

## WENDY Celebrates Milestone: Wrapping up Year 1 of the Project

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The WENDY team convened in Zaragoza on November 14-15 for its 4th Steering Committee Meeting, an occasion that underscored the collective dedication and achievements of its diverse consortium of partners.

"It was great hosting all the WENDY partners at CIRCE's offices in Zaragoza. The first year has gone by very fast, and I would like to applaud the team's relentless commitment to meeting deadlines and delivering on our promises," said Jonatan Peris Rivas, Project Manager at Fundacion CIRCE.

The agenda of the Steering Committee Meeting focused on important WENDY issues, including the social acceptance of wind energy and strategies for minimising environmental impact, with a particular emphasis on bird and bat detection.

During the second day of the meeting, the WENDY consortium visited the TICO wind farm, a project with 43 turbines and 180 MW installed power, owned by EGP. Ana and Sonia from EGP provided invaluable insights into the operational aspects of the wind farm. The site visit included a detailed exploration of the pioneering efforts in birdlife detection and protection, elucidated by experts from Konica Minolta at the facilities nearest to the station.

As WENDY marks this milestone with its 4th Steering Committee Meeting, consisting of 2 online sessions and 2 in-person gatherings, the project remains steadfast in its mission to create a sustainable and socially accepted wind energy future.

For more information about the WENDY project, please visit <u>WENDY Website</u> or contact our communication and dissemination team at <u>info@wendy-project.eu</u>.

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## About the WENDY project

The EU funded WENDY project empowers wind energy adoption through multicriteria analysis and social engagement. Officially titled "Multicriteria Analysis of the Technical, Environmental



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and Social Factors Triggering the PIMBY Principle for Wind Technologies," WENDY is pioneering a paradigm shift in wind energy adoption. Its analysis uncovers essential factors for success and societal acceptance.

Across six European countries — Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Italy, Norway, Spain — nine esteemed entities collaborate: Fundacion Circe, White Research, Stiftelsen Norsk Institutt for Naturforskning NINA, Enel Green Power, Norwegian Offshore Wind, Minoan Energy Community, Copenhagen Business School, APPA Renovables, and Q-Plan International.

WENDY's mission: reshape wind energy via "Please, In My Back Yard" (PIMBY) principle. Stakeholder engagement sparks enthusiastic support, converting resistance into backing.

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