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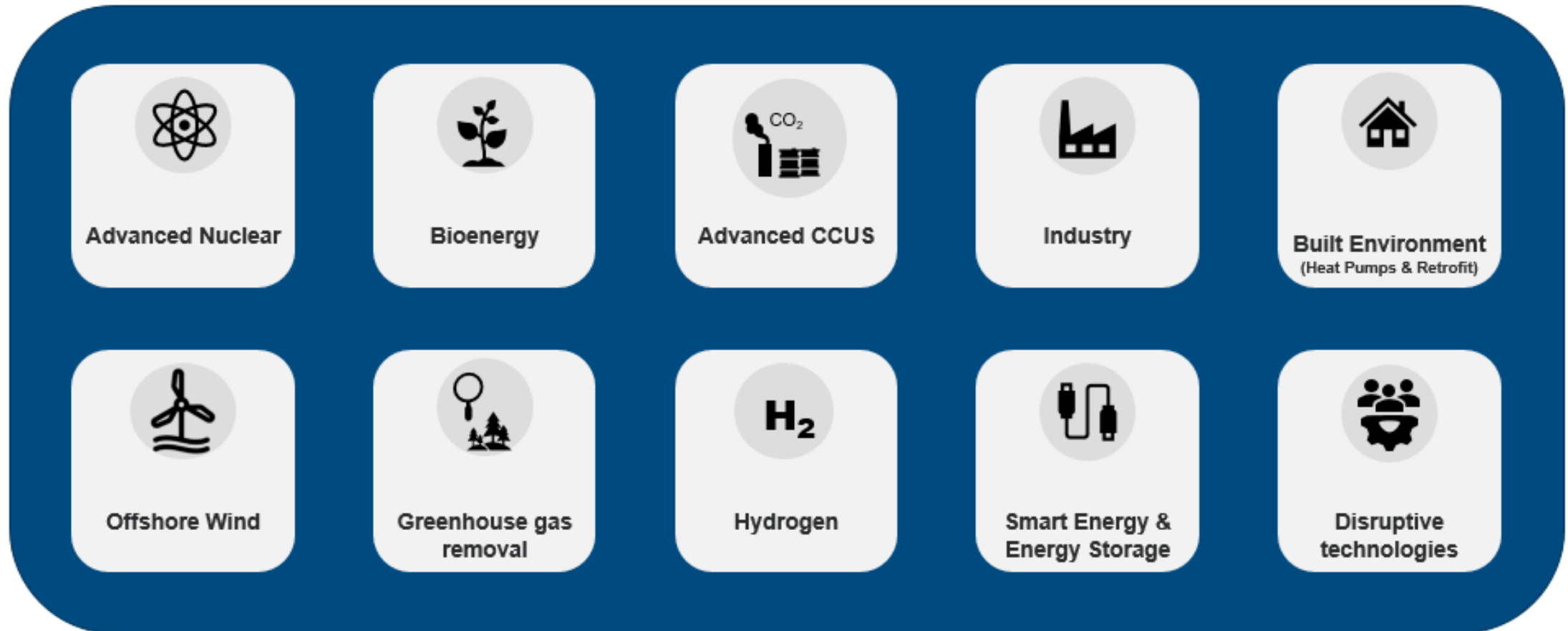
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Renewable Energy Innovation Delivery

BEIS - Science and Innovation for Climate and Energy Directorate

Net Zero Innovation Portfolio (NZIP)



Prime Minister's 10 Point Plan



10 Point Plan:

- 10 priority areas
- Point 1: Advancing Offshore Wind
- Critical source of renewable energy
- Current capacity at approx. 10GW
- **40GW** of offshore wind by 2030 (incl. **1GW** of Floating offshore wind)
- Encourage private investment in UK
- Create UK jobs in the sector
- Increase of UK content



Offshore Wind

Key Programmes:

- Floating Offshore Wind
- Windfarm Mitigation for UK Air Defence: Phase 2
- UK Manufacturing Technology for Next generation Wind Turbines: Composites Phase 2



- At least £17.5m in Grants for projects
- Supports the development of innovative floating offshore wind technologies
- Key tech areas: a) Moorings b) Foundations c) Dynamic cables
- Announcement will follow

