



WOMEN ENERGIZE WOMEN

BREAKING THE GENDER BARRIERS, BREAKING THE SILOS

JOINT EFFORTS FOR THE ENERGY TRANSITION
WITHIN AND BEYOND WIND ENERGY

DATE: 27 SEPTEMBER 2022, 16:00 - 18:00 CEST

VENUE: HAMBURG MESSE + CONGRESS, GERMANY / CONFERENCE B3 ROOM
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OUTLINE:

The key to a successful energy transition is integration and diversification. We need a diverse set of talents and perspectives to tackle this great challenge: the global switch to green and sustainable energy.

Nonetheless, women still tend to be underrepresented in the energy sector, especially in decision-making and technical positions. According to the [“Wind energy: A gender perspective” report](#) by IRENA (International Renewable Energy Agency), women only represent 21% of the overall wind energy workforce, and only 32% in the total renewable energy sector. The sector is far from breaking down gender barriers and integrating a variety of perspectives on the energy sector. However, it is precisely this diversity in perspectives which address an issue as complex and diverse as the energy transition.

In fact, the idea of diversification is integral to the entire transition. For a successful transition, energy grids must combine key technologies with new energy sources and find synergies to form a reliable mix of a clean and sustainable energy infrastructure. and breaking down the technology silos.

Here, there is a powerful potential to further the energy transition via integration – the integration of all genders into the process as well as the integration of different technologies into the energy system. The synergies of both integration processes are to be explored to enhance the global “Energiewende”.



WELCOMING WORDS

Ellen von Zitzewitz, Deputy Director Climate and Energy Cooperation with Industrial Countries, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (BMWK) (**moderator**)

Dr Simone Peter, President German Renewable Energy Federation BEE

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SPEAKERS

Malgosia Bartosik, Deputy CEO, WindEurope

Jeanette Gitobu, Director, Women in Wind Global Leadership Program & Policy Advisor, Africa, Global Wind Energy Council

Dr Gokce Mete, Senior Manager, Global Hydrogen Stakeholder Platform, South Pole

María José González, Program Director H2U Uruguay, Coordination of green hydrogen program, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mines, Uruguay

Sarah Barber, Programme Leader Wind Energy, OST – Eastern Switzerland University of Applied Sciences/ Chair of the Diversity Committee at the European Academy of Wind Energy

AGENDA

DISCUSSION ROUND:

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- 16:00-16:10** Welcoming words
- 16:10-16:15** Introduction of panelists
- 16:15-17:00** Discussion Round & Q&A's from the audience
- 17:00-18:00** Drinks & Networking

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