

Open letter to the new EU Commission and Parliament for a self-standing, low carbon, and democratic European Union

We, people of Europe, ask our representatives at the European Parliament and at the European Commission to decisively support the development of a European independent nuclear energy industry and supply chain, in full recognition of the roles and responsibilities bestowed upon them, and of the democratic processes that have resulted in their direct or indirect nomination.

The European Union was born out of the search for peace: on one side putting under control the ways and means of war, and of reindustrialisation, with the European Coal and Steel Community in 1951, on the other promoting an abundant sovereign source of energy that would deliver prosperity, at the necessary condition of industrial, scientific, and decision-making collaboration, with the European Atomic Energy Community treaty (Euratom), in 1958.

The spirit of the Euratom treaty is more relevant than ever for the stability and preservation of the values and hopes of European citizens. It calls for the promotion of nuclear energy and the support for its robust development and deployment to face the major threats posed to our democracies and to our planet today.

The new European Parliament, European Commission, and President, have a responsibility to act according to the principles and objectives of the Euratom treaty.

This responsibility has been bestowed upon them as a result of the European construction, embedded in the roles they have been entrusted with, guardian of the governing founding principles and values connecting the European people. The roles they fulfil today requires them to advocate for, and support, the development and promotion of nuclear energy in general, as a token of its prosperity, and of European nuclear technologies and supply chain in particular, as a token of its sovereignty.

This responsibility has been bestowed upon them as a result of the clear opinion of the European people (more than 60%¹); expressing their support for an energy source that has proven over decades its ability to provide clean, affordable and sovereign energy, in harmony with both the environment and local communities.

Dear President of the European Commission, Executive Vice Presidents, Commissioners, and Members of the European Parliament, we shall be the attentive witnesses, and the active supporters, of your actions in this regard.

¹ 62,37% of the EU population approves further use of nuclear energy.

