

**Question for written answer E-000723/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: EU Energy Platform and the exclusion of non-corporate members

The EU Energy Platform has been criticised for its controversial Industry Advisory Group (IAG), which includes corporate members from the natural gas sector but excludes non-corporate stakeholders such as civil society organisations. This lack of inclusiveness raises concerns about transparency and the undue influence of corporate interests in shaping critical energy policies that affect the wider public.

The recent decision of the European Ombudsman¹ underlined the inappropriateness of IAG's current composition, highlighting the over-representation of natural gas lobbies. This imbalance undermines the credibility of the platform and calls into question the EU's commitment to fair and balanced energy policies. The exclusion of non-corporate members distorts the decision-making process, putting climate targets at risk.

In light of this:

1. What measures does the Commission intend to take to address the exclusion of non-corporate members from this group? Is there a timetable for the inclusion of a wider range of stakeholders?
2. How does the Commission intend to ensure that energy transition policies are not disproportionately influenced by corporate interests, in particular those related to fossil fuels?

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¹ <https://corporateeurope.org/en/2024/09/eu-ombudsman-ruling-shows-gas-industry-advisory-group-not-fit-purpose-time-scrap-it>