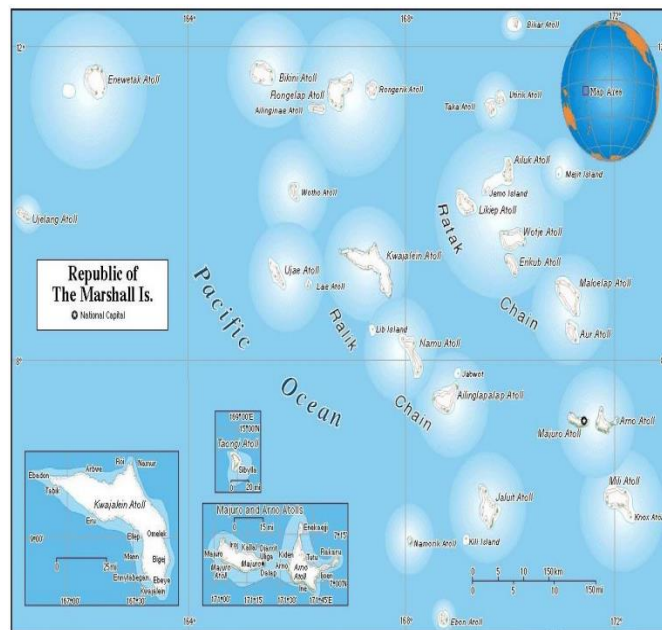


KICOFF 2023, Busan, 2023. 5.30

OTEC/DOWA program to strengthen SDGs implementation capacity for RMI



The Republic of Korea has pledged to carry out marine energy ODA programs including Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion

Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries, Republic of Korea (Government)
[#OceanAction46789](#)

DESCRIPTION

SDG 14 TARGETS COVERED

DELIVERABLES & TIMELINE

RESOURCES MOBILIZED

PROGRESS REPORTS

FEEDBACK

Description

The Republic of Korea will provide 50kW Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion(OTEC) generators as well as air conditioners and heaters which can cool and heat about 5000m2 areas. In addition, education program will be provided on how to desalinate discharge water and use it for hydroponics.

Partners

Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries(government)

Action Network



Republic of Marshall Islands

National Strategic Plan to achieve SDGs combating Climate Disasters



SDGs Progress Wheels



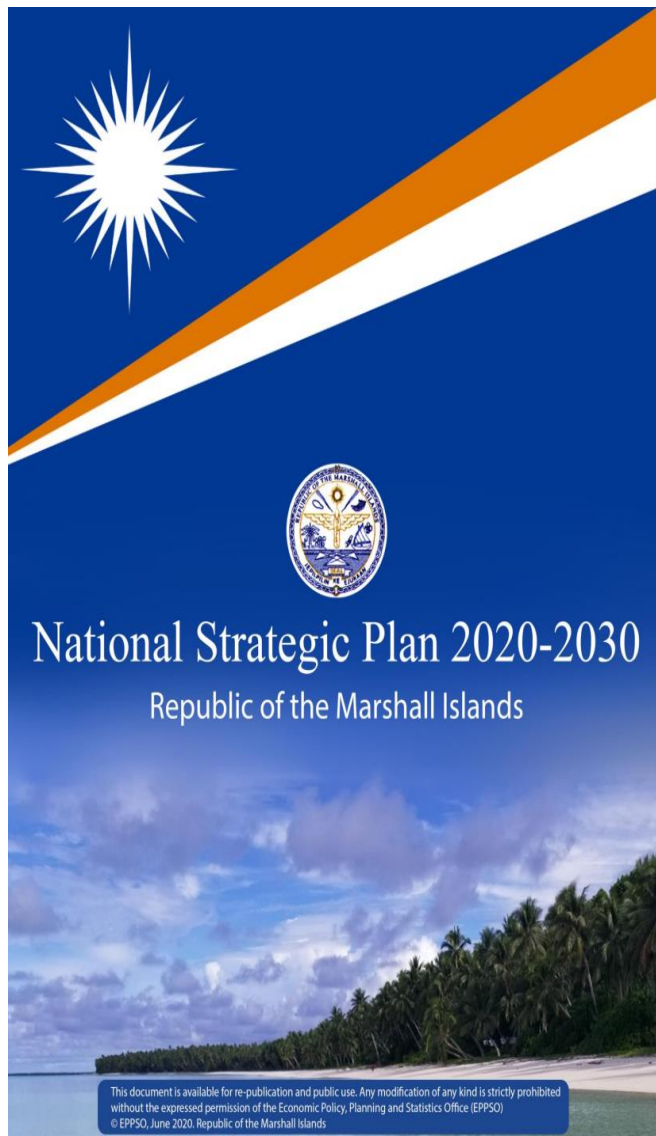
17 Goals To Transform The Pacific - Pacific Data Hub