- £2m over 4 years
- Industry – stakeholder - academic and supply chain partnerships
- Accelerating the commercialisation of Floating Offshore Wind – to deliver net zero and drive economic growth
- <https://ore.catapult.org.uk/what-we-do/innovation/fowcoe/>

Windfarm Mitigation for UK Air Defence

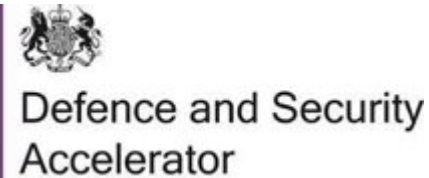
CHALLENGE

- 40GW offshore wind in 2030
- Wind turbines affect MoD's air defence radar capability
- Windfarm Mitigation key risk to accelerating deployment
- Solution to enable co-existence of radar and windfarms

Windfarm Mitigation for UK Air Defence

BEIS APPROACH

- Joint Windfarm Mitigation Task Force (MoD/Industry/BEIS)
- SICE Innovation challenge
 - Defence and Security Accelerator (DASA)
 - Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (dstl)



Windfarm Mitigation for UK Air Defence

PHASE 1

FEASIBILITY

£2.1M; Oct'20-Mar'21

- Short studies assessing the feasibility of novel methods to allow co-existence of windfarms and radar
- 6 projects from 18
- 4 distinct challenges

PHASE 2

DE-RISKING

£3.8M; Oct'21-Feb'23




- Build on Ph1; progress the technologies to a higher TRL; inform Ph3
- 7 projects from 20
- Overarching challenge: **Maintain effective surveillance of airspace in the presence of larger windfarms**

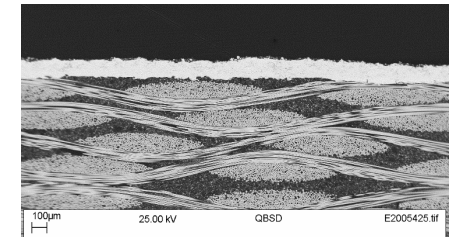
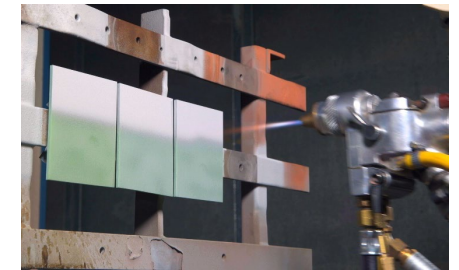
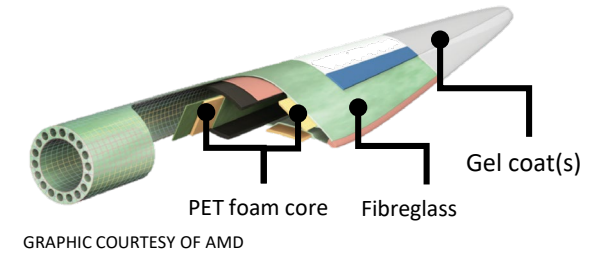
PHASE 3

DEMONSTRATION

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- All options on the table
- Informed by:
 - Phase 2
 - Joint Windfarm Mitigation Task Force work
- Further collaboration with MoD and industry

Organisation	Objective
	<p>To introduce advanced nano-scale Radar Absorbing Material (nRAM) at the manufacturing stage of wind turbines, ensuring RF absorption is integrated into the base materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aiming to develop prototype turbine blade and perform mechanical and radar tests • Partnering with Gurit and University of Sussex
	<p>To deliver Frame (Full Radar Absorbing Materials and Equipment) to mitigate wind turbine radar interference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trelleborg's proprietary radar absorbing system which can be embedded into a resin and ultimately used to manufacture wind turbine blades • Aiming to manufacture a blade prototype for RCS and mechanical validation testing and mechanical testing • Working with NCC, OREC and University of Loughborough
	<p>A solution to develop a novel metasurface manufacturing method for the mitigation of radar clutter caused by windfarms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated feasibility of reducing RCS in Phase 1 • Aiming to build a metasurface demonstrator • Working with OREC and University of Exeter



