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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
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European Energy Security Strategy
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Amendment 1
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Amendment

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 2
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

1. Believes that the key objective of medium to long term energy security, enabling constant supply at competitive prices, must be to ensure that no Member State, or the EU collectively, is unduly vulnerable to disruption from a single energy supplier;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Antonio López-Istúriz White, Filiz Hyusmenova, Eva Paunova, Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year; ***takes the view that the main condition for the creation of the future European Energy Union is the completion of an integrated internal energy market, which requires full implementation of the regulatory framework, - Third Energy Package -, sufficient energy interconnections between Member States and modernization of the grids;***

Or. en

Amendment 4
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year; ***stresses that the EU cannot afford a continued fragmentation of the energy market;***

Or. en

Amendment 5
Kaja Kallas

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, **and** recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Amendment

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices, **and eventually retail prices**, in the electricity sector ; recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Or. en

**Amendment 6
Jens Nilsson, Liisa Jaakonsaari**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

1. Underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Amendment

1. ***Emphasises that a policy for energy security is made up of various elements, with improved preparedness for disruptions in energy supply, cooperation and coordination in relations with third countries and new infrastructure being just as important as, and developed in a way that chimes with, ambitions to develop renewable energy, implement energy efficiency measures and cut greenhouse gas emissions;*** underlines the positive impact that market integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the completion of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Or. sv

Amendment 7
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 – point 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(1) Stresses that a genuine single energy market must guarantee universal cohesive access, with fair prices and a high level of consumer protection, particularly for the most vulnerable consumers; calls for a minimum electricity and gas supply to be guaranteed that will end energy poverty by setting minimum levels in European households, through an action plan with specific indicators to assess the level of energy poverty and the impact of measures;

Or. es

Amendment 8
Inese Vaidere

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Stresses the need to develop well-integrated energy markets in the EU and to complete European gas and electricity infrastructure networks, particular in the Baltic States;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Underlines the positive impact that market liberalisation, competition and integration has had on wholesale prices in the electricity sector, allowing for more affordable energy to be available to citizens and recalls that the potential net economic benefit that may be gained from the deepening of the internal market for energy is in the range of EUR 16-40 billion per year;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Considers it essential that energy poverty in Europe, its impact on households and the role it plays in the social exclusion of vulnerable consumers should be documented without delay; calls for unstinting efforts to combat energy poverty by means of consistent measures; calls on the Commission to publish a communication on energy poverty in Europe;

Or. cs

Amendment 11
Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Reiterates that Energy markets are increasingly interlinked across the Union and energy volatility and insularity in one Member State could lead to increase supply insecurity, price variations and energy poverty and could have negative impact on the economic competitiveness, and have social and environmental disadvantages for the Member State and for the rest of the EU due to the absence of a complete and functional energy market throughout the EU;

Or. en

**Amendment 12
Dita Charanzová**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Believes that EU energy policy should seek to address the uncompetitive energy prices that have compounded the economic crisis and weakened European industrial competitiveness and which affect the overall energy security of our citizens;

Or. en

**Amendment 13
Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to take due account, when taking further steps to enhance the EU's energy security, of the need for a diverse, balanced energy mix that includes all of the energy sources available in the Member States;

Or. pl

**Amendment 14
Marc Tarabella**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Emphasises the need to implement effective mechanisms for solidarity between the Member States to ensure a continuous energy supply for all EU citizens; in particular, calls on the Commission and the Member States to step up measures to protect strategic energy infrastructure;

Or. fr

**Amendment 15
Inese Vaidere**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to increase the knowledge among Europeans regarding the advantages of the integrated EU energy

market and to promote the efficient use of energy;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Stresses that, with a view to enhancing energy security, the EU should seek to make the best possible use of indigenous energy sources, including fossil fuels, given their relatively low production and transport costs and ease of storage;

Or. pl

Amendment 17
Inese Vaidere

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Notes that coordination between the Member States and the Commission in the field of energy policy would contribute to a greater transparency, strength and efficiency, including when negotiating new contracts and a common, equal system of energy prices;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Adam Szejnfeld

