

The renewal of the SC

Introduction

- ❑ The renewal of our Platform began last year with the submission of the TOP Wind project, the review of TPWind's Working Groups and the selection of new Working Groups members
- ❑ The first phase of the renewal was a full success: the new structure of TPWind was approved at the last SC meeting (November 2010), new WGs members were announced in December 2010 and the TOP Wind project was officially launched on 1 February 2011
- ❑ The next steps for finalizing the transition of TPWind into a new phase are the following:
 - The completion and publication of the new Terms of Reference (which we discussed before – the Secretariat will follow-up on it)
 - The renewal of the Steering Committee
- ❑ Renewing the Steering Committee is now a priority, since it was established in 2006 and never modified: the EC and other stakeholders are since long pushing TPWind to re-open its SC

SC renewal (I)

- ❑ In order to renew the SC, the Secretariat suggests to follow the same procedure applied to the selection of new WGs members
- ❑ A call for expression of interest could be launched before the summer (~June) and remain open for approximately 3 months (~September)
- ❑ Candidates will be required to send their CV and an application form through an online submission system hosted by the TPWind website
- ❑ Applications will therefore be collected by the Secretariat and forwarded to the committee in charge of selecting new TPWind SC members once the call will be closed
- ❑ New SC members will be announced before the end of 2011: they will be in charge of managing the Platform as from the next SC meeting or as from 1 January 2012 (depending on how quickly the new SC will be established)
- ❑ The next renewal of the SC should take place in 2015 (WGs on the other hand should be renewed in 2014)

SC renewal (II)

- ❑ In greater details, the Secretariat suggests to implement the following procedure:
 - ExCo members and WG Chairs (i.e. 11 people) will be automatically reappointed because they represent the top management of the Platform and because their mandate will last until May 2012: having a completely new SC might jeopardize the Platform (they ExCo preliminarily approved this approach)
 - The MSMG Chair will be automatically reappointed in the SC too, in accordance with the MSMG and TPWind Terms of Reference
 - The new SC should be composed of 25 people (27 now), in order to maximize the effectiveness of the decision-making process
 - As a result, 13 positions will become available in the SC
 - SC candidates will find all information required to apply in the call's guidelines, which will be published online together with the submission tool and the application form

SC renewal (III)

- Candidates will be evaluated by ExCo members, WG Chairs and TOP Wind partners (one representative per partner: 1 from EWEA, 1 from GH and 1 from Risoe/DTU), i.e. from a committee composed of 14 people
- In parallel, the EC (DG ENER and DG RTD) will be invited to submit non-binding inputs on candidates, so as to ensure full transparency and improve the selection process. The EC shall be involved once a first list of new SC members is ready, in order to simplify the management of its inputs
- EC contact points will be the following:
 - Mr. Tostmann, Ms. Constantinescu, Mr. Gambi (DG ENER)
 - Mr. d'Estaintot, Mr. Craye (DG RTD)
- This SC will therefore not be involved in the selection of new SC members in order to avoid conflicts of interest: only the ad-hoc committee will
- The Secretariat will announce the results and will publish them online once a final agreement will be reached

The selection of new SC members

- ❑ SC members should be selected on the basis of the same criteria applied in the identification of new WGs members, although they should be applied in a tighter and more selective way
- ❑ Relevant criteria will be the following:
 1. Candidate's years of experience in the wind energy sector, including studying (minimum 15)
 2. Candidate's years of experience at international level, i.e. involving active cooperation with foreign organizations (minimum 10)
 3. Scientific background
 4. Candidate's specific areas of technology interest
 5. Candidate's motivation
 6. Balance of private and public organizations
 7. Balance of large companies and SMEs
 8. Balance of Countries
 9. Gender balance
- ❑ Criteria 1 to 5 will be evaluated in a quantitative way (through and ad-hoc matrix); criteria 6 to 9 in a qualitative way

Conclusions and next steps

- ❑ The SC should today discuss the proposed methodology for its renewal and agree on a course of action to be implemented by the Secretariat in the coming months (also in terms of selection criteria to be applied)
- ❑ It should be noted that future SC members will always have the possibility of appointing alternates (as they do now), although this practice will be discouraged
- ❑ The TPWind ToR will therefore be more flexible towards SCs than to WGs members. The reasons are the following:
 - SC members are typically senior and therefore busy people
 - SC meetings need to be successful in order to ensure a proper management of the Platform
 - Managing alternates at SC level is feasible in terms of logistics; it is not when it comes to Working Groups
- ❑ Do SC members have comments on the proposed strategy?

Thank you for your attention!



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