Indicators with data - Overall

131 indicators

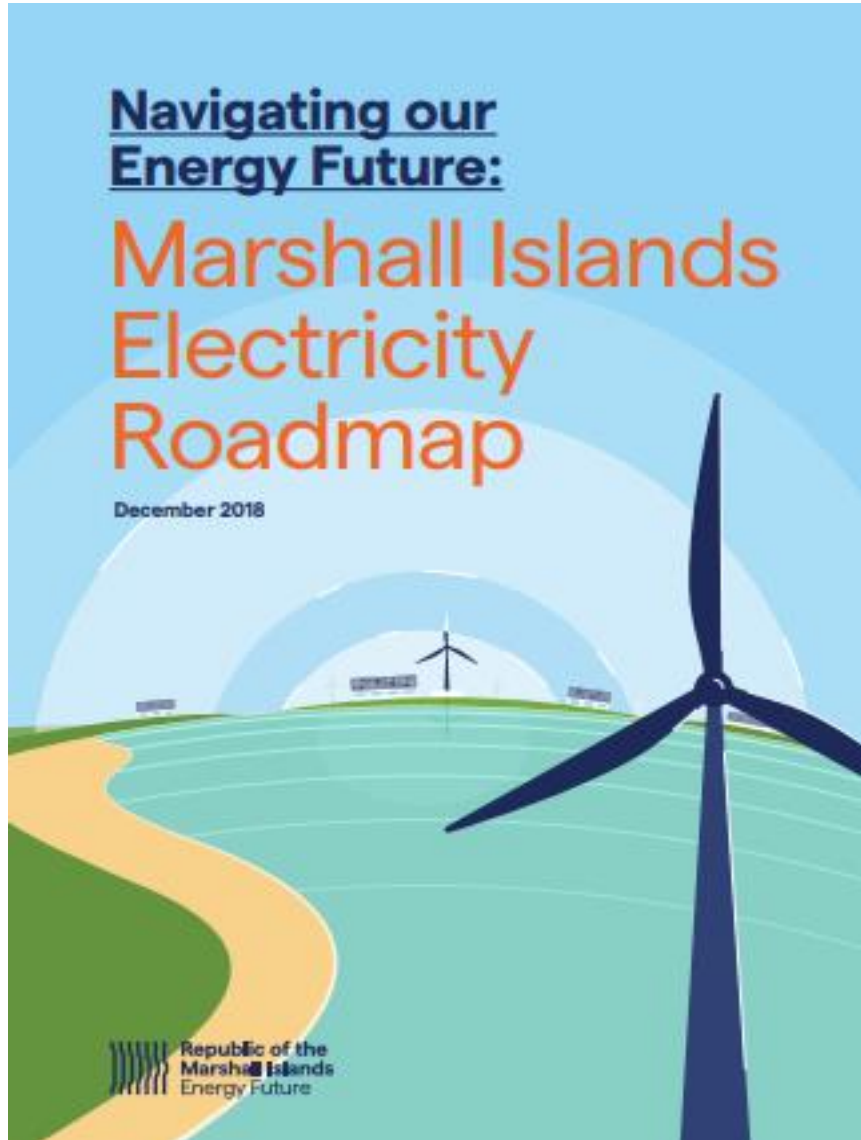


National Strategic Plan 2020-2030



NSP Pillar Information			SECTOR STRATEGIES		
	Pillars	Strategic Areas	Sector/Thematic Area	Title	Timeframe
1	Social and Culture	1. Health	Education	Education Sector Plan	Under development
		2. Education and Training	Health	National Environmental Health Action Plan	Ongoing
		3. Social Justice and Inclusion	Culture	National Cultural Policy	Under development
		4. Culture and Traditional knowledge	Gender	National Gender Mainstreaming Policy	Ongoing
2	Environment, Climate Change and Resilience	1. Atoll Environment	Youth	National Youth Policy	Under development
		2. Climate Change	Nuclear	Nuclear Justice for Marshall Islands	2020-2023
		3. Disaster Risk Management	Water and Sanitation	Water and Sanitation Strategic Plan	2017-2027
		4. Radiation Contamination	Energy	National Energy Policy and Energy Action Plan	Ongoing
3	Infrastructure	1. Transport	ICT	National ICT Policy	Ongoing
		2. Energy	Electricity	RMI Electricity Roadmap	2018-2050
		3. Water and Sanitation	Climate Change	National Climate Change Policy Framework Long Term (2050) Climate Strategy	Under Development 2018-2050
		4. Waste Management	Environment	National Environment Management Strategy	2017-2022
		5. Information and Communication Technology	Disaster Risk Management	National Disaster Risk Management Arrangement	Ongoing
		6. Public Facilities	Marine	Marshall Islands Marine Resource Authority (MIMRA) Strategic Plan	2019-2023
4	Economic Development	1. Land	Agriculture	Agriculture Strategic Plan Food Security Policy	2021-2031 Ongoing
		2. Agriculture	Tourism	RMI Strategic Tourism Development Plan	Under development
		3. Marine Resources	Infrastructure	National Infrastructure Investment Plan (NIIP)	2017-2026
		4. Trade, Investment and Tourism		RMI National Building Code	Under Development
		5. Financial Sector and Services			
5	Good Governance	1. Public Administration			
		2. Public Financial Management			
		3. Law, Justice and Public Safety			
		4. Judiciary			
		5. International Relations and Security			
TOTAL		24 Total Strategic Areas			

NSP/NDC action plan of RMI



		NDC TARGET % REDUCTION GHG ECONOMY WIDE	NATIONAL EMISSIONS (KT CO ₂ -E/ YEAR) (EXCL FISHING) ⁵	TARGET % REDUCTION GHG ELECTRICITY	ELECTRICITY (KT CO ₂ -E/ YEAR)	DIESEL USE MILLION USG/YEAR
2010 (baseline)	Actual	0	116	0	60	5.84
2016		–	122	–	57	5.6
2025	Target	32%	79	50%	30	2.9
2030		45%	64	65%	21	2.0
2050		100%	0	100%	0	0

Table 1: Targets for the RMI electricity sector, derived from RMI's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) targets under the UNFCCC Paris Agreement

