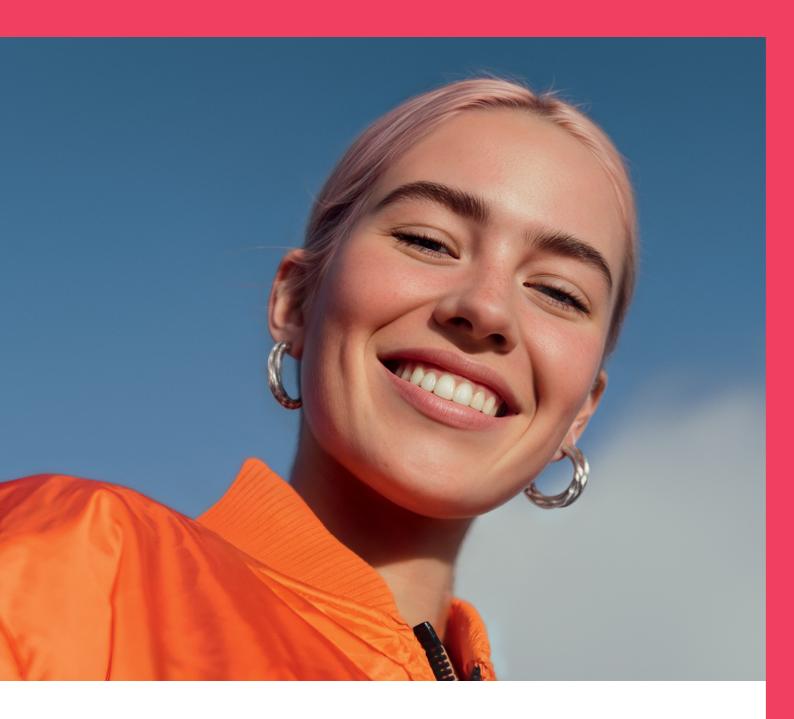
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of Energie AG Oberösterreich



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Group overview

#### **Group overview**

#### Energie AG Oberösterreich at a glance

	Unit	2024/25	Change	2023/24
Sales revenues				
Energy Segment	EUR mill.	1,853.3	-17.6%	2,248.2
Grid Segment	EUR mill.	427.9	13.4%	377.3
Environment Segment	EUR mill.	280.3	4.0%	269.6
Czech Republic Segment	EUR mill.	248.1	5.5%	235.1
Holding & Services Segment	EUR mill.	32.4	9.8%	29.5
Group	EUR mill.	2,842.0	-10.1%	3,159.7
Result				
Operating result (EBIT)	EUR mill.	298.0	-25.2%	398.2
EBIT margin	%	10.5	-16.7%	12.6
Earnings before taxes (EBT)	EUR mill.	299.2	-25.2%	400.1
Dividend per share	EUR	0.6	-20.0%	0.75
Statement of Financial Position				
Balance sheet total	EUR mill.	3,781.6	-3.5%	3,917.6
Equity	EUR mill.	2,098.7	9.6%	1,914.9
Equity ratio	%	55.5	13.5%	48.9
Net debt 1)	EUR mill.	241.9	-28.2%	336.8
Net gearing	<u> %</u>	11.5	-34.7%	17.6
Cash flow from operating activities	EUR mill.	388.2	20.7%	321.7
Profitability				
ROCE	%	10.7	-30.5%	15.4
Workforce (on average)				
Energy Segment	FTE	473	2.6%	461
Grid Segment	FTE	641	5.8%	606
Environment Segment	FTE	848	1.3%	837
Czech Republic Segment	FTE	1,775	1.3%	1,753
Holding & Services Segment	FTE	1,163	4.9%	1,109
Group	FTE	4,900	2.8%	4,766

<sup>1)</sup> Net debt = non-current financial liabilities + current financial liabilities - cash and cash equivalents + cash receipts from futures

## Interview with the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich



**Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Kirchner MBA**Member of the Management Board
CTO

**Dr. Leonhard Schitter MA**Chair of the Management Board
CEO

**Dr. Andreas Kolar**Member of the Management Board
CFO

Video statements of the members of the Management Board are available as part of the online version of the annual report: www.energieag.at/annualreport

#### How can stability be ensured in a market environment that remains volatile, while at the same time developing new potentials for growth in the fields of decarbonisation and digitalisation?

**Leonhard Schitter:** The market environment in which we operate continues to be characterised by geopolitical tensions, price volatility and regulatory changes. Our response is to ensure resilience by means of diversification and focusing on value. Over the past few years, Energie AG has broadened its earnings base to include generation, grids, the environment and telecommunications, in doing so creating a solid foundation that compensates for fluctuations.

At the same time, we have been making targeted investments in developments of tomorrow that promise long-term growth and that help drive the company's decarbonisation. These include renewable energies, heat and recycling solutions, and the digitalisation of our business processes. Integrating digital technologies in every

area of the company enables us to make forward-looking, data-driven decisions and to remain competitive.

Our understanding of stability is not inertia, but instead the ability to shape change. We invest in areas that hold promise for the future, while at the same time taking care to ensure that each decision is a sound one and creates long-term value. This is how Energie AG maintains its position as a company built on solid foundations and a clear outlook for the future: true to its values and dynamic in its development.

"Our LOOP strategy is the compass for our transformation. It combines economic strength with climate change mitigation and social responsibility. In 2024/25 we have picked up the pace: we are investing specifically in renewable generation, grids and the circular economy, thereby creating a stable foundation for the future of energy. What we want to achieve is clear: act reliably, grow sustainably and shape the energy transition with conviction."

**CEO Leonhard Schitter** 

## How will the Group's investment strategy – focusing on grids and generation – be funded and sustainably managed?

**Andreas Kolar:** Our investment strategy has a clear goal, namely the sustainable expansion of energy infrastructure and commitment to the transformation towards climate neutrality. To fund this, we rely on a balanced financing structure that combines strong equity, robust cash flow and long-term borrowing.

An important focus here is placed on ensuring balance sheet stability and maintaining a healthy debt-to-equity ratio, a fact underscored by our strong A rating from S&P.

Investments in the grid and generation activities are supported by a combination of funds generated from operations, targeted capital market financing, and EU and federal subsidy programmes. All the while, we ensure that our financial and sustainability strategies are closely aligned, for example by gradually integrating ESG criteria into our financing decisions.

We employ strict investment controlling practices to manage investment projects sustainably, taking into account both return and sustainability matters. This is how we ensure that the resources we use create not only economic value, but also environmental and social value – in the interests of long-term, stable and responsible corporate development.

"Digitalisation creates a basis to make processes more efficient, sustainable and customer-oriented – and thus to generate real value for the Group. By closely linking digitalisation initiatives with strategic areas of action, such as expanding grids and generation capabilities, focusing on customers and sustainability, we ensure that technological innovations make a targeted contribution to the company's strategy."

**CFO Andreas Kolar** 

## What are Energie AG's priorities in terms of developing generation, grids and storage capabilities so as to drive the energy transition from a technical and infrastructural perspective?

**Alexander Kirchner:** The success of the energy transition hangs on having an efficient, flexible and intelligently controlled energy system. This is why we at Energie AG are focusing on three core pillars of development: generation from renewable sources, grid infrastructure and storage solutions.

As regards generation, the focus is on hydroelectric power, photovoltaics and wind power – both through new projects and the modernisation of existing plants. Projects such as the Traunfall power plant and the agrivoltaic facility in Mining are examples of our strategy to combine regional value creation with technological progress.

At the same time, we are investing heavily in bolstering and digitalising the grids in order to integrate the increasing feed-in of volatile generation in a safely and stable way. Intelligent grid control, sector coupling and storage technologies – such as the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant or our energy storage facility in Timelkam – are key components in ensuring security of supply and flexibility in the energy system.

In the heating sector, we are driving forward decarbonisation by expanding our district heating networks and increasing the use of renewable and industrial waste heat. This is creating an integrated energy system that combines electricity and heat, laying the technical foundation for a climate-neutral future for energy.

"The energy transition will only succeed if we think about energy and resources collectively. At Energie AG, we combine technical infrastructure with responsible use of resources. By investing in renewable generation, smart grids, heating solutions and the circular economy, we are creating a system that brings together security of supply, efficiency and sustainability. Our aim is to actively shape the transformation and develop solutions that are both environmentally and economically sound – for our customers, the region and future generations."

**CTO Alexander Kirchner** 

## What progress was made with the LOOP strategy and the ongoing transformation programmes in the 2024/25 fiscal year in terms of reconciling climate neutrality, security of supply and economic efficiency?

**Leonhard Schitter:** Our aim with the LOOP strategy is to decarbonise the entire energy and recyclable materials cycle. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, we were able to achieve key milestones and significantly pick up the pace in efforts to expand renewable energies, particularly in the areas of photovoltaics, wind and hydroelectric power. One example of this is the groundbreaking ceremony for the Traunfall power plant, representing an investment of around EUR 190 million in the future of regional renewable energy generation. The expansion of heating networks also makes an important contribution to the regional energy transition.

At the same time, we are constantly working to modernise our technical infrastructure in the Grid and Generation business units, thereby ensuring top-level security of supply. In the environment business, we are doing our bit to promote the circular economy with energy-efficient facilities and new recycling methods. At the same time, we are diversifying our business models for our customers – including in the field of e-mobility – thereby creating new value along the entire energy and resource chain.

LOOP is also firmly integrated into our corporate governance. Sustainability is an integral part of all decision-making processes. LOOP has evolved from a strategy initiative to a real framework for transformation, combining environmental responsibility with economic strength to make Energie AG resilient and able to face the challenges of the coming decades.

## How can the Group's digital transformation be successfully integrated with the economic targets and strategic development of Energie AG?

**Andreas Kolar:** We do not view digital transformation as a standalone IT project, but rather as a key lever for implementing our strategic and economic objectives. Digitalisation creates a basis to make processes more efficient, sustainable and customer-oriented – and thus to generate real value for the Group.

By closely linking digitalisation initiatives with strategic areas of action, such as expanding grids and generation capabilities, focusing on customers and sustainability, we ensure that technological innovations make a targeted contribution to the company's strategy. Projects are evaluated using clearly defined economic and benefit criteria and managed in a Group-wide digital portfolio. We are also investing in data skills, automation and cybersecurity to improve efficiency and boost the resilience of our value chains.

From a financial standpoint, our guiding principle is that digitalisation must create measurable added value – whether this be through productivity gains, cost transparency, higher levels of customer satisfaction or by optimising investment decisions. This means that digitalisation initiatives are closely linked to our budget and controlling processes. This way we ensure that technological innovations are in line with the Group's business KPIs.

## What role does the circular economy play in Energie AG's area of responsibility, and how do modern installation and waste management technologies contribute to conserving resources and closing material cycles?

**Alexander Kirchner:** We see the circular economy as an integral part of the energy transition. In our environmental services business, we are constantly working to close material cycles and efficiently recycle valuable resources. Modern facilities in the areas of waste treatment, sorting and incineration enable us to generate energy from waste materials while reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

One focus is on combining energy and material cycles: waste that can no longer be recycled is used to generate energy in highly efficient installations. The heat generated here flows back into our district heating systems and replaces fossil fuel energy sources. At the same time, we are investing in innovative technologies to reclaim metals, plastics and mineral substances to return secondary raw materials to the business cycle.

This is yet another way that we help conserve resources and make a contribution to regional value creation. Dovetailing energy generation and the circular economy strengthens our position as a sustainable infrastructure service provider and is a key lever for the transition to a carbon-free energy system.

## How does Energie AG promote a corporate culture that sees change as an opportunity and drives the energy transition from within the company?

**Leonhard Schitter:** Change always begins deep within an organisation. What we want to do is foster a corporate culture that combines openness and responsibility with the courage to keep developing. With our cultural compass, we provide guidance in a time when macroeconomic conditions and requirements are constantly changing. It stands for values such as trust, transparency and personal responsibility – fundamentals that enable our employees to see change as an opportunity and actively shape it.

We invest specifically in management development, training and internal networking in order to encourage cooperation across units and national borders. Formats such as the innovation board promote a dialogue and support a learning organisation that takes up ideas and develops them further. At the same time, we ensure that the compatibility of family, career, health and safety is a feature of everyday working life – because only those who feel comfortable in their work can also support change.

This creates a corporate culture that truly shapes the future – with commitment, responsibility and a common goal: to make the energy transition a reality thanks to our own efforts.

## Report by the Supervisory Board pursuant to § 96 of the Stock Corporation Act [Aktiengesetz (AktG)]

During the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Management Board informed the Supervisory Board and the Supervisory Board Audit Committee about the activities of the Group and its subsidiaries in writing and orally on a regular basis, and it discussed all important business events with these bodies. A total of four periodical ordinary meetings of the Group Supervisory Board were held in fiscal year 2024/25 along with two ordinary meetings of the Audit Committee. The management bodies gave their approval to all business events, which is mandatory in specific cases. No objections were raised in the course of the general supervisory activities or the audit.

The annual financial statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich for the 2024/25 fiscal year, from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025, drawn up according to the Austrian accounting regulations, together with the accounts and the management report, were audited by Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH, Chartered Accountants. The auditor submitted a written report on his audit findings and assessed that the annual financial statements comply with the statutory requirements, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss, and that the management report complies with the legal requirements and reconciles with the annual financial statements. The auditor therefore issued its unqualified audit certificate.

The Supervisory Board examined the annual financial statements as of 30 September 2025, together with the notes and the management report, as well as the proposal for the appropriation of the profit. The Supervisory Board Audit Committee also examined the annual financial statements as of 30 September 2025, together with the notes and the management report, as well as the proposal for the appropriation of the profit; it drew up a written report and recommended that the Supervisory Board approve the auditor's report, together with the auditor's unqualified certificate, as well as the present annual financial statements as of 30 September 2025, together with the notes and the management report, so as to thus adopt the annual financial statements as of 30 September 2025. The Audit Committee also recommended that the Supervisory Board adopt the proposal by the Management Board for the appropriation of the profit. The Supervisory Board noted with approval the outcome of the review conducted by the Audit Committee and of the audit conducted by the auditor, and established that the Supervisory Board, in turn, has no objections regarding the statements. The Supervisory Board states that it is in agreement with the management report, presented in accordance with § 96 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act, and with the proposal for the appropriation of the profit, and that it adopts the annual financial statements as of 30 September 2025, which is thus established.

The Consolidated Financial Statements for the 2024/25 fiscal year from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025 drawn up in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), were also audited by Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH. The Group auditor submitted a written report on his audit findings and assessed that the Consolidated Financial Statements comply with the statutory requirements, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss as well as the Group's cash flows, and that the Management Report complies with the legal requirements and reconciles with the Consolidated Financial Statements. The Group auditor therefore issued an unqualified audit certificate. The Supervisory Board examined the Consolidated Financial Statements and

the Group Management Report in detail. The Audit Committee also examined the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Group Management Report in detail. It drew up a written report and recommended that the Supervisory Board approve the auditor's report, together with the auditor's unqualified audit certificate, as well as the present Consolidated Financial Statements as of 30 September 2025, together with the notes and management report. The Supervisory Board noted with approval the outcome of the review conducted by the Audit Committee and of the audit conducted by the Group auditor, and established that the Supervisory Board, in turn, has no objections regarding the statements.

By drawing up the Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with the IFRS, the company is released from its obligation to prepare Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with Austrian commercial law provisions.

The consolidated Non-financial Report, which is compulsory under § 267a of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) and is published as a separate part of the Group annual report, was prepared by the Management Board in compliance with the provisions of the Sustainability and Diversity Improvement Act. Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH has independently and voluntarily audited the consolidated non-financial report on behalf of the Supervisory Board in the form of an audit with limited assurance. Based on the audit activities and the evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the consolidated non-financial report of Energie AG Oberösterreich as of 30 September 2025 does not disclose all the information required by § 267a UGB (NaDiVeG). The Supervisory Board agrees with the findings of the audit conducted by Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH and confirmed that it holds no objections against them. It was established that - in accordance with § 243c of the Austrian Commercial Code (Unternehmensgesetzbuch, or UGB) - there is no obligation to prepare a corporate governance report, and that in accordance with § 243d UGB, there is also no obligation to prepare a report on payments to government agencies.

The Supervisory Board would like to express its thanks to the Management Board and all company staff members for their successful work during the 2024/25 fiscal year.

Linz, 17 December 2025

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On behalf of the Supervisory Board

The Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Provincial Councillor KommR Markus Achleitner

## Consolidated non-financial report 2024/25 for Energie AG Oberösterreich

#### General Information

#### **ESRS 2 General Disclosures**

#### **Basis for preparation**

#### BP-1 General basis for preparation of the consolidated nonfinancial report

As per the European Union (EU) Directive 2014/95/EU on the disclosure of non-financial and diversity information (NFR Directive) and its implementation in accordance with the Austrian Sustainability and Diversity Improvement Act 2017 (Nachhaltigkeits- und Diversitätsverbesserungsgesetz; NaDiVeG), Energie AG Group has published the necessary information in a report on non-financial information since the 2017/18 fiscal year. Directive 2022/2464/EU (Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive - CSRD) replaced the NFR Directive. The Energie AG Group is not required to report under the CSRD in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The Energie AG Group publishes the consolidated non-financial report 2024/25, which is hereinafter referred to as sustainability statement, on a voluntary basis.

'Energie AG' hereinafter refers to the entire Energie AG Group and thus to Energie AG Oberösterreich as its parent company and its fully consolidated subsidiaries.

In this sustainability statement for the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG voluntarily observes the structure and selected disclosure requirements of the 'European Sustainability Reporting Standards' (ESRS) in relation to 'Environment, Social, and Governance' (ESG). Selected indicators from the 'Electric Utilities' Sector Supplement of the 'Global Reporting Initiative' (GRI) G4 Sector Disclosures are also included. This sustainability statement does not claim to be fully GRI or ESRS compliant.

The sustainability statement is published on an annual basis together with the Group annual report. The report for the 2024/25 fiscal year was published on 18 December 2025. The previous Group annual report for the fiscal year 2023/24 was published on 18 December 2024.

Energie AG is addressing all of its stakeholders with the following report. The sustainability statement has been translated from German. In cases of doubt, the German-language version shall take precedence.

The report for the 2024/25 fiscal year was voluntarily submitted for independent auditing by Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH. The sustainability statement for 2024/25 was audited in accordance with the Austrian Sustainability and Diversity Improvement Act (Nachhaltigkeits- und Diversitätsverbesserungsgesetz). On 17 December 2025, the Supervisory Board will report to the General Meeting following the end of 2024/25 fiscal year.

Please address any questions on this statement to Karin Strobl M.A., Group spokesperson and Head of Corporate Communications, (karin.strobl@energieag.at, +43 5 9000-3775).

This statement is the consolidated non-financial statement of Energie AG Oberösterreich in accordance with § 267a of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB). The reporting period coincides with the fiscal year from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025.

The entities included in the reporting correspond to the scope of consolidation of financial reporting. For details on the financial scope of consolidation, see **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Scope of consolidation**. In accordance with the legal requirements of the ESRS, all subsidiaries fully consolidated according to the 'International Financial Reporting Standards' (IFRS) and the Austrian Commercial Code (Unternehmensgesetzbuch; UGB) were included in the consolidated sustainability statement.

Companies in which Energie AG holds shares but which are not fully consolidated in the Consolidated Financial Statements are included in the disclosure requirements in this statement in accordance with the ESRS requirements. This concerns, for example, companies under the operational control of Energie AG. These are included in the respective disclosure requirements (greenhouse gas emissions according to ESRS E1-6, energy consumption and, analogously, energy production volumes according to ESRS E1-5, and biodiversity disclosures according to ESRS E4) in accordance with ESRS requirements. Similarly, companies that are included in the financial consolidation as joint operations are taken into account on a pro rata basis in the sustainability statement under disclosure requirements E1-5 and E1-6. Companies that are part of the value chain of Energie AG due to an existing business relationship, as well as companies consolidated at equity that are not subject to operational control and are not part of the value chain, will be taken into account, in accordance with the legal requirements, inter alia, in carrying out the materiality assessment and in the greenhouse gas balance (Scope 3).

The material impacts, risks and opportunities along the value chain are disclosed with the reported information in section SBM-3 - Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model, and section SBM-1 - Strategy, business model and value chain. At the time of reporting, strategies, actions, metrics and targets are only available for the value chain to a limited extent.

In this sustainability statement, no use was made of the option to exempt certain information relating to intellectual property, know-how or the results of innovation from being disclosed.

The use of automated calculation systems may give rise to rounding differences when adding up rounded figures and percentages.

#### **BP-2 – Disclosures in relation to specific circumstances**

#### **Time horizons**

The reporting time frames shall be based on the ESRS guidelines: the reporting period corresponds to the 'short term' timeframe, i.e. one year; the 'medium term' covers one to five years; and the 'long term' covers more than five years.

As part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, in the 2022/23 fiscal year, the Group's previous renewables expansion targets for the period up to 2030 were closely evaluated and a further ambition for the period up to 2035 was developed. The strategies outlined in the sustainability statement therefore essentially cover the period up to 2035. Any discrepancies are noted separately. Details of the Energie AG Group's sustainability strategy can be found in section SBM-1 – Strategy, business model and value chain.

#### Value chain estimates

Qualitative and quantitative information on the value chain is gradually being expanded and supplemented. Where metrics contain estimated information on the value chain, this is noted separately for the relevant topic-specific quantitative disclosures.

#### Sources of estimation and outcome uncertainty

To ensure the accuracy of sustainability reporting, real data was used where possible. Where no real data was available, well-founded estimates were used, see E1-5 - Energy consumption and mix, E1-6 - Gross Scope 1, 2 and 3 greenhouse gas emissions and total greenhouse gas emissions, and S1-13 Metrics for training and skills development.

### Changes in preparation or presentation of sustainability information

Energie AG reorganised the sustainability reporting in the previous year, voluntarily structured the non-financial report 2023/24 to align with the ESRS and further developed it in the 2024/25 fiscal year.

On the basis of new evidence gained since the reporting for the 2023/24 fiscal year, an adjustment of the ESG reporting scope and certain objectives in section E1-4 - Targets on climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation, was carried out in the 2024/25 fiscal year. Last year, when the ESRS scope of consolidation was reorganised, a company that was not included in the financial consolidation due to its immateriality and over which no operational control was exercised was included in Scope 3 of the Greenhouse gas emissions. According to current legal interpretation, Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH exercises financial control over one of this entity's facilities. The new information shows that the direct emissions of this facility are now classified as Scope 1. The values for the previous year have been revised in this report. The explanations for further changes to the previous year's metrics are given in sections E1-5 - Energy consumption and energy mix, and E1-6 - Gross Scope 1, 2 and 3 greenhouse gas emissions and total greenhouse gas emissions.

The metrics in this statement for the 2024/25 fiscal year are disclosed in accordance with the ESRS to the greatest extent possible. Any discrepancies are noted separately. Scope-3 and biogenic scope-2 emissions according to ESRS are reported for the first time in the 2024/25 fiscal year. Where available, written information is provided in line with ESRS requirements. Disclosures about topics of lesser relevance have not been provided.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, contrary to the previous year, the three members of the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich (parent company) were not included in the S1 metrics for the company's workforce.

For the metrics 'employees by contract type and sex' and 'employees by contract type and country' under S1-6, the previous year's comparative figures have been adjusted in this sustainability statement to ensure a consistent presentation. The reason for this is a change in the analysis procedure used, which has led to a change in the collection and valuing of relevant data.

In line with the predominant approach at the time, the metric S1-7, 'Non-employees in own workforce,' still reported 76 persons or 12 full-time equivalents (FTEs) as of 30 September 2024, which were already included in metric S1-6. To ensure consistent and transparent reporting, the previous year's figures have been restated accordingly in this report.

Since February 2025, the existing Waste Management Segment has operated under the name Environment Segment. This re-branding underscores the segment's overall positioning in a circular economy. The term 'environment' encompasses the full range of services, from collection and treatment through to recycling and recovery. At the centre of these activities is Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH (Umwelt Service GmbH). The scope of the Environment Segment corresponds to that of the former Waste Management Segment.

#### Reporting errors in prior periods

Corrections are mentioned in the relevant sections.

## Disclosures stemming from other legislation or generally accepted sustainability reporting standards and frameworks

Since fiscal year 2021/22, Energie AG Group has been required to disclose information on environmentally sustainable turnover, capital expenditure (CapEx), and operating expenditure (OpEx) in accordance with the EU Taxonomy Regulation (2020/852). These disclosure requirements are described in section **EU Taxonomy**. This statement presents the respective shares of Taxonomy-eligible and Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in relation to turnover, CapEx and OpEx.

In addition, selected GRI indicators from the G4 Sector Supplements, 'Electric Utilities' Sector Disclosures, and the relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will be reported.

#### Inclusion of information by reference

Sections in the sustainability statement	Reference		
BP-1 General basis for preparation of the sustainability statement	Consolidated Financial Statements	_	
GOV-5 Risk management and internal controls over sustainability reporting	Group Management Report, Internal control system Group Management Report, Risks and opportunities		
SBM-1 Strategy, business model and value chain	Group Management Report, Changes under corporate law		

Energie AG also provides information on corporate responsibility on the **Group website**.

#### Governance

## GOV-1 – The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies

#### **Management Board**

#### **Composition and diversity of the Management Board**

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich is composed of three members. It was made up of 100% male members in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The average age of the members of the Management Board is approximately 55, with the youngest member of the board being 45 and the oldest member being 64. As of January 2026, a member of the Management Board will be female.

#### Commercial Council Dr. Leonhard SCHITTER, MA

Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chairman of the Management Board

born 16 October 1967; doctorate in law, master's in European energy management. Joined Energie AG in 2023, appointed CEO as of 1 January 2023. Term of office ends: 31 December 2027.

Supervisory Board mandates in material entities included in the Consolidated Financial Statements:

Entity	Position
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH	Supervisory Board member, Vice-Chairman
Ennskraftwerke AG	Supervisory Board member
Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation	Supervisory Board member

Board mandates with other organisations:

Entity	Position	
Oesterreichs Energie	Vice president	
Verbund Hydro Power GmbH	Supervisory Board member	
Association of Industrial Companies (Industriellenvereinigung)	Member of the Federal Board	
Association of Industrial Companies Upper Austria (Industriellenvereinigung OÖ)	Member of Management Board	
Chamber of Commerce Upper Austria	Representative of the industrial sector in the Economic Parliament	
Council for Research and Technology	Member	
Energy Institute of Johannes Kepler University Linz	Vice president	
OÖ Energiesparverband	Member of Management Board	
Trade Association of Gas and Heat Suppliers	Member	

#### Commercial Council Mag. Dr. Andreas KOLAR

Chief Financial Officer (CFO), member of the Management Board

born 5 July 1961; degree in business administration, doctorate in social sciences and economics. Joined Energie AG in 1997, appointed to Management Board on 1 January 2012. Term of office ends: 31 December 2025.

Supervisory Board mandates in material entities included in the Consolidated Financial Statements:

Entity	Position
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH	Supervisory Board member
Netz Oberösterreich GmbH	Supervisory Board member, Vice-Chairman
Ennskraftwerke AG	Supervisory Board member
Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation	Supervisory Board member, Deputy Vice-Chairman

Board mandates with other organisations:

Entity	Position
Trade Association of Gas and Heat Suppliers	Member

There will be a change in the Management Board in the 2025/26 fiscal year. Commercial Council, Mag. Dr. Andreas Kolar will retire after many years at Energie AG at the end of the calendar year 2025. His successor in the position of chief financial officer, Mag. Eva Schinkinger, was appointed by the supervisory board of Energie AG on 27 March 2025 with effect from 1 January 2026.

#### Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Kirchner, MBA

Chief Technology Officer (CTO), member of the Management Board

born 8 November 1979; degree in 'Industrial Environmental Protection and Process Engineering', Professional MBA in 'Controlling and Finance'. Joined Energie AG in 2024, appointed as a member of the Management Board as of 1 August 2024. Term of office ends: 31 July 2029.

Supervisory Board mandates in material entities included in the Consolidated Financial Statements:

Entity	Position
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH	Supervisory Board member, Chairman
Netz Oberösterreich GmbH	Supervisory Board member, Chairman
Ennskraftwerke AG	Supervisory Board member
Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation	Supervisory Board member
Salzburg Netz GmbH	Supervisory Board member

Board mandates with other organisations:

Entity	Position	
CEWEP-Confederation of European Waste-to-Energy Plants	Vice-President Austria	
TÜV Austria	Administrative Board	

### Working methods and distribution of responsibilities within the Management Board

The Management Board manages the Group's affairs and represents Energie AG Group externally. As the body ultimately responsible for sustainability topics, the Management Board makes decisions on the Group's sustainability policy and the associated targets and material actions. The issue of sustainability and consequently the monitoring, management and supervision of the impacts, risks and opportunities is the responsibility of the full Management Board. It is coordinated by the Group Strategy holding unit and developed in partnership with all organisation units of the Group.

In addition to the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (Aktiengesetz), the Commercial Code (Unternehmensgesetzbuch), and the Articles of Association, the actions of the Management Board and Supervisory Board are governed by their respective rules of procedure. The Rules of Procedure of the Management Board regulate the collaboration among the members of the Management Board, the Management Board's information and reporting duties, and transactions that require approval from the Supervisory Board. The Rules of Procedure of the subsidiaries are based on those of the Management Board and contain equivalent or similar provisions. The allocation of portfolios between members of the Management Board is approved by the Supervisory Board and defines the areas of responsibility of the individual members of the Management Board without prejudicing the Board's overall responsibility.

#### Access to the Management Board's expertise on sustainability

The members of the Management Board of Energie AG have training in economic, legal and environmental sciences and long-standing management experience in areas relevant to ESG, such as energy, waste management and the circular economy, project development and plant engineering. On this basis, they contribute a high degree of technical and practical competence to sustainable decision-making processes.

Their knowledge is continuously updated through active participation in specialised panels, regular exchanges within the intra-group sustainability organisation, and ongoing reporting to the Supervisory Board and the public. This ensures that the Management Board can systematically identify, assess and manage significant environmental, social and governance-related risks, opportunities and impacts.

The members of the Management Board of Energie AG also have a wide range of experience in relation to the relevant sectors, products and geographic locations of the company.

#### **Supervisory Board**

#### Composition and diversity of the Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board advises and oversees the management board. This committee comprises a minimum of six and a maximum of 20 (currently 14) members elected by the General Meeting (shareholder representatives) as well as members appointed by the Works Council in line with the Austrian Labour Constitution Act (employee representatives, currently seven). The members of the Supervisory Board (shareholder representatives) are elected by the General Meeting on a rolling basis in accordance with § 87 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (Aktiengesetz, AktG).

Employee representatives are appointed in line with § 110 of the Austrian Labour Constitution Act (ArbVG) and the provisions of the regulation governing the appointment of employee representatives to the Supervisory Board (AR-VO).

In accordance with § 86 para 7 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG), women must comprise at least 30% of the Supervisory Board, with this figure rounded up or down to the nearest whole number. For the Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich, this currently means a total of at least six women, whereby, based on the resolution passed by the capital representatives, the two Supervisory Board committees (capital representatives and employee representatives) must fulfil this quota separately.

The term of office for Supervisory Board members terminates at the end of the General Meeting that rules on approving actions for the fourth fiscal year following the election or appointment, unless they were elected for a shorter term; the fiscal year in which the election takes place is not counted. Re-elections are possible.

#### Shareholder representatives

Provincial Councillor Commercial Council Markus ACHLEITNER, Chairman, Aichkirchen Solicitor Mag. Stefan LANG, LL.M., Vice-Chairman, Linz

Chief Executive Officer Dr. Heinrich SCHALLER, Deputy Vice-Chairman, Linz (retired on 17 December 2024)

Chief Executive Officer Mag. Reinhard SCHWENDTBAUER, Deputy Vice-Chairman, Linz (since 17 December 2024)

Head of Administrative Department Dr. Miriam EDER, MBA, Linz

Chairman of the Management Board Mag. Dr. Erich ENTSTRASSER, Innsbruck (retired on 27 March 2025)

Managing Director Mag. Dr. Christiane FRAUSCHER, Linz

Member of Management Board Mag. Florian HAGENAUER, MBA, Linz

Chief Executive Officer Dipl.-Ing. Erich HAIDER, MBA, Linz

Deputy to Chief Executive Officer Commercial Council Mag. Michaela KEPLINGER-MITTERLEHNER, Linz

Dr. Elisabeth KÖLBLINGER, Vöcklabruck

Member of Management Board Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. Michael KRAXNER (since 27 March 2025) Member of Management Board Mag. Kathrin Renate KÜHTREIBER-LEITNER, MBA, Linz Head of Local Parliamentary Group, Member of State Parliament, Commercial Council Ing. Herwig MAHR, Linz

Gertrude SCHATZDORFER-WÖLFEL, Zipf Thomas Peter STADLBAUER, MSc MBA MPA, Linz

Provincial Councillor Commercial Council Markus Achleitner, chairman of the highest governance body, is not a senior executive of the Energie AG Group.

#### Employees' representatives

Ing. Peter NEISSL, MBA MSc, Head of Works Council, Hartkirchen
Pamela NEUER, Head of Works Council, Leonding
Edith SCHMID, Head of Works Council, Perg
Ing. Bernhard STEINER, Head of Works Council Group Representatives, Ottensheim
Gerhard STÖRINGER, Head of Central Works Council, Zell am Pettenfirst
Christian STROBL, Head of Works Council, Gampern
Andreas WALZER, Head of Works Council, Wels

#### Working methods and distribution of responsibilities within the Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board convenes as necessary, and at least four times a year and does not fulfil any operational tasks.

The Supervisory Board has one permanent committee for Management Board-related matters and one Audit Committee. The committee for Management Board-related matters comprises four shareholder representatives appointed by resolution of the full Supervisory Board. When appointing members of the committee for Management Board-related matters, the full Supervisory Board also appoints the chairperson of the committee. The proceedings of the committee for Management Board-related matters is defined in the rules of procedure for the Supervisory Board.

The Audit Committee set up by the Supervisory Board in accordance with § 92 para. 4a AktG is made up of six shareholder representatives appointed by resolution of the full Supervisory Board and three employee representatives appointed from the ranks of all employee representatives by simple majority in line with § 32a AR-VO. One member of the Audit Committee must be a person with relevant knowledge of the requirements of the company and practical experience in the field of finance and accounting as well as reporting (financial expert). When appointing members of the Audit Committee, the full Supervisory Board also appoints the chairperson of the committee. The proceedings of the Audit Committee are defined in § 92 para 4a AktG and the rules of procedure for the Supervisory Board.

In accordance with § 75 AktG, the Supervisory Board appoints members of the Management Board for a maximum of five years. As Energie AG Oberösterreich is subject to the rulings of the Court of Auditors, the provisions of the law on transparency in the filling of positions in state-affiliated companies (Stellenbesetzungsgesetz) are observed.

According to prevailing opinion, members of the Supervisory Board have a duty of loyalty and allegiance to the Company, thereby prioritising the well-being of the Company over possible other interests. The Supervisory Board must remain loyal to the Company, and the interests of the Company must always guide its actions.

Before the election, persons proposed must present to the General Meeting their professional qualifications, vocational or similar functions along with all circumstances that could give rise to cause for concern over partiality. The employees are represented on the Supervisory Board by members of the Works Council.

According to § 95 para 5(12) of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act, the conclusion of contracts with members of the Supervisory Board which oblige those members to perform services outside of their Supervisory Board activities for the Company or a subsidiary (§ 189a(7) of the Austrian Commercial Code) for remuneration of a not inconsiderable value shall require the consent of the Supervisory Board. The same applies to contracts with companies in which a Supervisory Board member has a significant business interest.

#### Access to the Supervisory Board's expertise on sustainability

The members of the Supervisory Board have sustainability-related expertise in areas relevant to Energie AG, such as environmental protection, energy supply, creating a good working environment, and equal treatment and equal opportunities.

Board members are continually deepening and developing their skills in monitoring sustainability matters. Already in the 2023/24 fiscal year, Energie AG offered the members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board the opportunity to attend a professional development event to further expand their knowledge of sustainability.

The Supervisory Board members of Energie AG have experience in relation to the relevant sectors, products and geographical locations of the company.

This extensive expertise, combined with constant monitoring of current developments, provides a solid foundation for the management and monitoring of sustainability topics within the Energie AG Group, as well as the resulting impacts, risks and opportunities. The Supervisory Board or the chairman of the Supervisory Board may call on experts to deal with individual decisions.

#### Managing and non-managing members

	2024/25 Headcount	<b>2023/24</b> Headcount	Comparison ±%
Number of members in management	3	3	0.0
Number of members in supervisory bodies	21	21	0.0
Total	24	24	0.0

#### **Gender diversity**

	2024/25 Headcount	2023/24 Headcount	Comparison ±%
Male	16	16	0.0
Female	8	8	0.0
Others	0	0	
Not reported	0	0	_
Total number of administrative and supervisory bodies	24	24	0.0
	in %	in %	±%points
Male	66.7	66.7	0.0
Female	33.3	33.3	0.0
Others	0.0	0.0	
Not reported	0.0	0.0	_
Gender diversity <sup>1)</sup>	50.0	50.0	0.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> This metric is defined as the ratio of female to male members of the Management Board and Supervisory board. Gender diversity is at 50 as there are eight female and sixteen male individuals (8/16).

## Roles and responsibilities in relation to the oversight of the process for managing material impacts, risks and opportunities

The Supervisory Board, as the body ultimately responsible for the legality of the sustainability statement, subjected the Sustainability Statement for the 2024/25 fiscal year to an independent, voluntary, external audit conducted by an auditor, addressed strategically relevant sustainability matters as well as sustainability-related impacts, risks and opportunities, and reported on these to the General Meeting in accordance with § 96 of the Stock Corporation Act (AktG).

The sustainability statement for the 2024/25 fiscal year was audited on behalf of the Supervisory Board by Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH in the form of an audit with limited assurance.

The Board of Directors is responsible for monitoring the impacts, risks and opportunities.

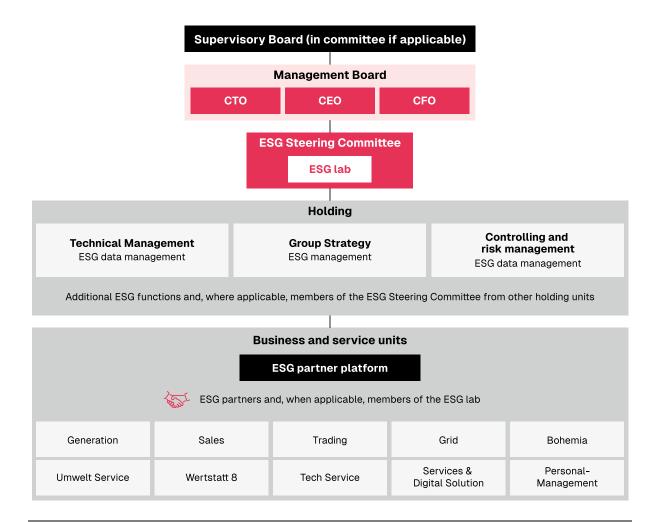
As part of the Group-wide strategy and organisational project 'LOOP', both organisational and content-related decisions were made in the 2022/23 fiscal year to ensure the implementation of the CSRD within the Group. For operational implementation, the 'ESG Management/CSRD Implementation project' was launched in December 2023 and successfully completed in December 2024 as planned. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the roles and structures established in the project were integrated into the scheduled organisation of Energie AG.

Alongside the implementation of ESG sustainability management in the Group strategy and ESG data management for S and G topics in the Controlling and Risk Management holding unit and for E topics in the Technical Management holding unit, other organisational units are closely involved.

To ensure ongoing exchanges on ESG topics between the holding company and the business and service units, the ESG Partner Platform was set up with the ESG partners already established for all areas of the Group.

The ESG Steering Committee and the ESG Lab were designed as advisory bodies to the Management Board to assist in decision-making at holding level, with the required interfaces defined.

The impact, risks and opportunities are collected by the operating entities. Group-wide consolidation is carried out by the controlling and risk management holding unit.



In addition to the training event on ESG topics, which was already offered to the members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board in the 2023/24 fiscal year, training opportunities on sustainability topics were made available in the 2024/25 fiscal year to persons involved in the ESG organisation. All senior executives within the Group were also able to participate in a specific training course on the topic of 'sustainable leadership' as part of the ESG training programme that was developed. In addition, the employees of Energie AG were able to participate in an 'action day on sustainability and climate protection' as well as further training by means of an elearning module on the basics of ESG management.

The governance structure of the Energie AG Group is based on decisions passed by the governing bodies, articles of association, rules of procedure and Group-wide policies. Group policies establish binding control measures and uniform framework conditions, regulations for specific circumstances, and standardised structures or processes for the respective defined scope. The Group policy 'Rules for the creation and amendment of Group policies' defines the standardised review and approval process for all Energie AG Group policies. Drafts of new or amended policies will be sent to the relevant holding managers, managing directors and the Group representative to allow them to comment. The commenting process is clearly documented in an accompanying protocol. Once the procedure has been completed, the finalised policy and the commenting process will be submitted to the Management Board for decision.

