



# Certification schemes For Marine Renewable Energy




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# Bureau Veritas presentation

# What we do?



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Testing, Inspection, Certification  
and Technical Assistance

Helping clients meet their growing challenges  
of quality, health & safety, environmental  
protection and social responsibility

# An extensive geographic footprint



**72,000** employees



**1,400** offices and laboratories  
in **140** countries

## Europe



**14,700**



**380**

## Africa, Middle East, Eastern Europe



**8,900**



**290**

## Americas



**17,900**



**330**

## Asia, Pacific



**24,500**



**400**

# A large portfolio of businesses

## 2016 Revenue: € 4.6 billion

9%



Marine  
& Offshore

17%



Commodities

14%



Consumer  
Products

5%



Government  
Services &  
International  
Trade

22%



Industry

13%



In-Service  
Inspection &  
Verification

12%



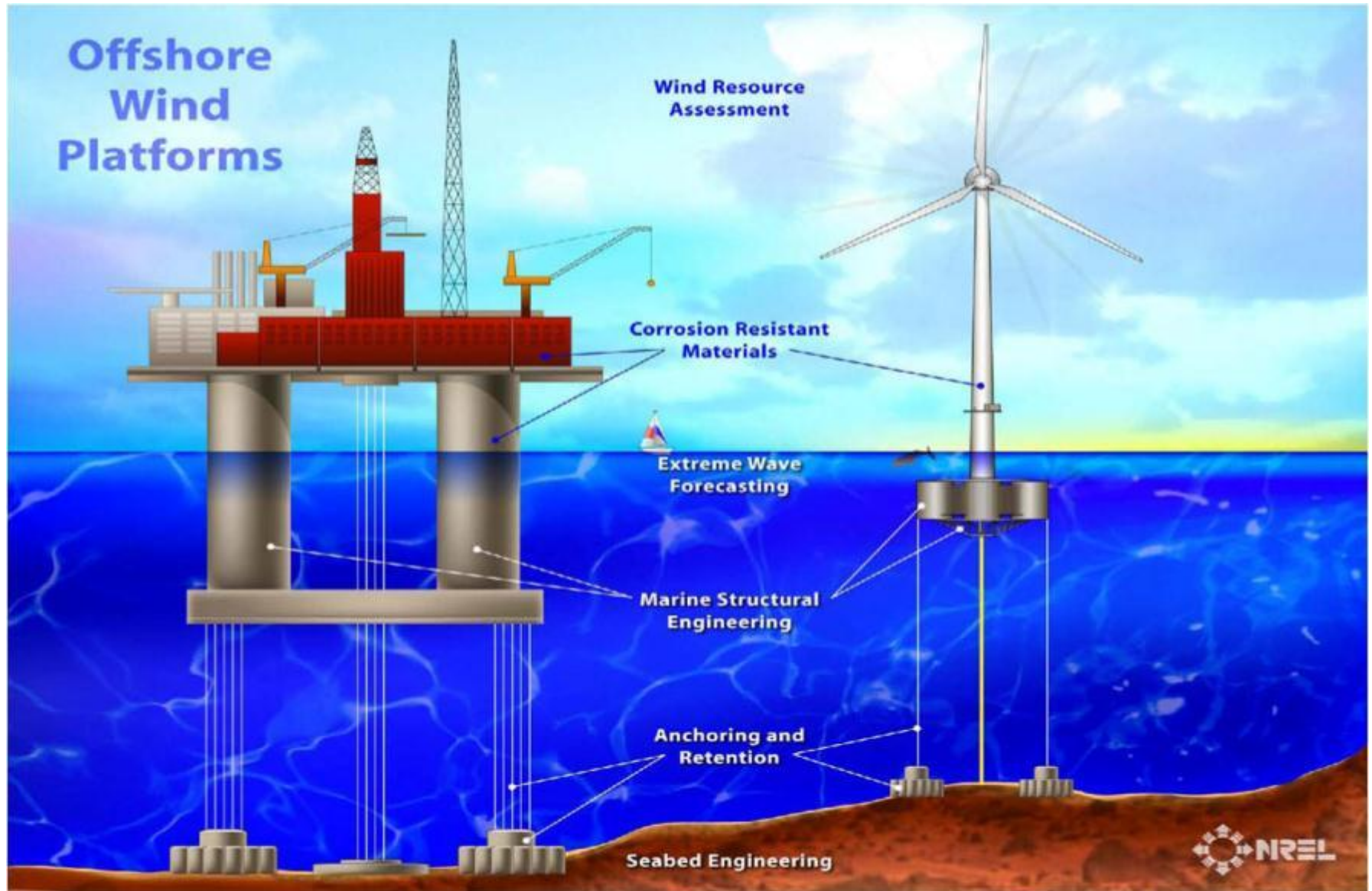
Construction

8%



Certification

# BV Experience - similarities





# **BV Certification schemes for Marine Renewable Energy**

# Introduction to the Certification: What?

[IEC 61400-22]

## Certification:

“procedure by which a third party gives written assurance that a product, process or service conforms to specified requirements, also known as conformity assessment”.





