

WRITTEN QUESTION P-2299/03
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to the Commission

Subject: Objectives for energy from renewable sources up to 2020

The European Union first committed itself in 1998 in a White Paper to a 'Community Strategy and Action Plan' to double the proportion of renewables in total energy consumption by 2010.

A significant legislative measure towards this end was taken by Directive 2001/77/EC¹. This directive states as its target that the EU Member States should derive 22.1% of total Community electricity consumption from renewable energy sources by 2010.

No objectives are set beyond 2010.

What progress has been made in the Commission towards setting objectives after 2010?

Has the Commission already drawn up analyses and scenarios providing objectives for 2020?

If so, what are they?

If not, when does the Commission propose to set such objectives?

To what extent are such objectives incorporated into the strategy for reducing greenhouse gas emissions?

¹ OJ L 283, 27.10.2001, p. 33.