The implementation of strategic goals in the sustainability area is assured by linking them closely to the structured annual strategy process. The relevant management teams are responsible for implementing ESG policies in the business and service units. To monitor the achievement of targets, a concept for ESG management logic was developed in the 2024/25 fiscal year, which will be implemented gradually in the coming years.

## GOV-2- Information provided to and sustainability matters addressed by the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies

In the reporting period, the Management Board, Supervisory Board and senior executives of Energie AG regularly received information about sustainability matters and about the process and the results of the company's material impacts, risks and opportunities assessment, and were partly involved in the materiality process. See also IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities.

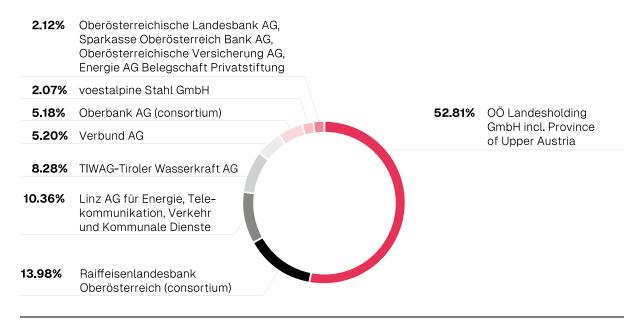
The ESG Steering Committee was convened three times in the 2024/25 fiscal year and informed about current ESG topics through the ESG management or the relevant departments. ESG management reported five times during the reporting period to the Management Board at its meetings, which subsequently reported to the Supervisory Board twice. In December 2024, the Supervisory Board was informed, inter alia, of sustainability strategies and approaches, metrics and targets. Reporting to the Management Board and Supervisory Board on the ESG impacts, risks and opportunities based on the current ESRS materiality assessment took place in June 2025.

The Supervisory Board receives reports on ESG impacts, risks and opportunities twice a year. Material financial risks and opportunities are reported to the Supervisory Board by the risk management team on a quarterly basis as part of the structured risk management process that has been in place for many years; see Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Risk and Opportunity Management. The Supervisory Board is informed of progress on the targets set in the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project through a quarterly report detailing the quantitative implementation status of the individual actions by department. A more detailed account of developments on the most significant metrics is presented annually to the members of the Supervisory Board.

A list of the material impacts, risks and opportunities addressed by the Management Board of Energie AG in the reporting period can be found in section SBM-3 Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model.

#### Shareholder structure

Energie AG Oberösterreich is a joint stock company with the following shareholder structure in the 2024/25 fiscal year:



As of 30 September 2025

## GOV-3 – Integration of sustainability-related performance in incentive schemes

At the Energie AG Group, senior executives with budgetary responsibility who report to the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich (board members/managing directors, holding company managers and department heads) are included in the 'Management by Objectives' (MbO) system, see S1-1 – Own workforce, 'Management by Objectives' (MbO). These senior executives can earn annual MbO bonuses (variable remuneration) based on the targets set for the respective fiscal year and the extent to which these targets are achieved. The specific wording of the target agreements remains confidential.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the members of the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich were not included in any monetary incentive schemes, whether based on sustainability or other metrics. Members of the Management Board receive a fixed salary. Moreover, no climate-related key performance indicators (KPIs) were taken into account in the remuneration of the members of the Management Board or the Supervisory Board. The shareholder representatives on the Supervisory Board shall receive an annual remuneration for their activities, which is established by the General Meeting and is staggered according to position (chairman, vice-chairman, member) and committee membership. In addition, the shareholder representatives on the Supervisory Board will receive remuneration for each meeting in which they attend.

With regard to embedding sustainability matters in the company's incentive systems, initial steps were taken in the 2023/24 fiscal year as part of the current strategy and further developed in the past fiscal year. For example, specific targets based on the 'LOOP' 2035 strategy were assigned to the responsible senior executives at the first

and second management levels below the Management Board (managing directors and heads of holding companies; department heads) and embedded as personal targets in the MbO system.

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich approves and updates the terms and conditions of the incentive schemes.

#### **GOV-4 – Statement on due diligence**

The 'ESG Management/CSRD Implementation' project included defining the individual steps and sub-processes involved in ESRS sustainability reporting. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, these were further developed and the material process risks and ESG control activities were developed and documented under the Internal Control System (ICS). The processes used by the company to meet its due diligence obligations with regard to sustainability matters are described in the respective related sections.

The following overview indicates the sections of the sustainability statement in which the key elements of due diligence process can be found:

Key elements of due diligence	Sections in sustainability statement			
Embedding due diligence in governance, strategy and business model	GOV-1 – The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies GOV-2 – Information provided to and sustainability matters addressed by the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies GOV-4 – Statement on due diligence GOV-5 – Risk management and internal controls over sustainability reporting SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model			
Involving affected stakeholders in all important steps of due diligence	GOV-2 – Information provided to and sustainability matters addressed by the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies SBM-2 – Interests and views of stakeholders IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities E1-2 – Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation S1-1 – Concepts related to own workforce S1-2 – Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts S2-1 – Concepts related to value chain workers S2-2 – Processes for engaging with value chain workers about impacts S4-1 – Concepts related to consumers and end users S4-2 – Processes for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts G1-1 – Business conduct concepts and corporate culture			
Identifying and assessing negative impacts	SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities			

Key elements of due diligence	Sections in sustainability statement		
Actions to address these negative impacts	E1-2 – Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts S1-1 – Concepts related to own workforce		
	S1-2 – Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts S1-4 – Taking action on material impacts on own workforce, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce, and		
	effectiveness of those actions S2-1 – Concepts related to value chain workers		
	S2-2 – Processes for engaging with value chain workers about impacts		
	S2-4 – Taking action on material impacts on value chain workers, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to value chain workers, and effectiveness of those actions		
	S4-1 – Concepts related to consumers and end users S4-2 – Processes for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts S4-4 – Taking action on material impacts on consumers and end users, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to consumers and end- users, and effectiveness of those actions G1-1 – Business conduct concepts and corporate culture		
Tracking the effectiveness of these efforts and communication	E1-2 – Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation S1-1 – Concepts related to own workforce		
	S1-2 – Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts		
	S2-1 – Concepts related to value chain workers S2-2 – Processes for engaging with value chain workers about impacts		
	S4-1 – Concepts related to consumers and end users		
	S4-2 – Processes for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts G1-1 – Business conduct concepts and corporate culture		

#### Quality, safety and environmental management

Customer proximity, transparency and process traceability are top priorities for Energie AG as a quality provider. The whole of Energie AG in Austria and two entities in the Czech Republic are fully certified according to the international standard for a quality management system under ISO 9001:2015.

An integrated quality, safety and environmental (QSE) management system with a focus on sustainability and maximum efficiency is an integrated component of the management systems used by the Energie AG Group (excluding the Czech Republic Segment). As part of the Company's due diligence measures, the ISO 9001:2015 standard for quality management systems is applied as a Group-wide standard that contributes towards efficient design, continuous improvement and transparent presentation of operational processes and procedures.

There is at least one QSE liaison assigned to all applicable Group companies and holding units. These liaisons are responsible for operational implementation of the QSE management system.

To ensure compliance with relevant environmental and occupational safety requirements, the experience gained from the environmental management standards ISO 14001:2015 and EMAS ('Eco Management and Audit Scheme') and occupational health and safety in accordance with ISO 45001:2018 from the already certified companies serve as useful guidelines.

The integrated QSE management system ensures the continuous improvement of the Energie AG Group's services through the active involvement of executives, employees and customers. Regular examination from internal audits and by independent external and accredited certification bodies guarantees top product and service quality, as well as the best possible processes for customers and partners. The high standard of the QSU management system was confirmed by a monitoring audit conducted by TÜV Süd Landesgesellschaft Österreich GmbH from 19 March 2025 to 4 July 2025.

All Energie AG units that have adopted these externally certified quality, safety, environmental and health management systems have structured processes to identify negative impacts on the environment and employee health, which can then be prevented or mitigated accordingly.

All staff in Austria and northern Italy work at entities certified in accordance with quality management standard ISO 9001:2015. In addition, according to the needs of the respective segments, there were further certifications as shown in the table below. 28.72% of the Austrian and Italian workforce is employed at entities certified to environmental management standard ISO 14001:2015. In addition, 27.90% of employees in Austria work in accordance with the Group's environmental management system EMAS, while 41.31% of Group employees work in units certified under ISO 45001:2018. The additional and specific standards ISO 14001:2015 and EMAS were implemented for the Environment Segment (previously the Waste Management segment), which accounts for 25.81% of employees in Austria, from 2010 and 2013. See S1-14 – Metrics for health and safety.

The Grid Segment is certified to QS-GNB 200 (quality requirements for gas grid operators) and TSM P100 (technical safety management in electricity grids) of the 'Austrian Association for Gas and Water' (ÖVGW). The audit concerned industry-specific requirements pertaining to the assessment of gas and electricity grid operators with regard to the qualification and organisation of their technical units. Other certifications held by Netz Oberösterreich GmbH (Netz OÖ GmbH) include ISO 9001:2015 and, since the 2020/21 fiscal year, ONR 192500:2011 concerning the social responsibility of organisations (CSR). The CSR goals are closely linked with the QSE management system of Netz OÖ GmbH. As with the QSE management system, internal and external audits are regularly carried out in the CSR area to review compliance with the standard and to uphold and renew certification. Certification under ISO 17025:2018 (requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories) was also obtained. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the information security management system (ISMS) of Netz Oberösterreich GmbH (Netz OÖ GmbH) was reviewed as part of a recertification audit in accordance with ISO/IEC 27001 and was converted to the new standard 27001:2022. It was confirmed to be compliant without conditions. In addition, Netz OÖ received certification in accordance with ISO/IEC 27019:2017 for the first time. Netz OÖ GmbH is also subject to the NIS Act (Austrian Network and Information Security Act) with the scope 'Energy sector for the operation of an electricity distribution system' and demonstrably fulfils the requirements set by it. This provides a solid basis for the planned restructuring of the energy system. In the 2022/23 fiscal year, Netz OÖ GmbH also became the first Austrian grid operator to be certified in line with ÖVGW QS-GNB 300 (quality requirements on gas grid operators for calorific value determination).

The Environment Segment is certified in the areas of quality (ISO 9001:2015), occupational health and safety (ISO 45001:2018), and environment (ISO 14001:2015), and as a qualified waste management operator on the basis of the regulation governing the requirements on waste management operators (RAEF). Umwelt Service GmbH was the first nationwide waste management company that implemented the current version of the EMAS Certification (Regulation [EC] No. 1221/2009) at all its locations back in 2013. Umwelt Service GmbH has also been certified under EU Regulation 333/2011 (End of Waste Regulation Scrap Metal, Ötztal and Timelkam sites), SURE ('Sustainable Resources Verification Scheme'), the RAL mark of quality (for the demanufacturing of refrigeration units in Timelkam) and ISO 14024:2018 (resources potential for the demanufacturing plant for refrigeration units in Timelkam). WDL-

WasserdienstleistungsGmbH (WDL GmbH) is also subject to the NIS Act (Austrian Network and Information Security Act) with the scope 'Water collection and piped water distribution' and demonstrably fulfils the requirements set by it.

The entities in the Czech Republic are not subject to the Energie AG Group QSE management system. In accordance with the requirements of the respective subsidiaries in the Czech Republic Segment, the two Czech entities ČEVAK, a.s. and VaK Beroun a.s. are certified in accordance with the international standards ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 and ISO 45001:2018. This means that just over two thirds of the employees in the Czech Republic work in entities that are certified under quality, environmental and occupational safety standards.

The Generation business unit is certified in the Quality area (ISO 9001:2015). In addition, the Timelkam power plant location is certified in the environment area (ISO 14001:2015) and the annual environmental statement meets the requirements of the EMAS Regulation. The use of sustainable biomass for electricity and heat generation in the Generation business unit is ensured by a 'Sustainable Resources Verification Scheme' (SURE). Production is also subject to the NIS Act with the scope 'Operation of the combined-cycle gas turbine power plant (CGGT) at the Timelkam site / Operational management of the Timelkam CGGT power plant' and demonstrably meets the associated requirements. In addition, the Generation business unit operates a management system in accordance with ISO 27001:2022 for its area of responsibility, which is continuously developed but not externally certified.

Netz OÖ GmbH as well as the Group IT Services and Digitalisation department and the Telco department (formerly Energie AG Oberösterreich Telekom GmbH (Telekom GmbH)) of Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH (Services und Digital Solutions GmbH) are additionally certified in accordance with the information security management standards ISO 27001:2013 and 27001:2022.

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#### Additional certifications in the business units:

#### **Grid Segment**

- ÖVGW QS-GNB 200
- ONR 192500:2011
- TSM P100
- ISO 17025:2018
- ÖVGW QS-GNB 300
- ISO 27001:2013
- ISO 27019:2017

#### **Energy Segment<sup>2)</sup>**

- SURE
- ISO 14001:2015<sup>3)</sup>
- EMAS<sup>3)</sup>

#### **Environment Segment<sup>4)</sup>**

- ISO 45001:2018<sup>5)</sup>
- ISO 14001:2015<sup>6)</sup>
- EMAS
- EFB (RAEF)
- EU Regulation No. 333/2011
- SURE
- RAL mark of quality
- ISO 14024:2018

#### **Czech Republic Segment**

- ISO 14001:2015<sup>1)</sup>
- ISO 45001:2018<sup>1)</sup>

#### Additional certifications in the service areas:

#### **Services und Digital Solutions GmbH**

■ ISO 27001:2022<sup>7)</sup>

ISO 27001:2013, ISO 27019:2017, TSM P100, ÖVGW QS-GNB 200, ÖVGW QS-GNB 300, ISO 17025:2018, RAL mark of quality, ISO 14024:2018 and SURE are audited and certified separately, not as part of QSE matrix certification.

<sup>1)</sup> The Czech companies ČEVAK a.s. and VaK Beroun a.s. are certified under ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 and ISO 45001:2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Excluding Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH (Trading GmbH) and Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH (Vertrieb GmbH).

<sup>3)</sup> Timelkam power plant location.

<sup>4)</sup> Umwelt Service GmbH.

<sup>5)</sup> incl. WDL GmbH.

<sup>6)</sup> WDL GmbH and Energie AG Südtirol Umwelt Service GmbH (Südtirol Umwelt Service GmbH).

<sup>7)</sup> IT Services and Digitalisation department and Telco department of Services und Digital Solutions GmbH.

The governance risk compliance (GRC) management tool implemented in the 2019/20 fiscal year has reached the planned scope of use. The processes of the Group companies (with the exception of the Czech Republic Segment) are mapped in this GRC management system, together with their success factors. The tool has been in use for internal and external audits including the associated action monitoring since fiscal year 2020/21.

## GOV-5 – Risk management and internal controls over sustainability reporting

Given the growing importance of sustainability topics to business activity, aspects of ESG have been incorporated into risk management. The Group-wide risk management system is used to anticipate and manage potential risks and opportunities at an early stage.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the double materiality assessment required by ESRS was performed by the business and service units in cooperation with the Group risk management. The assessment of the individual impacts, risks and opportunities was carried out in a decentralised manner by the respective business and service units. Compared to the previous year, when the analysis was carried out centrally in the framework of workshops, this represents a further step towards integration into the line organisation.

The impacts, opportunities and risks identified in this way were subjected to an assessment using a group-wide uniform assessment method. A net presentation of these impacts, opportunities and risks was produced and appropriate risk minimisation and negative impact minimisation measures were implemented.

The materiality assessment process following the principle of 'double materiality' in accordance with the new ESRS guidelines is described in detail in section IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities. For further information on the Group-wide risk management and the opportunities and risks of Energie AG, please see the Group Management Report, Risks and opportunities, and the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Management of risks and opportunities.

The sustainability statement is reviewed by the holding company in a comment process before it is submitted to the Management Board for signature.

For information on the risk assessment approach used, including the method used to prioritise risks, see the section on **Management of impacts**, **risks and opportunities**.

In the context of sustainability reporting, there are these risks: On the one hand, reporting may be incomplete unless all the material topics have been correctly identified and, on the other hand, there is a potential risk of reporting on issues that are not material. There is also a risk that erroneous data will be included, which could render the contents of the reports incorrect.

For the production of ESRS-compliant sustainability reporting, a central core process including the associated risks and control activities was anchored and documented in the Energie AG Internal Control System (ICS) during the reporting period. Sub-processes were derived from this main process and implemented in Energie AG's internal control system.

In order to minimise the identified process risks, ESG control activities have been implemented in the ICS. All documented control activities comply with the internal rules of a standardised ICS (four-eyes principle, representation rules, proof of control).

The management of Energie AG is responsible for integrating reliable and compliant sustainability reporting in the ICS of Energie AG. Responsibilities for the collection, processing and validation of sustainability-related information are regulated across the Group through an integrated ESG Partner Platform. This platform ensures the structured involvement of all the relevant departments and is represented organisationally and systemically in both the ICS and the corresponding system of Energie AG. This structure ensures that the results of the risk assessment and the related internal control measures are effectively integrated into the relevant internal functions and processes.

Regular reporting on the results of the materiality assessment and the associated risk assessments and internal control activities relating to the process of sustainability reporting to the management and supervisory bodies will be integrated into the relevant roles and processes.

As part of the cyclical ICS audits carried out by the Group Internal Audit holding unit, the ESG controls will also be reviewed in terms of their design and effectiveness and audited from the 2025/26 fiscal year onwards. Group Internal Audit reports on the results of its audits and on the status and effectiveness of the ICS within the Group at the Audit Committee meetings held twice a year.

#### Strategy

#### SBM-1 - Strategy, business model and value chain

#### Strategy

The Energie AG Group is a provider of electricity, gas, heat, water, energy, waste management, and information and communication services, and aligns its products, processes and services with a strong focus on reliable availability. The Grid Segment comprises the construction and operation of the electricity and gas grid as the backbone of the electricity and gas supply in Upper Austria. The Energie AG Group also operates heating, fibre-optic (backbone) and e-charging networks.

Energie AG is headquartered in Linz, Upper Austria. Its market area currently includes Austria, the Czech Republic, Italy and Slovenia. The targets defined in the current strategy are to be achieved through organic growth, but also through M&A activities, where Germany is also defined as a growth market for wind and/or PV.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, shares in several companies were acquired; see **Group**Management Report, Changes under Corporate Law.

For the quantitative data on employees see S1-6 - Characteristics of company's employees.

#### Sales revenue by segment

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	Comparison ±%
Energy	1,853.3	2,248.2	-17.6
Grid	427.9	377.3	13.4
Environment	280.3	269.6	4.0
Czech Republic	248.1	235.1	5.5
Holding & services	32.4	29.5	9.8
Total	2,842.0	3,159.7	-10.1

#### Sales revenue by sector

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	Comparison ±%
Coal	0.0	0.0	
Oil	0.0	0.0	
Gas	672.1	721.4	-6.8
Fossil fuels	672.1	721.4	-6.8
Chemicals production	0.0	0.0	
Category of controversial weapons	0.0	0.0	
Cultivation and production of tobacco	0.0	0.0	
Total	672.1	721.4	-6.8

The Taxonomy-eligible or Taxonomy-aligned sales revenues are listed in the **EU Taxonomy** section.

A structured strategy process is a prerequisite for consistent control over the Energie AG Group's long-term business development. Strategy development and financial planning interact through a clearly defined process. Strategies and measures are derived from market development analyses, the evaluation of the business activities' effects in an economic, ecological, and social context (monitoring processes, certifications etc.), the balancing of the Group's strategic goals with the interests and expectations ascertained during the ongoing dialogue with stakeholders and the energy policy environment (new statutory requirements etc.). The operating efficiency, profitability and progress of the energy transition are always essential.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, two strategy meetings were held at Group level as part of the annual strategy process. In April 2025, the focus was on current market and environmental developments as well as the strategic guidelines for the entire Group. As part of this process, decisions were made on strategic priority topics and Group-wide projects in the areas of digitalisation, circular economy, hydrogen and decarbonisation. At a further Group strategy meeting in July 2025, the strategic directions and individual perspectives were refined and discussed in greater depth between the Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies and holding company managers. In addition, the strategy meeting focused on promoting cross-departmental objectives and cooperation.

#### Transformation to a sustainable energy system

Energie AG has a clear strategic focus on the transformation to a sustainable energy system. The key objectives are decarbonisation, increasing renewable energy production and supporting national and European climate targets.

Investments in photovoltaics, wind power, hydroelectric power and new technologies, such as green hydrogen and battery storage, make a significant contribution. By 2035, the production of electricity from renewable energy sources from all companies and holdings in the Group will be increased by more than 1.0 TWh.

The challenges posed by increasing decentralisation of energy generation require increased investment in grid infrastructure and storage facilities. In addition to the necessary developments with regards to flexibility, Energie AG pools its expertise with strategic partners to bring together innovative, environmentally and economically sensible products and services to the market. Any changes in the legal framework, such as a relaxation of political and climate targets, and any resulting measures, such as a lack of subsidies and customers' unwillingness to pay, pose risks that may cause the Group's strategic targets not to be achieved until a later date.

#### **Decarbonisation**

Energie AG has made decarbonisation along the entire value chain a strategic priority, with the sustainability objective of achieving net zero by 2050 while continuing to guarantee reliable energy supply and waste management and ensuring affordability. This aims to promote the energy transition, harness opportunities for sustainable development, such as the creation of new business models, and mitigate the risk of steadily increasing  ${\rm CO_2}$  prices. A detailed transition plan for climate change mitigation in accordance with the ESRS requirements is being developed and is expected to be published in the 2025/26 sustainability statement.

Energie AG is forging ahead with the energy transition by expanding its range of sustainable products and services and transforming heat supply, as well as by optimising its own use of resources.

#### Digitalisation and innovation

A strategy and organisation project defined key innovation areas to enable new products and services in the fields of decarbonisation, electromobility and photovoltaics. Since then, a dedicated corporate innovation unit has consolidated and coordinated these activities. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the 'Next Level' digitalisation project was also launched, focusing on further developing operational excellence through the use of AI and process automation, optimising the data landscape, continuously improving the digital customer experience and empowering all employees in the successful implementation of digitalisation. Netz OÖ GmbH is simultaneously advancing the further development of the digital customer portal.

### Circular economy and biodiversity

The responsible use of natural resources is firmly embedded in Energie AG's strategy and represents a central element of the current transformation agenda. Particular emphasis is placed on the economical and efficient management of resources. Promoting the circular economy plays a key role in this context. To harness existing potentials and to develop further courses of action relating to the circular economy, a dedicated project was launched for the gradual development and implementation of measures.

The next step is the development of a biodiversity strategy aimed at safeguarding the long-term ecological diversity of natural habitats. Initial measures to minimise the impact on existing ecosystems are already being implemented. Development projects will only be carried out in combination with comprehensive environmental monitoring and/or the creation of replacement habitats for affected species. The biodiversity strategy will be further developed over the coming fiscal years.

### Hydrogen

To reduce its own  $CO_2$  emissions while ensuring future security of supply, Energie AG is pushing ahead in further diversifying its energy generation portfolio. This includes the promotion and deployment of new climate-friendly technologies, for example through participation in research projects on the production and subsequent use of green hydrogen. A key element of these efforts is the establishment of a hydrogen starter network, which was approved for the first time in the 2024/25 fiscal year as part of the long-term and integrated planning process (LFiP). Initial measures for the distribution of green hydrogen via the existing gas grid were implemented in the Sattledt-Linz section.

### Partnerships and supply chains

Energie AG takes its role as a buyer very seriously. Supplier suitability is assessed during the procurement process in accordance with the relevant guidelines. A comprehensive supplier screening system is currently being implemented and is intended to play an increasingly important role in minimising sustainability-related supplier risks in the future. In addition, Energie AG has defined clear principles in its existing 'Code of Conduct for Contractors', which is based on the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and is binding for contractors and subcontractors of the Group. These policies are designed to ensure, among other things, that employees within the value chain are treated fairly and with dignity, in line with fundamental human rights.

### **Employees, culture and diversity**

Energie AG positions itself as a fair and attractive employer. To underline the relevance of this commitment, particular emphasis has been placed on the areas of diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion (DEI), supported by the interdisciplinary 'DiversiTeam'. Another key objective of the multi-year DEI process is to maintain and further strengthen an open corporate culture based on transparency, mutual respect and appreciation; this culture is intended to create space for change – an essential prerequisite for the Group's strategic realignment – by enhancing employee satisfaction and thereby increasing innovation and productivity. The strategic goal of increasing the share of women in senior management positions has been defined across the Group as a means of providing targeted support. An equal opportunities network has also been established to empower underrepresented groups.

An essential cornerstone of the Group's sustainable internal culture is an anonymous 'whistleblowing system', which encourages employees to report grievances without fear of negative consequences (such as harassment or dismissal).

From the outset, the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project was accompanied by a culture and change initiative. Even after the project phase was completed, targeted culture-enhancing measures have continued to ensure alignment between the company's cultural orientation and its strategic objectives. A particular focus lies on the involvement of key stakeholders. This includes, in particular, senior executives at all hierarchical levels who, in their role as multipliers, play a decisive part in shaping the cultural transformation. Employees are also actively involved: a community of change agents acts as ambassadors across all areas of the Group, while all employees can contribute their own initiatives on the topics of future viability, cooperation and partnerships, customer experience, responsibility, sustainability and diversity via the 'Kulturkompass' platform and make them visible.

Energie AG also strengthens its attractiveness as an employer through targeted personnel development initiatives, a more balanced gender distribution at management levels and an inclusive working environment, supported by training and education programmes as well as health and family support measures.

### **Customer satisfaction and service quality**

Energie AG's business activities are fundamentally geared towards ensuring the highest possible levels of security of supply and waste management, alongside maximising customer satisfaction. Consequently, one of the key objectives of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project is to deliver an outstanding 'customer experience' that is strongly aligned with customer needs and expectations, thereby further enhancing the Group's positive public reputation. This is supported by digitalisation measures, dedicated service hotlines, online platforms and regular surveys. Customers are actively involved in development processes, including participation in a six-monthly customer forum. Information security and data protection are ensured through an established information security management system.

## Economic viability and Energie AG's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The Group's financial stability and robust creditworthiness are an essential prerequisite for systematically implementing the described transformation towards sustainability, while consistent sustainability management also plays a major role in securing future financial success. Financial stability and strong creditworthiness are underpinned by the Group's balanced mix of liberalised and regulated business models and by robust risk and opportunity management.

Energie AG actively contributes to the achievement of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals with its strategic positioning in combination with its individual projects and service offerings. The main emphasis is on meeting SDG 7: Affordable and clean energy, SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth, SDG 9: Industry, innovation and infrastructure, SDG 10: Reduced inequalities, SDG 12: Responsible consumption and production and SDG 13: Climate action.

The focus of the Group's current and future investments is on the ongoing expansion of renewable electricity generation from sources such as water, sun and wind, and the ecological transformation of the energy market. An efficient electricity grid is essential both for the energy transition and for ensuring a reliable electricity supply for customers. In addition, Energie AG is investing in many other sustainable initiatives, such as the development and expansion of storage technologies such as battery storage and pumped-storage power plants, sustainable heating initiatives, e-mobility infrastructure and the emerging fields of hydrogen and green gases.

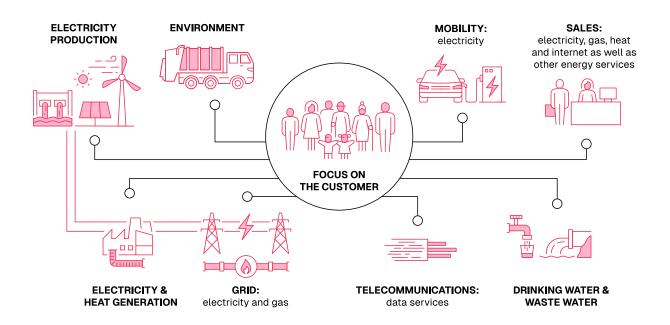
In the 2024/25 fiscal year, 80.7% of the Group's total investments were dedicated to expanding electricity generation from renewable sources, expanding and maintaining the Austrian electricity grid, and other sustainable activities. Approximately 12.1% was allocated to renewable electricity generation, 54.4% to investments in electricity grids and 33.5% to other sustainable activities.

### **Business model and Group structure**

Energie AG's business model is centred on energy generation, the construction and operation of grids and the reliable supply of electricity, gas and heat to end users. Customers in Austria are also offered energy, information and communication services, as well as e-mobility solutions. The Group offers an integrated waste management and waste management solutions to its customers in Austria and northern Italy, while those in the Czech Republic are supplied with drinking water, heat and wastewater management services.

Energie AG primarily relies on the Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) and the operating result (EBIT) for its internal management and assessment of the Group's earning power. The goal of the Energie AG Group is to generate an ROCE above the WACC through consistently value-oriented corporate management and control. For more information on the value management concept as an instrument for controlling economic success, see the Group Management Report, Value-based corporate management and capital costs.

As a competent, competitive and responsible company, Energie AG provides its customers with value-added products and services, transparent pricing and strong regional availability. Since its foundation in 1892, this has helped to create a general spirit of partnership between the Energie AG Group and its customers, employees, suppliers and the general public.



Energie AG is organised in a Group structure. Management and Group functions are pooled in the holding company. The business and service units are organised in the form of individual companies. In addition to the line and project organisation, the Group has an established crisis and emergency management system in Austria with regular drills and meetings convened as required.

The following diagram depicts the six business units and the three service units as of 30 September 2025.

### **Energie AG Oberösterreich Group**

# Business units Service units SERVICES & DIGITAL SOLUTIONS PERSONAL-MANAGEMENT GRID ENVIRONMENT CZECH REPUBLIC (water & heat) TECH SERVICES

Energie AG's business activities are divided into five segments in accordance with IFRS reporting:

The Energy Segment, Group Management Report, comprises the Group's core business activities: the generation and storage of electricity and heat, the trading of energy and energy-related products, electricity and gas sales, heat supply in Austria, the implementation of hydrogen production plants, and the provision of telecommunications services. The range of services also includes selected energy services, such as energy audits for large organisations, energy performance certificates and building modernisation plans, charge cards for electric vehicle charging stations, specialised onsite power purchase agreement (PPA) models and system optimisation strategies.

The **Grid Segment, Group Management Report**, comprises the construction and operation of the electricity and gas grid as the backbone of electricity and gas supply to large parts of Upper Austria and parts of Lower Austria, Salzburg and Styria by Netz OÖ GmbH, a fully owned subsidiary of Energie AG. Netz OÖ GmbH is responsible for securing the energy supply in Upper Austria.

The Environment Segment, Group Management Report, offers integrated waste management services and customised waste management solutions in Austria and Northern Italy. This includes the collection, acceptance, treatment, sorting, management and incineration of domestic and commercial waste, including slag processing, as well as the recovery and reuse of recyclable materials.

The Czech Republic Segment, Group Management Report, provides comprehensive drinking water and heat supply services as well as wastewater management in the Czech Republic. The business models include concession, operator and service contracts, specialised water, wastewater and heating services, as well as construction and installation activities. Cities, local authorities, associations, industrial enterprises, housing companies and housing cooperatives are the contractual partners who form the Czech Republic Segment's client base.

In addition to the management and control functions of the holding company, the Holding & Services Segment, Group Management Report, comprises the Telecommunications business area, commercial and technical services and some subsidiaries consolidated at equity that are not assigned to other Segments. The commercial and technical service companies mainly provide services for the business units.

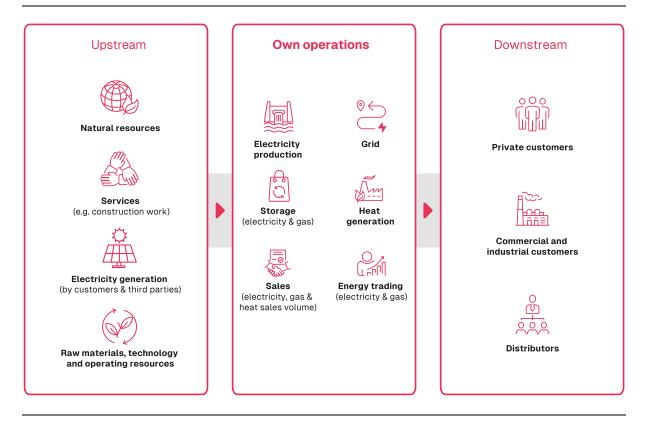
The Telecommunications unit, which is now part of Services und Digital Solutions GmbH, is responsible for providing preliminary telecommunications service products throughout Energie AG's supply area and telecommunications and telematics services for the Group, and for setting up and operating the backbone network for the external market. The telecommunications unit provides not only bandwidth but also services in the layer 3 area (internet connectivity and telephone equipment) for Vertrieb GmbH.

Disclosures about changes under corporate law during the 2024/25 fiscal year are provided in the **Group Management Report**, **Changes under corporate law**.

### Value chain

Energie AG's business model essentially covers four value chains: Energy (electricity, gas and heat), waste management, drinking water and wastewater and general utilities.

### **Energy (electricity, gas and heat)**



The upstream value chain covers the use of natural resources such as water, sun, wind, gas, (biogenic) waste and biomass.

The commodities, materials, operating resources and technical equipment needed for the construction, expansion and maintenance of power plants and grid infrastructure are obtained primarily from external suppliers. This also comprises services such as IT support and maintenance and construction services. In the Czech Republic Segment, energy suppliers likewise represent key actors within the value chain.

The Energie AG Group's own operations within the electricity value chain include the generation, storage, trading, transport, distribution and sale of electrical energy. The electricity is generated in the company's own power plants and through procurement rights, with a focus on the use of renewable energy sources such as hydroelectric power, biomass, photovoltaics and wind power. In addition, electricity is generated in gas-fired power plants and through waste incineration, and storage technologies are being developed to synchronise volatile electricity generation from renewable energy sources with demand. The Energie AG Group trades on wholesale exchanges and with over-the-counter (OTC) partners to meet the total electricity demand for its customers and to optimise the Group's electricity portfolio. Electricity is transported through high-voltage lines and substations. Netz OÖ GmbH operates the public electricity grid in large parts of Upper Austria and in parts of Lower Austria, Salzburg and Styria. This ensures a reliable energy supply for industrial, commercial and private customers across the

supply area. Energie AG offers customers a range of electricity products that vary in price, origin and technology used. Energie AG is supporting the development of smart grids, which facilitate intelligent control of energy generation, consumption and storage and therefore contribute to making the energy system more flexible.

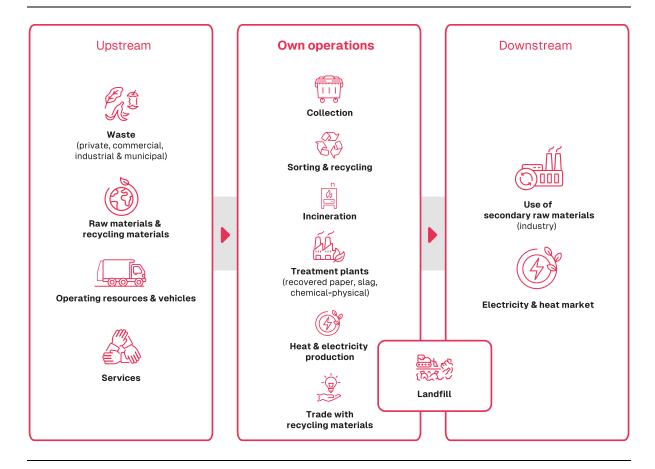
The gas value chain includes the procurement, storage, transport, distribution, use and sale of gas. Energie AG purchases gas on exchanges in Austria, Germany and the Netherlands as well as through bilateral contracts with European partners. No direct contracts are held with natural gas exploration companies or Russian companies. Energie AG is thus contributing to the reduction of dependence on Russian gas by sourcing natural gas for private and commercial customers exclusively from non-Russian origins, in line with Article 9 of EU Regulation 2022/2576. Biogas is produced by third parties from biogenic waste and biomass from farms, municipalities or other suppliers. Energie AG manages gas storage capacities to ensure customer supply, to optimise the structure of the Group portfolio and to realise margins from the price differences between products with different delivery periods. Gas is distributed through a high-pressure and low-pressure grid and partly stored in underground storage facilities. The grid is operated by Netz OÖ GmbH. The gas grid supplies industrial, commercial and private customers in parts of Upper Austria. Energie AG offers customers a range of gas products that vary in price, origin and technology used. In doing so, it encourages the phasing out of gas and oil heating systems in order to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Energie AG is also supporting the development of power-to-gas systems, that convert surplus electricity from renewable sources into gas and therefore contribute to making the energy system more flexible.

The heat value chain includes the generation, storage, transport, distribution and sale of thermal energy. Energie AG generates and procures district heat and local heat from non-fossil sources such as biomass, geothermal energy, waste incineration and waste heat as well as from gas-fuelled combined heat and power plants and gas boilers. Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH (Erzeugung GmbH) operates heating networks that ensure supply to industrial, commercial and private customers in Upper Austria. Local heat contracting plants focussing on Upper Austria and areas along the border with Salzburg, Styria and Lower Austria are operated by Vertrieb GmbH. In the Czech Republic, heat is also distributed through external pipe networks. Heat consumption is measured using heat meters. In Austria, Energie AG is promoting the use of renewable heat sources and thermal insulation in order to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions. It is also supporting the development of combined heating and cooling plants that generate heat and cooling at the same time and contribute to increasing the flexibility of the energy system in Austria.

Through its subsidiaries, Energie AG develops, constructs and operates pipeline and network infrastructures for electricity, gas, district heating and telecommunications (fibre-optical), ensuring the efficient transport of energy and data to private, commercial and industrial customers.

Electricity, gas and heat are offered and provided to customers (private, commercial and industrial) through various sales channels. Key distribution channels comprise the online platform, exclusive and independent brokers, customer service (by e-mail and telephone), and cooperation with market partners. Austrian customers are supported both in generating their own electricity through PV systems and in feeding it into the public grid. Energie AG also supports the expansion of heat generation from renewable sources using heat pump systems and district heating by providing monetary subsidies, tailored offers and far-reaching advice and information campaigns. Energy advisory services that help customers save energy complete the portfolio.

### **Environment**



Energie AG operates as both a waste collector and a waste handler in Austria and Northern Italy. This includes the collection, acceptance, treatment, sorting, management and incineration (including slag processing) of domestic and commercial waste, as well as recovery and reuse of recycling materials in this area. The most significant sources of waste are from private households, businesses, industry and municipalities, which either leave their waste to Energie AG or maintain locations from which the waste is collected by Energie AG.

Energie AG uses a variety of processes to convert waste materials into energy and recycling materials. The most common waste recycling processes are sorting, recycling (e.g. refrigerators), chemical-physical treatment and waste incineration, including slag processing, which are carried out in the company's own or external plants. Alongside this, the company also trades in raw materials and recycling materials such as paper, cardboard, metal, etc.

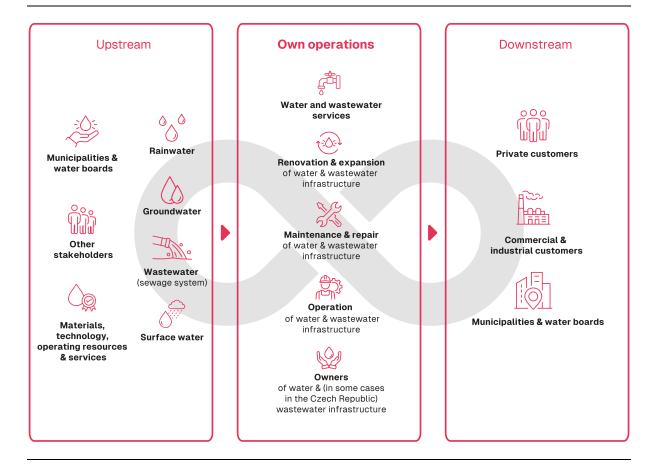
The company purchases operating resources and vehicles, such as waste management vehicles for collecting and transporting waste materials, as well as self-propelled work equipment for on-site handling. Energie AG procures services for plant maintenance, such as those provided by Welser Abfallverwertung (WAV), as well as logistics services, in particular waste-management vehicles and the work performed by HGV drivers for the transport of waste and products. Once the waste has been collected, it is treated, focusing on recovering energy and valuable resources. Sorted and processed waste is used in industry as secondary raw materials.

Energie AG sells energy and recycling materials obtained from waste on a variety of markets and to customers. The customers of Umwelt Service GmbH are primarily business and industrial clients, domestic and municipal customers such as municipalities or waste associations, as well as interregional key accounts and private customers.

