

GWEC
GLOBAL WIND ENERGY COUNCIL

GWEC 2026



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OUR MISSION

The Global Wind Energy Council (GWEC) is the international trade association representing the wind power sector across the globe. Our mission is to unlock the potential of wind energy as a critical solution to the energy transition by working with governments, investors, and communities worldwide.

We partner with our member organisations across the world to provide a unified voice for advocacy, thought leadership, education, and market intelligence, ensuring that wind power remains at the forefront of the global energy agenda. By collaborating across borders and regions, we aim to foster a cleaner, greener future powered by wind energy.

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OUR REACH



The map highlights the countries where GWEC has experts on the ground, actively advocating for wind energy adoption and driving policy advancements. Explore to see our global reach and commitment to sustainable energy growth.



WHO WE ARE

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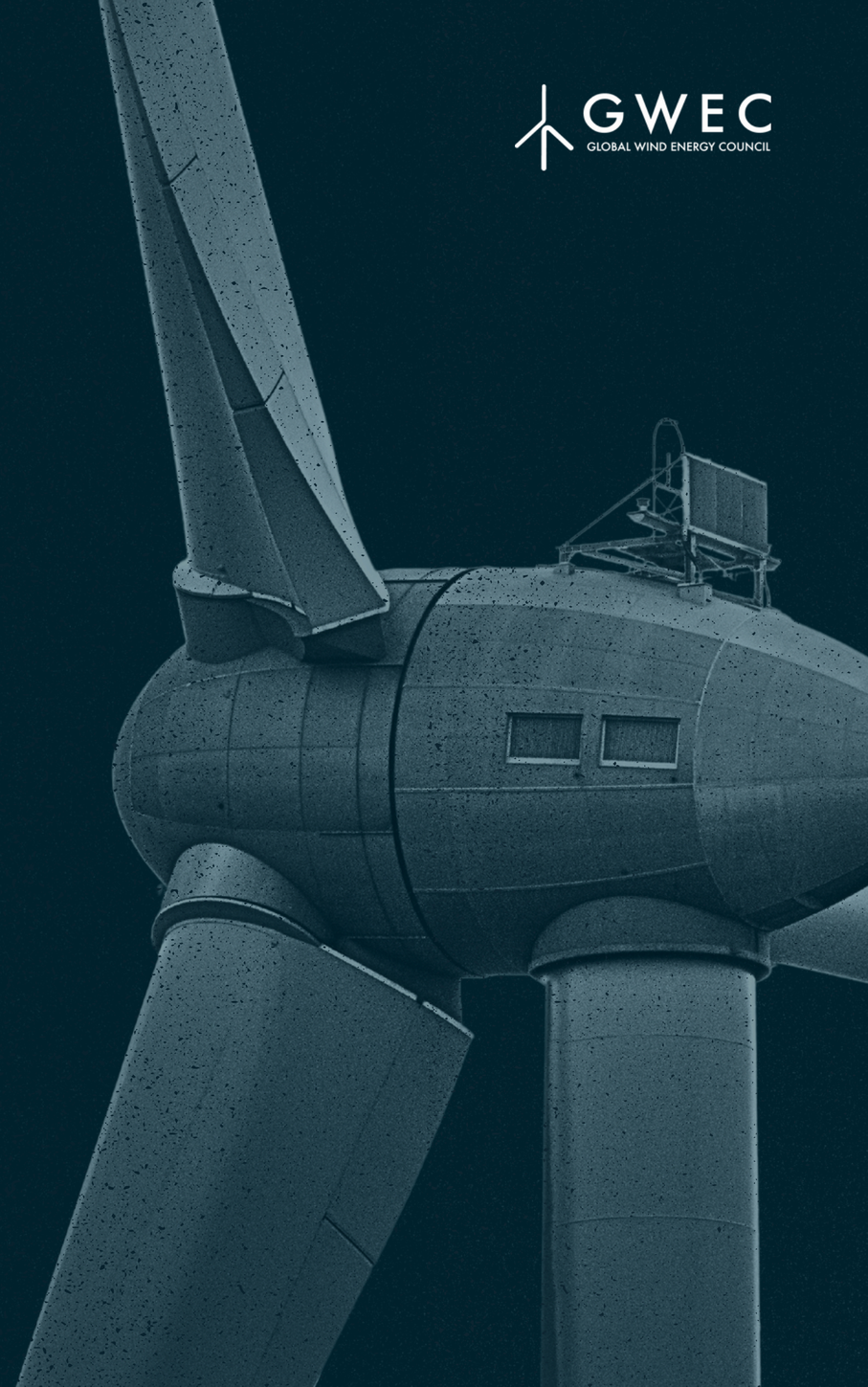
THE GLOBAL WIND ENERGY COUNCIL IS THE REPRESENTATIVE TRADE ASSOCIATION FOR THE GLOBAL WIND POWER INDUSTRY

