OSPAR Decision 2024/01 amending OSPAR Decision 98/3 on the Disposal of Disused Offshore Installations

RECALLING Article 5 of the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic ("OSPAR Convention") in which Contracting Parties agree to take jointly all possible steps to prevent and eliminate pollution from offshore sources;

RECALLING OSPAR Decision 98/3 on the Disposal of Disused Offshore Installations;

WISHING to update OSPAR Decision 98/3 on the Disposal of Disused Offshore Installations in relation to the categories of disused offshore installations;

The Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic DECIDE:

1. Purpose and Scope

1.1 The purpose of this Decision is to amend the definition of concrete installations in OSPAR Decision 98/3 on the Disposal of Disused Offshore Installations.


Section 1 (Definitions)

2.1 In Section 1 (Definitions) of Decision 98/3, replace the definition of “concrete installation” as follows:

"concrete installation" means a disused offshore installation constructed wholly or mainly of concrete; any cell content within the substructure is not part of the installation and is covered under the provisions of Annex III of the OSPAR Convention.

3. Entry into Force

3.1 This Decision enters into force on 14 January 2025.