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Appointment of TPWind WG Chairs



TPWind WG Chairs appointment: introduction

- ❑ WG Chairs represent the primary link between the Steering Committee (TPWind decision making body) and the members of the Platform
- ❑ For this reason, WG Chairs need to be SC members
- ❑ WG Chairs, together with Secretaries and Vice-Chairs (elected in each Working Group), are in charge of driving the activities of Working Groups (i.e. organizing, chairing and following-up on WG meetings)
- ❑ WG Chairs serve on a voluntary basis and their position is not subject to remuneration
- ❑ WG Chairs can, however, have their travel expenses reimbursed when they move for TPWind meetings (the same applies to ExCo members)
- ❑ Thanks to the TOP Wind project, WG Chairs will receive more support than in the past: Secretaries will play a more active role in the management of Working Groups and will be in touch with WG Chairs on a regular basis
- ❑ For these reasons, WG Chairs are expected to dedicate roughly 10 – 15 working days per year to TPWind activities



TPWind WG Chairs appointment : rules

- ❑ The current mandate of WG Chairs expired
- ❑ WG Chairs therefore need to be reappointed
- ❑ According to the TPWind Terms of Reference, the rules for appointing WG Chairs are the following:
 - WG Chairs are initially proposed by the ExCo
 - The proposal needs to be validated by the Steering Committee
- ❑ If a WG is unable to deliver, the relevant Chair can be revoked by the Steering Committee
- ❑ WG Chairs and Vice-Chairs serve for an 18-months period and may be reappointed
- ❑ Following this meeting, WG Chairs will serve until May 2012. After that, a new appointment will be required



TPWind WG Chairs appointment : ExCo proposal

- ❑ The ExCo proposal for WG Chairs is the following :
 - WG 1 – Wind conditions: Erik Lundtang Petersen (Risoe/DTU)
 - WG 2 – Wind turbines: Jos Beurskens (ECN)
 - WG 3 – Grid Integration: Hannele Holttinen (VTT)
 - WG 4 – Offshore: John Olav Tande (SINTEF)
 - WG 5 – Environment & Deployment: Carlos Gasco (IEA)
- ❑ Ms. Holttinen and Mr. Gasco might step down in 2011: Ms. Holttinen has recently been appointed Chair of the IEA Wind ExCo, while Mr. Gasco moved from Iberdrola to the IEA. If necessary, they will be replaced at the next SC meeting, scheduled in April 2011
- ❑ Proposed WG Chairs will now have the possibility of introducing themselves, as well as potential extra candidates from the SC
- ❑ SC decisions are taken by consensus whenever possible, so WG Chairs should ideally be appointed after an open discussion
- ❑ If necessary however, a secret vote will be held: a two-third majority of present participants will be required to appoint WG Chairs

Thank you for your attention!



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