



Advanced Validation Strategy for Nabrawind Self Erected Tower

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1 Introduction

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Advanced Wind Technologies



Drastic Cost
Reduction



Modularity



Proven Technologies



Modular Blade
Joint



Self Erected
Tower

1 Introduction

XXL Tower Challenges



Cost Increase

$$\epsilon_{HH140} = 1.6 \cdot \epsilon_{HH100}$$

Most Expensive Component HH > 120



Logistics

Roads / Bridges Limiting Concepts



Assembly Cranes

Lack of Availability

Large Mobilization and Rental Costs



Installation Rate

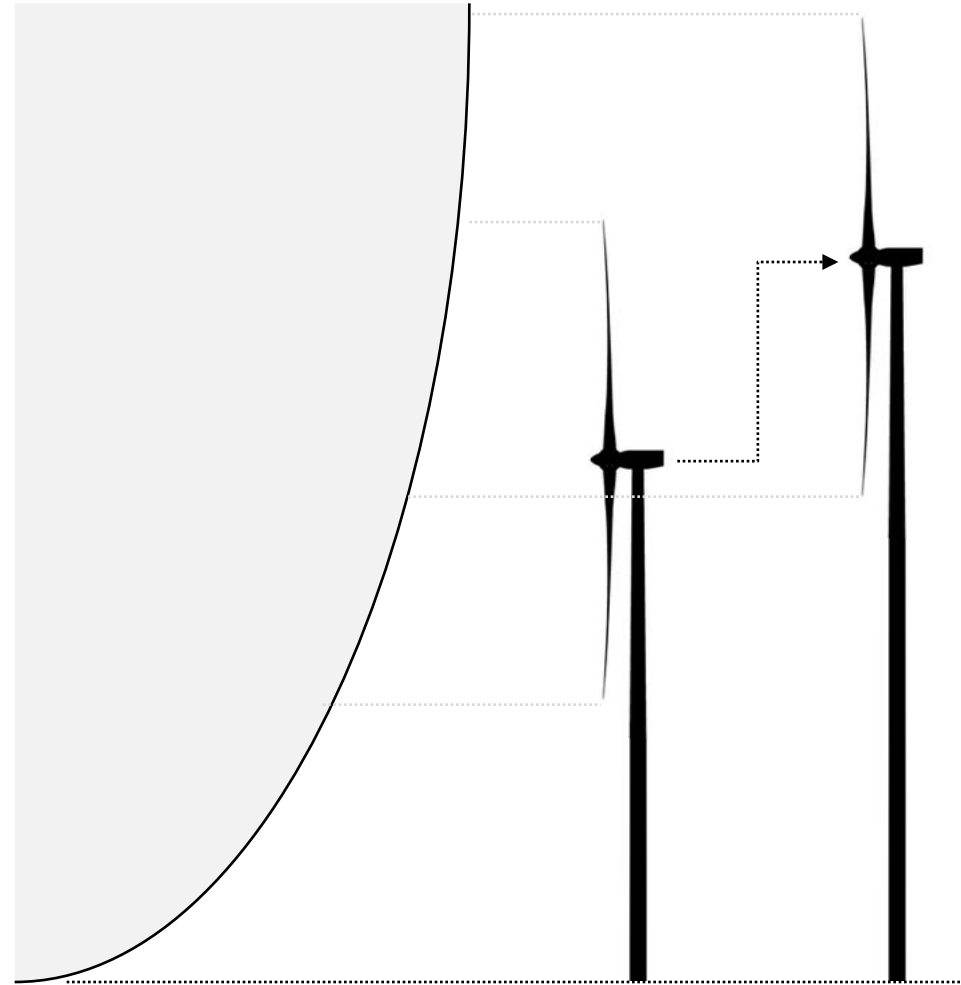
New Concepts Delaying Wind Farm Installation Rates



