

MULTI-PURPOSE FLOATING STRUCTURES

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Singapore

- Railroad
- Mass rapid transit system (MRT)
- Expressway
- Major road
- Minor road
- Ferry
- Built-up area

Spot elevation in meters

Scale 1:150,000

0 1 2 3 4 Kilometers
0 1 2 3 4 Miles

Mercator Projection

Singapore

- Land area: 722 km²
- Population: 5.5 + 1 million
- 7796 persons per km²



Norway

- Total land area: 385 180 km²
- Total population: 5.2 millions
- 13.7 persons per km²



Oslo + Bærum + Asker

- Total land area: 750 km²
- Total population: 850 000
- 1 130 persons per km²



Singapore

Need for space!

Ambitions development plans:

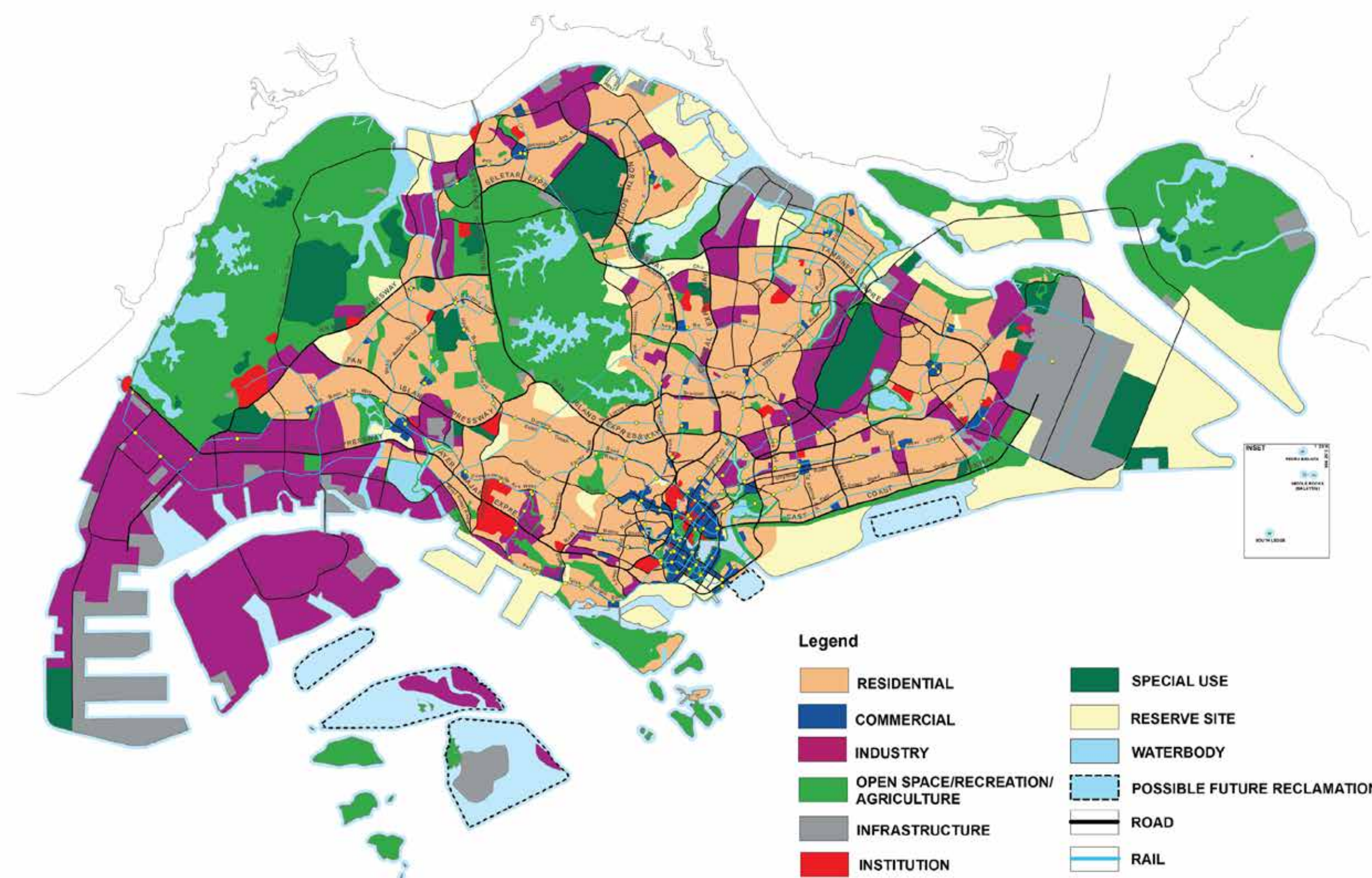
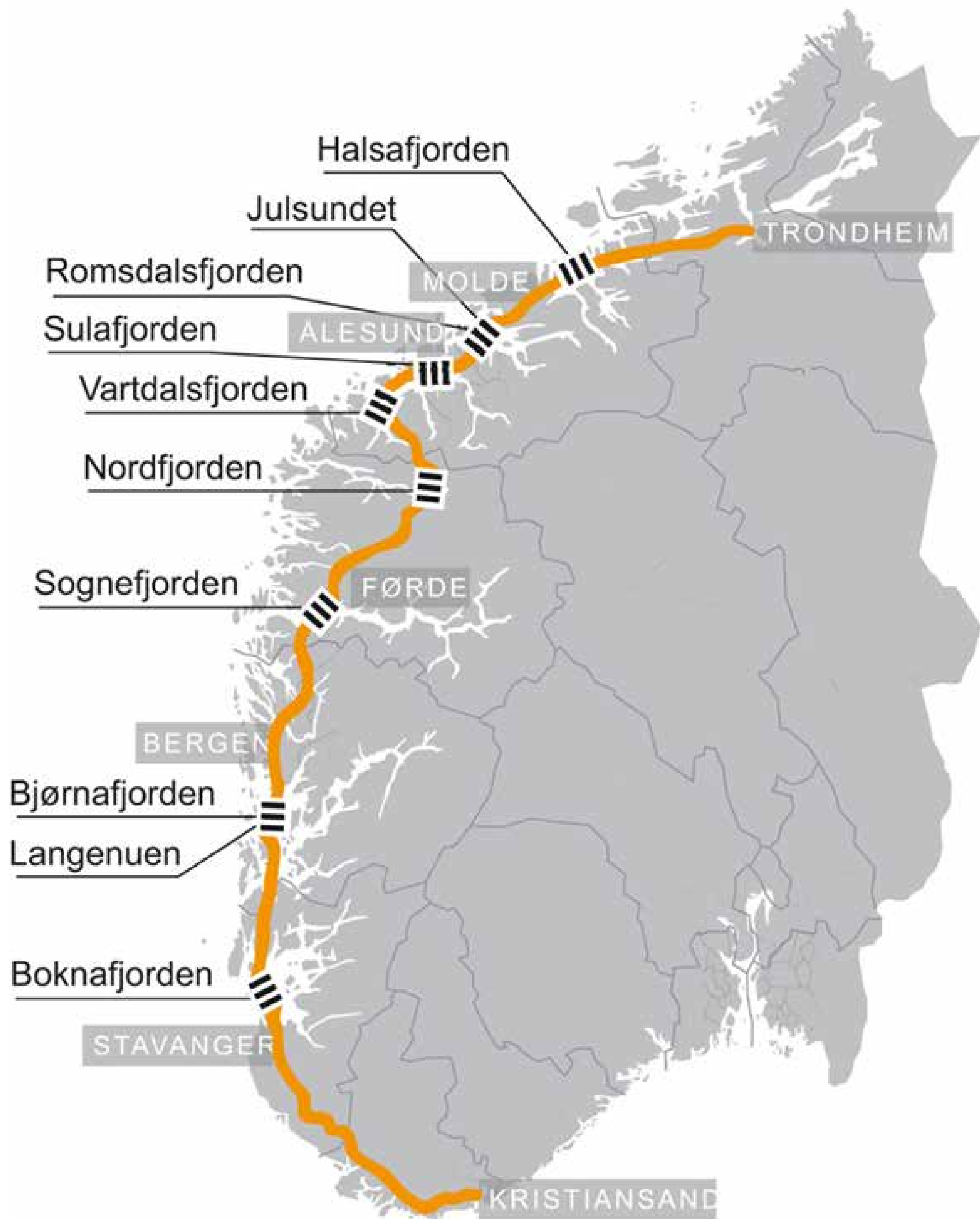
Land reclamation