# Who asks for / benefits from Certification/Classification ?

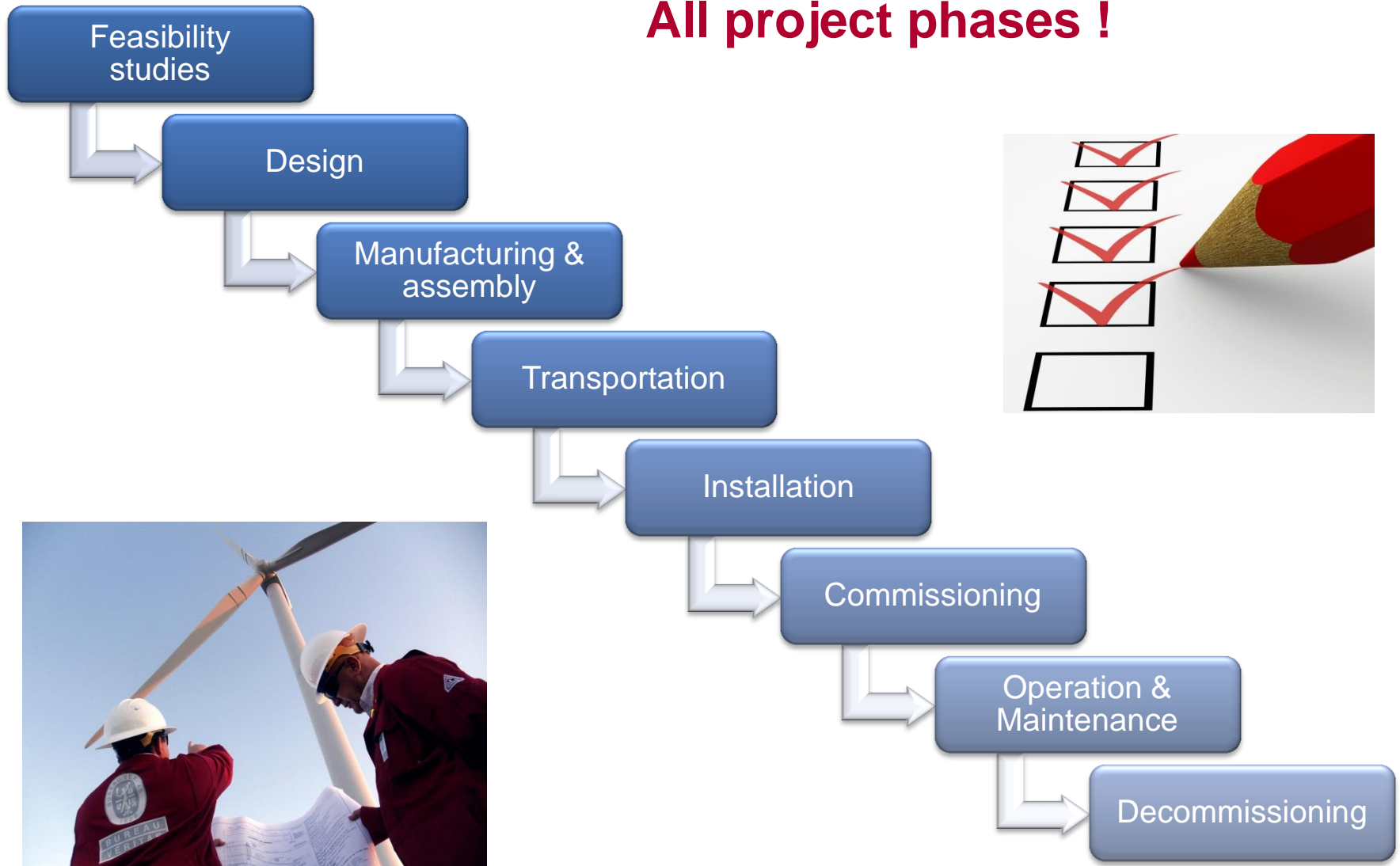


- Bankers
- Investors
- Insurers
- Nat. authorities
- Technology & project developers
- End users
- etc.



# When ?

## All project phases !



# General MRE certification procedure



## Type certification

A series of standard commercial MEC of common design and manufacture



## Prototype certification

The first MEC of a new generation



## Approval In Principle

Technical feasibility of a concept

## Component certification

A standard commercial component used in multiple projects



## Project certification

A farm of type-certified MEC installed on a specific site



# Approval In Principle (AIP)

## ▶ Objectives

1. To establish the **design code** to comply with
