

## The Port of Taranto

The port of Taranto, one of the main ones in Italy for goods transport, is located on the northern shore of the homonymous golf and it plays a major role both commercially and strategically.

The touristic port is located on the expanse of Molo Sant'Eligio, in the area of the Historical Centre that overlooks the Mar Grande: this location allows the observation of many elements of historic, cultural, archeological and architectural relevance that characterise the whole island.

## The Innovations

### The Off-shore Wind park

After fourteen long years of waiting, in the morning of the twenty-first of April, the city of Taranto opened the first Off-shore Wind Park in Italy. Its name is Beleolico. The site includes ten wind turbines with an overall capacity of 30 MegaWatt and it will assure a production of over 58 thousand MWh, equivalent to the annual energy requirement of around 60 thousand people.

### The new hub and the future Museum

The Authority of the Port System of the Ionian Sea is a promoter of the "Open Port - Exhibition center of the Port of Taranto" project, a means of dissemination of the marine-harbour culture that aims to become the first port center of southern Italy as well as hub of immersive experiences able to connect the port and the city of Taranto. Open Port will find a future physical location in the Falanto palace that will host the Exhibition Center of the Port of Taranto, making it a cultural, educational and touristic magnet of international relevance.

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# Open Port: what does it offer?

## The project

Open Port is a journey to the discovery of the port, capable of giving a full picture of the complexity and richness of the connections between places, people, events and projects.

## The virtual port center

The new website [www.tarantopenport.com](http://www.tarantopenport.com) involves internet surfers from all around the world in a path dedicated to the discovery of not only content, but also informative, educative and immersive experiences.

The main page gets then divided into seven thematic sections ready to be explored:

- The project
- The port
- Life in the port
- The people of the port
- A detailed timeline
- Arts, rituals and myths
- A blog, where citizens and students can include original content and ideas on "Taranto, my city-port."



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