

# WINDFORCE Baltic Sea



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Dear Exhibitors, Conference Participants and Visitors to WINDFORCE,

Welcome to the WINDFORCE year! We are looking forward to sharing many exciting events with you. Although the New Year is only a few days old, something is happening all the time. Developments appear to be altogether more positive for the offshore wind industry in 2014 than they were in 2013. So we are optimistic about the future and intend to provide you with ideal settings for showcasing your services and expertise at our events, the perfect opportunity for meeting your regular clients and business partners and making new contacts too. This newsletter is devoted exclusively to telling you more about the first conference coming up this year – WINDFORCE Baltic Sea.

Your WINDFORCE team wishes you all the best for 2014!

P.S. Do you like our newsletter service? Should your colleagues, business partners and friends also know more about WINDFORCE? We would be more than happy for you to pass on our newsletter to them.



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## 2 days – 8 theme sessions – 30 speakers – 1 dinner

The programme for WINDFORCE Baltic Sea is impressive. In two days, more than 100 conference participants will get a comprehensive view of issues related to renewable energy production in the Baltic Sea. Eight theme sessions and 30 international speakers will deal with nearly everything in the value-adding chain, from research, installation and logistics to financing, grid connection and political support measures. Two speakers, Dr Katrin Lummer from the Fraunhofer Institute for Manufacturing Technology and Advanced Materials (IFAM) and Peter Frohboese from GL Garrad Hassan, will talk about "icing", a particular challenge in the Baltic. Hochtief, Ballast Nedam and General Cable/NSW will report on their recent experience installing Baltic 2. Barbara Zuiderwijk, director of Green Giraffe Energy Bankers in the Netherlands, will discuss the issue of financing offshore wind farms. As the host country, Poland will be the focus of an entire session of its own. Seven national wind energy associations in the Baltic region are contributing to a particularly interesting discussion, with leading representatives from Germany, Poland, Estonia, Lithuania, Finland, Denmark and Sweden talking about the next steps to be taken in their countries. As Jens Eckhoff, president of Germany's Offshore Wind Energy Foundation and managing director of WINDFORCE, points out: "The development of offshore wind energy in these seven countries is vastly different. In a concentrated format, the conference will offer an excellent opportunity to find out more about these developments". Bremen's senator for economics, Martin Günthner (SPD), is taking advantage of this opportunity and will also attend the conference. The programme will provide time for speakers to talk personally with participants. The conference fee includes a dinner on the evening of the first day of the conference, not only inviting participants to enjoy Polish culinary specialties but also giving them the chance to gain an impression of the beautiful and historic Hanseatic city of Gdansk.

## Register now!

Although the registration deadline for WINDFORCE Baltic Sea is not until 31 January 2014, seats are limited and those who are interested should not hesitate to register. Rooms at the conference hotel are almost fully booked. For complete details of the programme and for registration, please go to:  
[www.windforcebalticsea.com](http://www.windforcebalticsea.com).

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## **Save the date for the WINDFORCE Baltic Sea conference in 2015!**

If you already have a calendar for 2015, be sure to reserve the 4th and 5th of February 2015. These are the dates for the WINDFORCE Baltic Sea conference to be held in Helsinki, to which you are cordially invited. After the first two events in Sweden and Poland, Finland will be the third host country for this Baltic conference. We will send you information on the programme and registration in good time.

**But first:**

**Welcome to Gdansk – Witamy w Gdańsku!**

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