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Feedback to the EU initiative „Strategy for long-term EU greenhouse gas emissions reductions“

Ladies and gentlemen,

the global impact of climate change will, in the light of recent findings, already be much more dramatic than hitherto estimated. Rapid reaction on every level, be it local, national or supranational will therefore be key in answering this global threat.

To great despair have nonetheless not only agencies from outside the EU, but from within the member states of the union itself not only proven unwilling to support but have even attempted to, and more often than not succeeded in, actively undermine the efforts of progressive initiatives to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases through technological means and/or through regulatory adaptations.

Thus I hold it as an evident truth that the overwhelming interest of the citizens of the European Union in securing the unprecedented and admirable state of prosperity, freedom and peace that the Union has been able to grant them can only be and also has to be upheld by these, the citizens themselves!

Regenerative energy sources have proven repeatedly and over a length of time now, that they can not only compete with but evermore often replace traditional means of energy production and are thus an extremely efficient way of reducing the still irresponsibly high output of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in the energy sector. The relevance of the latter will, as I'd like to point out, increase exponentially with the already irrepressible rise of electromobility.

The European Commission as well as the Trilogue have already put forth considerations for a renewed effort to strengthen the rights of prosumers to self-consume energy from renewable sources such as wind and photovoltaics and to clear the path for new business models around the private trade of renewable energy.



Not only would this establish a powerful stimulus for the private acquisition of means of production of renewable energy but would also further the cause of a decentralised, resilient and publicly favoured if not cherished energy system, much along the lines that the development of the internet has taken only a few decades ago.

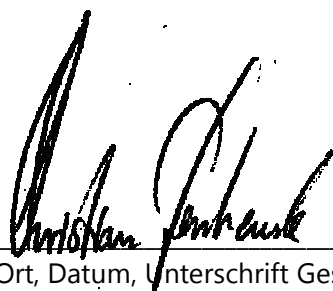
It is vital for a quick reaction to the threat that climate change poses to the citizens and institutions of the European Union to hasten the efforts for a legislative framework to facilitate self-consumption of renewable energy on every level, from industrial solar parks to mini solar plants in private households, and to exert high pressure on the executive and legislative branches of the member states to quickly and without attenuation transpose the impetus of these initiatives into national law.

In addition we would suggest a european platform for the evaluation, support and promotion of emerging private energy trading platforms in order to set standards and raise general acceptance at an early stage.

In conclusion: In times of threat, be it military, economical or ecological, a strong and relentless European Union will not only provide the certainty for its citizens that it will prevail as a source of stability and prosperity but also as a force for progress and sustainability. We, as an organisation for the advancement of decentralised energy production and self-consumption on the smallest level, have great faith in the ability of the European Union to tackle these issues, which national institutions of every level seem to be unable to face on their own.

Thank you for this opportunity to participate in the effort to fight global climate change. We will gladly provide additional information and data if such is required. Please find our contact at <https://machdeinenstrom.de/impresum/>.

With kind regards,
Christian Ofenheule

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