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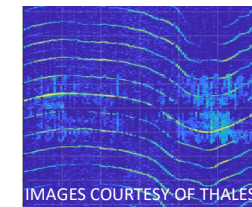
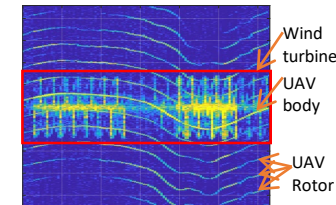
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	<p>To develop a solution to synchronise two remote Holographic radars with which Thales will demonstrate synchronised multi-static staring radar (MSAR).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Builds on Phase 1 and looking to demonstrate a synchronisation of two Aveillant Holographic radars against UAVs or small aircraft
	<p>To design and demonstrate MSAR systems using a validated synthetic environment, to provide continuous all-weather air surveillance in and around windfarms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complements the Aveillant project and looking at a different component of the future solution Aim is to perform system design in a synthetic environment, and develop processing techniques to provide clear guidance on the suitability of different multistatic radar geometries and designs
	<p>To incorporate Machine Learning (ML) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) techniques into air defence radar, providing a trusted air surveillance picture in noisy and cluttered environments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 2 builds on Phase 1 and will further develop the ML and AI and demonstrate the algorithm across 2 windfarms in Denmark and Sweden via live flights
	<p>Alternative Surveillance System consisting of RF, acoustic, optical sensors utilising signal processing, particle filter analysis and AI capability to infill MoD Air Surveillance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aiming to install sensors on wind turbines and conduct flight trials to prove the system capabilities



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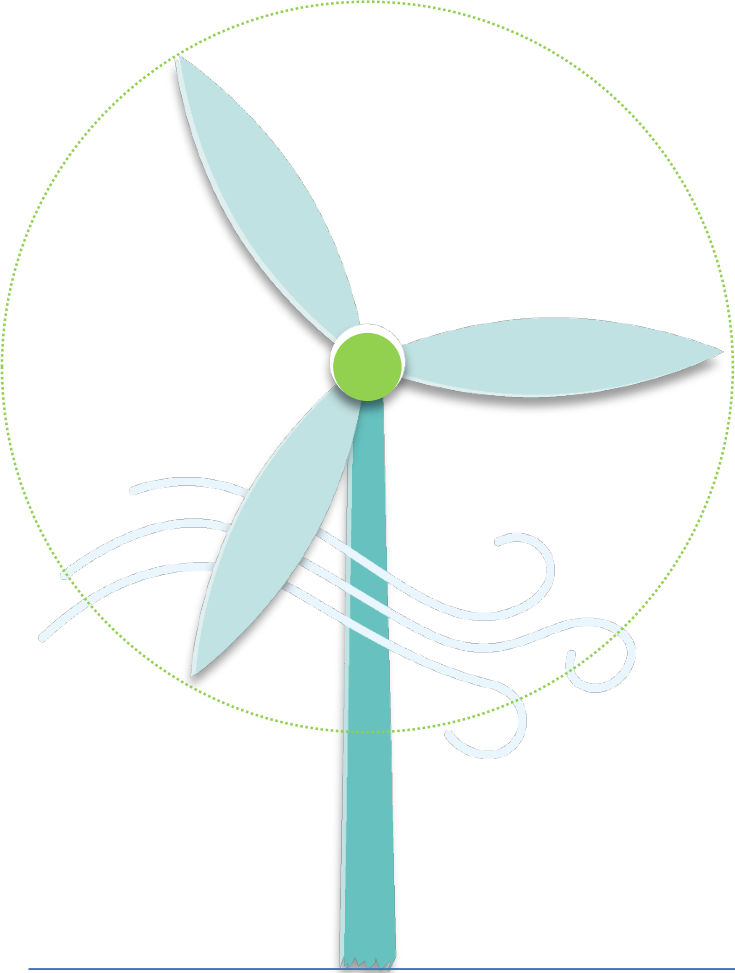