WTG Integration

Control Challenges in Soft-Soft Towers

Soft-Stiff Unfeasible for XXL Steel Towers



2 XXL Tower Alternatives Evaluation



Tubular
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Segmented
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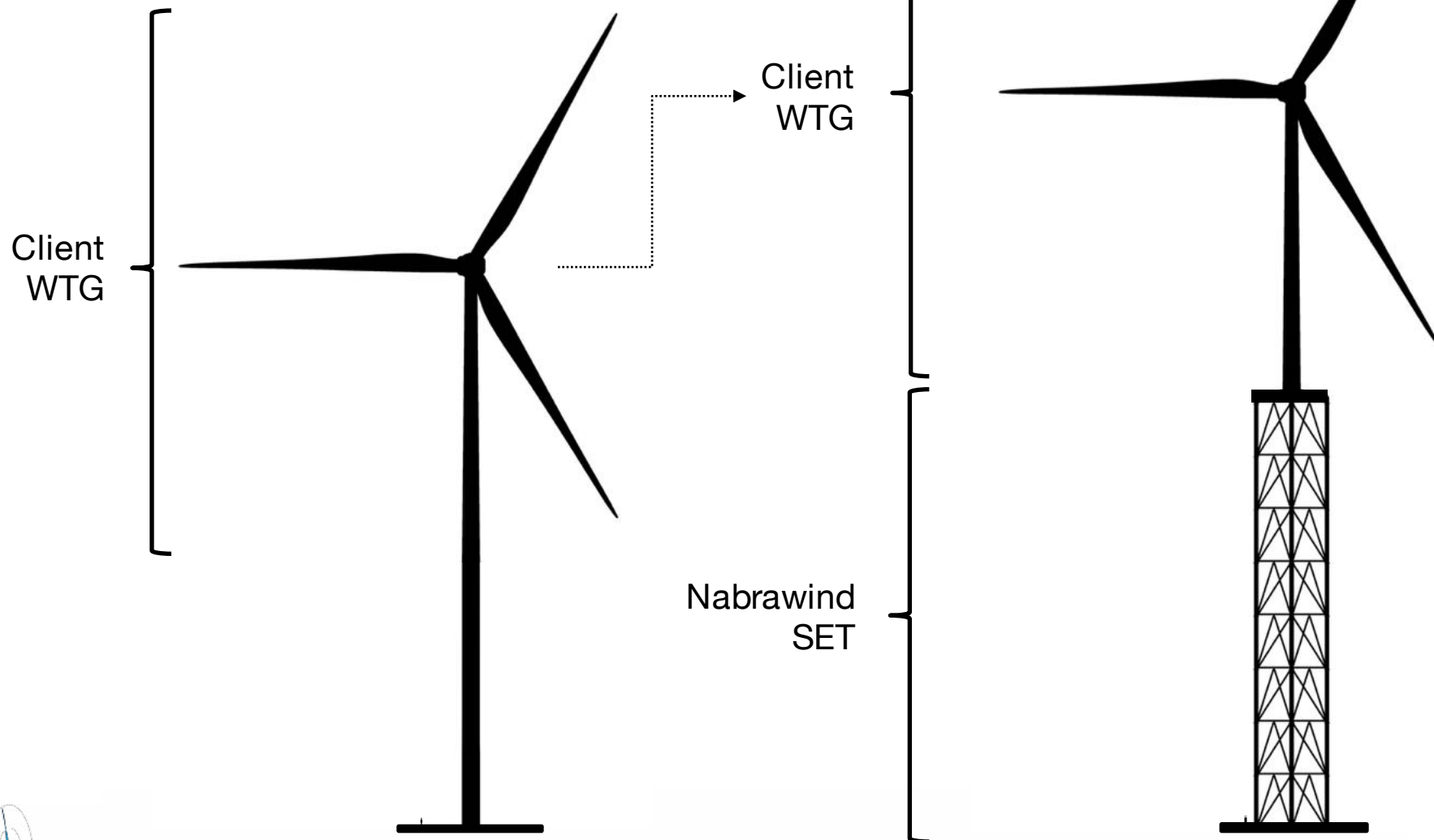
Tower Cost				
Logistics				
Assembly & Erection				
Modal Coupling				
Operation Proven Life				

Good Poor



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3 Nabrawind Self Erected Tower Advanced Lattice Structure



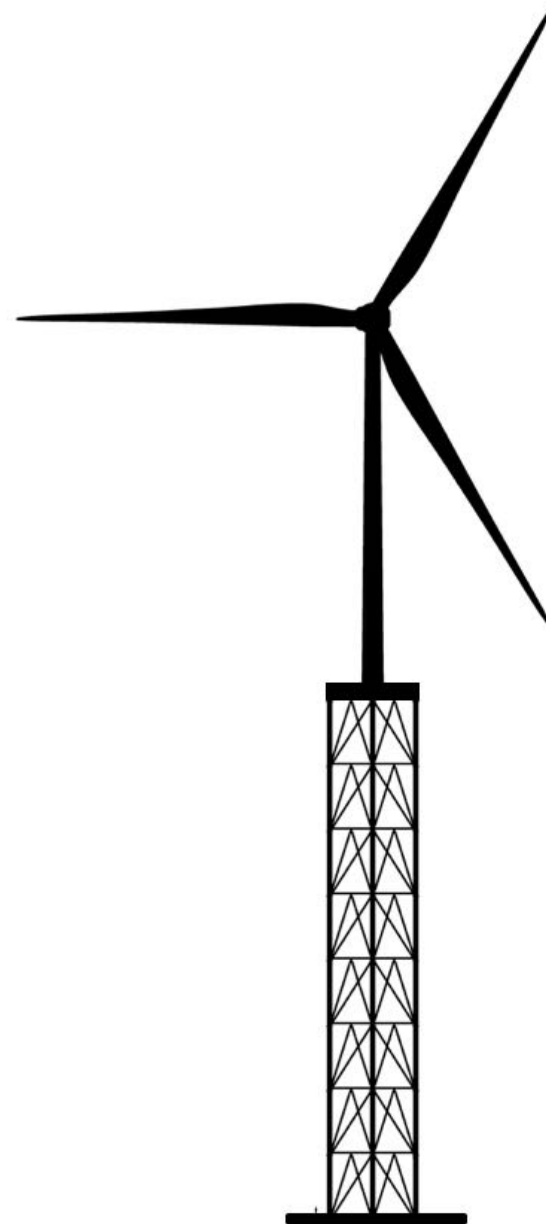
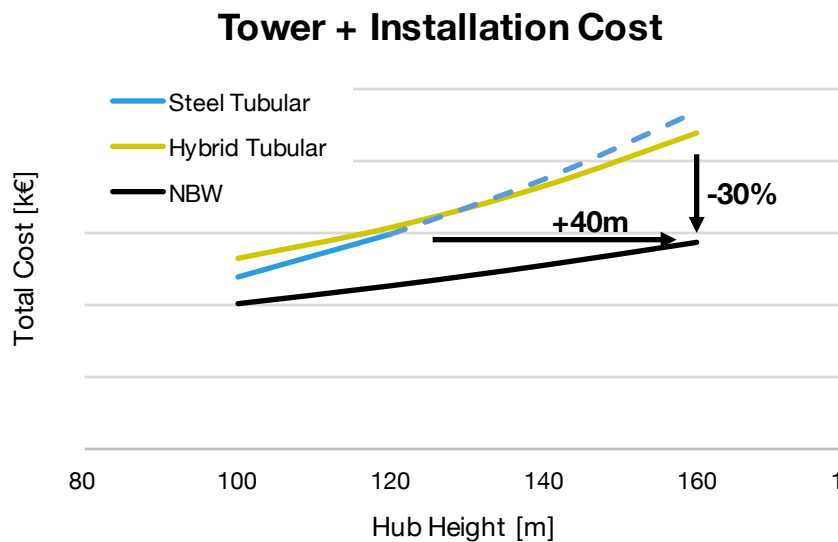
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Ultra Low Cost