2. To verify that **the design is feasible, achievable**, and contains **no technological “show-stoppers”** that may prevent the design from being matured
3. To verify that the design is deemed to be **suitable for use in the metocean conditions** that the unit facility will be located in
4. To verify that the design is deemed to be **suitable for use in all phases of operation** including in-transit to field, installation, hook-up, commissioning, start-up, operations and offloading
5. To provide **recommendations** to fulfil through the following phases of the project



## ▶ INPUT

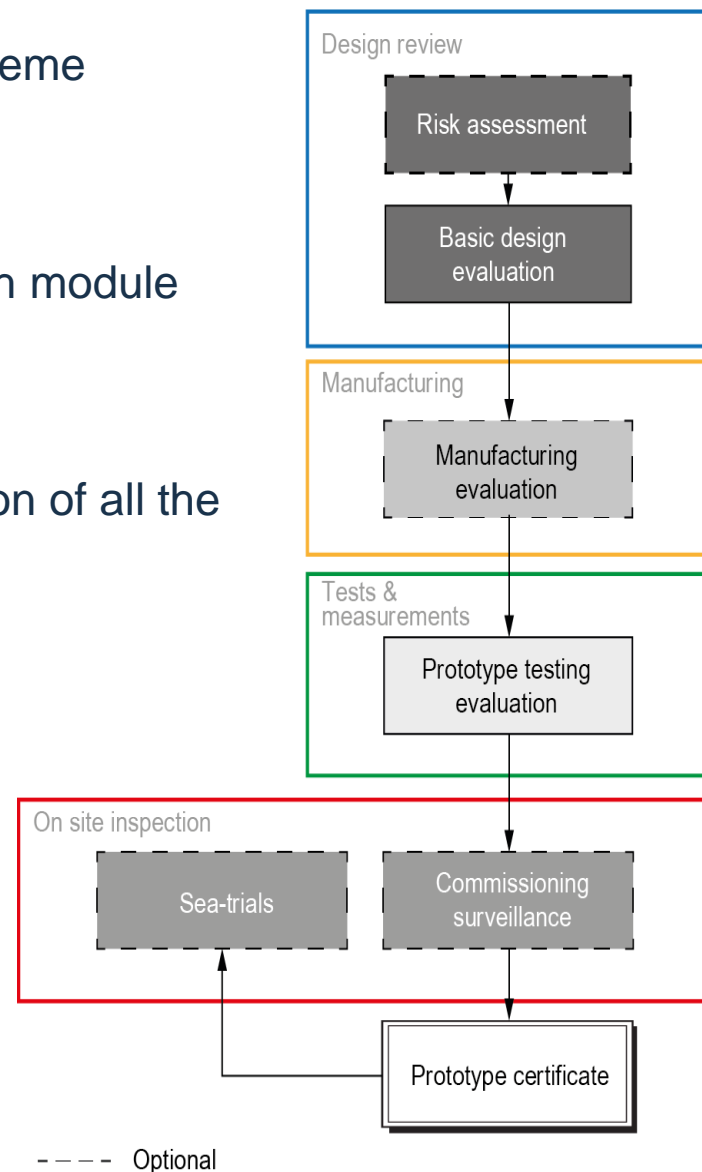
- ❖ **List of design documents to be reviewed**
- ▶ *Ex: metocean analysis, stability analysis, structural analysis, hydrodynamic analysis, CFD calculation, preliminary anchoring system, model tests, preliminary steel drawings etc.*
- ❖ **Codes and standards**
- ▶ *Ex: NR445, API codes, etc.*

