

Question for written answer E-002632/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Consequences of the blackout in Spain and Portugal and the risks of an ideologically driven energy transition

On 28 April 2025, a major blackout severely affected Spain and Portugal, leaving millions of citizens without power for several hours. According to various reports, the main cause was grid instability resulting from a high dependency on solar and wind energy sources, combined with unfavourable weather conditions. This incident highlights the real risks of an energy transition driven by ideological dogma rather than technical or strategic considerations.

1. Does the Commission acknowledge that a forced energy transition, without ensuring stable backup capacity, can endanger the security of electricity supply in the Member States?
2. What measures does the Commission propose to ensure that national electricity systems are resilient to adverse weather events, especially in the context of a high share of intermittent renewable energy?
3. Is the Commission considering revising its current energy policies to allow Member States to maintain or strengthen conventional energy sources, such as nuclear or gas, in order to safeguard national energy security?

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