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 c (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Calls for appropriate research and development funding to be made available under EU programmes for indigenous fossil fuel exploitation technologies that will substantially reduce the harmful atmospheric emissions generated by the burning of fossil fuels, in line with the EU's climate and energy policy targets,

Or. pl

**Amendment 19
Inese Vaidere**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 d (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1d. Underlines that the common EU energy policy and strategic goals should be appropriately reflected in its external relations, including the European Neighbourhood policies;

Or. en

**Amendment 20
Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 d (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

1d. Points out that a key way of enhancing energy security is to ensure that the Member States have a diverse

energy mix, achieved through the judicious inclusion of not only renewable energy sources but also nuclear power; believes that steps should be taken to cut renewable energy production costs, as this will allow public subsidies for the renewables sector to be significantly reduced and, at the same time, result in increasingly widespread use of renewables as an alternative to conventional energy sources;

Or. pl

Amendment 21
Inese Vaidere

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1e. Calls on the EU and Member States to continue working towards an effective and interconnected internal energy market that can withstand external pressures and attempts to use energy supply and prices as a tool of foreign policy pressure;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1e. Underlines that the elimination of regulated energy pricing is a precondition for achieving a well-functioning energy market;

Or. pl

Amendment 23
Inese Vaidere

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

If. Calls on the Member States for a speedy implementation of projects to meet the target for a minimum level of electricity interconnections between Member States of 10% by 2020 and 15% by 2030;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

If. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders; maintains that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure, in particular cross-border transmission links, and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

Or. pl

Amendment 25
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1g. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth; draws attention to the key importance of cogeneration, of cogeneration, i.e. generating heat and electricity in the most efficient way possible, by using a single technological process, with a view to both enhancing energy efficiency and reducing harmful atmospheric emissions through the simultaneous use of solid, liquid and gaseous energy sources;

Or. pl

Amendment 26
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 h (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1h. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices; calls for the EU and its Member States to implement long-term educational campaigns to raise public awareness of the various ways of reducing one's energy consumption, instead of introducing a system of requirements, prohibitions and

penalties forcing people to do so; n

Or. pl

Amendment 27
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 i (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1i. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process;

Or. pl

Amendment 28
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 j (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1j. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained, while remaining consistent with the economic competitiveness objectives of the EU and the Member States;

Or. pl

Amendment 29
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;

Amendment

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Or. pl

Amendment 30
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;

Amendment

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;
stresses the need to ensure that petrol and diesel prices are cut by the same proportion and at the same pace as falls in the price of crude oil, whilst monitoring their distribution market shares, which will translate into increased benefits for business and consumers;

Or. es

Amendment 31
Marc Tarabella

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;

Amendment

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices; ***to this end, calls on the Member States to make full use of the opportunities afforded under public procurement directives, especially in the energy sector, so as to promote assessment on the basis of innovation and environmental criteria with a view to energy-efficient buildings and products becoming the norm;***

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Jens Nilsson, Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;

Amendment

2. Stresses the importance of ***standardisation and of*** Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices; ***takes the view that further contributions to energy efficiency policy can be made through improving and further***

developing the legislation on energy labelling and ecodesign, which are also important from a consumer's point of view;

Or. sv

Amendment 33
Pascal Durand

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the information they need to make informed choices;

Amendment

2. Stresses the importance of Member States allocating adequate resources for the market surveillance of the energy efficiency of products, so as to ensure a level playing field for the industry while providing consumers with the *best* information *and the right tools* they need to make informed choices, *to find out how much energy they use, and to reduce their energy consumption;*

Or. fr

Amendment 34
Jiří Maštálka

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

2a. Stresses the importance of providing consumers with energy efficient products as well as with accurate, relevant, comparable and simple information on the energy efficiency of those products for the purpose of allowing consumers an informed choice and to transform markets towards the most energy efficient

appliances;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Points out that, according to the latest edition of the Consumer Markets Scoreboard, the electricity market is one of the four most poorly functioning markets; stresses the importance of action to improve the provision of information to consumers about the breakdown of energy prices and about energy efficiency measures enabling them to be actively involved in regulating their energy use, including the option of changing their provider easily;

