

The importance of ambitious energy efficiency policies

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The 2020 Climate and Energy Package 20-20-20

- 20% Renewable Energy binding
- 20% Efficiency non-binding
- 20% Greenhouse gas reduction (Emission Trading System)



The situation and outlook so far

- Renewables-Directive: EU on track, but challenging path to 2020
- Efficiency: With all polices today maybe 17% in 2020?
 - Energy Services Directive and Energy Efficiency Directive, National action plans and implementation
- Emission Trading System: Today, complete failure – strong reform of the system needed



Reminder: Mission and Motivation – the Basis for Ambition

- Climate and Environment
- Smart use of our money: Brains, not flames
- Jobs
- Innovation
- Technology leadership on global markets
- Economic growth and fight against economic crisis
- Sustainable Economic Path



Questions related to targets

- Why 3 targets?
- Why binding?
- Why national targets?



2030 – Will the story go on?

Ambition to heal the problems, to fulfil the mission and to reach the goals?



European Commission – Energy and Climate Framework 2030

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- 27% Renewables non-binding, EU target, but no national targets, not enforceable
- 40% Greenhouse gas reduction
- Energy efficiency no target to be seen with interim assessment of EED?



European Parliament – Initiative report on 2030 framework

EP voted 5 February 2014

3 binding targets for 2030:

- 40% greenhouse gas reduction
- 30% renewables
- 40% energy efficiency



Analysis

- 3 or 1 target?
- 27% renewables? While 25% business as usual anyway? D+DK do the whole job, noone else
- Emissions reduction but ETS unfixed?
- Energy Efficiency? Given-up or just postponed?
- European societies and industries need strong political leadership and frameworks as their coach: to be fit and trained for the global championship
- Complete failure of ambition and political leaderhip
- End of substantial and integrative European energy policy



Procedure

- Energy ministers summit in March 2014
- Commission final proposal autumn
- European Parliament election May
- New European Commission autumn



Conclusions and Requests

- Parliament vote is non-binding, but strong message
- Close gaps to 2020 and deliver ambitious Energy Efficiency policies for 2030
- Effectively RES+EE = 45-50% greenhouse gas reduction – go further for Paris 2015
- Strong proposals by Commission needed: Bundle attractive for everyone
- Develop investors security and give political direction
- Be the best coach for our businesses
- Show Leadership!



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