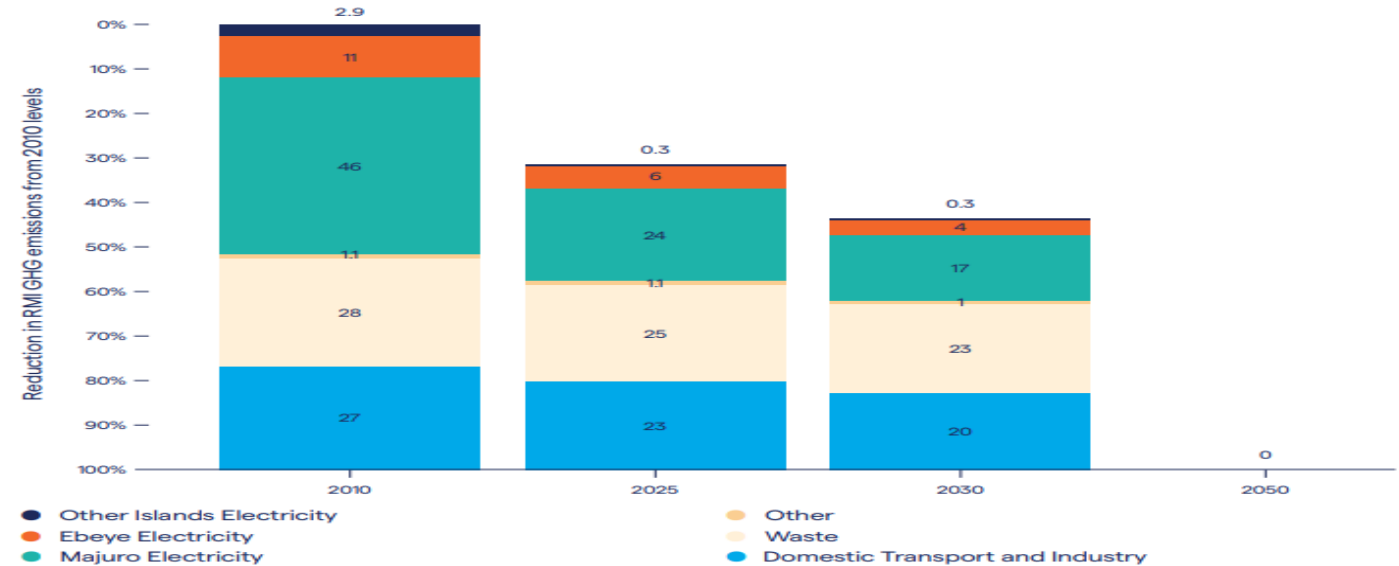
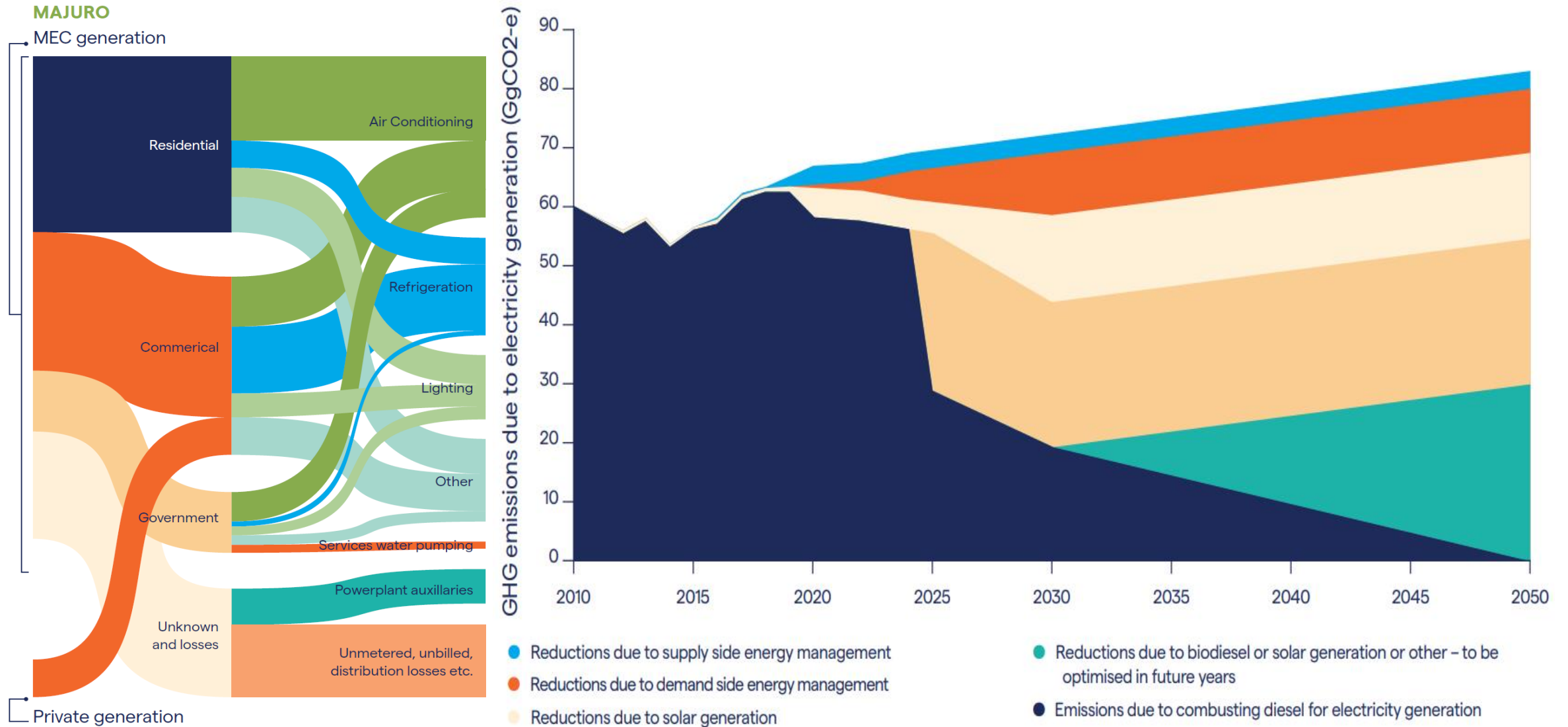


Figure 3: Targeted greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in electricity on Majuro, Ebeye and other islands, and in the other key national sectors of waste and transport [1]