Or. cs

Amendment 36
Kaja Kallas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Stresses the added value of integrating ICT in the energy systems to maximize energy efficiency, moderate demand, and lower prices for consumers;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Is of the opinion that energy security and energy poverty can no longer be viewed as a purely national or local problem for individual Member States and therefore calls for a better communication, consultation and cooperation between the Member States and all stakeholders involved to adopt interstate and interoperable joint solutions and proposals leading to strong Energy union security strategy for the completion of a fully functioning, interconnected and integrated internal energy market;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Jiří Maštálka

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Stresses that energy services are essential for all citizens so energy policies must be built on the principle of affordability, calls on Member States to ensure safeguards are in place so that all consumers, including those in vulnerable situations, can afford these important services;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Highlights the tremendous potential of new digital technologies that give consumers more control over their energy use and allow them to make it more effective;

Or. cs

Amendment 40
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

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Or. pl

Amendment 41
Jiří Maštálka

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs

and growth;

and growth; *highlights that energy efficiency measures must be cost-effective, supported by appropriate incentives and properly audited;*

Or. en

Amendment 42
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious, *yet feasible* goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy *while augmenting* jobs and growth;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious *binding* goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy; *stresses that in order to achieve energy independence, it is essential for investment by the EU, the Member States and the regions to be geared to R&I and technologies that will enable us to develop innovative projects, make our SMEs and industries more competitive and create more quality jobs, thereby attracting investment and opening up new markets;*

Amendment 44

Antonio López-Istúriz White, Filiz Hyusmenova, Eva Paunova, Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth; ***underlines that energy efficiency measures at European level are of utmost importance and welcomes in this regard the proposal for the creation of a European Fund for Strategic Investments;***

Or. en

Amendment 45

Jens Nilsson, Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls ***the importance of*** setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Amendment

3. Recalls ***its previous positions on*** setting ambitious, ***binding*** goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth; ***takes the view that energy efficiency is one of the most important parts of a strategy for responding to Europe's challenges as regards security of supply and temporary disruptions; takes the view, therefore, that energy efficiency measures will be a central part of the 2030 climate and energy policy framework;***

Amendment 46

Liisa Jaakonsaari, Jens Nilsson, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Amendment

3. ***Stresses that digitalisation will play an important role in the Energy Union and is a key enabler for improving energy security by increasing energy efficiency and moderating industry and consumer energy demand.*** Recalls the importance of setting ambitious goals for energy efficiency that involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting jobs and growth;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Pascal Durand

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of ***setting ambitious goals for*** energy efficiency that ***involve reducing EU dependence on imported energy while augmenting*** jobs and ***growth***;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of ***speeding up the implementation of measures geared towards achieving the*** energy efficiency target set for 2020, and takes the view that ***energy efficiency – in particular by means of insulating buildings and providing tax incentives – is an effective way of guaranteeing the energy independence of the EU whilst ensuring sustainable growth, developing training, creating jobs that are not vulnerable to relocation, and enhancing the economic wellbeing of businesses, especially SMEs and SMIs***;

Amendment 48
Davor Ivo Stier

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Reminds that it is necessary to strengthen the EU's preparedness and capacity to respond effectively to potential gas supply crises; stresses the importance of the consultations opened on January 15th 2015 by the European Commission aimed at identifying areas where improvements to the current EU rules are required in order to guarantee the security of gas supplies; notes that there is a need for better and deeper cooperation and coordination between EU countries in the field of energy security;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Stresses that remote areas and islands are very often being isolated from the European gas and electricity networks; Calls on the Commission to enhance cross-border solidarity and cooperation and to improve infrastructure investment in order to eliminate energy insularity, improve security of supply and prevent energy supply shortages; reiterates the importance of establishing better

interconnections between energy islands and the internal energy market, improve energy interconnections around priority corridors between EU countries and in particular, between the South-West Mediterranean connection;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Pascal Arimont

