



# Prioritisation of Technical Barriers to the Commercialisation of Marine Energy



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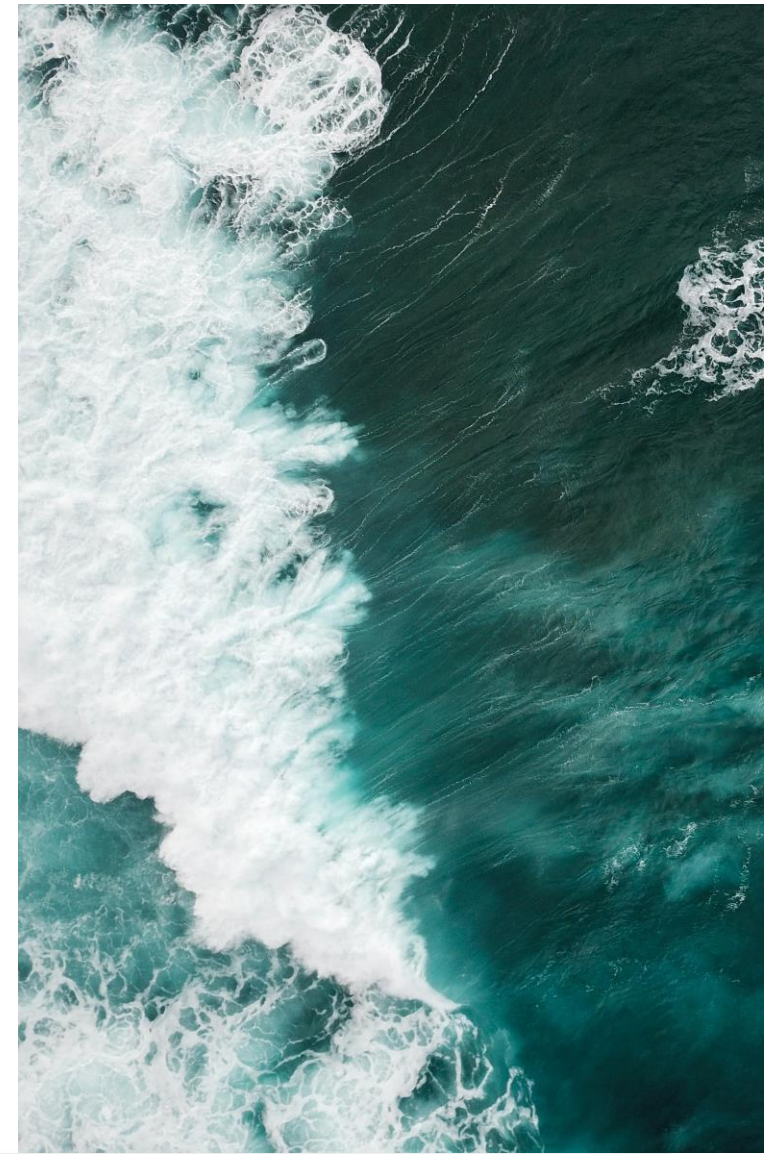
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# The task at hand



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Foundations and Moorings	Wave: Advanced foundation development & demonstration	Wave	2.9	2.9



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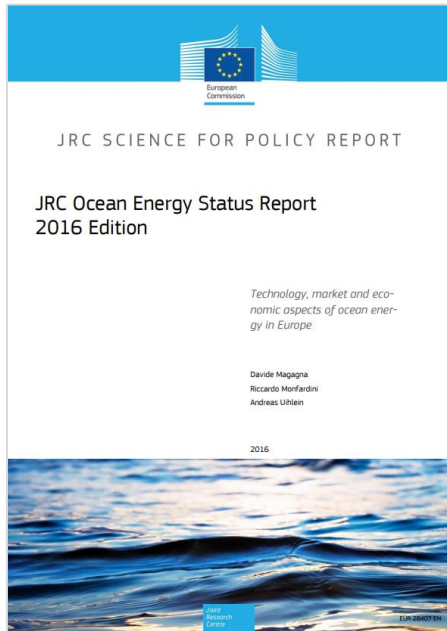
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# The Challenges



