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Iberdrola France joins France Energies Marines

Iberdrola France and the Institute for Energy Transition (ITE) France Energies Marines signed a research and development agreement last March, making Iberdrola France a member of the Institute. The new membership of this major international energy company will enable France Energies Marines to strengthen its capacity to overcome the obstacles to the development of offshore wind and ocean energy through collaborative R&D projects, thanks to additional funding and the expertise of Iberdrola's teams.

Already involved in several of the Institute's collaborative projects via its French branch Ailes Marines, Iberdrola has supported the [FISH INTEL](#) project and is currently contributing to the [SEMAFOR](#) and [FISHOWE](#) projects. The latter in particular aims to assess the effect of offshore wind farms and their connection on fish and crustacean populations. In collaboration with Ailes Marines, the Institute's teams have deployed an acoustic telemetry network in the Saint-Brieuc offshore wind farm to study the movements of several important marine species.

Driven by the Institute's shared R&D capacity, new projects will soon strengthen this partnership in connection with the development of offshore wind farms on the French coast.

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Marie Thabard, Head of Offshore Development of Iberdrola France

This agreement reinforces Iberdrola's commitment to innovation, the environment and the improvement of scientific knowledge. This partnership is a concrete expression of Iberdrola's commitment to the IBREIZH economic development program in collaboration with the Brittany Region.

Herveline Gaborieau, Executive Director of France Energies Marines

France Energies Marines and its members are very pleased by this partnership with Iberdrola and the future collaboration between the teams. Several large-scale R&D projects are in preparation, in particular to better monitor the interactions between offshore wind farms and the environment and to adapt protocols to future technologies.

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