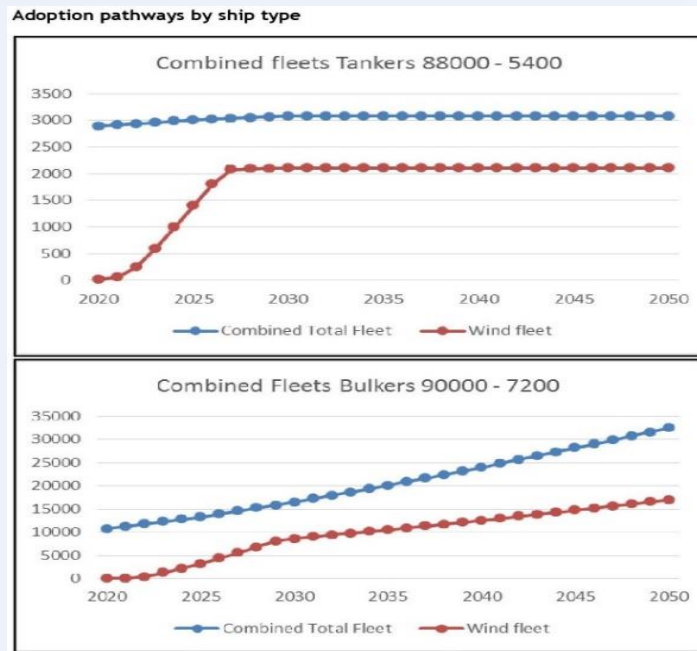
NOTE: More large WPT vessels in operation than all new alternative fuelled ships combined (excluding tankers & LNG/LPG)



# Market Forecasts & Pipeline Status

**By 2023: Existing Pipeline** – 40+ retrofit & newbuild vessels sea trialling & commercial operations  
**Robust R&D Pipeline:** 30+ Additional technologies & projects under development worldwide

## 2030



**EU Report:** Market potential for bulk carriers, tankers & container vessels = **3,700-10,700 installed systems**

**Current Combined Bulker Fleet:** total c.12,300

## 2050s






**UK Government:** 37,000 – 40,000 vessels with wind systems installed (40-45% of the global fleet)

Figure 4: Potential annual future global market for maritime emission reduction options<sup>19</sup>



