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Playing the cards right for Europe's industrial competitiveness

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How do we make good policy in a world where we can't?

"The pooling of coal and steel production...will change the destinies of those regions which have long been devoted to the manufacture of munitions of war."

Robert Schuman

Source:

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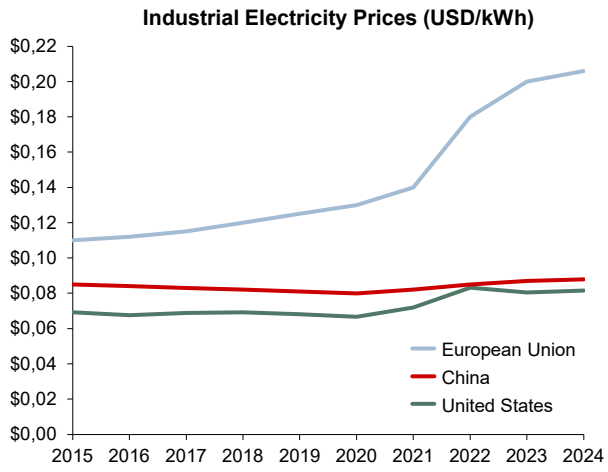
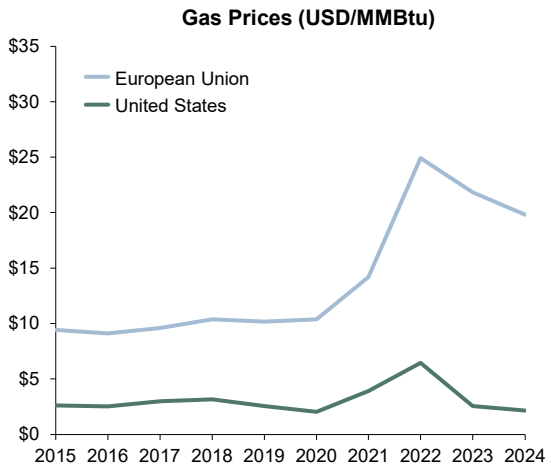
Industrial competitiveness begins with energy





Source: United states - U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), European Union – Eurostat, China – International Energy Agency (IEA)

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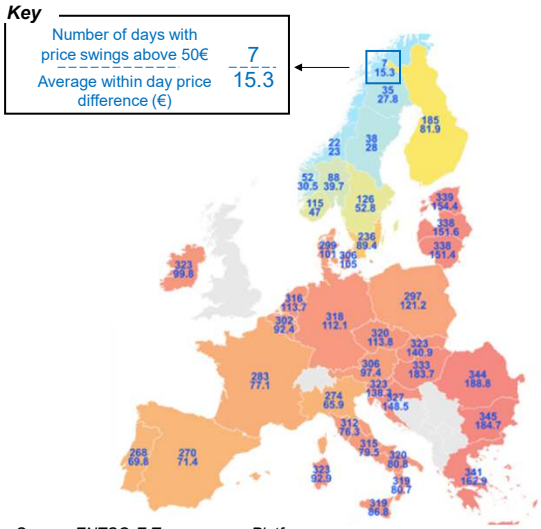
Are we bringing costs down or prices down?



- In 12 EU countries, **solar generation met 80% or more of power demand in at least one hour** in 2024
- **Negative or zero price hours increased** from 2% in 2023 to 4% in 2024
- **Intraday price spreads have widened**. In Q3 2023,18 EU countries saw average intraday price spreads increasing by at least 10% compared to the same quarter as 2023

Source: ENTSO-E Transparency Platform

Source: Ember

Note: Data from 2024

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Priorities for structural reform

1. **Unlocking the full value of interconnection**
2. **Opening the market to flexibility**
3. **Aligning contracts with system value**
4. **Creating a market for long duration storage**
5. **Strengthening forward markets**
6. **Managing the real cost drivers: grids and policy**

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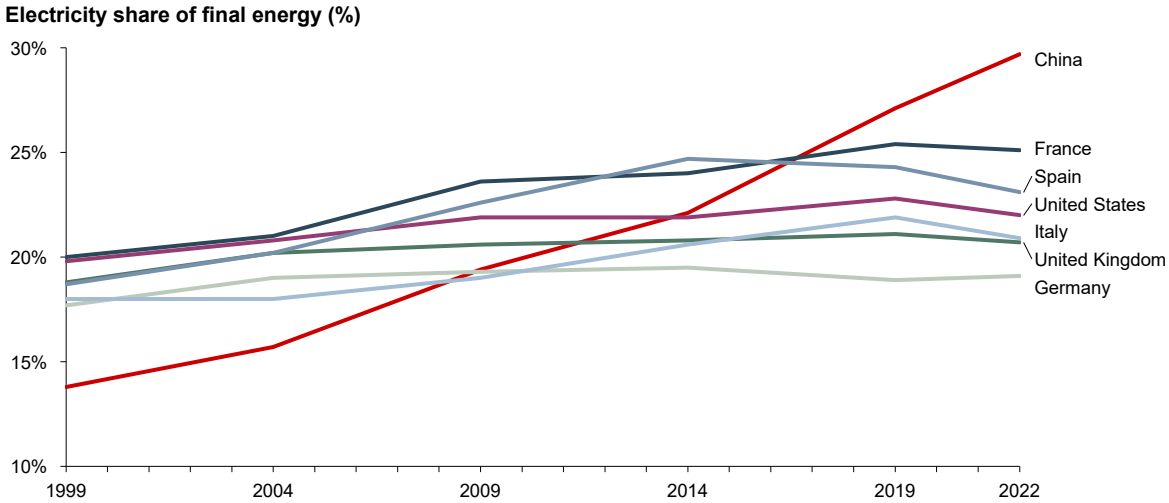
The race for electrification



Source: Enerdata

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