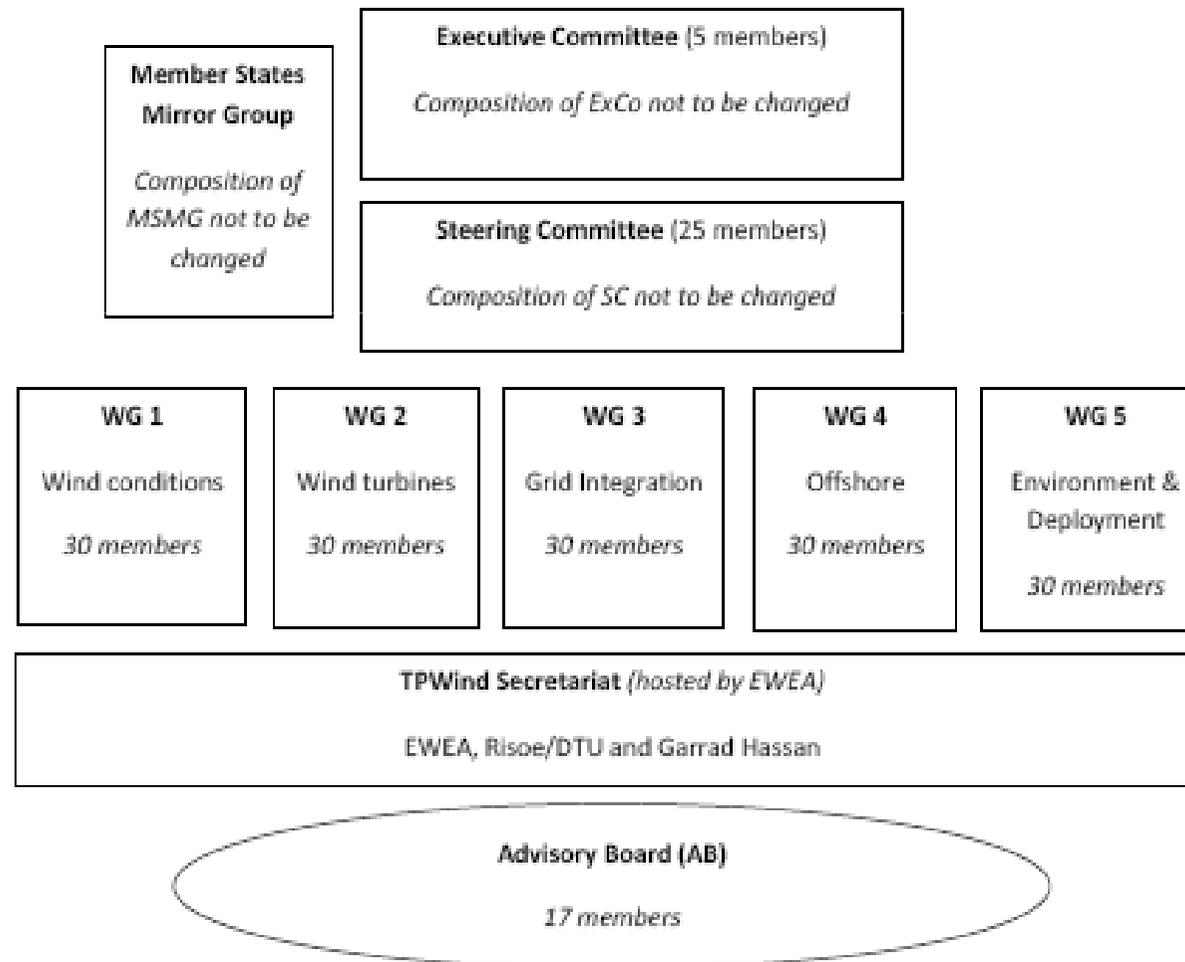


## New TPWind structure

## Introduction

- ❑ The TOP Wind project (Technology platform Operational Programme), which will replace Windsec in providing funding to the TPWind Secretariat for the next 3 years, was submitted to the EC on 4 March 2010
- ❑ TOP Wind, submitted by EWEA to answer the call, was developed on the basis of inputs coming from TPWind members, Windsec partners (i.e. Risoe/DTU and Garrad Hassan) and the European Commission
- ❑ The partnership of TOP Wind is the same of Windsec
- ❑ The negotiations with the EC to sign the Grant Agreement are almost completed: the project should be officially launched either on 1 December 2010 or on 1 January 2011
- ❑ The TOP Wind project introduces several changes in the current structure of TPWind

# New TPWind structure



## New TPWind structure: differences from current one (I)

- ❑ First of all, ExCo members and WG Chairs have been appointed, as already discussed in the first part of this meeting: their mandate will expire in May 2012
- ❑ Further to that, Filippo Gagliardi will replace Nicolas Fichaux (who left EWEA at the end of July) as TPWind Secretary General, pending the approval of the SC
- ❑ Former policy Working Groups (“Wind Market & Economics” and “Policy & Environment”) have been merged into a new WG, called “Environment & Deployment”. This strategy aims at refocusing the Platform on R&D and technology issues, which are the most relevant ones for the Platform
- ❑ The “Finance Working Group” (FWoG) has been phased out. The changes in the external policy environment (especially the launch of the EEPR and the EWI) have made its primary goals (i.e. to identify potential sources of funding for wind energy operators and analyze the possibility of launching a Wind Energy JTI) not relevant anymore. TPWind/EWEA will get in touch with financial experts if needed through their networks. Besides, WG 5 will also focus on financial issues and the economic impact of R&D and innovation, so as to provide TPWind with all the instruments required to handle financial tasks and analyses

## New TPWind structure: differences from current one (II)

- ❑ The total number of Platform members will be increased to approximately 175 (not including MSMG and AB members), i.e. 30 members per Working Group plus 25 Steering Committee members (up from roughly 150 during Windsec)
- ❑ The membership base of the Platform has been renewed through an ad-hoc “call for expression of interest” published by EWEA in the summer
- ❑ The MSMG and the SC will not change. However, the SC will be renewed in the first half of 2011, with modalities to be discussed and approved within the Executive and Steering Committees
- ❑ An Advisory Board will be established. This new body will be composed of external stakeholders (i.e. non-Platform members) who will help the Platform to increase its network and effectiveness by providing their advice and contacts. They will represent an essential and easily accessible link between the Platform and other relevant sectors and stakeholders

## Indicative scheduling of future TPWind meetings

<i>Day / Time</i>	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
<u>January</u>		
Day 1	Project Partners meeting	Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Secretaries meeting
<u>February</u>		
Day 1	Conference calls with Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Secretaries to prepare General Assembly	
<u>March</u>		
Day 1	MSMG meeting	Steering Committee meeting
Day 2	General Assembly (which includes Working Groups meetings)	
Day 3	Advisory Board meeting	/
<u>May</u>		
Day 1	Workshop EC-Platform	
<u>September</u>		
Day 1	Working Groups meetings	Steering Committee meeting
Day 2	General energy event	

## Conclusions and next steps

- ❑ In view of the launch of the TOP Wind project, SC members should formally approve the changes implemented in TPWind, which reflect the discussion held in 2009 on the future of the Platform
- ❑ Further to that, the dates of future TPWind meetings should also be confirmed
- ❑ The formal approval of the new TPWind structure will give the Secretariat the mandate required to update its Terms of Reference, which needs to reflect the changes implemented
- ❑ The new Terms of Reference will be developed in cooperation with the ExCo and circulate it in the SC for review and approval
- ❑ Its final version will be ready before the next SC meeting scheduled in April 2011

Thank you for your attention!



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