

Safety and Environmental Management: Wind Industry UK

- *Top Issues*
- *Trends*
- *Focus areas (Wind Industry)*



Old Issues-Safety

We can never forget:

1. Machinery Safety
2. Access
3. Electrical
4. Emergency & crisis management
5. Construction risks management



Not to be forgotten as we get “trendy”

New issues- Safety

1. Work at height
2. Health at Work
3. Behavioural Safety (from theory and big income for consultants, to “we can manage this locally”)
4. Psycho-social issues (demographics, recruitment, isolated work, working overseas, offshore etc)
5. Transport access, unloading issues, bigger haulage units

Environmental

- Climate change
- “Power stations” no longer the privilege of city dwellers
- Planning: fear vs. reality



Delays don't help the climate

Global trends

- Mobile workers of high skill, not tied to one country anymore: language challenges, culture, isolation & health issues
- Competence, working methods, staff from less developed economies



What should we do?

- Keep on supporting BWEA
- Link up with other WEAs (Poland...)
- Keep talking to the regulators
- Be flexible
- Maintain good EHS intelligence networks
- Continue to educate planning specialists etc



Strength in numbers