In addition to the traditional distribution channels at the sites, these customers are served by internal and external service teams, telephone sales and the online channels **ContainerService24.at** and **Entsorgung24.at**. The online portal Containerdienst24.at allows private customers to order containers and skips throughout Austria, 24/7. The main target group is private individuals who need containers for the management or disposal of green waste or construction waste. The service offering was expanded to include the online portal Entsorgung24.at for existing corporate customers. To further improve usability, Entsorgung24.at has also been expanded to include an app. This allows customers to request the collection of containers or other waste receptacles at any time and from any location.

Energie AG generates heat and electricity from waste, which is supplied to end customers via the respective electricity grids and district heating networks. Energie AG also supplies sorted and processed waste to industry as secondary raw materials, which can be used to manufacture new products. Examples include recycling paper and cardboard and recovering metals by processing the slag remaining after waste incineration. Energie AG stores waste materials that cannot be recycled in its own or public landfills.

### **Drinking water and waste water**



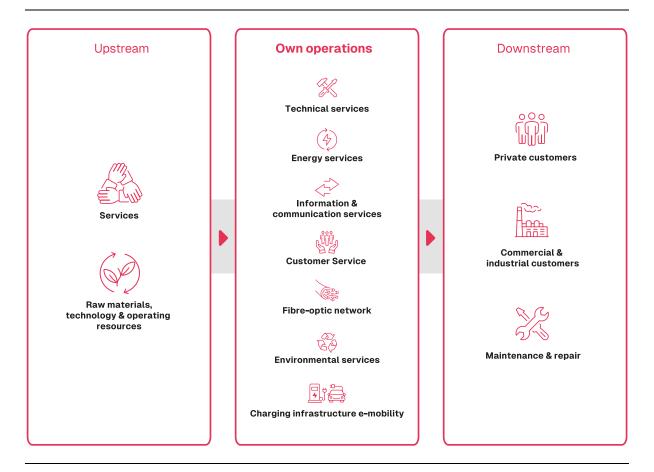
Energie AG offers services for cities, local authorities and water boards for the supply of drinking water, wastewater management and sewage services. It also takes into account the environmental and social impact of its activities along the entire value chain, which is shown in the diagram. Energie AG is committed to the sustainable use of water as a resource and takes action to avoid water loss.

In the Czech Republic, Energie AG holds official licences to extract surface and groundwater for drinking water and to discharge treated wastewater. Water sources for drinking water treatment include surface water (watercourses, lakes, reservoirs or dams) and groundwater, whose quality and quantity are influenced by precipitation (including runoff from urban areas) and discharged treated wastewater. In addition, a variety of materials, technologies and resources are used to conduct business activities.

In Upper Austria, Energie AG holds water law licences for the extraction of groundwater and the operation of its own water supply facilities. The groundwater used meets the legal quality requirements, meaning that no treatment is required for the majority of the installations.

Energie AG operates and partly owns the water infrastructure and carries out regular maintenance and servicing of water supply, sewage, wastewater treatment and water treatment plants, as well as their renovation and expansion, to the extent that they are owned by the Energie AG Group. The Group provides water management services such as sewer and hydrant inspections, leak detection, water sampling and laboratory activities, and employs advanced technologies to optimise operations, including smart metering in the Czech Republic.

### **Services**



Energie AG offers its customers (private, commercial and industrial) and Group companies a broad portfolio of services that contribute to its environmental, social and economic goals. In order to provide these services, Energie AG procures a range of services from its suppliers and partners, as well as raw materials, technology and operating resources, which it uses sustainably and efficiently.

Energie AG's range of services extends across a broad spectrum of technical, environmental, energy-related, information and communication, commercial and customer-focused activities; these include technical services such as planning, engineering, construction, maintenance and inspections (e.g. of power plants, generators, motors, transformers and operating equipment), troubleshooting in networkrelated facilities in the electricity, gas, heating and data transmission sectors, as well as the design and project planning of facilities for electricity and heat generation and storage (such as hydroelectric and thermal power plants, waste incineration plants, heating and gas pipeline construction, biogas plants, and wind and PV installations); environmental services comprise waste collection, treatment, recycling, wastewater treatment and recovery, and contaminated-site remediation consulting; energy services include energy performance certificates and energy audits, energy-efficiency consulting and subsidy management, as well as contracting and hire-purchase models for PV and heating systems; information and communication services cover the development of ICT products, telecommunications services (e.g. internal telephony and telematics services), the construction and operation of the fibre-optic network and related Layer 3 services (internet connectivity and telephony), as well as the operation of fibre-optic

infrastructure; commercial services encompass accounting, controlling, procurement, human resources, legal, compliance and risk management: customer services include call-centre operations, the online service portal, the customer magazine and the customer loyalty programme; the Group also operates a dense network of public charging infrastructure for electric vehicles, offering associated – in part digital – services (charging cards, direct payment) and charging-infrastructure solutions for private and business customers.

### Sustainable finance

The financial sector plays a key role in enabling a sustainable energy future. 'Sustainable finance' ensures that financial and investment decisions are guided by sustainability criteria, making it a central lever for the transition to a climate-neutral and resource-efficient economy.

The transformation process initiated by Energie AG will necessitate ambitious investment programmes over the coming years, especially in energy generation and distribution. As an energy company, Energie AG bears a particular responsibility to integrate sustainable financing approaches into its corporate strategy. In this way, investments can be structured not only to ensure economic viability but also to contribute actively to achieving climate objectives and advancing social progress.

To finance these investments, Energie AG plans to make increased use of instruments from the 'sustainable finance' sector. To this end, a 'Green Financing Framework' has been established and published, forming the basis for future green and sustainable financing.

The framework sets out Energie AG's sustainability strategy and the planned green investments that will support the implementation of this transformation. This provides investors and lenders with assurance that the funds made available will be used exclusively for the implementation of sustainable investments. The framework has been evaluated and validated by an independent internationally active expert.

In addition, Energie AG negotiated a far-reaching lending agreement with the European Investment Bank (EIB) in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The committed funds originate from the REPowerEU Action Plan, an initiative of the European Commission to accelerate the energy transition, in particular through the expansion of renewable energy. The EIB financing will be used to support Energie AG's hydropower projects.

### SBM-2 - Interests and views of stakeholders

Energie AG considers the involvement of its stakeholders to be extremely important to ensure that their interests and views are taken into account.

The table below provides an overview of key stakeholders, engagement and dialogue formats, and the relevant topics for the 2024/25 fiscal year.

Stakeholder	Integration and dialogue formats (selection)	Sustainability topics 2024/25 (selection)
Customers (Consumers and end- users)	Frequency: continuous  Customer club, digital customer portal, telephone customer service, news portal, events (e.g. energy saving fair), website, newsletter, mailings, e-portal, social media, customer forum, complaints management, annual reports	Security of supply, energy price development, market development, strategy, greenhouse gas emissions
Own workforce (Management Board, Management, Employees)	Frequency: continuous  Intranet posts, Viva Engage, newsletter, social media, 'Netzwerker:in' employee magazine, information via works council, 'Tell-Me' whistleblower system, onboarding kit, DiversiTeam, employee dialogue, employee survey, individual interviews The dialogue formats are presented in the same form across all segments, but not in all companies. About 80% of employees have access to multiple dialogue formats. The use of the different formats depends on the type of employment (IT access) and national circumstances, among other factors.	Working conditions (remuneration, work-life balance, working hours), safety at work, development, equality, equal opportunities, corporate culture
Business partners (suppliers, subcontractors) including value chain workers	Frequency: in specific cases where there are clear indications of potential opportunities and risks  'Code of Conduct for Contractors', contracts, negotiations, audits, events, email, phone	Labour conditions, skills shortages, supply chain responsibilities, innovation, market development, greenhouse gas emissions, circular economy
Competitors	Frequency: continuous  Business reports, industry associations, bodies, conferences, events	Market development, strategy, products, regulatory developments
Science and research	Frequency: continuous  Cooperation, lectures, conferences, management of higher education, annual reports, research projects	Innovations, decarbonisation, circular economy, digitalisation, energy generation, storage and transport
General Public and Media	Frequency: continuous  Press portal, website, blogs, social media, marketing campaigns, sponsorships, events, fairs, annual reports, Erlebniswelt Timelkam	Strategy, security of supply, energy price development, products and projects
Nature	Frequency: project-dependent  Direct discussions with internal experts, EIA procedures	Studies, collection of actual measures, biodiversity, protection of nature, scientific knowledge Collaboration with universities, NGOs, external experts and scientists

Stakeholder	Integration and dialogue formats (selection)	Sustainability topics 2024/25 (selection)
Politicians and Authorities	Frequency: continuous or as required	Trends in energy and climate policy, development of energy
	Technical discussions, events, opinions, approval procedures	generation from renewable sources, security of supply, energy price development, development of legal requirements, decarbonisation, construction of H <sub>2</sub> infrastructure, the circular economy and recycling
Interest groups (associations and	Frequency: continuous	Energy market development, energy price development,
cooperatives, trade associations, insurance providers, works council, environmental groups, non-governmental organisations, etc.)	Active participation in associations and cooperatives, memberships, events, annual reports	working conditions, greenhouse gas emissions
Landowners and Neighbours	Frequency: project-dependent	Air pollution control, water protection, protection against
Neighbourd	Interviews, meetings, plans, personal conversations, press appointments, email campaigns, newspaper, post, WAV citizen participation models, web-based project involvement, compliance reporting channels	emissions, waste, biodiversity, transport, landscape protection
Local Communities (cities, communities)	Frequency: continuous	Energy price development, air pollution control, water
(ones, communices)	Federation, association and organisation memberships; management board and supervisory board meetings (CZ), newsletters, events, press dates and reports, website, social media	protection, protection against emissions, waste, biodiversity, projects
Capital market (owners, supervisory board,	Frequency: continuous	Sustainability objectives & risks, sustainable financing,
investors, creditors, rating agencies, analysts)	Annual reports, rating review, investor relations, general meeting, supervisory board meetings	investments, financial market development, strategy, development of legal requirements in banking and finance, greenhouse gas emissions

Particular attention is given to the stakeholder groups most strongly affected: customers (consumers and end users) and employees (Management Board, senior executives and staff). For further information on current engagement, see S4-2 – Process for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts, and S4-3 – Process to remediate negative impacts and channels for consumers and end users to raise concerns, as well as S1-2 – Process for engaging company employees and workers' representatives about impacts, and S1-3 – Process for remediating negative impacts and channels for company employees to raise concerns, and G1-1 – Corporate governance framework and corporate culture. For information on other relevant stakeholders, such as the value chain workforce, see S2 Workers in the value chain.

The 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project (fiscal year 2023/24), launched to sharpen the focus on customer needs—particularly regarding access to products and services and the provision of high-quality information—continued to be implemented during the reporting period. The goal of the strategic repositioning in this area is to significantly improve the customer experience through digitalisation and simplification, see also **S4-1 Concepts related to consumers and end-users, 'Customer experience' and digitalisation**. The associated organisational adjustment continued throughout the 2024/25 fiscal year and creates the foundation for leveraging existing strengths more effectively and further optimising customer processes. The development and design of a

needs-orientated customer platform should facilitate the continued expansion of digital customer services in the future. Fully digitalised, highly automated solutions are designed to improve service quality and reduce waiting times, see also S4-4 – Taking action on material impacts on consumers and end users, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to consumers and end-users, and effectiveness of those actions.

In the Czech Republic segment, the water companies provide an online comments portal that allows stakeholders involved in construction procedures to submit comments directly on existing water supply networks, investors' plans, project documentation for planning approval (planning permission) and construction procedures (building notification), development plans, and modifications to water supply, sewerage connections or water metering systems. Comments can also be submitted in person at the customer centre or in writing. Requests for comments on existing infrastructure for the purposes of the construction process are generally received and transmitted by the district heating companies by email or using a data box. The opinion portal is available continuously on the Czech water companies' websites and the information provided is updated to reflect current projects.

Processes for involving the company's own workforce, including through dialogue with employee representatives, with regard to impacts are explained in S1-2 – Processes for involving the company's workforce and workers' representatives with regard to impacts. It also describes the available channels and opportunities for employees to express concerns about negative impacts, as well as procedures to address them under S1-3 Process for remediating negative impacts and channels for own employees to raise concerns, or G1-1 Business conduct concepts and corporate culture.

Based on the concept developed in the 2023/24 fiscal year for the future involvement of stakeholder groups in sustainability matters, prepared by employees from various Group divisions, special consideration was given to employee and customer interest groups when conducting the 2024/25 materiality assessment.

Details on the implementation of the materiality assessment can be found in section IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities.

The ESG Steering Committee and the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich were informed of the perspectives and interests of the 'employees' and 'customers' stakeholder groups involved in the reporting period as part of the materiality assessment results for the 2024/25 fiscal year. The topics discussed during the workshop with the members of the Group Representative Committee (representing the 'employees' interest group) and the results of the analysis of the complaint management system for the 'customers' interest group were discussed.

Since the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG has been a member of respACT, the Austrian leading platform for sustainable economic development, thereby reinforcing its commitment to active dialogue with stakeholders, the domestic market and the continuous development of responsible corporate practices.

Since September 2025, Energie AG has also been a member of the Green Energy Lab, a nationwide Austrian innovation platform for sustainable energy solutions. Through this partnership, Energie AG enhances its engagement with key stakeholders — business, academia and policymakers — and supports the development and implementation of new technologies in the fields of renewable energy, networks and decarbonisation.

### **Respect for human rights**

Energie AG is committed to the unrestricted respect of human rights across all areas of its operations and throughout its wider sphere of influence. In its responsible corporate activities, Energie AG is guided by internationally recognised principles and practices such as the Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises of the OECD, the Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

The well-being of all persons within its supply area is an important goal for Energie AG Group. The Group focuses its actions on providing a safe and reliable supply that enables well-being, trade and commerce, and a high quality of life.

# SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model

This section summarises the material positive and negative impacts as well as risks and opportunities of the Energie AG Group's material sustainability matters as identified in the materiality assessment.

For information on the current financial effects of these material risks and opportunities, please refer to the **Consolidated Financial Statements**.

The interdependence of the material impacts, risks and opportunities with the strategy and business model are described in section SBM-1 – Strategy, business model and value chain.

### **Environmental information**

	IRO Impact Risk Opportunity	positive impact (+) negative impact (-)	Physical facility risk (PR) transitional risk (TR)	actual (A) potential (P)	Time horizon	own business activity (B) upstream (U) downstream (D) value chain
E1 Climate change						
Climate change adaptation						
Energy transition infrastructure: positive impact on the transformation of the energy system	I	+		A	short-term	В
Expansion of charging infrastructure for electric cars: Promoting the transition to low-emission mobility	I	+		Α	short-term	В
Higher investment costs for infrastructure: Financial risks from higher investment costs for resilient infrastructure	R		PR	Р	medium- term	В
Extreme weather events: Financial risks from damage caused by extreme weather events	R		PR	А	short-term	В
Demand/Production fluctuation: financial risks due to climate change-related weather fluctuations and weather conditions	R		PR / TR	Α	short-term	В
Climate change mitigation						
Reducing greenhouse gas emissions: Contribution to climate change mitigation	I	+		Α	medium- term	N
Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities: positive impact on transformation of the energy system and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions	I	+		А	short-term	В
Biomonitoring: Controlled monitoring of pollutant emissions from waste incineration plants	ı	+		А	short-term	В
Negative effects of $\mathrm{CO}_2$ emissions: substantial due to energy-intensive processes, energy procurement, energy distribution, own and external transport and combustion activities	I	-		А	short-term	U/B/D
Price of CO <sub>2</sub> : Financial impact of emissions trading through CO <sub>2</sub> pricing	R		TR	A / P	medium- term	В
Changing regulations: Energy and climate policy legislation influences the economic viability of the company	R		TR	Р	short-term	В
Decarbonisation costs: Increased costs of decarbonisation measures	R		PR / TR	A / P	long-term	В
Development of new business areas: e.g.: Development and installation of hydrogen production and grid installations	0		TR	Р	short-term	В
Strengthening existing business areas: competitive advantage by expanding existing business areas (e.g.: Expansion of PV installations, battery storage)	0		PR	А	short-term	В
Energy						
Increased energy generation from renewable energy generation installations: Supporting sustainable transformation of the energy system	I	+		A	short-term/ medium- term	В
Provision of electricity network infrastructure: Enabling energy transition through stable grid infrastructure	I	+		А	short-term	В
Energy consumption: Own energy consumption (construction and operation of infrastructure) leads to CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	1	-		А	short-term	В

	IRO Impact Risk Opportunity	positive impact (+) negative impact (-)	Physical facility risk (PR) transitional risk (TR)	actual (A) potential (P)	Time horizon	own business activity (B) upstream (U) downstream (D) value chain
Energy security/independence: Energy security through self-generated, renewable energy and consequently reduction of dependence on energy markets	0		TR	А	short-term	В
Diversity of generation methods (water, PV, wind power): increased security of supply, compensation of weather-related fluctuations, resilience to market and climate change	0		PR	А	short-term	В
E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems						
Impact on the extent and condition of ecosystems - S	oil sealing					
Habitat degradation caused by the construction and operation of installations: Business activities inevitably lead to soil sealing (power stations, electricity grids, sites, etc.)	I	-		А	short-term	В
Impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services						
Higher water flow in the winter months: Financial opportunities due to higher water flow in the winter months, resulting in more even utilisation of hydroelectric power plants throughout the year and more efficient electricity generation	0		PR	А	medium- term	В
E5 Resource use and the circular economy						
Resource inflows, including resource use						
Resource use as a result of business activities: Natural resource use as a result of construction of facilities and infrastructure provision	I	-		А	short-term	В
Resource recovery as a result of business activities in the Environment Segment:  Contribution to saving primary resources by recycling waste in accordance with the waste hierarchy (primarily preparation for further or re-use)	ı	+		А	short-term	B / D

### Social information

	IRO Impact Risk Opportunity	positive impact (+) negative impact (-)	Physical facility risk (PR) transitional risk (TR)	actual (A) potential (P)	Time horizon	own business activity (B) upstream (U) downstream (D) value chain
S1 Own workforce						
Working conditions – Working time						
Work-life balance: Promoting employee satisfaction and retention	1	+		А	short-term	В
Flexible work time models: Balancing working hours with personal needs such as health, wellbeing, socialisation and recreation	I	+		А	short-term	В
Working conditions - Rights to information, consultation	on and co-deterr	mination				
Representation of employees' interests by works council: Representation and participation in issues affecting the workforce; high level of information for employees	I	+		А	short-term	В
Transparency on own rights: High level of information for employees regarding legal matters	1	+		А	short-term	В
Working conditions – Work-life balance						
Employee satisfaction: Diverse range of support (e.g.: childcare, sabbaticals, counselling)	I	+		А	short-term	В
Working conditions – Health and safety						
Health promotion programmes: Preventive action and raising employee awareness of a more conscious approach to health	I	+		А	short-term	В
Risk of accidents at work: accidents at work may occur in individual cases	1	-		Α	short-term	В
Working conditions – Secure employment						_
Employee retention and recruitment: Employee retention and recruitment of new employees as an attractive employer	0		TR	А	medium- term	В
Ensuring and preserving expertise: Ensuring the preservation of expertise in the company by being an attractive employer	0		TR	А	medium- term	В
Equal treatment and equal opportunities for all – Train	ing and skills de	evelopment				
Skills development and further development: Target group-focused employee development and promotion of lifelong learning through a wide range of seminars and courses	I	+		А	short-term	В
Equal treatment and equal opportunities for all – Action	on against violer	nce and harass	ment at work			
Possible bullying: In individual cases, staff members may be affected by harassment, psychological stress, harassment and violence at work	I	-		Р	short-term	В
Equal treatment and equal opportunity for all – Diversi	ity		-			
Promoting diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion: Employees are promoted and supported regardless of age, origin, gender and other factors in terms of equal opportunities and treatment. Diversity has a positive impact on sense of belonging, feelings of security, and decision-making.	I	+		А	short-term	В

	IRO Impact Risk Opportunity	positive impact (+) negative impact (-)	Physical facility risk (PR) transitional risk (TR)	actual (A) potential (P)	Time horizon	own business activity (B) upstream (U) downstream (D) value chain
S2 Workers in the value chain						
Working conditions – Adequate wages						_
Possible low pay: Where applicable, for individual workers along the supply chain and performance relationships	I	-		Р	short-term	U/D
Working conditions – Health and safety						_
Risk of accidents at work: In the case of construction projects, employees of external contractors could have accidents at work	I	-		Р	short-term	U/D
S4 Consumers and end-users						
Information-related impacts for consumers and/or en	d users - Access	s to (high-quali	ty) information			
Transparent provision of information across multiple channels: Customers can obtain information as needed	I	+		А	short-term	N
Insufficient/non-transparent customer information: Possible lack of information to customers, or lack of transparency due to an excess of information	ı	_		А	short-term	N
Social inclusion of consumers and/or end-users – Acc	ess to products	and services				
High security of supply: Security of supply of electricity, gas, heat, water, e- mobility, etc.	I	+		А	short-term	N
Resilience to crises: Building security and confidence through reliable energy and water supplies	ı	+		А	short-term	N
Reputational damage: Financial risks from possible reputational damage from facility and supply failures	R		TR	Р	short-term	В
Possible supply interruptions: Financial risks arising from economic consequences of supply disruptions	R		PR	Р	short-term	В

### **Governance information**

	IRO Impact Risk Opportunity	positive impact (+) negative impact (-)	Physical <b>facility risk</b> (PR) <b>transitional</b> <b>risk</b> (TR)	actual (A) potential (P)	Time horizon	own business activity (B) upstream (U) downstream (D) value chain
G1 Business conduct						
Corporate culture						
High staff satisfaction: A high level of employee well-being, through a supportive and sustainable corporate culture as well as innovation and change management	I	+		А	short-term	В
Protection of whistleblowers						
Ability to report mismanagement: Whistleblower protection (which includes staff) by having simple and safe ways to report incidents	I	+		А	short-term	U/B/D
Corruption and Bribery - Prevention and detection, inc	luding in training	g				
Responsible interaction with customers, authorities and suppliers: Positive impact through responsible and sustainable corporate management and awareness raising	I	+		А	short-term	U/D

Energie AG is conducting a standardised climate risk and vulnerability analysis, currently focused on taxonomy-related economic activities under the EU Taxonomy Regulation. The objective is to assess physical climate risks based on location, expected lifespan and relevant climate hazards. This involves the use of scientifically sound data sources such as IPCC reports, the 'Copernicus Climate Change Service' and national climate scenarios (e.g. ÖKS 15). The evaluation also encompasses a financial assessment of potential adaptation measures. An extension of the analysis to other economic activities not covered by the EU Taxonomy Regulation is planned in order to systematically identify and manage climate risks across the Group.

Transitional risks have been systematically captured as part of the double materiality assessment and relate to the potential impacts of social, political and economic change arising from the transition to a low-carbon and sustainable economy. These risks stem in particular from regulatory developments, technological advances, market shifts and reputational factors. Early identification and assessment of transition risks is essential to enable forward-looking strategic decision-making, minimise regulatory risks and proactively leverage opportunities within the transformation process.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the existing supplier risk analysis was significantly expanded and deepened. Selected suppliers, including those in the Czech Republic Segment, were subjected to a comprehensive assessment. For the first time, the Albased tool Prewave was used, enabling automated monitoring of risks along the supply chain.

Compared with the previous analysis, the audit was extended to deeper levels of the supply chain. More specifically, suppliers with a purchase volume of more than EUR 100,000.00 were systematically reviewed. The aim of the analysis was to identify potential risks relating to countries, industries and the financial volume of the respective suppliers in a transparent manner and, where necessary, to derive appropriate measures.

The following main indices were used as the basis for the assessment: Environment & Climate – Environmental Performance Index (EPI), Deforestation & Land Degradation Indices, Transboundary Water Protection; Energy & Resource Management – Sustainable Nitrogen / Resource Intensity Indices, Basel, Stockholm and Minamata Conventions; Governance & Corruption – Worldwide Governance Indicators (WGI), Corruption Perceptions Index; Human and labour rights – ITUC Global Rights Index, Child Labor / Forced Labor Indices, Living Wage / Poverty Indicators; Infrastructure & Resilience – World Economic Forum Infrastructure Index, INFORM Natural Hazard Risk Index; Safety & Health – Industrial Accident and Safety Index, WHO Health and Welfare Data.

The results of the analysis showed that none of the assessed suppliers were classified as high risk. Accordingly, no action relating to human rights risks was required.

The implementation of a comprehensive software solution is already being prepared to further professionalise risk analysis across the Group. In the coming years, Prewave is planned to be fully integrated into the Energie AG procurement systems and the analysis gradually extended to suppliers with lower volumes.

The recognised financial risks and opportunities are taken into account in the current risk management process; see Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Management of risks and opportunities.

The identified IROs have been incorporated into the strategic guidelines of Energie AG. Important adjustments include:

- Strategic ambition: the transformation into a climate-neutral energy supplier through the gradual decarbonisation of business activities
- Capital allocation: an increase in investment volumes for renewable energy generation, network infrastructure, decarbonisation and digitalisation
- Further development of existing business models and the creation of entirely new ones: the design and implementation of initial battery storage projects, the planning of concrete electrolysis projects for the production of green hydrogen, and the piloting of a hydrogen transport network address the flexibility and decarbonisation requirements of a transformed energy system.

Given the high relevance of sustainability topics for corporate activities, ESG aspects are integrated into the strategy development process and Group-wide risk management, identified at an early stage and actively managed.

In the context of the materiality assessment according to ESRS, different risks and opportunities for Energie AG in relation to sustainability topics have been identified. In the area of climate change adaptation, both physical asset risks and transition risks may arise from regulatory and market-related changes. Investment risks and transition risks were also identified in the area of climate change mitigation; however, opportunities also arise in this context. In the area 'Energy', only opportunities were identified; this also applies to the area 'Impacts and dependencies of ecosystem services'. Opportunities were also identified in the area of 'Working conditions – secure employment'. In contrast, risks were identified in the area of 'Social inclusion of consumers and/or end-users – Access to products and services'. Detailed information on the identified risks and opportunities can be found in the table above. For none of the identified risks and opportunities is there a significant risk of a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities reported in the financial statements in the forthcoming reporting period.

# Financial stability as a foundation for sustainable transformation

The financial stability and sound credit quality of the Energie AG Group are essential prerequisites for the consistent pursuit of its transformation towards sustainability. At the same time, systematic sustainability management is a key contributor to securing long-term financial success.

The Energie AG Group's financial objective is to sustainably enhance corporate value, safeguard long-term financial stability and ensure a reliable return for owners and investors through operational excellence. This provides the foundation for supporting the transition to sustainability in a profitable and enduring manner.

In the first half of the 2024/25 fiscal year, the European Investment Bank agreed to provide Energy AG with a loan of up to EUR 400 million to finance the expansion of hydroelectric power in Upper Austria.

A 'Green Financing Framework' was published in March 2025, forming the basis for the future launch of green financing activities. The framework sets out Energie AG's sustainability strategy and the planned green investments required to support this transformation. The quality and credibility of the 'Green Financing Framework' were confirmed through an external review conducted by an internationally active expert.

Energie AG's strong credit quality was most recently reaffirmed by S&P Global Ratings in June 2025 with a rating of 'A' (stable outlook). Further information on the funding and investment strategy is provided in the **Group Management Report**, **Funding and investment strategy**.

Energie AG operates an integrated business model characterised by broad diversification across its activities. This is reflected in the distribution of investments across different operating segments in both regulated and non-regulated areas, in long-term investment strategies based on a stable and conservative funding and investment strategy, and in the continuous expansion of new, sustainable business areas. An integrated risk management system supports the early identification of potential risks. As a critical infrastructure company, crisis resilience is of particular importance for Energie AG; accordingly, the regular strategy development process also includes an assessment of relevant business models and their resilience.

Compared with the reporting initially prepared under ESRS in the 2023/24 fiscal year, a more detailed analysis of the IROs by the business and service units was carried out in the 2024/25 fiscal year and individual topics were reassessed.

The company-specific topic 'Security of Supply' is presented in section **S4 Consumers** and end-users.

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

# IRO-1 – Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities

In the 2023/24 fiscal year, Energie AG for the first time conducted a materiality assessment in accordance with the requirements of the CSRD and the ESRS requirements as part of the externally supported 'ESG management/CSRD implementation' project. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the materiality assessment process was significantly further developed. For the first time, the assessment of impacts, risks and opportunities was carried out in a decentralised manner by the business and service units and subsequently consolidated by Group Risk Management.

In accordance with the principle of double materiality, the impacts, risks and opportunities of Energie AG in the areas of environmental, social and governance matters were identified and assessed to determine the material sustainability matters for reporting purposes.

Under the double materiality concept, a sustainability matter is considered from two perspectives: its positive or negative impacts on people and the environment (impact materiality), and its financial effects on the company, including associated risks and opportunities (financial materiality).

The materiality assessment was based on the 'longlist' set out in the current ESRS (ESRS 1 Appendix A), which provides a list of potentially material sustainability matters.

Negative and positive impacts on people and the environment may also give rise to financial consequences for Energie AG (e.g. reputational damage arising from negative impacts). These interrelationships were accordingly taken into account when determining risks and opportunities.

In the template standardised by Group Risk Management, positive and negative impacts were initially categorised as either potential or actual. When assessing the impact, the underlying cause, location and time horizon were recorded before a quantitative evaluation of scale and scope was conducted. For negative impacts, recoverability was also assessed, and for potential impacts the likelihood of occurrence was evaluated.

The materiality assessment and its results were addressed by both the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of Energie AG in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In addition, based on the stakeholder engagement concept developed in the 2023/24 fiscal year, the views of internal and external stakeholders were incorporated into the results of the materiality analysis during the reporting period. The materiality evaluation for the 2024/25 fiscal year took into account the stakeholder groups 'S4 Consumers and endusers' and 'S1 Own workforce'. The first group was involved through a systematic assessment of existing customer concerns and grievances collected as part of Energie AG's structured complaints management. Complaints management includes the processing and documentation of customer enquiries in the areas of electricity, gas, FTTH (Fibre to the Home) and heat. Further information on this can be found in \$4-3, Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for consumers and end users to raise concerns. The interests of the stakeholder group 'S1 Own workforce' were represented in the Group's materiality analysis through the involvement of members of the Group's workers' representative body (as representatives of the 'Employees' interest group). In a materiality assessment workshop, the impacts, risks and opportunities relating to 'S1 Own workforce' were structured, and the views of the Group representative were subsequently taken into account in the materiality assessment.

Further details on stakeholder involvement are provided in section **SBM-2 Stakeholder** interests and positions.

For the assessment of risks and opportunities, the time horizon was determined before a quantitative evaluation was performed based on the reusability of resources and/or the reliability of business relationships and/or the impact on future EBIT. The likelihood of impact was also assessed.

Sustainability risks were evaluated by the experts as part of the materiality assessment process using the individual assessment categories. This assessment resulted in a key indicator reflecting the degree of materiality for each topic.

A threshold value of 0.6 was established, derived from the quantitative scoring of criteria on a scale from 0 to 1. Where the assessment of either impact materiality or financial materiality met or exceeded this threshold, the sustainability matter was classified as material for Energie AG.

The initial results of the materiality assessment were reviewed and validated by the ESG Steering Committee and the Management Board, forming the basis for determining the Group's material sustainability matters; these constitute the framework for sustainability reporting in accordance with the ESRS at Energie AG. The materiality assessment is based on the individual IROs. These are assessed by the decentralised business units and subsequently forwarded to Group Risk Management. In line with internal control system requirements, the evaluations submitted are checked for completeness and adherence to the standardised Group methodology.

Group Risk Management was involved throughout the entire materiality assessment process. Scales were established to assess the materiality of impacts and financial materiality, forming the basis for the assessments carried out by the business and service units. The impacts, risks and opportunities evaluated were analysed by Group Risk Management, and the financial risks and opportunities were aligned with the ongoing risk management process.

# IRO-2 - Disclosure requirements in ESRS covered by the company's sustainability statement

### ESRS 2 - General Disclosures

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
BP-1	General basis for preparation of the sustainability statement
BP-2	Disclosures in relation to specific circumstances
GOV-1	The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies
GOV-2	Information provided to and sustainability matters addressed by the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies
GOV-3	Integration of sustainability-related performance in incentive schemes
GOV-4	Statement on due diligence
GOV-5	Risk management and internal controls over sustainability reporting
SBM-1	Strategy, business model and value chain
SBM-2	Interests and views of stakeholders
SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model
IRO-1	Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities
IRO-2	Disclosure requirements in ESRS covered by the undertaking's sustainability statement

### E1 - Climate change

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
ESRS 2 GOV-3	Integration of sustainability-related performance in incentive schemes
E1-1	Transition plan for climate change mitigation
ESRS 2 SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model
ESRS 2 IRO-1	Description of the process to identify and assess material climate-related impacts, risks and opportunities
E1-2	Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation
E1-3	Actions and resources related to the climate concepts
E1-4	Targets related to climate change mitigation and adaptation
E1-5	Energy consumption and mix
E1-6	Gross Scope 1, 2 and 3 and Total GHG emissions
E1-9	Anticipated financial effects from material physical and transition risks and potential climate-related opportunities

### E4 - Biodiversity and ecosystems

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
E4-1	Transition plan and consideration of biodiversity and ecosystems in strategy and business model
ESRS 2 SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model
ESRS 2 IRO-1	Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities in relation to biological diversity and ecosystems
E4-2	Concepts related to biodiversity and ecosystems
E4-3	Actions and resources related to biodiversity and ecosystems
E4-4	Targets related to biodiversity and ecosystems

### E5 - Resource use and the circular economy

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
ESRS 2 IRO-1	Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities in relation to resource use and the circular economy
E5-1	Concepts related to resource use and circular economy
E5-2	Actions and resources related to resource use and circular economy
E5-3	Targets related to resource use and circular economy
E5-4	Resource inflows

### S1 - Own workforce

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
ESRS 2 SBM-2	Interests and views of stakeholders
ESRS 2 SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model
S1-1	Concepts related to own workforce
S1-2	Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts
S1-3	Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for own workforce to raise concerns
S1-4	Taking action on material impacts on own workforce, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce, and effectiveness of those actions

Indicator Disclosure requirement			
S1-5	Targets related to managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts and managing material risks and opportunities		
S1-6	Characteristics of the company's employees		
S1-7	Characteristics of external employees		
S1-8	Collective bargaining coverage and social dialogue		
S1-9	Diversity indicators		
S1-11	Social protection		
S1-13	Key figures for training and skills development		
S1-14	Key figures for health and safety		
S1-15	Key figures for work-life balance		
S1-17	Incidents, complaints and severe human rights impacts		

### **S2 - Workers in the value chain**

Indicator	Disclosure requirement	
ESRS 2 SBM-2 Interests and views of stakeholders		
ESRS 2 SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model	
S2-1	Concepts related to value chain workers	
S2-2	Processes for engaging with value chain workers about impacts	
S2-3	Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for value chain workers to raise concerns	
S2-4	Taking action on material impacts on value chain workers, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to value chain workers, and effectiveness of those actions	

### **S4 – Consumers and end-users**

Indicator Disclosure requirement			
ESRS 2 SBM-2 Interests and views of stakeholders			
ESRS 2 SBM-3	Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model		
S4-1	Concepts related to consumers and end-users		
S4-2	Processes for engaging with consumers and end-users about impacts		
S4-3	Processes to improve negative impacts and channels for consumers and end-users to raise concerns		
S4-4	Taking action on material impacts on consumers and end-users, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to consumers and end-users, and effectiveness of those actions		

### **G1 - Business conduct**

Indicator	Disclosure requirement
ESRS 2 GOV-1 The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies	
ESRS 2 IRO-1	Description of the process to identify and assess material impacts, risks and opportunities
G1-1	Business conduct concepts and corporate culture
G1-3 Prevention and detection of corruption and bribery	
G1-4	Incidents of corruption or bribery

# List of data points in the general and topic-related standards arising from other EU legislation (ESRS 2, Appendix B)

Disclosure requirement and related data	SFDR reference	Pillar 3 Reference	Benchmark regulation reference	EU Climate law reference
ESRS 2 GOV-1 21 d: Boards' gender diversity	х		х	
ESRS 2 GOV-1 21-e: Percentage of management body members who are independent			Х	
ESRS 2 GOV-4 30: Statement on due diligence	х			
ESRS 2 SBM-1 40-d-i: Involvement in activities related to fossil fuel activities	Х	Х	Х	
ESRS 2 SBM-1 40-d-ii: Involvement in activities related to chemical production	х		Х	
ESRS 2 SBM-1 40-d-iii: Involvement in activities related to controversial weapons	х		Х	
ESRS 2 SBM-1 40-d-iv: Involvement in activities related to the cultivation and production of tobacco			х	
ESRS E1-114: Transition plan to reach climate neutrality by 2050				x
ESRS E1-116-g: Undertakings excluded from Paris-aligned benchmarks		Х	Х	
ESRS E1-4 34: GHG emission reduction targets	Х	х	Х	
ESRS E1-5 38: Energy consumption from fossil fuels by source (only high climate impact sectors)	Х			
ESRS E1-5 37: Energy consumption and mix	х			
ESRS E1-5 40-43: Energy intensity associated with activities in high climate impact sectors	х			
ESRS E1-6 44: Gross Scope 1, 2, 3 and Total GHG emissions	×	х	Х	
ESRS E1-6 53-55: Gross GHG emissions intensity	х	х	Х	
ESRS E1-7 56: Removal of greenhouse gases and CO <sub>2</sub> certificates				х
<b>ESRS E1-9 66:</b> Exposure of the benchmark portfolio to climaterelated physical risks			X	
ESRS E1-9 66-a: Disaggregation of monetary amounts by acute and chronic physical risk ESRS E1-9 66-c: Location of significant assets at material physical risk		x		
ESRS E1-9 67-c: Breakdown of the carrying value of its real estate assets by energy-efficiency class		х		
ESRS E1-9 69: Degree of exposure of the portfolio to climate-related opportunities			x	

Disclosure requirement and related data	SFDR reference	Pillar 3 Reference	Benchmark regulation reference	EU Climate law reference
ESRS E2-4 28: Amount of each pollutant listed in Annex II of the E-PRTR (European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register) emitted into air, water and soil	×			
ESRS E3-1 9: Water and marine resources	х			
ESRS E3-113: Special approach	х			
ESRS E3-114: Sustainable oceans and seas	х			
ESRS E3-4 28-c: Total water recycled and reused	х			
ESRS E3-4 29: Total water consumption in m <sup>3</sup> per net sales from own activities	х			
ESRS 2 SBM-3 - E4 16-a-i: Activities that have a negative impact in biodiversity sensitive areas	х			
ESRS 2 SBM-3 - E4 16-b: Material negative impacts on land degradation, desertification or soil sealing	x			
ESRS 2 SBM-3 - E4 16-c: Activities impacting threatened species	х			
ESRS E4-2 24-b: Sustainable practices or approaches to land use and agriculture	х			
ESRS E4-2 24-c: Sustainable ocean/sea practices or approaches	х			
ESRS E4-2 24-d: Concepts for combating deforestation	х			
ESRS E5-5 37-d: Non-recycled waste	×			
ESRS E5-5 39: Hazardous and radioactive waste	X			
ESRS 2 SBM-3 - S1-14-f: Risk of incidents of forced labour	X			
ESRS 2 SBM-3 – S1-14-g: Risk of incidents of child labour	x			
ESRS S1-1 20: Human rights policy commitments	X			
ESRS S1-1 21:  Due diligence policies on issues addressed by the fundamental International Labour Organization Conventions 1 to 8			x	
ESRS S1-1 22: Processes and actions to combat human trafficking	х			
ESRS S1-1 23: Workplace accident prevention policy or management system	х			
ESRS S1-3 32-c: Grievance/complaints handling mechanisms	х			
ESRS S1-14 88-b und -c: Number of fatalities and number and rate of work- related accidents	х		х	
ESRS S1-14 88-e: Number of days lost to injuries, accidents, fatalities or illness	х			

Disclosure requirement and related data	SFDR reference	Pillar 3 Reference	Benchmark regulation reference	EU Climate law reference
ESRS S1-16 97-a: Unadjusted gender pay gap	х		×	
ESRS S1-16 97-b: Excessive CEO pay ratio	х			
ESRS S1-17 103-a: Incidents of discrimination	х			
ESRS S1-17 104-a: Non-respect of UNGPs on Business and Human Rights and OECD guidelines	х		х	
ESRS 2 SBM-3 – S2 11-b: Significant risk of child labour or forced labour in the value chain	х			
ESRS S2-117: Human rights policy commitments	х			
ESRS S2-118: Concepts related to value chain workers	х			
ESRS S2-119: Non-respect of UNGPs on Business and Human Rights and OECD guidelines	х		х	
ESRS S2-119: Due diligence policies on issues addressed by the fundamental International Labour Organization Conventions 1 to 8			х	
ESRS S2-4 36: Human rights issues and incidents connected to its upstream and downstream value chain	х			
ESRS S3-116: Human rights policy commitments	х			
ESRS S3-117: Failure to comply with the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the ILO principles or the OECD Guidelines	х		х	
ESRS S3-4 36: Human rights issues and incidents	х			
ESRS S4-116: Concepts related to consumers and end users	х			
ESRS S4-117: Non-respect of UNGPs on Business and Human Rights and OECD guidelines	х		х	
ESRS S4-4 35: Human rights issues and incidents	х			
ESRS G1-1 10-b: United Nations Convention against Corruption	Х			
ESRS G1-1 10-d: Protection of whistleblowers	Х			
ESRS G1-4 24-a: Fines for violation of anti-corruption and anti- bribery laws	х		х	
ESRS G1-4 24-b: Standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery	х			

As a result of the materiality assessment, the following matters were identified as not material: E2 Pollution, E3 Water and marine resources and S3 Affected communities.