Up in the air

Under ground

Into the sea





Wide apart - yet common interests

Norway

- Support growth and national development
- Connecting people and businesses
- New coastal highway E39:
Floating bridges,
Submerged bridges
- Port development
- Coastal development

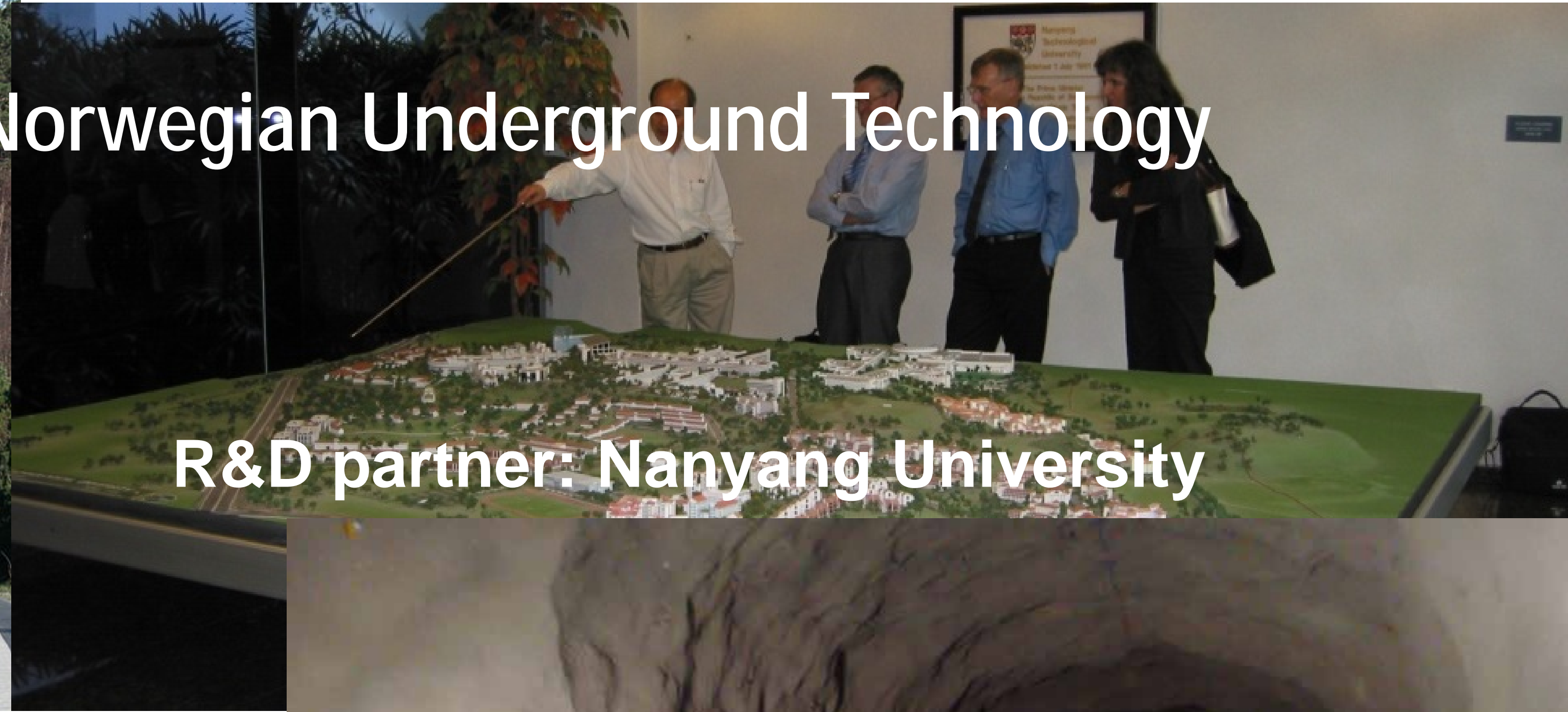


Singapore

- Support growth and national development
- Creating space:
Moving infrastructure
from land to sea
- Oil & Gas Storage
- Strategic storage
- LNG terminals
- Port development
- Industrial lands
- Housing and residential areas
- Recreational areas

Background – Norwegian Underground Technology

Sub-sea tunnels



R&D partner: Nanyang University



Large rock caverns –Gjøvik hall



Partnership
SINTEF – Tritech – Multiconsult
10 years > 100 mill NOK
Project Management and Technical review

