

## **TPWind session description**

### **TITLE: “Funding wind energy R&D in Europe: the EWI and TPWind”**

The European Wind Initiative (EWI) is a long-term, large-scale Programme for funding wind energy R&D in Europe, with a total budget (public and private) of € 6 bn for the 2010 – 2020 period. All relevant EU and national instruments contribute to its funding, hence making the EWI a game-changer in terms of European support to wind power.

Published by the European Commission in 2009, the EWI was officially launched in June 2010. It is rooted in the Commission’s Strategic Energy Technology Plan (SET-Plan) and is now one of the most important instruments for the support of wind energy.

The EWI was developed and is being implemented by the European Wind Energy Technology Platform (TPWind), in cooperation with EU Institutions and Member States.

This event will provide participants with an update on TPWind, which selected its new members in 2010, as well as with a detailed overview of the objectives, contents and implementing mechanisms of the EWI.

### **Programme (14 March – from 4 to 5.30 pm – room 1122)**

- **Introduction (5’).**  
Henning Kruse, TPWind Chairperson, Siemens  
Henning Kruse is also going to chair the meeting
- **An update on TPWind: renewal of the Platform and future activities (20’)**  
Filippo Gagliardi, TPWind Secretary General, EWEA
- **The EWI: goals, budget, implementation and next steps (20’)**  
Norela Constantinescu, European Commission – DG ENER, “Energy Technologies and Research Coordination” unit
- **The added value of the EWI for the EU wind energy industry and R&D community (20’)**  
Christian Nath, TPWind Executive Committee member, Germanischer Lloyd
- **The R&D challenges of the EU wind energy sector: a view from the industry (20’)**  
Henrik Stiesdal, CTO Siemens Wind Power
- **Q&A (5’)**