## A new standard in the wind industry

The global wind industry saw a new standard introduced on 31st March 2018 by member of the GWO. The change means that Technicians working on their wind turbines are required to have a valid GWO BTT certificate. BTT courses for this certificate can be gained through certified GWO Training Providers, such as from <u>bolt tensioning</u> equipment supplier HTL Group.

The course provided by HTL Group was developed to meet the demand for basic technical training within the wind industry. The GWO BTT covers 3 modules focusing on Hydraulic, Mechanical and Electrical technical elements. The course is designed for all Technicians who are involved in the installation, service, and maintenance of wind turbine generators and wind power plants; the BTT focuses on delegates who have no previous mechanical, hydraulic, and electrical experience and also those who wish to upskill and have some knowledge of these areas.

The GWO BTT Standard has been well-received by Global Training Providers, with Bob Fogerty, Group Technical Director, commenting:

"The introduction of the GWO BTT at our Cramlington Training Centre was a necessity for HTL. We recognise the demands placed on Technicians and GWO members and we want to use our technical capabilities to continue to support the Wind Industry as much as possible.

The feedback from delegates attending our GWO BTT courses has been extremely positive. This reinforces HTL's objective and capability to deliver a quality service in a first class training environment."

Delegates will be able to perform task such as basic mechanics, hydraulics, and electrics, while supervised by an experienced technician, thanks to the GWO BTT courses.