Alternative energies to substitute fossil fuel in RMI



Alternative energy candidates to substitute fossil fuel in RMI

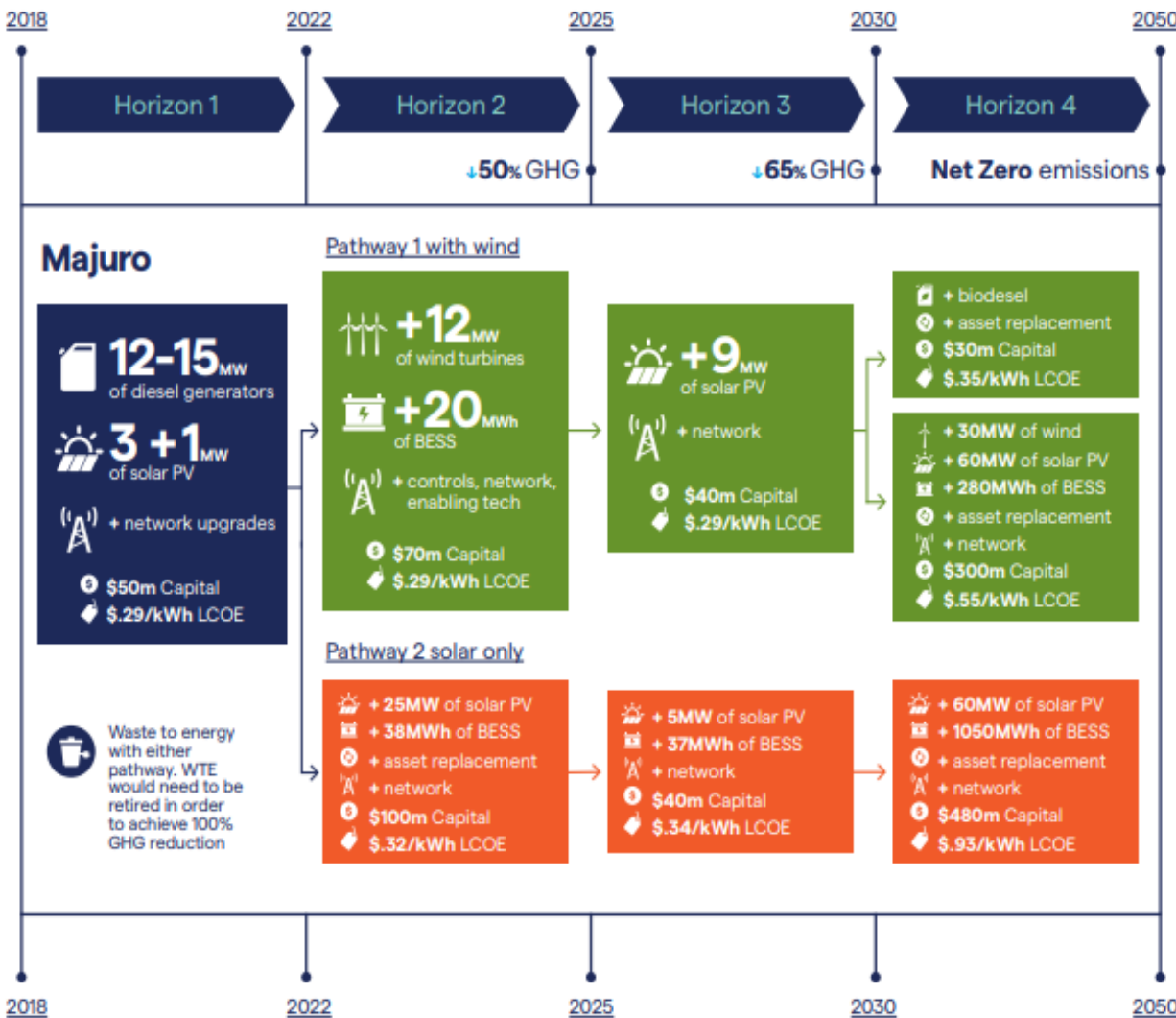


Figure 8: Majuro renewable energy pathways to 2025, 2030 targets and to net zero emissions by 2050 [2]

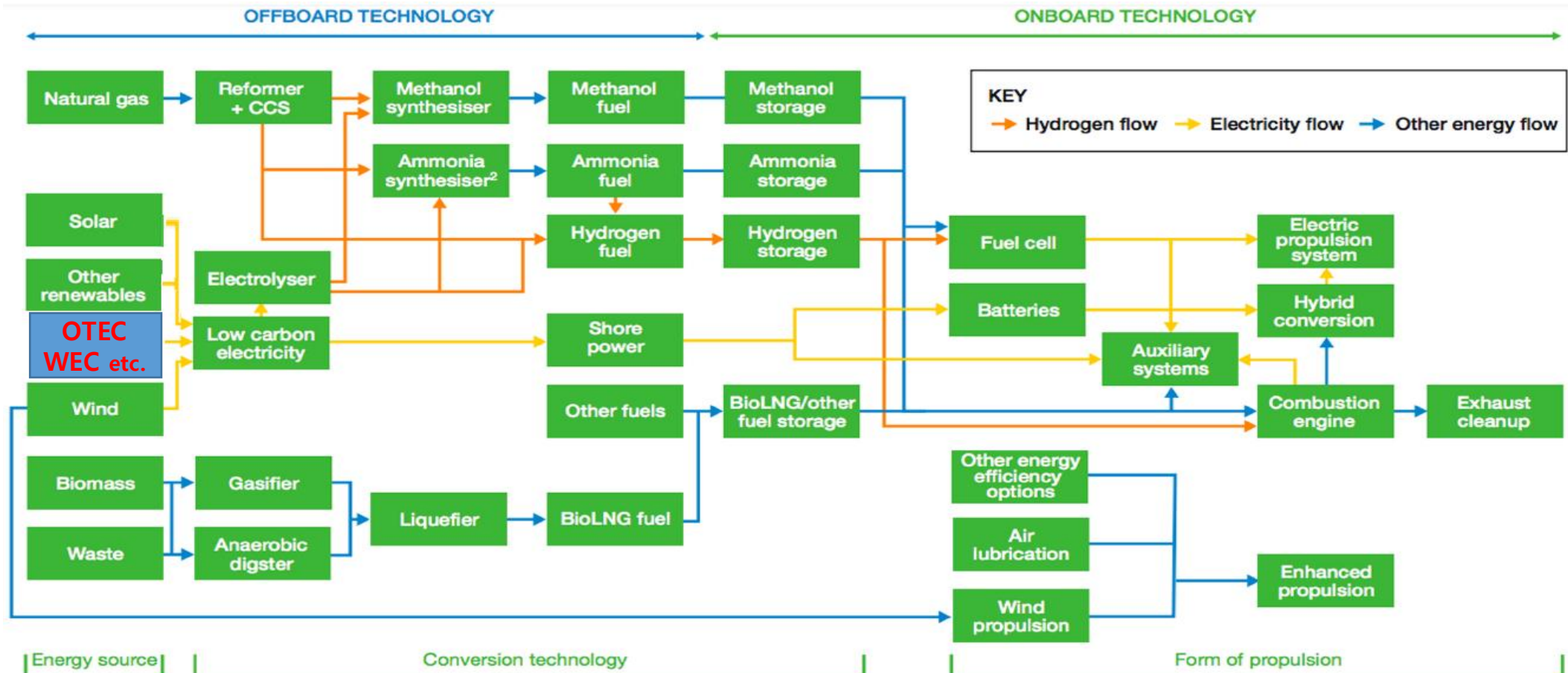
TECHNOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Ocean thermal energy conversion (OTEC)	Uses temperature difference between ocean surface and deep water. Early stage technology, unproven for generating electricity.	Monitor development of technology and possibly revisit after 2025 or 2030 if commercially viable.
Wave, current, and tidal energy	Uses the energy of the ocean. Most technologies are early stage and require high levels of expertise and maintenance.	
Smart grids	Smart grids are an emerging, technically complex technology.	
Grid-tied household PV	At high levels of grid-connected renewables (above say, 30%) household PV would require smart grid technology to maintain grid stability.	
Vehicle-to-grid storage	As for household solar, this is more expensive than centralized utility-scale storage and requires a smart-grid.	

Table 2: Summary of technologies not suitable for RMI in the near term

Shipping emissions abatement measures & technology transition pathways

(P. Nuttall et al. <Micronesian Center for Sustainable Transport/USP>)

1. Technologies that can increase energy efficiency;
2. Operational or behavioural change that can increase efficiency;
3. Technologies specific to the capture/treatment of exhaust emissions (GHG and air pollutant emissions); and
4. Alternative fuels and energy sources and related machinery.