Foundation / Tower Components

Logistics / Assembly



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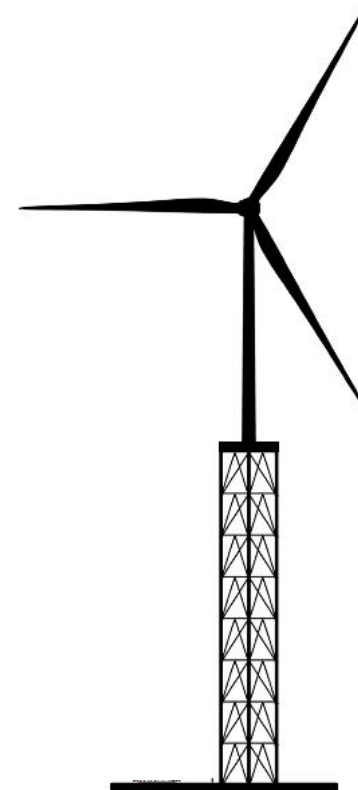
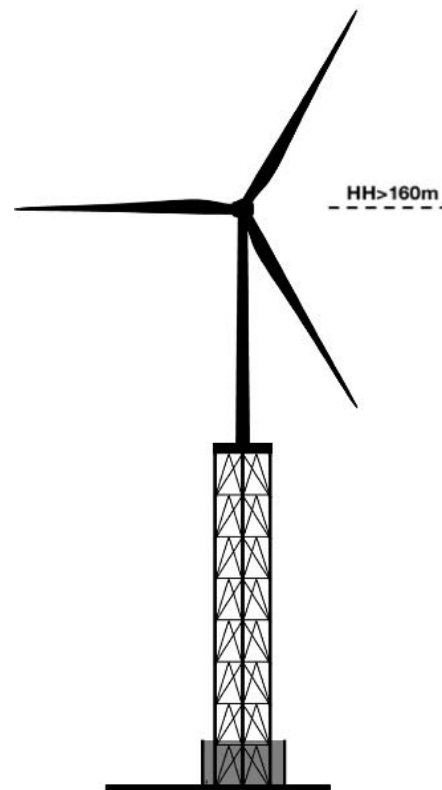
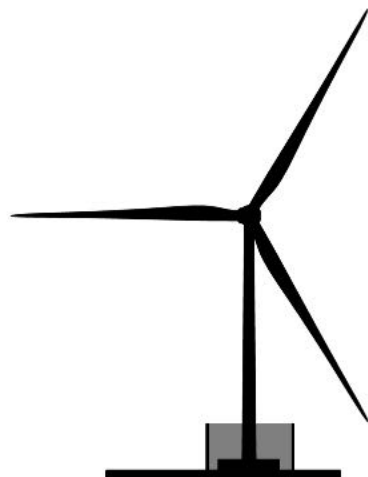
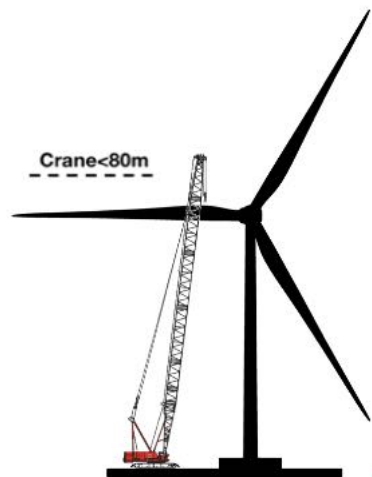
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Logistics / Assembly