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# Source material





# 11 Challenge Areas

Structure and  
Prime Mover

Foundations and  
Mooring

Energy Yield

Whole System

PTO and Control

Installation

Operations and  
Maintenance

Design and  
Optimisation  
Tools

Devices

Connections

Arrays



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Structure and Prime Mover	Tidal: Advanced manufacturing and design processes	Tidal
Structure and Prime Mover	Investigation of novel reaction system technology	Wave
Structure and Prime Mover	New and improved tidal blade technology investigation	Tidal
Structure and Prime Mover	Wave: Development of novel and sustainable materials for device structure	Wave
Structure and Prime Mover	Tidal: Development of novel and sustainable materials for device structure	Tidal
Structure and Prime Mover	Difficulty testing novel reaction system designs at part scale in relevant environment	Wave
Structure and Prime Mover	Novel materials to reduce biofouling, corrosion and extend lifetimes.	Both
Structure and Prime Mover	Lack of common, recognised and open access dry and wet testing facilities	Both
Structure and Prime Mover	Wave: Lack of subcomponent validation and certification systems	Wave
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PTO and Control	Improved pitch and yaw technology investigation & demonstration	Tidal
PTO and Control	Improved control systems for wave energy devices, particularly for extreme conditions	Wave
PTO and Control	Increase access to test facilities	Both
PTO and Control	Wave: Lack of controls systems guidelines and specifications	Wave
PTO and Control	Tidal: Lack of controls systems guidelines and specifications	Tidal
PTO and Control	Lack of integrated design of control system within device as a whole	Both



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Energy Yield	Wave resource modelling – Better near-field wave forecasting and measurement to improve controllability and yield of devices as well as survivability.	Wave	Design and Optimisation Tools	Need for development of fully integrated or coupled simulation design tools	Both
Whole System	Developing grid-level system balancing benefits from wave and tidal electricity generation	Both	Design and Optimisation Tools	Limitations to research in gathering, distributing, employing and protecting data within tools	Both
Whole System	Improving integration with the wider energy system from the nascent design stage through to array deployment to provide added value.	Both	Installation	New and improved installation techniques (e.g. devices, cabling, foundations, anchors)	Both
Connection	Standardised electrical architecture and connections	Both	Installation	Development of bespoke installation vessels	Both
Connection	Dynamic umbilical connection	Both			
Connection	Standardised subsea hubs	Both			
Connection	Wave: Investigation on cable stability, repairability and survivability	Wave			
Connection	HV sub-sea hub	Both			
Connection	Installation of cables in different seabed conditions	Both			
Connection	Improvements to wet mate and dry mate connectors	Both			



# Methodology

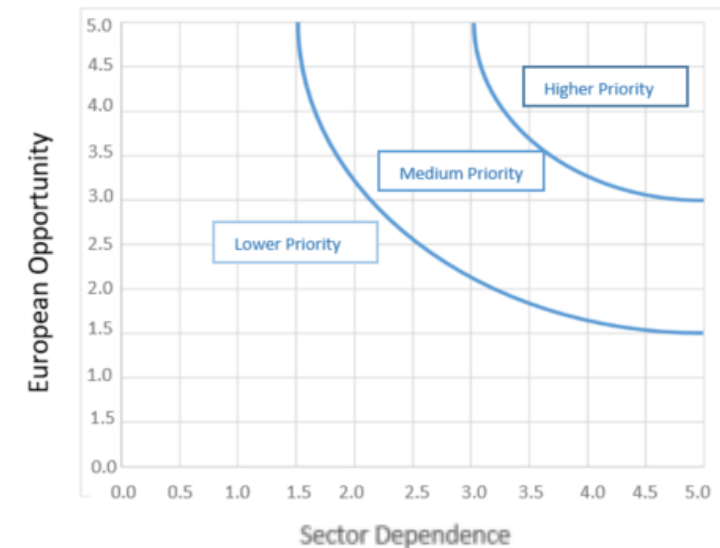


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# Scoring Criteria

Sector Dependence	Assessment Criterion	Description	Weighting (%)
	Sector urgency	How important is it to the sector that the challenge is tackled rapidly?	20
	Cost reduction potential (impact on CAPEX)	What impact will tackling the challenge have on ocean energy project CAPEX?	20
	Cost reduction potential (impact on OPEX)	What impact will tackling the challenge have on ocean energy project OPEX?	20
	Impact on performance (energy yield and efficiency)	What impact will tackling the challenge have on the energy yield and efficiency performance of ocean energy systems?	15
	Impact on reliability, technical risk and survivability	What impact will tackling the challenge have on reliability, technical risk, and survivability of ocean energy systems?	15
	Cross-cutting	How diverse is the range of other ocean energy technologies and other sectors that stand to benefit from the resolution of this challenge?	10