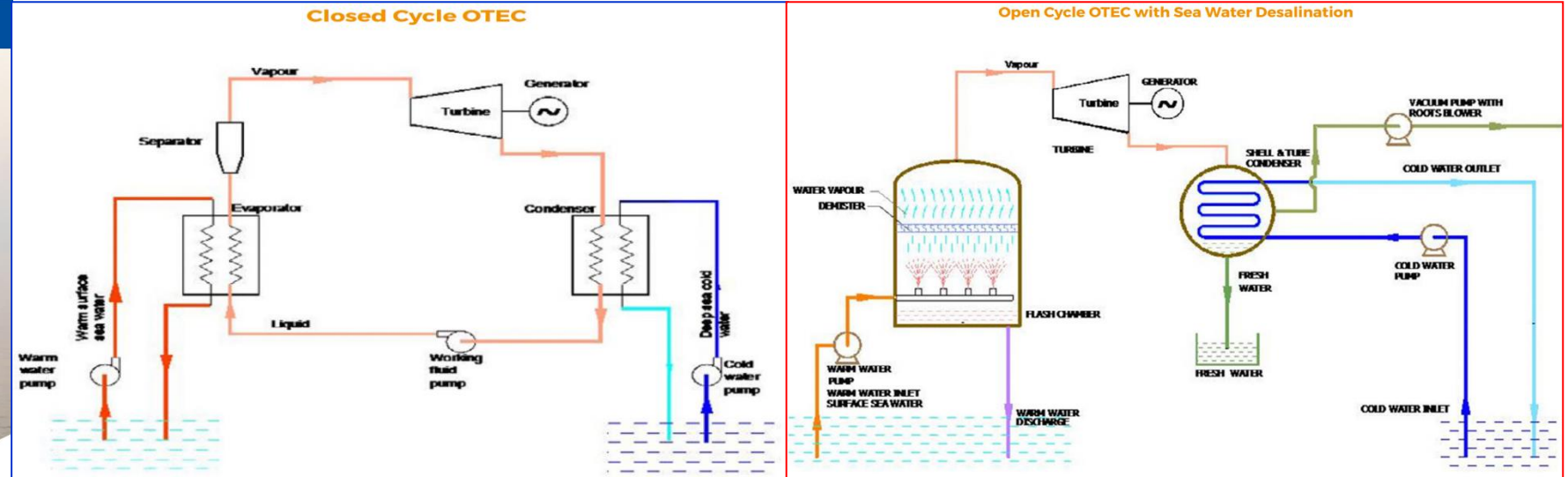


1 Steam Methane Reformer (SMR) + Carbon Capture & Storage
2 Equipment used for the Haber Bosch process

Source: Frontier Economics for DfT

Principle and classification of OTEC cycles

Technology Collaboration Programme
by IEA



2021

WHITE PAPER OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY CONVERSION OTEC



Closed cycle OTEC operates between pressures of 9.7 bar and 7 bar (1 bar = 1 atmospheric pressure), corresponding to the chosen working fluid (ex. NH₃) at temperatures of 24°C and 14°C, respectively. In a closed cycle system liquid ammonia is pumped into an evaporator heated by warm seawater. The resulting ammonia vapor expands in a turbine producing mechanical power, which can drive a conventional electricity generator. The expanded vapor is then condensed back to a liquid using cold seawater in condenser. The liquid ammonia is then pumped back to the evaporator, thus allowing the cycle to continue.

In OC-OTEC, a warm seawater stream is partially vaporized inside a flash chamber kept under a high vacuum condition using a pump. This vapor expands inside a large diameter low-pressure turbine and generates mechanical power, which drives a generator to produce electricity. The expanded vapor is then condensed using cold seawater. The pressure difference between the flash chamber and the condenser provides the driving force for the vapor to flow towards the condenser via the turbine. If a surface rather than a spray condenser is used valuable freshwater can be produced as part of the electricity generation process.

Distribution of OTEC potentials and projects in the world

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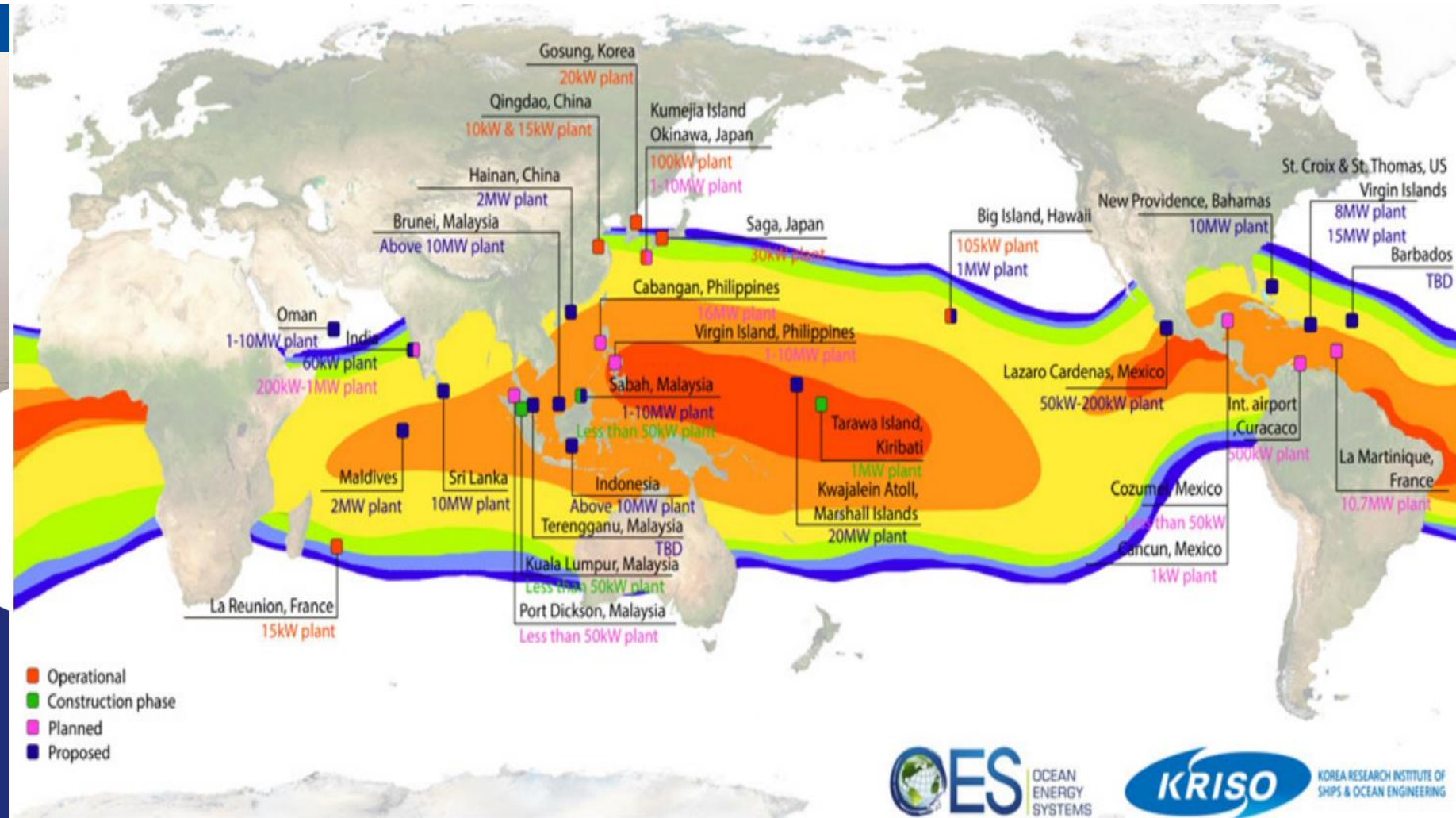


