

Workshop on Grid access for wind farms

Curtailments, grid connection permitting, flexible connections

Wednesday, 5 March 2025, 09:00

On-site: [National Gallery Alexandros Soutsos Museum](#)

(entrance until 12:00: Leoforos Vasileos Alexandrou 237, 116 34, Athens, Greece - Side entrance of the Gallery)

(entrance after 12:00: Leoforos Vasileos Konstantinou 50, 116 34, Athens, Greece - Main entrance of the Gallery)

Agenda

High-level workshop (Open entry)	
9:00 – 9:30	Welcome coffee
9:30 – 10:00	Opening speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panagiotis Ladakakos, President HWEA • Pierre Tardieu, Chief Policy Officer, WindEurope • Aristotelis Aivaliotis, General Secretary for Energy, Greece • Dimitris Fournalis, Vice President, Regulatory Authority for Energy, Water & Waste, Greece
10:00 - 11:30	Panel I: Mastering wind energy curtailment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emmanouil Santorinaios, Infrastructure Policy Officer, EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) • Jillian Ferris, Head of Networks, Utility Regulator Northern Ireland, UK • Stavros Papathanasiou, Head of Committee RES & Grids, Ministry of Environment & Energy, Greece • Stella Zacharia, CEO, Optimus Energy RES Aggregator • Susana Fernandez, Head Renewable Regulation CORE Regions & Market Intelligence, Iberdrola Renewables • Florentien Benedict, Expert Technical Regulation, Stedin DSO Netherlands & Chair for Existing Network Codes, EU DSO Entity <p><i>Moderated by Panagiotis Ladakakos, President HWEA</i></p>
11:30 - 11:45	Coffee break
11:45 – 13:15	Panel II: Managing grid connection permitting for wind farms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alfredo Parres, Vice Chair of WindEurope's Board, Hitachi Energy • Carmen Longas Viejo, Head of Grid Access Department, Red Eléctrica, Spain • Ioannis Margaritis, Vice President, IPTO, TSO Greece • Neil Copeland, Connections Strategy Manager, NESO, UK • Nikos Tsafos, Energy Advisor of Prime Minister, Greece • Raphael Sauter, Team Leader Electricity, European Commission <p><i>Moderated by Vasiliki Klonari, Director Energy System Integration, WindEurope</i></p>
13:15 – 13:20	Concluding remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panagiotis Ladakakos, President HWEA • Vasiliki Klonari, Director Energy System Integration, WindEurope
Deep-dive workshop (invitation-only)	
13:20– 14:25	Light Lunch and opening remarks @Parthenis venue
14:25 – 15:45	Working discussion @Auditorium – 1st session: Curtailments, Flexible connections
15:45– 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:00	Working discussion @Auditorium – 2nd session: Grid connection permitting & connection charges