GWEC's membership has installed over 85% of the world's total wind capacity

200 member companies from across the wind energy sector

Representing more than 1,000,000 people in 124 countries around the world

- RENEWABLE CONSULTING FIRMS
- NATIONAL WIND AND RENEWABLES ASSOCIATIONS
- DEVELOPERS
- RESEARCH INSTITUTES
- FINANCE COMPANIES
- ELECTRICITY PROVIDERS
- O&M SERVICE PROVIDERS
- WIND-TURBINE MANUFACTURERES
- COMPONENT MANUFACTURERS
- VESSEL AND PORT OPERATORS
- MATERIALS SUPPLIERS
- INSURANCE COMPANIES



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OUR MEMBERS

GLOBAL LEADER

CIP Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners
Vestas
Envision
equinor
GE VERNOVA
Iberdrola
MASDAR
MINGYANG SMART ENERGY 明阳智能 地疆天成·能动无限
octopus energy generation
Ørsted
SUZLON
SIEMENS energy
sse

GLOBAL INFLUENCER

acciona
actis
JERA NEX BP
SANY
WINDEY
edp Renewables
RWE
FUGRO
Goldwind
GULF
OW OCEAN WINDS
Ocean Energy Pathway
LINCOLN ELECTRIC
NORDEX



WHAT WE DO

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POLICY AND ADVOCACY

GWEC advocates for policies and regulations that support the growth of the wind energy industry.

GWEC has an excellent network of high level relationships across governments, industry and key institutions.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

GWEC creates the right environments to discuss challenges, find solutions—and network.

GWEC's conferences, workshops and webinars are exclusive forums for sharing international expertise, developing business relationships and getting access to new markets.

CAPACITY BUILDING

GWEC provides resources, training, and networking opportunities for businesses and organisations to develop the skills and knowledge needed to establish local markets.

GWEC also facilitates the transfer of skills and technologies between local stakeholders and international players.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

GWEC produces research and analysis bringing industry knowledge to the public.

GWEC Global Wind Report offers the most authoritative analysis, review and forecast of the industry, and GWEC Market Intelligence provides regular insights on the development of the sector, including market outlooks, country profiles, policy updates, and deep-dives on the offshore market.



REPRESENTING THE WIND INDUSTRY ON A GLOBAL STAGE

THE GLOBAL WIND ENERGY COUNCIL IS THE PLATFORM FOR THE WIND INDUSTRY TO ENGAGE ON THE INTERNATIONAL STAGE

The GWEC team leads renewable energy delegations at the UNFCCC COP process, SE4ALL and IRENA's General Assembly. GWEC also provides expertise to panels at the UN General Assembly and to the International Renewable Energy Agency. GWEC, through its position as a founder member of the Global Renewables Alliance, played a leading role in the first-ever Global Renewables Summit in 2024, and will continue to drive high-level discussions around the energy transition through 2026.

Involvement is only increasing as the energy transition builds, with GWEC driving initiatives in offshore wind with IRENA, the Danish Government and more than 20 national and sub-national governments (read more about the Global Offshore Wind Alliance further on in this document).







GWEC is an official observer to the UNFCCC process, and played an integral role in delivering the UAE Consensus at COP28 in Dubai, which sees almost 200 countries agree to 3xRenewable energy capacity by 2023. In 2025, GWEC played a prominent role at COP30, in Brazil, ensuring the wind industry is at the centre of discussions.

The Global Wind Energy Council is also the apex for relationships between institutions, countries and industry for the World Bank and the International Energy Agency. GWEC facilitates dialogue, coordinates bilateral meetings and advises key committees.

GWEC has supported international institutions and national governments as they build up their ambition. Over the coming years GWEC will continue to be involved in supporting those implementing their plans. The wind industry can deliver the energy transition, and GWEC plays a pivotal role in assisting that delivery at local, national and international level.









