

**Question for written answer E-015096/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: An efficient and sustainable energy Union

Europe was constructed by a joint effort, a collective initiative and practical achievements. Energy has been at the heart of the European project since its inception and remains central to European policies to this day. In Europe, more than half of our energy is imported (source: the Commission). Our energy market is fragmented, which has an impact particularly on our European enterprises, which pay much more for energy than their international competitors. The climate change we are now experiencing requires the formation of a viable and concrete Union to ensure more affordable energy which will benefit many European sectors, including the economy and employment.

1. How will the Commission, which intends to make the energy Union a priority, inaugurate a new era of European cooperation to make our energy supply more secure, more sustainable, more competitive and more affordable for businesses and citizens alike?
2. How does the Commission intend to steer the energy Union towards greater security of supplies by reducing our dependency on imports, by enabling technological development and a viable and climate-friendly economy that will lead to effective job creation?