

**Question for written answer E-004440/2025  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
**Dan-Ştefan Motreanu (PPE)**

**Subject:** Accelerating the transition: ensuring fossil fuel companies invest in Europe's renewable future

A new study published in *Nature Sustainability* reveals that fossil fuel giants remain largely absent from the renewable energy transition, owning only 1.8 % of Europe's renewable assets and 1.42 % globally.

This limited involvement highlights a missed economic opportunity: investing in renewable energy sources within Europe would not only drive innovation and competitiveness but also create high-quality jobs, strengthen energy security, and reduce Europe's dependence on volatile fossil markets. For countries such as Romania, increased renewable investment could boost regional development, attract new industries, and lower energy costs for households and businesses.

Given these strategic and economic benefits, what steps does the Commission plan to take to incentivise or require fossil fuel companies to increase their investments in renewable energy within the EU substantially, ensuring that the transition supports Europe's economic resilience and benefits all Member States equally?

Submitted: 10.11.2025