The lists of threshold values specified by EU legislation were used to determine points of contact and to assess the topics under E2 Pollution. Energie AG does not report on E2 Pollution, as none of the values from the prescribed list exceed the relevant threshold. A detailed analysis of these thresholds was carried out as part of the 'ESG Management/CSRD Implementation' project.

Energie AG does not publish a report on the entire area of E3 Water and marine resources, as no points of contact were identified in some cases (all topics relating to marine resources) and the topics of water consumption and extraction as well as water discharge were classified as non-material based on the assessment of impacts, opportunities and risks. Water consumption by end users served by Energie AG has been addressed under S4 Consumers and end-users.

Energie AG is not required to report on the S3 Affected communities standard in its entirety, as all subtopics were assessed as non-material based on the evaluation of impacts, risks and opportunities. Some of the subtopics are reflected in other 'longlist' items, such as E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems and S4 Consumers and end-users.

### **Environmental information**

### Taxonomy Regulation

# Information pursuant to Article 8 of the EU Taxonomy Regulation (2020/852) and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2178

A key objective of the EU is to make the European economy more climate-friendly by reducing  $CO_2$  emissions. This requires increased investment in sustainable economic activities. Implementation takes place within the framework of the 'EU Action Plan on Sustainable Finance', which supports the financing of sustainable investments and projects.

The EU Taxonomy provides a standardised and legally binding classification system for environmentally sustainable economic activities. Each year, the Energie AG Group assesses which of its activities can be classified as taxonomy-eligible and taxonomy-aligned, based on the delegated acts published for the six environmental objectives.

Verification of taxonomy compliance is carried out by subject-matter experts within the decentralised Group companies.

### **Defining Taxonomy-eligible economic activities**

The first step for Energie AG was to identify the economic activities carried out within the Group that are listed in the delegated regulations; this was undertaken in several interactive workshops using the 'EU Taxonomy Navigator'. The NACE codes (Nomenclature of Economic Activities) referenced in the descriptions of the economic activities were also taken into account.

# Assessing the Taxonomy alignment of economic activities

In the second step, the Taxonomy-eligible economic activities identified for the Energie AG Group were evaluated to determine whether they make a material contribution to one of the following six environmental objectives:

- 1. Climate change mitigation
- 2. Climate change adaptation
- 3. Sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources
- 4. Transition to a circular economy
- 5. Pollution prevention and control
- 6. Protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems

An assessment was then carried out to determine whether the pursuit of these economic activities adversely affects any of the other five environmental objectives (DNSH – 'do no significant harm'). Finally, compliance with the minimum safeguards was reviewed at Group level. When these steps had been evaluated positively, the relevant economic activities were declared Taxonomy-aligned.

# Technical screening criteria (fulfilment of substantial contribution and DNSH criteria)

The assessment and documentation of the relevant data on the substantial contribution to the associated environmental objective, as well as the verification that no significant harm is caused to the remaining five environmental objectives (DNSH), were carried out by designated technical experts from the respective Group entities.

Only those economic activities that make a substantial contribution to at least one of the six EU environmental objectives listed above (material contribution) and that do not cause significant harm to any of the other environmental objectives (DNSH), while also meeting the required minimum social safeguards, may be classified as Taxonomy-aligned. An activity may be declared Taxonomy-aligned only when all criteria are fully satisfied.

### Climate risk and vulnerability assessments

The assessment of climate risk and vulnerability is a process for identifying and evaluating climate-related risks that may affect economic activities. To avoid any significant impairment of the environmental objective 'Climate change adaptation' (DNSH 2), all economic activities classified as Taxonomy-aligned and contributing substantially to climate change mitigation must meet the requirements set out in Appendix A of Annex I to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139. These provisions require a climate risk and vulnerability assessment to identify the major climatic factors affecting the respective activity.

The first step was to determine whether any potential climate risks could impair the effectiveness of the relevant economic activity over its lifetime. Where such risks were identified, appropriate adaptation measures were defined to mitigate the physical climate risks. The climate risk and vulnerability assessments were carried out using a standardised assessment sheet and are updated annually.

### Minimum safeguards

Energie AG ensures observance of the social minimum safeguards under Article 18 of the EU Taxonomy Regulation through the application of management processes established across the Group as well as organisational regulations (partly through codes of conduct and Group policies).

In line with the published guidelines and codes of conduct, Energie AG undertakes to comply with, among other things:

- human rights and labour rights
- rules on compliance and combating corruption
- fair competition
- applicable tax provisions

These policies and processes and their observance essentially constitute the required due diligence checks. Moreover, it is also a condition for positive fulfilment of the minimum safeguards that there are no significant violations of social standards.

In addition to the aforementioned policies and codes of conduct, the Group-wide whistleblowing system and the new Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) initiative play major roles in the Group's compliance with these obligations.

Furthermore, Energie AG's Purchasing Directive, which was updated in the previous fiscal year, requires the Group's suppliers and business partners to adhere to these principles. A concept for software-based supplier monitoring has also been introduced within the Energie AG Group.

No violations of social standards were identified in Energie AG Group in the 2024/25 fiscal year.

The Taxonomy-eligible economic activities identified within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy across the Energie AG Group, relating to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation (CCM), transition to a circular economy (CE) and pollution prevention and control (PPC), include:

Economic sector according to the EU Taxonomy	Economic activities identified within Energie AG Group with regard to the environmental objective of climate change mitigation			
Energy	CCM 4.1.	Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology		
	CCM 4.5.	Electricity generated from hydropower		
	CCM 4.9.	Transmission and distribution of electricity		
	CCM 4.10.	Storage of electricity		
	CCM 4.14.	Transmission and distribution grids for renewable and low carbon gases		
	CCM 4.15.	District heating/cooling distribution		
	CCM 4.20.	Cogeneration of heat/cool and power from bioenergy		
	CCM 4.24.	Production of heat/cool from bioenergy		
	CCM 4.25.	Production of heat/cool using waste heat		
	CCM 4.30.	High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cool and power from fossil gaseous fuels		
	CCM 4.31.	Production of heat/cool from fossil gaseous fuels in an efficient district heating and cooling system		

Economic sector according to the EU Taxonomy	Economic activities identified within Energie AG Group with regard to the environmental objective of climate change mitigation			
Water supply, wastewater management,	CCM 5.1.	Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems		
waste management and pollution remediation	CCM 5.3.	Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment systems		
	CCM 5.5.	Collection and transport of non-hazardous waste in source segregated fractions		
	CCM 5.8.	Composting of bio-waste		
	CCM 5.9.	Material recovery from non-hazardous waste		
	CE 2.6.	Elimination of pollutants and dismantling of end-of-life products		
	PPC 2.1.	Collection and transport of hazardous waste		
	PPC 2.2.	Treatment of hazardous waste		
Traffic	CCM 6.5.	Transport by motorbikes, passenger cars and light commercial vehicles		
	CCM 6.6.	On-road freight haulage		
	CCM 6.15.	Infrastructure enabling low-carbon road transport and public transport		
Building industry and	CCM 7.3.	Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment		
real estate	CCM 7.4.	Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in buildings (and parking spaces attached to buildings)		
	CCM 7.5.	Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring, regulating and controlling overall energy performance of buildings		
	CCM 7.6.	Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies		
	CCM 7.7.	Acquisition and ownership of buildings		
Information and communication	CCM 8.1.	Data processing, hosting and associated activities		
Provision of technical services	CCM 9.3.	Professional freelance services related to overall energy performance of buildings		

Economic activity CCM 4.3. Electricity generated from wind power is not included in Energie AG's disclosures under the EU Taxonomy Regulation because the wind power-related participating interests within Energie AG Group are not consolidated or only consolidated using the equity method.

Certain economic activities carried out in Energie AG Group may however be Taxonomyeligible for several environmental objectives, i.e. they are outlined in several provisions or should be assigned to several environmental objectives. Combating climate change is a major focus for Energie AG Group and so all economic activities that can be attributed to several environmental objectives have been assigned to the environmental objective Climate change mitigation.

# KPIs for turnover, CapEx and OpEx in the 2024/25 fiscal vear

### **Turnover – definition**

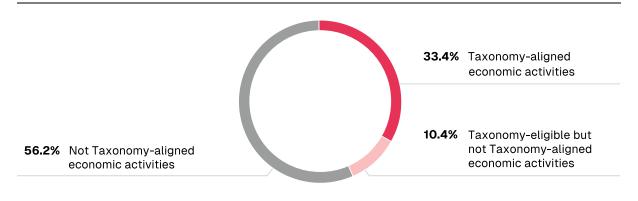
Pursuant to the EU Taxonomy Regulation, sustainable turnover corresponds to the share of net turnover that is generated exclusively by Energie AG Group itself and is associated with Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (numerator), divided by the total net turnover (denominator) in the Group. The consolidated net turnover is defined

according to the 'International Accounting Standard' (IAS) 1.82(a) – see **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Consolidated Statement of Income**.

The majority of Taxonomy-aligned turnover is attributable to economic activity CCM 4.9 Transmission and distribution of electricity in the Grid Segment, followed by CCM 4.5 Hydroelectric power generation in the Energy Segment. In the Environment Segment, the principal contribution stems from CCM 5.5 Collection of non-hazardous waste. In the Czech Republic Segment, CCM 5.1 Operation of water supply systems and CCM 5.3 Operation of wastewater systems account for a significant share of Taxonomy-aligned turnover.

The share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in net turnover is 33.4% (previous year: 32.2%), significantly lower than in the CapEx and OpEx key indicators. This is largely due to the fact that net turnover from trading and sales of electricity and gas are not considered under the EU Taxonomy Regulation.

### **Turnover**

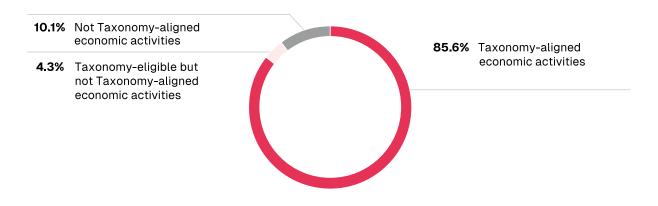


### Capital expenditure (CapEx) - definition

The CapEx metric corresponds, in the numerator, to the share of Taxonomy-aligned additions to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets that are associated with Taxonomy-aligned economic activities which form part of a plan to increase Taxonomy-aligned economic activities or to convert a Taxonomy-eligible economic activity into a Taxonomy-aligned economic activity ('CapEx plan') as well as Taxonomy-aligned single investments. The denominator comprises the Group's total capital expenditures; see **Group Management Report**, **Assets**, **liabilities**, **financial position and profit or loss**.

The share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in capital expenditure (CapEx) is 85.6% (previous year: 83.7%). The largest share of Taxonomy-aligned CapEx derives from economic activity CCM 4.9. Transmission and distribution of electricity (Grid Segment), followed by economic activities CCM 4.10. Storage of electricity, and CCM 4.5. Electricity generated from hydroelectric power (Energy Segment).

### Capital expenditure (CapEx)



A CapEx plan for the next five years was created in accordance with Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2178, Annex I, Section 1.1.2.2. The CapEx plan includes two large-scale sustainable projects that are already being implemented and are aimed at expanding Taxonomy-aligned activities of the Group.

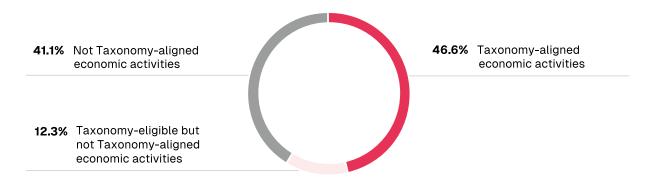
Environmental objective	Code	Activity	aligned CapEx 2024/25	planned CapEx 2026 – 2030	Total CapEx
Climate change mitigation (CCM)	CCM 4.5.	Electricity generated from hydropower	20	165	192
Climate change mitigation (CCM)	CCM 4.10.	Storage of electricity	83	289	451

### Operating expenditure (OpEx) - definition

The OpEx key indicator corresponds in the numerator to the share of Taxonomy-aligned operating expenses that are associated with Taxonomy-aligned economic activities which are part of a plan to expand Taxonomy-aligned economic activities or to convert a Taxonomy-eligible economic activity to a Taxonomy-aligned economic activity (OpEx plan) as well as Taxonomy-aligned operating expenses for individual actions. The total operating expenses of the Group as defined in the EU Taxonomy Regulation are shown in the denominator. Operating expenses essentially comprise expenditure in connection with ongoing maintenance, servicing and repair of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment. Expenditure on research and development (R&D) and expenditure on short-term leases can also be recognised as operating expenses.

The share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in operating expenditure (OpEx) is 46.6% (previous year: 46.6%). The largest share of Taxonomy-aligned OpEx derives from the economic activity CCM 4.9. Transmission and distribution of electricity (Grid Segment). Another significant share is CCM 4.5. Electricity generated from hydroelectric power, (Energy Segment) and CCM 5.5. Collection and transportation of non-hazardous waste (Environment Segment).

### **Operating expenditure (OpEx)**



### **Results of the Taxonomy assessment**

In the reporting year, the share of Taxonomy-aligned net turnover increased by 1.2 percent compared with the previous year. This development is primarily attributable to the decline in non-Taxonomy-eligible turnover from electricity and gas trading. Conversely, economic activity CCM 4.9 Transmission and distribution of electricity had a positive impact on Taxonomy-aligned net turnover: higher electricity transmission volumes combined with increased grid tariffs resulted in a corresponding rise in Taxonomy-aligned revenue, thereby strengthening the overall share. Electricity generation from hydroelectric power (CCM 4.5) was lower than in the previous year due to below-average water levels and reduced market prices.

The share of Taxonomy-aligned CapEx increased by 1.9 percentage points year-on-year. This development was driven in particular by investments in electricity grid expansion (CCM 4.9 Transmission and distribution of electricity) and the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant (CCM 4.10 Storage of electricity). In addition, increased investment in the expansion of hydroelectric and photovoltaic installations compared with the previous year further supported the rise in Taxonomy-aligned CapEx.

The share of Taxonomy-aligned OpEx remained broadly in line with the previous year. The main contributions continue to arise from the economic activities CCM 4.9 Transmission and distribution of electricity, CCM 4.5 Hydroelectric power generation and CCM 4.10 Storage of electricity.

The following tables offer a detailed overview of the Taxonomy alignment of individual Taxonomy-eligible economic activities within the Energie AG Group:

### **Taxonomy disclosures**

#### Share of net turnover from goods or services associated with Taxonomy-aligned economic activities; disclosure for 2024/25

	Consoli	dated turn	over		Subst	antial cont	tribution cri	teria		
Economic activities (1)	Code (2)	Turnover (3)	Proportion of turnover 2024/25 (4)	Climate change mitigation (5)	Climate change adap- tation (6)	Water (7)	Pollution (8)	Circular economy (9)	Bio- diversity (10)	
		EUR mill.	%	Y; N; N/EL	Y; N; N/EL	Y; N; N/EL	Y; N; N/EL	Y; N; N/EL	Y; N; N/EL	
A. Taxonomy-eligible activities										
A.1 Environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy- aligned)										
Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1.	1.3	0.0	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5.	289.0	10.3	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9.	341.1	12.1	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Storage of electricity	CCM 4.10.	33.1	1.2	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
District heating/cooling distribution	CCM 4.15.	11.2	0.4	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Cogeneration of heat/cool and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20.	19.0	0.7	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Production of heat/cool from bioenergy	CCM 4.24.	3.8	0.1	Υ	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems	CCM 5.1.	72.0	2.6	Υ	N/EL	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment systems	CCM 5.3.	35.9	1.3	Y	N/EL	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Collection and transport of non-hazardous waste in source	001455	05.0	0.0		N1/E1	N1/F1	N1/E1		N1/E1	
segregated fractions	CCM 5.5.	65.8	0.0	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N	N/EL	
Composting of bio-waste	CCM 5.8.	1.0			N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N	N/EL	
Material recovery from non-hazardous waste  Infrastructure enabling low-carbon road transport and public transport	CCM 5.9.	31.4	0.3	Y	N/EL N/EL	N/EL N/EL	N/EL N/EL	N/EL N/EL	N/EL 	
Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	CCM 7.6.	7.3	0.3	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Professional freelance services related to overall energy	00101 1.0.	1.0	0.0	<del></del>	14/ LL	14/ LL	14/ LL	14/ 22	14, LL	
performance of buildings  Elimination of pollutants and dismantling of end-of-life	CCM 9.3.	1.1	0.0	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
products	CE 2.6.	2.5	0.1	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N/EL	
Collection and transport of hazardous waste	PPC 2.1.	9.6	0.3	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N	N/EL	
Treatment of hazardous waste	PPC 2.2.	4.7	0.2	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N	N/EL	
Turnover from environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy-aligned) (A.1)		938.6	33.4	32.8	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.0	
Of which enabling activities		414.0	14.7	14.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Of which transitional activities		0.0	0.0	0.0						
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned)										
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5.	0.6	0.0	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
District heating/cooling distribution	CCM 4.15.	5.2	0.2	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Production of heat/cool using waste heat	CCM 4.25.	10.8	0.4	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cool and power from fossil gaseous fuels	CCM 4.30.	164.7	5.9	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Production of heat/cool from fossil gaseous fuels in an efficient district heating and cooling system	CCM 4.31.	9.5	0.3	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems	CCM 5.1.	31.2	1.1	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment systems	CCM 5.3.	57.0	2.0		N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
On-road freight haulage	CCM 6.6.	8.1	0.3	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Collection and transport of hazardous waste	PPC 2.1.	5.3	0.2	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	EL	N/EL	
Turnover from Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned) (A.2)		292.3	10.4	10.2	0.0	3.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	
Total (A.1 + A.2)		1,230.9	43.7	43.0	0.0	3.1	0.7	0.3	0.0	
B. Taxonomy non-eligible activities										
Turnover from Taxonomy non-eligible activities (B)		1,583.3	56.3							
Total (A + B)		2,814.2	100.0							

 $Y \ {\tt Yes}, {\tt Taxonomy-eligible} \ {\tt and} \ {\tt Taxonomy-aligned} \ {\tt with} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt relevant} \ {\tt environmental} \ {\tt objective}$ 

N No, Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned with the relevant environmental objective  $\,$ 

 $<sup>{\</sup>sf EL} \ ({\sf Eligible}) \ {\sf Taxonomy-eligible} \ {\sf for} \ {\sf the} \ {\sf relevant} \ {\sf environmental} \ {\sf objective}$ 

N/EL (Not eligible) Taxonomy-non-eligible for the relevant environmental objective

	Do no significant harm criteria					_			
Climate change miti- gation (11)	change adap- tation	Water (13)	Pollution (14)	Circular economy (15)	Biodiversity (16)	Minimum safeguards (17)	Taxonomy-aligned (A.1) or Taxonomy-eligible (A.2) share of turnover 2023/24 (18)	Category (enabling activity) (19)	Category (transitional activity) (20)
Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	%	E	А
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Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	0.6		
Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	1.2		
Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	2.1		
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### CapEx share from goods or services associated with Taxonomy-aligned economic activities; disclosure for 2024/25

	Consolidated CapEx			Substantial contribution criteria						
Economic activities (1)	Code (2)	lute CapEx share	(4)	c Climate change mitigation	tation (6)	Water (7)	tion (8)		diversity (10)	
		mill.								
A. Taxonomy-eligible activities										
A.1 Environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy-aligned)										
Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1.	12.2	2.9	) Y	' N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5.	32.2	7.8	3 Y	′ N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9.									
Storage of electricity	CCM 4.10.									
District heating/cooling distribution	CCM 4.15.									
Production of heat/cool from bioenergy	CCM 4.20.									
Cogeneration of heat/cool and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.24.	10.3	2.5	S Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems	CCM 5.1.	1.3	0.3	3 Y	′ N	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment	CCM 5.3	1.7	0/		, N	. N	N1/E1	NI/EI	NI/EI	
Systems  Collection and transport of non-hazardous waste in source segregated fractions	CCM 5.3.									
Collection and transport of non-hazardous waste in source segregated fractions	CCM 5.5. CCM 5.8.						. — —			
Composting of bio-waste  Material recovery from non-hazardous waste	CCM 5.8. CCM 5.9.									
Transport by motorbikes, passenger cars and light commercial vehicles	CCM 5.9. CCM 6.5.									
On-road freight haulage	CCM 6.5.				- — — —					
Infrastructure enabling low-carbon road transport and public transport	CCM 6.6.									
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	CCM 7.3.									
Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in		0	<u> </u>			14/ ==	14/	14/	14/	
buildings (and parking spaces attached to buildings)  Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring,	CCM 7.4.	0.7	0.2	<u>Y</u>	<u>N</u>	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
regulating and controlling overall energy performance of buildings	CCM 7.5.	0.0	0.0	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	
Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	CCM 7.6.							N/EL	N/EL	
Acquisition and ownership of buildings	CCM 7.7.									
Collection and transport of hazardous waste	PPC 2.1.							/ N		
Treatment of hazardous waste	PPC 2.2.							- — —		
CapEx of environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy-aligned) (A.1)		355.3								
Of which enabling activities		282.2				0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Of which transitional activities		2.8	0.7	0.7			,			
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned)								<del></del>	· <del></del> -	
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5./CCA 4.5.									
Storage of electricity	CCM 4.10./CCA 4.10.									
Storage of hydrogen	CCM 4.12./CCA 4.12.									
Transmission and distribution grids for renewable and low carbon gases	CCM 4.14./CCA 4.14.									
District heating/cooling distribution  Production of heat/cool using waste heat	CCM 4.15./CCA 4.15.									
Production of heat/cool using waste heat  High-efficiency cogneration of heat/cool and power from fossil gaseous fuels	CCM 4.25./CCA 4.25. CCM 4.30./CCA 4.30.	2.6			. <u>EL</u> . EL		N/EL N/EL		N/EL N/EL	
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cool and power from fossil gaseous fuels  Production of heat/cool from fossil gaseous fuels in an efficient district heating and cooling system	CCM 4.30./CCA 4.30. CCM 4.31./CCA 4.31.		-				N/EL N/EL			
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems	CCM 5.1./CCA 5.1.							-		
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment systems	CCM 5.3./CCA 5.3.							-		
Transport by motorbikes, passenger cars and light commercial vehicles	CCM 6.5./CCA 6.5.				. ——					
On-road freight haulage	CCM 6.6./CCA 6.6.									
Acquisition and ownership of buildings	CCM 7.7./CCA 7.7./CE 3.1.		0.5	5 EL	. EL			-		
Data processing, hosting and associated activities	CCM 8.1./CCA 8.1.				. ——					
CapEx of Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not										
Taxonomy-aligned) (A.2)		18.0								
Total (A.1 + A.2)		373.4	89.9	89.4	4.3	1.3	0.6	0.5	0.0	
B. Taxonomy non-eligible activities		-1-		4						
CapEx of Taxonomy non-eligible activities (B)		41.7	100.0	_						

Y Yes, Taxonomy-eligible and Taxonomy-aligned with the relevant environmental objective

N No, Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned with the relevant environmental objective

EL (Eligible) Taxonomy-eligible for the relevant environmental objective

N/EL (Not eligible) Taxonomy-non-eligible for the relevant environmental objective

	Do	no significant	harm criteria						
Climate change miti- gation (11)	Climate change adaptation (12)	Water (13)	Pollution (14)	Circular economy (15)	Biodiversity (16)	Minimum safeguards (17)	Share of Taxonomy- aligned (A.1) or Taxonomy- eligible (A.2) CapEx 2023/24 (18)	Category (enabling activity) (19)	Category (transitional activity) (20)
Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	%	Е	А
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Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	0.0		
Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Y	0.7		
Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.1		
Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	0.4		
- <u> </u>				Y	<u>·</u>	<u>·</u>	1.5		
Y	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	0.0		
Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Y	0.0		
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Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	0.3	E	
Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	0.0	E	
Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	1.6	E	
Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	1.0		
Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	0.3		
Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Y	0.1		
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### $OpEx\ share\ from\ goods\ or\ services\ associated\ with\ Taxonomy-aligned\ economic\ activities;\ disclosure\ for\ 2024/25$

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		Absolute		change				cular	
		OpEx	2024	miti-	adap-		Pollu-	eco-	Bio-
Economic activities	Code (2)	share (3)	/25 (4)	gation (5)	tation (6)	Water (7)	tion (8)	nomy (9)	diversity (10)
<u>(1)</u>	(2)	EUR	(4)	(5) Y: N:	Y; N;				
		mill.	%	Y; N; N/EL					
A. Taxonomy-eligible activities		111100	,,,	,	.,,	,	11, 22	,	.,,
A.1 Environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy-aligned)									
	0011.11	0.0		Y		N1/E1	N1 /51	N1/51	N/FI
Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1.	0.0	0.0		N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5.	11.6	9.8	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9.	22.9	19.4	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Storage of electricity	CCM 4.10.	4.4	3.7	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
District heating/cooling distribution	CCM 4.15.	1.0	0.8	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Cogeneration of heat/cool and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20.	1.9	1.6	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Production of heat/cool from bioenergy	CCM 4.24.	0.0	0.0	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply systems	CCM 5.1.	0.5	0.4	Υ	N	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment	OOW 5.1.	0.5	0.4			11	IN/ LL	IN/ LL	IN/ LL
systems	CCM 5.3.	0.6	0.5	Υ	N	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Collection and transport of non-hazardous waste in source segregated fractions	CCM 5.5.	4.2	3.5	<u>'</u>	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Composting of bio-waste	CCM 5.8.	0.2	0.2	<u>'</u>	N	N/EL	N/EL	N	N/EL
Material recovery from non-hazardous waste	CCM 5.8.	0.5	0.2	<u>'</u>	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
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Transport by motorbikes, passenger cars and light commercial vehicles	CCM 6.5.	0.3	0.2		N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
On-road freight haulage	CCM 6.6.	0.3	0.2	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Infrastructure enabling low-carbon road transport and public transport	CCM 6.15.	1.0	0.8	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	CCM 7.3.	0.3	0.3	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring,	001475	0.0	٥٦			N1 /F1	N1 /F1	N1 /F1	NI/FI
regulating and controlling overall energy performance of buildings	CCM 7.5.	0.6	0.5	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	CCM 7.6.	1.5	1.3	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Acquisition and ownership of buildings	CCM 7.7.	1.9	1.6	Y	N	N/EL	N/EL	N	N/EL
Elimination of pollutants and dismantling of end-of-life products	CE 2.6.	0.3	0.2	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N/EL
Collection and transport of hazardous waste	PPC 2.1.	0.4	0.3	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N	N/EL
Treatment of hazardous waste	PPC 2.2.	1.4	1.2	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	Y	N	N/EL
OpEx of environmentally sustainable activities (Taxonomy-aligned) (A.1)		55.7	47.1	45.3	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.2	0.0
Of which enabling activities		30.6	25.9	25.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Of which transitional activities		0.6	0.5	0.5					
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned)	_								
	COM A E /CCA A E	0.0	0.0			NI/EI	NI/EI	NI/EI	N/EL
Electricity generated from hydropower	CCM 4.5./CCA 4.5.	0.0	0.0	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
District heating/cooling distribution	CCM 4.15./CCA 4.15.	0.4	0.2	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
District fleating/cooting distribution		0.4	0.2			IN/LL	IN/ LL	IN/LL	IN/ LL
Production of heat/cool using waste heat	CCM 4.25./CCA 4.25.	0.7	0.3	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
	CCM 4.30./CCA								
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cool and power from fossil gaseous fuels	4.30.	3.7	1.9	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Production of heat/cool from fossil gaseous fuels in an efficient district heating and	CCM 4.31./CCA								
cooling system	4.31.	0.1	0.1	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Construction, extension and operation of water collection, treatment and supply									
systems	CCM 5.1./CCA 5.1.	1.2	1.3	EL	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Construction, extension and operation of waste water collection and treatment	001450/00450	0.7	0.7				N1 /F1	N1 /F1	NI/FI
systems	CCM 5.3./CCA 5.3.	0.7	0.7	EL	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Transport by motorbikes, passenger cars and light commercial vehicles	CCM 6.5./CCA 6.5.	2.6	1.8	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
On-road freight haulage	CCM 6.6./CCA 6.6.	1.2	1.2	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
A initial	CCM 7.7./CCA 7.7./					N1 /=:	N1 /=1	_,	NI/F
Acquisition and ownership of buildings	CE 3.1.	5.1	4.5	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL
Data processing, hosting and associated activities	CCM 8.1./CCA 8.1.	0.1	0.1	EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL
Collection and transport of hazardous waste	PPC 2.1./CE 2.3.	0.2	0.2	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	EL	N/EL
OpEx of Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not		40.0	10.5	40.4	40.4		^^		0.0
Taxonomy-aligned) (A.2)		16.0	13.5	12.1	12.1	2.0	0.2	4.7	0.0
Total (A.1 + A.2)		71.7	60.6	57.4	12.1	2.0	1.8	4.9	0.0
B. Taxonomy non-eligible activities									
OpEx of Taxonomy non-eligible activities (B)		46.6	39.4						
Total (A + B)		118.3	100.0						

Y Yes, Taxonomy-eligible and Taxonomy-aligned with the relevant environmental objective

N No, Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned with the relevant environmental objective

EL (Eligible) Taxonomy-eligible for the relevant environmental objective

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{EL}}$  (Not eligible) Taxonomy-non-eligible for the relevant environmental objective

		Do no significant harm criteria								
	Climate change miti- gation (11)	Climate change adaptation (12)	Water (13)	Pollution (14)	Circular economy (15)	Biodiversity (16)	Minimum safeguards (17)	Share of Taxonomy- aligned (A.1) or Taxonomy- eligible (A.2) OpEx 2023/24 (18)	Category (enabling activity) (19)	Category (transitional activity) (20)
	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	%	E	<u>A</u>
	Y -				Y Y		Y Y	7.8		
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	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1.0		
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.6		
	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	0.4		
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5		
	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	0.6		
	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	3.7		
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.2		
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.3		
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.2		Α
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	0.2		Α
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# Extent of Taxonomy eligibility and alignment per environmental objective – Disclosure for 2024/25

Extent of Taxonomy eligibility and alignment per environmental objective – Turnover

Share of total turnover	Taxonomy- aligned per objective in %	Taxonomy- eligible per objective in %
Climate Change Mitigation (CCM)	32.8	43.0
Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)	0.0	0.0
Water and marine resources (WTR)	0.0	3.1
Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC)	0.5	0.7
Circular Economy (CE)	0.1	0.3
Biodiversity and ecosystems (BIO)	0.0	0.0

### Extent of Taxonomy eligibility and alignment per environmental objective – CapEx

Share of CapEx/Total CapEx	Taxonomy- aligned per objective in %	Taxonomy- eligible per objective in %
Climate Change Mitigation (CCM)	85.0	89.4
Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)	0.0	4.3
Water and marine resources (WTR)	0.0	1.3
Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC)	0.6	0.6
Circular Economy (CE)	0.0	0.5
Biodiversity and ecosystems (BIO)	0.0	0.0

### Extent of Taxonomy eligibility and alignment per environmental objective – OpEX

Share of OpEx/Total OpEx	Taxonomy- aligned per objective in %	Taxonomy- eligible per objective in %
Climate Change Mitigation (CCM)	45.3	57.4
Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)	0.0	12.1
Water and marine resources (WTR)	0.0	2.0
Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC)	1.6	1.8
Circular Economy (CE)	0.2	4.9
Biodiversity and ecosystems (BIO)	0.0	0.0

# Standard information sheet for disclosure according to Article 8, paragraphs 6 and 7

#### Activities related to nuclear power and fossil gas - Turnover

Row	Activities	Yes/No
	Activities related to nuclear power	
1.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to research, development, demonstration and deployment of innovative electricity generation facilities that produce energy from nuclear processes with minimal waste from the fuel cycle.	No
2.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction and safe operation of new nuclear installations to produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades, using best available technologies.	No
3.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades.	
	Activities related to fossil gas	
4.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels.	No
5.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment, and operation of combined heat/cool and power generation facilities using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes
6.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment and operation of heat generation facilities that produce heat/cool using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes

#### Activities related to nuclear power and fossil gas - CapEx

Row	Activities	Yes/No
	Activities related to nuclear power	
1.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to research, development, demonstration and deployment of innovative electricity generation facilities that produce energy from nuclear processes with minimal waste from the fuel cycle.	No
2.	with minimal waste from the fuel cycle.  The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction and safe operation of new nuclear nstallations to produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or ndustrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades, using best available technologies.  The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades.	
3.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades.	
	Activities related to fossil gas	
4.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels.	No
5.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment, and operation of combined heat/cool and power generation facilities using fossil gaseous fuels.	
6.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment and operation of heat generation facilities that produce heat/cool using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes

### Activities related to nuclear power and fossil gas – $\mbox{\rm OpEx}$

Row	Activities	Yes/No
	Activities related to nuclear power	
1.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to research, development, demonstration and deployment of innovative electricity generation facilities that produce energy from nuclear processes with minimal waste from the fuel cycle.	No
2.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction and safe operation of new nuclear installations to produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades, using best available technologies.	No
3.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades.	No
	Activities related to fossil gas	
4.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels.	No
5.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment, and operation of combined heat/cool and power generation facilities using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes
6.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment and operation of heat generation facilities that produce heat/cool using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes

### Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (denominator) - Turnover

Row	<b>Economic activities</b>	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)						
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)		
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover							
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover							
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover							
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover							
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the turnover	921.8	32.8	921.8	32.8	0.0	0.0	
8.	Total turnover	2,814.2	100.0	2,814.2	100.0	0.0	0.0	

### Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (denominator) – CapEx

Row	Economic activities	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)						
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)		
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx							
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx							
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx							
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx							
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the CapEx	352.9	85.0	352.9	85.0	0.0	0.0	
8.	Total CapEx	415.1	100.0	415.1	100.0	0.0	0.0	

### Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (denominator) – OpEx

Row	Economic activities	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)						
		CCM+	CCA	Climate of mitigation (CC	tion	Climate o adapta (CC)	ation	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the OpEx	53.6	45.3	53.6	45.3	0.0	0.0	
8.	Total OpEx	118.3	100.0	118.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	

### Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (numerator) – Turnover

Row	Economic activities	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)					
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover						
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover						
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover						
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover						
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the turnover	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the numerator of the turnover	921.8	100.0	921.8	100.0	0.0	0.0
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the turnover	921.8	100.0	921.8	100.0	0.0	0.0

### ${\bf Taxonomy-aligned\ economic\ activities\ (numerator)-CapEx}$

Row	<b>Economic activities</b>	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)					
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx						
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx						
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx						
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx						
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the CapEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the numerator of the CapEx	352.9	100.0	352.9	100.0	0.0	0.0
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the CapEx	352.9	100.0	352.9	100.0	0.0	0.0

### Taxonomy-aligned economic activities (numerator) – OpEx

Row	Economic activities	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)					
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx						
2.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx						
3.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx						
4.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx						
5.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6.	Amount and share of the Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the numerator of the OpEx	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the numerator of the OpEx	53.6	100.0	53.6	100.0	0.0	0.0
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the OpEx	53.6	100.0	53.6	100.0	0.0	0.0

### Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities – Turnover broken down into CCM and CCA

Row	Economic activities	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percenta					ges)
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover						
2.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover						
3.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover						
4.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover						
5.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover	164.7	5.9	164.7	5.9	0.0	0.0
6.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover	9.5	0.3	9.5	0.3	0.0	0.0
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the turnover	112.8	4.0	112.8	4.0	0.0	0.0
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the denominator of the turnover	287.0	10.2	287.0	10.2	0.0	0.0

### $Taxonomy-eligible\ but\ not\ Taxonomy-aligned\ economic\ activities\ -\ CapEx\ broken\ down\ into\ CCM\ and\ CCA$

Row	Economic activities	(prese	nted in me	Amount a		as percenta	ges)
		CCM+	Climate change mitigation + CCA (CCM)			Climate change adaptation (CCA)	
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx						
2.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx						
3.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx						
4.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx						
5.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx	2.6	0.6	2.6	0.6	2.6	0.6
6.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the CapEx	15.4	3.7	15.4	3.7	15.4	3.7
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the denominator of the CapEx	18.0	4.3	18.0	4.3	18.0	4.3

### Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities – OpEx broken down into CCM and CCA

Row	<b>Economic activities</b>	Amount and share (presented in monetary amounts and as percentages)						
		CCM + CCA		Climate change mitigation (CCM)		Climate change adaptation (CCA)		
		Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	Amount EUR mill.	Share in %	
1.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
2.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
3.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
4.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx							
5.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx	3.7	1.9	3.7	1.9	3.7	1.9	
6.	Amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the OpEx	11.9	10.1	11.9	10.1	11.9	10.1	
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the denominator of the OpEx	15.7	12.1	15.7	12.1	15.7	12.1	

Row	Economic activities	<b>Amount</b> EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 1 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
2.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 2 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
3.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 3 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
4.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 4 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
5.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 5 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
6.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 6 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the turnover		
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the turnover	1,583.3	56.3
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities in the denominator of the turnover	1,583.3	56.3
Taxonoı	my-eligible but not Taxonomy-aligned economic activities – CapEx		
Row	Economic activities	<b>Amount</b> EUR mill.	Share in %

Row	Economic activities	<b>Amount</b> EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 1 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
2.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 2 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
3.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 3 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
4.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 4 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
5.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 5 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
6.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 6 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the CapEx		
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the CapEx	41.7	10.1
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities in the denominator of the CapEx	41.7	10.1

### ${\bf Taxonomy\text{-}eligible\ but\ not\ Taxonomy\text{-}aligned\ economic\ activities-OpEx}$

Row	Economic activities	<b>Amount</b> EUR mill.	Share in %
1.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 1 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
2.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 2 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
3.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 3 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
4.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 4 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
5.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 5 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
6.	Amount and share of economic activity referred to in row 6 of Template 1 that is Taxonomy-non-eligible in accordance with section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 in the denominator of the OpEx		
7.	Amount and share of other Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities not listed in rows 1 to 6 in the denominator of the OpEx	46.6	39.4
8.	Total amount and share of Taxonomy-non-eligible economic activities in the denominator of the OpEx	46.6	39.4

### E1 Climate change

### Strategy

### E1-1 - Transition plan for climate change mitigation

Building on the Group strategy outlined in section SBM-1 – Strategy, business model and value chain, Energie AG aims to decarbonise its greenhouse gas emissions with the objective of achieving net zero emissions before 2050, while continuing to ensure a reliable supply of energy and waste management services. The transition plan is intended not only to meet political objectives but also to actively support the transformation of the energy system, protect habitats as effectively as possible, secure favourable financing conditions, capture business opportunities and address the requirements of key stakeholder groups. A detailed transition plan for climate change mitigation is currently being developed as part of the Group-wide decarbonisation project. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the greenhouse gas inventory was expanded to include Scope 3 emissions, and a representative base year was established. Relevant emitters were analysed, and potential measures to support decarbonisation were examined.

Based on the information available from the project, preliminary reduction targets have already been defined for all three emission scopes; see section E1-4 - Targets on climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation. The 2021/22 fiscal year was selected as the base year for determining the decarbonisation targets, as it reflects the most representative emission values for business activities, taking into account external factors such as market prices, which are critical for the operation of fossil fuel-fired CCGT power plants. In subsequent years, exceptional market and framework conditions – in particular the war in Ukraine, the energy crisis and the weak economic environment – resulted in atypical utilisation and emission levels, limiting comparability with the long-term average.

