



**GWEC**  
GLOBAL WIND ENERGY COUNCIL

*uniting the global  
wind industry*

## **WIND POWER...**

- *is clean, free and indigenous*
- *combats climate change*
- *reduces air pollution*
- *provides energy security*
- *diversifies energy supply*
- *eliminates imported fuels*
- *prevents conflict over natural resources*
- *improves rural electrification and reduces poverty*
- *creates jobs, regional growth and innovation*
- *hedges price volatility of fossil fuels*
- *delivers power on a large scale*
- *is modular and quick to install*

*Middelgrunden  
offshore wind farm,  
Denmark*



## ABOUT GWEC: GLOBAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE WIND ENERGY SECTOR

**GWEC** is the voice of the global wind energy sector.

As the market has expanded, the leading wind power associations around the world have become increasingly linked through overlapping membership and bilateral activities. Global institutions and agreements – from the Kyoto Protocol negotiations, to the publications of the IPCC and the IEA, and the World Bank’s funding priorities – all require a united response from the industry and associations.

**GWEC** brings together the major national, regional and continental associations representing the wind energy sector, and the leading international wind energy companies and institutions.

With a combined membership of over 1,500 organisations involved in hardware manufacture, project development, power generation, finance and consultancy, as well as researchers, academics and associations, **GWEC**’s members represent the entire wind energy community.

The members of **GWEC** represent:

- Over 1,500 companies, organisations and institutions in more than 60 countries
- The world’s major wind turbine manufacturers
- 99% of the world’s over 74,000 MW of installed wind power capacity

Join **GWEC** today!



*Wilhelmshaven wind farm,  
Germany*

## WIND ENERGY: A TRULY GLOBAL POWER SOURCE

Wind energy is the leading source of renewable electricity. From an emerging energy source twenty years ago, wind energy has mushroomed into a mature and booming global business. Generation costs have fallen considerably over the last 15 years, moving closer to the cost of conventional energy sources. Modern wind turbines have improved dramatically in their power rating, efficiency and reliability.

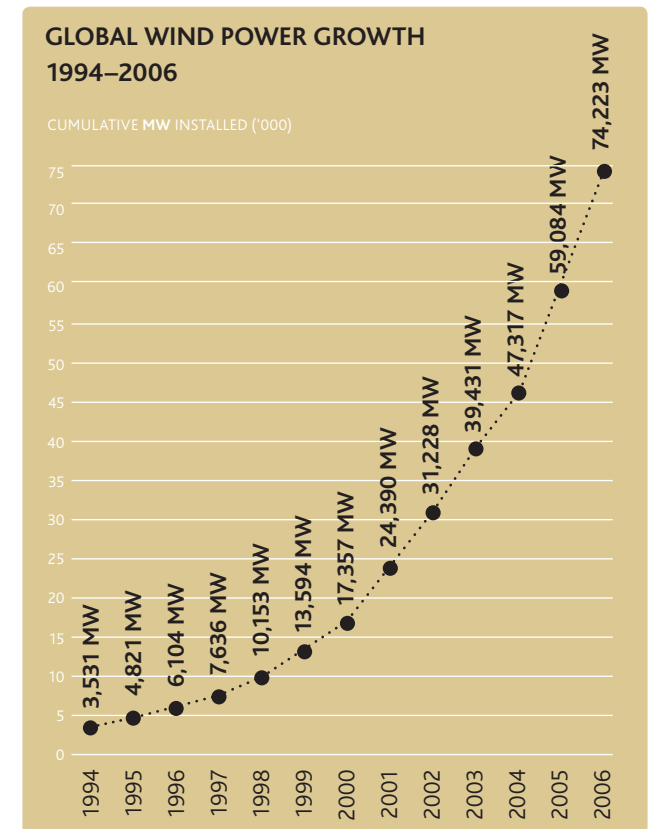
Over the past 10 years, global wind power capacity has continued to grow at an average cumulative rate of over 28%. In 2006 alone, more than 15,000 MW (Megawatts) of new capacity were installed around the world, a market worth around € 18 billion (US\$ 23 billion). By the end of 2006, the capacity of wind turbines installed globally had reached a level of more than 74,000 MW. Today, wind energy meets the electricity needs of more than 25 million households world-wide.

