R16 A9: ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Towards a truly interconnected and sustainable energy market

Proposers FYEG Executive Committee and DWARS

Motion text

Delete from line 77 to 78:

1. capacity and reducing costs and therefore prices in order to achieve energy independence, by:[Space]

Delete from line 91 to 92:

2. essential step to ensure a functional and efficient European energy market, as well as a necessity for more sustainable energy supply, by:[Space]

Insert after line 108:

3. Based on this framework, to implement and develop a Europe-wide energy strategy for a transition to a green and just energy system policy that addresses energy poverty by:
    1. Developing just transition plans which rapidly phase out fossil fuel usage while minimising the socio-economic disruptions to workers and communities;
    2. Ensuring that all people, especially those with lower income, have access to energy by implementing effective measures that keep energy prices affordable as well as energy supply sufficient, such as a moratorium on energy bills until energy supply and inflation rates are stabilised, a cap on energy prices, and comprehensive storage and connection infrastructure as proposed above;
    3. Redirecting all fossil fuel subsidies into renewable energy projects on state as well as consumer-level, while ensuring that this is complemented by measures that guarantee access to energy, especially of low income households, such as those proposed in 3.2;
    4. Implementing Europe-wide taxes. Firstly, increased taxes specifically on fossil fuel companies as well as a windfall tax and caps on their profits. Secondly, more broadly, a carbon tax on corporations throughout Europe for their emissions within and outside Europe. The resulting funds should

be directed to measures addressing energy poverty, energy infrastructure and the energy transition.

Reason

Through merging the two resolutions a stronger attention is paid to access to energy and energy poverty. Therefore an additional point of demands specifically on the topic is deemed as key.