The planned measures are currently being examined and analysed through scenario modelling to assess their feasibility and potential impact. Finalisation of the full transition plan is scheduled for the 2025/26 fiscal year. Initial analyses were carried out on the decarbonisation of the largest emitters in Scope 1 and Scope 3, in particular large centralised facilities such as the waste incineration plant in Wels, and on potential decarbonisation options including carbon capture, utilisation and storage (CCUS). These are to be implemented in concrete measures and medium-term savings targets in the 2026/27 fiscal year. However, due to their significance, more detailed analysis of the respective measures is required.

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

### E1-2 - Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation



### 🤔 Concept for expanding renewable energy generation

Climate change adaptation, climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

Content: The 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project (see SBM-1 - Strategy, business model and value chain) is focused on the comprehensive decarbonisation of the Group's core business activities and on advancing environmentally sustainable business operations, while ensuring security of supply and waste management in each case.

Overall objectives: The ambitious expansion of electricity and heat generation from renewable sources is intended to ensure the gradual reduction of the Group's greenhouse gas emissions.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Climate change adaptation			
Material positive impacts	sitive impacts Infrastructure expansion for the energy transition		
Material risks	<ul> <li>Higher investment costs for infrastructure</li> <li>Extreme weather events</li> <li>Fluctuations in demand/production due to climate change-related weather conditions</li> </ul>		
Climate change mitigation			
Material positive impacts  Reducing greenhouse gas emissions Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities			
Material negative impacts	■ Negative effects of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions		
Material opportunities	Strengthening existing business areas		
Material risks	<ul> <li>Pricing of CO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Changing regulations (environmental and energy regulations, compliance)</li> <li>Decarbonisation costs</li> </ul>		
Energy			
Material positive impacts	<ul> <li>Increased energy generation from renewable energy generation installations</li> </ul>		
Material opportunities	<ul><li>Energy security and independence</li><li>Diversity of generation methods (water, PV, wind power):</li></ul>		
Social inclusion of consumers a	and/or end-users – Access to products and services		
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>High security of supply</li><li>Resilience to crises</li></ul>		

Also see SBM-3 - Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Quarterly steering committee meetings, regular reporting and dashboards are set up to ensure that the strategic climate change mitigation targets are met and that corrective action can be taken if there are any deviations from the targets.

The renewable production concept takes account of climate change mitigation, climate change adaptation, energy efficiency and the use of renewable energies.

Scope: The policy applies to all units of the Energie AG Group and therefore covers all business activities.

Upstream value chain: The upstream value chain includes the purchase of raw materials and goods, the extraction of renewable resources and the procurement of services in the Energy Segment. The strategy project covers targets for the procurement of resource-efficient modes of transport and the purchase of raw and recyclable materials in the Waste Management Segment.

Downstream value chain: In terms of the downstream value chain, the concept primarily addresses targets to support energy-efficient and sustainable customer behaviour. In addition to expanding district heating, replacing fossil-fuelled heating systems with decarbonised on-site heating purchase agreements and promoting the installation of heat pumps and PV systems for sales customers is also being strongly pursued.

Geographical areas: The main geographical focus is on the core business areas of Austria and the Czech Republic, with a growing strategic focus on business activities for energy generation from renewable sources in the neighbouring countries of Germany, Italy and Slovenia.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Standards and third-party initiatives:** Energie AG expressly supports policy targets to expand the use of renewable energy and reduce the use of fossil fuels. The legal basis is in place at the European level, for example in the Fit for 55 legislative initiatives, and at the national level, including the Austrian Renewable Energy Expansion Act package.

Stakeholder involvement: In developing and implementing the strategy, particular emphasis was placed on ensuring a high degree of transparency in communication and on involving all employees and taking their interests into account. This is reflected in the participation of employees from different hierarchical levels in the Group's internal expert teams for strategy development, the regular dialogue between the Management Board, project management and the Works Council, the employee information events, and the associated change and culture project, which incorporated employee expectations and needs throughout both the analysis and implementation phases. This approach was intended to secure the broadest possible alignment on the shared strategic direction, with a strong focus on decarbonisation. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, a Sustainability Action Day was held, inviting all employees to develop environmentally sustainable ideas and concepts. Particular importance was attached to involving citizens during the implementation of the concept, for example through information events.

**Implementation support:** After the resolution was passed, the most material key elements of the strategy were announced publicly and published in the 2022/23 Group Annual Report so that stakeholders who are either directly or potentially affected can learn about the strategic plans.



### Climate change mitigation through sales

Climate change adaptation; climate change mitigation; energy

**Content:** For the purposes of the overarching corporate orientation,  $CO_2$  emissions are also to be reduced along the entire value chain within Vertrieb GmbH. The focus lies on supporting customers in their transition to sustainable energy solutions and thereby reducing Scope 3 emissions. This will be achieved by offering energy efficiency improvements to customers in the domestic market, decarbonisation solutions in the heating sector (direct decarbonisation effect), and measures to increase the share of renewable electricity supplied (indirect decarbonisation effect).

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Material positive impacts   • Infrastructure expansion for the energy transition			
<ul> <li>Reducing greenhouse gas emissions</li> <li>Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities</li> </ul>			
■ Negative effects of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions			
<ul><li>Development of new business areas</li><li>Strengthening existing business areas</li></ul>			
<ul><li>Changing regulations</li><li>Decarbonisation costs</li></ul>			
<ul> <li>Increased energy generation from renewable energy generation installations</li> </ul>			
■ Energy consumption			
■ Energy security/ independence			

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

**Monitoring processes:** In addition to regular project screenings and divisional reporting, progress on defined decarbonisation action areas is reported to the Management Board on a quarterly basis.

**Scope:** By implementing the sales-related climate protection strategy, Vertrieb GmbH makes a measurable contribution to achieving the climate objectives of Energie AG. Through both direct and indirect decarbonisation measures, a holistic reduction of greenhouse gas emissions is achieved.

The strategy applies throughout Austria; for measures and products developed in cooperation with market partners, the scope is limited to Upper Austria.

Upstream and downstream value chain: The value chain encompasses the procurement of electricity and guarantees of origin from 100% renewable sources, support for self-generation (e.g. PV systems) and grid feed-in, the expansion of renewable heat solutions, and energy savings achieved through incentive schemes, tailored offers and advisory services.

Geographical areas: The strategic orientation covers the Austrian energy sales market and energy services, with a particular focus on Upper Austria.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of Vertrieb GmbH

**Third-party standards and initiatives:** Energie AG supports statutory provisions and incentive schemes designed to promote renewable energy (e.g. the use of heat pumps) and to increase energy efficiency (e.g. the Federal Energy Efficiency Act). In addition, partnerships and collaborations will be strengthened to support end users in saving energy and in achieving the highest possible level of decarbonisation. Vertrieb GmbH also relies on certification to demonstrate the sustainability of its products, such as the IP46 certificate in the electricity sector.

Stakeholder involvement: Vertrieb GmbH engages relevant stakeholders at multiple levels throughout its strategy and product development processes. In a joint process with the employees of Vertrieb GmbH, the strategic objectives for expanding sustainable customer solutions were developed and defined in detail. These central objectives were then communicated openly and transparently. In addition to internal organisational units and employees, cooperation partners and end users are regularly involved through market research. In the business customer segment, ongoing consultations with the Chamber of Commerce are conducted to validate and adjust new offerings at an early stage, particularly in the area of decarbonisation. Continuous dialogue between customer advisors and corporate clients ensures that current market needs and feedback are systematically integrated into the ongoing development of products and services.



### E-mobility concepts

Climate change adaptation; climate change mitigation; energy

Content: In the 2019/20 fiscal year, a decision was taken to realign the Group's internal e-mobility strategy in order to prioritise this area. The resulting initiatives in the field of e-mobility have now been fully implemented (see E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts), and have also contributed to a reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. As part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project (see SBM-1 Strategy, business model and value chain), certain actions – such as the expansion of public electric vehicle charging infrastructure and related service offerings – were reassessed, and several targets were revised. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Group increased its level of ambition for further electrification of its internal vehicle fleet (see E1-3 – Measures and resources related to climate concepts) and consequently set an internal decarbonisation target for its Austrian vehicle fleets (see E1-4 – Targets relating to climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation).

General objectives: The strategic objectives include the gradual conversion of the company fleet to electric vehicles, the expansion of service offerings for customers and the accelerated roll-out of electric vehicle charging infrastructure. The goal is to fully electrify the Austrian car fleet by 2030.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Climate change adaptation		
Material positive impacts   Expansion of charging infrastructure for electric cars		
Climate change mitigation		
Material positive impacts   Reducing greenhouse gas emissions		
Material negative impacts ■ Negative effects of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions		
Material opportunities	■ Strengthening existing business areas	
Material risks	<ul> <li>Pricing of CO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Changing regulations (environmental and energy regulations, compliance)</li> <li>Decarbonisation costs</li> </ul>	
Energy		
Material negative impacts	■ Energy consumption	

# Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: A quarterly report is presented to the Management Board on the progress of the identified action areas, allowing corrective action to be introduced if necessary.

The e-mobility concept takes into account the areas of climate change mitigation, adaptation to climate change and the use of renewable energies.

**Scope:** The policies cover the e-mobility sector in Austria, which means that all segments are included, with the exception of the Czech Republic segment.

Upstream and downstream value chain: In the upstream value chain, the focus is on the procurement of electric cars for the company vehicle fleet and charging station infrastructure; in the downstream value chain, the focus is on the sale of electricity to customers.

Geographic areas: The geographic area covered by the policy includes company divisions and locations throughout Austria, with a focus on Upper Austria.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Standards and third-party initiatives:** Energie AG expressly supports policy objectives aimed at expanding the use of e-mobility and reducing the reliance on fossil fuels in transport, and endorses state and federal subsidy schemes that incentivise sustainable mobility. Energie AG has not committed to any external standards in the implementation of its e-mobility strategy.

**Stakeholder involvement:** During the policy analysis and development process, the opinions and needs of the relevant Group units and their employees were gathered and incorporated when defining the strategic direction. The progress of the strategy actions, such as expanding the range of services for customers, was published at regular intervals on the company website for potentially affected stakeholders under **Electromobility: Green Driving Made Easy with Energie AG**.



### **Expansion of grid infrastructure**

Climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

**Content:** Netz OÖ GmbH considers itself an enabler of a sustainable energy future. By expanding and upgrading the low-, medium- and high-voltage grid as well as preparing the gas grid for the transportation of green hydrogen, energy will be reliably distributed in a future renewable energy system.

General objectives: Netz OÖ GmbH's highest priority is to provide customers with a long-term and reliable energy supply. A total of EUR 2.0 billion will be invested in projects across the different electricity grid voltage levels by 2035 in order to guarantee this.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Climate change mitigation			
Material positive impacts	■ Reducing greenhouse gas emissions		
Material opportunities	Strengthening existing business areas		
Material risks	<ul> <li>Changing regulations (environmental and energy regulations, compliance)</li> <li>Decarbonisation costs</li> </ul>		
Energy			
Material positive impacts	<ul> <li>Increased energy generation from renewable energy generation installation</li> <li>Provision of electricity grid infrastructure</li> </ul>		
Material negative impacts	<ul><li>Energy consumption</li></ul>		
Material opportunities	<ul> <li>Energy security and independence</li> <li>Diversity of generation (water, PV, wind)</li> </ul>		
Social inclusion of consumers a	and/or end-users – Access to products and services		
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>High security of supply</li><li>Resilience to crises</li></ul>		

# Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Projects are monitored continuously to ensure that expansion projects can be implemented on time. Netz OÖ GmbH's ambitious investment targets require optimal technical and economic conditions, but are also influenced greatly by the statutory and regulatory environment. However, protracted approval procedures – electricity grid projects are usually not comparable to the expansion of power generation plants – could mean that the company's internal targets and the Austrian national climate protection targets cannot be met on time.

Climate change mitigation and the use of renewable energy: The rapid expansion of – particularly decentralised – sustainable energy generation plants is also increasing the need for additional electricity grid infrastructure in order to distribute energy efficiently. The expansion of the electricity grid is therefore a fundamental prerequisite for both the company's own initiatives and national climate change mitigation efforts. Netz OÖ GmbH is proactively working on the possible future expansion or reallocation of parts of the existing high-pressure gas grid to hydrogen. According to the 'AGGM H<sub>2</sub> Roadmap', a significant share of the grid should be converted or expanded to pure hydrogen transport by 2030. In some cases, replacement grids will have to be constructed to supply existing natural gas customers. Currently, it is still unclear how the hydrogen grid will be designed in detail, particularly with regard to regulation and funding, as the national implementation of the EU gas and hydrogen package is still pending. Despite

this, smaller quantities of hydrogen are already being fed into the grid in accordance with existing regulations.

**Scope:** The expansion of the grid infrastructure aims to ensure nationwide coverage in Austria, taking into account the increasing demand for electricity. At the same time, grid construction projects are being carried out on behalf of corporate and private customers. The high-level grid expansion projects currently planned by Netz OÖ GmbH are communicated through the **2024 Distribution Grid Development Plan**, which replaces the previously applicable Upper Austria Electricity Grid Master Plan.

Upstream and downstream value chain: The upstream value chain involves in particular procuring components for power lines, substations and transformer stations. The downstream value chain includes current grid operations and monitoring as well as regular inspections and repairs. In addition, the downstream value chain covers managing grid loads, ensuring grid stability and the ongoing integration of renewable energy.

Geographic areas: Netz OÖ GmbH's supply area covers the majority of Upper Austria as well as parts of Lower Austria, Salzburg and Styria. Netz OÖ GmbH supplies close to 600,000 electricity and gas grid customers.

Responsibilities: Management of Netz OÖ GmbH

**Standards and third-party initiatives:** Netz OÖ GmbH is aware of its social responsibility and demonstrates this by being certified in accordance with international standards, such as the 'ONR 192500:2011' CSR certification in the area of sustainability.

Stakeholder involvement: Stakeholders are informed of the current status of ongoing electricity supply projects through a range of communication channels. Separate web pages containing the most relevant project details have been created for the most important electricity supply projects (see, for example, Stromversorgung Zentralraum Oberösterreich - Hochspannungsblog); a podcast keeps listeners informed on electricity supply in general and, in particular, on the progress of various network expansion projects (see Der HochspannungsPodcast). In addition, updates on project progress are published regularly on the LinkedIn platform. The guidelines for planning processes relating to the routing of new high-voltage power lines were developed in 2017 in order to prevent conflicts with neighbouring residents during grid expansion projects - particularly with regard to the planned routing of 110 kV high-voltage lines; these guidelines were applied for the first time as part of the Mühlviertel power supply project in 2017 and 2018. Emulating the proven route planning process in civil engineering, these guidelines assure that the objectively best possible route is identified from a broad interdisciplinary perspective on the basis of established fundamental principles.



### Real estate policy

Climate change adaptation, climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

**Content**: In the 2023/24 fiscal year, a real estate policy was adopted with a strong focus on sustainability in the area of building management.

General objectives: Enhancing energy efficiency and advancing decarbonisation in real estate management are core strategic objectives (see E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts).

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Climate change adaptation		
Material positive impacts  Infrastructure expansion for the energy transition Expansion of charging infrastructure for electric cars		
Climate change mitigation		
Material positive impacts	<ul> <li>Reducing greenhouse gas emissions</li> <li>Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities</li> </ul>	
Energy		
Material positive impacts	<ul> <li>Increased energy generation from renewable energy generation installations</li> </ul>	
Material negative impacts	■ Energy consumption	
Material opportunities	■ Energy security/independence	
Social inclusion of consumers a	and/or end-users – Access to products and services	
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>High security of supply</li><li>Resilience to crises</li></ul>	

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: A regular deviation analysis is used to check whether the defined sustainable building management actions are being implemented as planned, on time and with the expected potential for decarbonisation and energy savings.

Climate change mitigation: The sustainability objectives defined as part of the policy represent key elements of the real estate policy developed in the 2023/24 fiscal year. The strategy is therefore in line with European and national efforts to reduce greenhouse gases in the property sector. The real estate policy addresses this essential development in terms of climate change mitigation and lists specific actions to promote sustainable building management (see E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts).

Climate change adaptation: the design of new sites is adapted to weather extremes such as flooding, earthquakes or extreme summer heat.

Energy efficiency: The policy sets targets that require a reduction in the use of energy in the construction and use of real estate and in energy consumption, as well as the more efficient use of energy. To this end, actions required to achieve the strategic targets have been defined until the 2027/28 fiscal year (see E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts).

Use of renewable energy: As part of the policy, the expansion of PV systems at the site of the managed properties is being addressed. These individual measures help ensure that a higher share of sustainable electricity can be generated and consumed directly on site. In addition to measures that do not have a direct decarbonisation effect – because electricity is already sourced exclusively from sustainable energy – ongoing measures with a direct decarbonisation impact, such as the replacement of heating systems, are being implemented continuously.

**Scope:** The policy applies to all buildings managed by the central property management organisational unit in Austria. It excludes the Environment Segment and the Czech Republic Segment, where separate sustainable building management initiatives are being pursued, as well as the Group's power plant and grid infrastructure properties.

Upstream value chain: The upstream value chain includes the procurement of raw materials and goods, the extraction of renewable resources and the acquisition of services.

Downstream value chain: The installation of e-charging infrastructure at company sites, which is also available to customers, is addressed under E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts, Sustainable mobility, and aims to promote acceptance of this sustainable form of mobility and further enhance customer convenience. This has an indirect decarbonisation effect.

Geographic area: The policy applies to the buildings managed by the central property management organisational unit in Austria. This includes around 160 properties, most of which are located in Upper Austria, with a smaller number situated in Salzburg and Styria.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and managing directors of Services und Digital Solutions GmbH

**Standards and third-party initiatives:** Energie AG expressly supports policy targets to expand the use of renewable energy and reduce the use of fossil fuels. The legal framework exists at both the European level - for example in the Fit for 55 legislative initiatives - and at the national level. Energie AG is guided by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology's 'klimaaktiv' (climate active) standards for new buildings, conversions and extensions. The minimum requirement for all new buildings was set at the silver building standard.

**Stakeholder involvement:** During the process of defining the actions to be taken, the views and needs of the affected organisational units and future customers were proactively taken into account. The real estate strategy is made available to all employees via the intranet.

### E1-3 – Actions and resources related to the climate concepts

Energie AG is implementing a wide range of specific measures to achieve its sustainability ambitions. The most important of these measures are outlined in the following sub-sections. The formal basis for the various actions across the different business areas is provided primarily, but not exclusively, of the concepts and corporate strategies described above (see E1-2 – Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation).

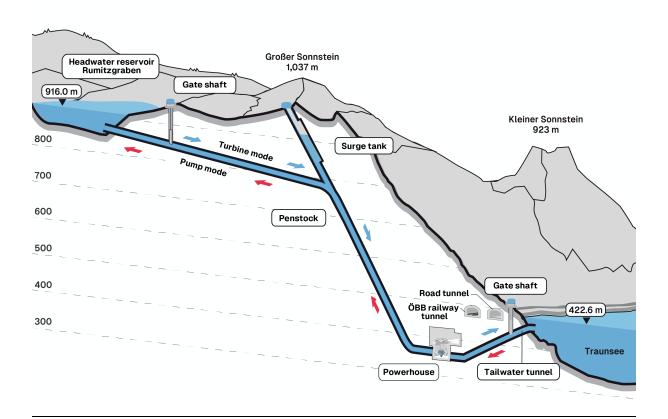
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### **Energy storage facilities**

Energy; access to products and services

Action	Energy storage facilities		
Description	To compensate for the volatility of electricity generation from sun and wind as part of a renewable future, industrial-scale storage capacity and flexibility is required. The transformation of the energy system is to be ensured by the implementation of pumped storage and large-scale battery storage projects.		
Expected outcomes	Ebensee pumped-storage power station, which is being built, has a storage capacity of 1.32 million m³ and has a capacity of 170 MW. This means the operating time to generate electricity will be 10 full-load hours. By responding to changes in demand and electricity generation with speed and flexibility, the power plant will deliver a major contribution to security of supply. With an investment volume of some EUR 450 million, this project is the largest single investment in the history of Energie AG. The European Investment Bank (EIB) is lending EUR 320 million in investment. for the construction of the pumped-storage power plant in Ebensee. In July 2025, the decision was made to build a battery storage device (15 MWh) at the Timelkam plant. The objective is to optimise storage operations.		
Concept mapping	Concept for expanding renewable energy generation, security of supply and waste management		
Scope of the measure	Own business		
Time horizon	Construction work on the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant started in October 2023. The completion of the pumped-storage plant is scheduled for the end of calendar year 2028. The construction and completion of the battery storage facility at Timelkam plant is scheduled for the 2025/26 fiscal year.		
IROs on which the measure is based	Increased production and storage of energy from renewable energy generation installations, energy security/independence, diversity of production methods (water, PV, wind power); high security of supply, resilience to crises		
Implementation progress	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, significant milestones were achieved, such as the completion of the access tunnels, the ramp tunnels to the cavern and the breakthrough of the energy discharge tunnel.		
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the actions and initiatives is reviewed regularly as part of the 'LOOP' strategy process and medium-term planning. Project committees etc. are held regularly. Close cooperation with project partners, construction companies, residents, universities and professional associations for the further development and structural assessment of storage capacities is ongoing.		

### **Pumped-storage power plant Ebensee**



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### Renewable electricity

Climate change mitigation, energy; impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services

Action	Renewable energy			
Description	Energie AG has a strong focus on increasing electricity generation from renewable energy sources. This will make a material contribution to national and European energy targets and to meeting the growing demand for electricity. The focus is on generation technologies, in particular photovoltaics, wind power and hydroelectric power.			
Expected outcomes	The share of electricity produced from renewable sources is expected to increase by more than 1 TWh by 2035 through individual generation projects, increasing the current level by 40%. All Group companies and subsidiaries are included in this calculation.			
Concept mapping Concept for expanding renewable energy generation				
Scope of the measure	Full value chain			
Time horizon	PV: In the 2024/25 fiscal year, two new agrivoltaic systems (5.5 GWh of annual electricity production p.a.) were put into service in Upper Austria. In addition, numerous contracting PV plants were commissioned, including a 6.0 GWh PV plant in Ranshofen at the beginning of the year. Construction began in the second half of the 2024/25 fiscal year on four PV plants with an annual electricity generation capacity of 30.5 GWh, enabling them to be commissioned in the 2025/26 fiscal year. This includes Upper Austria's largest agrivoltaics project to date, which is being built in cooperation with EWS Consulting GmbH and is expected to deliver an annualised electricity generation volume of 11.7 GWh per annum from spring 2026 onwards.  Over the next few years, additional PV projects will be realised not only in Austria, but also in neighbouring countries, depending on the respective national electricity prices.  Wind: Energie AG's most significant wind power projects at present are the SOLVEN project in Slovenia (29.4% interest in the project company; four wind farms with an annual electricity yield of 90 GWh) and the planned construction of a wind farm in the Kobernaußerwald forest (45% interest in the project company; 18 wind turbines with an annual electricity yield of 112 GWh – currently undergoing an EIA). The two wind projects shall be fully implemented by 2030.  Hydroelectric power: In addition to the hydroelectric power plant project in Ebensee described in E1-3 – Measures and resources relating to climate concepts, Energie AG is currently			

Action	Renewable energy			
	pursuing another large-scale hydroelectric power plant project with the construction of the new Traunfall power plant. The aim is to increase annual electricity production by 80% to 125 GWh.			
IROs on which the measure is based	Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities, negative effects from CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, pricing CO <sub>2</sub> , decarbonisation costs, expansion of existing business areas, increased energy production from renewable generating facilities, energy security/independence, diversity of production methods (water, PV, wind power), higher water level in winter months			
Implementation progress	The expansion of installed PV capacity is proceeding as planned. The projects mentioned are on schedule for implementation in accordance with the planned expansion plan. The two wind projects mentioned are currently in the approval phase.  The construction of the Traunfall power station began in summer 2025. Based on the current timeline, commissioning tests are scheduled for calendar year 2028.			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	A reporting system was established as part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, enabling continuous tracking of progress in expanding electricity generation from renewable sources. The aim of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary.			



## Sustainable heat generation

Climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

Action	Sustainable heat generation			
Description	The expansion of sustainable heat generation plays a central role in the company's current strategic orientation. The objective is to replace fossil primary energy sources to the greatest extent possible with sustainable energy sources, such as biomass, industrial waste heat or process heat.			
Expected outcomes	By 2035, the production of high-quality district heating is expected to increase by more than 290 GWh in all Group units.			
Concept mapping	Concept for expanding renewable energy generation, security of supply and waste management			
Scope of the measure	Full value chain			
Time horizon	The increasing utilisation of waste heat from the Welser Abfallverwertungsanlage (WAV) as part of a district heating project in Wels is expected to raise the city's heat off-take from 180 GWh in financial year 2020/21 to 390 GWh by 2030. As of 30.09.2025, district heating supply amounted to 329 GWh. The installation of biomass boilers as part of district heating network optimisations or expansions not only increases the relative proportion of sustainable energy sources used for heat generation, but also partially substitutes natural gas as a primary energy source. Concrete examples include the commissioning of the 5 MW biomass plant in Riedersbach and the 2.5 MW biomass plant in Freistadt in September 2025. In addition, a new 10 MW biomass heating plant in Steyr has been commissioned, in which Energie AG holds a 49% interest through BioEnergie Steyr GmbH. The biomass boiler was put into operation in the 2024/25 fiscal year and contributes significantly to the sustainable district heating supply in the Steyr area. Decarbonisation in the heating sector is also supported by the construction of a biomass boiler in Dobris (300 kW). The project, like another biomass boiler at Rokycany (800 kW) in the Czech Republic, will be put into operation in the 2025/26 fiscal year.			
IROs on which the measure is based	Increased energy production from renewable energy generation plants, diversity of generation methods (water, PV, wind power), expansion of existing business areas, energy security/independence; high security of supply			
Implementation progress	There are district heating projects under construction in the implementation timetable, and further heat supply projects are in different phases of design or approval.			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project established a reporting system that allows continuous monitoring of progress in the development of sustainable heat production. The air of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary. There are also regular project committee meetings.			



## Climate change mitigation through sales

Climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

Action	Climate change mitigation through sales			
Description	Energie AG wishes to offer its household and commercial customers the best possible support in developing environmentally friendly energy systems and is therefore focusing on expanding its own sustainable product and service offerings. The focus is on sales measures in the fields of heating, electricity and services.			
Expected outcomes	The individual measures are intended to gradually reduce the use of fossil fuels, particularly in the heating sector, and increase the share of renewables in energy supply.			
Concept mapping	Climate change mitigation through sales, concept for expanding renewable energy generation			
Scope of the measure	Full value chain			
Time horizon	Heat: In Freistadt, after successfully completed district heating network expansion, about 6 GWh more sustainable heat is to be sold each year from the fiscal year 2025/26. The densification of the district heating networks in Steyr and Riedersbach will enable sustainable heat sales to be increased by a total of up to 35 GWh p.a. – up to 25 GWh p.a. in Riedersbach and up to 10 GWh p.a. in Steyr. In addition, Vertrieb GmbH is driving forward the continuous transition from on-site power purchase agreement heating plants powered by fossil fuels to decarbonised plants. The 'Raus aus Öl' (Away from Oil) campaign (renamed 'Förderbonus' (Subsidy Bonus) on 01.03.2025) is also contributing to the replacement of fossil fuels in the heating sector and has been extended until 31.03.2026. In addition, a CO2 reduced gas product is available, to which biogas from the Engerwitzdorf biogas plant is added.  Electricity: Vertrieb GmbH offers its offers its residential and commercial customers CO2-free electricity labelling, with 100% renewable energy sources used for the electricity labelling. Additionally, Energie AG Oberösterreich Öko GmbH is supplying municipal public and business customers with electricity that is certified with the Austrian Ecolabel UZ46. The Ecolabel distinguishes tariff models and products offered by green electricity traders who fully source their electricity from renewable energy sources and conform with transparent, clearly defined requirements and criteria. The following illustrations of the energy mix and the hydroelectric power product label of Vertrieb GmbH refer to the calendar year 2024 and illustrate the strong focus on electricity generation from sustainable hydroelectric power.  Services: In the business and industrial sectors, customers can choose from on-site PV power purchase agreements that enable them to benefit from the advantages of environmentally friendly PV electricity generation without having to finance the construction of the system or take care of its operation. Vertrieb GmbH is o			
IROs on which the measure is based	Negative effects due to $\rm CO_2$ emissions, expansion of existing business areas, energy security/independence; high security of supply			
Implementation progress	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Vertrieb GmbH subsidised the use of 666 heat pumps. This represents a slight increase of 1.1% compared to the previous year, with a significant increase of 22.1% recorded in the area of heat pump subsidies in unrenovated buildings. Converting from oil heating to a heat pump powered by $\rm CO_2$ –free electricity already results in average $\rm CO_2$ savings of 7 to per household per year. Since fiscal year 2020/21, financial support has been provided for the conversion to a total of 1,630 sustainable heat pumps. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the contractually installed capacity of on-site heat purchase agreement systems powered by fossil fuels was reduced by 3.1 MW, while the capacity of decarbonised systems was increased by 2.6 MW. The biomethane plant in Engerwitzdorf supplied around 10 GWh (previous year: 11.2 GWh) of biomethane into the grid in the 2024/25 fiscal year.			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project has established a reporting system to ensure continuous follow-up of progress in the expansion of sales-related climate protection measures. The aim of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary.			

Company-specific metric

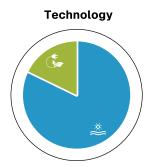
### Heat pump subsidies offered by Vertrieb GmbH 1)

	2024/25 Number of subsidies	2023/24 Number of subsidies	Comparison ±%
New buildings	21	52	-59.6
Renovated older buildings	118	118	0.0
Unrenovated older buildings	508	416	22.1
Replacement of domestic hot water heat pump	19	74	-74.3
Förderbonus (Subsidy Bonus)	106	0	_
Total	772	660	17.0

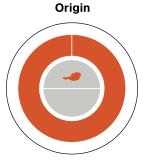
<sup>1)</sup> The figures for previous years have been restated, including adjustments resulting from the transition to a fiscal-year reporting basis.

#### **Product disclosure**

Product 'Hydroelectric power' 01-2024 to 12-2024 Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH



78.88% hydroelectric power 21.12% other renewable energy sources



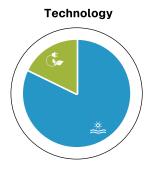
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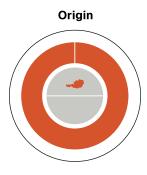
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### **Electricity labelling**

Energy mix 01-2024 to 12-2024 Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH



77.45% hydroelectric power 22.55% other renewable energy sources



100% Austria



100% of proof of origin used for the fuel mix disclosure was acquired with the electrical energy



# Sustainable mobility

Climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

Action	Sustainable mobility
Description	The sustainable mobility initiative includes further expansion of electric vehicle charging infrastructure and the expansion of services for customers. The conversion of the company's internal vehicle fleet is particularly relevant as a direct decarbonisation lever for low-carbon solutions at the Scope 1-level.
Expected outcomes	Direct decarbonisation effect: By consistently continuing to decarbonise the vehicle fleet, Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions can be sustainably reduced. The measures include the use of biogenic fuels (HVO100) as well as the gradual electrification of the vehicle fleet, particularly passenger cars. The switch to HVO100 in more than 400 diesel cars - including 235 trucks in the Environment Segment - since the second half of the fiscal year 2023/24 results in an annual CO <sub>2</sub> reduction potential of more than 10,000 to. Since early 2025, the operational filling station in Gmunden has also been supplied with HVO100, further contributing to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Energie AG aims to operate an entirely electrified passenger car fleet in Austria by 2030 (see E1-4 - Targets related to climate change mitigation and adaptation). This will provide an additional annual decarbonisation effect of more than 300 to of CO <sub>2</sub> per year. In addition, 57 electric vehicles in the light commercial vehicle category were added to the Netz OÖ GmbH vehicle fleet, which is expected to result in CO <sub>2</sub> savings of around 100 to per year. Furthermore, Energie AG supports its employees in switching to public transport. Since the 2023/24 fiscal year, employees have been granted a financial subsidy of 80% of the Upper Austrian regional 'Klimaticket' rail pass. This will provide an incentive to move away from fossil-fuelled cars and result in a positive decarbonisation effect at Scope 3 level. Indirect decarbonisation effect: Under the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project (SBM-1 - Strategy, business model and value chain), electrifying transport was defined as a very important target; this is to be achieved by installing and operating change points. The focus is on the installation of charging options for electric vehicles in private homes, at work, for vehicle fleets and in public areas. 100% of the electricity purchased from Energie AG's charging points in Austria is generated from renewable energy sources, where separate
Concept mapping	E-mobility concepts, security of supply and waste management
Scope of the measure	Full value chain
Time horizon	The complete electrification of the passenger car fleet in Austria is scheduled to be completed by 2030. The further decarbonisation of the group-wide fleet of more than 1,900 vehicles are being consistently pursued. Measures to expand the charging infrastructure are being continuously driven forward.
IROs on which the measure is based	Negative effects due to $CO_2$ emissions, expansion of existing business areas, energy security/independence; high security of supply
Implementation progress	Further measures to electrify the company's car fleet in Austria continue to be pursued. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, another 18 conventionally powered cars were replaced by electric cars (previous year: 22). As a result, the number of electric cars in the fleet increased to 116 as of 30.09.2025 (previous year: 98). This represents more than a doubling compared to four years ago. Electric passenger cars accounted for 51.3% of the total car fleet in Austria (previous year: 45.4%). At the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year, 201 charging points (previous year: 177) were installed at the company locations managed by the Real Estate Management department, which are used by employees to charge company and private electric vehicles as well as by customers to charge their private cars. In the Czech Republic Segment, vehicle fleet decarbonisation is being further promoted by replacing three fossil-fuel-powered cars with electrified vehicles. In the Environment Segment, two additional electric press trucks were put into operation in the 2024/25 fiscal year; three more are due to enter into service at the start of the fiscal year 2025/26.  Currently, a total of 370 employees receive subsidised tickets for the Upper Austria Regional Klimaticket. This represents an increase of 3.9% compared with the previous year (356 employees).  In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the number of charging points operated by Vertrieb GmbH increased to 1,644 (previous year 1,268). In the area of public charging infrastructure, for example, high-speed charging stations were built in Bad Hall, Frankenmarkt, St. Georgen in Attergau and Aigen-Schlägl. As of 30.09.2025, the number of publicly operated charging points was 845 (previous year 648). The expansion of the range of e-mobility services (see S4-4 Taking action on material impacts on consumers and end users, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to consumers and end-users, and effectiveness of those actions) for Energie AG customers underpins the extensive

Action	Sustainable mobility
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project has established a reporting system to ensure continuous follow-up of progress in the expansion of sales-related climate protection measures. The aim of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary.



# Electricity grid expansion

Climate change mitigation, energy; access to products and services

Action	Electricity grid expansion
Description	Successfully achieving a holistic transformation of the energy system requires demand- oriented expansion of the electricity grid in line with the regulatory framework. Netz OÖ GmbH's extensive project portfolio provides a sustainable energy future while maintaining security of supply through the expansion and upgrading of power lines at low, medium and high voltage levels.
Expected outcomes	The regional 'Distribution grid development plan for 2024' includes a total of 47 projects by Netz OÖ GmbH which are to be implemented by 2034. This includes key power supply projects, such as the project in central Upper Austria designed to sustainably secure the rising demand for electricity and supply reliability, as well as the development of a high-performance 110 kV grid connection for the entire Mühlviertel region. The implementation of individual electricity grid projects is therefore intended not only to maintain a high level of security of supply in the face of increasing electricity demand, but also to enable the integration of additional renewable energy. This will ensure the widespread adoption of electric mobility solutions and support the integration of energy communities.
Concept mapping	Expansion of grid infrastructure, security of supply and waste management
Scope of the measure	Full value chain
Time horizon	The implementation of the electricity supply projects in accordance with the distribution grid development plan is scheduled to continue until and including 2034.
IROs on which the measure is based	Negative effects due to CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, expansion of existing business areas, provision of electricity grid infrastructure, energy security/independence; high security of supply, resilience to crises
Implementation progress	The expansion of the existing 110-kV substation to support the grid in Wagenham and the construction of a 110/30-kV substation in Rottenbach were completed in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In March 2024, work began on the replacement construction of the 220/30-kV grid support in Klaus, with this project scheduled to be completed in 2027. As of 30.09.2025, the installed capacity of PV systems in the Netz OÖ GmbH grid area amounted to 1,470 MW, with around 83,500 connected systems. This represents an increase of 14.7% on the previous year (30.09.2024: 72,800 PV systems).
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The infrastructure expansion is implemented in accordance with the applicable legal and regulatory framework. The medium-term effectiveness of these measures will be assessed on the basis of customer satisfaction and, in particular, through the efficiency benchmarking of all distribution grid operators conducted by the regulatory authority.



# Hydrogen starter network

Climate change mitigation, energy

Action	Hydrogen starter network
Description	The aim is to convert an existing gas network for the use of renewable gases. Modifying the network will enable the future transport of biomethane and hydrogen, thereby creating the basis for substituting natural gas. Hydrogen plays a key role in the energy transition, both as a replacement for natural gas in industrial applications and as an energy storage medium. The 40-kilometre methane pipeline between Linz-Ebelsberg and Sattledt is intended to be operated alternately as a dual methane and hydrogen pipeline in the future. The corresponding project, HDL 012, was launched in 2024 and forms part of Upper Austria's hydrogen starter network in accordance with ÖNIP and the 'AGGM H <sub>2</sub> Roadmap'.
Expected outcomes	With a diameter of 40 centimetres, the pipeline is capable of transporting up to 50,000 m <sup>3</sup> of hydrogen per hour at full capacity (around 170 MW/h). This will create a robust hydrogen infrastructure and deliver a significant contribution to decarbonisation.
Concept mapping	Expansion of grid infrastructure
Scope of the measure	Full value chain
Time horizon	Preparatory work to enable the transport of green hydrogen in the above-mentioned methane network is scheduled for completion in 2029.
IROs on which the measure is based	Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, adverse impacts resulting from CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, decarbonisation costs, development of new business areas, energy security/independence
Implementation progress	Project HDL 012 was submitted for approval in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In this context, the landowners involved were informed about the project.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Project tracking is carried out to ensure continuous information on the approval progress, the achievement of project milestones and the technical studies relating to hydrogen connectivity.



# Energy efficiency measures in Sales

Climate change mitigation, energy

Action	Energy efficiency measures in Sales
Description	Energie AG aims to fulfil its role as a responsible and environmentally conscious company by continuously implementing energy efficiency initiatives. The aim is to provide customers with the best possible support when switching to energy-efficient technologies.
Expected outcomes	The 'Household Appliance Replacement' campaign, which has been running for many years, provides customers with financial support to use modern and energy-saving household appliances. This initiative was extended until 31.03.2026. In 2024, the programme was relaunched and supplemented with a repair voucher. The distribution of free LED lamps at the Energy Saving Fair in Wels aims to support customers in reducing their electricity consumption. In addition to the 'Förderbonus' initiative (formerly 'Raus aus Öl') for switching to heat pumps (see E1-2), Vertrieb GmbH assists customers in transitioning to sustainable and energy-efficient heating systems by offering advisory services, economic and technological system comparisons, information on subsidies, and oil tank disposal. (see E1-2 - Concepts related to climate change mitigation and adaptation), Vertrieb GmbH supports its customers in transitioning to sustainable and energy-efficient heating systems by providing advisory services, economic and technological system comparisons, information on available subsidies, and the disposal of oil tanks. Depending on the specific situation, Energie AG can offer subsidies of up to EUR 1,150.00 per system replacement. In addition, efficient heating systems are being promoted, e.g. in the form of on-site power purchase agreements for climate-friendly heating systems and connections to the district heating network.  Furthermore, efficient heating systems - such as climate-friendly heating solutions offered through contracting arrangements - and the expansion of district heating connections are being further advanced.  IfEA Institut für Energieausweis GmbH (IfEA), a wholly owned subsidiary of Vertrieb GmbH, also offers a wide range of additional energy services. These include the preparation of energy performance certificates for private customers and, for businesses, energy consulting services and the performance of energy audits. The objective is to promote sustainable and conscious energy consumption and to provide customers
Concept mapping	Climate change mitigation through sales, concept for expanding renewable energy generation

Action	Energy efficiency measures in Sales
Scope of the measure	Downstream value chain
Time horizon	The promotion of energy efficiency measures among customers will continue until further notice and supports both the Group's internal decarbonisation ambitions and Austria's energy policy objectives.
IROs on which the measure is based	Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities, negative effects of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, expansion of existing business areas, development of new business areas, increased energy generation from renewable energy generation facilities
Implementation progress	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, a total of 2,668 appliances (previous year: 3,156) were replaced, repaired or rented as part of the household appliance replacement campaign. The subsidy from Vertrieb GmbH amounts to up to EUR 100.00 per appliance and is processed exclusively by participating partner companies of Energie AG.  In the 2024/25 fiscal year, some 14,500 free LED lights (previous year: 21,300) were distributed to customers as part of the Energy Saving Trade Fair in Wels.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The measures are regularly evaluated within Vertrieb GmbH and reviewed for their effectiveness.



