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### **ABOUT THE PRESENTERS**

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Dr. Muhammad Zayed is a Chief Consultant with the Offshore Wind Engineering Section in Ramboll Americas Group. His expertise includes leading the geotechnical engineering aspects of the offshore wind foundations and managing the technical communication between the stakeholders (developers, vendors, contractors, and certification and permitting agencies). He earned his BS and MS in Structural Engineering from Ain Shams University in Egypt. During his PhD at the University of California San Diego, Dr. Zayed specialized in geotechnical earthquake engineering and offshore foundation design. Working on various renewable energy projects across the US and East Asia, Dr. Zayed has been supporting the green energy transition for the past five years, with over 11 years of combined experience in geotechnical engineering consultancy and R&D. He is a licensed PE in many US states including CA, IL, NY, NJ, and VA.



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