Question for written answer E-001733/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Carolina Punset (ALDE)

Subject: Certification of the origin of 100 % of electricity generated

Directive 2009/28/EC stipulates that all EU countries must be able to guarantee the origin of electricity produced from renewable energy sources.

In Spain there are guarantees of origin the aim of which is to provide detailed information to consumers on the origin of the energy they receive and are able to take well-founded decisions on their electricity purchases.

The Spanish regulator offers, to those renewable energy producers who so request, certification of the kWh generated from those sources, which can be transferred to those who place the energy on the market.

According to advance data from the Spanish regulator, in 2015, the issuance of certification through guarantees of origin covered 26.8% of national production, even though the latter represents 60.3% of national production from renewable energy sources and cogeneration; this shows how little incentive there is to obtain this certification, which is free of charge in Spain.

Does the Commission not agree that mechanisms should be established in order to encourage 100% certification of all the green energy produced by the Member States, as a means of promoting it?

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