

**Question for written answer E-004196/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Fresh concerns about the viability of Europe's wind industry in the face of competition from China and the low contribution of renewable energy globally

According to the Statistical Review of World Energy published by the Energy Institute¹, renewable energy accounts for only a very small proportion (around 5 %) of the world's primary energy and this is increasing more slowly than expected, while fossil fuels still do the heavy lifting.

Meanwhile, *Nikkei Asia*² also points out that European wind turbine manufacturers are facing stiff competition from Chinese companies, whose much lower costs and huge industrial capacity allow them to dominate the market and threaten the long-term viability of the European industry.

The threats facing the sector are nothing new, but they are becoming more serious. This situation therefore raises the question of whether it is appropriate to continue funding an intermittent, costly technology that is criticised for its impact on biodiversity and the landscape and does not necessarily generate any profits or give the EU strategic autonomy.

1. Does the Commission dispute the above analyses?
2. How does it intend to protect the European wind industry from Chinese competition while also ensuring that it does not become more dependent on imports?

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¹ Energy Institute, Statistical Review of World Energy 2024, <https://www.energyinst.org/statistical-review>

² 'China's wind turbine makers boost production in India's growing market', Kozi Izumi, 6 September 2025, <https://asia.nikkei.com/business/energy/china-s-wind-turbine-makers-boost-production-in-india-s-growing-market>