

**Question for written answer E-001234/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Green taxation in Cyprus

The Cypriot Minister of Finance said in a statement¹ that next May the Government is due to put into force green taxes on fuel, water and waste. The previous administration under Nicos Anastasiades had pledged to introduce these taxes under the Recovery and Resilience Plan.

Given the very difficult circumstances (high prices, stratospheric cost of living and energy poverty) currently faced by the majority of households and small and medium-sized businesses in Cyprus and the fact that country is relatively behind with regard to its green transition, can the Commission answer the following:

1. Bearing in mind the lack of infrastructure and the high prices and energy poverty that exist in Cyprus, can the Recovery Fund be revised to avoid green taxes, with a view to minimising pressure on households and businesses in Cyprus?
2. Given that there is no European directive or regulation imposing green taxes, is there a legal obligation to implement the measure?

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¹ (<https://www.sigmalive.com/news/oikonomia/1265209/ypik-perithwrio-mekhri-maio-ghia-prasini-forologhia-apomenoy-n-telikes-pinelies>)