# Energy efficiency measures in sustainable buildings and plant management

Climate change mitigation, energy

Action	Energy efficiency measures in sustainable buildings and plant management
Description	Energie AG aims to fulfil its role as a responsible and environmentally conscious company by continuously implementing energy efficiency initiatives. The objective is to use energy as efficiently as possible in the company's internal operations in order to conserve resources and minimise emissions.
Expected outcomes	Energy efficiency measures with a direct decarbonisation effect: In the 2024/25 fiscal year, numerous measures were implemented to ensure the prudent use of fossil fuels. At the Wels site of the Environment Segment, the trace heating system in the mechanical sorting area was optimised, yielding annual energy savings of 115 MWh, and the turbine control system was upgraded to improve the efficiency of district heating extraction. In addition, numerous gas heating systems across the Group were replaced with heat pumps. Further CO <sub>2</sub> reductions result from connecting the Haid operational site to the district heating network, which reduces the use of fossil fuels for heat supply. Additional climate protection measures with a decarbonisation effect arose in the 2023/24 fiscal year from the replacement of the oil heating system at the Niederwaldkirchen operational site.  Energy efficiency measures with indirect decarbonisation effect: A wide range of measures in building management were also implemented to reduce electricity consumption For example, the transition to LED lighting at the PowerTower in Linz was completed in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The switch to LED lighting was also carried out at the sites in Rohrbach, Bad Ischl and Gmunden in the 2024/25 fiscal year.  Furthermore, the PV rollout on company-owned buildings was consistently continued in fiscal year 2024/25 under review to increase energy self-sufficiency. The company site in Mühldorf (Carinthia) has been independent of external electricity sources since the commissioning of the PV system with an output of 265 kWp installed in 2024. At the RedIham site, a PV system with a capacity of around 220 kWp was commissioned on the roof of the HGV workshop. This system supplies the company's 300 kW charging stations for electric HGVs with self-generated electricity. Further measures are also planned for the 2025/26 fiscal year: in Chrudim, the largest PV system to date within a Czech Energie AG subsidiary (176 kWp) is to be installed at a sewage treatment plant.
Concept mapping	Real estate strategy, concept for expanding renewable energy generation
Scope of the measure	Upstream value chain, own business activity
Time horizon	The continuously enhanced portfolio of measures in the area of sustainable building management is to be implemented gradually by 2040.
IROs on which the measure is based	Expansion of renewable energy generation and storage facilities, negative impacts arising from CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, decarbonisation costs, energy consumption, energy security/independence
Implementation progress	As of 30.09.2025, administration buildings in Austria owned by Energie AG (with the exception of the Environment Segment) had 14 PV systems (previous year: 11) with an output of around 1,102 kWp (previous year: 861 kWp )and an average yearly production of 1,102 MWh installed on their roofs (previous year: 861 MWh). These PV systems have a module surface area of approximately 4,860 m² (previous year: 3,800 m²). A further three new systems with a combined rated capacity of 402 kWp are planned for completion by the end of the 2026/27 fiscal year. In the Czech Republic, PV systems with a capacity of 910 kWp were installed as of

Action	Energy efficiency measures in sustainable buildings and plant management
	30.09.2025.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The timely implementation of energy-efficiency measures is subject to regular internal monitoring and review. The annual Environmental Statement of Umwelt Service GmbH provides a transparent overview of the timetable for specific energy-efficiency measures until the end of 2026.



# Biomonitoring

Climate change mitigation

Action	Biomonitoring
Description	The Welser Abfallverwertung (WAV) facility of Umwelt Service GmbH operates a scientifically robust biomonitoring system to continuously monitor pollutant emissions from the waste incineration plant. The environmental impact of plant operations is assessed through the analysis of vegetation such as ryegrass, kale and spruce, as well as through observations of grassland. The focus is on plant-relevant pollutants, in particular heavy metals, fluorine, chlorine, sulphur, aromatic hydrocarbons and dioxins. Measurements are carried out regularly at defined monitoring points in and around the facility and have, since 1991, provided continuous and independent expert assessments of the plant's environmental performance.
Expected outcomes	The analyses demonstrate that all statutory and regulatory limit and guideline values are reliably met and in some cases significantly undershot. The measurement results lie within the range of natural variation, providing clear evidence that the operation of the WAV facility does not adversely affect the environment. Owing to the use of state-of-the-art technology, the plant is also expected to operate in an environmentally sound manner in the future. The continuous biomonitoring ensures that this remains transparently documented and verifiable over the long term.
Concept mapping	This measure is used to monitor the emissions of the plant.
Scope of the measure	Full value chain
Time horizon	Biomonitoring has been carried out annually since 1991.
IROs on which the measure is based	Biomonitoring
Implementation progress	Long-standing implementation: The biomonitoring system has been in continuous operation since 1991 and has therefore been an integral part of environmental management at Welser Abfallverwertung for more than three decades
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The monitoring approach is based on standardised sampling procedures using defined bioindicators such as ryegrass, kale, grassland growth and spruce. Samples are taken at fixed, predefined monitoring points in and around the plant, ensuring consistent comparability over many years. Sampling follows a defined annual schedule – for example, the first grassland growth in May – and the samples are subsequently analysed for plant-relevant pollutants using recognised analytical methods such as AAS, ICP-MS or GC/MS; the analyses focus particularly on substances that are critical for plant operations, including heavy metals, fluorine, chlorine, sulphur, aromatic hydrocarbons and dioxins. The monitoring design integrates discrete measurements with long-term observational series, including multi-year assessments of tree development. This approach enables the identification of short-term environmental stressors while also revealing longer-term trends.  All results are documented in annual biological assessment reports, providing a transparent basis for comparison against statutory limit and guideline values as well as against natural variability ranges.

# **Metrics and targets**

# E1-4 – Targets related to climate change mitigation and adaptation

Effective climate change mitigation policies require specific targets and target values, as these serve as clear reference points and form the basis for measurable progress. They enable transparent tracking and are intended to strengthen the confidence of both stakeholders and potential stakeholders, as well as the support of policymakers, in the implementation of climate change mitigation measures. Energie AG is continuously working to establish careful and scientifically robust data collection processes in order to meet the disclosure requirements for specific emission-reduction targets in accordance with ESRS E1-4 as effectively as possible.

The targets set to date will be further specified in the coming year and are expected to become more ambitious in the longer term (beyond 2030). This is based on in-depth analysis of key decarbonisation measures (for an example see E1-1 – Transition plan for climate change mitigation), which will form the basis for targeted implementation plans in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

### **Reducing Scope -1 fossil fuel emissions**

The Scope 1 decarbonisation target has been set at  $-26,000 \text{ t CO}_{2e}$  (tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent) by 2030. This reduction is to be achieved primarily through investment in biomass heating plants, the use and crediting of biogas, and the conversion of the vehicle fleet to HV0100 and electric vehicles.

Description	Reducing Scope 1 fossil fuel emissions
Concept mapping	This target will be allocated to the comprehensive climate transition plan once it has been finalised; the plan is currently under development and is presented in Chapter (Chapter E1-1 – Transition plan for climate change mitigation).
Target value	-26,000 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Scope of the target	The target covers the reporting scope used to calculate the carbon footprint (Chapter E1-6 – Gross greenhouse gas emissions from Scope 1, 2 and 3 categories and total greenhouse gas emissions)
Reference value and reference year	937,887.42 t CO <sub>2</sub> e, base year: 2021/22 fiscal year
Target year	2029/30 fiscal year
Methods applied and significant assumptions	The target and the potential measures were derived from an analysis of the current greenhouse gas inventory.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	The target recommendation was developed as part of a Group-wide decarbonisation project.
Changes compared with the previous year	-

Result in the reporting year	734,224.94 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Target status	On track 1)
Monitoring and review	Regular monitoring is carried out.

The result for the reporting year shows that the reduction target defined for Scope 1 has already been exceeded. This is attributable to the fact that the combined cycle gas-turbine (CCGT) power plant Timelkam, Cogeneration Management Oberösterreich GmbH in Laakirchen (CMOÖ), Welser Abfallverwertung (WAV) and Reststoffverwertung Lenzing (RVL) are not included in the 2029/30 target calculation. In the 2025/26 fiscal year, concrete measures for these assets will be developed and subsequently integrated into the 2029/30 target values. In the 2024/25 reporting year, the four installations mentioned generated approximately 186,000 tonnes fewer CO2e compared with the base year; compared with the base year, there was a significant reduction in the utilisation of the Timelkam CCGT power plant and CMOÖ, which are key contributors to Scope 1 emissions. This development is attributable, firstly, to the mild winter in the 2024/25 fiscal year, during which temperatures in Austria were between 1.1 and 1.7 degrees Celsius above the long-term average for 1991–2000. Secondly, in addition to wholesale market operation, central power plants are deployed for congestion management. In the wholesale market, the Timelkam CCGT power plant was used somewhat more frequently in the past fiscal year compared with the base year (66 days versus 48 days). By contrast, congestion management operations fell significantly short of the base-year operating times (47 days compared with 146 days in the previous year). Furthermore, the Timelkam CCGT power plant underwent a proactive overhaul of the generator rotor, which resulted in the plant being shut down from mid-July 2025 to the end of September 2025. As a result, emissions in the 2024/25 fiscal year were significantly lower than in the base year.

### Reducing market-based Scope 2 fossil fuel emissions

The Scope 2 decarbonisation target was set at -38,000 t  $CO_{2e}$  by 2030. This will be achieved mainly by covering grid losses with renewable electricity.

Description	Reducing market-based Scope 2 fossil fuel emissions
Concept mapping	This target will be allocated to the comprehensive climate transition plan once it has been finalised; the plan is currently under development and is presented in Chapter (Chapter E1-1 – Transition plan for climate change mitigation).
Target value	-38,000 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Scope of the target	The target covers the reporting scope used to calculate the carbon footprint (Chapter E1-6 – Gross greenhouse gas emissions from Scope 1, 2 and 3 categories and total greenhouse gas emissions)
Reference value and reference year	93,104.71 t CO <sub>2</sub> e, base year: 2021/22 fiscal year
Target year	2029/30 fiscal year
Methods applied and significant assumptions	The target and the potential measures were derived from an analysis of the current greenhouse gas inventory. The target was set using the market-based methodology, as this approach provides greater opportunities for corporate decarbonisation than a location-based calculation.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	The target recommendation was developed as part of a Group-wide decarbonisation project.
Changes compared with the previous year	-
Result in the reporting year	50,419.91 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Target status	On track <sup>1)</sup>
Monitoring and review	Regular monitoring is carried out.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> In the reporting year, the Scope 2 reduction target was achieved. This achievement is attributable to the fact that, for the purpose of calculating the target value, the assessment of measures focused on the Austrian Scope 2 emissions – in particular those arising from electricity purchased to cover grid losses. Other Scope 2 emission sources, such as electricity and heat purchased in the Czech Republic, have not yet been included in the current target definition. Several of these items that were not previously included already show lower emissions in the reporting year compared with the base year. For the 2025/26 financial year, targeted measures are planned for these areas as well, and they will be incorporated into the revised target values for 2029/30.

### Reducing Scope -3 fossil fuel emissions

The Scope 3 decarbonisation target was set at -540,000 t  $\rm CO_2e$  by 2030. This is to be supported by adjusting the fossil energy volumes sold through the sales channels.

Description	Reducing Scope 3 fossil fuel emissions
Concept mapping	This target will be allocated to the comprehensive climate transition plan once it has been finalised; the plan is currently under development and is presented in Chapter (Chapter E1-1 – Transition plan for climate change mitigation).
Target value	-540,000 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Scope of the target	The target covers the reporting scope used to calculate the carbon footprint (Chapter E1-6 – Gross greenhouse gas emissions from Scope 1, 2 and 3 categories and total greenhouse gas emissions)
Reference value and reference year	2,191,254.50 t CO <sub>2</sub> e, base year: 2021/22 fiscal year
Target year	2029/30 fiscal year
Methods applied and significant assumptions	The target and the potential measures were derived from an analysis of the current greenhouse gas inventory.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	The target recommendation was developed as part of a Group-wide decarbonisation project.
Changes compared with the previous year	-
Result in the reporting year	1,654,694.81 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Target status	On track
Monitoring and review	Regular monitoring is carried out.

# Increasing electricity generation from renewables

Description	Generation of more than 1.0 TWh of additional electricity from renewable energy sources (based on Group companies and subsidiaries)
Concept mapping	Concept for expanding renewable energy generation
Target value	+1.0 TWh
Scope of the target	The expansion of renewable electricity generation is taking place both in Austria and in selected neighbouring countries. The focus is on expanding photovoltaic, wind and hydropower capacities.
Reference value and reference year	The target was defined in 2023 and relates to the annually generated additional electricity volumes from the reference year 2023/24 onwards.
Target year	2035
Methods applied and significant assumptions	Energie AG actively supports the national government's objective of generating an additional 27 TWh of electricity from renewable energy sources by 2030 (reference year 2020) through its expansion plans. This target is based on the assumption of a significant increase in electricity demand in Europe and Austria over the next ten to 15 years.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	In developing the strategy, particular emphasis was placed on ensuring a high level of transparency in communications and on involving the entire workforce and their interests. During the approval process for renewable energy projects, extensive dialogue is conducted with all relevant stakeholders to ensure that their interests are adequately taken into account.
Changes compared with the previous year	+11.5 GWh
Result in the reporting year	14.4 GWh
Target status	On track
Monitoring and review	A reporting system was established as part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, enabling continuous tracking of progress in expanding electricity generation from renewable sources. The aim of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary.

# Increasing the share of sustainable heat generation

Description	Increased procurement of sustainable heat
Concept mapping	Concept for expanding renewable energy generation
Target value	70%
Scope of the target	The target describes the share of sustainable heat generation from renewable energy sources and waste heat within Erzeugung GmbH (excl. CMOÖ)
Reference value and reference year	The target was defined in 2023, after the share of sustainable heat procurement within Erzeugung GmbH (excl. CMOÖ) was 59% in the reference year 2021/22; due to the transition to the ESG scope of reporting, participating interests in geothermal and biomass power plants are no longer included in the calculation of heat procurement. As a result, both the current value in the reporting year and the target value have decreased. Previously, a target value of 80% by 2030 had been set.
Target year	2035
Methods applied and significant assumptions	Energie AG actively supports the government's efforts to gradually decarbonise the heating sector through its expansion plans, thereby contributing to the national objective of achieving climate neutrality in Austria by 2040.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	In developing the strategy, particular emphasis was placed on ensuring a high level of transparency in communications and on involving the entire workforce and their interests. During the approval process for renewable energy projects, extensive dialogue is conducted with all relevant stakeholders to ensure that their interests are adequately taken into account.
Changes compared with the previous year	± 0 %points
Result in the reporting year	62%
Target status	On track
Monitoring and review	A reporting system was established as part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, enabling continuous tracking of progress in expanding heat procurement from renewable sources. The aim of this monitoring tool is to detect deviations at an early stage and to initiate targeted countermeasures where necessary.

# **Increasing WAV heat extraction**

Description	Increased use of industrial waste heat by the Wels waste incineration plant (WAV)
Concept mapping	Concept for expanding renewable energy generation
Target value	390 GWh
Scope of the target	The target reflects the annual volume of industrial waste heat extracted from WAV and fed into the Wels district heating network. This enables the supply of up to 55,000 people in Wels and the surrounding area.
Reference value and reference year	The target was defined in 2021, when heat extraction amounted to around 180 GWh p.a. This corresponds to an intended increase of approximately 116.7%.
Target year	2030
Methods applied and significant assumptions	Energie AG actively supports the government's efforts to gradually decarbonise the heating sector through its measures, thereby contributing to the national objective of achieving climate neutrality in Austria by 2040.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	In developing the strategy, particular emphasis was placed on ensuring a high level of transparency in communications and on involving the entire workforce and their interests. During the approval process for renewable energy projects, extensive dialogue is conducted with all relevant stakeholders to ensure that their interests are adequately taken into account.
Changes compared with the previous year	+67 GWh (fiscal year 2023/24: 262 GWh p.a. <sup>1)</sup>
Result in the reporting year	329 GWh
Target status	On track
Monitoring and review	Regular monitoring of the exported heat volumes is carried out. In the event of negative deviations from the plan, the underlying causes are assessed and corrective measures are taken where necessary.

 $<sup>^{1)}\,</sup>$  Due to a data adjustment, the previous year's figure of 285 GWh p.a. was corrected to 262 GWh p.a.

### Electrification of the fleet passenger cars in Austria

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Description	Full electrification of the fleet passenger cars in Austria
Concept mapping	E-mobility concepts
Target value	100%
Scope of the target	The target relates to the passenger car fleet of Energie AG in Austria
Reference value and reference year	The target was defined in the 2024/25 fiscal year after the previous sub-target of 40% passenger car electrification in Austria had been achieved as of 30.09.2024 (45.4%).
Target year	2030
Methods applied and significant assumptions	The target for passenger car electrification is aligned with national and European efforts to gradually decarbonise the mobility sector. A Group-wide policy applicable to all Austrian Group companies stipulates the exclusive procurement of electric passenger cars as of this financial year.
Reference to scientific evidence	-
Consideration of stakeholder interests	The target recommendation was developed as part of a cross-functional project in which all key stakeholders were taken into account.
Changes compared with the previous year	The target previously communicated in the NFI report – to electrify 40% of all fleet passenger cars in Austria by 2024 – was updated following the successful overachievement of this interim target (45.4% electric passenger cars in Austria as of 30.09.2024; absolute: 98 vehicles). Compared with the previous year, the share increased by 5.9 percentage points, corresponding to an additional 18 electric passenger cars.
Result in the reporting year	51.3% electric cars in Austria (absolute: 116)
Target status	On track
Monitoring and review	Regular monitoring is carried out to assess the continued feasibility of the target.

# E1-5 - Energy consumption and mix

#### Energy consumption and mix

	<b>2024/25</b> MWh	<b>2023/24</b> MWh	Comparison ±%
(1) Fuel consumption from coal and coal products	4,008.25	5,445.49	-26.4
(2) Fuel consumption from crude oil and petroleum products	32,176.99	79,167.59	-59.4
(3) Fuel consumption from natural gas	2,282,220.80	1,545,492.57	47.7
(4) Fuel consumption from other fossil fuels	1,995,256.39	2,162,702.27	-7.7
(5) Consumption of purchased or acquired electricity, heat, steam and cooling from fossil sources	262,026.85	261,960.73	0.0
(6) Total consumption of fossil fuel (sum of rows 1 to 5)	4,575,689.28	4,054,768.65	12.8
	in %	in %	±%points
Share of fossil fuels in total energy consumption	78.7	78.2	0.5
	MWh	MWh	±%
(7) Consumption from nuclear sources 1)	27,537.23	30,559.90	-9.9
	in %	in %	±%points
Share of consumption of nuclear resources in total energy consumption	0.5	0.6	-0.1
	MWh	MWh	±%
(8) Fuel consumption from renewable resources, including biomass (also comprising industrial and municipal waste of biological origin, biogas, hydrogen from renewable sources, etc.)	1,033,958.70	886,580.19	16.6
(9) Consumption of purchased or acquired electricity, heat, steam and cooling and from renewable sources	124,098.99	190,942.17	-35.0
(10) Consumption of self-generated renewable non-fuel energy	54,840.68	21,969.35	149.6
(11) Total consumption of renewable energy (sum of rows 8 to 10)	1,212,898.37	1,099,491.71	10.3
	in %	in %	±%points
Share of renewable energy in total energy consumption	20.9	21.2	-0.3
	MWh	MWh	±%
(12) Total energy consumption (Sum of rows 6, 7 and 11)	5,816,124.88	5,184,820.25	12.2

 $<sup>^{1\!\</sup>mathrm{)}}$  Electricity and heat consumption from nuclear sources only in the Czech Republic

The value for 'Fuel consumption from renewable sources, including biomass' for the 2023/24 fiscal year was revised upwards, as certain facilities were reclassified under 'Consumption of self-generated renewable energy that is not fuel'.

#### Electricity generated from renewable and non-renewable sources

	<b>2024/25</b> MWh	<b>2023/24</b> MWh	Comparison ±%
(1) Self-generated electricity from renewable sources	1,021,884.50	1,381,964.68	-26.1
(2) Electricity generated from renewable sources through procurement rights	1,126,461.94	1,423,948.37	-20.9
(3) Total electricity generated from renewable sources (sum of rows 1 and 2)	2,148,346.44	2,805,913.05	-23.4
(4) Self-generated electricity from non-renewable sources	290,932.74	264,619.09	9.9
(5) Electricity generated from non-renewable sources through procurement rights	475,610.75	167,873.27	183.3
(6) Total electricity generated from non-renewable sources (sum of rows 4 and 5)	766,543.49	432,492.36	77.2
(7) Total electricity generated (sum of rows 3 and 6)	2,914,889.93	3,238,405.41	-10.0
(8) Heat generated from renewable sources	802,657.28	751,326.97	6.8
(9) Heat generated from non-renewable sources	1,635,219.78	1,580,013.99	3.5
(10) Total heat generated (sum of rows 8 and 9)	2,437,877.06	2,331,340.96	4.6
(11) Energy generated from renewable sources (sum of rows 3 and 8)	2,951,003.72	3,557,240.02	-17.0
(12) Energy generated from non-renewable sources (sum of rows 6 and 9)	2,401,763.27	2,012,506.35	19.3
(13) Total energy generated (sum of rows 11 and 12)	5,352,766.99	5,569,746.37	-3.9

The figures for the 2024/25 fiscal year are based on direct measurements, the environmental statement issued by Umwelt Service GmbH and billing statements. If the values were not available in MWh, the conversion factor was calculated from the calorific value and density provided by the Federal Environment Agency (data status 2024) or the DEFRA database 2025. Energy consumption from nuclear sources is attributable to the electricity and heat supply in the Czech Republic. Fossil fuels and renewable fuels are predominantly used for electricity and heat generation.

Following new insights gained since the 2023/24 reporting cycle, an adjustment to the ESG reporting scope was made in the 2024/25 fiscal year. This resulted in an increase in consumption levels for coal (from 42.40 MWh to 5,445.49 MWh), petroleum products (from 74,562.29 MWh to 79,167.59 MWh), natural gas, other fossil fuels (from 552,461.08 MWh to 2,162,702.27 MWh), renewable sources (+ 18,628.5 MWh), purchased electricity from renewable sources (from 155,009.42 MWh to 190,942.17 MWh) and heat generation from renewable sources (from 360,482.80 MWh to 751,326.97 MWh) and non-renewable sources (from 1,115,863.99 MWh to 1,580,013.99 MWh). The value for 'Fuel consumption from renewable sources, including biomass' for the 2023/24 fiscal year has been revised upwards (389,710 MWh), as the consumption of biogenic waste was reclassified under 'Consumption of self-generated non-fuel renewable energy'. Consequently, the reported value for this category has decreased. Three further biomass and biogas consumption figures were also revised (+ 420,197.09 MWh). This results in an overall increase in fuel consumption from renewable sources from 58,044.60 MWh to 886,580.19 MWh.

For the first time, the energy balance for the 2024/25 fiscal year — including the base year 2021/22 — distinguishes between the share of electricity and heat consumed that was procured directly by Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH and the share generated internally or externally. This differentiation was not applied in the 2023/24 fiscal year, meaning that the majority of electricity consumption and all heat consumption were allocated to 'Consumption from purchased or received electricity, heat, steam and cooling, and from renewable sources'. Only isolated volumes, such as self-generated energy from photovoltaic and hydroelectric power plants, were assigned to the category 'Consumption of self-generated non-fuel energy'.

The changes in natural gas consumption reported for the 2023/24 fiscal year result from a revised interpretation of the allocation of energy inputs and consumption. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, actual gas consumption — for example, for the operation of CCGTs and the combustion processes in waste incineration plants — was reported. This revised approach has also been applied retroactively to the figures for the 2023/24 fiscal year (change from 376,143.78 MWh to 1,545,492.57 MWh).

# Energy intensity associated with activities in high climate impact sectors

Energy intensity per net turnover in high climate impact sectors

	<b>2024/25</b> MWh/EUR	<b>2023/24</b> MWh/EUR	Comparison ±%
Total energy consumption from activities in high climate impact sectors per net revenue associated with activities in high climate impact sectors	0.0021	0.0017	23.6
	EUR	EUR	±%
Net revenue from activities in high climate impact sectors that are used to calculate energy intensity	2,814,240,800.00	3,102,044,200.00	-9.3
Net sales revenues (others)	0.00	0.00	_
Total net turnover Consolidated Financial Statements, Sales revenues	2,814,240,800.00	3,102,044,200.00	-9.3

The Energie AG Group operates in the following sectors with high climate relevance: energy supply, water supply, wastewater and waste management, and pollution remediation.

### Sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities

GRI EU1

#### **Electricity and heat generation**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Comparison ±%
Hydropower plants	Number	43	43	0.0
Output	MW	280	280	0.0
Standard production capacity	GWh	1,160	1,160	0.0
Procurement rights from hydroelectric power 1)	MW	380	380	0.0
Procurement rights from hydroelectric power – Standard production capacity	GWh	1,410	1,410	0.0
Thermal power plants (locations) 2)	Number	5	5	0.0
Electricity output	MWe	110	110	0.0
Procurement rights from thermal power plants <sup>3)</sup> Electricity output	MWe	290	290	0.0
District heating grid Austria	Number	12	12	0.0
On-site heat purchase agreements Austria	Number	626	623	0.5
PV systems (excl. on-site PPAs)	Number	36	25	44.0
Output	MW	16	11	48.2
Standard production capacity	GWh	17	12	45.5
Wind parks <sup>4)</sup>	Number	4	4	0.0
Wind power facilities <sup>4)</sup>	Number	14	14	0.0
Proportional output <sup>4)</sup>	MW	15	15	0.0
Standard production capacity <sup>4)</sup>	GWh	38	38	0.0

<sup>1)</sup> Energie AG has procurement rights from run-of-river power plants on the Enns and Danube rivers and to the Malta/Reißeck II pumped-storage power plant

Additional key performance indicators for electricity generation (GRI EU2) can be found in the **Group Management Report, Key performance indicators**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Riedersbach, Wels, Kirchdorf, Steyr, Laakirchen

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3)}\,$  Energie AG has procurement rights of 70% for the GuD Timelkam thermal power plant.

<sup>4)</sup> Together with local partner companies through subsidiaries that are not included in the ESRS scope of reporting.

GRI EU12

#### **Grid losses**

	<b>2024/25</b> GWh	<b>2023/24</b> GWh	Comparison ±%
Electricity grid losses	219.44	175.53	25.0
	in %	in %	±%points
Electricity grid losses	2.9	2.4	19.7
	Nm <sup>3</sup>	Nm <sup>3</sup>	±%
Vented volumes	7,109	35,633	-80.0
	t CO <sub>2</sub> e	t CO <sub>2</sub> e	±%
Vented volumes	158.89	761.36	-79.1
	Nm <sup>3</sup>	Nm <sup>3</sup>	±%
Flared volumes	2,593	_	_
	t CO <sub>2</sub> e	t CO <sub>2</sub> e	±%
Flared volumes	5.39	_	

Within the electricity grid, the technical term grid losses refers to those energy volumes that are used for the operation of the electricity grid (transforming voltage, operating central control systems). In the gas grid, vented and flared volumes comprise those volumes of transported gas that are released or flared from pipeline sections during maintenance and repair work.

### E1-6 - Gross Scope 1, 2 and 3 and Total GHG emissions

The figures for the 2024/25 fiscal year are based on direct measurements, the environmental statement issued by Umwelt Service GmbH and billing statements. For the direct, indirect and biogenic emission factors for Scope 1, 2 and 3, the Federal Office for the Environment (data status 2024) and the DEFRA 2025 database served as the primary sources. Scope 1 emission values for the recycling lines (Umwelt Service GmbH) and the production facilities (Erzeugung GmbH) are derived from continuous measurements. The market-based approach to Scope 2 emissions is based on the generation mix of Vertrieb GmbH and the  $CO_2$  values provided by suppliers. Where no market-based values were available, the location-based value was applied. In the location-based approach for Austria, emission factors published by the Federal Office for the Environment were applied to electricity and district heating. For the Czech Republic and Italy, country-specific conversion factors were calculated on the basis of national electricity and heat mixes.

For Scope 2 emissions, a distinction was made in the 2021/22 (base year) and 2024/25 fiscal years between the share of electricity consumption procured by Vertrieb GmbH and the share sourced from suppliers outside the Energie AG Group. This differentiation was only partially applied in the 2023/24 fiscal year. As a result, potential double counting could be avoided in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In fiscal year 2024/25, among other factors, the emissions recorded under Scope 2 decreased by approximately 36% (location-based) and around 29% (market-based) compared with the previous year.

Where no directly attributable data were available, estimates were made for each company and asset. Calculations of the biogenic and fossil fuel shares in waste incineration plants were based on the Bioma model developed by the Vienna University of Technology. In the Czech Republic and Italy, there is no legal requirement to blend diesel with biofuel, which is why diesel was recorded as 100% fossil fuel in both countries.

For the analysis of Scope 3 emissions, the Scope 3 categories '3.3 Energy- and fuel-related activities', '3.11 Use of sold products' and '3.15 Investments' were classified as material. Focusing on categories 3.3, 3.11 and 3.15 ensures transparency regarding the key emission drivers while enabling efficient resource use in data collection.

Following new insights gained since the 2023/24 reporting cycle, adjustments to the ESG scope of reporting were made in the 2024/25 fiscal year. A detailed listing is provided under E1-5 Energy consumption and energy mix and likewise applies to the greenhouse gas inventory. This resulted in an increase in the values for Scope 1, Scope 1 biogenic, and Scope 2 (location-based from 85,573.43 t  $\rm CO_2e$  to 91,574.20 t  $\rm CO_2e$ ). The emission factors for biogenic emissions were also updated in line with the new data (2024) published by the Austrian Environment Agency, and the emissions were corrected accordingly (total increase from 340,366.39 t  $\rm CO_2e$  to 513,814.73 t  $\rm CO_2e$ ). Compared with the previous year, emissions from refrigeration equipment were added to the figures for all fiscal years (total increase from 490,435.22 t  $\rm CO_2e$  to 649,019.31 t  $\rm CO_2e$ ).

The emission factors for biogenic emissions were updated in line with the new data (2024) published by the Austrian Environment Agency, and the emissions were corrected accordingly.

Compared with the previous year, emissions from refrigeration equipment were added to the figures for all fiscal years.

#### Greenhouse gas emissions

	<b>2024/25</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	<b>2023/24</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	Comparison ±%	Base year 2021/22 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Gross Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions	734,224.94	649,019.31	13.1	937,887.42
	in %	in %	±%points	in %
Percentage of Scope 1 GHG emissions from regulated emissions trading schemes	49.5 t CO <sub>2</sub> e	39.8 t CO <sub>2</sub> e	9.7 ±%	54.9 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
Gross location-based Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions	58,594.57	91,574.20	-36.0	102,988.47
Gross market-based Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions	50,419.91	71,349.58	-29.30	93,104.71
Indirect gross Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions	1,654,694.81	1,935,479.95	-14.5	2,191,254.50
Category 3.3	547,613.36	759,863.28	-27.9	865,236.20
Category 3.11	725,005.92	725,182.49	0.0	865,142.11
Category 3.15	382,075.53	450,434.18	-15.20	460,876.19
Total greenhouse gas emissions (location-based)	2,447,514.32	2,676,073.46	-8.5	3,232,130.39
Total greenhouse gas emissions (market-based)	2,439,339.66	2,655,848.84	-8.2	3,222,246.63

#### Greenhouse gas emissions according to E1-6 50

(1) Scope 1 GHG emissions	<b>2024/25</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	<b>2023/24</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	Comparison ±%
(1a) Group consolidated for accounting purposes	734,224.94	649,019.31	13.1
(1b) Operational control	0.00	0.00	
(2) Location-based Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions			
(2a) Group consolidated for accounting purposes	58,594.57	91,574.20	-36.0
(2b) Operational control	0.00	0.00	
(3) Market-based scope 2 GHG emissions			
(3a) Group consolidated for accounting purposes	50,419.91	71,349.58	-29.3
(3b) Operational control	0.00	0.00	

#### Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

	<b>2024/25</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	<b>2023/24</b> t CO <sub>2</sub> e	Comparison ±%	Base year 2021/22 t CO <sub>2</sub> e
(1) Biogenic Scope 1 CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	479,137.29	513,814.73	-6.7	493,346.48
(2) Location-based biogenic Scope 2 CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	33,499.04	44,193.11	-24.2	31,684.39

# E1-9 - Expected financial effects of material physical and transitional risks and potential climate-related opportunities

Qualitative information on the expected effects of material physical and transition risks, as well as on the potential of material climate-related opportunities, is provided in SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

# **E4** Biodiversity and ecosystems

### **Strategy**

# E4-1 – Transition plan and consideration of biodiversity and ecosystems in strategy and business model

The protection, conservation and, where appropriate, restoration of resilient ecosystems (e.g. through appropriate compensatory measures) are an important concern for Energie AG. Habitats that are valuable to nature are a fundamental component of biodiversity, or a prerequisite for biodiversity and genetic diversity. Therefore, these aspects are already considered in project development: for all construction projects, the potential impacts on biodiversity are addressed and managed in accordance with the regulatory approval procedures. In particular, the ongoing monitoring of water morphology plays a key role in the construction, rehabilitation and operation of hydropower plants, as changes in morphological conditions may in turn affect biodiversity.

Naturally, for other construction projects - and in particular buildings and plant use - possible impacts on biodiversity and associated ecosystem services are also analysed, with measures ranging from the construction, maintenance and targeted upkeep of flowering areas to green roofing, and the combination of agriculture and energy production in agrivoltaic plants.

A transition plan to promote biodiversity and ecosystems will be developed in the coming fiscal years.

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

#### E4-2 - Concepts related to biodiversity and ecosystems

The development of a transition plan for the promotion of biodiversity and ecosystems will be based on a newly developed biodiversity strategy, which will also be the basis for specific actions to achieve the targets. The process will be aligned with the LEAP approach (Locate, Evaluate, Assess, Prepare) of the TNFD (Task Force on Nature-related Financial Disclosures). The strategy will be incorporated into the sustainability statement in good time and within the statutory targets.

# E4-3 - Actions and resources related to biodiversity and ecosystems

Individual actions taken in the 2024/25 fiscal year relating to biodiversity and the promotion of ecosystems are presented below.



# Promoting biodiversity in the construction of the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant

Impacts on the scale and state of ecosystems, impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services

Action	Promoting biodiversity in the construction of the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant
Description	The construction of the pumped-storage power plant in Ebensee is contributing significantly to a sustainable energy future. In the summer of 2023, a large-scale campaign to collect the impacted animals was organised over a four-month period. Containers were placed along catch fences erected for this purpose to catch the animals. The campaign allowed around 1,300 animals, including over 900 fire salamanders, to be relocated to a new, safe habitat outside the construction site. During the construction work, the fence will temporarily remain in place to protect the animals. In addition, 20 brush piles were created in sunny locations to provide shelter and nesting opportunities, and 20 small water bodies were established in moist areas. These areas will be maintained throughout the construction phase until the end of 2028 and should remain species-appropriate habitats beyond that.
Expected outcomes	The negative impacts on biodiversity are minimised through the measures implemented. Relocation activities and the installation of protective fencing prevent animals from being harmed during construction works. Habitat enhancement measures, such as the creation of brush piles and small water bodies, also play an important role in guiding animals towards protected areas.
Scope of the measure	Own business
Compensation measure	Trough the relocation of living creatures, the disturbance of their habitat caused by construction activities is compensated.
Incorporating local knowledge and nature- based solutions	Energie AG complies with all legal requirements imposed by the authorities, who collaborate with biologists.
Time horizon	2023 – 2028
IROs on which the measure is based	Habitat degradation caused by the construction and operation of installations
Implementation progress	The measures have already been implemented and will be maintained until the construction work is completed.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Monitoring and maintenance of the measures taken



# Establishment of fish bypasses

Impacts on the scale and state of ecosystems, impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services

Action	Establishment of fish bypasses	
Description	Fish bypasses have been built at Energie AG's run-of-river power plants and pumped-storage power plants in accordance with the Water Framework Directive. Energie AG operates 46 dams, 27 of which are equipped with fish bypasses. Three further fish migration aids will be upgraded to the state of the art by December 2027. This means that these fish bypasses will also be suitable for the largest fish species found here, the huchen.	
Expected outcomes	Thanks to fish migration aids, weir systems no longer pose an obstacle to fish and other aquatic creatures. Migration and genetic exchange are thus restored.	
Scope of the measure	Own business	
Compensation measure	Yes Fish migration aids are designed to encourage and support migration of fish upstream and downstream at weir systems.	
Incorporating local knowledge and nature- based solutions	Services are provided by appropriate technical offices or civil engineering offices for the planning of fish migration aids. In addition, Energie AG actively manages fish populations through ecological breeding programmes and regular stocking with native species.	
Time horizon	until 2027	
IROs on which the measure is based	Habitat degradation caused by the construction and operation of installations	
Implementation progress	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, two new fish migration aids were built at the Timelkam power station and at the Steinbach hydroelectric plant on the Steyr.	
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Inspection of fish migration aids and monitoring of fish passing through these structures	



# Protection of birds

Impacts on the scale and state of ecosystems, impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services

Action	Protection of birds
Description	Where stork nests are nearby, and in migration areas of the bald ibis, Netz OÖ GmbH has taken specific action to protect them in cooperation with bird protection organisations such as Birdlife. Insulating protective caps on the medium-voltage line insulators are intended to protect animals from entering the circuit when they fly to or from the line.
Expected outcomes	Prevention of (fatal) injury to affected animals
Scope of the measure	Own business
Compensation measure	The bird protection measures are compensatory measures. Overhead power lines have been found to pose a threat to large birds, such as storks and northern bald ibises, as their wingspan means they can easily become entangled in the power lines when they perch on them.
Incorporating local knowledge and nature- based solutions	To define the type and location of the protective measures, Energie AG collaborated with local grid technicians as well as bird conservation experts from BirdLife and the Waldrappteam Conservation & Research Austria.
Time horizon	Continuous
IROs on which the measure is based	Habitat degradation caused by the construction and operation of installations
Implementation progress	The measures are monitored and implemented annually in the vicinity of stork nests and in the migration area of the northern bald ibis.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Regular inspections, including maintenance of the measures implemented as part of the line inspections carried out by Netz OÖ GmbH

# Grasslands in substations

Impacts on the scale and state of ecosystems, impacts and dependencies on ecosystem services

Action	Grasslands in substations	
Description	In two substations belonging to Netz OÖ GmbH (Kronstorf West and Hörsching), particular attention is paid to promoting biodiversity. Specifically, the areas located within the enclosed security zone of the facilities are maintained as grasslands, where around 120 different types of grass and flowers can grow. The grass is mowed only once a year, so that flowers, insects and other small and microscopic creatures have a habitat that is as undisturbed as possible.	
Expected outcomes	Promoting biodiversity in plants and insects	
Scope of the measure	Own business	
Compensation measure	The grasslands in substations are not a compensation measure.	
Incorporating local knowledge and nature- based solutions	The maintenance of grasslands in the substation sector is an efficient and effective nature-based method for protecting biodiversity.	
Time horizon	Continuous	
IROs on which the measure is based	Habitat degradation caused by the construction and operation of installations.	
Implementation progress	The implementation of further grasslands sites will be investigated.	
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Regular inspections of the measures implemented and documentation through the awarding of contracts by Netz OÖ GmbH	

### **Metrics and targets**

# E4-4 - Targets related to biodiversity and ecosystems

Energie AG is committed to the EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 and is striving to align its own targets with this. To be able to meet the disclosure requirements and the underlying calculations in accordance with ESRS E4-4 in the best possible manner, the company is working on careful and scientifically sound data collection. The company's own target will be based on this. The environmental impact and targets will be published in the following fiscal years.

# E5 Resource use and circular economy

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

# E5-1 – Concepts related to resource use and circular economy

The Energie AG Group places strong emphasis on protecting the environment as far as possible, using natural resources sparingly and employing environmentally friendly technologies.

To achieve this conservation of resources, Energie AG relies on circular economy principles such as circular design and planning, longevity, and extending the useful life of buildings, plant and equipment through maintenance, refurbishment and repair, as well as closing material loops at the end of the useful life.

In procurement, specific requirements in the procurement policy and in individual tendering procedures ensure that sustainability criteria—such as purchase price and energy efficiency—are taken into account from the outset by reducing negative environmental impacts associated with resource use. Environmental and sustainability certifications are requested when selecting and evaluating suppliers.