Jurong Rock Caverns

– Underground subsea hydrocarbon storage
From research to completed project



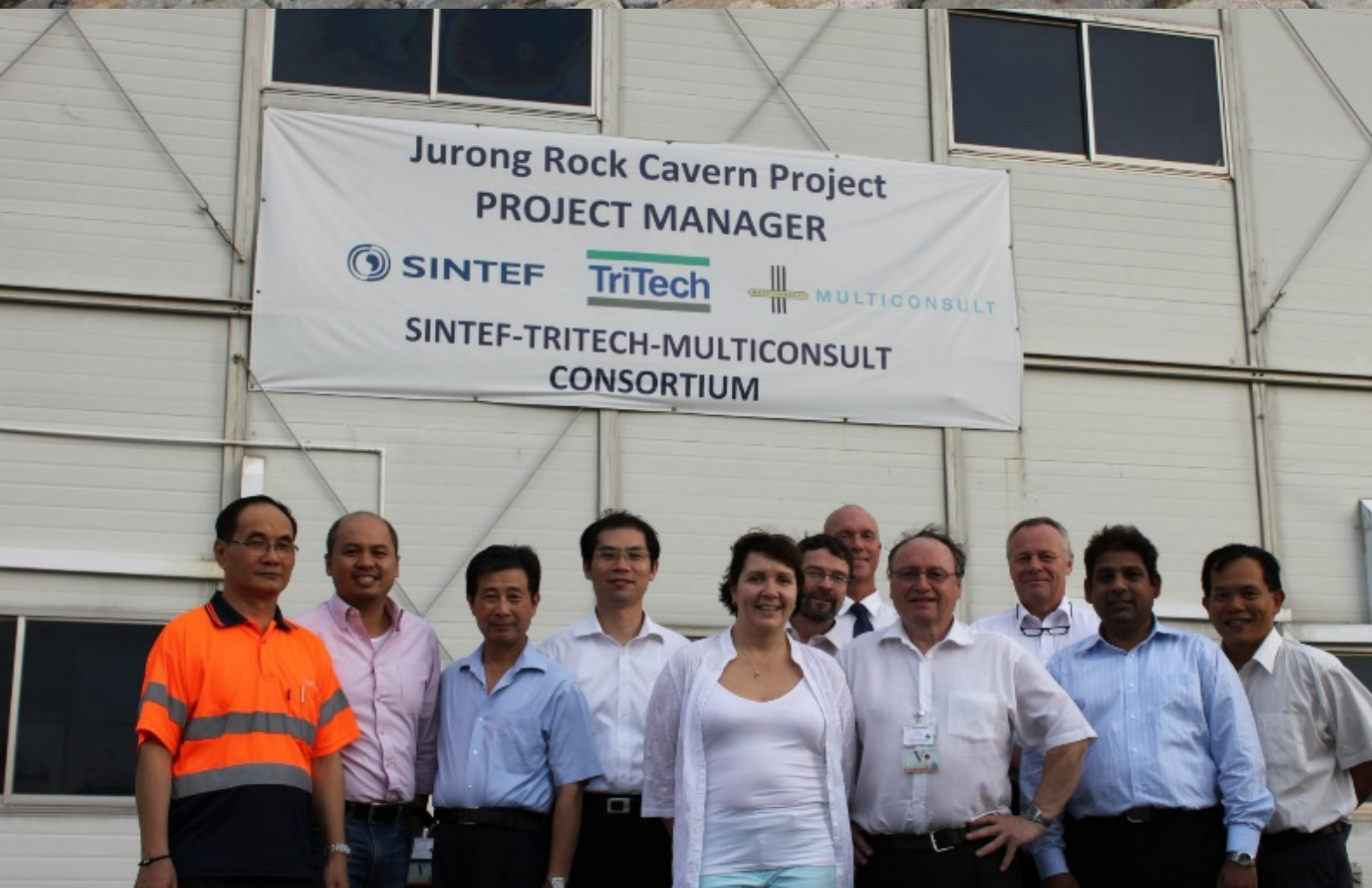
Client: **Breaking New Ground**

Consortium:

- SINTEF, Tritech and Multiconsult
- Project management
- Design review and approval
- Technical advisor to JTC

Progress:

- 2003 NTNU-NTU-SINTEF initial discussions
- 2004 SINTEF and Tritech site investigations
- 2006 STM contract awarded
- 2008 Basic Engineering Design completed
- 2009 Access shafts completed
- 2015 Caverns opened
- 2019 Project completed



GOING UNDERGROUND

Construction is going on about 130m beneath Jurong Island to build South-east Asia's first underground rock cavern storage facility. Petrochemical companies looking for alternative storage spaces will be able to use Phase One of the Jurong Rock Cavern when it is completed in 2014. The Straits Times looks at the underground action.

Workers are seen here inside the access tunnel, some 130m below ground (left).

Access shaft Used to transport workers and machinery underground

JURONG ISLAND

FAST FACTS

- The floor of the caverns will eventually be about 150m beneath the ground. Bras Basah MRT station, the deepest MRT station in Singapore, is 35m underground at its lowest point.
- This underground facility uses only 15ha of land, instead of the 75ha if built on the surface. The amount of land saved is about the size of 70 football fields.
- During construction, air underground is checked every four hours for toxic gases; it must also contain at least 19.5 per cent of oxygen to ensure safety.

BY THE NUMBERS

- Cost of Phase One with five caverns: **\$950m**
- Total storage capacity of Phase One: **1.47 million cubic metres**, about the size of **600 Olympic-sized swimming pools**.
- Volume of rock excavated to build the caverns: **3.8 million cubic metres**, enough to fill 1,400 Olympic pools.

The caverns will store liquid hydrocarbons such as crude oil, naphtha, condensates and gas oil.

KEEPING IT IN

- The caverns are located beneath the water table, or the surface level of water found underground.
- Water seeps downwards through cracks in the rocks, exerting a pressure known as hydrostatic pressure.
- This pressure, and that added by the water curtains, keeps oil within the caverns.
- Pressure gauges are installed in the water curtains, and water from the operational and access tunnels is injected continuously into the curtains to maintain pressure.
- The water that gets into the cavern is removed using pumps within the caverns, treated and discharged into the sea.
- The liquids are lighter than water and do not mix, so there is no contamination.

BUILDING TUNNELS

- 1 The ground ahead is probed and tunnel/cavern mapped out using precision surveying equipment.
- 2 Holes up to 5m are drilled by computer-controlled machines and filled with explosives.
- 3 The explosives are detonated. The blasts extend the tunnel by up to 5m.
- 4 Pressurised air is directed at the rock face to remove dust and gas. The blasted rocks are then removed.
- 5 Pneumatic hammers are used to remove weakened rock pieces still attached to walls.
- 6 Bolts are anchored into the walls to reinforce them.
- 7 A layer of shotcrete - liquid concrete - is sprayed over the bare rock face. This prevents rock falls.

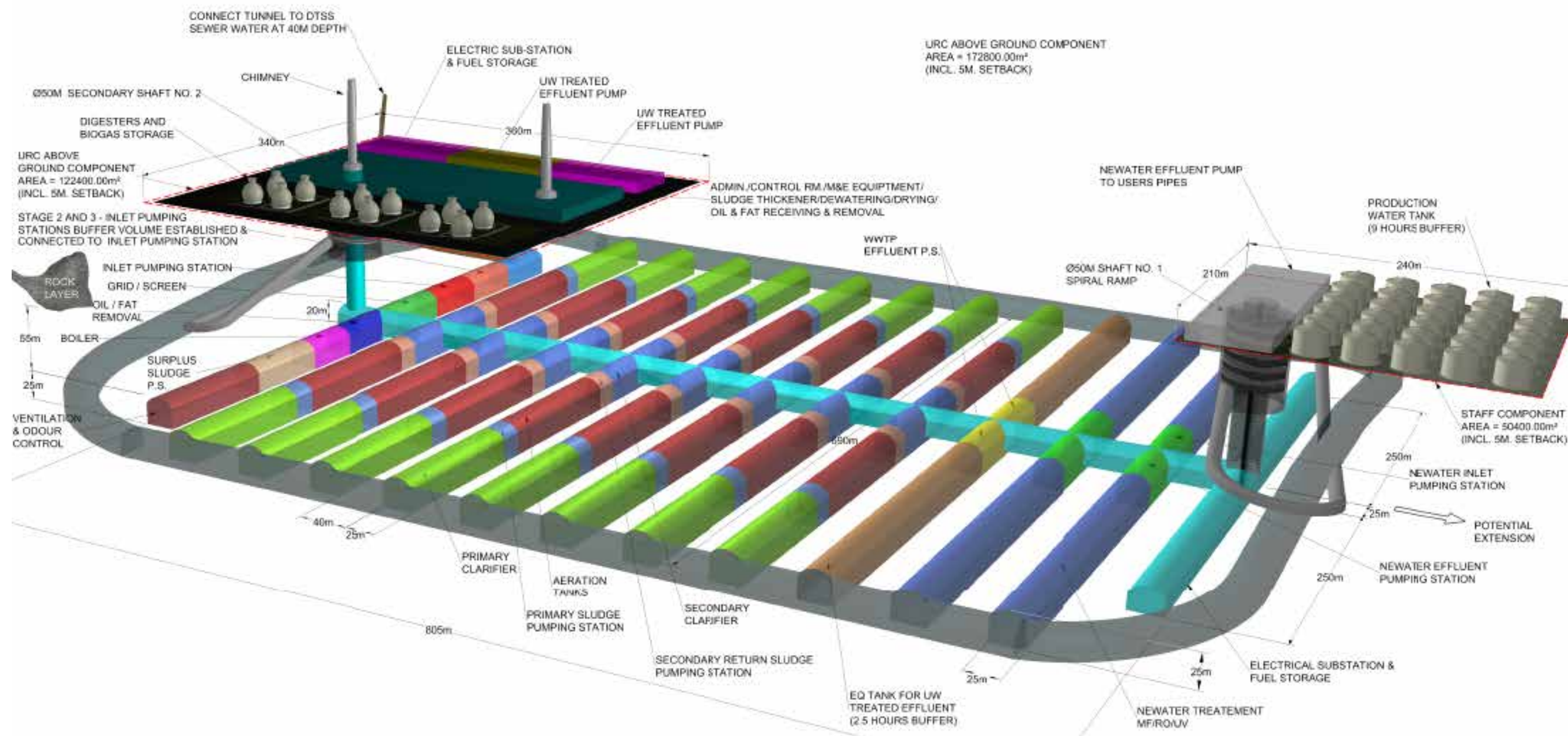
UNLOADING TANKERS
LOADING TANKERS AND PLANTS

