

Public consultation on the renewable energy framework for the decade ahead

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Introduction

An increased uptake of renewable energy sources (RES) will contribute to energy security, energy affordability, Europe's competitiveness, and the achievement of the 2040 EU climate target [1]. Whilst the share of renewables in the EU energy mix has doubled in 13 years reaching 25.2% renewables share in 2024, deployment rates need to accelerate substantially. Electricity is leading the way with a 47.5% renewables share. Heating and cooling (26.7%) and transport (11.2%) are lagging behind.

As announced in [the Commission Work Programme 2026](#), the European Commission plans to keep Europe on track to meet its climate goals and put forward an enabling framework for the decade ahead, securing Europe's competitiveness and sustainability, including setting up the renewable energy framework and the phase-out of fossil fuel subsidies. The overarching objectives of the updated renewable energy framework for the decade ahead will be to strengthen the EU's competitiveness and resilience by securing reliable and affordable homegrown energy for European citizens, businesses and industry, and to ensure that renewables contribute to the achievement of the 2040 EU climate target in a cost-effective and environmentally sustainable way. In this context, the strategic objectives would be to accelerate investments into homegrown renewables in a cost-effective manner; to strengthen the enabling framework to help integrate renewable power into the electricity sector; to improve energy system integration and facilitate electrification across demand sectors; to incentivise the uptake of renewable fuels and technologies that are not yet cost-competitive, while preserving competitiveness of the economy, and to stimulate innovation; to improve the bioenergy framework; to ensure predictability and certainty of the energy transition pathway; and to streamline the overall framework and regulatory and administrative procedures.

The post-2030 renewables framework will be developed in coherence with the revision of [the Governance Regulation](#) (for which [a call for evidence and public consultation](#) was open until 19 March 2026), the 2040 Climate Law, the energy efficiency framework, the updated EU Emissions Trading System, as well as other legislation and initiatives with impacts on renewables. It will succeed the existing Renewable Energy Directive (RED), as well as build on the Clean Industrial Deal, the Affordable Energy Action Plan, the European Grids Package, the Strategic Roadmap on Digitalisation and AI in the Energy Sector, the Electrification Action Plan and the Heating and Cooling Strategy.

In this context, the Commission is launching a public consultation to gather views from all interested parties, focusing on:

1. General questions
2. Enabling framework
3. Integration of renewables into the electricity system
4. Energy system integration across energy carriers, infrastructure and consumption sectors
5. Innovative and emerging technologies and forms of renewable energy deployment
6. Bioenergy sustainability
7. Union renewable energy financing mechanism

The results of this consultation will feed into the preparation of the updated renewable energy framework.

You can save your replies as a draft and finish them later. You can choose to only answer the sections and specific questions which are relevant to you.

[1] On 2 July 2025, the European Commission proposed an amendment to the European Climate Law to set an intermediate EU target for reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 90% by 2040 compared to 1990 levels. In December 2025, the co-legislators reached a provisional agreement on the amendment supporting a 90% emission reduction target, allowing for international credits to contribute to this target with up to 5%.

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- Kenya
- Kiribati
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Nevis
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Part I: General questions

Q1: How important are the following factors in hindering or slowing down progress towards a higher share of renewables in the EU?

Regulatory	
Lack of implementation of the EU legislation in Member States	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Complexity of the EU legislation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Complexity in the national implementation of EU legislation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Gaps in the EU legislation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Administrative and regulatory barriers at national level	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Insufficient or uncertain business case (economic viability)	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Deployment	
Lack of public acceptance and participation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Lack of information and awareness	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Competing land uses	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Lack of cooperation between Member States	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
High costs of renewable energy technologies	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Low investment rate by utilities	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Low and/or uncertain remuneration of renewables in electricity markets	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Access to grid connection: physical or geographical constraints</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Access to grid connection: administrative constraints</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Access to financing</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Insufficient support for innovative renewable energy technologies and forms of renewables deployment</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Lack of skilled workforce	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Supply chain constraints for technologies, components or raw materials	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Consumption of renewables	
High cost of electrification solutions	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
High cost of renewable fuel solutions, including price of renewable fuels	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