KEY INITIATIVES

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GLOBAL ECOSYSTEM

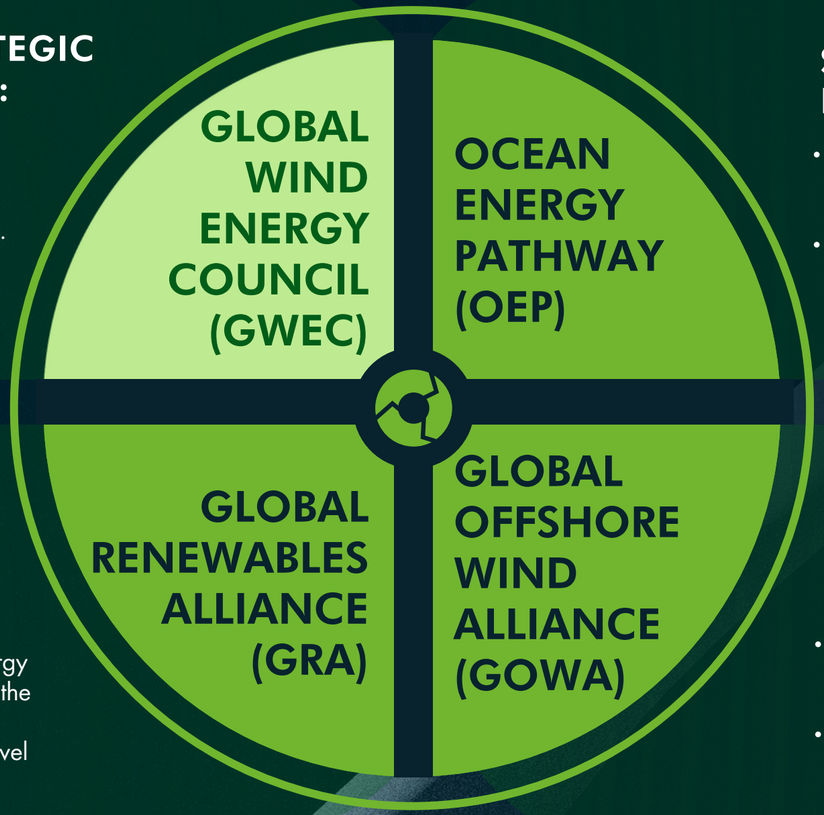
GWEC WORKS WITH PARTNER ORGANISATIONS TO DRIVE THE GROWTH OF THE GLOBAL WIND AND RENEWABLES INDUSTRY

ADVOCACY & STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS:

- Industry-led advocacy to governments for onshore and offshore wind.
- Business-to-business peer learning.
- Industry problem solving.
- Representing all players in the supply chain.

STRATEGY & IMPLEMENTATION:

- Uses philanthropic money to expands our ability to deliver technical assistance to governments.
- Brings together industry and NGOs to try to unlock socio-ecocnomic barriers to offshore wind.



CROSS-SECTOR CLIMATE LEADERSHIP:

- Building strong relationships and visibility across six renewable energy industries and ecosystems to drive the broader RE agenda.
- Powerful cross technology, high level advocacy voice at key intuitions.

POLITICAL & DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS:

- Climate diplomacy and increasing climate ambition on offshore wind, globally.
- New multilateral, public-private forum.

GLOBAL OFFSHORE WIND ALLIANCE (GOWA)

THE MISSION

The Global Offshore Wind Alliance has the ambition to create a global driving force for the uptake of offshore wind through political mobilisation and the creation of a global community of practice. The aim of GOWA is to contribute to achieving a total global offshore wind capacity of a minimum of 380 GW by 2030, with 35 GW on average each year across the 2020s and a minimum of 70 GW each year from 2030.

THE VALUE

GOWA was founded by Denmark, IRENA, and GWEC with the aim of helping governments across the world deliver the action to back up their offshore wind ambition. The collaboration of these three organisations has been critical in gaining the support of governments and visibility for industry.

Offshore wind is a vital tool in the race to net zero. The world needs 380 GW installed and so GOWA is the high-level diplomatic vehicle to make this happen.

GOWA is also driving the mobilisation of a global community of practice to support the acceleration of policy in this area.

