

## OCEAN ENERGY **ERA-NET**



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OCEANERA-NET is the short name for the Ocean Energy European Research Area Network (ERA-NET), representing a Network of 16 European research funding organisations from 9 countries. The project is funded by the European Union through Framework Programme 7.

The objective of OCEANERA-NET is to coordinate research funding programmes between European countries and regions to support research and innovation in the ocean energy sector. Ocean energy includes the generation of renewable electricity from wave and tidal energy, salinity gradient and ocean thermal energy conversion.

The January 2014 Communication from the European Commission on Blue Energy recognises the role ocean energy can play in contributing to future renewable energy targets, economic growth and job creation. OCEANERA-NET is one of a number of initiatives to help address the research and innovation challenges for the growth of the sector. It will work alongside the European Energy Research Alliance Ocean Energy Joint Programme, Ocean Energy Forum and Ocean Energy Technology and Innovation Platform to develop a shared vision and coordinated action plan.

Specifically OCEANERA-NET will work towards joint calls for collaborative research and innovation projects. The project started in December 2013 and will run for 4 years. Our target is to launch a pilot joint call by November 2014, and further calls in 2015 and 2016.

OCEANERA-NET is coordinated by Scottish Enterprise, the Regional Economic Development Agency for lowlands Scotland. The consortium comprises partners from the UK, Ireland, Sweden, Denmark, Belgium, Netherlands, France, Spain and Portugal. We are also open to opportunities for collaboration with other European countries or international partners. YOUR VIEWS: we welcome the views of companies, research institutes and other stakeholders on priorities for collaborative research and innovation activity to support the development of the ocean energy sector, whether this involves technological development, installation, operations & maintenance, enabling technologies, resource and environment, business, economic or policy issues.

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