High cost of renewable heat solutions	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Lack of electrification solutions	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Lack of demand flexibility or storage capacity	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Unfavourable electricity-to-fossil price ratio	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Access to financing	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Access to grid connection: physical or geographical constraints	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Access to grid connection: administrative constraints	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Lack of skilled workforce	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Supply chain constraints for technologies, components or raw materials	<p>Maximum 1 selection(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Lack of infrastructure for renewable fuels	<p>Maximum 1 selection(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

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The current geopolitical crisis makes acceleration the only credible policy response. The most critical barrier is lack of implementation, not legislative gaps: all 27 Member States are under infringement for incomplete RED transposition. On technology costs: whilst CAPEX for renewables remains high compared to fossil fuels, OPEX is minimal. The challenge is bridging the upfront financing gap through stable, bankable frameworks and targeted investment support, not treating cost as a fundamental barrier. On the electricity-to-fossil price ratio: this is a structural distortion driven by insufficient carbon pricing and persistent fossil fuel subsidies. EREF welcomes the expected proposal on energy taxation as a crucial step. The framework must ensure clear priority access for renewables, binding national targets, non-discriminatory grid access for independent producers and SMEs, and enabling conditions for storage, demand response, flexibility, electrification while supporting all RES.

Q2: In the context of the revision of the Governance Regulation, the Commission has [asked for evidence](#) in the period between 18 December 2025 and 19 March 2026 on the preferred target architecture for the energy post-2030 framework.

In case you have not participated in the consultation on the Governance Regulation by the 19 March 2026 deadline, the following question on the revision of the Governance Regulation is replicated here:

Currently, the EU has a 2030 renewable energy target with voluntary national contributions. In your view, what should be the design **to support the necessary renewables uptake** to meet the EU’s 2040 climate objectives?

Use drag&drop or the up/down buttons to change the order or accept the initial order.

- ⋮ **Option 1:** Continue with the current structure of binding EU targets for renewables and energy efficiency, supported by national contributions guided by formulas (Based on the formulas for Member States contributions on renewable energy and energy efficiency under the current governance framework)
- ⋮ **Option 2:** Keep a similar structure with binding EU targets as in option 1 while allowing for flexibilities that reflect Member States' specificities
- ⋮ **Option 5:** Option 1, 2, 3 or 4 complemented/combined with monitoring KPIs for key energy system components (e.g. electrification, waste heat reduction or re-use), while ensuring transparency and comparability
- ⋮ **Option 4:** Define a single, overarching electrification target for the EU, with embedded minimum thresholds for key parameters (e.g. renewable energy, energy efficiency)
- ⋮ **Option 3:** Define a single, overarching clean energy target for the EU, with embedded minimum thresholds for key energy parameters (e.g. renewable energy)

We kindly ask stakeholders should you have something to add or specify regarding the post-2030 target architecture for renewables specifically, please do so here:

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EREF strongly supports Option 1. A binding EU renewable energy target expressed as a percentage of gross final energy consumption remains the only metric capturing all end-uses, all technologies and all sectors, and the only structure generating the long-term investment signals needed to mobilise private capital at scale. EREF's reference trajectory is at least 80% RES in gross final energy consumption by 2040, with close to 100% in electricity. Binding national targets, or at minimum enforceable national contributions with meaningful consequences for non-delivery, are a prerequisite for collective target achievement, as the current delivery gap and infringement procedures confirm. A single "clean energy" or electrification target (Options 4 and 3) must be firmly rejected: neither guarantees that energy consumed is actually renewable. Monitoring KPIs (Option 5) may complement but must never substitute a renewables-specific binding target.

Part II: Enabling framework

Renewables self-consumption & renewable energy communities

Businesses and households can become “self-consumers” by producing and consuming some or all their own electricity. Local actors can also create “energy communities” that invest in renewable energy. Both are set to play a growing role in supporting market integration of variable renewable electricity and reducing consumers' energy bills.

Q3: How important are the following measures for ensuring the wider uptake of renewable energy self-consumption and energy communities?