Signatories of the Open-Letter to the EU Commission in November 2024

Civil society citizen representation

Voices of Nuclear • 18 FOR 0 • 100 TWh • Association des Ecologistes Pour le Nucléaire • Atomkraft Ja Tak • Cérémé
 Comitato Nucleare e Ragione • Deutscher Arbeitgeber Verband e.v • EcoHumans • Econucleares • FOTA4Climate • GISOC
 JedrskaSi • Jihočeští taťkové • Lätz Atom • Mothers for Nuclear Germany • Nuclear Vision Portugal • Nuklearia • PNC-France
 Sauvons le climat • Stimmen der Kernenergie • Svenska Ekomodernisterna • TerraWater Institute • Voix du Nucléaire
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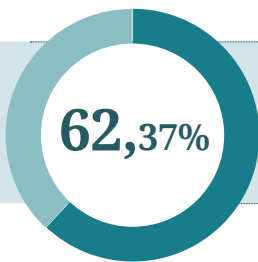
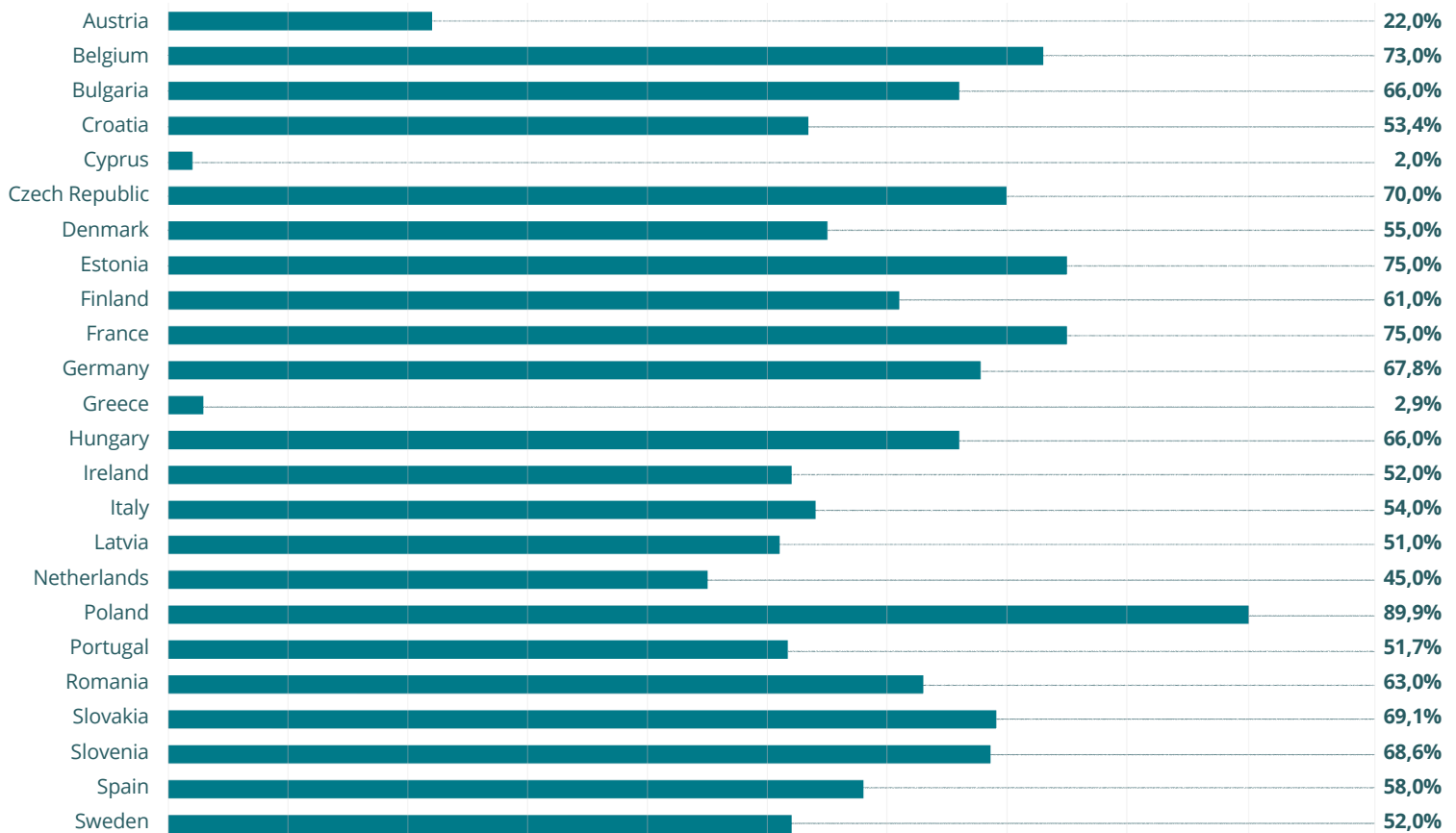


Scientific and technical communities, and professional associations

Austrian Nuclear Society – ÖKTG • BEA – Branduolinės Energetikos Asociacija • Croatian Nuclear Society
 Development and Innovation Training Center • Foro Nuclear • Fundacja Forum Atomowe • Norsk Kjernekraft
 Stichting Enegetransitie en Kernenergie



People in favour of nuclear energy: Latest poll results in the EU



62,37%

in favor of nuclear energy in Europe

= 280,811,450

People in favor of nuclear energy in Europe

We established that the majority of the European people are in favour of nuclear energy by compiling polls across all the EU countries (except for 3 where we did not find a poll on this topic: Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta).

The following methodology was then applied:

- The population of each country comes from <https://www.worldometers.info/population/countries-in-the-eu-by-population/>
- The overall population of the EU is the sum of all these numbers.
- For the 3 countries without polls we considered that none of their citizens are for nuclear energy. Their population was still added to the total population of the EU.
- The number of citizens for nuclear energy in each country is their total population multiplied by the poll result.
- The result at the EU level is the sum of the number of citizens for nuclear energy in each country divided by the total population of the EU.