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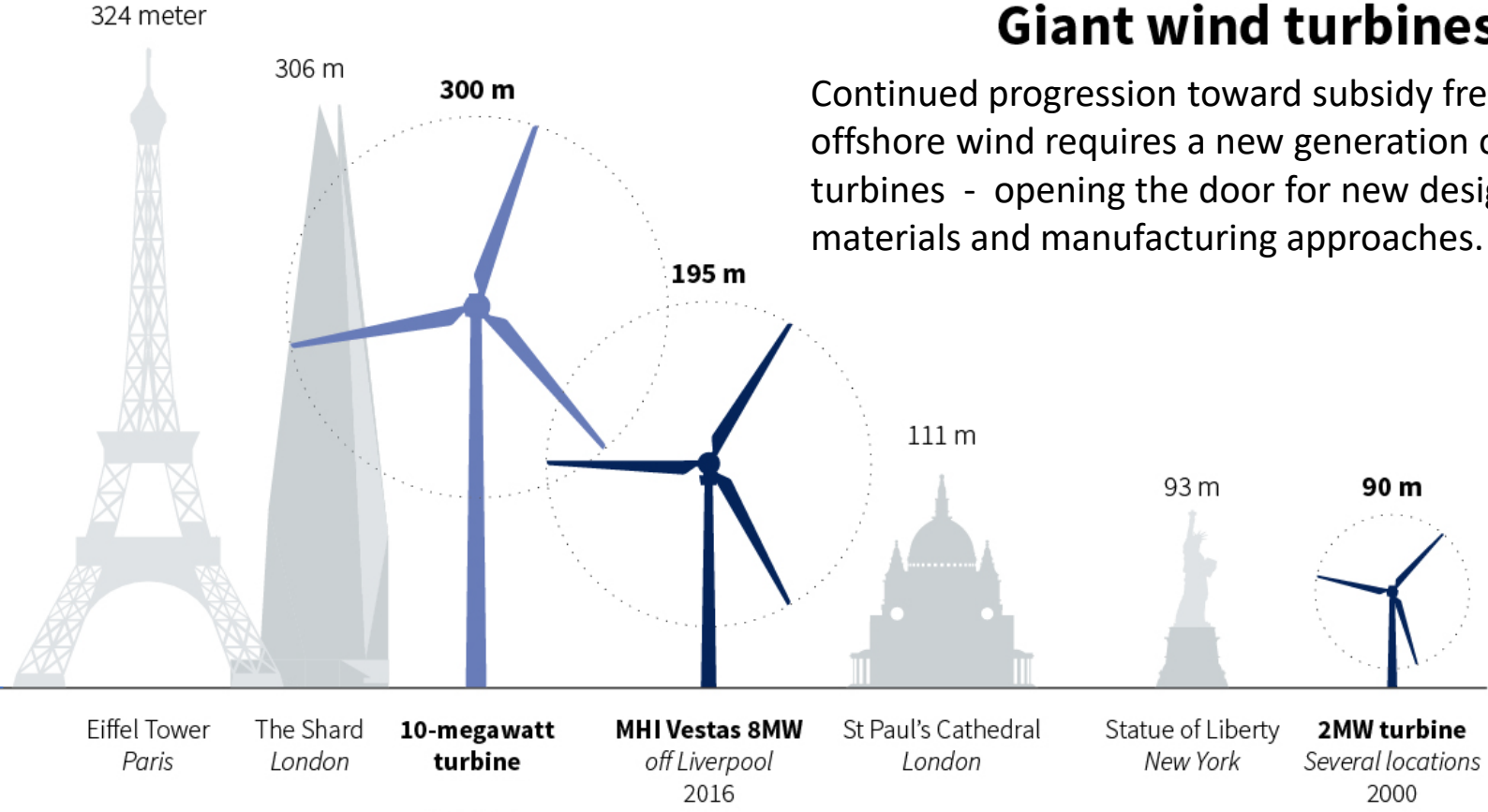
UK Manufacturing Technology for Next generation Wind Turbines: Composites Phase 2



20+ megawatt opportunity

Giant wind turbines

Continued progression toward subsidy free offshore wind requires a new generation of turbines - opening the door for new design, materials and manufacturing approaches.



Sources: Dong Energy UK; Nextwind Inc.

