Dear delegates of the Committee on Environment, Research and Industry,

The topic of this Committee is the question of how EU countries can secure sustainable energy supplies and independence from foreign fossil fuels imports. The links provided below should help you find useful information and give you a good overview about your issue. I encourage you to read and think about problems and solutions, look at the current situation within the EU, find out which ideas have already been proposed and research how successful they have been. What are the mutual goals of the EU and the country that you are representing,

A very short introduction to sustainable energy: <https://www3.imperial.ac.uk/energyfutureslab/about/sustainableenergy>

Scroll down (website) for the question regarding whether nuclear power should be considered a sustainable energy resource:

<http://www.world-nuclear.org/info/Energy-and-Environment/Sustainable-Energy/>

click on the buttons for a short introduction of different energy options:

[www.energyresearch.nl/2/energy-options/solar-cells/](http://www.energyresearch.nl/2/energy-options/solar-cells/)

find out about funding and support for energy projects (more links available on the website –scroll down!):

 <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/area/energy>

Overview energy and the EU: <http://ec.europa.eu/energy/renewables/index_en.htm>

Read up about EREC: <http://www.erec.org>

Biofuels: <http://www.oxfam.org/en/grow/campaigns/what-are-biofuels-whats-problem-them>

The 2020 climate and energy package

<http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/package/>

Articles:

<http://www.economist.com/news/business/21575771-environmental-lunacy-europe-fuel-future>

<http://www.renewableenergyworld.com/rea/news/article/2013/07/what-next-for-the-eus-renewable-energy-targets>

<http://www.theguardian.com/news/datablog/2012/jun/19/renewable-energy-consumption-eu-targets>

<http://www.ft.com/cms/s/0/287fbf4e-4b9c-11e3-a02f-00144feabdc0.html#axzz2tPLlZROh>

EU energy independence/dependance:

<http://www.democraticunion.eu/2013/09/geopolitics-renewable-energy/>

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/document/activities/cont/201304/20130425ATT65196/>

<http://www.iiea.com/blogosphere/eu-energy-import-dependence>

EU publications

<http://bookshop.europa.eu/en/renewables-make-the-difference-pbKO7807244/?CatalogCategoryID=fMEKABst_fQAAAEj0pEY4e5L>

<http://bookshop.europa.eu/en/transition-to-a-sustainable-energy-system-for-europe-pbKINA22394/>

Some ongoing projects in the field of sustainable energy: <http://www.eseia.eu/projects/>

Forbes - Fracking is Misunderstood, It’s the key to energy self-sufficiency

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/halahtouryalai/2012/05/21/fracking-is-midunderstood-its-the-key-to-energy-self-sufficiency/>

 The Guardian - The anger over tracking is real: but the truth is, we can’t manage without gas

<http://www.theguardian.com/business/2013/aug/25/anger-fracking-cant-manage-without-gas>

<http://derstandard.at/1375626649983/Fracking-beschert-USA-Oelfoerderboom>

Be very careful with the following links! They are subjective and persuading!

European Greens - NO to shale gas extraction in Europe

<http://europeangreens.eu/news/no-shale-gas-extraction-fracking-europe>

Popular Mechanics - Is tracking safe? Top 10 controversial Claims

<http://www.popularmechanics.com/science/energy/coal-oil-gas/top-10-myths-about-natural-gas-drilling-6386593#slide-1>