



Thank you for expressing interest in the Star of the South project through our ICN Gateway.

We use information about registered businesses to:

- Build our understanding of supply chain capabilities
- Identify potential suppliers when procuring goods and services
- Facilitate introductions between Australian and global companies
- Share with our consultants, suppliers and, down the track when they are appointed, with our main contractors.



Meet our Industry Development Manager

We are excited for Katrina Langdon to join our team as Industry Development Manager. Katrina Joins us following roles at Pacific Hydro, AGL, Senvion and

Vestas. She will form an important part of our technical and procurement team, working closely with Australian industry to help develop a strong, local offshore wind supply chain.



We've joined Subsea Energy Australia

We recently joined [Subsea Energy Australia](#) and look forward to contributing, learning and connecting further with the marine and subsea industry. We're pleased to be sponsoring the 'Emerging Talent Award' at the 2021 Australian Subsea Awards. We hope to see you there.

Future workforce needs

The Global Wind Energy Council has released its [Global Wind Workforce Outlook 2021-25](#). Nearly half a million workers will need to be trained to Global Wind Organisation standards in the next five years to deliver on predicted growth.

New report on offshore wind in Australia

The Blue Economy CRC has released new research into [Australia's offshore wind potential](#). As well as investigating the country's offshore wind resources, this report makes specific recommendations for how Australia can build a high-value industry and maximise benefits for the electricity market, energy users, workers and the local supply chain.

Offshore wind gaining traction in Australia

Interest in Australia's offshore wind potential has been spurred on by budget commitments last year from the Australian and Victorian governments toward regulatory and policy development supporting offshore wind. [Renew Economy](#) has mapped around 20GW of proposals in Victoria, Tasmania, Western Australia, South Australia and New South Wales – a promising pipeline of potential projects.

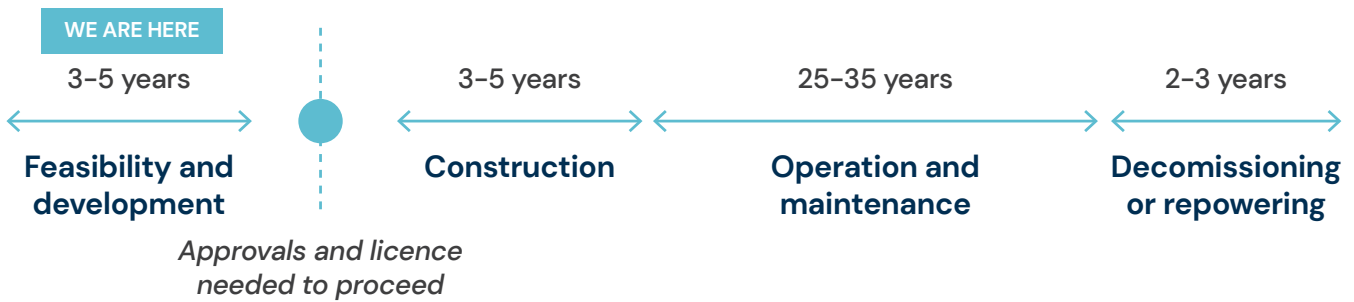
New opportunity: Digital 3D modelling and visualisations

Later this year we'll be procuring 3D digital modelling services, to produce true-to-life visuals and interactive tools to show how project infrastructure could look once built.

Keep an eye out for this and other opportunities on our [ICN Gateway](#)

Project timeline

It typically takes 6–10 years to develop and build an offshore wind project. If the project is feasible and meets approval requirements, construction could start around the middle of the decade.



Environmental assessments

Star of the South is being assessed through a coordinated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Environment Effects Statement (EES). The scope of these assessments are currently being finalised by government. We'll prepare our [EIS/EES](#) over the next few years.

Podcast alert: Offshore Wind Podcast

If you want to keep up with developments in the global offshore wind industry, we recommend listening in to the [Offshore Wind Podcast](#). Our Chief Development Officer, Erin Coldham, was recently interviewed and previous episodes have covered interesting topics such as 'buying local', 'hot markets', and 'the cutting edge of offshore wind technology'.

Case study: TEK–Ocean and Akrocean collaboration

We're committed to creating local jobs and helping develop an offshore wind supply chain here in Australia, so it has been exciting to see a collaboration between Victorian based TEK–Ocean and European offshore wind specialists Akrocean develop successfully over the past few years.

Back in 2019, we procured LiDAR wind and wave monitoring buoys from Akrocean, based in France. With no existing offshore wind industry in Australia these monitors were not available locally, nor were local suppliers trained to operate and maintain this important equipment.

Local company TEK–Ocean, with years of experience in the Bass Strait oil and gas sector, teamed up with Akrocean to provide local support. Akrocean technicians travelled over to install the equipment and run training sessions with the TEK–Ocean team who have now been operating and maintaining the equipment for almost two years. Watch a [video of the crew at work](#).



"TEK–Ocean are proud to provide marine, logistics and engineering support. As a significant employer in South Gippsland for over 12 years, we are excited to be part of a new industry supporting investment in the area. The Star of the South provides an incredible opportunity for the reinvigoration and upskilling of the local industry, enabling Victoria and Gippsland to be a leader in offshore wind for Australia."

– Jordan Glanville, General Manager, Operations, TEK–Ocean Energy Services