

**Question for written answer E-001665/2016
to the Commission**
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Subject: Energy market design

The draft for the new energy market design envisages stronger integration in the area of electricity between retail and wholesale markets in order to better integrate renewable energies into the market. The draft does not, however, provide that renewable energies are also assumed into the system of responsibility, thereby creating the same rules for all market participants in the electricity market.

1. Necessary uniform regulatory conditions would include market regulations, prequalification for operating reserve and a calculation for balancing energy. What is the Commission's view of a harmonisation of these factors?
2. What role should ever smaller intervals for stock market times of energy products and shorter schedule logging play in the alignment of volatile feed-ins?
3. Alongside wholesale and retail there are also balancing energy markets, capacity markets and more. What is the Commission's view of the proposal to open these markets and bring them together so that innovative service providers have the necessary flexibility with the feed-in of volatile renewable energy?