EU Opportunity	Assessment Criterion	Description	Weighting (%)
	Dedicated funding stream	To what extent does this challenge require funding to be overcome?	33
	European capability to deliver the solution	How well-placed is the sector in Europe to deliver the solution to this challenge?	33
	Risk of duplication	To what extent is work <u>not</u> already being carried out to overcome this challenge?	33





# Results



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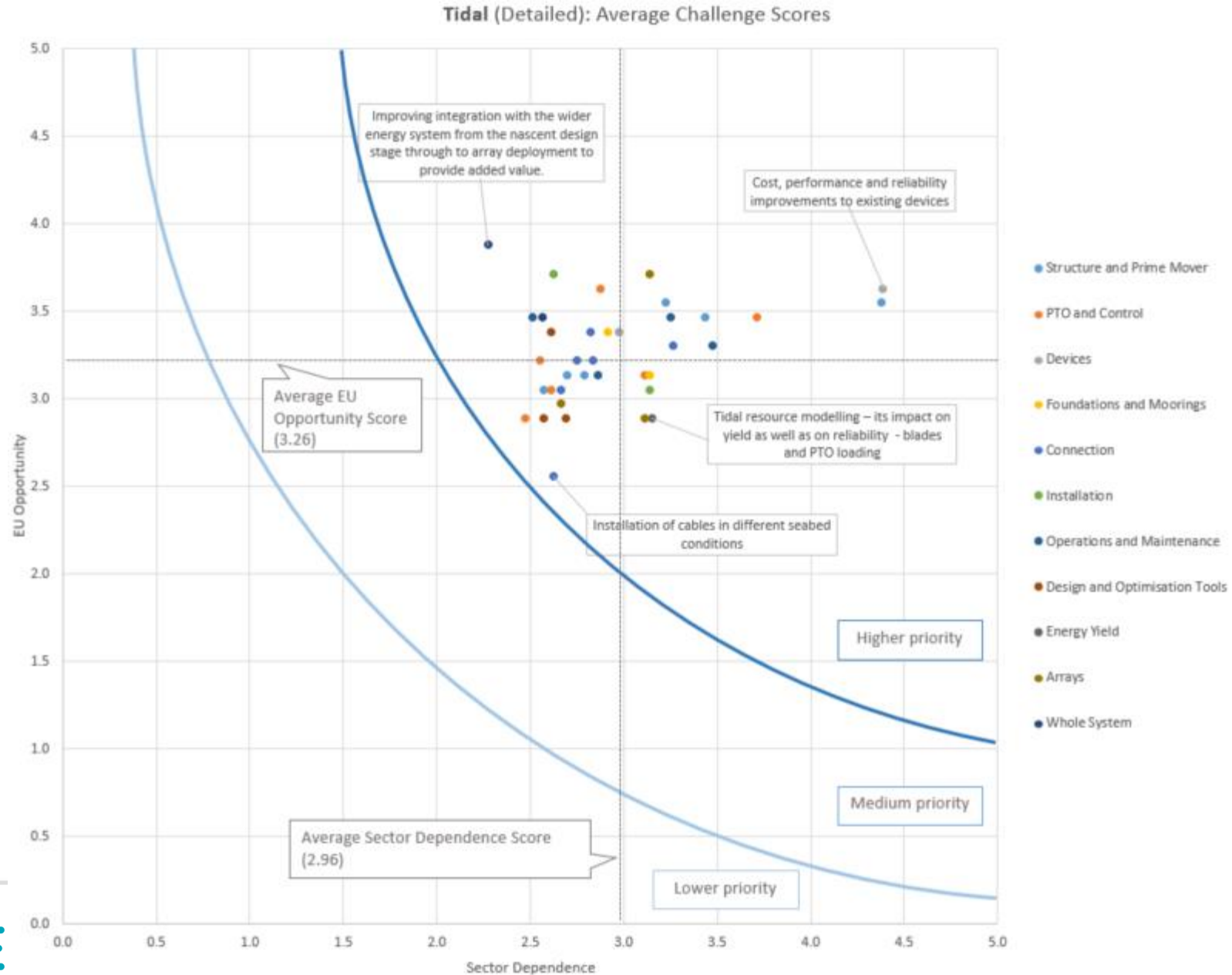
# Key results

- All challenges have been scored as 'High Priority'. This demonstrates that all challenges identified are appropriate and will require attention in the near or distant future.
- The following slides show the challenges plotted across the two prioritisation axes – Sector Dependence and EU Opportunity.
- The priority curves are approximations of high, medium and low score ranges.
- Challenges were scored individually, then the scores within each category were averaged to give a 'challenge area' value. The purpose of this was to provide simplified results and to prioritise overall areas at a higher level.