## ▶ OUTPUT

- ❖ Submitted documents are **stamped**
- ❖ A **certificate** is issued
- ❖ **Comments and recommendations** for the following phases of the project are issued

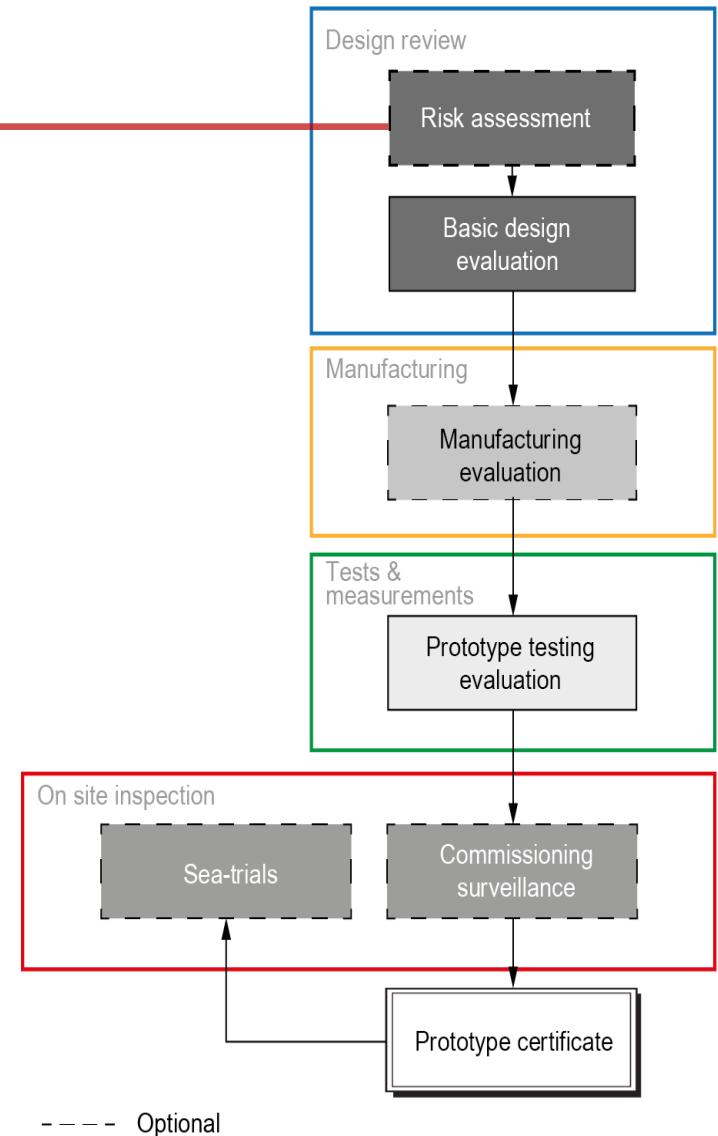
# Prototype Certification

- ❖ No internationally recognized MRE certification scheme
- ❖ BV proposal, iterations possible
- ❖ Evaluation report and conformity statement for each module
- ❖ Delivery of the certificate subjected to the completion of all the mandatory modules
- ❖ Maximum validity period of **3 years**.



