

## **FLOWRA's initiatives were presented at the Liberal Democratic Party's Parliamentary Assembly for Accelerating Social Implementation of Next-Generation Technologies Related to Domestic Renewable Energy**

The Association was invited to the Liberal Democratic Party's Diet Members' Caucus for Accelerating Social Implementation of Next-Generation Technologies Related to Domestic Renewable Energy (Chairman: Hiroshi Moriyama, Secretary-General of the Liberal Democratic Party) on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025 as one of the business associations under the caucus' theme of this time, "Realising domestic renewable energy through early social implementation of floating offshore wind power, etc.". The hearing was held as one of the business organisations under the Council's theme.

The Parliamentary Assembly for Domestic Renewable Energy was established in February 2023 with the aim of promoting the domestic supply chain of renewable energy in new technological fields, such as next-generation solar power and offshore wind power, with the aim of achieving a decarbonised society. This year's meeting was attended by Chairman Moriyama, Advisor Aso and other members of the parliamentary group.

At this meeting, the Agency for Natural Resources and Energy of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Ports and Harbours Bureau of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism explained the current status of initiatives by relevant ministries and agencies, and then the Japan Wind Power Association (JWPA) and the Floating Offshore Wind Construction System Technology Research Association (FLOWCON), including the Association, explained their initiatives and issues related to floating offshore wind power and their requests to the government. The JWPA and FLOWCON explained their initiatives and issues related to floating offshore wind power and their requests to the government.

Our chairperson Terasaki gave an overview of FLOWRA and introduced the challenges for the early social implementation of floating offshore wind power, as well as the details of FLOWRA's initiatives. He then requested the government to clarify the size of the market for the introduction of floating offshore wind power including EEZ areas, and to form a supply chain to create an "attractive market to promote investment", then made requests to the government on infrastructure development and human resource development. The association will continue to contribute to the early introduction of floating offshore wind power in Japan.

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