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Commission approves Bulgarian, German and Slovenian State aid schemes for temporary electricity price relief

The European Commission has approved State aid schemes to provide temporary electricity price relief for energy-intensive companies in Bulgaria, Germany and Slovenia in line with the objectives of the Clean Industrial Deal.

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Through the condition to reinvest a significant share of the aid received in decarbonization measures, these schemes will contribute to the transition towards a net-zero economy.

Bulgaria, Germany and Slovenia notified to the Commission, under the CISAF, schemes to provide temporary electricity price relief for companies in energy-intensive industries. The budgets of the schemes are €334 million for Bulgaria, €3.8 billion for Germany and €90 million for Slovenia.

The Commission found that the schemes are in line with the conditions set out in the Clean Industrial Deal State Aid Framework (CISAF): The schemes are necessary, appropriate and proportionate to accelerate the transition towards a net-zero economy and facilitate the development of certain economic activities, which are of importance for the implementation of the Clean Industrial Deal.

The Bulgarian measure will run from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2028, the German measure covers the period from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028, and the Slovenian scheme will run from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028.

More details to be found in the Commission's **press release of 16 April 2026**.

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