



## NAVIGATING SOUTHERN EUROPE'S OFFSHORE RENEWABLE ENERGY FUTURE TOGETHER



### SHOREWINNER First Newsletter

*Welcome to the Inaugural Edition of the SHOREWINNER Newsletter!*

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In this edition, we dive into the exciting developments of the SHOREWINNER project—an ambitious initiative aimed at fostering the growth of the offshore renewable energy sector in Southern Europe. Learn about our recent events, objectives, and the collaborative efforts shaping the future of offshore wind energy.

#### **About SHOREWINNER**

The Southern European Community for Offshore Wind Energy (SHOREWINNER) is dedicated to establishing a Community of Practice (CoP) across five Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVEs) in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Greece, and Cyprus. This project, spanning from 2024 to 2028, focuses on the development, upskilling, and reskilling of the workforce, facilitating the sharing of resources, and aligning with significant European goals and priorities.

Each CoVE collaborates with national stakeholders to deliver vocational training tailored to the local industry's needs, ensuring a robust exchange of knowledge and fostering multi-stakeholder collaboration.

#### **Objectives and Goals**



### Main Objectives:

- Provide top-notch VET in Offshore Renewable Energy.
- Promote stakeholder exchanges to foster knowledge sharing and skill development at regional, national, and transnational levels.

### Specific Objectives:

- Develop a collaborative network across five countries.
- Innovate and improve VET outreach, quality, and effectiveness.

### Project Status:

As we approach our first major milestone, SHOREWINNER partners are diligently crafting materials that reflect the needs and trends of offshore renewable energy in Southern Europe. Our efforts have encompassed an in-depth characterization of both the sectoral landscape and the VET context.

We have collected and analyzed survey responses from educators, professionals, and students within the field and conducted targeted interviews that yielded valuable insights and recommendations. This collaborative endeavor has enabled us to identify critical skills gaps, setting a strong foundation for developing tailored training material that will support our forthcoming project objectives and workforce upskilling initiatives.

### Events:

**First General Assembly** Our first general assembly took place on May 9th-10th, 2024, at Universidade da Coruña. It was a cornerstone event, setting the stage for future collaboration. Catch a glimpse of this pivotal gathering [here](#).

### Launch Events Recap:



**Portugal Launch Event:** Held on September 20, 2024, at Instituto Superior de Engenharia do Porto, this event marked a significant kickoff for the SHOREWINNER project. The event featured round-table discussions on vocational training excellence and the importance of cooperation between industry and educational institutions.

**Cyprus Launch Event:** Under the theme 'Energy for the Future,' this hybrid event occurred at the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry, bringing together influential figures from academia, industry, and government to discuss the future of wind energy in Cyprus. More details and discussions can be viewed [here](#).

**Greece Launch Event:** On October 30th, the Hellenic Wind Energy Association (HWEA/ELETAEN) launched the SHOREWINNER project at OTE Academy, Greece, with notable speakers from government, academia, and industry. The event explored Greece's offshore wind potential, supply chain needs, and SHOREWINNER's mission to advance renewable energy across Southern Europe. More details and discussions can be viewed [here](#).

#### International Collaboration:

The ShoreWinner team was invited by the T-shore project to participate in an event at the European Parliament in Brussels. This gathering was an excellent opportunity to engage in discussions about offshore renewable energy, exchange ideas, and explore potential collaboration opportunities.

#### Looking Forward

As SHOREWINNER moves forward, we aim to continue enhancing our Community of Practice, developing transnational curricula, and contributing innovatively to the offshore energy sector.

- Stay tuned for more updates in our next edition!

#### Download Our Project Brochure

To learn more about SHOREWINNER, download our detailed project brochure [here](#).



*Thank you for being a part of our community. We look forward to driving sustainable and innovative change in the offshore wind energy sector together.*



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