VENT
WATER CURTAIN
WATER TREATMENT
To the sea
WATER PUMP
OIL PUMP
WATER SUMP

Source: JTC CORPORATION GRAPHICS: WIRE M DIZON and FENG ZENQUAN

URC- Underground Rock Cavern Usage Feasibility Study, Singapore

Water Reclamation Plant



10 specified usages in underground rock cavern

- Technical and operational feasibility
- September 2008 – June 2009

SINTEF – Tritech - Multiconsult

Awarded best strategic planning project 2009

Underground science city



Total Vol. : 7,844,690 m³
 Cavern Vol. : 5,937,500 m³ (76%)
 Shaft + Tunnel Vol. : 1,907,190 m³ (24%)

Production Capacity: 800,000 m³ per day
 NEWater Plant at 556,000 m³ per day

MULTI-PURPOSE FLOATING STRUCTURES

Multi-purpose Floating Structures

Collaborative R&D project to investigate use of sea area

- JTC (Jurong Town Corporation)
- NUS (National University of Singapore)
- SINTEF
- NTNU (advisory role)
- National Research Foundation Singapore

Four main tracks

- **Floating hydrocarbon storage**
- **Floating bridges | coastal structures**
- **Floating modular multi-purpose structures**
- **Design guidance**



Multi-purpose Floating Structures

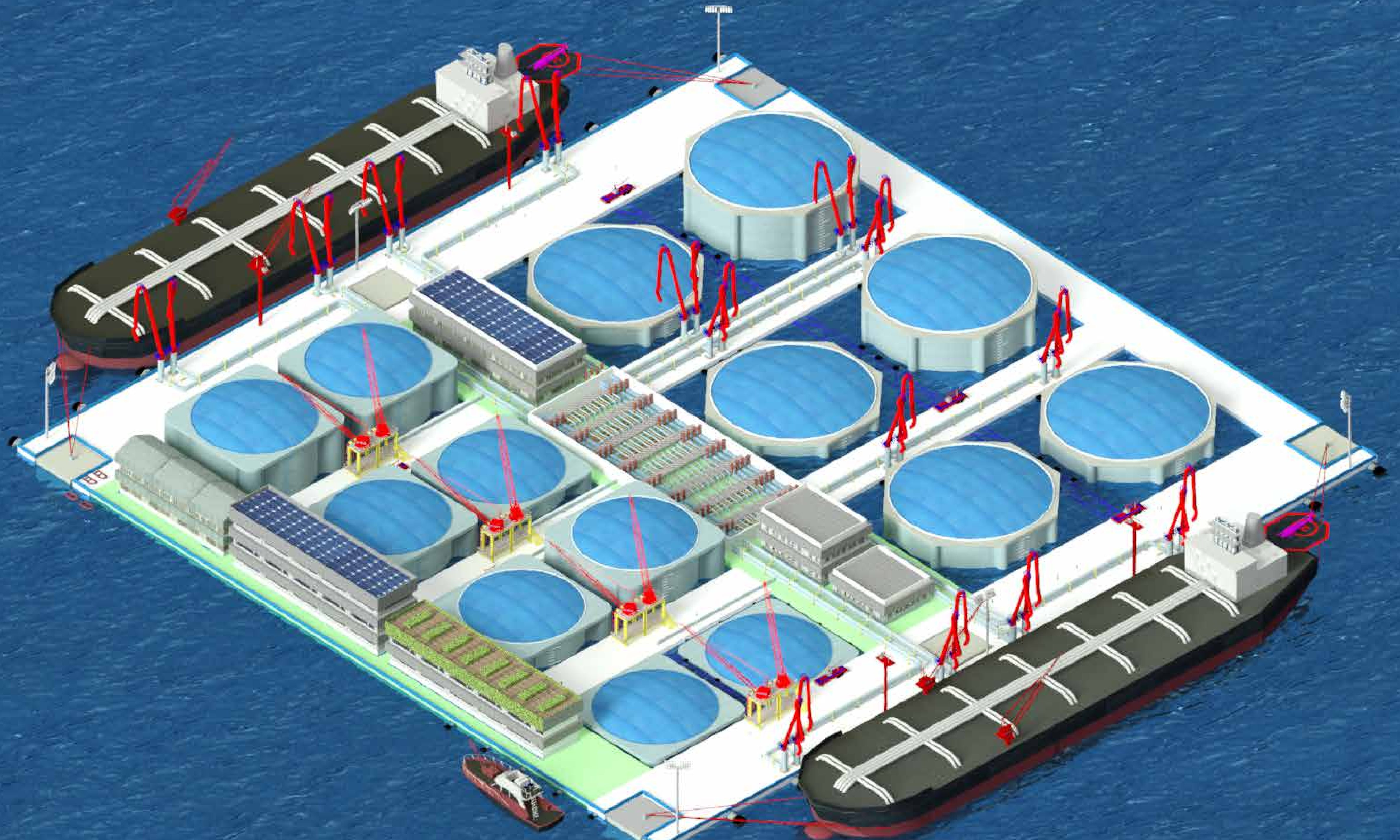
Phase A: Concept Study

- A1 Concept evaluation and development
- A2 Foundation and Mooring systems
- A3 Structural Solutions
- A4 Materials selection, development and testing
- A5 Construction, installation and marine operations
- A6 Model testing and concept qualification