While the wind power industry has been most dynamic in Europe, which still accounts for 65 % of the total

capacity, other regions such as North America and Asia have started to emerge as substantial markets for the wind industry. Over 70 countries around the world now contribute to the global total, and the number of people employed by the industry world-wide is estimated at nearly 200,000.

The future prospects of the global wind industry are very promising: even on a relatively conservative scenario the total wind power installed world-wide will increase almost five-fold in ten years, from 59 GW (Gigawatts) in 2005 to 280 GW by 2015. The next ten years will also see a continued broadening of the global wind energy market to engage a range of new countries around the world.

As a result, wind energy is fast becoming an international business sector, spreading beyond its original markets in a few European countries, India and the United States. The major manufacturers and project developers now operate across five continents.





*Caluengo wind farm,  
Spain*

*Wind power  
reduces air pollution.*

## **GWEC: A SINGLE VOICE FOR A GLOBAL INDUSTRY**

The establishment of GWEC has created a single international voice for the wind industry and a strong network of its leading players. It is now crucial for this voice to be heard as loudly and clearly as possible, in order to ensure that wind power establishes itself as one of the world's leading energy sources, providing substantial environmental, economic and energy security benefits.

Political support is key to the global success of wind energy. Without it, wind power remains at a competitive disadvantage, because of distortions in the world's electricity markets created by many decades of massive financial, political and structural support to conventional technologies. Political action is needed to overcome those distortions and create a level playing field.

The overarching aim of GWEC is to engage with national and international decision-makers and influence policy-making in order to facilitate the opening of new markets for the international wind energy industry. GWEC uses political lobbying and its extensive networks to achieve positive change at the international level.

Combating climate change, securing energy supply and meeting increasing global energy demand are the main challenges our world is facing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Decision makers around the world are now putting energy policy at the centre of the international policy arena. Renewable energy, and particularly wind energy is able to provide solutions to the manifold energy challenges the world is facing, and their promotion should form the basis of both national and international energy policy.

Since competing technologies such as nuclear power and clean coal and carbon capture and storage have strong and powerful lobbies to support their interests, it is crucial to make the case as loudly as possible that wind energy, as an abundant, fuel-free and indigenous energy source can play the largest role in addressing the world's energy challenges in the critical next 10-15 years.

It is GWEC's role to communicate this message to decision makers around the world.

### **THE GLOBAL WIND POWER INDUSTRY**

- *Employs around 200,000 people*
- *Has an annual turnover of more than € 18 billion (US\$ 23 billion)*
- *Has been growing at an annual rate of more than 28% for the last 10 years*
- *Meets the electricity needs of more than 25 million households*
- *Is concentrated in Europe, which accounts for 65% of total capacity and most of the major turbine manufacturers*
- *Over 100,000 wind turbines installed today in 70 countries*
- *Over 74,000 MW of installed capacity*

*Wind power is clean,  
free and indigenous.*

***In particular, action is needed in a number of areas:***

- **Targets for renewable energy & specific policy mechanisms:** A number of countries have already established targets and policies for renewable energy. However, for wind energy to realise its great potential, more countries around the world need to take action, set targets and develop the necessary regulatory frameworks in terms of financial incentives, grid access regulation and planning and administrative procedures.
- **International action on climate change:** There is an urgent need to start negotiations on a new round of emission reduction targets for the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol after 2012. New targets are needed as soon as possible to allow governments to put emission reduction measures in place, including renewable energy policies. Setting legally binding targets is crucial as a driving force behind successful political frameworks for wind power.

