

Floating wind offshore devices are the future of wind offshore as they will open new, up to now inaccessible, development areas. This is quite relevant as about 70 percent of the surface of the Earth is covered by oceans, and in the ocean wind resource is stronger and more steady and wind farms will have less impact. WindFloat has been designed having reliability and flexibility as guidelines and those objectives have been met: The device has been at sea since December 2011, in open Atlantic water, and has already weathered the 50 year storm and worked without problems through two winters marked by exceptionally foul weather. In the presentation the author will talk about the experience and lessons learned with the prototype since installation and about the market and possible ways forward.