Already in the planning and construction of buildings and plants, great importance is attached to the most economical use of resources, while at the same time all Energie AG plants are designed for longevity. To keep materials in use for as long as possible, the life or service life of installations and components is extended through maintenance or refurbishment activities. For example, since 1908, the Steyrdurchbruch hydropower plant has been supplying environmentally friendly energy from hydroelectric power. With this sustainably operated power plant, which has been preserved through renovation measures, Energie AG is making a tangible contribution to the generation of electrical power. The original power plant was expanded in 1972 with the addition of a second plant and has since supplied electricity to around 5,700 households. The waste heat from the then newly installed generator allows the heating of both the engine rooms in the new plant and the machinery in the old building.

Through the internal reuse and recycling of refurbished meters (heat and water meters), as well as the extension of recalibration periods and the recalibration of electricity meters and, in some cases, gas meters, materials and components are kept in circulation, thereby conserving valuable primary raw materials.

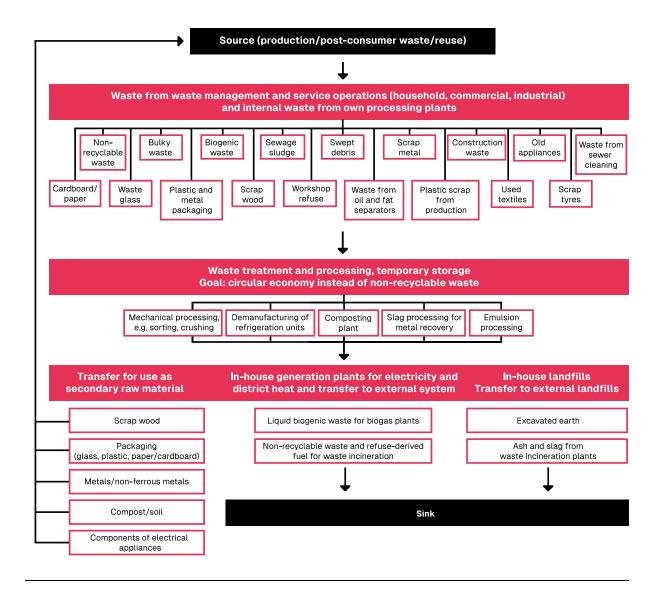
In the area of IT infrastructure, responsible and resource-efficient use of equipment and materials is of particular importance to Energie AG. Once their internal useful life has expired, notebooks and personal computers are not disposed of but transferred to a specialised reprocessing company. This ensures that the equipment or its components are properly processed and reused. In this way, the life cycle of IT hardware is extended, the amount of e-waste is reduced, and an important contribution is made to resource conservation and the circular economy.

The legally compliant handling of waste and hazardous substances in the disposal sector is particularly important for closing material cycles. With its waste management and related services, Umwelt Service GmbH covers several steps within central recycling management strategies (the 'R strategies')—'Recycle' and 'Recover'—including

the production of high-quality compost, the degassing and dismantling of refrigerators, the mechanical processing of mixed waste to obtain recyclable fractions, and the generation of electricity and heat from the incineration of household and commercial waste.

A comprehensive strategy for resource use and circular economy will be developed in the following fiscal years.

The following graphic illustrates how the Environment Segment supports the transition from a linear to a circular economy. A significant share of waste is already being recycled or reused. If recycling is not possible at the end of the product life cycle, the waste is incinerated. Soil extraction and ash and slag from waste incineration are sent to landfill in accordance with legal requirements.



# E5-2 - Actions and resources related to resource use and circular economy

# Network of locations and recycling partners in Austria

Resource inflows, including resource use

Action	Network of locations and recycling partners in Austria	
Description	Umwelt Service GmbH provides regional waste disposal services for its commercial, industrial, municipal and private customers throughout Austria. This waste management security is maintained by the company's 24 own waste management locations and a large number of recycling partners. The 24 locations are spread across Austria. The recycling partners are primarily national, but some are also international. In addition, long-term contracts have been concluded with customers, e.g. the 'Upper Austrian waste solution'. These actions increase reliability, safety and thus customer satisfaction.	
Expected outcomes	Thanks to its network of locations throughout Austria and its close cooperation with national and international recycling partners, Umwelt Service GmbH is regarded as a reliable waste disposal service provider. Customers can count on secure, comprehensive and long-term guaranteed waste management. Stable contracts and partnerships lead to increased customer satisfaction, strengthened trust and sustainable positioning of the company in the market.	
Scope of the measure	Upstream and downstream value chain, own business activity	
Time horizon	Ongoing implementation	
IROs on which the measure is based	Resource recovery through the business activities of the Environment Segment	
Implementation progress	Long-term activity	
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Ongoing monitoring of load utilisation, site performance and partnerships will verify security of supply. This will allow for a transparent and sustainable monitoring of the continuous, safe and reliable waste management.	



# Resource conservation through mobile slag processing

Resource inflows, including resource use

Action	Resource conservation through mobile slag processing
Description	At the Wels site, Umwelt Service GmbH processes the slag that remains after incineration; this is an inert, non-reactive, rock-like material that needs to be disposed of in landfill. In a multistage mechanical separation process, iron and non-iron content remaining in the slag after incineration is removed to the furthest extent possible. After incineration, around 250 kg of slag remains from one tonne of waste at the Wels Abfallverwertung waste incineration plant, along with other residual materials.
Expected outcomes	The raw materials (aluminium, copper, iron, steel, brass and stainless steel) can be separated from the slag, recycled and returned to the metal processing cycle. This means that there is an additional potential for savings in $\rm CO_2$ emissions compared to the recovery of these raw materials. In addition, the recycling of the metals reduces the annual landfill volume in Wels.
Scope of the measure	Own business activities, downstream value chain
Time horizon	Ongoing implementation
IROs on which the measure is based	Resource recovery through the business activities of the Environment Segment
Implementation progress	Long-term activity
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the measure is ensured by annually recording and documenting the quantities of slag processed. This allows transparent monitoring of both the continuous improvement of the process and the environmental benefits.



# Sustainable plastics processing

Resource inflows, including resource use

Action	Sustainable plastics processing	
Description	Plastic windows have been recycled at the Ötztal site since the beginning of 2021. This means that scrap iron, metals and PVC can be separated by type and then returned to the industrial cycle in an environmentally friendly way.	
Expected outcomes	Processing at the Ötztal site has allowed 371,830 kg (previous year: 295,080 kg) of plastic windows, doors and roller shutters as well as sections of profiles to be passed on for material processing in the 2024 calendar year. This resulted in total savings of 590,838 kg CO <sub>2</sub> e in the 2024 calendar year (previous year: 468,882 kg CO <sub>2</sub> e).	
Scope of the measure	Own business	
Time horizon	Ongoing implementation	
IROs on which the measure is based	Resource recovery through the business activities of the Environment Segment	
Implementation progress	Long-term activity	
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The annual collection and documentation of the processed volumes and the $\rm CO_2$ savings obtained are shared in an annual report by Dekura GmbH. By comparing the figures with those from the previous year, the continuous improvement and ecological benefits of the measure become clearly transparent.	



# Recycling plant for refrigeration units

Resource inflows, including resource use

Action	Recycling plant for refrigeration units		
Description	Since 2003, together with a partner, Umwelt Service GmbH has been operating one of two stationary processing and recycling plants for disused refrigeration units in Austria at the site in Timelkam. Nationwide, around 300,000 refrigeration units are recycled annually (120,000 of which in Timelkam) and the valuable materials extracted therefrom resupplied to the production cycle. In the procedure used, the refrigerant which contains CFCs and is harmful to the environment is first removed in two stages and then the four main components (iron and steel scrap, mixed plastic fraction, compressors and PUR powder) for recycling extracted. Iron and steel scrap, compressors and the mixed plastics fraction are subsequently used as raw materials, for example in the plastics and steel industries. The recovered and degassed PUR powder is handed over to a partner who processes it into oil-binding agents for use by fire brigades, workshops and filling stations. By destroying ozone-depleting substances (ODS) and recycling secondary raw materials, 33,131 tonnes of CO <sub>2</sub> were saved in the 2024 calendar year.		
Expected outcomes	In total, over 94% of the components of a refrigeration unit are supplied to the recovery and recycling process.		
Scope of the measure	Upstream and downstream value chain, own business activity		
Time horizon	Ongoing implementation since 2003		
IROs on which the measure is based	Resource recovery through the business activities of the Environment Segment		
Implementation progress	Long-term activity since 2003		
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The annual recording of the processed volumes ensures transparent tracking of continuous improvements and the environmental benefits of the measure.		

# **Metrics and targets**

### E5-3 – Targets related to resource use and circular economy

Careful and scientifically robust data collection processes are being established to enable compliance with the disclosure requirements on resource use and circular economy in accordance with ESRS E5-3 in the best possible way. Alongside the development of a strategy for resource use and circular economy, targets for the circular economy will be published in the coming fiscal years.

### **Company-specific metrics**

#### Total waste volume handled 1)

	2024/25	2023/24	Comparison ±%
By waste type			
Non-recyclable waste	1,162,741	1,193,367	-2.6
Paper	166,369	190,641	-12.7
Plastics & packaging	35,918	33,706	6.6
Glass	44,105	43,460	1.5
Organic waste	44,638	50,793	-12.1
Metals	20,711	20,838	-0.6
By hazardous substance			
Hazardous waste	96,790	109,295	-11.4
Non-hazardous waste	1,377,692	1,423,509	-3.2
By waste management method <sup>2)</sup>			
Recycling	498,378	513,142	-2.9
Incineration			
High-caloric	46,988	42,828	9.7
Medium-caloric	870,961	922,283	-5.6
Low-caloric	_	_	-
Landfill	58,155	54,551	6.6

<sup>1) &#</sup>x27;Total waste volume handled' refers to the total volume of waste that has undergone specific treatment at an installation or establishment. This includes all measures such as sorting, recycling, incineration, treatment, landfilling or other material or thermal processes.

Note 1: So-called non-recyclable waste is generated in private households. The first treatment stage takes place at the waste incineration plant. The incineration produces residual substances that are then processed in additional steps. The subsequent processing steps are disregarded as the waste volumes are significantly smaller than the originally produced non-recyclable waste.

Note 2: Batches of separately collected packaging materials (such as paper, glass, plastic) always contain wrongly discarded packaging materials. A sorting machine separates these misplaced materials from the recyclable materials. The by far biggest portion of the waste materials can be recycled. As a result, the collected paper, plastic and packaging materials as well as glass items come under the recycling category in terms of their disposal method.

Note 3: Overall, there was a general decline in volumes in the 2024/25 fiscal year for the waste types of non-recyclable waste, paper and organic waste.

However, a further increase in construction site waste resulted in a renewed rise in the volume sent to landfill. The share of high-calorific substitutes for waste incineration also increased.

<sup>2)</sup> The waste management method relates to the prevalent waste management method after waste generation. The total waste volume for the Environment Segment includes the volumes from Energie AG Südtirol Umwelt Service GmbH.

#### E5-4 - Resource inflows

The construction and maintenance of grid-related facilities in the areas of electricity, gas, heat and data transmission, electricity and heat generation and storage facilities, and drinking water supply and wastewater management require close collaboration between the Group units and partner companies and suppliers from a wide variety of sectors. In addition to construction and assembly companies, manufacturers and suppliers of electrical components, machine components, measuring and testing technology, software solutions, and work and protective equipment play a key role.

The material resource inflows are structured as follows:

Energy and grid infrastructure: Central resources are cables, traction stations, switchgear, transformers, UPS systems (uninterruptible power supply) and control and automation technology. These components enable the expansion and operation of high-, medium- and low-voltage grids.

Renewable energy: Parts and components are required for wind, photovoltaic, hydroelectric and biogas installations. These are supplemented by control and safety systems that ensure safe and efficient operation.

Thermal production and waste recovery: Operating resources, spare parts and technical installations are needed for thermal power plants, heat-generating plants and waste incineration facilities.

Mechanical engineering and manufacturing: Important resource inflows comprise raw materials, semi-finished products and custom-made steel and welding equipment. In addition, components for the maintenance and modernisation ('retrofit') of existing installations are included.

Testing and measurement techniques: Diagnostic and testing equipment, tools and specialised materials are required for operational measurements, non-destructive material testing and safety-related controls.

Construction and infrastructure services: Key resources include construction and planning services, materials for the construction and refurbishment of energy facilities, industrial and commercial buildings, and heat and gas transmission networks.

Moreover, critical raw materials – in particular certain metals and rare earth elements – are of significant importance in the products procured. They are used primarily in generators, transformers, information and communication technology systems and devices, wind power and photovoltaic installations, and in grid infrastructure.

Drinking water supply and waste water management: Equipment, plant components, materials and operating resources are required for the operation of existing drinking water treatment and wastewater treatment plants and for the refurbishment and maintenance of facilities.

The smooth management of these materials and their return to recovery and recycling cycles constitute an important element of our sustainable operations.

#### Water management

To ensure that the importance of responsible water management is given due consideration, although the ESRS topic chapter 'E3 Water and Marine Resources' was not assessed as material in the materiality analysis, it is reported here in the context of resource use.

The 'Wasserschatz Österreichs' study (2021), commissioned by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions and Tourism (BMLRT), shows that Austria is currently not affected by water stress and will be able to meet long-term demand from groundwater. According to the 'Second Voluntary National Review of the 2030 Agenda in the Czech Republic (2021)', the United Nations concludes that water stress in the Czech Republic is average compared with other European countries. Recognising that available groundwater resources may decline as a result of climate change, Energie AG will monitor potential water-stress areas in Austria and the Czech Republic in the future.

In both Central Bohemia and Eastern Bohemia, the maps of the EDO (European Drought Observatory: <a href="https://www.energieag.at/2025-100">https://www.energieag.at/2025-100</a> and <a href="https://www.energieag.at/2025-100">https://www.energieag.at/2025-100</a> are as a reas.

Both the extraction of process water from groundwater and surface waters, as well as the discharge of wastewater, are carried out on the basis of official permits. The use of water for electricity generation is likewise subject to water management approvals, which must be renewed at defined intervals. This includes verification that the conditions specified in the respective authorisations are being met.

### Social information

# S1 Own Workforce

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

#### S1-1 - Concepts related to own workforce

Energie AG is committed to the unrestricted respect of human rights across all areas of its operations and throughout its wider sphere of influence. The Group's business activities are aligned with the Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the International Labour Organisation's (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

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### **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)**

Diversity, measures against violence and harassment at work, secure employment

**Content:** Achieving the strategic ambitions defined under the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project requires diverse perspectives and new approaches. Innovative ideas thrive in a collaborative culture that values and supports all employees, regardless of workplace, background, gender, age or disability status. This inclusive working environment is of central importance to Energie AG. Five fields of action have been defined within the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) strategy: women, accessibility, regionality, positive and inclusive leadership, and culture and change, the latter of which was replaced by a focus on generations in September 2025.

Energie AG respects all facets of diversity and firmly rejects all forms of discrimination.

To prevent and combat discrimination and to actively promote diversity and inclusion, a range of procedures and initiatives are in place, including: equal development and promotion opportunities; consideration of diversity criteria in recruitment and career advancement; training and awareness-raising for all employees; awareness training for managers to minimise unconscious bias; confidential reporting channels for discrimination and harassment; mentoring programmes for underrepresented groups; open communication of plans and results to employees; and the promotion of a culture of openness and transparency.

General objectives: Increasing DEI across all dimensions (age, gender, origin, etc.); increasing the number of female applicants in technical fields; increasing the share of women, particularly in management and technical positions (see S1-5 – Targets related to managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts and managing material risks and opportunities); and enhancing employees' awareness and understanding of DEI.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Equal treatment and equal opportunity for all – Diversity		
Material positive impacts	■ Promoting diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion	
Equal treatment and equal opp	ortunities for all – Action against violence and harassment at work	
Material negative impacts	Possible bullying	
Working conditions - Secure er	nployment	
Material opportunities	<ul> <li>Attracting and retaining employees</li> </ul>	

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Implementing surveys and feedback loops to capture employees' opinions and experiences; creating and publishing DEI reports that show progress; using metrics to monitor DEI

**Scope:** The DEI guiding principles apply to all Energie AG employees in Austria. They do not extend to employees in other countries.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Third-party standards and initiatives:** Disability compensation tax for persons with disabilities; accessibility officer

**Stakeholder involvement:** Employees: Employee sentiment is assessed during DEI events. Between January and November 2024, the 'DiversiTeam' - an interdisciplinary group of employees promoting DEI - visited more than 20 Energie AG locations as part of the DEI tour. The objective was to provide local employees with insights into the DEI process. Upcoming actions as well as those already implemented were presented, and employees were sensitised to the issues of diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion. This enables the 'DiversiTeam' to engage directly with employees. Diversity cafés are held regularly at a number of sites, providing a forum where the 'DiversiTeam' meets with employees to discuss a broad range of topics openly. The 'Equal Opportunities Network' facilitates exchange and networking with the aim of promoting equal opportunities across all dimensions of DEI.

Management: Senior executives act as initiators of the 'Equal Opportunities Network' and hold discussions with managing directors to gauge views

Works council: Participation in the 'DiversiTeam' and the 'Equal Opportunities Network', along with regular consultation meetings

**Implementation support:** Intranet, internal communication platform, Group newsletter, DEI tour, diversity cafés.



### Target group-focused employee development

Training and occupational development

**Content:** Target group-focused employee development covers integrated training and development programmes tailored to specific target groups and a selection of different employee development actions for specific needs.

General objectives: Lifelong learning, employee retention and upskilling

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

#### Equal treatment and equal opportunities for all - Training and skills development

Material positive impacts

Skills development and further development

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: In line with the company's current policy, employee strengths and competencies are assessed as part of the annual performance review discussions between managers and employees, during which appropriate training and development measures are identified. Energie AG's 'EINSTEIN' learning platform provides all employees with an overview and documentation of all training sessions and courses they have completed. Senior executives can view all training sessions and courses completed by the employees assigned to them. The learning platform includes all current certificates as well as a reminder function for expiring certificates.

**Scope:** 'Target group-focused employee development' is offered to all employees in Austria.

**Responsibilities:** Managing directors and holding company managers of the Group companies

**Stakeholder involvement:** Training needs reported by employees, discussions with managers, findings derived from Group strategy and trends

**Implementation support:** Intranet, training programme and advice from Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH (Personalmanagement GmbH)



#### Digital skills

Training and occupational development

**Content:** To prepare for the digital challenges of the future working environment, the 'Next Level' project is working intensively on a digital vision and strategy. A central element of this vision is the digital upskilling of the workforce, which is being pursued through several steps. The starting point is a validated, anonymised online assessment ('digital fitness quiz'), which provides each employee with an individual measure of their digital skills.

To classify and benchmark employees' digital competencies, Energie AG applies DigComp 2.3 AT under the EU framework, which divides digital competences into the following six categories: basics, access and digital understanding; handling of information and data; communication, interaction and cooperation; creation, production and publication; security and the sustainable use of resources; problem-solving, innovation and further learning. This framework is supplemented by three qualitative skill areas: digital strategy, digital leadership and artificial intelligence (AI) management.

Based on the results of the individual assessments, employees undertake targeted training. For this purpose, a specific training matrix has been developed, offering training for all staff groups and proficiency levels. A follow-up assessment is intended to monitor individual progress and enable the continuous adaptation of training measures.

General objectives: Individual upskilling in digital skills, enhanced career opportunities and increased efficiency

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

#### Equal treatment and equal opportunities for all - Training and skills development

Material positive impacts

Skills development and further development

# Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Each participant receives an individual evaluation of their results after completing the check-in, which forms the basis for further training. Energie AG is able to analyse the anonymised aggregate results and receives targeted guidance on future training requirements. The anonymous results are stored on the platform of the association 'fit4Internet', through which the assessment is conducted.

**Scope:** Digital skills training is offered to all employees in Austria who have access to IT equipment (laptop or smartphone as a work tool).

**Responsibilities:** managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

**Stakeholder involvement:** Senior executives support and promote the focus on digital skills; Personalmanagement GmbH; Works Council

**Implementation support:** 'fit4Internet' association, intranet, training programme and advisory services provided by Personalmanagement GmbH



### Skills development through apprenticeship

Training and occupational development, secure employment

**Content:** Energie AG's in-house apprenticeship training makes a significant contribution to developing qualified professionals and ensuring the long-term retention of employees. It also provides the company with a competitive advantage and represents an important contribution to securing the energy supply. As part of the training programme at the company's own training workshop, 36 apprentices began their training as future energy technicians, mechanical engineering technicians and IT systems technicians in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In line with its commitment to diversity, the Energie AG Group also offers apprentices with a migrant background and asylum seekers opportunities for training and professional development.

General objectives: Skills development, lifelong learning, employee retention and upskilling

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Equal treatment and equal opportunities for all – Training and skills development		
Material positive impacts	<ul> <li>Skills development and further development</li> </ul>	
Working conditions - Secure employment		
Material opportunities	<ul><li>Attracting and retaining employees</li><li>Securing and preserving expertise</li></ul>	

# Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: The demand for young professionals is identified through close coordination between Personalmanagement GmbH and the individual Group companies. On this basis, targeted training of skilled workers is planned.

The training management team is also in continuous contact with the relevant HR managers and department heads at the Group companies Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH (Tech Services GmbH), Services und Digital Solutions GmbH, Netz OÖ GmbH and Erzeugung GmbH, each of which has specific requirements for new talent.

In addition, the 'Succession Planning' working group - comprising the management of Personalmanagement GmbH, the heads of the technical divisions, the human resources officer and the training management team - determines the number of apprentices required for the coming years. Expected retirements and the economic development of the entities are taken into account to ensure forward-looking and sustainable workforce planning.

**Scope:** Young workers are trained in Austria.

Responsibilities: Personalmanagement GmbH

**Stakeholder involvement:** Management Board; managing directors of Group companies requiring young professionals; Personalmanagement GmbH

**Implementation support:** Intranet; training programme and advisory services provided by Personalmanagement GmbH; Upper Austrian Chamber of Commerce

# **Property** Employee protection

Health and safety

**Content:** Employee protection is a key element of Energie AG's sustainable corporate governance. The objective is to safeguard the health and safety of employees through preventive measures, regular training and continuous assessments of working conditions. The approach is based on the statutory requirements of the Employee Protection Act (ASchG) in Austria, Labour Act No. 262/2006 Coll. in the Czech Republic and Legislative Decree No. 81/2008 in Italy. In addition, the Group is guided by international standards such as ISO 45001:2018.

Regular training on occupational safety, health and risk prevention is conducted and continuously expanded. Employees and - where required - external contractors may participate in training on safety-related topics such as working under pressure, switching authorisations, building security or working with lift platforms. Briefings are supplemented with current topics as needed and are made available online. E-learning modules are also provided, for example, for fire protection, anti-crash protection and working in containers.

Work accidents and near misses are systematically investigated in order to derive targeted prevention measures. In accordance with § 4 of the Austrian Employee Protection Act (ASchG), risks are assessed by the responsible managers or officers pursuant to § 9 of the Administrative Penalty Act (VStG) or § 23 of the Labour Inspection Act (ArblG), with the support of safety officers and occupational physicians; at Austrian entities (excluding the Environment Segment), risks are classified using a risk matrix in line with ISO 45001:2018. This forms the foundation for determining required measures (workplace assessment). The 'Safety Manual' issued by the Austrian industry association 'Österreichs Energie' is used to evaluate individual activities. Employees are actively involved in safety management and assess their activities using the forms provided. Safety representatives and staff delegates promote communication and support the implementation of protective measures.

Energie AG is obliged to coordinate hazard prevention and informs external partners of existing risks, for example in electrical installations or factory traffic. Several entities – including Umwelt Service GmbH, WDL GmbH, VAK Beroun a.s. and ČEVAK a.s. – operate certified management systems in accordance with ISO 45001:2018. This demonstrates Energie AG's commitment to maintaining a high standard of occupational health and safety and actively contributing to a sustainable safety culture across the Group.

General objectives: Energie AG aims to prevent work-related ill health and occupational accidents; the natural objective is to achieve zero accidents in terms of accident frequency and severity. The goal of employee protection is prevention. This means acting before an accident occurs to minimise the probability of its occurrence as much as possible. Priority is therefore given to potential work accidents with a high probability of occurrence and severe injury potential.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Working conditions – Health and safety	
Material positive impacts	■ Health promotion programs
Material negative impacts	■ Risk of accidents at work

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Audits, management reviews, regular inspections and walk-throughs, as well as continuous evaluations of workplaces and activities, are carried out to monitor the effectiveness of employee protection policies.

**Scope:** The implementation of country-specific legal requirements is managed on a decentralised basis within the Energie AG Group (Austria, Czech Republic, Italy).

**Responsibilities:** Compliance with the protection targets specified in the legal provisions or ISO 45001:2018 is the responsibility of the respective management of each unit or the persons to whom this has been delegated.

**Third-party standards and initiatives:** ISO 45001:2018, workplace health and safety legislation

**Implementation support:** The relevant employee protection regulations and information on ISO 45001:2018 must be communicated by the respective unit's management or the persons to whom this duty has been delegated. Detailed documentation on the requirements is available on internal company platforms.



### Adequate wages - performance-based salary system

Company-specific concept

**Content:** Rules governing base pay and performance-based remuneration are set out in works agreements. These include provisions on determining base pay, rules for classification and reclassification, and the performance bonus (see **S1-1 - Concepts related to own workforce, Performance-based pay**).

General objectives: Fair and transparent remuneration; objectivity.

Monitoring processes: A clear assignment of employees to reference positions (annex to the works agreement) ensures that remuneration deviating from the works agreement is formally (dual control principle) or systemically within the SAP system impossible. No remuneration can be processed without assignment to a reference position.

**Scope:** The works agreement applies to employees of all Group companies that have signed the agreement. Employees on legacy remuneration schemes (predating the year 2000) and managers with MbO target agreements are exempt. Employees in the Environment Segment and the Czech Republic Segment are not covered.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Stakeholder involvement:** Employee interests were taken into account through the involvement of the Works Council in drafting the works agreement.

**Implementation support:** Detailed information is available on the Group intranet, and guidance is provided by the Works Council, managers and Personalmanagement GmbH.



### Performance-based pay

Company-specific concept

**Content:** The new bonus system developed in the 2023/24 fiscal year addresses the concept of 'team spirit' with a team bonus as part of the performance bonus and also offers managers the opportunity to reward outstanding individual performance with a special bonus.

General objectives: Strengthening 'team spirit'; contributing to diversity; fostering open collaboration; reinforcing a positive corporate culture

**Monitoring processes:** Central monitoring is carried out by Human Resources Management

**Scope:** The works agreement applies to employees of all Group companies that have signed the agreement. Employees on legacy remuneration schemes (predating the year 2000) and managers with MbO target agreements are exempt from the team bonus. Employees on legacy systems are accounted for under the special bonus. Employees in the Environment Segment and the Czech Republic Segment are not covered.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Stakeholder involvement:** Employee interests were taken into account through the involvement of the Works Council in drafting the works agreement. Employees are directly involved in setting their team's objectives.

**Implementation support:** Intranet; training programme and advisory services from Personalmanagement GmbH; Works Council; managers



### 'Management by Objectives' (MbO)

Company-specific concept

**Content**: The 'Group Management by Objectives' (MbO) Group Policy defines the process, inclusion, target categories and bonus calculation for the performance-based component of pay for senior executives (management tool).

General objectives: Group manageability, supporting the pursuit of policies, identifying common goals and focusing on performance

Monitoring processes: MbO process in the Group and IT support

Scope: This policy applies to all managers with budget responsibility within the Group.

Responsibilities: Management Board

**Stakeholder involvement:** A comment process, regulated in the 'Rules for the preparation and amendment of Group policies' Group Policy, has been implemented.

**Implementation support:** Detailed information is available on the Group's intranet, supporting information by email and advice from HR.



### Flexibility of working hours

Working time, work-life balance, secure employment

**Content:** Energie AG has works agreements on flexible working hours, working from home and taking sabbaticals. The works agreement on flexible working hours allows employees to organise their working hours flexibly to suit their personal circumstances within the framework conditions set out in the works agreement. The works agreements 'Homeoffice Standard' and 'Homeoffice Plus' set out the general conditions for working from home. The works agreement 'Sabbatical' is a tool for flexibility and leave management and addresses the changing needs of employees.

General objectives: Promoting work-life balance and flexibility of working conditions and leave management

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Working conditions - Working time	
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>Work-life balance</li><li>Flexible work time models</li></ul>
Working conditions - Work-life	balance
Material positive impacts	■ Employee satisfaction
Working conditions - Secure en	nployment
Material opportunities	Attracting and retaining employees

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: Digital time recording and monitoring by time managers as well as reports on employee working time data that are accessible for managers at any time ensure compliance with the works agreement. In addition, notifications are automatically sent to managers if time limits are exceeded.

**Scope:** The works agreements apply to employees of all Group companies that sign the works agreement. The works agreement on flexible working hours does not apply to senior employees to whom the Austrian Working Hours Act (Arbeitszeitgesetz) does not apply, employees working shifts, employees with a work schedule and temporary interns. Group areas in Austria that are not covered by the works agreements on flexible working hours and working from home are subject to similar provisions with comparable content. Employees in the Environment Segment are not covered by the 'Sabbatical' works agreement. The mentioned works agreements do not apply to the Czech Republic Segment.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Stakeholder involvement:** The employees' interests were taken into account through the involvement of the Works Council when drawing up the works agreements.

**Implementation support:** Detailed information is available on the Group's intranet, a digital application process and advice is provided by the Works Council, managers and Personalmanagement GmbH.

# S1-2 – Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts

Energie AG fosters and practises an open and transparent feedback culture, ensuring that suggestions, ideas and feedback from the workforce are considered as comprehensively as possible. Feedback from employees, Group representatives and trade unions is used to identify appropriate actions and implement improvements. Recognition such as the 'Top Employer' award by the business magazine Trend reflects the strong reputation of the Energie AG Group as an employer.

Feedback from larger groups within the Energie AG Group is collected in anonymised, digital form. Reports on the implementation or consideration of the feedback are communicated to all employees as part of project-related communication or via another suitable channel. Personal feedback is also possible on an ad hoc basis.

Structured economic discussions between Managing Directors and Works Council members form the basis for regular dialogue in line with this open feedback culture. In accordance with the Austrian Labour Constitution, employees are represented on the Supervisory Board of the joint stock company by the Works Council (one-third parity). This ensures that employee interests are directly reflected in the Supervisory Board's decision-making. This arrangement enables the Management Board, supported by the Human Resources holding unit, to address relevant issues effectively. In addition to structured feedback opportunities, such as annual employee review discussions, employees may consult and interact with their direct supervisors at any time. The Cultural Compass platform for culture-enhancing initiatives and the 'Loominati' platform for submitting improvement suggestions offer further opportunities for participation (see G1 Business conduct).

Key channels and tools for engaging and communicating with employees (for Austria excluding the Environment Segment) include the 'Central Conflict Contact Point' (ZAK) for conflict management, Manager Group Coaching, the Leadership Experience Discussion Circle and the Change Agents Community. Anonymous feedback from both employees and external stakeholders, such as applicants, can be provided via the Austrian online employer review platform 'kununu'.

In most cases, anonymous digital feedback is requested from the entire workforce. For tools that apply specifically to managers - for example, evaluations of group coaching - only managerial feedback is collected. This feedback is assessed, analysed and integrated into appropriate follow-up actions by the responsible staff at Personalmanagement GmbH.

Actions implemented under the DEI process, such as diversity cafés, facilitate the collection of views from employees who may be particularly vulnerable or at risk. The 'DiversiTeam' also serves as a continuous point of contact. In the Czech Republic, equal opportunities and equal treatment are also taken into account in employee surveys. For further information, see section S1-1 - Concepts related to own workforce, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI).

Both employees and employee representatives/trade unions are involved in new projects or in the evaluation of initiatives as required. There are also regular opportunities for feedback, such as employee performance review dialogues and surveys. The views of employees are communicated to the Management Board through the works council's participation in the Supervisory Board and discussions with the Management Board.

Depending on the nature of the process for involving the workforce and their representatives with respect to business impacts, operational responsibility lies with different officials. For group-wide processes such as employee surveys, responsibility lies with the respective project managers and the topic leads; processes such as the employee performance review dialogue fall within the remit of Managing Directors as well as department and team leaders. For formal formats, such as economic discussions with the Works Council, responsibility rests exclusively with management. Monitoring of the respective processes is carried out by management, which, in close coordination with the Management Board, initiates any necessary measures and supports their implementation within the framework of the corporate concept.

The agreements negotiated and concluded between employers and employee representatives are intended above all to ensure the continuous development of working conditions and their alignment with modern standards. In addition to economic and organisational matters, works agreements reflect the interests and perspectives of the workforce through the involvement of employee representatives.

Regular employee surveys allow for the results to be compared, developments to be identified and the actions taken to be evaluated. The goal is to strengthen employee loyalty to the company and thereby minimise staff turnover. Employee surveys in the Czech Republic not only involve a comparison within the company itself, but also benchmarking against other companies in the Czech Republic. The results are presented to the management in a comprehensive report. Any negative feedback or complaints are addressed immediately by the management and action is taken. Every five years, an anonymous and voluntary employee consultation is conducted covering health, work organisation, work interests and cooperation. The key indicator enabling comparison with previous surveys is the Human Work Index® (HWI®). The HWI® and the theory of the human ecology of labour, as a method for managing the sustainability of work assets through human-ecological management, are based on research by IBG (Innovative Organisation for Health and Human Resources Management) on working capital. The standardised surveys using the Human Work Index® measure work capacity in terms of employees' personal productivity in relation to existing work requirements and provide prognostic estimates of the sustainability of work capacity. The results are calculated for the Group as a whole and for the individual Group companies and are communicated accordingly. Implementation of the resulting measures takes place within the relevant business areas. The next survey will be conducted in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

## S1-3 – Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for own workforce to raise concerns

The employee engagement channels mentioned in section S1-2 - Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts, are an opportunity for employees to raise concerns. Employees and senior executives have the opportunity to raise confidential matters (such as potential mental stress or possible workplace harassment) during the annual employee review dialogue and the MbO interview. These discussions serve both to reflect on the past working year and to define objectives for the coming fiscal year. If concerns are raised, the senior executive is required to act promptly in line with their managerial responsibilities. Where necessary, the Human Resources department may be consulted to coordinate legal or other required support and advisory measures. A structured process is in place for handling such cases, which may include tools such as exploratory discussions (via the central conflict contact point), mediation or coaching. Concerns may also be identified through the evaluation of survey results. In addition to existing channels, the whistleblower system (see G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Protecting whistleblowers) provides another means for employees to report serious misconduct within the company. This channel is particularly important where it is not possible or not desirable for an employee to approach their line manager or another designated contact person in person, as foreseen in the Code of Conduct or the Compliance Policy.

In Austria, employees may also submit ideas, concerns and questions to the 'DiversiTeam'. In addition, concerns and questions may be reported to the relevant Works Council and its responsible Chairman at any time, regardless of the underlying issue. The works council will then address the matter, with the assistance of the group representative or its chairperson, as appropriate.

Furthermore, since the 2023/24 fiscal year, 'change agents' have been appointed across all areas of the Group; employees in all business units may contact these change agents with any concerns relating to cultural transformation.

# S1-4 – Taking action on material impacts on own workforce, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce, and effectiveness of those actions

The company takes effective measures and conducts continuous evaluations to ensure that its internal practices do not adversely affect its own workforce, but instead contribute to a supportive, safe and equitable working environment.

The involvement of employees and employee representatives in the development and implementation of measures helps ensure that these are specifically tailored to the key issues affecting the workforce. An open exchange and the channels for raising concerns described in S1-3 complement the management of impacts.

Necessary and appropriate actions can be identified and implemented through the ongoing involvement of employees, see S1-2 – Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts, and S1-3 – Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for own workforce to raise concerns. In addition to the general processes for ongoing employee involvement, the following processes may be used to identify necessary and appropriate actions in the area of DEI: needs analysis; analysis of HR data; analysis of best practices and dialogue with other companies; annual 'DiversiTeam' meeting (workshop with employees and managers, including affected individuals); assessment and adaptation; continuous monitoring and improvement. Workplace health and safety measures include conducting hazard and risk assessments and determining the appropriate actions to be taken.



## Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) initiatives

Work-life balance, diversity, secure employment

Action	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) initiatives			
Description	The Group-wide 'DiversiTeam' is responsible for five key fields of action: women, positive and inclusive leadership, accessibility, regionality and culture and change (or Generations since September 2025). Within the Equal Opportunities Network, an environment is created through active knowledge exchange that promotes an increase in the share of women in particular, as well as a balanced representation of employees across all DEI dimensions (such as age, gender, etc.). The goal is to prioritise progress and change in these areas.  Events: e.g. Diversity cafes, lecture on financial education, participation in the 'Positively Purple' initiative to promote inclusion of people with disabilities, breakfast on World Women's Day Communication: e.g. 'Mental Health matters' video on World Men's Day, Equal Care Day, World Down Syndrome Day  Training and e-learning: e.g. 'Unconcious Bias' in recruiting, sign language workshops; GreenTechGirls initiative to train daughters of employees			
Expected outcomes	The various communication activities, awareness-raising training courses and events contribute to raising awareness and, in the long term, to increasing under-represented groups and increasing diversity. Overall, this will strengthen the sense of belonging and the sense of security felt by staff. Diversity Cafés contribute to higher employee satisfaction and retention, as well as to a respectful and inclusive working environment, through open dialogue. This has a positive effect on Energie AG's attractiveness and sense of responsibility, and also enhances the company's appeal to talented professionals from diverse backgrounds.			
Concept mapping	'Diversity, Equity & Inclusion' (DEI)			
Scope of the measure	Own business activity, applies only to employees in Austria			
Time horizon	The actions are being implemented on an ongoing basis and this will continue for several years – a completion date has not been set.			
IROs on which the measure is based	Employee satisfaction; promoting diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion; Attracting and retaining employees			
Implementation progress	'equalitA Award' (1st place in the category of effectiveness in terms of equality) and equalitA seal of approval for the promotion of women within the company (awards from the Austran Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs, Energy and Tourism); jury prize 'Strong Women. Strong Region' as part of the Upper Austrian Prize for Empowering Women and Promoting Equality ar Equal Opportunities			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Preparing and publishing the DEI activity report; documenting progress and challenges; using metrics for measurement; DEI as part of employee performance reviews.			



## Personnel and management development

Training and occupational development, diversity

Action	Personnel and management development					
Description	One of Energie AG's key goals is to provide targeted services to prepare employees and managers for the challenges they will face in the working world of the future. In Austria, the following programmes are available, among others: Leadership Experience Discussion Circle; Manager Group Coaching; Junior Employee Development Programmes; 'Future LAB' (Top Management); 'EINSTEIN' learning platform (educational programme); Toolbox workshops for managers. In the Czech Republic, for example, the following programmes are available: Utility Management Training (UMT), an international training programme run by the IAWD (International Association of Water Service Companies in the Danube River Catchment Area) for young managers; coaching (soft skills) of technical directors and selected managers at ČEVAK a.s.; technical team training: recurring circle of engineers to discuss current innovations and additional discourse on new regulatory and organisational requirements; professional, in-depth training and participation in various committees and advisory boards, including in the Czech Water Management Association 'SOVAK'.					
Expected outcomes	Personal development, increasing individual career opportunities, retaining skilled workers, increasing efficiency, strengthening employee satisfaction					
Concept mapping	Target group-focused employee development					
Scope of the measure	Own business					
Time horizon	The personnel and management development actions are being implemented on an ongoing basis and the programmes are continually being adapted and expanded.					
IROs on which the measure is based	Skills development and further development; promoting diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion					
Implementation progress	See also S1-13 – Metrics for training and skills development					
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the training and development programmes is monitored and assessed using a number of methods such as seminar evaluations and knowledge reviews. The level of uptake of the training and further education programmes is also used for assessment purposes.					



## Digital fitness quiz

Training and occupational development

Action	Digital skills			
Description	The digital fitness quiz offered is based on DigComp 2.3. AT- a science-based EU-wide framework covering six key areas of digital literacy. One of Energie AG's key goals is to provide targeted services to prepare employees and managers for the challenges they will face in the digital working world of the future. Every employee with IT access in Austria was offered the opportunity to take the digital fitness quiz to gain a personal overview of their level of digital skills.			
Expected outcomes	The digital fitness quiz offers all workers in Austria with IT access the opportunity to reflect on their basic digital skills, identify individual strengths and determine specific areas for improvement.			
Concept mapping	Digital skills			
Scope of the measure	Own business			

Action	Digital skills				
Time horizon	The digital fitness quiz was carried out in spring 2025. In June 2025, the training programme to strengthen digital skills began. A further round of the quiz is planned for spring 2026. The training offering is being continuously expanded and updated and is designed for multi-year implementation – currently over a period of two financial years.				
IROs on which the measure is based	Skills development and further development				
Implementation progress	The first round of the fitness quiz has been completed, the results have been evaluated, and initial training sessions were offered in June and July 2025. Further training followed from September 2025 onwards. A total of 62% of the invited employees based in Austria and 81% of managers based in Austria participated in the basic module.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	After completing the assessment, each employee receives an individual, detailed competency profile. Based on these results, a targeted selection can be made from the available training programme.				