# Prototype Certification

- ▶ Systematic hazard identification:
  - **Causes**
  - **Effects**
  - **Prevention and mitigation measures**
- ▶ Review of risk assessment conducted by the Client.
- ▶ *Is the selected methodology correctly implemented? Are there any major hazards remaining unaddressed?*

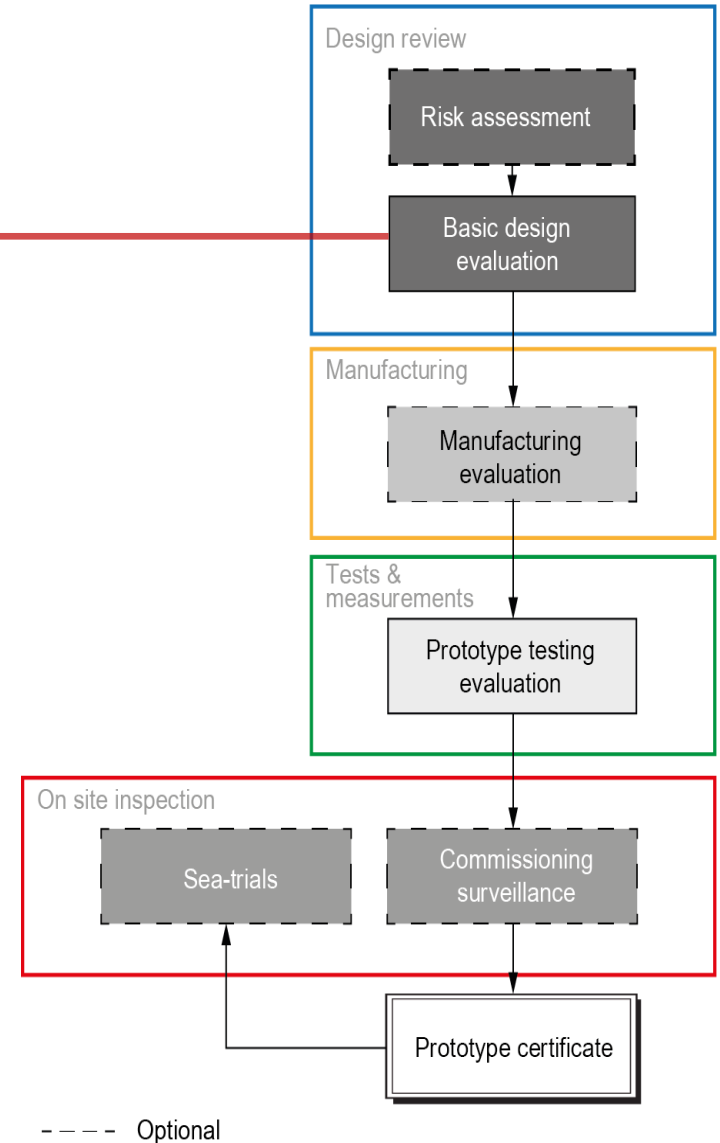


# Prototype Certification

## ► Verify :

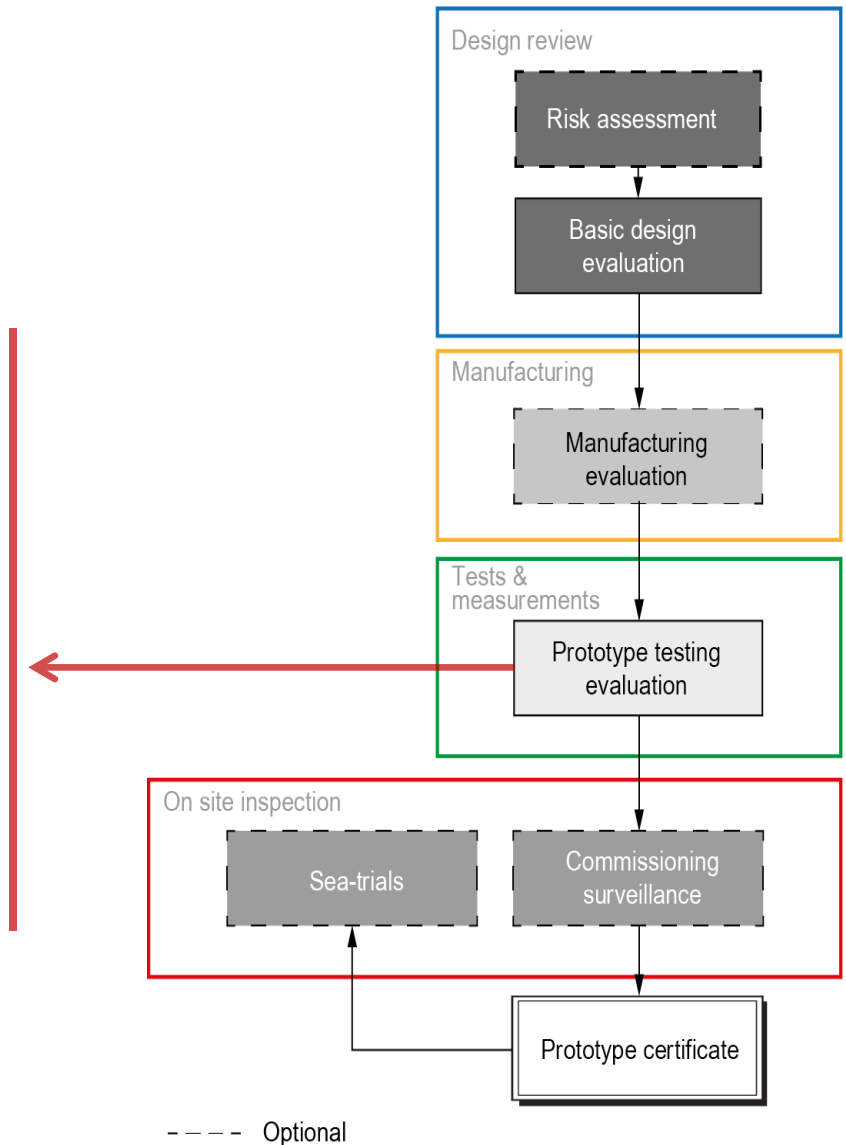
- ❖ Load assumptions
- ❖ Load cases (including transportation and installation)
- ❖ Design of main components
- ❖ ...

