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**BWEA and the Energy Saving Trust make valuable wind data available to the global small wind sector.**

Today BWEA and the Energy Saving Trust announced agreements to work together to advance the development of the UK and global small wind sector.

On the advice of BWEA, valuable windspeed data collected as part of the recent Energy Saving Trust domestic small scale wind field trial has been released to the international small wind community to help improve the international standards and related testing.

IEC 61400 Maintenance Team 2 (MT2), the committee responsible for revising the international small wind product standards, meets this week in Tokyo for the 5<sup>th</sup> round of discussions between leading industry experts, co-chaired by the UK and Spain. Energy Saving Trust data will aid the investigation of the suitability of the existing IEC 61400 wind classes and the potential development of alternative proposals.

Alex Murley, BWEA Head of Small Systems "BWEA welcomes this opportunity for BWEA and Energy Saving Trust to work together to improve the safety of small wind systems worldwide. This is especially important to the UK, because we have the world's second largest small wind market, a host of leading manufacturers, and enjoy such a harsh operation environment courtesy of the strongest winds in Europe"

Jaryn Bradford, Development Manager at the Energy Saving Trust, added, 'We are pleased to work with the BWEA in supporting projects that will improve customers' understanding of how small scale wind turbines work. Ultimately we expect that improved consumer understanding and confidence will help promote the growth of the small wind industry'

As part of closer collaboration between The Energy Saving Trust and the small wind sector, BWEA has agreed to identify, assess and recommend worthwhile industry research projects that can help drive UK and international markets forward. Any parties interested to discuss eligibility criteria and the opportunity to access data to support small wind research projects should contact the BWEA.

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