- **Reform of international financing:** Multi-lateral financing mechanisms should include a defined and increasing percentage of lending directed to renewable energy projects, coupled with a rapid phase out of support for conventional, polluting energy projects.
- **Action by international bodies:** Other international institutions, such as the G8 bloc of countries, the UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD), the International Energy Agency (IEA), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) must be made aware of the potential of wind energy in order to support its large scale deployment.
- **Electricity market reform:** Reforms are needed in the electricity sector to encourage renewable energy. Market reform should include removing barriers to market entry, removing subsidies to fossil fuels and nuclear power and internalising the social and environmental costs of polluting.



*Kings County wind farm,  
Canada*

# Join GWEC today

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Gain a voice in international policy development.
- Influence policy, promotion and development of wind power at the international level.
- Have your interests represented at international policy meetings, working groups and conferences.
- Benefit from unrivalled networking opportunities with other GWEC members, the GWEC board of directors, the Secretariat and other key industry leaders.

### Gain easy access to key industry information

- Gain direct access to the GWEC Secretariat and its research library.
- Be the first to receive regular copies of GWEC reports, electronic newsletter, press releases and briefings.
- Use the GWEC office facilities located in the Renewable Energy House in the heart of the European Union district in Brussels.

### Promote your organisation

- Link from the GWEC website to your organisation's website.

- Use the GWEC branding on your promotional materials and your website.
- Promote your events on the GWEC website.

### Get discounts

- Save 10% off exhibition space at all GWEC events and up to 30% off of delegate fees at conference, workshops and seminars.

Complete the attached registration form or join online at [www.gwec.net](http://www.gwec.net)

The GWEC membership fee structure enables companies of all sizes to join. Membership in GWEC is especially important for small companies to gain a larger voice in the international forum.

A better political and policy environment for wind power will grow your company's business, no matter its size.



- *Corporations with an annual turnover in the wind energy sector exceeding €100 million – annual fee €30,000.*
- *Corporations with an annual turnover in the wind energy sector ranging between €50 million and €100 million – annual fee €10,000.*
- *Corporations with an annual turnover in the wind energy sector up to €50 million – annual fee €5,000.*

## ASSOCIATION MEMBERS / Board Members

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GWEC members represent 99% of the world's 74,000 MW of installed wind power capacity in over seventy countries.



CORPORATE MEMBERS / c0

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CORPORATE MEMBERS / c2

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## ASSOCIATION MEMBERS / Ordinary Members

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- Agence Nationale pour la Maîtrise de l’Energie (ANME)
- Alternative Energy Development Board, Pakistan
- Associazione Produttori Energia da Fonti Rinnovabili (APER), Italy
- Asociación de Productores de Energías Renovables (APPA), Spain
- Asociación para la investigación y Diagnosis de la Energía (AEDIE), Spain
- Asociación Mexicana de Energía Eólica (AMDEE), Mexico
- APREN Energias Renováveis, Portugal
- Asociación Empresarial Eólica, Spain
- Association of Producers of Ecological Energy, Bulgaria
- Austrian Wind Energy Association
- British Wind Energy Association
- BP Alternative Energy International plc, England
- Bulgarian Wind Energy Association
- Centre for Energy and Sustainable Resources, India
- Camara Argentina de Generadores Eolicos (CADGE)
- Chinese Wind Energy Association
- Croatian Chamber of Economy’s Wind Energy Association
- Czech Society for Wind Energy
- Danish Turbine Owners Association
- Danish Wind Energy Group
- Danish Wind Industry Association
- Development Association of Electricity Producers, Greece
- EDORA, Belgium
- EWPIC – Egyptian Wind Power Industry Consortium, Egypt
- Estonian Wind Power Association
- Faroe Islands Wind Energy Association
- Finnish Wind Power Association
- Fördergesellschaft Windenergie, Germany
- France Energie Eolienne
- Hellenic Wind Energy Association, Greece
- Hungarian Wind Energy Association
- Hungarian Wind Energy Scientific Association
- Indian Wind Energy Association
- Indian Wind Power Association
- Irish Wind Energy Association
- IRO Offshore Wind Energy Group, Netherlands
- ISES Italia
- Korean Wind Energy Development Organization
- Latvian Wind Energy Association
- Lithuanian Wind Energy Association
- Lithuanian Wind Power Association
- Multi Construction Electrical & Technology, Namibia
- Netherlands Wind Energy Association
- New Zealand Wind Energy Association
- ODE Vlaanderen, Belgium
- Pakistan Wind Energy Association
- Polish Wind Energy Association
- Renewable Energy Association of Nigeria
- Romanian Wind Energy Association
- Royal Belgian Institute for Natural Sciences
- Russian Association of Wind Industry
- Syndicat des Energies Renouvelables, France
- Slovak Association for Wind Energy
- Suisse-Eole
- Swedish Wind Energy Technology Group – SWIND
- Syrian Wind Energy Association
- Technology Industries of Finland
- Turkish Wind Energy Association
- Ukrainian Wind Energy Association (UANE)
- Universidad Autonoma de Yucatan, Mexico
- UPC Europe Wind Management LLC, England
- VDMA, Germany
- Vindkraftleverantörena i Sverige, Sweden
- Wirtschaftsverband Windkraftwerke, Germany