## ► Only documentation review



# Prototype Certification

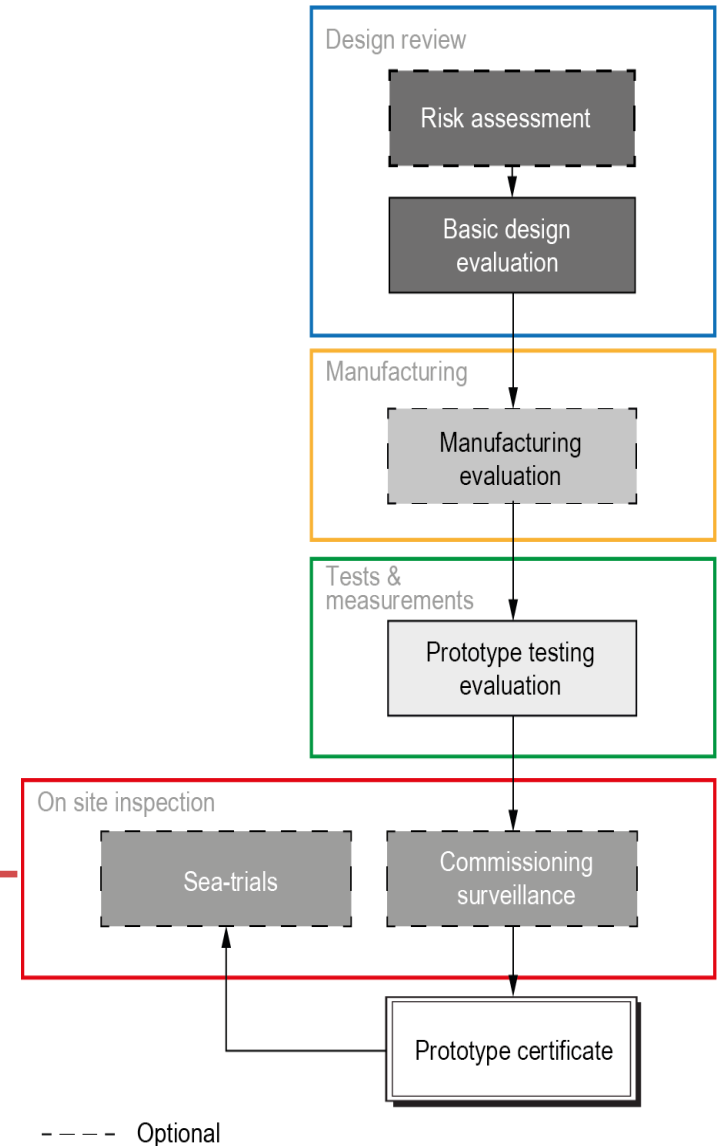
- ▶ Review of the sea trials programme and specifications
- ▶ If applicable, review of previous tests:
  - ❖ tank tests
  - ❖ small-scale sea trials
- ▶ *What are the components to be tested ? What are the parameters to be monitored during the tests ?*





