Underwater Intervention Drone (UID™)





The robots and drones will make our work easier

The future is robotised, automated and connected

This is especially true for the everyday repetitive tasks and high-risk operations. Autonomous assets keep our people safe and reduce our carbon footprint - freeing up the time and creativity of our workforce to develop better and bolder energy solutions.

Global operations networks are established to optimise performance by connecting operations, knowledge and expertise.



Our solutions for energy production in the future will be lighter, more subsea and remotely controlled. This is not only much safer, but the emissions are close to half compared to conventional solutions.





UID?



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UID – Underwater Intervention Drone, is a hybrid of

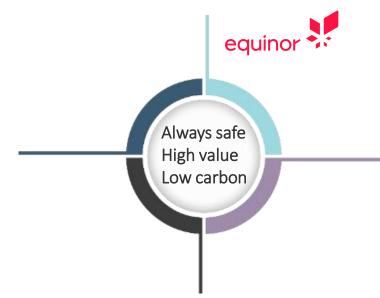
ROV - Remotely Operated Vehicle

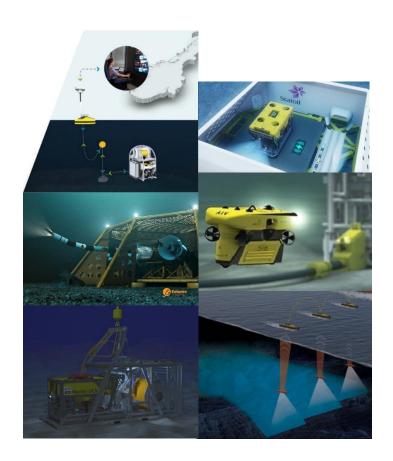
AUV - Autonomous Underwater Vehicle

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Underwater Intervention Drones (UID™) Operator Business Case





· Always safe

- Reduce human exposure
- Simplify procedures
- Online response

· High value

- Reduce need for specialized vessels
- Reduce operating cost: onshore remote operations
- Increase Production Efficiency (PE)
- Increase usage of installed infrastructure
- Profitable field development in remote areas

· Low carbon

- Reduce CO_2 emission
- Improve environmental and condition surveillance

Objective: Develop and implement underwater intervention drones for resident application with semi-autonomous and autonomous functionality.

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Exemple of Equinor funded technology

Stepwise development of **Eelume functionality**

> Phase 1 - 2018 (LOOP funding)

- o Tethered operation from shore and vessel

Phase 2 - 2019 (LOOP + start Demo2000)

- o 1+ months subsea residence
- o Visual inspection
- Operate valves (class 4)
- o 500 meter depth rate

Phase 3 - 2020/2021

(Demo2000)

- o Wireless operation
- o Long term residence
- o 100+ km battery range
- o Autonomous inspection of pipelines and SPS (operator monitors and can take control)
- o Autonomous transit between docking stations
- o Tool rack with several interchangeable tooling options
- o Onshore control room
- o 500 meter depth rate

- o Visual inspection
- o 150 meter depth rate

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Subsea docking station -

Important need for UID development



Subsea docking Station – Why is this important for Equinor

Always safe High value Low carbon

In general

- > **key enabler** to more efficient offshore operation in the future with use of underwater intervention drones
- make an industry standard for subsea charging and communication, the "subsea petrol station"
- increase implementation speed of underwater intervention drones
- > the drone supplier industry to focus on **drone development**

Collaboration with NTNU

- > Strengthen the **collaboration** between academia and industry to be able to standardize digital solutions
- Academia to contribute even more to business needs in the industry
- > Easier for **minor companies** to utilize their smart ideas into the marked





Trondheimsfjorden test center

OVERVIEW



Trondheim Biological Station

- NTNU premises.
- Control room connected to docking panel.



Statoil Pig Loop

- Installed in 2016.
- Allows realistic testing of subsea inspection and intervention.



