

**Question for written answer P-007466/2011  
to the Commission**

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Subject: EU financial instruments in support of energy policy towards Ukraine

The EU-Ukraine cooperation arrangements under the current neighbourhood and partnership policy include financial support instruments funded from the EU budget.

In 2008, Ukraine and the EU signed an agreement on funding to the tune of EUR 87 million a programme supporting the implementation of Ukraine's energy strategy.

Under the terms of the agreement, the funding is provided in two stages, and the decision to pay the second amount will be taken by the Commission once the results obtained by the Ukrainian Government between 2008 and 2010 have been analysed.

With reference to Commissioner Oettinger's answer of 27 April 2011, how has the first tranche of funding for Ukraine's energy strategy been used?

What regulations governing the electricity market have been drafted and implemented in Ukraine?

What proportion of the second tranche of EUR 46 million earmarked for the implementation of the strategy is expected to be taken up, and how does the Commission intend to support continued close cooperation with Ukraine on energy issues?