Figure 4.6 Present and future planned OTEC/SWAC projects around the world

History of challenging to host OTEC system in RMI (1)



Over the past 10 years, the Marshall Islands promoted OTEC power as an energy option for the country with the hope of developing a large-scale commercial OTEC plant to provide power to the US Army's missile testing base at Kwajalein.

Rechercher

PROJECT RATAK - A POTENTIAL OTEC POWER PLANT FOR THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

by James G. Wenzel President, Marine Development Associates, Inc. (USA)

IOA News Letters Summary

Introduction & Background

Due to the price instability of hydrocarbon fuels, the major impact of such imported fuels on economics, and significant concerns for the environment, many Pacific Island and other developing nations have expressed great interest in finding competitive alternate energy concepts. Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) has been shown to be one of the most promising environmentally benign, alternative energy concepts available for producing baseload electricity in tropical waters. Enormous resources of solar energy are stored in the surface waters surrounding many Island nations, that dwarf the energy required to support and maintain aggressive economic development.

OTEC power plants are also capable of producing multiple products including electricity, fresh water, and cold seawater for meeting critical cooling needs---all fundamental requirements for economic growth. In addition, the cold, nutrient-rich seawater can provide the basis for new industry opportunities, such as high-value aquaculture products and unique and specialized cold water agriculture.

With the above characteristics in mind, plus the availability of low-risk, closed-cycle OTEC technology, the Government of the Marshall Islands elected to conduct a Design, Economic, and Financial Feasibility Study of a 5-10 MW, multi-product OTEC plant, to meet the future energy needs for Majuro. Grant funding for the Study was obtained from the U.S. State Department's Trade and Development Agency (TDA), a competition was conducted, and Marine Development Associates, Inc. (MDA), of Saratoga, California, selected as the study contractor. The Study Industry team included support by Makai Ocean Engineering, Inc. (Hawaii), Fluor Daniel Corporation (Texas), and Pacific International, Inc. (RMI).

OTEC NEWS

OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY CONVERSION NEWS

HOME NEWS WHAT IS OTEC ABOUT OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY ASSOCIATION

Marshall Islands sees OTEC as way out of emergency

July 4, 2008 Archive Pacific Ocean 0

Yokwe Online reports that the Marshall islands president has **declared an economic state of emergency**, due to energy prices. One part of the declaration looks at the long term and states that OTEC should be investigated as renewable energy source, the only alternative other than conservation mentioned by name.

OTEC for Marshall Islands

February 15, 2010 Archive Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion, Pacific Ocean 0

I have in my hand, figuratively if not literally, a letter which shows that an OTEC development company has approached the government of the Marshall Islands and proposed a 10 MW OTEC plant which also will produce 2 million gallons/day water (which I presume is drinking water). The letter, issued in early January 2009, which is from the Marshall Island government, says that several ministries are authorised to go ahead and negotiate terms with the company.

History of challenging to host OTEC system in RMI (2)

Marshall Islands pioneers sustainable technology solutions to climate change

Elisabeth Braw

Tue 5 Nov 2013 15:23 GMT

The vice president of the Pacific nation at risk of being submerged says displacement is a lingering threat but new opportunities lie ahead



📷 Tony de Brum, vice president of the Marshall Islands, says the country's experience with climate change is of value to the rest of the world. Photograph: Thom Woodroffe

Admit it: you haven't been paying attention to the **Marshall Islands**. And why should you? It's populated by a mere 69,000 who live on 1,156 islands. But climate change has propelled the Pacific Ocean nation to the international centre stage. With its exposure to rising sea levels, the Marshall Islands are in peril of being the first country obliterated by climate change, but the country has seized this threat as an opportunity and positioned itself as a lab for new, clean technologies. It is in negotiations with some of the world's largest companies about commercialising new **ocean thermal energy conversion** (OTEC) energy. Tony de Brum, vice president (minister-in-assistance to the president) and the minister in charge of climate change adaptation, talks to Guardian

125 MW OTEC PLANTSHIP



ENERGY HARVESTING SYSTEMS, LLC (MAY 2010)