Self Erection

No Large Cranes



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Logistics / Assembly*



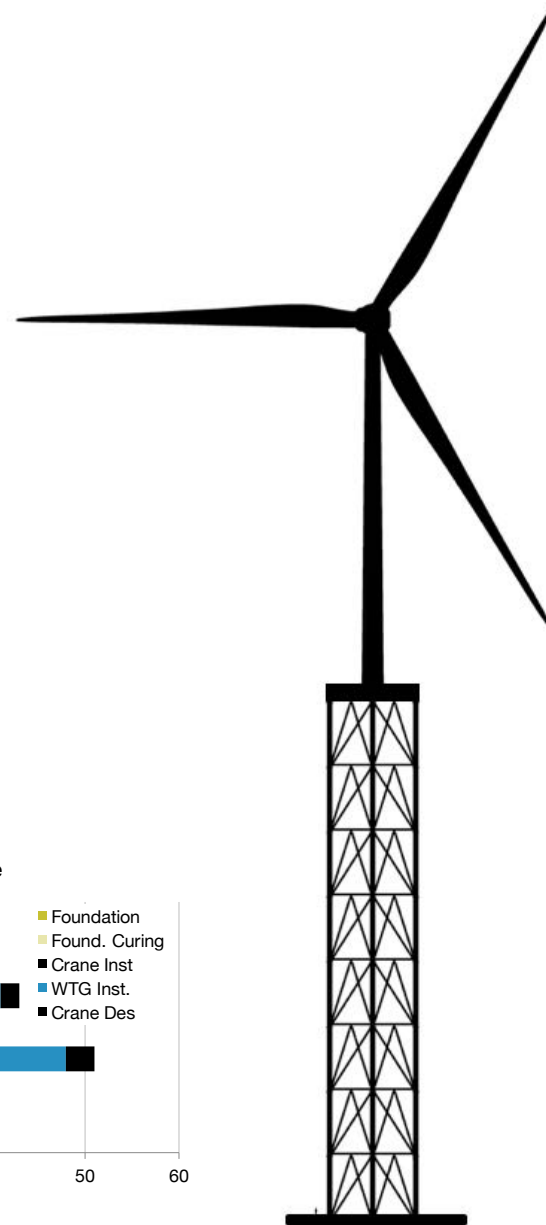
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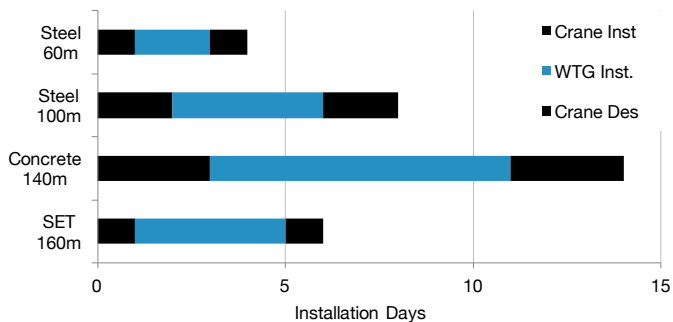


Fast Assembly

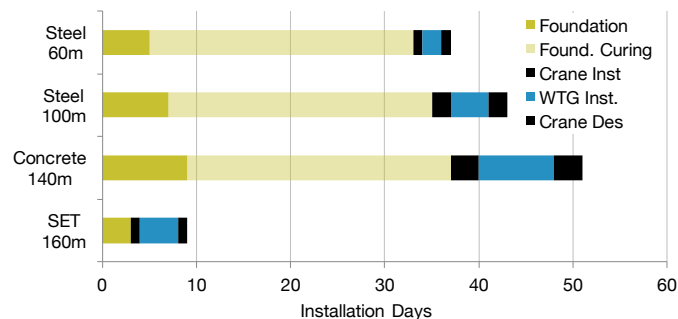
*2-Days WTG Erection (Wind >15m/s)
Prefab Foundation (T<0°C)*



WTG Installation Sequence (no Foundation)



WTG Installation Sequence



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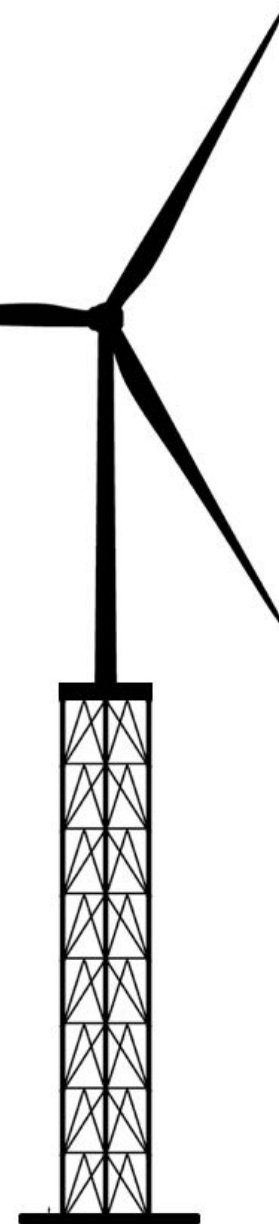
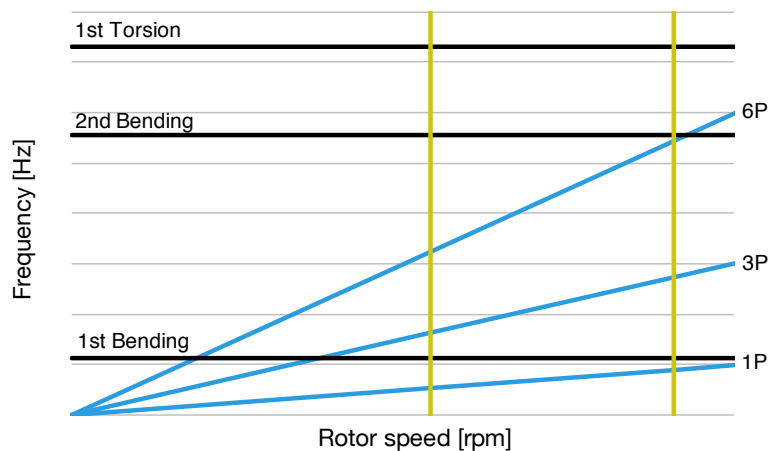
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Easy WTG Integration

