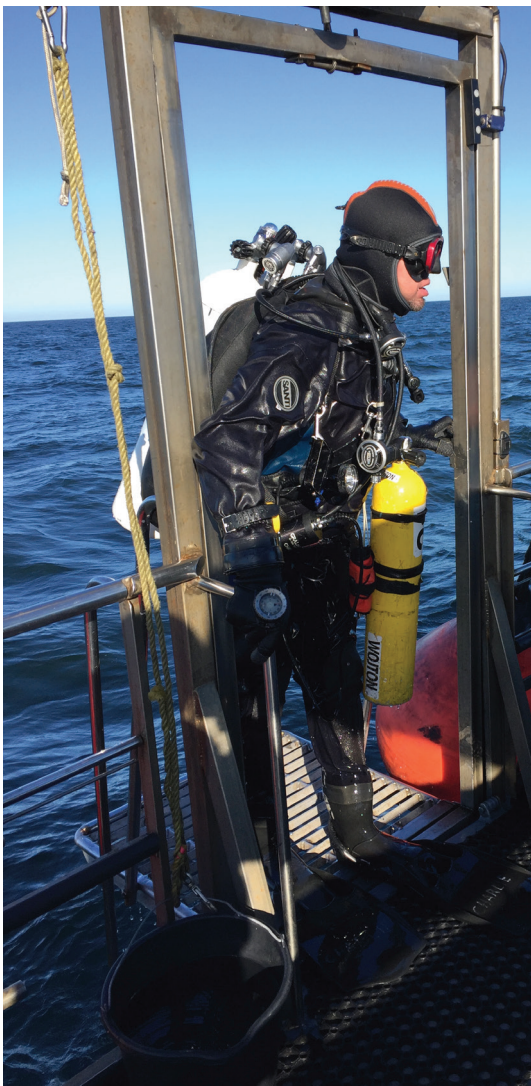


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Recovery of equipment from World War II wreck



One of the divers before the plunge

The Wind-Tu-Pla project is focused on the design of offshore wind power platforms and anchoring systems for Polish waters.

A key design criterion of the platforms and anchoring systems is to withstand worst case combined–wind, wave and current–scenarios. These are simulated on computers using an oceanographic circulation model. To calibrate and validate the model field data are crucial. They are collected via multiple instruments that measure currents, waves, water level, salinity, temperature and suspended particles. Meteorological stations have also been installed at two locations.

During a service expedition in October 2015 one of the instruments, a [Doppler current profiler](#), was found stuck in a [World War II wreck](#) close to where it was deployed. In mid-September 2016 a salvage expedition with divers was organized. The wreck was full of fishing nets, lines and lures.

Only the acoustic recovery system of the mooring was found with two fishing lures hooked to it suggesting that it was fishing activities that dragged the system to the wreck and broke it apart.

[Watch a video of Polish wreck diving here.](#)



The acoustic recovery system of the mooring systems with the fishing lures

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