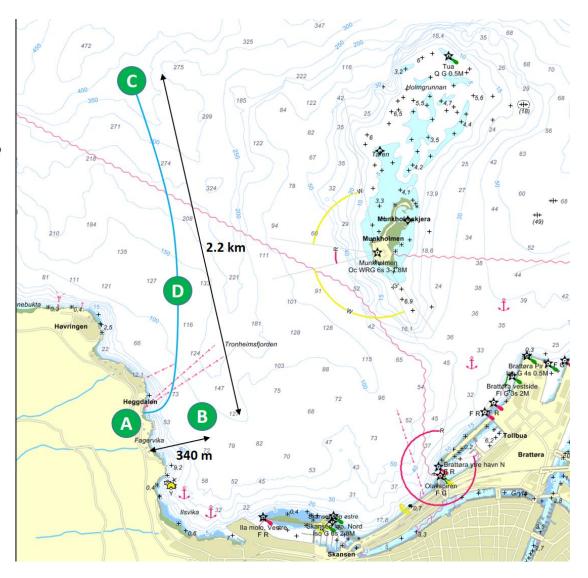
Statoil docking panel

- Under development by Statoil.
- Facilitates power and communication for subsea resident IMR solutions.



Seabed cable to docking panel

- Needs to be installed.
- Supplies power and communication to docking panel from shore.



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Forus-gründere og Equinor skal lade droner under Vann









Video from Dora, testing April 2019

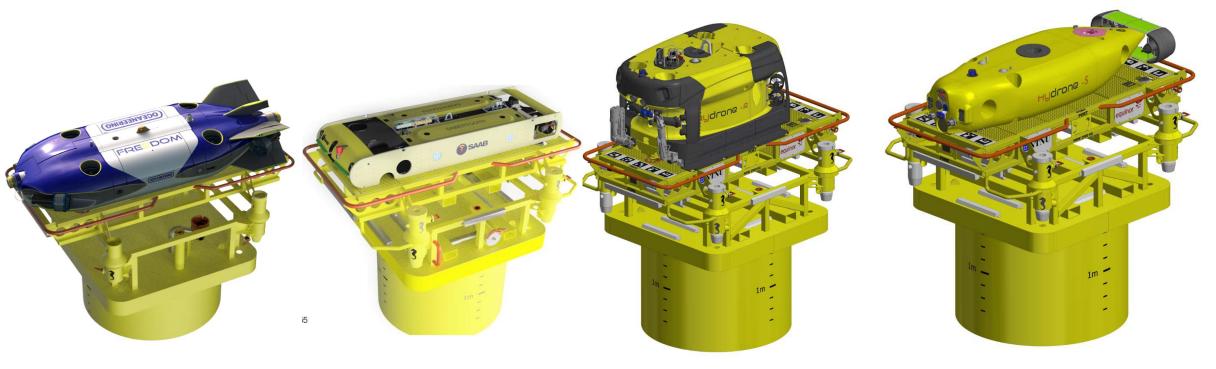


Latest version of docking station



UID™ generic subsea docking station

- Wireless interfaces in **SWiG**
- Harmonize interface towards major drone suppliers
- Formalize and harmonize with DeepStar into API



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Thank you!

Time for questions

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2-3 October there will be a UID drone event in Norway (Tau - Stavanger). This will be the densest display of drone technology and key stakeholders in the industry - ever. Main UID suppliers will attend to this event with examples of their latest developed drones. A sea trail will be performed with Oceaneering's new freedom subsea drone. The freedom will autodock on the world first underwater charging station

Link to UID Animation:

Oceaneering

https://youtu.be/4i4fd6le9Jg

iTec7 AIV

https://youtu.be/VBfjx7o9YS4

Saipem - Hydrone

https://youtu.be/nOQMpse36xQ

Houston Mechatronics:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZPjsB--qas&t=16s

Eelume

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACCO-HcULoo&feature=youtu.be