*Soft-Stiff Tower $H > 180$
No Functional Affection*

Ø130 HH160 Campbell Diagram



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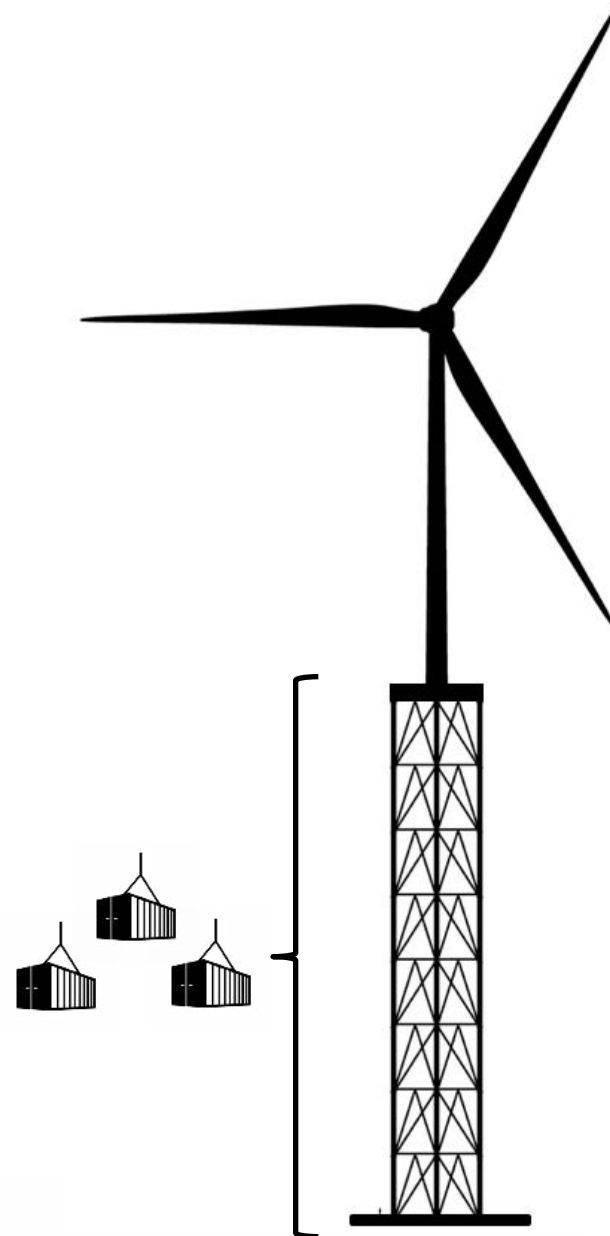
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Simple Logistics and Operation

*Packable in Standard 40ft Containers
Maintenance Free Structure and Connections*



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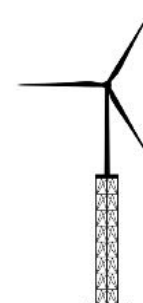
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AREAS

- **Wind Power**
- Photovoltaic
- Solar thermal
- Biomass
- Grid integration
- Bioclimatic architecture

NUMBERS:

21 M€

In 2016 the annual budget is 20,5€ million. 70% self-financing

190

190 employees

100 M€

Total investments (2002-2016): ~ 101€ million

INFRASTRUCTURES



Headquarters
Sarriguren, Navarra - Spain



Wind Test Laboratory
Sangüesa, Navarra - Spain



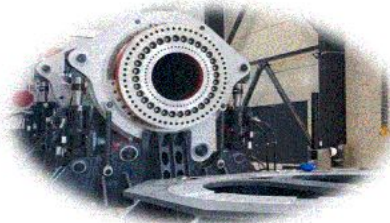
Biofuels Plant
Aoiz, Navarra - Spain



Blade Test Bench
(70m)



Powertrain Test Bench
(8 MW)



Generator / G. box Test Bench



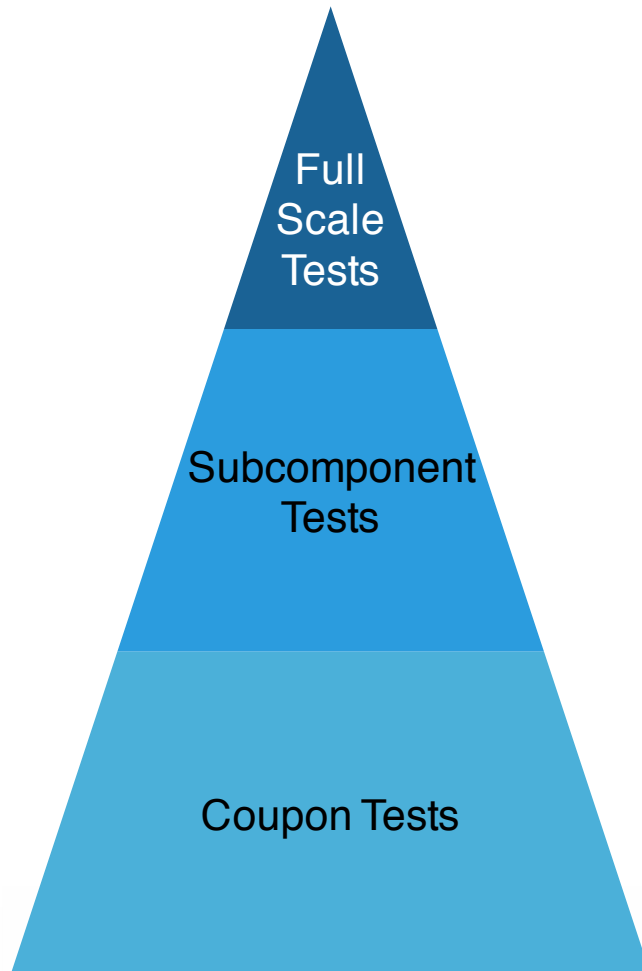
Experimental Wind Farm (6x5 MW)

