



# Strategic Compensation: Delivering at Pace for Nature and Net Zero

Side Event at the WindEurope Annual Event in Madrid  
22 April 2026 (09:00-10:00), Room N117+N118

## AGENDA

### 1. Welcome and introduction to the event

Ariel Brunner, BirdLife, Regional Director Europe & Central Asia

### 2. Framework for strategic compensation in Scotland

Joel Hankinson, Head of Energy Act Implementation in Offshore Wind, Scottish Government

### 3. Strategic compensation pilots for seabirds in the UK

Kirsten Carter, Head of UK Marine Policy at The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds

### 4. Panel discussion

- Elöise Couffon, Policy Officer, European Commission DG ENER - Energy Infrastructure and Regional Cooperation
- Dr. Eva Julius-Philipp, Director Environment & Sustainability Unit at Vattenfall
- Joel Hankinson, Scottish Government
- Kirsten Carter, The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds

Focus:

- The key features required for a strategic approach to compensation that delivers for nature and facilitates offshore wind development, including the necessary frameworks at national/EU/regional level.
- The role of different actors (developers, NGOs, regulators) in delivering a strategic approach to compensation?

### 5. Closing remarks

Ariel Brunner, BirdLife