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# REPowerEU: Joint European action for more affordable, secure and sustainable energy



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In recent months Europe has been facing high and volatile energy prices. After Russia's unprecedented military attack on Ukraine, security of supply concerns exacerbate the situation.

**Providing companies and households with affordable, secure and clean energy requires decisive action**, starting immediately with price mitigation and storing gas for next winter.

**The case for a rapid clean energy transition under the European Green Deal has never been stronger and clearer. Terminating our dangerous overdependence on fossil fuels from Russia can be achieved well before 2030.**



## URGENT ACTION ON PRICES

**Keeping retail energy prices in check** by confirming the possibility of price regulation to help protect consumers and our economy.

**Guidance on temporary tax measures on windfall profits** and use of emissions trading revenues, so governments can ease the pressure on household consumers.



**State Aid measures:** consultation with Member States on a potential Temporary Framework to grant aid to companies facing high energy costs.

**Market actions** assessing options to improve the electricity market design.

## REFILLING GAS STORAGE FOR NEXT WINTER

### A legislative proposal by April on minimum gas storage so

Europe better controls its supply, establishing a 90% filling target by 1 October, designating gas storage as critical infrastructure, and allowing incentives for refilling.



Support to **coordinated gas refilling operations**, for example through joint procurement, collecting orders and matching supplies.



Continued **investigation into behaviour by operators**, notably by Gazprom.

## REPOWEREU TO CUT OUR DEPENDENCE ON RUSSIAN GAS



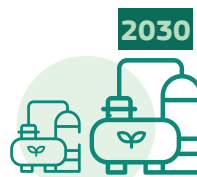
**More rooftop solar panels, heat pumps and energy savings** to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels, making our homes and buildings more energy efficient.



**Decarbonising Industry** by accelerating the switch to electrification and renewable hydrogen and enhancing our low-carbon manufacturing capabilities.



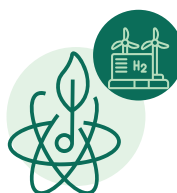
**Speeding up renewables permitting** to minimise the time for roll-out of renewable projects and grid infrastructure improvements.



**Doubling the EU ambition for biomethane** to produce 35 bcm per year by 2030, in particular from agricultural waste and residues.



**Diversifying gas supplies** and working with international partners to move away from Russian gas, and investing in the necessary infrastructure.



**A Hydrogen Accelerator** to develop infrastructure, storage facilities and ports, and replace demand for Russian gas with additional 10 mt of imported renewable hydrogen from diverse sources and additional 5 mt of domestic renewable hydrogen.



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