5th International Conference
Wind Turbine Towers

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Advanced Tower Validation

WTG Blades vs Towers Validation Strategy Comparison



WTG Blades

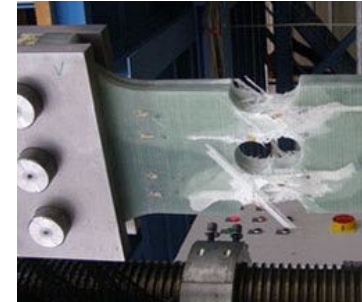
Component
Verification

✓



Design
Details
Validation

✓



Material
Allowables
Definition

✓



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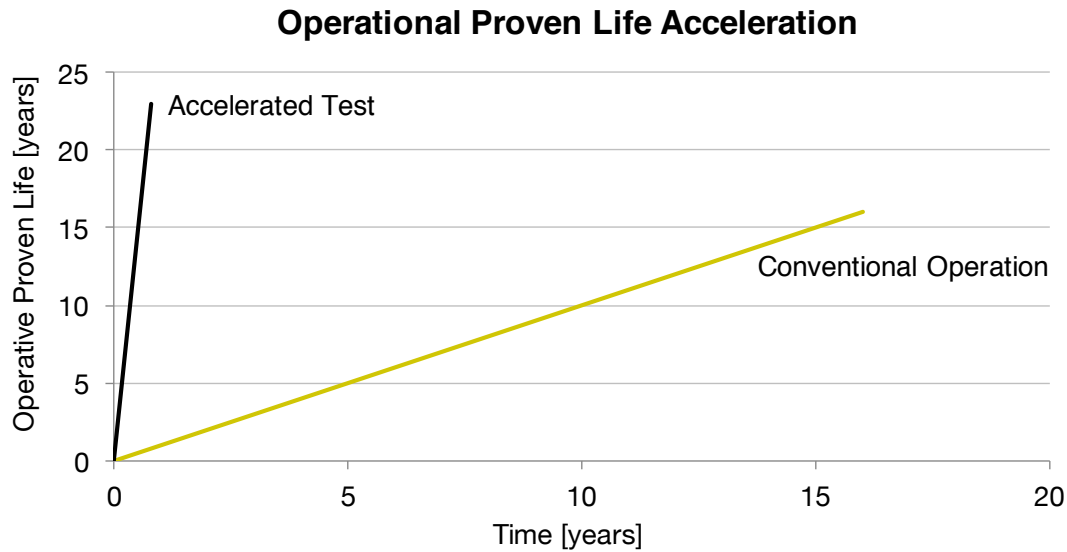
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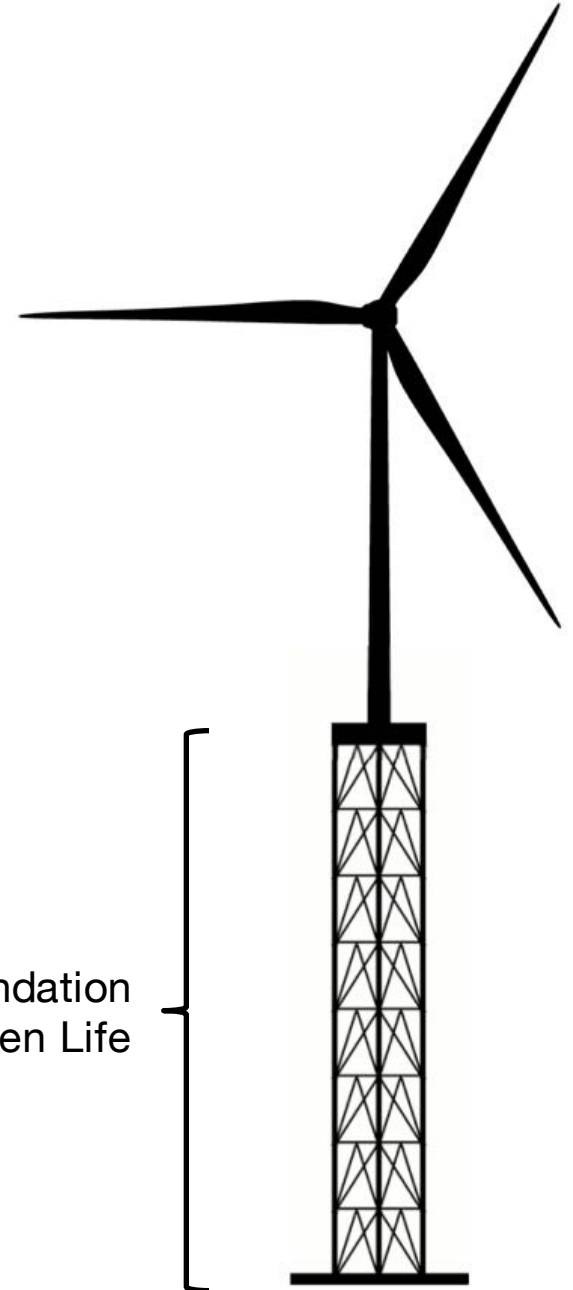
	WTG Blades	WTG Towers	SET
Full Scale Tests	✓	X	✓
Subcomponent Tests	✓	~	✓
Coupon Tests	✓	~	✓

