

**Question for written answer E-000656/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Bottlenecks in the electricity sector

A Danish newspaper has reported that, according to calculations supplied by Sweden's energy regulator, between 2012 and 2014 Denmark, Sweden and Norway lost out on around one million Danish kroner because they were unable to export electricity to Germany.

In addition, Danish producers of environmentally friendly power generated by wind turbines were only able to sell their electricity to Germany for 13% of the time in 2015.

Can the Commission confirm that there are bottlenecks in the EU's electricity sector?

Where in the EU are the worst such bottlenecks?

What steps is the Commission taking to prevent such problems in the electricity sector?