	Self-consumption	Energy communities
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Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Provide EU guidance, exchange of best practice and/or technical support	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Improve EU financing solutions/instruments	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important

Set indicators to track progress and reinforce monitoring	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Set/strengthen obligations for energy system operators	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Strengthen rights for citizens, SMEs and local authorities	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important

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Independent producers, SMEs and energy communities are essential delivery actors for the decentralised renewable energy transition but remain systematically disadvantaged by frameworks designed around large utilities. The priority is goal-oriented simplification: reducing administrative burdens while preserving and strengthening binding obligations. Simplification must not become deregulation. The most effective simplification measures include use of publicly available data to reduce reporting requirements, standardise grid connection procedures and ensure one-stop-shop permitting calibrated for smaller actors. National objectives for community energy (including the CEP 90 GW target) must be embedded in the post-2030 RED. Strengthening obligations for system operators to guarantee non-discriminatory access and fair remuneration is equally critical. Targets at EU and national level for self-consumption and energy communities provide investment certainty.

Public acceptance of renewables

While the latest [Eurobarometer](#) shows overall strong support for renewables among Europeans, local opposition to certain projects persists, underscoring the importance of continued efforts on public acceptance and participation. Public acceptance can be promoted through direct and indirect participation of local communities in renewable energy projects. This includes financial participation and benefit-sharing, but also procedural participation in decision-making and awareness raising, and the inclusion of non-price criteria in renewable energy auctions, e.g. to promote environmental sustainability or social aspects. Relevant provisions exist under the RED, and further measures are included in the European Grids Package proposals.

Q4: How important the following measures for improving public acceptance of renewable energy projects?

	Financial participation and benefit-sharing	Procedural participation and awareness raising	Non-price criteria in auctions and public procurement
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
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Overall support for renewables remains strong. Social acceptance depends on proactive spatial planning and firm commitment from public authorities at all levels, underpinned by better information and transparent communication of benefits renewable energy brings to local communities. The priority is enabling genuine participation, not treating acceptance as a problem to be managed. Benefit-sharing and procedural provisions can help accelerate deployment but must remain proportionate, transparent and harmonised with existing national frameworks. The EU has a solid basis in RED III; the priority is full implementation, not reinventing systems that work. New obligations must not create duplicate burdens for independent producers and SMEs or disadvantage smaller actors. On non-price criteria: EREF supports their use but cautions against requirements exceeding those already enforced nationally. Criteria must be uniform, simplified and unbureaucratic.

Regional & cross-border cooperation

Regional and cross-border cooperation within the EU and with non-EU countries can reduce overall costs and ensure cost-efficient deployment of renewables. Under the RED, Member States have the possibility to enter into various regional and cross-border cooperation mechanisms to deploy renewables, but so far, their use has been very limited.

Q5: How important are the following measures in maximising the potential of regional and cross-border cooperation in the deployment of renewables?

	Regional & cross-border cooperation
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Provide EU guidance, exchange of best practice and/or technical support	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Strengthen EU support to regional investment planning/coordination	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Improve dedicated EU financing solutions/instruments	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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Regional and cross-border cooperation mechanisms under the RED remain underutilised, a missed opportunity for cost reduction and system optimisation. Strengthening incentives for their use and embedding them in national planning processes is essential. The framework must also explicitly reflect regional differences in renewable resource availability. Regions with high renewable energy potential (e.g. in southern Europe) are well-positioned to become net exporters of renewable energy, provided sufficient cross-border interconnection capacity and market integration are in place. Strengthening north-south electricity corridors, improving the allocation and transparency of cross-border capacity, and facilitating efficient price signals between regions are essential to fully exploit these complementarities, optimise system costs at EU level, and strengthen Europe's strategic independence from fossil fuel imports. These elements must be fully coherent with the European Grids Package.

Financing & support schemes

Approximately €130 billion of investments in clean energy generation are estimated to be needed annually from 2031 – 2040, with renewables representing 80%. In addition, €90 billion of investments are needed annually in the power grid [2]. While the bulk of renewable energy is deployed today with state support, the energy transition should be increasingly based on private, market-driven investments. Public support, including State aid, can continue to play a role where market failures persist. To meet the considerable investment needs towards 2040, the enabling framework needs to mobilise private capital and better target public funding to leverage private investments and de-risk projects.

[2]COM SWD Impact Assessment Report Securing our future Europe's 2040 climate target and path to climate neutrality by 2050 building a sustainable, just and prosperous society.

Q6: How important are the following measures for increasing market-driven investments in renewable energy projects in the EU?

