

# Wind Implementation Working Group



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## 1. WELCOME & TOUR DE TABLE

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind and IWG Wind Secretariat*) welcomed the participants and presented the agenda of the meeting.

She introduced the meeting with a quick reminder about the structure of the SETIPWind project and the interactions between ETIPWind and the IWG Wind platforms. She then invited the participants to introduce themselves so that ETIPWind and IWG Wind members could get to know each other.

## 2. OPENING BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Enrico Degiorgis (*DG RTD, European Commission*) then took the floor to introduce the objective of the meeting. He welcomed the initiative of organising a joint meeting between ETIPWind and the IWG Wind and stressed the importance of wind energy in the European Commission's agenda.

He mentioned particularly the Wind Power Package that will be launched by the European Commission to support the competitiveness of the European wind energy sector.

He finally mentioned the elaboration of the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2025 and said that the European Commission looks forward to receiving the recommendations from the ETIPWind and IWG Wind.

## 3. UPDATE ON ETIPWIND AND IWG WIND ACTIVITIES

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind and IWG Wind Secretariat*) then reminded the roles of ETIPWind and the IWG Wind. She went through the key achievements from the 2 entities during the past year and explained the main next milestones:

- the publication of the Strategic R&I Agenda for ETIPWind; and
- the update of the Implementation Plan for the IWG Wind.

There was no question from the participants.

## 4. DISCUSSION ON THE ETIPWIND R&I PRIORITIES 2025-2027

The discussion was structured around the five SRIA Working Groups (WGs) who defined the R&I priorities 2025-2027. Each ETIPWind's WG leader therefore presented the priorities identified to the IWG Wind members. After each presentation, Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind and IWG Wind Secretariat*) opened the floor for comments and feedback.

The main comments from the IWG Wind members are summarised below:

**WG1 – Wind energy system integration**

- The priorities identified assumed that the technology is mature, which is not always the case. For example floating offshore wind should be included in the list of priorities.
- On the solutions to manage curtailment, it is important that the solutions developed are market based for TSOs and DSOs.
- The national funding programmes are sometimes broader than the topics proposed but in general, the topics are well aligned with national priorities.

#### ***WG3 – Operations & Maintenance***

- It is important to understand the footprint of the technologies put forward in these priorities, to understand their impact on the seabed, biodiversity, etc.

#### ***WG2 – Industrialisation, scale-up and competitiveness***

No comment from IWG Wind members.

#### ***WG4 – Sustainability and Circularity***

- The effects of the wind energy activities on the fishing industry and on the different fish species should be included.

#### ***WG5 – Skills and Coexistence***

No comment from IWG Wind members.

These comments will be considered by the ETIPWind WG members and integrated in the description of each priority. The list of the 23 R&I priorities was agreed and endorsed by the IWG Wind.

## **5. FUTURE COLLABORATIONS AND NEXT STEPS**

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind and IWG Wind Secretariat*) presented the next steps for both ETIPWind and the IWG Wind and identified some opportunities for future collaborations.

She then opened the floor for additional ideas and comments regarding the ETIPWind / IWG Wind collaboration. Suggestions are summarised below:

- There is a need to foster the connections with other ETIPs and other IWGs.
- ETIPWind and EERA are already collaborating closely. This collaboration should be strengthened with all the stakeholders at the EU level.
- A position paper could be developed on what needs to be unlocked to deliver on the EU targets.

The Secretariat invited the participants to save the date of the WindEurope's annual event, thanked the participants and closed the meeting.

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