Austria: https://kurier.at/chronik/oesterreich/atomausbau-fuer-klimaziele-studie-umfrage-oesterreich/402952005?sp_amp_linker=1*1qic5sz*amp_id*eXVYeDIQUXo-0eVl4eUtUekZkMmjsMmZrUjNehN5ZmNQqkKWIRUNDN5T3EzbnRRTGj6NnlwalMxU1BHS3VOTA

Belgium: <https://www.forumnucleaire.be/sondage-nucl%C3%A9aire-politique-2024>

Bulgaria: <https://3e-news.net/bg/a/view/41681/prouchvane-dve-treti-ot-bylgarite-podkrepjat-jadrenata-energetika-i-sa-za-nejnoto-razviti>

Croatia: https://mdpi-res.com/d_attachment/energies/energies-14-08022/article_deploy/energies-14-08022-v2.pdf

Cyprus: <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2021-391-climate-survey-cyprus>

Czech Republic (Czechia): <https://www.3pol.cz/cz/rubriky/bez-zarazeni/3118-podpora-cistych-energetickych-zdroju-v-ceske-republice>

Denmark: <https://www.altinget.dk/miljoe/artikel/ny-maalning-mere-end-hver-anden-vaelger-er-aaben-for-atomkraft-i-danmark>

Estonia: <https://www.nucnet.org/news/majority-in-support-of-nuclear-plant-construction-survey-shows-4-2-2023>

Finland: <https://energia.fi/en/press-releases/popularity-of-nuclearpower-continues-strong-in-finland/>

France: <https://www.ifop.com/publication/les-francais-et-le-nucleaire-adhesion-et-traits-dimage/>

Germany: <https://civey.com/umfragen/14966/sollte-weiterhin-atomkraft-zur-stromerzeugung-ingesetzt-werden-um-die-klimaschutzziele-der-eu-zu-erreichen>

Greece: <https://www.powergame.gr/politiki/693113/pyriniki-energeia-stin-ellada-mia-syzitisi-pou-svinei-prin-kan-archisei/>

Hungary: <https://www.budapesttimes.hu/hungary/support-for-nuclear-energy-grows-in-hungary/>

Ireland: <https://www.thejournal.ie/poll-7-2901401-jul2016/>

Italy: https://www.i-week.it/wp-content/uploads/CS-iWeek-nucleare-IV-edizione_sondaggio-SWG_051023.pdf

Latvia: <https://www.lsm.lv/raksts/zinas/ekonomika/baltija-arvienplasad-runa-par-kodolenergiu-un-tas-izmantosanu-elektroenerijas-razosana.a463174/>

Netherlands: https://www.rli.nl/sites/default/files/ipsos_rapport_inzicht_in_de_opinievorming_van_nederlanders_over_kernenergie.pdf

Poland: <https://www.gov.pl/web/polski-atom/625-polakow-popiera-budowe-elektrowni-jadrowych-w-polsce>

Portugal: <https://mertola-concelho.blogspot.com/2006/03/nuclear-sim-obrigado.html>

Romania: <https://www.profit.ro/povesti-cu-profit/energie/exclusiv-majoritatea-romanilor-considera-ca-reactoarele-3-si-4-de-la-cernavoda-trebuie-construite-fara-in-vestitori-straini-statul-sa-astepte-pana-va-gasi-bani-19505715>

Slovakia: <https://www.seas.sk/en/press-releases/growing-support-for-nuclear-energy-in-slovakia/>

Slovenia: <https://www.primorski.eu/se/prebivalci-slovenije-bi-vecinsko-podprli-drugi-blok-nuklearke-BC1523452>

Spain: https://www.larazon.es/economia/58-espanoles-esta-favor-mantener-centrales-nucleares_202404196620df848e660200016d0523.html

Sweden: <https://www.tv4.se/artikel/vDSwgn7Kxteh2rZGk0B9/majoritet-av-svenskarna-foer-ny-kaernkraft>