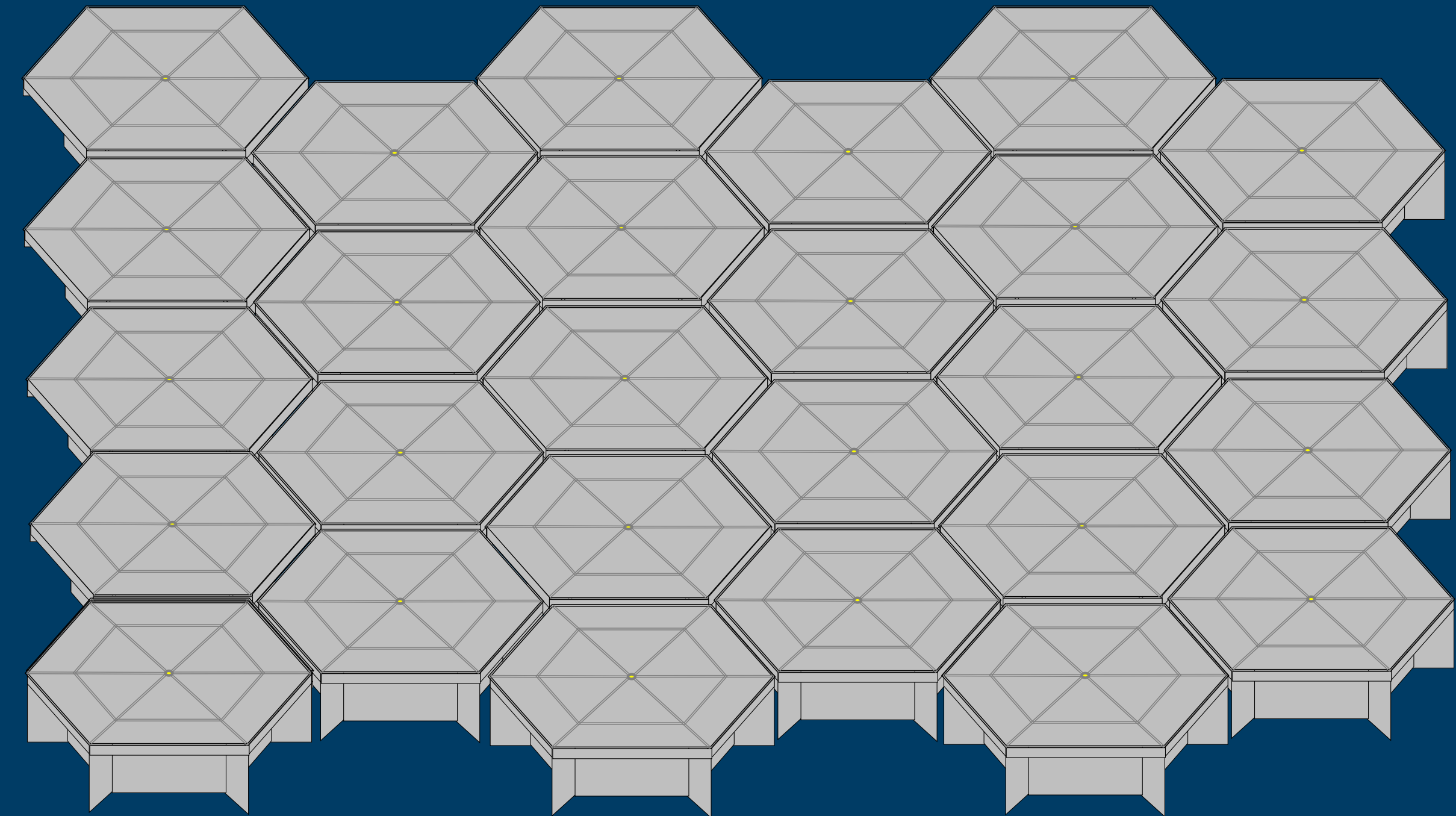
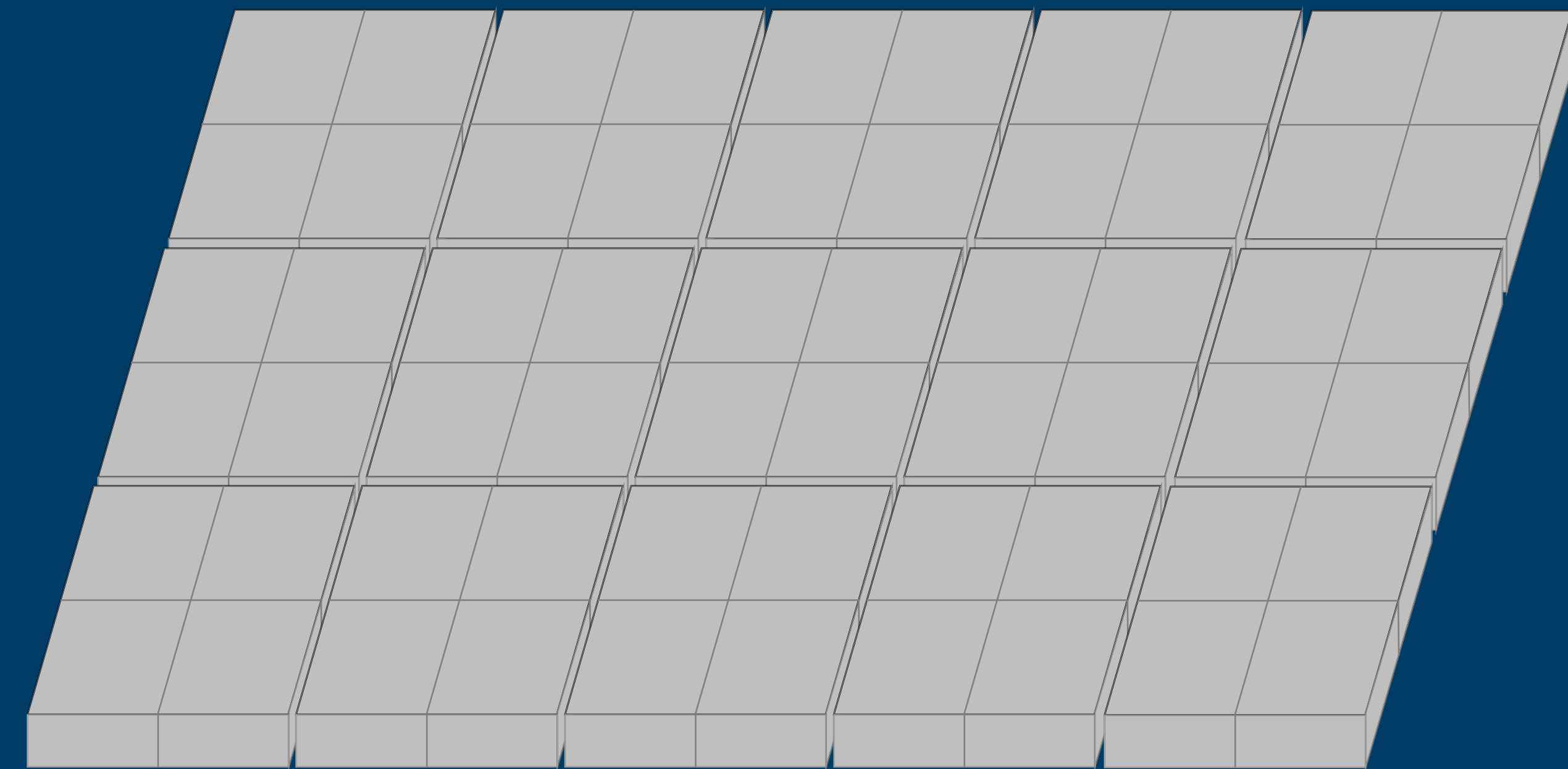
Phase B: Development and verification