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States, bearing in mind inter alia the likely positive effects in terms of growth and job creation, to improve energy security of supply and, in pursuit of the transition to a low-carbon economy, to make full use of the scope that the European Fund for Strategic Investment affords for investing in energy efficiency and especially for promoting efficient urban infrastructure projects;

Or. de

Amendment 51
Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Is of the opinion that alternative routes, energy suppliers and diversity of energy resources including innovative methods from non-EU countries need to be identified in order to ensure a

competitive, stable supply of energy especially for those Member States that are dependent on a single energy source and/or supplier, are detached from the main production and energy transmission corridors or have specific geographic and climatic conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Pascal Arimont

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Emphasises the need to exploit the full potential of renewable energy in the heating sector and to develop smart grids and new energy storage solutions to facilitate the integration of renewable energy;

Or. de

Amendment 53
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Stresses the need to draw up a long-term strategy in the European Union to reduce energy demand; calls on the Commission, Member States and regions to undertake ambitious plans for the modernisation or substitution of traditional, inefficient systems in industry, business and households, replacing them with highly energy efficient, innovative

systems;

Or. es

Amendment 54
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process;

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 55
Antonio López-Istúriz White, Eva Paunova, Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process;

4. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process; ***d******emands for investments on energy efficiency especially in buildings, underlines that important sectors such as tourism could benefit from energy efficiency measures taken at EU and national level; emphasizes that coordinated and ambitious energy efficiency policies and***

measures for the residential sector, are a stable strategic, long-term solution, to energy poverty;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Pascal Durand

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process;

Amendment

4. Calls for stronger attention to be paid to the emerging market for energy services (including energy performance contracting and energy service agreements); stresses the importance of developing standards for each element of the energy efficiency investment process; ***emphasises that the development of renewables would have a positive environmental and economic impact, whilst also guaranteeing the energy independence of the EU; emphasises the need for the active participation of the general public and of local stakeholders in energy management and production;***

Or. fr

Amendment 57
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Believes that renewables have a major part to play in providing indigenous energy supply within the EU, recognises however that not all Member States have

the same geographical capacities to produce considerable amounts of renewable energy in a profitable way;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Believes it must be ensured, without fail, that reductions in the wholesale price of energy products are duly reflected in the end prices to consumers;

Or. cs

Amendment 59
Pascal Arimont

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Reminds the Member States of the recently produced European Energy Security Strategy and calls on them, in that regard, to step up regulatory and public financial support so as to accelerate the renovation rate of buildings and the improvement and/or roll-out of district heating systems;

Or. de

Amendment 60
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses that, since technology is an essential element in reducing energy demand, it is vital to support innovative projects focusing on renewable and clean energy so as to ensure that they are competitive and that they guarantee supply, and to ensure that we are more sustainable; calls for funding for 'secure, clean and efficient energy' as listed in Annex II of Regulation (EU) 1291/2013 to be protected, since it will enable us to become the world leader in renewable and clean energies;

Or. es

Amendment 61
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Calls for increased and better cross-border connections between Members States including more interconnectors, balancing arrangements, capacity mechanisms and market integration which can all contribute to better long term energy security;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Stresses the need to carry out an ambitious investment plan to modernise and update energy networks and to optimise and maximise the use of available infrastructure; calls on the Member States to boost cross-border interconnections with their national networks and thereby maximise their efficiency; highlights the importance of setting binding targets for gas interconnections, as called for by the European Parliament;

Or. es

Amendment 63
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4c. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to guarantee regulatory stability for renewable energies and ensure that investments made in line with the EU's energy objectives are protected; stresses the need to avoid retroactive application of possible changes in the economic conditions governing investments already made in renewable energies;

Or. es

Amendment 64
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4d. Calls on the Commission, Member States and regions to allocate funds for the development of carbon capture and storage technologies;

Or. es

Amendment 65
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders; maintains that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 66
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders; ***maintains***

5. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders, ***notes that***

that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

savings equivalent to €15bn per year (10% of the gas wholesale price) could be possible if existing market imperfections that allow for uncompetitive price differentials between EU Member States are addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Kaja Kallas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders; *maintains* that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