MEMBERS OF GOWA INCLUDE:

AUSTRALIA
BELGIUM
BRAZIL
CALIFORNIA
COLOMBIA
DENMARK
GERMANY
IRELAND
JAPAN
NETHERLANDS
NEW YORK
NORWAY
PANAMA
PORTUGAL
ROMANIA
SAINT LUCIA
SPAIN
STATE OF VICTORIA
UNITED KINGDOM
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
EUROPEAN COMMISSION

20+
Governments are members of GOWA

CORPORATE MEMBERS OF GOWA:

CIP
CORIO
ØRSTED
RAMBOLL
SSE
VESTAS

GLOBAL RENEWABLES ALLIANCE (GRA)

THE MISSION

The Global Renewables Alliance (GRA) was established by the Global Wind Energy Council, Global Solar Council, International Hydropower Association, Green Hydrogen Organisation, Long-Duration Energy Storage Council and the International Geothermal Association to unify the global bodies. Collectively the GRA strengthen the private sector's voice on accelerating the energy transition, working to triple global renewable energy capacity by 2030 to at least 11,000 GW.

THE VALUE

The Global Renewables Alliance seeks to represent the global renewables industry with one unified voice speaking for all renewables energy technologies. This is done by focussing on amplifying the existing policy and advocacy messages of the six industry associations and delivering these messages of industry at high level diplomatic events.

The inception of the GRA means that all six associations have more exposure due to more cohesive, collaborative and coordinated approach from industry at these high level diplomatic events.

$11 trillion
represented by market value of supporters

300 million
people have been targeted by media on 'Double Down, Triple Up'

25 sponsors
every year from all over the world

The GRA focuses on running global renewables campaigns funded and supported by GWEC and the other associations to advocate for more international cooperation on:

- Markets and finance
- Planning and permitting
- Supply chains
- Grids, system optimisation and connections
- Just and equitable energy transition

OCEAN ENERGY PATHWAY (OEP)

THE MISSION

Ocean Energy Pathway turns climate ambition into action. OEP will rapidly scale the development of offshore wind globally by 2030, helping to create 10+ new markets and contributing to the 2TW of installed offshore wind needed by 2050 to keep the world on track to 1.5 degrees of warming.

SCALING AT LEAST 10 MARKETS GLOBALLY

Target markets include:

JAPAN	PHILIPPINES	MEXICO
SOUTH KOREA	COLOMBIA	CHILE
INDIA	AUSTRALIA	SOUTH AFRICA
BRAZIL	AZERBAIJAN	

THE VALUE

To get on track to deliver the volumes needed by 2030, we will have to expand the number of countries deploying this technology at scale. Building a sustainable offshore wind sector requires significant technical and regulatory work by public bodies including governments, power network regulators and marine agencies. Developing a sector that enhances ecosystems, delivers for local communities, and meets climate ambitions means drawing on diverse stakeholders and implementing collaborative approaches.

- Facilitates collaboration across diverse stakeholder groups.
- Focuses on sharing and developing human capital, social equity and nature projects in the Global South.
- OEP is leveraging additional philanthropic funding, to use this to unlock key markets for offshore wind.





EVENTS

GWEC 2026

EVENTS TIMELINE

JANUARY-JUNE

10 - 12 JAN
IRENA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ABU DHABI, UAE

13 - 15 JAN
WORLD FUTURE ENERGY SUMMIT
ABU DHABI, UAE

25 - 27 MAR
ASEAN WIND ENERGY EXPO
BANGKOK, THAILAND

Q1
GLOBAL WIND REPORT LAUNCH
TBC

21 - 23 APR
WIND EUROPE
MADRID, SPAIN

26 - 28 MAY
LISBON FUTURE DIALOGUE
LISBON, PORTUGAL

10 - 11 JUN
APAC WIND ENERGY SUMMIT
HANOI, VIETNAM

GWEC EVENT GRA EVENT POLICY EVENT PARTNER EVENT

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EVENTS TIMELINE

JUNE - SEPTEMBER

Q2
GLOBAL OFFSHORE WIND REPORT LAUNCH
TBC

15 JUN
GLOBAL WIND DAY

16 - 17 JUN
GLOBAL OFFSHORE WIND UK
MANCHESTER, UK

17 JUN
BRAZIL OFFSHORE WIND SUMMIT
TBC

20 - 28 JUN
LONDON CLIMATE ACTION WEEK
LONDON, UK

Q3
MEXICO WIND POWER
TBC

22 - 25 SEP
WIND ENERGY HAMBURG
HAMBURG, GERMANY

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EVENTS TIMELINE

OCTOBER-DECEMBER

SEP
WINDABA
CAPE TOWN

14 - 15 OCT
CHINA WIND POWER
BEIJING, CHINA

27 - 29 OCT
BRAZIL WIND POWER
SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

9 - 20 NOV
COP 31
ANTALAYA, TURKIYE

GWEC EVENT GRA EVENT POLICY EVENT PARTNER EVENT



BRANDING & THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

2026 STRATEGY & ACTIVITIES

BUILDING YOUR BRAND WITH GWEC

The wind industry stands at a pivotal moment in its evolution. As nations around the globe accelerate their shift towards renewable energy, the wind sector is uniquely positioned to lead this transformation. However, the challenges are as substantial as the opportunities.

