

## Parlamentul României Senat

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## **OPINION**

## regarding

Green Paper - A 2030 framework for climate and energy policies COM (2013) 169 final

The Senate of Romania has checked the compliance of the Green Paper Paper - A 2030 framework for climate and energy policies COM (2013) 169 final with the subsidiarity and proportionality principles according to Article 5 of the EU Treaty and Protocol 1 of the Treaty of Lisbon concty of Lisbon.

Appreciating the positive start of the consultations with respect to the EU's position related to the current Green Paper, in the context of a new global agreement requiring that all Member States commit themselves to reducing gas emissions, the **Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of 25 June 2013 was of the following opinion:

- Even if Romania has not yet formulated a point of view regarding the architecture of the framework concerning energy and climate changes in the perspective of 2030, the Senate expressed the concern towards a new international engagement while the EU partners postpone to be effectively involved within the multilateral process.;
- In the current context, it seems to be very difficult to put jointly forward another objective of 40% reducing of the gas emissions, structural schemes for the EU certificates transaction and a modification of the current form of acquisitions;
- Emphasize the fact that the discussions regarding the change of the framework under the EU ETS has not come to an end;

- The international context and the possibility to move towards the 20% reducing gas objective within the ambitious mechanism of the amended Kyoto Protocol;
- The link between costs and renewables is not sufficiently clarified;
- A more in-depth analysis related to the influences of the bioenergetic sources upon the environment is needed;
- Suggests that the European Commission puts in an assessment regarding the schist gas mining at the EU level;
- Draw the attention upon the risk of delocalization of the production and the negative effects, taking into account the economic crisis. Meanwhile, Romania, which has neighbour states ignoring the measures concerning the reducing of the gas emissions considers that the introduction of implementation modalities ensuring financing, flexible mechanisms and technologies changes, is extremely important.

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