



Steering Committee Online meeting – Minutes 20 DECEMBER 2022

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1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Adrian Timbus (*Chair of the Steering Committee*) welcomed the participants and opened the meeting with presenting the objectives of the meeting and the agenda.

2. FINALISED ETIPWIND WORK PROGRAMME

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) introduced the finalised ETIPWind Work Programme to the Steering Committee (SC) members. She explained the structure of the document and how SC members' inputs were integrated in the final version.

The comments received on the final Work Programme were addressed. The fact that ETIPWind will better collaborate with the SET-Plan Implementation Group on Wind energy (IWG Wind) will be added in the document and the Secretariat will check there is no duplication in the list of actions.

It was also said that the calendar of meetings with policy makers needs to be developed in advance to ensure ETIPWind has frequent interactions with them.

Regarding the interaction with the IWG Wind, it was suggested to organise a meeting between ETIPWind and the IWG Wind before or during WindEurope's annual event in Copenhagen. The Secretariat will investigate this possibility.

The final ETIPWind Work Programme 2022-2025 is available [here](#).

3. HORIZON EUROPE PROCESSES

Ivan Pineda (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) then presented a recap of the Horizon Europe processes that ETIPWind will work with in the upcoming years. This recap included the structure of Horizon Europe, how the Horizon Europe Work Programmes are elaborated, and a short introduction of the wind energy topics included in the [Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-24](#) (published in December 2022).

Ivan also explained the objective of the public consultation launched by the European Commission to define the strategic orientations of the Horizon Europe strategic plan 2025-27. As the consultation focuses on very general topics, the Secretariat will answer the consultation based on the [last ETIPWind flagship report](#) and will forward its answer to the SC members. The Steering Committee agreed with this approach.

The budget specifically dedicated to wind energy topics in the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-24 was discussed. It was said that €82 million was very low compared to the other renewable energy sectors. Even though key enabling technologies for wind also receive Horizon Europe funding (e.g. grids infrastructure, energy system integration, digitalisation, etc).

A discussion was launched on the wind related-calls for proposals in the Work Programme 2023-24 to gather the opinion of SC members on what will be funded and what are the gaps.

4. INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION ON THE GAP ANALYSIS

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) then presented the proposed methodology to develop the Gap analysis that ETIPWind will conduct early 2023. This Gap analysis will compare the [ETIPWind roadmap published in 2019](#) with the R&I topics included in the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-24. It will also include additional topics that are not funded by the WP2023-24 and that were not included in the ETIPWind roadmap in 2019.

The Gap analysis will be the first step to update the ETIPWind Strategic R&I Agenda (SRIA). The SRIA will be the main ETIPWind document to provide recommendations on the calls for proposals to be included in the next Horizon Europe Work Programmes.

The ETIPWind Secretariat proposed to establish one Working group dedicated to each pillar of the 2019 Roadmap. Each Working group, composed of SC members, will have separate meetings to look at the actions' descriptions and assess if the roadmap actions are well reflected in the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-24. The outcome must be one paragraph per action summarising the analysis of the Working group.

Capucine finally presented the proposed timeline to elaborate the Gap analysis and the path until the publication of the SRIA.

SC members agreed with the methodology and timeline proposed to develop the Gap analysis.

Regarding the timeline it was stressed that, by the end of March, SC members will need to prepare the Chief Technology Officers involved in the CTOs Forum before the meeting in April so they can easily identify the additional R&I topics that need funding. SC members also underlined the importance of organising ETIPWind meetings in parallel of key wind energy events (e.g. EERA Wind Innovation Forum, WindEurope's annual event, etc).

It was finally suggested to create an ETIPWind common calendar on Teams so that all SC members can share the relevant events organised in their respective country. This common calendar is now available [here](#).

5. DISCUSSION ON FUNDING GAPS

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) then dived into the details of the wind energy-related calls for proposals included in the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-24 including their scope, conditions and expected outcomes.

A discussion was launched to gather SC members' first thoughts on the topics and the potential funding gaps compared to the ETIPWind 2019 Roadmap.

In addition to the 5 wind energy-related calls, it was stressed that other calls, dedicated to electricity grids for example, will need to be taken into account in the Gap analysis (e.g. Long-term energy storage). The Secretariat will list all the relevant calls for the Gap analysis.

It was also said that the 5 topics focus mainly on offshore wind which creates the wrong impression that onshore wind does not need funding anymore. More general topics on supporting the wind supply-chain are needed.

Another member said that the technology roadmap seems to be well reflected but topics are mainly Research and Innovation Actions (around TRL 5). For offshore wind activities, this budget is too low (e.g. €5m for a demonstration of a floating wind concept).

6. UPDATE ON POSSIBLE COLLABORATIONS

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) presented some collaboration opportunities discussed in the past few weeks including a possible collaboration with:

- The Clean Energy Transition Partnership
- The Clean Steel Partnership / ESTEP (European Steel Technology Platform)
- Other ETIPs for a workshop on acceptability challenges

The Secretariat invited SC members to raise their voice if they'd like to be involved in one of those collaborations.

7. ACTIONS AND CONCLUSION

As concluding remarks, Adrian reminded that the **next Steering Committee meeting** scheduled on **12 January (10:00-13:00)** will be dedicated to the Gap analysis.

He invited SC members to **Save the Date for the CTOS + SC meeting** that will be organised in Copenhagen on **27 April**.

And he reminded SC members that they can access relevant documents via the Teams repository.

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