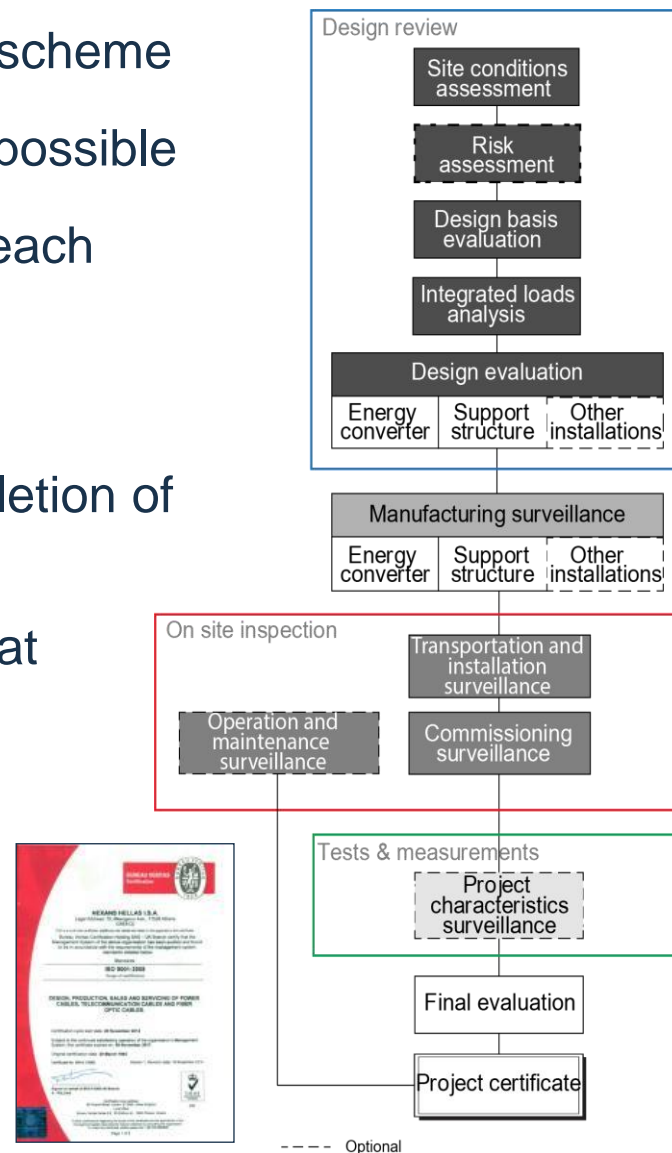
# Prototype Certification

- ❖ Commissioning surveillance
  - ▶ Is the operation in conformity with the commissioning **manual and procedure** ?
  - ▶ Is the operation compliant with relevant **safety standards** ?
- ❖ Sea-trials
  - ▶ Are the sea trials in conformity with the **prototype test specification** ?



# Project Certification

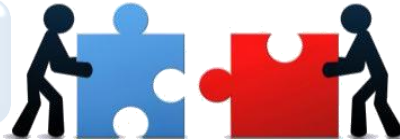
- ❖ So far, no dedicated IEC/ISO MRE certification scheme
- ❖ BV proposal based on IEC61400-22, iterations possible
- ❖ Evaluation report and conformity statement for each module
- ❖ Delivery of the certificate subjected to the completion of all the mandatory modules
- ❖ Validity period on a case by case basis, aiming at covering the lifetime of the MRE project.
- ❖ Validity of the certificate is subject to:
  - the periodic inspections outcomes
  - the annual review of monitoring, operation, maintenance and repair reports.



