

**Question for written answer E-002005/2025
to the Commission**
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Subject: Local content in the Clean Industrial Deal

The European renewable energy industry is facing a structural crisis. While global manufacturing of clean tech components has grown rapidly, European manufacturers are steadily losing market share and competitiveness. Lower-cost imports from Asia and market barriers in the United States are accelerating the decline. Recent months have seen closures and lay-offs across the wind, solar and storage sectors, affecting at least France, Germany, Italy, Denmark, Austria, Spain and Sweden. Meanwhile, non-EU products – mainly from Asia – are increasingly dominating the European market.

The industry welcomes the Clean Industrial Deal's inclusion of local manufacturing as a strategic pillar. However, to be effective, measures must be sufficiently broad and impactful. Countries such as the United States, India and Brazil already apply 50-60 % local content requirements across much of the value chain.

Therefore:

1. What measures will ensure that EU content requirements are broad and effective across the full renewable energy supply chain?
2. Will the Commission consider drawing on current international models, such as those implemented in the United States, India or Brazil?
3. How will local content be defined and monitored to ensure the manufacturing of high-value components in the EU, guaranteeing a true 'Made in Europe' approach – not merely 'Assembled in Europe'?

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