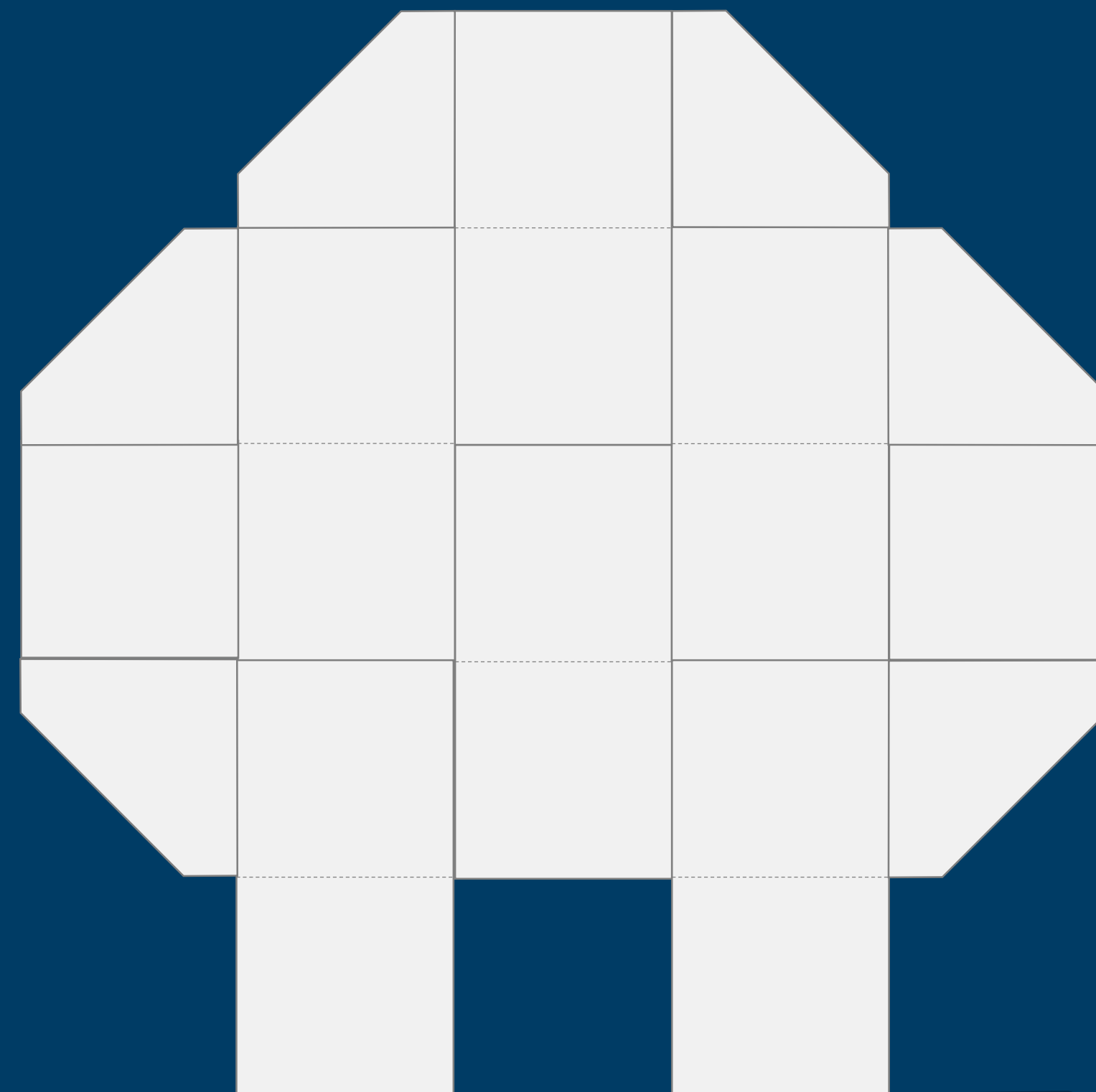
- B1 Structural design for prototyping
- B2 Concept verification and prototyping (test-bedding in real environment)

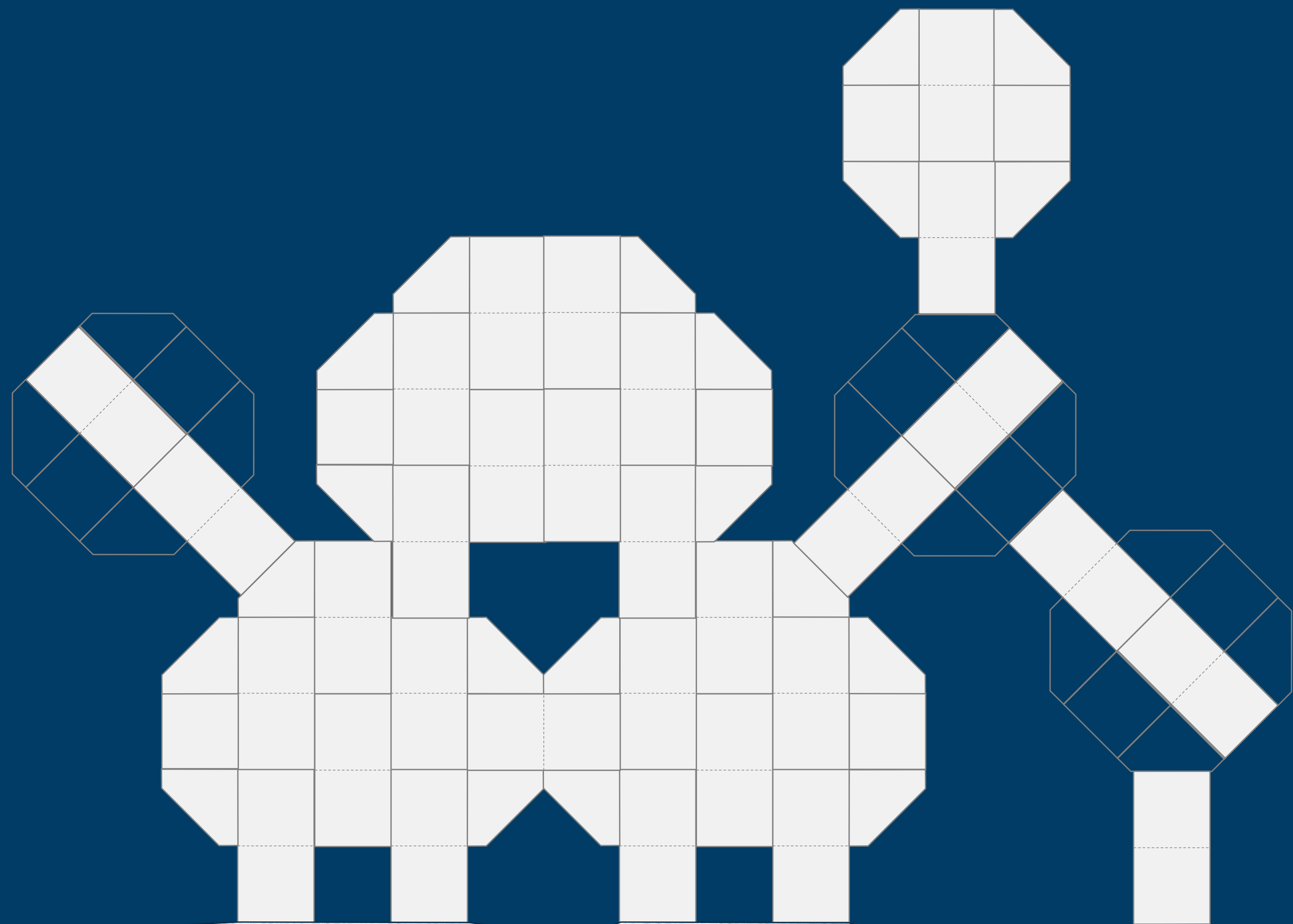




Modular multi-purpose floating structures









Design issues

- Modular, inter-connected structure
- Articulated, w/rigid and flexible joints
- Long service lifetime
- High tidal variations
- Moderate waves
- Large structure compared to wave length
- Non-uniform bathymetry
- Non-uniform environmental actions across the structure
- Possible hydro-elastic effects

