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1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

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

- To create the new working groups that will update the Strategic R&I Agenda (SRIA);
- To discuss the methodology, the role, and the timeline to update the SRIA; and
- To give the Steering Committee (SC) members an overview of the activities for Q3-Q4 2023.

2. EU POLICY UPDATE

Ivan Pineda (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) took the floor to brief the Steering Committee about recent EU policy developments.

He first presented the final deal on the EU permitting rules in the updated Renewables Energy Directive. And then highlighted the European Commission's proposal of a programme to boost investment in critical technologies in Europe (STEP programme).

There was no question from the Steering Committee members.

3. RESULTS OF THE ONLINE SURVEY AND PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) started with reminding the different steps of the consultation process for updating the SRIA. She then presented the results from the online survey and the public workshop conducted to gather input from the wind energy stakeholders on:

- the main challenges faced by the wind energy sector today;
- the R&I topics that will help solving these challenges; and
- the R&I activities and projects to be implemented.

For each challenge identified, Capucine went through the R&I priorities identified in the online survey and the participants from the public workshop. She then opened the floor for questions / remarks.

Two SC members shared their feedback on the results.

4. METHODOLOGY AND TIMELINE TO UPDATE STRATEGIC R&I AGENDA

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) presented the methodology and the timeline to update the SRIA based on the consultation answers. She covered the scope of the SRIA, the possible structure, the visuals, and the details that must be provided for each R&I topic.

She then presented the five Working Groups that will be created to develop the document. And she detailed the composition and role of the Working Group members. Capucine then invited the Steering

Committee members to register or to register their colleagues in the different Working Groups no later than 5 July.

Capucine opened the floor for questions. Three SC members asked precisions on the structure of the Working Groups (WG), roles of WG members and interactions with WindEurope's Working Groups.

5. INTRODUCTION TO THE NEWINDEERA PROJECT

After the break Paul McKeever (*member of EERA Joint Programme on wind energy*) presented the NeWindEERA project that aims to develop a long-term research programme for EERA. He presented the internal timeline to develop the document and stressed how it will complement (and not duplicate) the SRIA.

A discussion was then launched on the synergies and complementarities between the two documents. Two Steering Committee members shared their views on this topic.

6. BRAINSTORMING ABOUT SKILL NEEDS IN THE WIND INDUSTRY

Due to the timing, Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) did not launch a brainstorming session but introduced the topic of skills to the SC members. She stressed the fact that the Renewable Energy Skills Partnership needs the wind industry's input on the skill gaps and needs in the wind energy sector.

Capucine invited the SC members to share their input via email.

7. OVERVIEW OF Q3-Q4 ACTIVITIES

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) finally presented the overview of ETIPWind Q3-Q4 activities.

There was no question from the SC members.

8. CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

Capucine Vannoorenberghe (*ETIPWind Secretariat*) presented the next steps and invited the SC members to register in the SRIA Working Groups and to save the date for the next SC meeting scheduled on 12 September in Amsterdam and online.

Adrian Timbus (*Chair of the Steering Committee*) thanked the participants and closed the meeting.

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