6 Fatigue Full Scale Tower Test

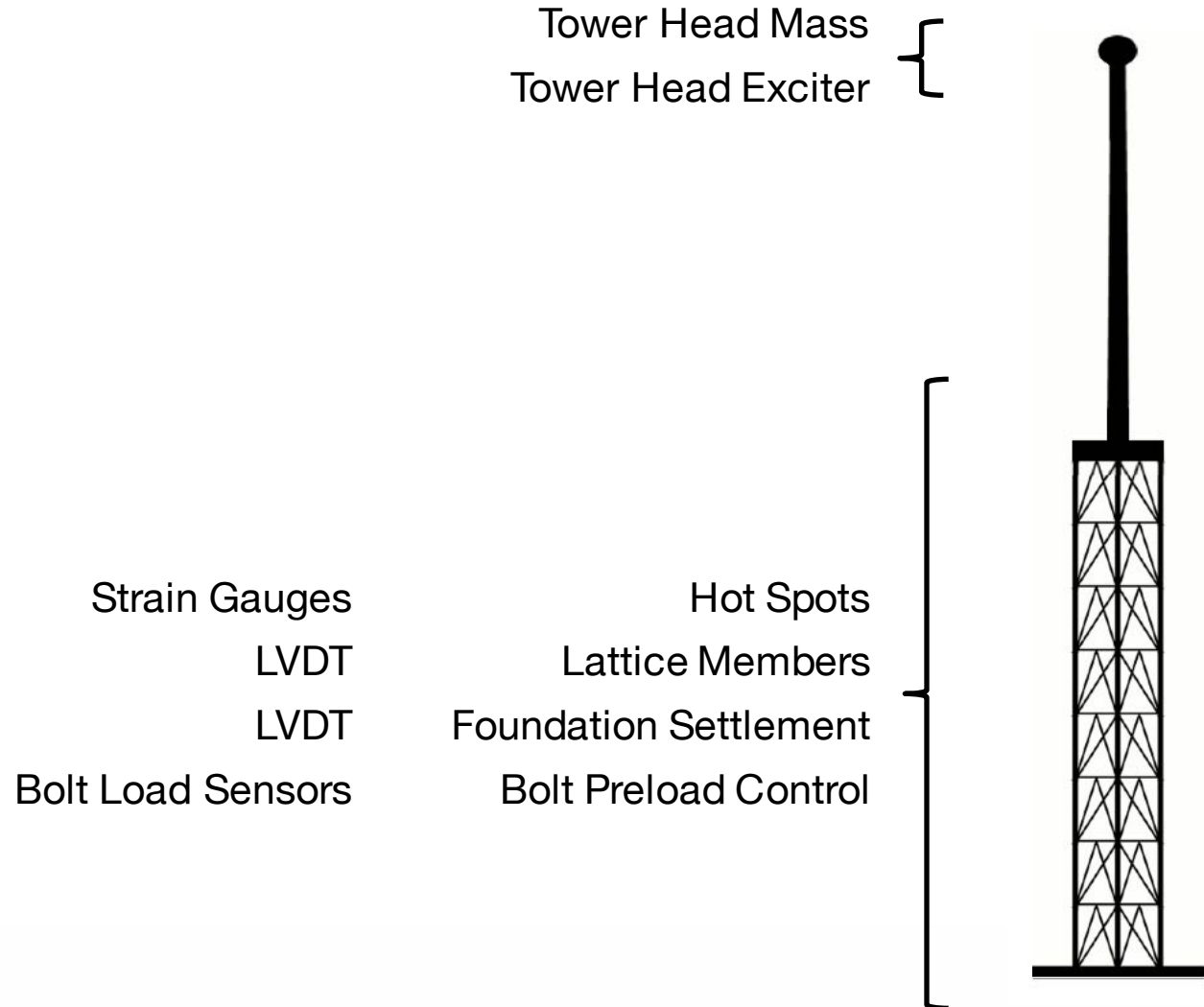
Test Objectives



Tower & Foundation
Accelerated Proven Life



6 Fatigue Full Scale Tower Test Test Setup



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Test Design

Damage-Equivalent
Ranges Analysis

IEC61400-23 based
Test Factor (γ_t):