Large Floating Coastal Structures

Norwegian R&D project on design and verification of large floating coastal structures

- Recommendations to design guidelines
- Methods and numerical tools
 - Hydro-elastic effects
 - In-homogeneous environmental conditions
 - In-homogeneous bathymetry



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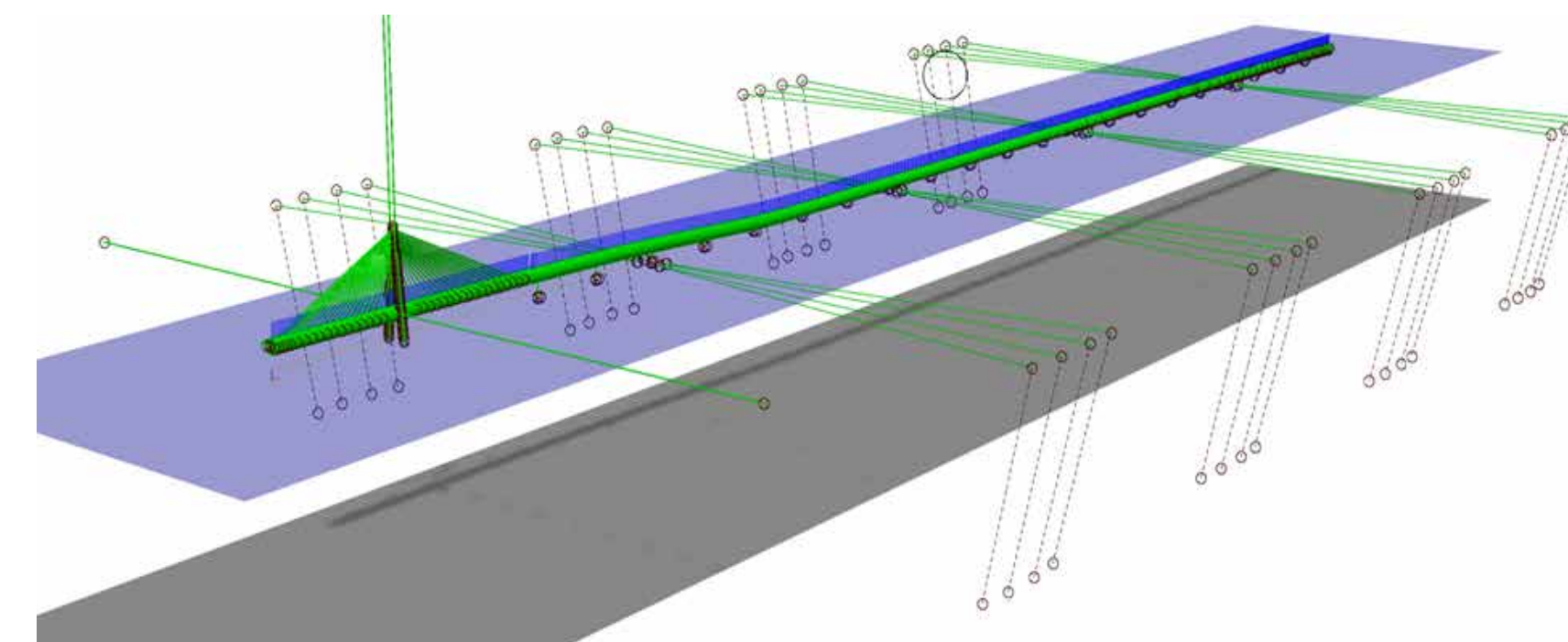
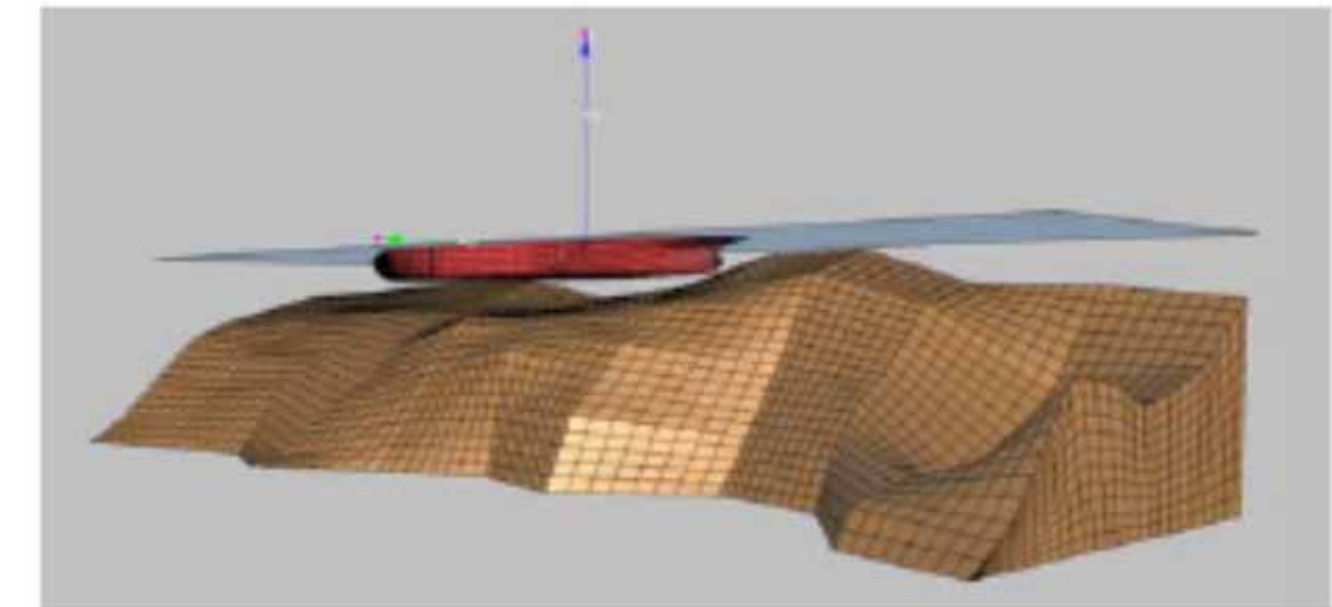
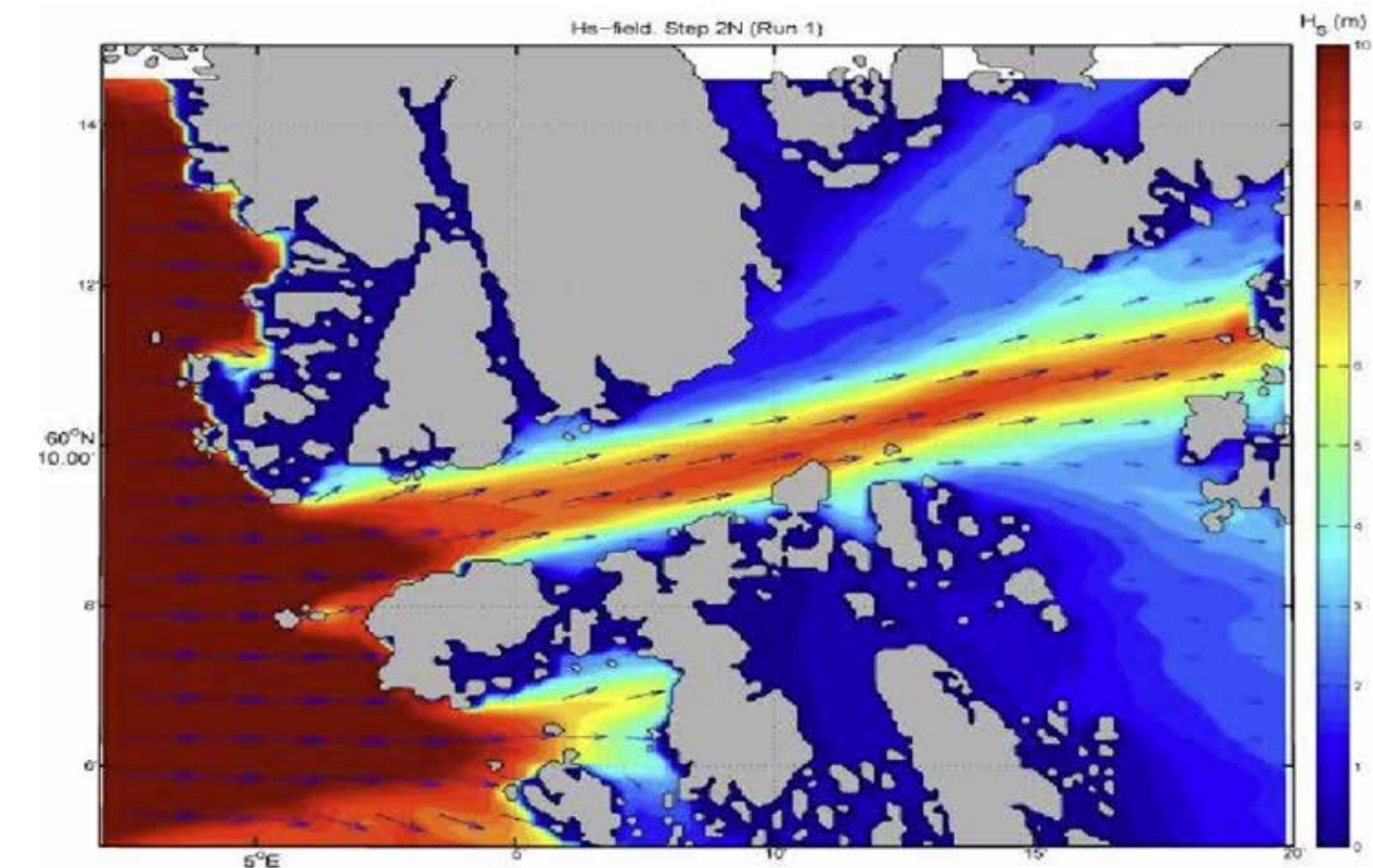
Large Floating Coastal Structures