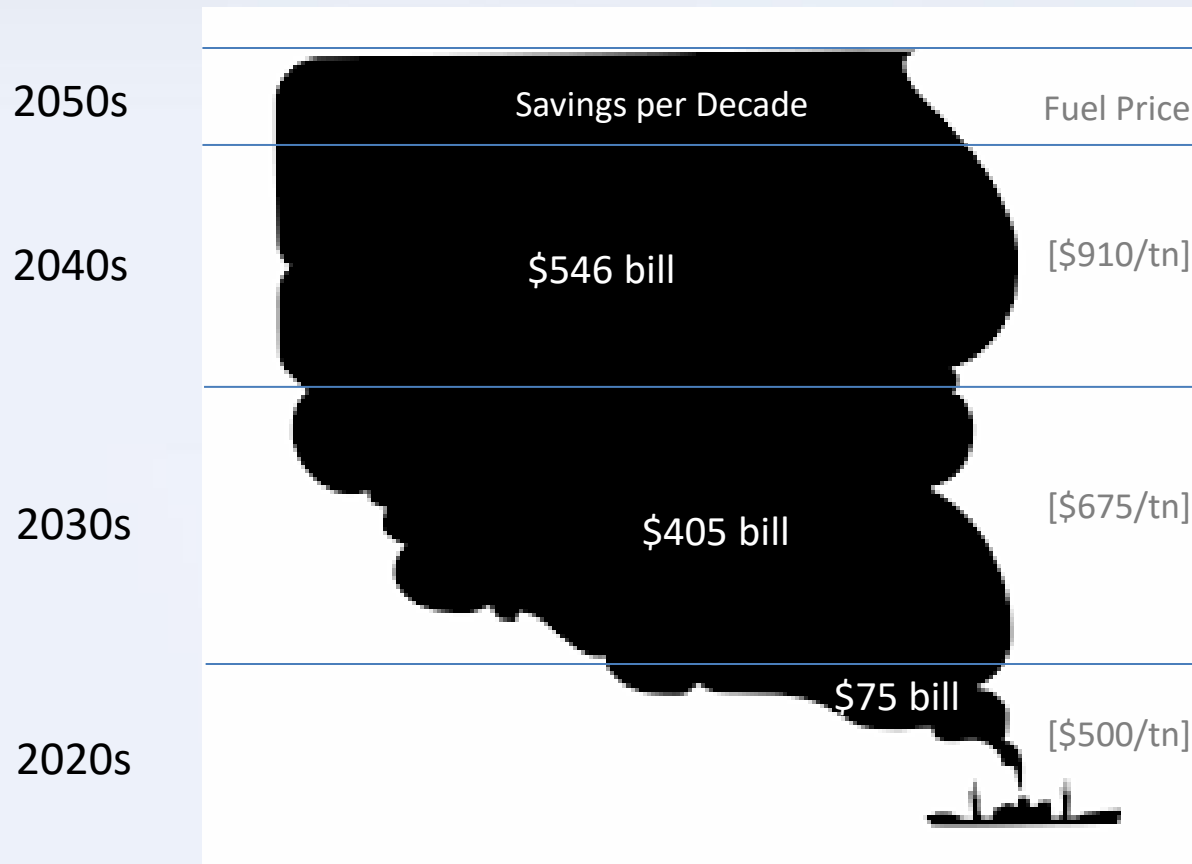
Source: Frontier Economics for DfT

# Drivers, Barriers & Solutions

	Drivers	Barriers	Solutions
<b>Policy</b> 	IMO GHG strategy – EEDI/EEXI/CII Speed/Power restrictions Fit 55/National Maritime Pathways Paris + IPCC 1.5C report	Efficiency vs Resilience COLREGS, Charter terms Inclusion in Decarbonisation Reports, Silo’ed approach etc.	Market analysis & reports – WASP & IWSA WiSP – EEDI/EEXI circ .896, 3 <sup>rd</sup> party IWSA – engagement
<b>Price</b> 	Upward pressure - LNG Uncertainties – price/avail. Carbon Price increase/EU ETS High price/avail. - low carbon fuels	Split incentive Difficulty in adopting global CO2 pricing + LCA Commodity vs Saving	Ringfenced Carbon levy Lease/Rental/Module Pay-as-you-save models
<b>Providers</b> 	Increasing number/Robust pipeline Toolbox – Horses4Courses Hybrid approach + Class	R&D finance Long lead times/compliance: SMEs Scaling & Scattershot Strategy	Demonstrators – WASP Wind Hubs/Clusters Accelerator program 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party platforms & Class
<b>People</b> 	New Boardroom Pressure = B2B + C2B Collaborative approach	Not uniform Risk management Lack of Edu/training resources	Multi-stakeholder projects Education program Access to experts/network
<b>Perception</b> 	Clear Change Credible, Viable, Profitable Positive Environmental Statement	Old/Unreliable - persists Not-fuel based + visibility Report/Policy exclusion	Demonstrate tech widely Transparency – news, savings, reports etc.

# The Shipping Decarbonisation Challenge....

## Could Wind Propulsion Fund the Decarbonisation Transition of the Fleet?



- ⚓ *Static fleet size: 60,000*
- ⚓ *Fuel: 300mill tn/yr*
- ⚓ *CO2: 1bill tn/yr*
- ⚓ *Price: \$500/tn (VLSFO/04 May 21)*
- ⚓ *Increase: 35%/decade from 2030s*
- ⚓ *Wind: 20% (inc. operation change)*

NOTE: No IRR/Currency rates etc included

### UMAS/ETC Report

IMO2050 (50%) = \$1trill

**100% Decarbonisation = \$1.4-\$1.9 trill**

[\$1.4 trill = 23 mill per ship]

**WPT cost = \$5 mill/ship = \$300bill**

+ Reduce total cost by 10-20%

**\$300 bill invested (2020s+) = \$1trillion+ savings by 2050 + lowers total cost to \$1.1-1.7 trillion**

# Win-Win-Wind Propulsion....

