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### **DG Energy News**





### In focus: Engaging with energy partners in a changing world

Soaring energy prices since last autumn, followed by Russia's unjustified aggression on Ukraine, have put the European energy market to a test. If the ambitious objectives of the European Green Deal were to be maintained, Europe needed a plan to manage tight global energy supply, rising inflation and insecurities that accompany a military conflict within close proximity.



### News

### REPowerEU: A plan to rapidly reduce dependence on Russian fossil fuels and fast forward the green transition

There is a double urgency to transform Europe's energy system: ending the EU's dependence on Russian fossil fuels, which are used as an economic and political weapon and cost European taxpayers nearly €100 billion per year, and tackling the climate crisis.



See also

Link to REPowerEU key documents

## New €800 million call for clean energy infrastructure projects to support REPowerEU Plan

The Commission has launched a new call for proposals for key crossborder EU energy infrastructure projects under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) for Energy. Applications for funding must be submitted by 1

September 2022 [17:00 CET].



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### Commission establishes the EU Energy Platform Task Force to secure alternative supplies

The Commission has set up a new Task Force within its Directorate-General for Energy, to provide support to the EU Energy Platform and implement the REPowerEU goal of supply diversification.



# Commission kick starts work with EU national authorities to speed up permit-granting procedures for renewable energy projects

A multi-country flagship workshop on permit-granting processes for renewable energy projects discussed the options that Member States have in order to accelerate the permitting process, gathering the experience and good practices that have been identified at the Member State level.

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## New EPREL database to help consumers compare energy efficient products

This new EU-wide public database enables consumers to compare the energy efficiency class and other data about different household products.



## Further progress on integrating Ukraine and Moldova into European electricity market

The European Commission welcomed the progress in integrating Ukraine and Moldova into the European electricity market, as confirmed today by the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E).

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## Commission welcomes political agreement on new rules for securing winter gas storage

The new rules, against the backdrop of Russia's war against Ukraine, will ensure security of energy supply across the EU each winter.



### Russia's war on Ukraine: EU adopts sixth package of sanctions against Russia

The European Commission welcomed the adoption of the sixth package of restrictive measures against Russia, which contains a complete import ban on all Russian seaborne crude oil and petroleum products. This covers 90% of our current oil imports from Russia.

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#### Heating of buildings decreasing, cooling increasing

The need to heat a given building has decreased over time: only 89% of the heating needs were required in 2021 compared with 1979.



# **European Semester Spring Package: Sustaining a green** and sustainable recovery in the face of increased uncertainty

This year, country-specific recommendations include recommendations for reducing the dependency on fossil fuels through reforms and investments, in line with the REPowerEU priorities and the European Green Deal.

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### Speeches

**Speech by Commissioner Simson at the IEA's 7th Annual Global Conference on Energy Efficiency Opening Plenary** 

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Opening remarks by EVP Timmermans and Commissioner Simson at the press conference on the REPowerEU Plan

### Upcoming events

### **Second high-level meeting of the Clean Energy Industrial Forum**



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date

16/06/2022

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venue

Brussels, Belgium

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### **Launch of the Rural Energy Community Advisory Hub**



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17/06/2022

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Brussels, Belgium

Registration

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# **Virtual webinar: Second EU-Canada Dialogue on Hydrogen**



# **Call for technical assistance under the Energy Communities Repository**





#### Supporting small, medium-sized and large enterprises in the race to net zero



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23/06/2022

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Belgium

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### **Energy Poverty Advisory Hub Conference - Moving Towards Energy Autonomy: How to Guarantee Social Inclusion**



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28/06/2022 - 29/06/2022

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Zagreb, Croatia

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#### **Third PCI Energy Days**



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19/09/2022 - 20/09/2022



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### **European Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) 2022**



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26/09/2022 - 30/09/2022



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Hybrid

### Latest studies and publications

Flexibility for resilience - How can flexibility support power grids resilience?



**Technical support for RES policy development and implementation** 

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Policy support for heating and cooling decarbonisation

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Renewable cooling under the revised Renewable Energy Directive

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District heating and cooling in the European Union

#### Renewable space heating under the revised Renewable **Energy Directive**

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### Public consultations

### Production of renewable transport fuels - share of renewable electricity (requirements)



Deadline

17/06/2022

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#### Renewable energy – method for assessing greenhouse gas emission savings for certain fuels



Deadline

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#### **Energy efficiency – ecodesign requirements for vacuum** cleaners



Deadline

30/06/2022

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#### Commissioner for energy Kadri Simson

#### The European Green Deal

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