

**Question for written answer E-000319/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Action to reduce energy prices and address significant disparities between EU Member States

In its answer to the question from myself and other MEPs on the rising cost of electricity¹, the Commission announced an action plan for affordable energy prices. Since then, the price of energy has remained high, while price volatility is having a significant impact on households and the competitiveness of European businesses, which face very high energy costs compared to their competitors in non-EU countries. Immediate action is needed to bring down energy prices and address significant disparities between Member States.

In view of the above, can the Commission say:

1. In what stage of preparation is the above-mentioned action plan? Are there any updates regarding its timeline and content?
2. Also in view of the upcoming publication of the Clean Industrial Deal, does it plan to include provisions on improving energy interconnections, increasing cross-border flows where there are significant price differences and creating a mechanism to compensate countries that are making investments that greatly benefit the European network?

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2024-001736_EN.html