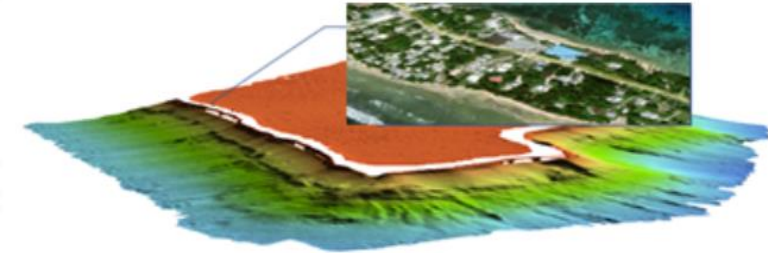
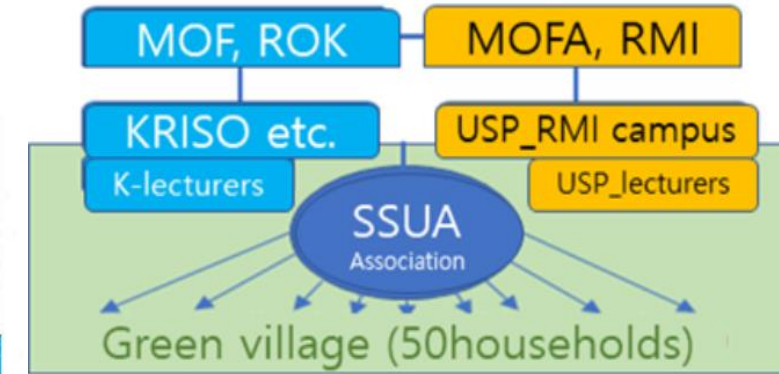
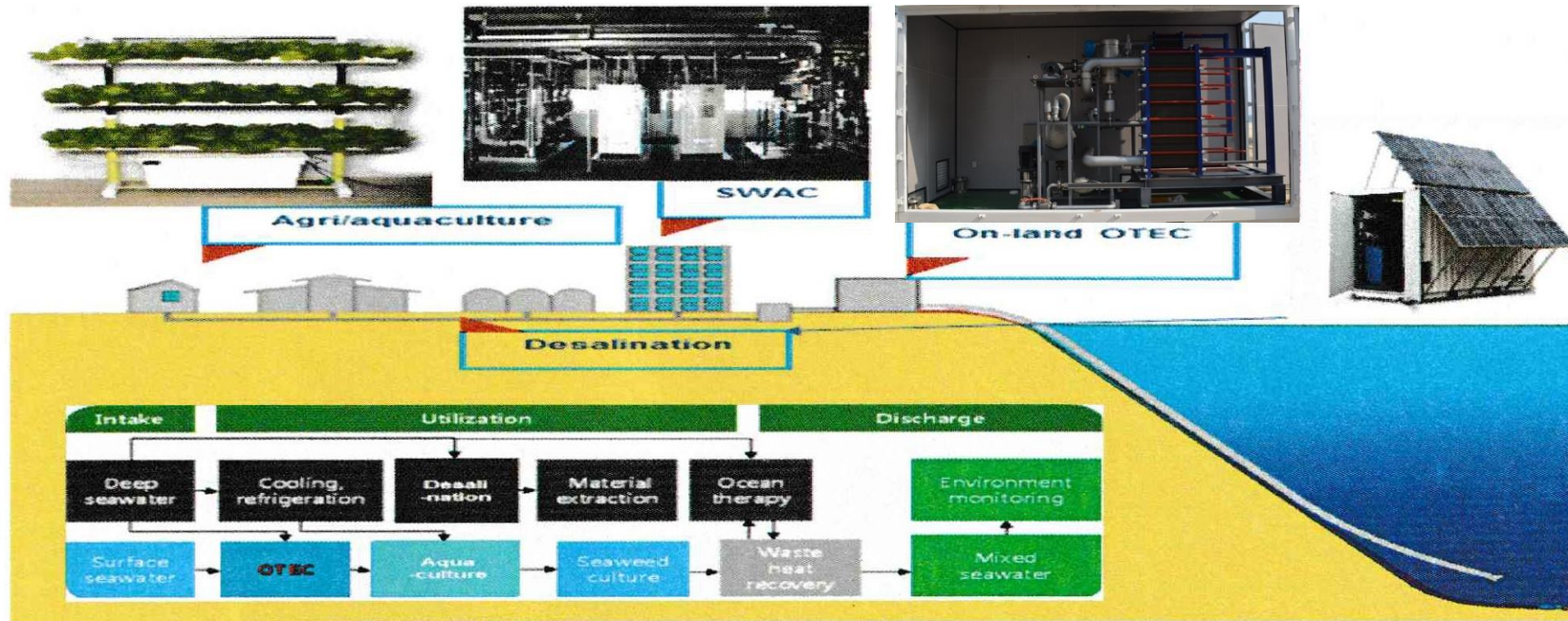
60 MW OTEC PLANTSHIP



10–17 MW OTEC PLANTSHIP

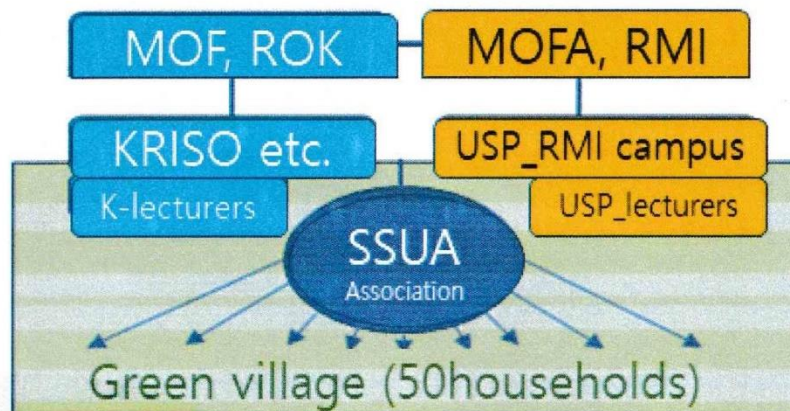
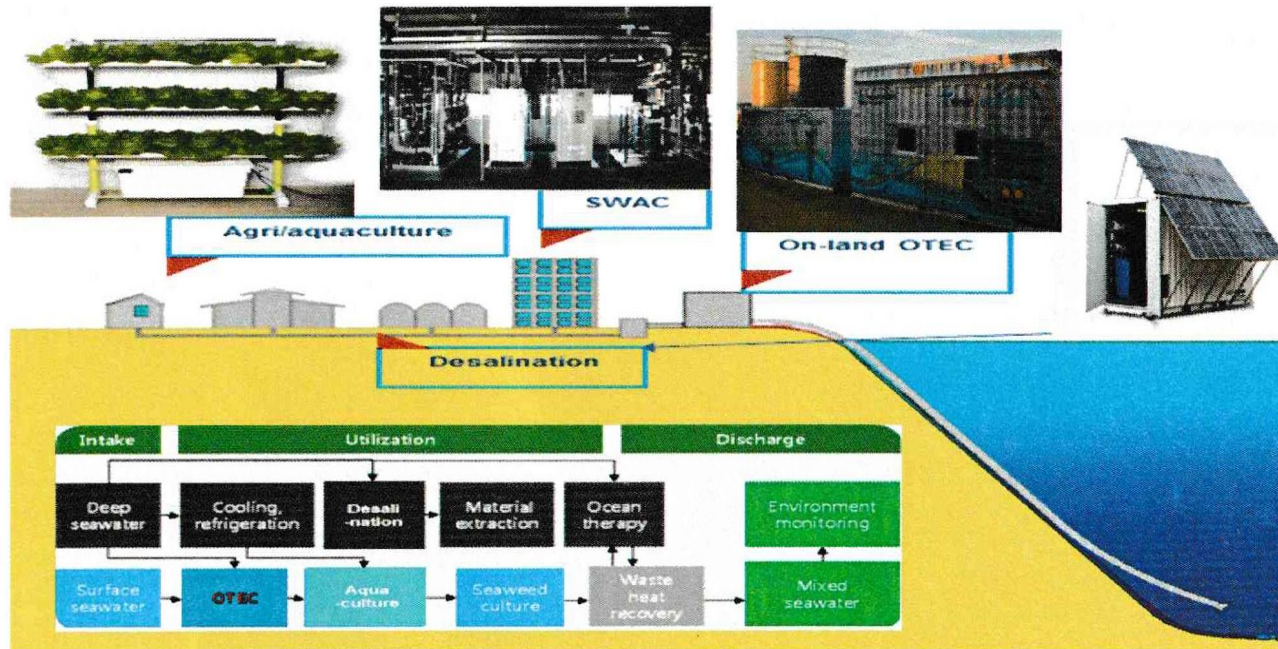