	Financing & support schemes
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<p>Reinforce rules on the opening of support schemes and joint support schemes</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Strengthen the guarantees of origin framework with additional information and rights for consumers</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Simplify the guarantees of origin system and enable more flexibility for Member States to exercise their responsibilities</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Remove barriers to energy purchase agreements including Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Remove barriers to revenue stacking and the combination of multiple revenue streams at EU and/or national level</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Reinforce support for demand-side measures (e.g. electrification of end-uses)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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Europe needs a market architecture built for renewables, not fossil fuel structures into which renewables are forced to fit. Long-term regulatory predictability is essential to make market arrangements bankable and mobilise both public and private capital at scale. The framework must ensure: clear priority access for locally produced renewable energy; accessible and simplified PPAs for independent producers, SMEs and energy communities, with harmonised cross-border frameworks and clearer risk allocation; revenue stacking provisions enabling multiple revenue streams essential for smaller project bankability; and direct supply arrangements enabling citizen participation. On Guarantees of Origin: GOs must reflect actual renewable energy production and consumption — not function as a paper instrument divorced from physical flows. Demand-side support must cover the full range of renewable technologies and carriers, combined with energy efficiency and smart flexibility enablers.

Part III: Integration of renewables into the electricity system

Renewable energy capacity is growing at a record pace in Europe. System limitations that hamper the integration of new capacities into the electricity system need to be addressed, including grid constraints, low electricity demand, and limited non-fossil energy system flexibility, which can be provided by storage technologies and demand response. Renewables also need to be located in areas where they can contribute most to system needs, including alleviating grid congestion. As part of the reform of the [Electricity Market Design](#) in 2024 and the [European Grids Package](#) in 2025, steps were taken to tackle such system constraints. Addressing current system limitations is important for improving the market conditions for renewable electricity, which are increasingly impacted by the reduction of the market revenues they can generate due to the rise in hours of low/negative electricity prices correlated with renewable production.

Q7: How important are the following measures for accelerating the integration of renewable energy generation into the electricity system?

	Locational signals for renewable energy generation and flexibility solutions	Energy storage	Demand response
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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<p>Improve EU financing solutions/instruments</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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System integration challenges are arguments for stronger enabling conditions, not weaker ambition. Building on the market design framework outlined above, the post-2030 framework must ensure price signals that reflect actual system needs: including periods of low or negative prices, which must flow to storage and flexibility solutions rather than going unused. Binding targets for storage capacity, clear rights for project developers to access markets and stack revenues, and strengthened obligations for system operators to actively integrate renewable generation are essential. Cross-border interconnections and regional system integration are equally critical to optimise efficiency and enable higher renewable shares across the EU. Inflexible so-called “baseload generation” (including nuclear) must not be privileged through market design. The dispatchability of hydropower and bioenergy provides complementary flexibility and must be recognised and remunerated accordingly.

Part IV: Energy system integration across energy carriers, infrastructure and consumption sectors

Energy system integration means creating stronger links between different types of energy carriers (such as electricity, liquid, gas and solid fuels, heat and cold), energy infrastructure and consumption/demand sectors. This integration supports the uptake of renewable energy and can help optimise the energy system. It includes a strong focus on electrification of final energy consumption, and for demand sectors that are difficult to electrify, focus on indirect electrification through the conversion of electricity into fuels, such as hydrogen, and other solutions.

Electrification of final energy consumption

Q8: How important are the following measures for accelerating the electrification of energy consumption/demand sectors?

	Addressing electricity/fossil price ratio	Investment in electrification technologies	Grid access for additional demand
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Accelerating electrification is important but only renewable-based electrification delivers genuine defossilisation. The framework must ensure additional electricity demand is met by renewable generation, not fossil/nuclear sources. The electricity-to-fossil price ratio is a central structural barrier: carbon pricing, fossil fuel subsidy phase-out and rebalancing of network charges are essential to create a genuine level playing field. Accelerating electrification must go hand in hand with system integration and demand-side flexibility to ensure efficient use of RES generation. Grid access for electrification demand must not crowd out renewable generation connections. Beyond electricity, all renewable technologies must be deployed where they make most sense: even in most ambitious 2040 scenarios, 50-65% of final energy consumption remains non-electrified: geothermal, solar thermal, bioenergy and renewable gases are indispensable for full sector coverage and must be equally supported.

Renewables in industry

Q9: How important are the following measures for accelerating the uptake of renewables in industry after 2030?

