

27 March 2023
Brussels

Subject: ITRE Members must not delay further the European renewable hydrogen Delegated Act

Dear Members of the ITRE Committee,

On 13 February, the European Commission adopted its long-awaited Delegated Acts (DAs), setting the rules to produce Renewable Fuels of Non-Biological Origin (RFNBOs). The text finally brings the required regulatory certainty to unlock investments and kick-start the renewable hydrogen market in Europe, while keeping climate and consumer safeguards in place. It comes at a critical time as other regions in the world adopt strong financial support mechanisms and legislation to create their own renewable hydrogen economies and look at Europe to set a global standard on renewable hydrogen.

We now have a decisive opportunity to keep Europe's competitiveness while fighting climate change. Co-signatories of this letter are committed to achieving Europe's ambitions, but this will not happen without a clear regulatory framework.

European civil society stands united in its call: Members of the ITRE Committee must support the entry into force of the Delegated Act on additionality.

This DA now provides clarity on the supply side, which is critically important to unlock the demand-side and deliver RFNBO targets currently in trilogue negotiations on the Renewable Energy Directive (RED). It also mandates by law, albeit with long transitional periods, the crucial principles of additionality, temporal matching and geographic correlation that will ensure hydrogen production will not be detrimental for the climate.

Europe has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to set ambitious climate standards for the rest of the world and should not waste it.

We are at your disposal for any further information on this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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