



ESVAGT is delighted to pursue the goal of Operation Zero at the COP26 Event in Glasgow and in aiding the decarbonizing of the North Sea's offshore wind farms by 2025.

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## ESVAGT backs Operation Zero and a decarbonized offshore wind industry

ESVAGT joined several other energy companies in backing Operation Zero at the COP26 Event in Glasgow.

Operation Zero aims at decarbonizing the North Sea's offshore wind farms by 2025, and ESVAGT is delighted to pursue that goal:

"As a market leader within SOV's it makes perfect sense for us to have ambitions for CO2 neutrality. We are delighted to commit to the net zero

ambition as a company as well as an industry. ESVAGT wants to be a world leader in our business area in supporting the green energy transition", says Ian Taylor, ESVAGT UK Director.

ESVAGT has already implemented more modern power systems on vessels and replaced older and less fuel-efficient vessels with more modern vessels. ESVAGT has a set goal of CO2 neutrality no later than 2035 and zero emissions by 2050, and the company is dedicated to help in the development and maturing of technologies to reach the goals, Project Director Gerner Eskelund says:

"Technically, ESVAGT are ready to build 100% battery-powered vessels, including a supportive power plant with hydrogen fuel cells, to ensure that we can service an offshore wind farm with zero emissions and still maintain a full day-to-day operation under all circumstances", he says:

"This vessel will be put into operation as soon as wind farms are able to provide us with charging facilities at sea. As the technology develops and the market matures further, we will also be able to convert existing vessels into battery-powered vessels. Further, we are engaged in multiple other pathways to fossil-free propulsion including hydrogen, ammonia and methanol and will seek to assist in maturing of these technologies as well", Gerner Eskelund says.

## **About ESVAGT**

ESVAGT is a dedicated provider of safety and support at sea and services both the offshore wind industry as well as the oil & gas industry.

We service offshore wind farms and have a fleet of dedicated Service Operation Vessels (SOV), which ESVAGT pioneered in 2010. The SOVs provide accommodation for technicians, welfare facilities, offices and conference rooms, storage for turbine parts, workshops, etc. The SOV offers flexible personnel and equipment transfer capabilities by either Walk-to-Work gangway system or Safe Transfer Boats.

We support the offshore Oil & Gas industries with a wide range of specialized services: Standby, Emergency Response and Rescue Vessels (ERRV), Oil spill response, Firefighting, Tanker assists, Rig moves, Supply services and

Interfield transfer of cargo and personnel.

ESVAGT was founded in 1981 and has a fleet of more than 40 vessels and approximately 1100 employees offshore and onshore.

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