	Electrification of industry demand	Deployment of clean heating in industry	Uptake of renewable hydrogen and derivatives in industry	Stimulating cost-reduction e.g. via support to innovation	Addressing price ratio with fossil fuels
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
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Industry defossilisation requires deploying all renewable technologies where they make most sense: direct renewable electricity where viable, renewable heat — geothermal, solar thermal and bioenergy — for process heat, and renewable hydrogen strictly prioritised for hard-to-abate sectors where direct electrification or renewable thermal solutions are not yet viable. Only renewable hydrogen should qualify as green; low-carbon hydrogen must not receive equivalent incentives. The Article 22a industry sub-target must be extended beyond 2030 at raised ambition, made binding, and artificial multipliers eliminated so reporting reflects actual uptake. Addressing the price ratio with fossil fuels is the central structural precondition: carbon pricing, fossil fuel subsidy phase-out and a genuine level playing field are indispensable. Phase-out obligations for fossil fuels in industrial applications are needed to provide investment certainty for renewable alternatives.

Renewables in heating & cooling

Q10: How important are the following measures for accelerating the uptake of renewables in heating and cooling after 2030?

	Deployment of clean heating in buildings, including through electrification	System integration of heating and cooling through integrated infrastructure planning across energy sectors	Waste heat recovery	Addressing price ratio with fossil fuels
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Heating and cooling remain the most fossil-dependent part of Europe's energy system. The post-2030 framework must place strong, binding emphasis on defossilisation across buildings and the H&C sector. All market-ready renewable technologies — heat pumps, geothermal, solar thermal, aquathermal, bioenergy and renewable district heating and cooling networks — must be equally supported and bankable within a clear, predictable framework. An exclusive focus on electrification is neither cost-efficient nor grid-efficient: renewable district heating reduces grid connection needs and its system value must be reflected in energy prices. Waste heat from fossil fuel plants must be explicitly excluded from renewable H&C accounting. The Art. 23 obligations must be made binding, extended beyond 2030 at raised ambition, and supported by phase-out obligations for fossil fuels. Addressing the price ratio through carbon pricing and fossil subsidy phase-out is the central structural precondition.

Renewables in transport

Q11: How important are the following measures for accelerating the uptake of renewables in the transport sector after 2030?

	Electrification of transport	Renewable fuels uptake [3]	Smart and bi-directional charging for EVs	Addressing price ratio with fossil fuels
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
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[3] Renewable fuels refer to biological fuel (mainly biofuels and biogases) and renewable fuels of non-biological origin, essentially renewable hydrogen and derivatives.

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Transport defossilisation requires both renewable-based electrification and renewable fuels, deployed where each makes most sense. Direct electrification is largely the most efficient pathway for road transport and must be accelerated through simplified EV charging infrastructure and smart, bidirectional charging enabling EVs to contribute to system flexibility. Renewable fuels, incl. biomethane and RFNBOs, must be prioritised for aviation and maritime shipping; dedicated sub-targets for RFNBOs and synthetic aviation fuels must be maintained and raised. Transport sub-targets under Articles 25 and 27 must be extended beyond 2030 at raised ambition. Fossil fuel phase-out obligations and carbon pricing are the central structural preconditions for making renewable transport commercially viable at scale.

Part V: Innovative and emerging technologies and forms of renewable energy deployment

Innovative and emerging renewable energy technologies and forms of deployment (e.g. floating offshore wind, ocean energy, agrisolar, floating solar, renewable fuels, RFNBOs) can contribute to reaching the EU's energy objectives but are currently underexploited.

Q12: How important are the following measures for accelerating progress on bringing to market and scaling up innovative renewable energy technologies and forms of renewable energy deployment?

	Innovative and emerging technologies and forms of renewable energy deployment
Remove national administrative/regulatory barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Provide EU guidance, exchange of best practice and/or technical support	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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The post-2030 framework must ensure full technology coverage: innovative renewables including ocean energy, geothermal, aquathermal, airborne wind, agrisolar, floating solar, floating offshore wind must not be crowded out by frameworks calibrated exclusively for mature technologies. Dedicated support mechanisms, accessible financing and streamlined permitting are needed to bring these technologies to commercial scale. Target and indicator structures should explicitly track progress on emerging technologies to ensure they are integrated in national planning. On simplification: demonstration and pre-commercial projects should be exempted from GBER notification requirements to remove a critical barrier to early-stage investment. Administrative procedures for innovative deployment forms must be proportionate to project scale and stage of development, and not replicate the full burden applied to mature commercial installations.