G. Cabrera, 20/06/2017



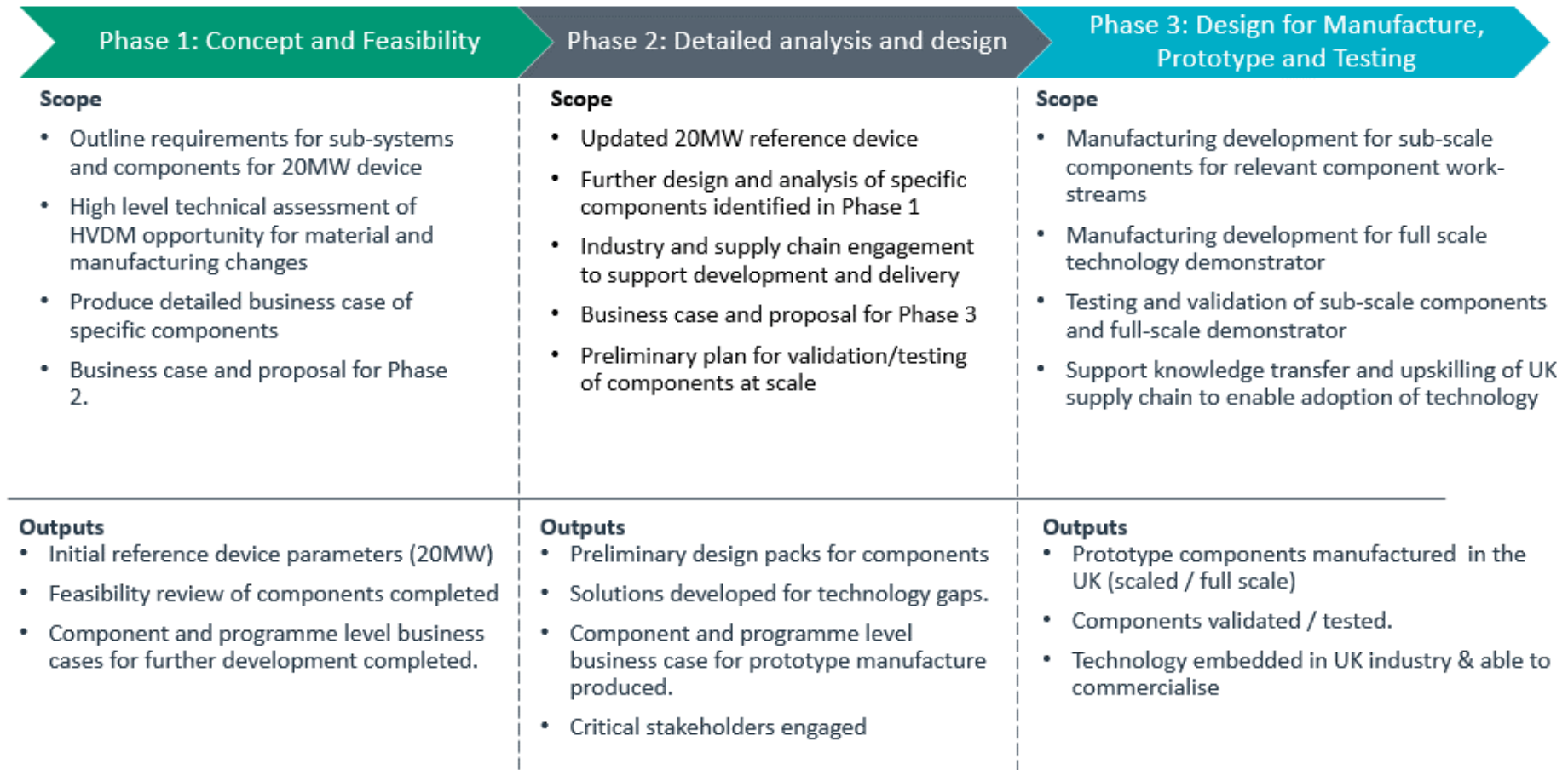
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OPPORTUNITY

- Unlock a step change in device capacity by utilising composite materials
- Deliver the next generation wind turbine components in the UK
- Support the growth of the UK manufacturing capacity for offshore wind
- Offshore Renewable Energy (ORE) Catapult and the National Composites Centre (NCC)



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Q&A