
AKE 5: European Energy Policy

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An Energy Policy for Europe — •JEAN-CLAUDE SCHWARTZ —
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The point of departure of a European energy policy is threefold: combating climate change, promoting jobs and growth, and limiting the EU's external vulnerability to gas and oil imports.

To achieve these objectives, the Commission proposes to focus on a number of energy related measures: improving energy efficiency; raising the share of renewable energy in the energy mix, as well as new

measures to ensure that the benefits of the internal energy market reach everyone; reinforcing solidarity among Member States, with a more long term vision for energy technology development; a renewed focus on nuclear safety and security; and determined efforts for the EU to "speak with one voice" with its international partners, including energy producers, energy importers and developing countries.

The European Commission' Strategic Energy Review is an important step towards an effective energy policy for Europe. The Review includes a ten-point energy Action Plan with a timetable of measures to put the EU on course to achieve the new strategic objective. A first package of concrete measures is presented with the Action Plan.