Part VI: Bioenergy sustainability

Biomass sourcing sustainability

Bioenergy represents half of the EU's renewable energy mix and serves as an important dispatchable, storable, and mainly EU-sourced energy solution. However, specific criteria are required to ensure that the biomass used to produce energy is sustainably sourced, considering both the limited availability of traditional

biomass and the untapped potential of most advanced and sustainable feedstocks. The decline in EU's carbon removal sink - as stated by the [EU Climate Action Progress Report 2025](#), should also be accounted for. The RED sets standards for sustainability and greenhouse gas emissions savings for biomass for bioenergy purposes and introduces the cascading principles [4]. However, the sustainability criteria do not apply to certain applications beyond bioenergy, such as the production of materials and chemicals. Additionally, sustainability criteria are inconsistently applied across member states, indicating a need for a more streamlined approach.

Q13: How important are the following measures for improving the sustainability of biomass sourcing?

	Biomass sourcing sustainability
Simplification of current sustainability criteria in the EU legislation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Reinforcing the sustainability criteria in the EU legislation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Provide EU guidance, exchange of best practice and/or technical support to further harmonise sustainability criteria across Member States</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Set indicators to track progress in compliance with sustainability criteria and reinforce monitoring</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Incentivise production and consumption of locally available biomass in line with local bioeconomy and environmental objectives</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Reinforce certification and traceability of biomass and bioenergy products</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Strengthen EU-level sustainability criteria for bioenergy and further harmonise the rules</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Strengthen obligations for economic operators across the biomass value chain</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

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[4]The cascading principle refers to the efficient use of biomass, by maximising its economic and environmental value in its application.

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Bioenergy is important as a dispatchable, storable and domestically available renewable energy source. Sustainability criteria must be strengthened and harmonised across Member States but not restrict bioenergy's role as a flexibility and system integration resource. The REPowerEU biomethane target of 35 bcm must form the baseline for an appropriately raised post-2030 trajectory. Harmonised EU-level criteria and adequate default values for sustainable feedstocks — incl. advanced and locally available biomass such as residues and energy crops — are essential to reduce the certification burden on small and independent operators who cannot afford external GHG calculations. Missing standard values for certain feedstocks, including more environmentally sustainable substrates, create disproportionate burdens for smaller biogas producers. A comprehensive lifecycle accounting framework must fairly reward the full GHG contribution of biogases and biomethane, including neg. emission potential.

Q14: What should be the scope of sustainability criteria for biomass sourcing?

Sustainability criteria should apply to biomass used for...

Maximum 1 selection(s)

- producing energy only, in line with today's framework
- certain other purposes beyond producing energy (please specify which other purpose(s) in comment below)
- all purposes, excluding food and feed production

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Limiting sustainability criteria to energy applications only creates an uneven playing field and risks diverting unsustainable biomass towards materials and chemicals while energy applications are held to higher standards. A consistent lifecycle accounting framework must apply across all biomass uses to ensure genuine sustainability, fair competition and coherent signals across the bioeconomy.

Bioenergy use optimisation

Bioenergy is a versatile energy source, that can be used to produce energy across multiple end uses as well as to provide storage and enhance energy security. However, due to its limited availability, it should be used in an efficient way focusing on sectors where it has the highest economic and environmental added value, and primarily in applications that cannot be electrified. These considerations are not reflected in the current EU legislative framework. Implementing bioenergy optimisation strategies can provide benefits for the whole energy system, for instance by incentivising the shift towards more sustainable and heterogeneous biomass from different sources – such as certain forestry and agricultural residues - and by ensuring bioenergy facilities contribute to addressing the flexibility needs of the system.

Q15: How important are the following measures for optimising the use of bioenergy?

