

Parlamentul României Senat

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OPINION of the SENATE of ROMANIA

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - REPowerEU Plan

COM(2022) 230 final

The Romanian Senate examined the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - REPowerEU Plan - COM(2022) 230 final – according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon Protocol (no. 1).

Taking into account the report of the Committee for European Affairs, **the Plenary of the Senate**, during its session of November 7, 2022

- (1) underlines the need for Europe to reduce its strategic energy dependencies.
- (2) considers that the REPowerEU Plan accelerates the process of diversifying the supply and use of energy from renewable sources, foresees the anticipated achievement of energy savings and prioritizes electrification, all of which have the potential to deliver as soon as possible the equivalent of fossil fuels that Europe currently imports them from Russia every year.
- (3) points out that in addition to a conjunctural approach, a structural approach is needed from the European Commission on the subject of energy production and the energy market, and in this sense it is necessary to intelligently combine investments and reforms according to specific needs and capacity of the energy infrastructure of each member state.