GWEC recognises the urgent need to articulate, clear, consistent messages that resonate across all stakeholders—governments, investors, communities, and the broader public. To this end, we are proud to announce the formation of the Communications and Advocacy Working Group. This group will spearhead our efforts to craft compelling narratives and advocate for policies that support the growth and sustainability of wind energy globally.

To further amplify our message and engage with the global community, GWEC offers a variety of platforms where industry players can showcase their brand, including through our influential wind reports, regularly distributed newsletters, and engaging podcasts.

WORKING GROUP

Coordinate your messaging with the wider industry

MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Align on a collective narrative for the global wind industry

WIND REPORTS

Align with compelling data and reach a combined audience of over 40k wind energy professionals

PODCAST & NEWSLETTERS

Leverage your existing membership benefits via exclusive thought leader positions

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OFFSHORE WIND PODCAST

Podcast Downloads: 100,000+ since 2020 launch
Listeners per episode: ~1.5k

GWEC's Offshore Wind Podcast is hosted by Stewart Mullin, GWEC's Chief Industry Officer, and Rebecca Williams, GWEC's Chief Strategy Officer for Offshore Wind. The podcast features leading voices from across the sector, whether that is large OEMs, key supply chain manufacturers or political leaders driving policy, to talk about how we can all work together to deliver on offshore wind's enormous potential.

Contributing a guest speaker for a single episode is an available benefit for all members (pending suitability). If you would like to explore a deeper partnership on this platform which would allow for greater brand presence and input into the topics being discussed, the following sponsorship option is available.

GWEC's podcasts are building a community of like-minded individuals, by sponsoring a podcast you can tap into this community and build a loyal audience for your organisation.

To secure your spot in one of GWEC's podcast episodes, please reach out to us.



PODCAST & NEWSLETTERS

WIND ENERGY INSIGHTS NEWSLETTER

Email Subscribers: 40,000+
Open Rate: 29%
Click Through Rate: 1.4%

In this Q&A series, GWEC invites members and in-house experts to share their knowledge and expertise in wind energy and feature exclusively in a GWEC newsletter.

The series will follow a range of players in the supply chain and explore how the industry can play a part in tripling renewables by 2030.

General subscribers will receive responses to the core questions only, while GWEC members will have access to more detailed insights.

Examples of previous questions include:

General Subscriber Q&A

1. In your opinion, what is the most pressing issue or trends we need to pay attention to?
2. Share with us an exciting project your team is currently working on.
3. How can the industry collaborate with your company?

General Member Q&A

1. Navigating the complexities of the energy landscape today can be challenging. What tips do you have to make this process easier?
2. What key learnings can you share, including successes and challenges from a past project.

To secure your spot in one of GWEC's monthly newsletters, please reach out to us as soon as possible as places are limited.





MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

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SUMMARY OF NEW VALUE IN 2026

In addition to the existing membership benefits across all tier levels, we are pleased to offer the following new ways of engaging with GWEC in 2026:

- **Members Day Series:** An opportunity for all GWEC members to connect with with a range of players across the supply chain in their local cities.
- **Policy Tracker:** Regular summaries from our global policy team with a list of recent engagements with national governments, regional institutions and key groups.
- **Political Briefings:** Quarterly briefing calls by our policy leads to explain the planned activities and interventions at key international events like the IRENA General Assembly and UNGA
- **Market Intelligence Briefings:** Quarterly insight sessions offering deep-dives into specific topics or data, led by our Head of Market Intelligence.
- **Wind Sustainability Initiative:** Creating of a set of global standards that can guide responsible sourcing and procurement of wind turbines.
- **New Specialists and Capabilities:** Specialists focused on creating strategies to tackle global and regional challenges in permitting, grids, trade and the supply chain.
- **Associations Platform:** Greater resource allocated to coordinating activities across the various associations, especially those in core markets like the US, UK and Europe.





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