Rational *description model* of inhomogeneous environmental conditions

Rational *evaluation models* of wave/wind/current loads under inhomogeneous environments

Improved *methods* for hydro-elastic response, applicable to combined rigid, elastic and/or articulated structures.

Improved *methods* for mooring and position



Large Floating Coastal Structures



Review phase

Map and evaluate technology gaps

Planning phase

Defining and targeting R&D activities

Development phase

Development of numerical models and tools

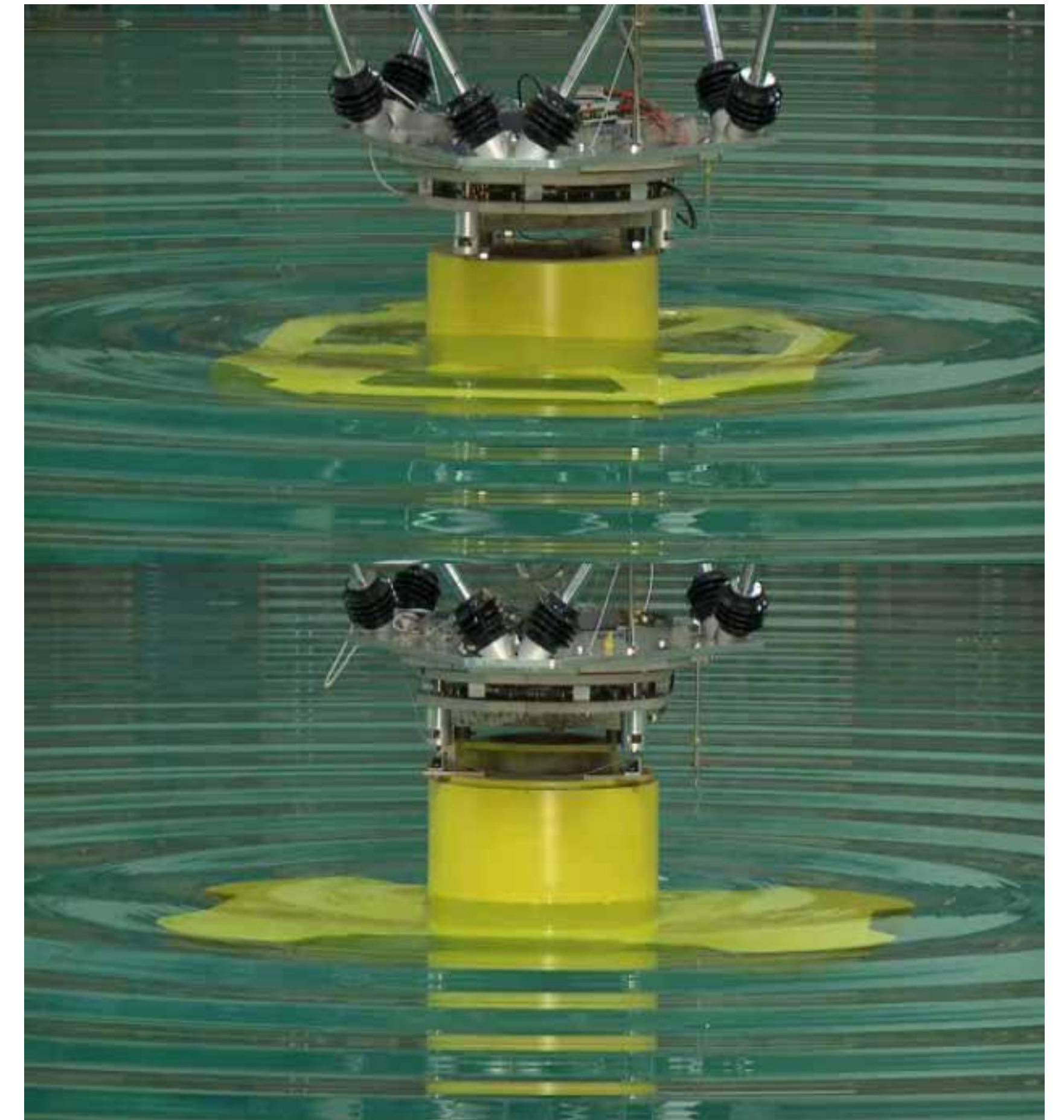
Case studies

Sensitivity studies

Verification phase

High-fidelity model tests

Model tests in SINTEF's Ocean Basin



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