Amendment

5. Urges the Commission and the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) to place more emphasis on combating the problem of transmission curtailments at national borders; *believes* that a ***stronger role of ACER is necessary for a*** well-functioning internal energy market ***as it*** requires both the significant development of infrastructure ***and interconnectors that allow cross border trade*** and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

Or. en

Amendment 68
Pascal Durand

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

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curtailments at national borders; maintains that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules; ***calls for efforts to be stepped up with a view to improving cross-border interconnection and developing smart grids;***

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Maintains that a well-functioning internal energy market requires both the significant development of infrastructure and the rigorous enforcement of existing capacity allocation rules;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Eva Paunova

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Finds it regretful that some Member States are still in an ‘energy island’ as a result of a lack of well-functioning infrastructure connections within the rest of the EU and in certain regions of EU, increasing amounts of intermittent renewable energy cannot be transported to consumers due to the lack of sufficient infrastructure;

Amendment 71
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Underlines that *the elimination of regulated energy pricing is a precondition for achieving a well-functioning energy market;*

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 72
Anneleen Van Bossuyt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Underlines that *the elimination of regulated energy pricing* is a precondition for achieving a well-functioning energy market;

6. Underlines that *regulated energy pricing is detrimental to competition and investment, and its elimination* is a precondition for achieving a well-functioning energy market;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Underlines that the elimination of

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regulated energy pricing is ***a precondition for*** achieving a well-functioning energy market;

regulated energy pricing is ***contributing to*** achieving a well-functioning energy market;

Or. en

Amendment 74

Filiz Hysmenova, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Eva Paunova

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Urges the Commission to implement the measures (as granted in Third Internal Energy Market Package) for ensuring the exercising of the right to choose an energy supplier; stresses that the exercising of this right is not only of significant importance to the consumers, but also further stimulates the wholesale energy markets;

Or. en

Amendment 75

Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on the Commission to expand the internal market and access for bioproducts and biofuels to comply with the European bioeconomy strategy. (Innovating for Sustainable Growth: A Bioeconomy for Europe (COM2012 60 final));

Or. en

Amendment 76
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Points out that, if our business and industrial fabric is to be competitive, the fragmentation resulting from the existence of 28 markets must be brought to an end, guaranteeing balanced price competition within the EU that will make it possible to reduce our costs, which will in turn have a positive impact in terms of creating jobs and stimulating the economy, enabling Europe to compete on an equal footing with the world's leading powers; notes that the single energy market must guarantee access to that market for SMEs, removing technical and regulatory barriers;

Or. es

Amendment 77
Adam Szejnfeld

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

Amendment

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 78
Franz Obermayr

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

Amendment

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained ***without unduly damaging overall industrial competitiveness.***

Or. de

Amendment 79
Eva Paunova, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Vladimir Urutchev

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

Amendment

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained. ***Underlines that the measures meant to strengthen the emission trading scheme should not impact the competitiveness of the energy intensive industry with a view to preventing of business relocation, job losses and brain drain outside the European Union.***

Or. en

Amendment 80
Robert Jarosław Iwaszkiewicz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

Amendment

7. Notes with concern the Commission's interference in the functioning of the European Emissions Trading Scheme, which is leading to an increase in electricity prices in the long-run; notes that investors and the private sector need a stable, predictable and long-term energy and climate policy providing a high level of investment certainty and security;

Or. pl

Amendment 81
Liisa Jaakonsaari, Jens Nilsson, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

Amendment

7. Underlines the importance of a stable regulatory framework in order to attract the necessary private investment in the energy sector; Believes that an improved and more robust emissions trading scheme should ensure that the investments needed to achieve the EU's long-term energy and climate objectives are obtained.

Or. en

Amendment 82
Robert Jarosław Iwaszkiewicz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 – point 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(1) Stresses the importance of domestic

energy sources, particularly shale gas and coal, as alternatives to fuel imported from outside the EU, and consequently as an important element in the development of a European energy security system;

Or. pl