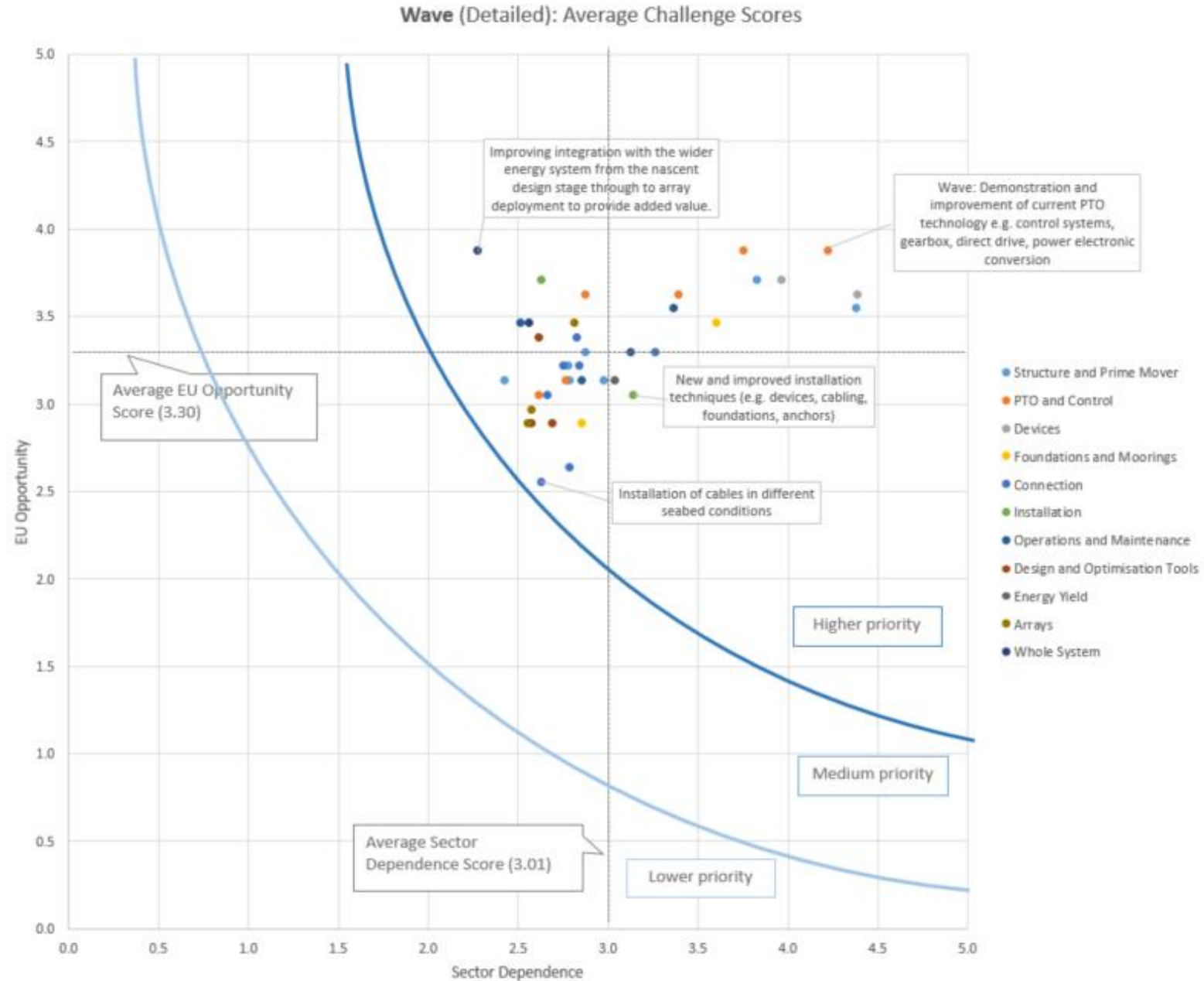




# Tidal



# Wave





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Devices	Tidal: Development of novel devices and investigation into alternative generation methods	Tidal	3.0	3.4
Foundations and Moorings	Tidal: Advanced mooring development & demonstration	Tidal	2.9	3.4
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PTO and Control	Improved pitch and yaw technology investigation & demonstration	Tidal	3.1	3.1
Installation	Development of bespoke installation vessels	Both	2.6	3.7
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