Planned OTEC ODA project based on SSUA program (Majuro, Marshall Islands; 2023~2026)

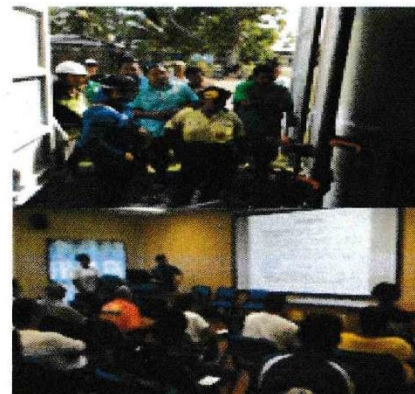


Component	Details	2023	2024	2025	2026
SSUA	Collaboration with the USP Marshall Islands Campus				
Power supply & cooling	50kW OTEC + 150RT SWAC				
Renewable desalination	PV power supply type 20m³/day				
Renewable hydroponics	100 sets of hydroponic cultivation equipment (3-stage type)				

Expectation of OTEC/DOWA ODA project



[Implementaion organization]



[SSUA activities]

**Achieving energy independence
for about 50 households scale**

- Power: 249,660 kWh/year
- Cooling: 766,500 kWh/year

Demonstrating an energy-water-food nexus

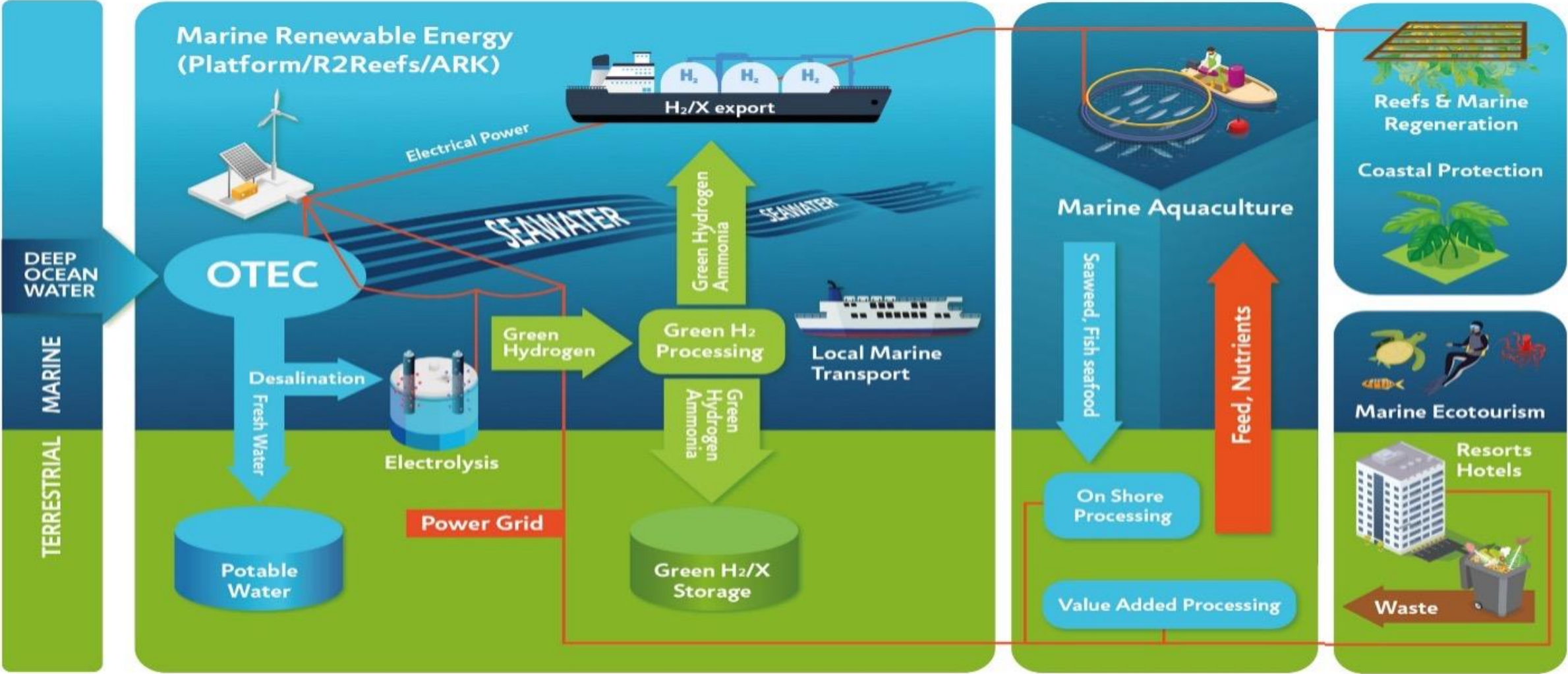
- Fresh water: 6,570m³/year
- Vegetables: 24,000 head/year

**Building consensus on the potential
for carbon-neutral marine energy**

- CO₂ uptake: 485 tCO₂/year

Future plan to spread OTEC by multi-lateral cooperation program

MARES - Multifunction Approach (ADB)



Conclusion

1. The RMI is suffering from climate change and is working to mitigate it in line with the United Nations' SDGs.
2. The RMI, which has a large ocean and marine resources, has been hoping to secure energy, water and food, and promote industrial development by building education and infrastructure based on this.
3. In particular, Ocean Thermal Energy is abundant, and the possibility of technological development and commercialization has been investigated, and the national energy roadmap also lists it as a candidate to replace fossil fuels after confirming its applicability.
4. The OTEC ODA project, which will be supported by Korea, will be a regional application living-lab to achieve the SDGs in the local community in Majuro, and will be a process to consider its availability to an alternative energy source.
5. We have high expectations for OTEC to realize carbon neutral 2050 and hope that it will be expanded to include not only clean power but also green hydrogen, and the Maritime Green Corridor so on.

An aerial photograph of a tropical island, likely in the Pacific. The island features a long, light-colored runway or airstrip running horizontally across the lower half. To the right of the runway is a cluster of buildings, including what appears to be a school or government complex with a large open area. The coastline is irregular with small inlets and bays. The water transitions from a shallow turquoise near the shore to a deep blue further out. The sky is filled with white, fluffy clouds.

*Sustainable Utilization of Food-Energy-Water
from OTEC Plant to achieve RMI-SDGs*

Thank you!