# Membership application

To join simply complete, sign and return this form by fax + 32 2546 1944

MY ORGANISATION WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF GWEC. PLEASE INVOICE ME ACCORDINGLY:

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONTACT PERSON MR. / MS. / MRS. \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 POSTCODE \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_  
 TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 WEBSITE \_\_\_\_\_ VAT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY  
 WIND TURBINE MANUFACTURER     ASSOCIATION     ELECTRICITY GENERATOR/UTILITY     CERTIFICATION BODY  
 COMPONENT / MATERIALS MANUFACTURER     CONSULTANCY     FINANCE / INSURANCE     OTHER  
 R&D / UNIVERSITY / INSTITUTE     EVENT ORGANISER     DEVELOPER

INVOICE ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE):

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONTACT PERSON MR. / MS. / MRS. \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 POSTCODE \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_  
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 WEBSITE \_\_\_\_\_ VAT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Category	Eligibility	Annual Fee
<b>Association Membership (reserved for non-profit organisations)</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>AC1</b>	Continental associations representing at least 3/4 (75%) of the existing national wind energy associations on that continent, and where the continent has at least 20.000 MW of installed wind energy capacity. 3 automatic board places.	€ 15.000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>AC2</b>	Continental associations representing at least 3/4 (75%) of the existing national wind energy associations on that continent, and where the continent has less than 20.000 MW of installed wind energy capacity. 1 automatic board place.	€ 5.000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>A1</b>	Associations active in the field of wind energy. If a continental association exists, then a national association on that continent can become a A1 member of GWEC as long as it is already a member of the continental association. 1 automatic board place.	€ 3.000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>A2</b>	Associations active in the field of wind energy. This category also includes academic institutions and non profit institutions or organisations active in the field of wind energy. If a continental association exists, then a national association on that continent can become a A2 member of GWEC as long as it is already a member of the continental association. No board place.	€ 0
<b>Corporate Membership</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>C0</b>	Corporations having an annual turnover in the wind energy sector exceeding Euro 100 million. 1 automatic board place.	€ 30.000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>C1</b>	Corporations having an annual turnover in the wind energy sector ranging between Euro 50 million and Euro 100 million. 1 board place for every 3 C1 members.	€ 10.000
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>C2</b>	Corporations having an annual turnover in the wind energy sector up to Euro 50 million. 1 board place for every 6 C2 members.	€ 5.000

Terms and conditions: Signature of this form represents a binding contract and your organisation must then follow the statutes of GWEC. Membership is only active upon payment of the above fees and must be retained for at least 12 calendar months from the date of signature. Membership fees are invoiced on an annual basis from January each year. Cancellation of membership can only be carried out at the end of each year, by sending a registered letter at least 3 months prior to the end of the year.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_



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