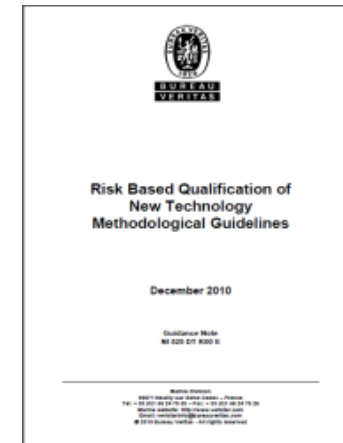
# Risk-Based Qualification of New Technology

Certification  
requirements

Existing codes and standards



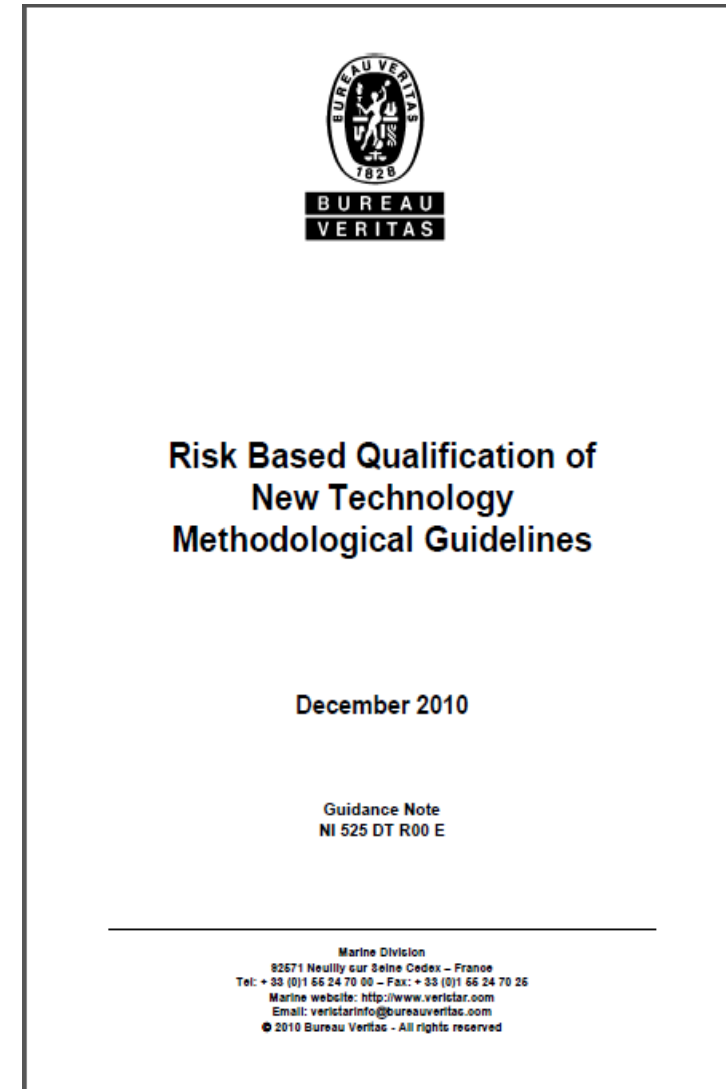
Risk based approach  
Qualification of New Technology



*“Qualification is a process by which a novel technology (a new technology or an existing technology used in a new context) is **validated**.”*

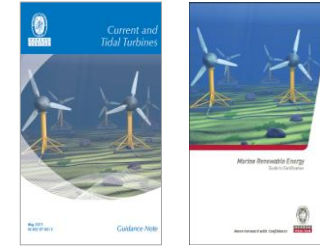
- ❖ theoretical analytical modelling
- ❖ physical tests, either at reduced scale or at full scale when possible

Technology maturity	Application conditions	
	Similar	Different
Proven	0	1
Limited references	1	2
Extrapolated from proven	2	3
New	3	3



# Conclusion

- ❖ **Ongoing normalization developments** for MRE converters



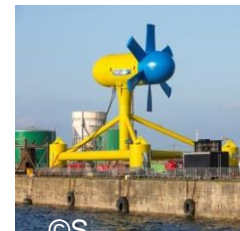
- ❖ **Innovative certification procedure** developed for MRE converters addressing prototype, component, type and project certification



- ❖ Combination of **existing standards** with a **risk-based approach**



- ❖ Generic methodology to address **various concepts of MRE devices**



# Thank you for your attention!



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*Marine Renewable Energy*  
Guide to Certification



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