

From Crisis to Confidence in a decade

Homegrown electricity as Europe's future proof strategy

The war in Iran reminded Europe, again, that fossil fuels need to be replaced by homegrown electricity. Fast.

Europe already decided to repower its economy after Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Wind and solar scaled up. The wind sector alone invested **€45 billion** in new capacity in 2025. Wind now delivers **20%** of Europe's electricity. And Europe's wind value chain, driven by **440,000 Europeans**, makes a decisive contribution to Europe's strategic autonomy.

The job is not done. Electricity is **less than 25%** of all the energy we use. That's a threat to energy security.

We call on EU Leaders to treat electrification as a strategic priority, not a policy footnote. It means cutting through complexity. And putting European citizens, businesses and industries first. By making sure that homegrown electricity is abundantly available, flows to homes and factories, and is affordable.

It is a time to lead again. To scale up manufacturing of proven technologies. To ground decisions in facts. To keep climate ambition and political trust. To make Europe a place to invest.

Ready to meet the moment.

WindEurope's 10-point plan to re-build energy confidence



Boosting electricity supply

1. **Fast-track permitting** - treat wind as an overriding public interest; apply tacit approval for the next 9 months.
2. **Make the most of wind auctions** - award at least 80% of wind bids, no more artificial scarcity.
3. **Repower ageing wind farms** tripling their output with fewer turbines.



Connect this supply to demand

4. **Prioritise grid connections** for mature, strategic projects and clear out zombie projects clogging the queue.
5. **Scale up grid equipment manufacturing** through framework contracts.
6. **Multiply EU grid funding by 5** and crowd in private finance.



Empower demand: make the switch easy and affordable today

7. **Zero VAT** on heat pumps and electric vehicles.
8. **Prioritise electrification** in low and medium temperature industrial processes.
9. **Permanently cut taxes on electricity** - homegrown power should be the cheapest power.
10. **Simplify State aid** for industry switching to renewables via PPAs.