	Bioenergy use optimisation
Promote the role of bioenergy to provide energy storage and resilience	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
Incentivise co-production of bio-based products and bioenergy within the same facilities	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Require new facilities to increase output efficiency</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Require new facilities to operate more flexibly, together with other renewable technologies, as needed</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Retrofit existing facilities to increase output efficiency and operate more flexibly</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Prioritise bioenergy use in hard-to-decarbonise sectors</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

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Bioenergy's highest system value lies in its dispatchability and storability. The framework must incentivise bioenergy facilities to operate as flexibility providers with remuneration reflecting peak load provision and balancing services, not just continuous output. Bioenergy cogeneration, delivering both heat and electricity precisely when demand is highest, is a particularly valuable application that must be explicitly supported. Retrofitting existing facilities to operate more flexibly alongside variable wind and solar is cost-effective and should be prioritised. Hybrid systems integrating bioenergy with heat pumps, solar thermal and storage further enhance resilience and system efficiency. Prioritising bioenergy in hard-to-decarbonise sectors — industrial process heat, long-duration storage and balancing power — is the correct allocation principle. Co-production of bio-based products and bioenergy should be incentivised to maximise the value of limited sustainable biomass.

Part VII: Union renewable energy financing mechanism

The Renewable Energy Financing Mechanism (RENEWFM) allows a cost-effective deployment of renewables by bringing together EU Member States that have low availability of domestic resources and others that have more favourable conditions for renewables deployment. A primary objective of the mechanism as established in the Governance Regulation is to contribute to renewables target achievement, helping to cover a potential gap towards the 2030 Union target for renewable energy (gap-filling function). A second objective of the mechanism as set out in the RED is to support renewable energy deployment across the Union by contributing to the enabling framework (enabling function). Under the enabling function, Union-wide auctions financed by EU funds may be considered. The mechanism kicked off in September 2023, and interest and participation of Member States is gradually increasing but remains limited.

Q16: How important are following factors in hindering the participation Member States in the RENEWFM?

	Member States' participation in RENEWFM
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Administrative barriers	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Lack of legal or economic incentives	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Existence of better alternatives (e.g. statistical transfers)	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Complexity of the procedure	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Limited familiarity with the mechanism/early stage of mechanism implementation	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important

Comment or specify other factors, if any:

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Limited familiarity and procedural complexity are the primary barriers, but the deeper issue is that RENEWFM is not yet perceived as a reliable, long-term financing and de-risking tool. To fulfil its gap-filling function, the mechanism must become genuinely familiar and attractive to Member States: through simplification, clearer guidance and stronger incentives. Beyond gap-filling, RENEWFM has significant untapped potential as an enabling framework for renewable energy: supporting de-risking for investors, banks and insurers, and providing the long-term perspective that private capital needs to commit to renewable energy deployment at scale.

Q17: How important are the following factors in hindering the participation of project developers in the RENEWFM?

	Project developers' participation in RENEWFM
Eligibility conditions	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Structure of the grant	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Complexity of the procedure	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important
Lack of long-term visibility on auctions schedule and budget	<i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - important <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important

<p>Limited familiarity with the mechanism/early stage of mechanism implementation</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
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For project developers, the central barriers are procedural complexity and the absence of long-term visibility on auction schedules and budgets. Renewable energy investment decisions require stable, predictable frameworks over multi-year horizons. Short-term or uncertain auction pipelines undermine bankability and prevent developers from committing resources to participate. As noted above, RENEWFM must evolve into a genuine de-risking instrument providing the political and regulatory stability that investors, banks and insurers need. Eligibility conditions and grant structures should be designed with smaller independent producers and SMEs explicitly in mind, ensuring the mechanism is accessible beyond large utilities.

Q18: How important are the following measures for optimising the use of the RENEWFM?

	Optimised use of RENEWFM
<p>Strengthened and explicit mandate for Union-funded auctions</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>EU guidance, exchange of best practice and/or technical support</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Use of financial instruments (Contracts for Difference or repayable forms of support)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Set/strengthen obligations for Member States</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Review the rules for statistical allocation of renewable consumption</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Expand the technology scope (e.g. flexibility)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

<p>Allow other tender designs (e.g. demand-focused)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Develop synergies with other EU programmes (e.g. Innovation Fund)</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>No EU-level provisions are needed</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>
<p>Simplify EU legislation</p>	<p><i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - not important</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - somewhat important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - neutral</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 - important</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - very important</p>

Maintain the current framework

Maximum 1 selection(s)

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- 2 - somewhat important
- 3 - neutral
- 4 - important
- 5 - very important

Comment or specify other measures you would propose, if any:

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