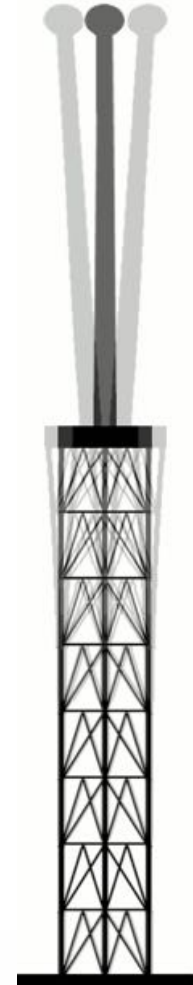
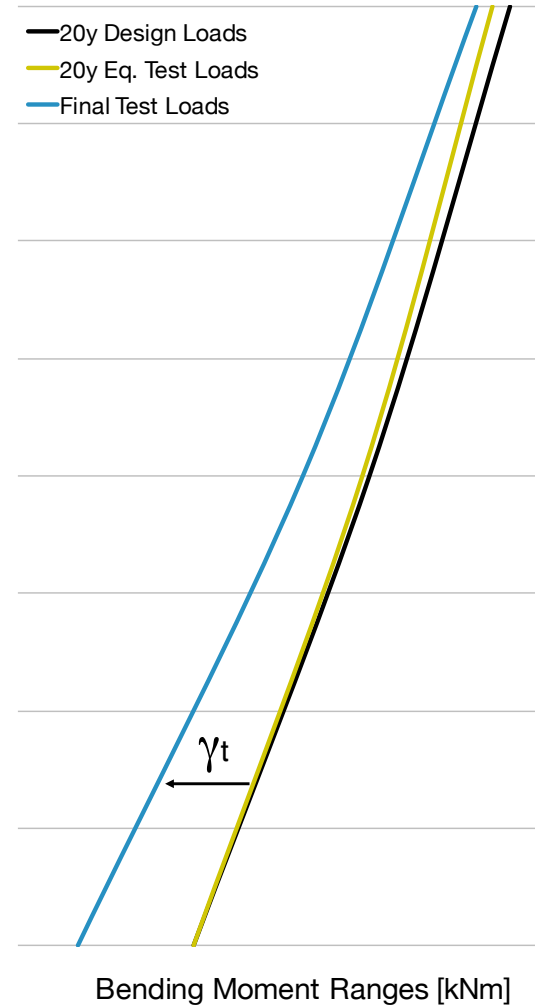
- Conseq. Failure
- Tower Variation
- Fatigue Formulation

Tower Design
Fatigue Loads
20/25 years

Test Equivalent
Loads
>20/25 years

Test Loads

Full Scale Test Load Distribution



7 XXL Tower Alternatives Evaluation After SET Full-Scale Test



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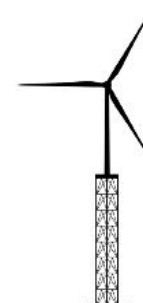
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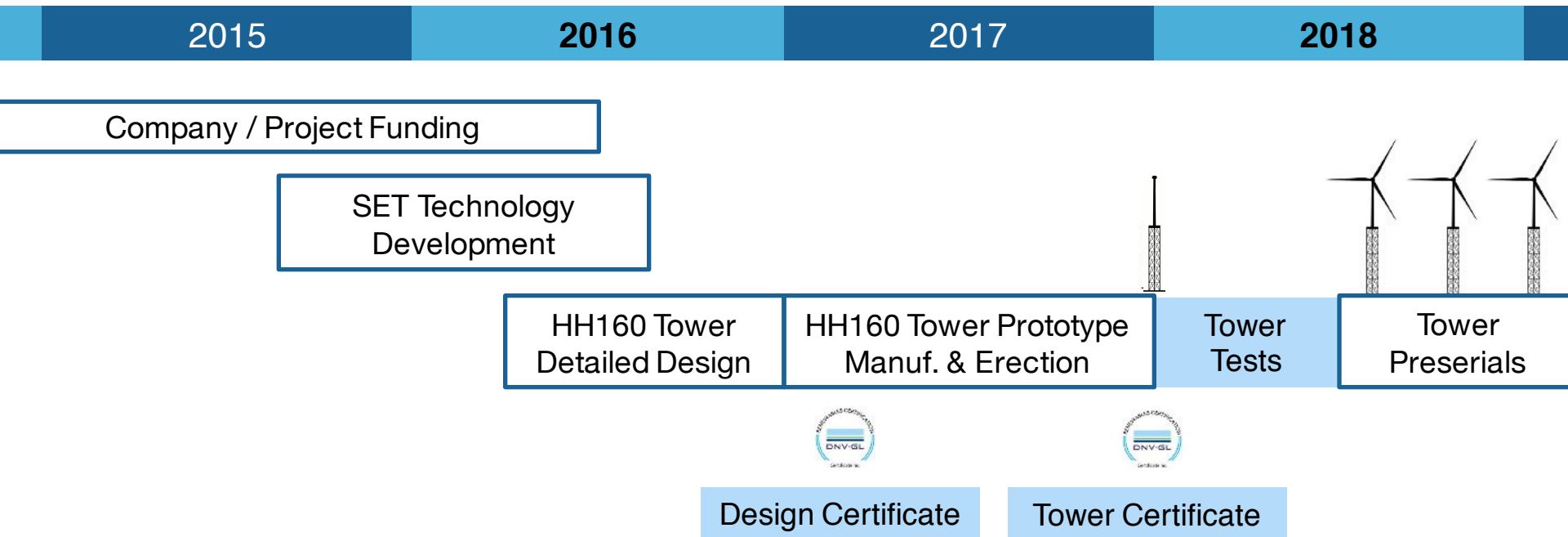


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Nabrawind Self Erected Tower Project Project Summary







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