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Following the success of the pioneering Executive Offshore Wind MBA, the second edition of the programme has now begun at Gdynia Maritime University Offshore Wind Energy Centre. The Executive Offshore Wind MBA is a prestigious programme that develops managers and leaders for the offshore wind energy industry.

- We are pleased that the programme has been very well received by the OWE community, both in Poland and abroad - says Andrzej Popadiuk, Director of the Offshore Wind Energy Centre at GMU. - With a strong network of corporate and academic partners we can ensure that the programme provides a unique educational experience and practical value. Because of the number of applications, we could admit only the strongest candidates to the programme and create a very diverse cohort.



During the inauguration ceremony, 20 professionals were welcomed onto the Executive Offshore Wind MBA programme. Included in them are participants from Italy and Lithuania and three female students. The second EOW MBA edition has attracted specialists working in offshore and other maritime and energy sectors, as well as those working in other industries planning a career in offshore wind.

### **New Edition, New Partners**

- The Programme is highly practical, explains Dr Tomasz Harackiewicz, EOW MBA Director. - Practitioners from various companies deliver workshops, presentations and webinars, sharing their first-hand experience with the EOW MBA students. Piotr Żeglarski of Seaway 7 says that the company expert will present a real-life offshore wind farm project. The participants will have the opportunity to analyse the development of the investment from start to finish.

The EOW MBA new industry partners include Siemens Gamesa, SSE Renewables, KONGSTEIN and Semco Maritime. They have joined industry leaders such as DNV, GE Power, Inter Marine, KONGSTEIN, MEWO, Ørsted, Polish Register of Shipping, RWE, Seaway 7, and Vestas. The programme's Academic partners are the University of Applied Sciences Bremerhaven, Business Academy SouthWest and DOB-Academy, which conduct the world's first offshore MBA. The Honorary Partners are the British Embassy, the Embassy of the Kingdom of Denmark, the Royal Norwegian Embassy, the Embassy of the Netherlands, the Global Wind Energy Council and the Polish Offshore Wind Energy Society. Representatives of partner organisations constitute the EOW MBA Programme Board.

### **Offshore MBA at Gdynia Maritime University**

The maximum number of participants admitted to each edition is 20, which helps to make the sessions interactive and practical. The programme is attended by representatives of large, first-tier offshore companies, companies planning involvement in the construction and operation of wind farms, and personnel from related industries with aspirations for professional development in the offshore wind sector. The programme is conducted in English. As indicated by Gdynia Maritime University, candidates have already begun registering for the third edition of the programme.

The members of the EOW MBA Programme Board congratulated Gdynia Maritime University for inaugurating the second edition of the Executive Offshore Wind MBA and wished the Offshore Wind Energy Centre further success in the development of competencies for the Polish and European energy transition.

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