## Apprenticeship

Training and occupational development, secure employment

Action	Apprenticeship			
Description	Through targeted measures and initiatives, Energie AG promotes the training of qualified you skilled workers and supports both the personal and professional development of apprentic The objective is to attract young talent to the company at an early stage and to retain them the long term.  Key measures include: cooperation with compulsory schools; electrical engineering course polytechnical schools; initiatives with partners of the Province of Upper Austria, such as PowerGirls and Girls' Day, to provide girls with insights into technical professions; modernic and expansion of the training workshop, and construction of the new apprentice residence Gmunden starting in October 2025; target-group-specific workshops and seminars on safe and health topics (such as addiction prevention, safe use of the internet, communication trained others)			
Expected outcomes	Training and continuous skills development, personal growth, enhancement of individual career prospects, retention of skilled workers, efficiency gains, strengthening of employee satisfaction			
Concept mapping	Skills development through apprenticeship			
Scope of the measure	Own business			
Time horizon	From the 2024/25 fiscal year, 36 apprentices will start their training each year, undergoing a three-and-a-half- or four-year apprenticeship programme within the company, depending on the profession.			
IROs on which the measure is based	Skills development and further development, attracting and retaining employees, securing and preserving expertise			
Implementation progress	Annual recruitment of trained young skilled workers to the group companies of Energie AG Award 'ineo innovative, sustainable, committed and focused on apprentice training' from the Upper Austrian Chamber of Commerce for companies with exemplary commitment to apprentice training Award 'TOP Training Company 2024/25' from the Austrian Institute for Management and Economic Research and Kronen-Zeitung Annual placements in the Upper Austrian Industry Apprentice Competition			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	360° feedback tool to assess the current training situation of apprentices every two weeks; partnership with the association zukunft.lehre.österreich (ZLÖ) for an ongoing image campaign to strengthen and enhance the attractiveness of apprenticeships			



### Health and safety management system

Health and safety

Action	Health and safety management system  All Umwelt Service GmbH and WDL GmbH sites in Austria as well as the entities VAK Beroun a.s. and ČEVAK a.s. from the Czech Republic Segment go beyond statutory requirements and are certified in accordance with ISO 45001:2018 (health and safety management system).			
Description				
Expected outcomes	Ensuring the continuous compliance with the requirements of the health and safety management system, including regular internal and external audits and the implementation of improvement measures arising from audit findings, with the aim of further enhancing the level of worker protection.			
Concept mapping	Employee protection			
Scope of the measure	Own business			
Time horizon	Existing certifications are confirmed in annual audits.			
IROs on which the measure is based	Health promotion programs, risk of accidents at work			
Implementation progress	The accident rate at Group level remained stable compared with previous years. See also S1-14 Metrics for health and safety			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Regular reporting on the effectiveness of the ISO 45001:2018 management systems which have already been implemented is carried out in annual management reviews, in internal and external and customer audits or in occupational health and safety meetings.  Agreed actions are checked during safety inspections and fire safety checks.			



# Training and awareness-raising on workplace health and

Health and safety

Action	Training and awareness-raising on workplace health and safety				
Description	Energie AG organises training courses that go beyond the legal requirements (e.g. safety information days and safety training courses) and distributes relevant information.  Austria: Training offerings on occupational safety and health, safety training for safety representatives and fire protection officers, safety information day for managers, e-learning modules, communication of safety-related topics with the involvement of safety representatives, and awareness campaigns at irregular intervals.  Czech Republic: Occupational safety and health training (internal and external) conducted at the legally prescribed intervals				
Expected outcomes	Increasing awareness and knowledge is done with the aim of raising safety and health standards.				
Concept mapping	Employee protection				
Scope of the measure	Own business activities, upstream value chain				
Time horizon	The training programmes and communication campaigns are constantly being adapted and updated.				
IROs on which the measure is based	Health promotion programs, risk of accidents at work				
Implementation progress	The accident rate at Group level remained stable compared with previous years. See also S1-14 Metrics for health and safety				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Workplace inspections ensure that the knowledge taught has been understood and is being applied correctly. The documentation of the training courses carried out is used to monitor compliance with legal requirements and the acquisition of knowledge.				



## **₩** Workplace health promotion

Health and safety

Action	Workplace health promotion				
Description	The health and safety of employees is understood as an important success factor and promoted by targeted priority programmes and internal campaigns. Only healthy and satisfied staff can be successful with their work for a company. Energie AG works to ensure awareness and personal responsibility around occupational health and safety among its employees. Specific measures in Austria: 'Occupational Psychology Service Line': free counselling and assistance with cases of conflict, stress, inability to cope, anxiety, sleep disorders or even personal crises (deaths, illnesses, etc.); 'energy@work' health project; rehabilitation support for existing illnesses; numerous programmes contribute to safeguarding the employees' health (e.g. 'healthy 15 minutes', first-aid courses, 'shiftwork fitness basics' workshop for employees in Austria).  The range of occupational healthcare services also includes vaccination campaigns and general advice on prevention in Austria.				
Expected outcomes	Prevention of mental stress, more conscious approach to employee health, promotion of employee health				
Concept mapping	Employee protection				
Scope of the measure	Own business				
Time horizon	The programmes and communication campaigns are constantly being adapted and updated.				
IROs on which the measure is based	Health promotion programs				
Implementation progress	Regular reports are provided on course utilisation, sickness leave statistics (from insurance providers) and participant numbers.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Energie AG's company health management policy was awarded the 'Betriebliche Gesundheitsförderung bis 2025' (Workplace Health Promotion) seal of approval and the new seal 'Betriebliche Gesundheitsförderung 2026 – 2028' was again applied for (excl. for the Environment and Czech Republic Segments).				



## Work-life balance

Working time, work-life balance, diversity, secure employment

Action	Work-life balance		
Description	Energie AG values employee satisfaction highly and strives to create the right conditions to demployees the best possible working environment. There is a strong focus on promoting worl life balance, which is achieved in particular through the initiatives 'Flexibility of working hours with regard to part-time arrangements, home office or sabbaticals, year-round operation of a childcare facility, school holiday offers, 'Financial assistance (for families)' and 'Support servi for family caregivers'.		
Expected outcomes	Creating a family-friendly working environment that promotes employee satisfaction and values and supports diversity in lifestyles.		
Concept mapping	Flexibility of working hours		
Scope of the measure	Own business		
Time horizon	Work-life balance actions are being carried out continually and improved or expanded accordingly.		
IROs on which the measure is based	Work-life balance; flexible working time models; employee satisfaction; promoting diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion; attracting and retaining employees		
Implementation progress	Progress in the area of work-life balance is documented in the audit report as part of the 'berufundfamilie' (work-life) audit. The award of the State Prize for 'Family & Career' (Familie&Beruf) highlights the company's family-friendly employer branding with a special focus on father-friendly HR policies. The annual satisfaction analysis regarding company childcare is used to highlight potential areas where there is room for improvement. Information about support services for employees who provide care and support to persons close to them is also provided on an ongoing basis via internal channels, such as the intranet.		
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the actions can be monitored and assessed using employee surveys, employee performance reviews or direct discussions with line managers, employee representatives or the trade union, as well as the staff turnover rate. With regard to company childcare, satisfaction analyses are conducted.		

#### **Metrics and targets**

# S1-5 – Targets related to managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts and managing material risks and opportunities

#### Gender distribution at management level

Description	The 'Gender balance at management level – increasing the share of women' initiative aims to increase the number of women in management positions, promote a more balanced gender distribution, strengthen the corporate culture and improve equal opportunities.			
Concept mapping	'Diversity, Equity & Inclusion' (DEI)			
Target value	25% of second and third-level management positions held by women in the 2034/35 fiscal ye			
Scope of the target	Activities:			
	<ul> <li>Recruitment and promotion: Focus on women in management positions</li> <li>Mentoring and training: Programmes and workshops for female employees</li> <li>Communication and awareness-raising measures on the benefits of increasing the share of women in management, e.g. through privilege walks, diversity cafés</li> <li>Inclusion initiatives: Promoting an inclusive corporate culture, e.g. through the equal opportunities network</li> <li>Promotion of young talent, e.g. through the GreenTechGirls initiative to participate in crossmentoring programmes</li> </ul>			
	Upstream and downstream value chain: currently no implementation in the upstream or downstream value chain Geographical boundaries: The target covers Energie AG's entire workforce at all locations.			
Reference value and reference year	17.3% of management positions held by women in the 2023/24 fiscal year			
Target year	22% of management positions held by women in the 2029/30 fiscal year 25% of management positions held by women in the 2034/35 fiscal year			
Methods applied and significant assumptions	Selected scenarios: Analysis of the current gender distribution in leadership positions in connection with planned measures (mentoring, training); regular evaluation of target achievement  Data sources: Internal HR databases  Alignment with public policy goals: Alignment with Austrian gender equality objectives and legislation  Consideration of the broader context: Promotion of equal opportunities as part of sustainable development; adaptation of measures to regional needs and regulatory requirements			
Consideration of stakeholder interests	Employees were invited to attend events and workshops (e.g. Equal Opportunities Network), surveys (e.g. DEI survey in January 2024) and included in employee branding measures (scholarship for female technicians). The priorities identified by the Management Board were taken into account in the consultation process (regular meetings) and at events.			
Changes compared with the previous year	_			
Result in the reporting year	18.3% see S1-9 Diversity metrics			
Target status	On track			
Monitoring and review	Regular review by Personalmanagement GmbH and annual reporting in Energie AG's sustainability statement			

#### S1-6 - Characteristics of the company's employees

The number of employees in the Group includes all individuals with a valid employment contract. The headcount as of 30 September 2025 forms the basis for calculating further metrics relating to the company's own workforce.

#### Employees by gender

	2024/25 Headcount	<b>2023/24</b> Headcount	Comparison ±%
Male	3,924	3,838	2.2
Female	1,258	1,232	2.1
Others	0	0	-
Not reported	0	0	_
Total	5,182	5,070	2.2
	FTE 1)	FTE 1)	±%
Male	3,860	3,771	2.4
Female	1,082	1,062	1.9
Others	0	0	_
Not reported	0	0	_
Total	4,942	4,833	2.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Full-time equivalent (FTE); depending on the applicable collective agreement for individual employees, the definition of a full-time equivalent (RTD) ranges from 37.5 to 40 hours per week.

In addition to the presentation of employee figures in the Management Report, the staff levels reported in accordance with ESRS also include qualified employees, employees in presence or civil service, unpaid released staff and marginally employed persons.

#### **Employees by country**

	2024/25 Headcount	<b>2023/24</b> Headcount	Comparison ±%
Austria	3,359	3,292	2.0
Czech Republic	1,783	1,736	2.7
Italy	40	42	-4.8
Total	5,182	5,070	2.2
	FTE	FTE	±%
Austria	3,150	3,085	2.1
Czech Republic	1,755	1,710	2.6
Italy	37	38	-2.6
Total	4,942	4,833	2.2

#### Employees by contract type and gender

	2024/25 Headcount	<b>2023/24</b> Headcount	Comparison ±%
Male	3,924	3,838	2.2
Female	1,258	1,232	2.1
Others	0	0	_
Not reported	0	0	_
Total employees	5,182	5,070	2.2
Male	3,771	3,679	2.5
Female	1,201	1,187	1.2
Others	0	0	_
Not reported	0	0	_
Total permanent employees 1)	4,972	4,866	2.2
Male	153	159	-3.8
Female	57	45	26.7
Others	0	0	-
Not reported	0	0	_
Total temporary employees 1)	210	204	2.9
Male	0	0	_
Female	0	0	_
Others	0	0	_
Not reported	0	0	-
Total employees without guaranteed working hours	0	0	-

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  An adjustment to the previous year's figures is due to the change in the underlying evaluation procedures.

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Italy	40	42	-4.8
Total employees	5,182	5,070	2.2
Austria	3,300	3,230	2.2
Czech Republic	1,633	1,596	2.3
Italy	39	40	-2.5
Total permanent employees 1)	4,972	4,866	2.2
Austria	59	62	-4.8
Czech Republic	150	140	7.1
Italy	1	2	-50.0
Total temporary employees 1)	210	204	2.9
Austria	0	0	_
Czech Republic	0	0	
Italy	0	0	_
Total employees without guaranteed working hours	0	0	_

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  An adjustment to the previous year's figures is due to the change in the underlying evaluation procedures.

#### **Employee turnover**

	2024/25 Headcount	2023/24 Headcount	Comparison ±%
Male	273	273	0.0
Female	89	81	9.9
Others	0	0	_
Not reported	0	0	_
Total number of departing employees	362	354	2.3
Total number of employees	5,147	4,978	3.4
	in %	in %	±%points
Employee turnover rate	7.0	7.1	-0.1

Employee turnover includes all employees who left the company during the reporting period due to resignation, dismissal, retirement, death, termination during the probationary period or early termination of a fixed-term employment contract. The employee turnover rate is defined as the number of departures divided by the average number of employees.

#### S1-7 - Characteristics of external employees

#### Non-employees within own workforce

	2024/25 Headcount	<b>2023/24</b> Headcount	Comparison ±%
Third-party temporary staff	139	149	-6.7
Other <sup>1)</sup>	232	255	-9.0
Total	371	404	-8.2
	FTE	FTE	±%
Third-party temporary staff	107	123	-13.1
Other 1)	51	57	-9.4
Total	159	180	-11.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Independent contractors, service contracts, self-employed
Data in the 'Other' category have been revised both for headcount (-76 persons) and for FTE (-12 FTE) for the fiscal year 2023/24.

Alongside the salaried employees, there are temporary staff who are not employed by the Energie AG Group but are engaged on limited-time projects and to assist during peak periods. Energie AG is responsible for issuing work instructions and for supervising, defining and shaping the work environment.

In the Czech Republic Segment, non-employees are engaged under 'agreements'. They perform both technical and auxiliary activities (such as consulting activities in the areas of the General Data Protection Regulation, IT, water and wastewater calculation or heat and water meter readings). Non-employees are both external persons and employees within the company or from another company in the Czech Republic Segment who are already included under metric S1-6. As of 30 September 2025, 37 persons or 6.91 FTEs are not included in the number of non-employees, as they are already classified as employees under metric S1-6.

#### S1-8 - Collective bargaining coverage

88.9% (previous year: 88.2%) of all employees, corresponding to 4,607 employees (previous year: 4,470), are covered by collective labour agreements. In Austria, 84.1% (previous year: 83.8%) and in the Czech Republic 97.8% (previous year: 96.1%) are covered by different collective agreements.

#### Collective bargaining coverage

Coverage rate	2024/25 Employees – European Economic Area (for countries with > 50 employees representing > 10% of total employees) in %	2023/24 Employees – European Economic Area (for countries with > 50 employees representing > 10% of total employees) in %
0 – 19%	-	
20 – 39%	-	_
40 – 59%	-	
60 – 79%	-	
80 – 100%	Austria, Czech Republic	Austria, Czech Republic

The Energie AG Group has no employees outside the European Economic Area.

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Employment relationships not covered by collective agreements are predominantly governed by voluntary contractual arrangements (works agreements or individual agreements).

Individual collective agreements apply to all Czech water companies. This does not apply to VHOS a.s., where the working and employment conditions for permanent employees are regulated by statutory collective agreements. Energie AG Teplo Vimperk s.r.o., in which an 'employee council' operates in accordance with Czech labour law, follows a similar approach.

Some of the rights defined in the Czech collective agreements apply in part to non-employees. At VHOS a.s. (no trade union representation), a 'works council' negotiates with the company's management board.

#### S1-9 - Diversity metrics

#### Employees at the upper management levels by gender

	2024/25		2023	Comparison	
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Male	29	74.4	33	78.6	-12.1
Female	10	25.6	9	21.4	11.1
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Employees at 2nd management level	39	100.0	42	100.0	-7.1
Male	56	86.2	53	85.5	5.7
Female	9	13.8	9	14.5	0.0
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Employees at 3rd management level	65	100.0	62	100.0	4.8
Male	85	81.7	86	82.7	-1.2
Female	19	18.3	18	17.3	5.6
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Employees at the upper management levels (2nd and 3rd level)	104	100.0	104	100.0	0.0

The second management level comprises managing directors and holding company managers. The third management level comprises department heads and managing directors from sub-subsidiaries. In the Czech Republic Segment, the second management level includes managing directors, chairpersons and chief executive officers of the respective entities. This level also includes three members of the Management Board of the Czech Republic Segment who have a management contract but no employment contract and are therefore not deemed employees as defined by Czech labour law. For this reason, these three people are not included in the other metrics in section S1 Own workforce. The third management level includes specialist directors in joint stock companies and operations managers in limited liability companies.

See also GOV 1 – The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies.

#### Employees by age and gender

	2024	2024/25		2023/24		
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	Comparison ±%	
Male	540	10.4	522	10.3	3.4	
Female	156	3.0	174	3.4	-10.3	
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_	
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	-	
Under 30 years	696	13.4	696	13.7	0.0	
Male	1,704	32.9	1,651	32.6	3.2	
Female	683	13.2	647	12.8	5.6	
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	-	
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_	
Between 30 and 50 years	2,387	46.1	2,298	45.4	3.9	
Male	1,680	32.4	1,665	32.8	0.9	
Female	419	8.1	411	8.1	1.9	
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_	
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	-	
Over 50 years	2,099	40.5	2,076	40.9	1.1	

#### S1-11 - Social protection

All employees in the Group are covered by social security programmes that protect them against loss of income as a result of significant life events such as illness, unemployment, accidents at work and disability, parental leave and retirement.

#### S1-13 - Metrics for training and skills development

#### ${\bf Employees\ with\ regular\ performance\ reviews\ by\ gender}$

	2024/25		202	Comparison	
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Male	2,079	53.0	1,850	48.2	12.4
Female	811	64.5	682	55.4	18.9
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	-
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	-
Total	2,890	55.8	2,532	49.9	14.1

In the Czech Republic Segment, only 26.3% (previous year: 8.2%) of employees participated in a performance review. Implementation of a standardised performance review for each employee commenced in the 2024/25 fiscal year.

#### Employee training hours by gender 1)

	2024/25		202		
	Hours	Hours/ Headcount	Hours	Hours/ Headcount	Comparison ±%
Male	55,709	14.2	52,895	13.8	5.3
Female	19,909	15.8	20,562	16.7	-3.2
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Total	75,618	14.6	73,457	14.5	2.9

 $<sup>^{1\!\</sup>mathrm{)}}$  For da emobil GmbH, the ratio of training hours used was based on well-founded estimates.

#### S1-14 - Metrics for health and safety

#### Health and safety management system

	2024/25		202	Comparison	
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Employees covered by a health and safety management system	2,126	41.0	2,109	41.6	0.8
Non-employees covered by a health and safety management system	212	57.1	264	55.0	-19.7
Own workforce covered by a health and safety management system	2,338	42.1	2,373	42.8	-1.5

#### **Fatalities**

	<b>2024/25</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	Comparison
	Number	Number	±%
Fatalities resulting from work-related injuries 1)	0	0	_

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  The number of worker fatalities at the company's other sites is not systematically recorded.

#### Work-related injuries and LTIF

	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Reportable work-related injuries – Work-related accidents	94	95	-1.1
	Million hours	Million hours	±%
Hours worked by own workforce	8.95	7.86	13.9
	Number per million hours	Number per million hours	±%
Rate of work-related accidents per million hours worked or "Lost Time Injury Frequency Index" (LTIF)	10.5	12.1	-13.1

#### Days lost

	2024/25 Number of days lost	2023/24 Number of days lost	Comparison ±%
Work-related injuries – Work accidents	1,838	2,266	-18.9
Fatalities from work-related accidents	0	0	_
Total	1,838	2,266	-18.9

It has not been possible to record work-related ill health and the resulting fatalities. Austria does not require the reporting of work-related ill health, and the employer does not receive any information on the nature of employees' illnesses.

#### S1-15 - Metrics for work-life balance

All employees in the Group were entitled to family-related leave in the reporting period:

#### **Entitlement to family-related leave**

	2024	1/25	202	3/24	Comparison
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Male	3,924	100.0	3,838	100.0	2.2
Female	1,258	100.0	1,232	100.0	2.1
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Total	5,182	100.0	5,070	100.0	2.2

The following list includes all employees who took parental leave (including compulsory maternity leave), 'Papamonat' (dad month) leave or carers' leave during the reporting period.

#### Use of family-related leave

	202	4/25	202	3/24	Comparison
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Male	373	9.5	377	9.8	-1.1
Female	239	19.0	250	20.3	-4.4
Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Not reported	0	0.0	0	0.0	_
Total	612	11.8	627	12.4	-2.4

# S1-17 – Incidents, complaints and severe human rights impacts

#### Discrimination including harassment

	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Incidents of discrimination and harassment in own workforce	1	0	_
Fines, penalties and compensation			
Fines, penalties and compensation	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	Comparison ±%

The process of establishing the metrics according to S1-17 'Complaints' will be revised in fiscal year 2025/26.

#### **S2** Workers in the value chain

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, a major procurement repositioning project was launched. The focus is on implementing strategic supplier management, optimising purchasing processes and gradually integrating enhanced sustainability criteria into procurement. A significant milestone is the planned integration of an AI-based vendor risk assessment tool in the coming fiscal year. This will enable targeted measures to systematically improve sustainability assessments across the supply chain. Sustainable procurement is therefore an integral component of the purchasing strategy. Particular emphasis is placed on social responsibility along the value chain. Close cooperation with suppliers within the EU significantly reduces the risk of human rights violations. With this holistic approach, Energie AG positions itself as a responsible energy supplier, effectively combining sustainability, innovation and social responsibility.

#### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

#### S2-1 - Concepts related to value chain workers



#### **Development of sustainable procurement**

Adequate wages, health and safety

**Content:** In the 2024/25 fiscal year, a comprehensive project was launched to systematically analyse and optimise internal procurement structures. Both external factors – such as the increasing complexity of regulatory requirements (e.g. ESG, CSRD, CSDDD, NIS2) – and internal aspects were taken into account. A central internal focus has been the integration of the 'LOOP' Group Strategy into purchasing and the revision of existing processes. The concepts developed jointly with the entire purchasing team will be gradually implemented over the coming years and will form the foundation for further development towards sustainable procurement.

Particular attention will be paid to sustainability topics, in particular the full implementation of the Prewave supplier risk management system in ERP systems. This system systematically identifies and assesses environmental and social risks along the supply chain. Using artificial intelligence and machine learning, Prewave detects potential risks in the supply chain at an early stage, helping the company meet sustainability and compliance requirements.

Another key field of action is the gradual automation of capturing Scope 3 emissions along the supply chain. The resulting metrics will in future provide an essential basis for Purchasing to identify potential areas for improvement and, together with suppliers, to implement targeted actions to reduce  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emissions.

One of the key policies governing cooperation with suppliers of Energie AG is the 'Code of Conduct for our Contractors'. It sets out clear rules for collaboration along the supply chain and defines binding principles for good corporate governance. The focus lies on shared values such as respect, integrity, non-discrimination, responsibility, reliability, transparency, quality awareness and sustainability.

To fulfil this responsibility, it is essential to ensure that these fundamental principles are put into practice. Accordingly, Energie AG expects its contractors to make an explicit commitment to these values. With its Code of Conduct, Energie AG sets out the guiding principles that contractors must adhere to in the course of their work.

The sustainable procurement approach takes human and environmental rights considerations into account.

**General objectives:** The development of Energie AG's purchasing strategy is increasingly guided by the principles of sustainability. The aim is to consistently integrate environmental, social and economic criteria into the procurement process, thereby establishing a responsible and forward-looking purchasing strategy.

#### Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

Working conditions – Adequate wages		
Material negative impacts	■ Possible low pay	
Working conditions - Health and	safety	
Material negative impacts	Risk of accidents at work	

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

**Monitoring process:** The further development of internal procurement processes and the integration of sustainable purchasing approaches are currently underway and will be progressively embedded into the procurement process. In the coming years, monitoring and control mechanisms will also be developed to ensure implementation of the concept and long-term adherence to sustainability objectives.

**Scope:** The scope of application covers all procurement activities of Energie AG in Austria.

**Responsibilities:** Overall responsibility for implementing the concept in Austria lies with the Procurement and Logistics Department, which forms part of the Services und Digital Solutions GmbH service unit.

# S2-2 – Processes for engaging with value chain workers about impacts

The interests of the stakeholder group 'Workers in the value chain' are taken into account through the Code of Conduct, which is binding for all contractors. This Code of Conduct covers a broad range of protected interests derived from internationally recognised frameworks such as the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work. For further information on the integration of value chain workers, see also the following section.

# S2-3 – Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for value chain workers to raise concerns

The contact details of Energie AG's Procurement department are available on the **corporate website**, with additional contact information published on **www.energieag.cz**. The channels are provided by Energie AG. They include email, telephone and a postal address to ensure accessibility.

If negative impacts on workers in the value chain are identified, an individual corrective action plan is initiated.

Depending on the nature of the report, the case is forwarded either to the responsible contact within the Group or jointly addressed with the relevant Group unit. In the year under review, the company was not made aware of any violations of the Supplier Code or any other indications of labour-related concerns within the value chain.

See G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, whistleblower protection for information on reporting channels and resolution processes provided to Energie AG's external stakeholders.

At present, no reliable information is available regarding the extent to which workers in the value chain are aware of or place trust in the existing contact channels.

# S2-4 – Taking action on material impacts on value chain workers, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to value chain workers, and effectiveness of those actions

Based on Energie AG's approach to sustainable procurement as outlined in Section S2-1, the following section presents the measures that address the material impacts on value chain workers.



Adequate wages, health and safety

Action	Supplier risk analysis		
Description	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG implemented an AI-based vendor risk assessment tool with Prewave. The solution analyses ESG-relevant data from publicly available sources to identify potential risks such as human rights violations, environmental violations or incidents of corruption at an early stage. This enables continuous monitoring of the supply chain and strengthens compliance with due diligence obligations along the value chain. In the coming years, there are plans to gradually expand system integration and connect additional interfaces in order to unlock further optimisation potential and consistently develop the path towards sustainable procurement.  The risk analysis is applied equally to suppliers of the purchasing organisation in Austria and to those of the purchasing organisation in the Czech Republic.		
Expected outcomes	Through consistent implementation and the planned further integration of the supplier risk analysis into the procurement process, the foundation is being laid for meeting future regulatory requirements, such as the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD).		
Concept mapping	Development of sustainable procurement		
Scope of the measure	Upstream value chain		
Time horizon	When preparing the annual sustainability statement, a comprehensive risk analysis of all active suppliers from the fiscal year under review is carried out.		
IROs on which the measure is based	Possible low pay, risk of accidents at work		
Implementation progress	The number of suppliers included in the risk analysis was increased in terms of both quantity and depth of examination compared to the 2023/24 fiscal year, in which only selected suppliers were audited.		
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	In addition to the annual review of all suppliers along the full supply chain, there are plans to implement ongoing monitoring during the year in future. This will be done using needs-based partial and individual audits, for example when new suppliers are taken on, in the event of exceptional circumstances or if there are any noticeable developments within the supply chain.		



## **№** Code of conduct for contractors

Adequate wages, health and safety

Action	'Code of conduct for our contractors'	
Description	Energie AG has a mandatory code of conduct for contractors.  The following issues are addressed: Human dignity, respectful and fair treatment; safe and healthy working conditions; fair compensation, responsible communication and use of data; the environment and sustainability; environmentally friendly and sustainable use of resources in upstream services; fair and equitable competition; conflicts of interest; avoiding corruption and acceptance of benefits; lobbying, sponsorship and donations; compliance precautions.	
Expected outcomes	The objective of the code of conduct is to define clear principles providing guidance for corporate behaviour. At the centre are the shared values of respect, integrity, non-discrimination, responsibility, reliability, transparency, quality awareness and sustainability. Energie AG is also responsible for actively working to ensure that the conduct resulting from and required by the aforementioned basic principles is enforced and achieved to the greatest extent possible. Accordingly, Energie AG also expects its contractors to commit to this attitude and values. Therefore, with the 'Code of Conduct for our Contractors', Energie AG has set out the guidelines that its contractors must adhere to when carrying out their activities.	
Concept mapping	Development of sustainable procurement	
Scope of the measure	Upstream value chain	
Time horizon	The code of conduct applies permanently to all contractors and subcontractors of Energie AG worldwide.	
IROs on which the measure is based	Possible low pay, risk of accidents at work	
Implementation progress	In the Czech Republic Segment, the implementation of the Code of Conduct has started. Full implementation is planned for the fiscal year 2025/26.	
Methodological information on	Compliance with the code of conduct by contractors is subject to review and	

Action	'Code of conduct for our contractors'
monitoring implementation and effectiveness	assessment as required.

### **Metrics and targets**

#### **Company-specific metrics**

Regional procurement 1)	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Contracted suppliers	2,666	2,470	7.9
	in %	in %	±%
Of which in Austria	89.5	83.5	7.2
Of which in other European countries	10.4	16.4	-36.6
Others	0.1	0.1	0.0
	EUR mill.	EUR mill.	±%
Order volume	461.5	299.2	54.3

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize 1)}}$  Orders placed by the Austrian operations via central procurement

#### **S4 Consumers and end-users**

#### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

#### S4-1 - Concepts related to consumers and end users

Compliance with the applicable laws and regulations and internal requirements forms the basis for dealing with customers of Energie AG. These principles are also enshrined in the Code of Conduct 'This is how we think, this is how we act' (see also G1-1 Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Transparent Values – Code of Conduct 'This is how we think, this is how we act'). The Code of Conduct serves as the foundation for dealing with all stakeholders such as business partners, domestic suppliers and employees of the Energie AG Group.

Furthermore, Energie AG voluntarily commits to complying with the 'Oesterreichs Energie' Code of Conduct, thereby ensuring transparent, fair and comprehensible distribution activities. Compliance with these guidelines ensures that human rights are upheld in accordance with international human rights standards when dealing with customers.

Customers may report potential violations through the channels described in section S4-3 – Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for consumers and end-users to raise concerns.



#### **Customer experience and digitalisation**

Access to (high-quality) information; access to products and services

Content: As part of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, topics such as customer experience and digitalisation were defined as key focus points. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, these areas were further developed and deepened under the 'Next Level' Group-wide digitalisation project. A dedicated taskforce, consisting of staff from different Group units, developed concrete actions to optimise the customer experience through digital solutions. The focus was on the digitalisation of the customer interface, including the detailed elaboration of specific use cases and the definition of technical requirements. The term 'customer experience' refers to the totality of impressions and experiences that customers gain when interacting with the company – and thus represents a key lever for sustainable customer loyalty and service quality. In many cases, a high-quality data foundation, interoperability between systems, tools and customer interfaces (both digital and analogue), as well as the seamless integration of all touchpoints between the company and its customers, are key to delivering an optimal customer experience.

General objectives: The strategic objective is to significantly improve the customer experience through digitalisation and simplification across the entire customer journey, i.e. in all phases of the purchasing process, particularly in the B2C sector.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Information-related impacts for consumers and/or end users – Access to (high-quality) information		
Material positive impacts	Transparent provision of information across multiple channels	
Material negative impacts	■ Insufficient/non-transparent customer information	
Social inclusion of consumers a	nd/or end-users – Access to products and services	
Material risks	<ul> <li>Reputational damage</li> </ul>	

## Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: A cross-departmental project team with employees from the Group Strategy, Vertrieb GmbH and Services und Digital Solutions GmbH Group units has developed a specific management action plan to achieve a digitally optimised customer experience. In addition to 'quick wins', this also includes medium to long-term IT infrastructure adaptations. The 'Next Level' project team monitored the implementation of the actions and their progress towards achieving the strategic ambitions using weekly and fortnightly reviews. In addition, the Management Board was provided with a status update in the context of the 'Next Level' steering committees.

**Scope:** This Group-wide strategic direction applies to all Austrian customers of Energie AG.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and managing directors of the Group companies; the organisational anchoring is largely complete. The project team has handed over the finalised management agenda to the management of Vertrieb GmbH. The final handover will be completed by the end of 2025.

**Stakeholder involvement:** A detailed analysis of the customer journey was carried out to ensure that the customer's interests are at the heart of strategic planning and the resulting actions. Customers were also directly involved through surveys. The result of the analysis was a multi-dimensional approach to optimising the status quo.



#### Information security management

Access to products and services

**Content:** The Group Information Security Policy and its attachments govern information security management at Group level to ensure risk-appropriate protection of electronic business information. They define the strategic objectives, principles, and the functional and organisational structure of information security management.

General objectives: The objective is to establish a risk-appropriate and legally compliant information security procedure in the economic and legal interests of the Group, which must be implemented by operational management.

Information security management includes: compliance with the specific legal responsibilities of the Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies; the specific protection of personal data and consequently employee and customer privacy, as well as the legally compliant use of information and data; the recording and risk-adequate management of information security risks and the resulting ISM risk report by the Controlling and Risk Management holding unit for the owners and other stakeholders; the requirements for stable and secure ICT operations by the ICT service partners (ISPs); the appropriate management and monitoring of external ICT service providers; requirements and actions for managing ICT outages and ICT

emergencies in a coordinated manner and defining suitable solutions for recovering and restarting affected ICT systems; awareness of all ICT users of information security and the associated measures, facilities and resulting difficulties; an information security management system in accordance with ISO 27001; the foundations for any individual certification of information security (in particular in accordance with ISO 27001); in summary, safeguarding the associated quality, stability, continuity and added value of information management in the Group companies.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Social inclusion of consumers and/or end-users – Access to products and services		
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>Resilience to crises</li></ul>	
Material risks	<ul> <li>Reputational damage</li> </ul>	

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: To monitor the effectiveness of information security management, an annual audit report is produced in consultation with the operational ICT units and Group Internal Audit, which combines internal and external audits based on the threat situation.

**Scope:** The regulations defined in the Group policy apply to the entire Energie AG Group.

**Responsibilities:** the management boards and managing directors of the Group companies, and holding company managers as well as other stakeholders in the information security organisation of Energie AG.

**Third-party standards and initiatives:** Information security management in the Group is based on COBIT (Control Objectives for Information and Related Technologies) and ISO 27001.

**Stakeholder involvement:** The Group policy takes into account the Energie AG Group's strategy and was agreed with the Management Board, the holding company, the business and service units and the employee representatives when it was drawn up and also during planned revisions.

**Implementation support:** The Group policy serves as a framework and is supplemented by more detailed operational provisions set out in its appendices, which support effective implementation. All documents are available on the intranet. In addition, the Group-wide information security awareness campaign regularly and proactively informs and trains users about risks and threats associated with information security.



#### Security of supply and waste management

Access to products and services

GRI EU-DMA Management approach to ensure short and long-term electricity availability and reliability

**Content:** Energie AG's 'Security in supply and waste management' policy is focused on ensuring continuous and reliable access to products and services for all customers, regardless of their social background or the specific products and services they use.

General objectives: This policy is guided by the following key factors and general goals:

Customer-focused approach: Energie AG Group stands for high-quality, reliable products and services, which it continuously and consistently adapts to the needs and preferences of existing and potential customers.

Resilience in times of crisis: The unconditional assurance of security in supply and waste management, including under extraordinary conditions (energy market turbulence, threat of supply shortages on the energy market and in the supply chain, dramatic price increases on the wholesale markets, severe weather events), and the ensuing strengthening of the Company's resilience are among the top priorities of Energie AG Group.

Material impacts, risks and opportunities:

Social inclusion of consumers and/or end-users – Access to products and services		
Material positive impacts	<ul><li>High security of supply</li><li>Resilience to crises</li></ul>	
Material risks	<ul> <li>Reputational damage</li> <li>Increased workload in case of supply disruption</li> </ul>	

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring processes: see Company-specific metrics, sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities.

**Scope:** The Group-wide 'Security in supply and waste management' policy applies to all Energie AG products and services and therefore includes all customers in Energie AG's supply and waste management areas. Specifically, this includes the following of Energie AG's business activities, in particular the operation of critical infrastructure: Trading, power plants, electricity and gas grids and heating networks, telecommunications and fibre-optic networks, water supply and wastewater management, waste management as well as e-mobility and energy services.

**Responsibilities:** The Management Board and the managing directors of the Group companies

**Implementation support:** Since the 2017/18 fiscal year, Energie AG has reported on 'Security of supply and waste management' in its sustainability statement.

# S4-2 – Processes for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts

#### **Market studies**

The 'Loyalty and Satisfaction' market study is conducted annually by an external partner, analysed anonymously and consolidated in an aggregated report. It is a representative study. The interviews are conducted by telephone directly with the target persons, who are primarily from Upper Austria. The results enable an assessment of the current situation, allow comparisons with previous data and provide a basis for evaluating the company's further development in terms of customer satisfaction and loyalty. The majority of customers of Vertrieb GmbH continue to exhibit a high loyalty. 91.8% of them, for example, are very satisfied or rather satisfied with the sales unit (previous year: 89.0%). The results were then presented at various meetings/consultations, raising awareness of the current status quo. Possible actions were evaluated. Regular market studies and customer surveys serve as a due diligence measure to ensure the satisfaction of a wide range of target groups. The Group Communications holding unit and Vertrieb GmbH are responsible for incorporating the results into the company concept. The relevant matters are being addressed in sales planning and these actions are expected to have a positive impact on the next survey.

Additional studies were conducted to analyse defined target groups or specific topics in greater depth – including the switching study, a potential analysis covering photovoltaics, electromobility and heat pumps, a survey on the customer portal, ongoing advertising effectiveness checks, and regular surveys of caller satisfaction with customer service provided by the service team. The results of this work enable targeted optimisation of customer touchpoints, the (further) development of suitable products and the continuous refinement of target group communication.

The most recent 'Image Study (reference measurement)' was conducted in September 2023 by an external partner, analysed anonymously and consolidated in an aggregated report. The target persons were interviewed directly online and by telephone. The study was carried out in Austria, primarily in Upper Austria. The results facilitate an assessment of the current status and will serve as a reference of the external perception of the company's future progress towards sustainability and climate action in accordance with the new strategy. The results were then presented at various meetings and consultations within the Group in the following months, thereby raising awareness of the current status quo. The target persons are expected to be surveyed every third year. The next survey will take place in September 2026. These are representative studies. The issues considered in the survey included the following: Combating energy poverty, diversity initiatives, inclusion and diversity initiatives in the workplace and inclusion of people with disabilities in the workplace. The Group Communications and Group Strategy holding units and Vertrieb GmbH are responsible for incorporating the results into the corporate concept. As part of the communication and implementation of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, the relevant matters are being addressed and these actions are expected to have a positive impact on the next survey.

#### **Customer forum**

Since the introduction of the customer forum, Energie AG has collected valuable feedback from electricity, gas and internet customers on offers and services as well as customer opinions on current themes and general conditions. The customer forum is also used to share first-hand information and provide expert insights in the form of specialised discussions. Discussions with customers include professional moderation and the involvement of relevant Energie AG employees to ensure feedback is applied directly to day-to-day working situations. The direct involvement of customers in strategy and development processes is intended to contribute to products and services that are even more in line with the interests and requirements of the different target groups. This allows the company to react quickly and flexibly to any negative impacts that arise and to take corrective action.

Lastly, the next steps to be taken are discussed in the customer forum, seeking a common consensus. The customer feedback, the next steps and the documented process are then distributed to all participants and the management of Vertrieb GmbH in the form of a meeting report. The most important information from the customer forum is also distributed in the customer forum newsletter.

The invitation to participate in the customer forum was sent out to Energie AG's electricity, gas and internet customers for the first time in 2019. This resulted in two pools of data:

- Approx. 200 customers who want to receive the customer forum newsletter (information about the customer forum, survey to find topics for the next customer forum).
- Approx. 20 customers who are invited to discussion panels twice a year at a specified Energie AG venue.

Participants are selected at random from the customer registrations for the customer forum. This is not a representative selection of customers. Public accessibility is considered as a criterion when selecting the venue.

The customer forum takes place twice a year: in autumn and spring. The Marketing department of Vertrieb GmbH is responsible for implementing the event (communication, organisation, moderation). The Private and Commercial Customers department is responsible for the content. The management of Vertrieb GmbH is involved in the customer forum.

#### **Customer satisfaction surveys**

Grid Segment: As a member of the Austrian Association for Gas and Water (ÖVGW), Netz OÖ GmbH participates in the association's annual customer satisfaction survey. All major gas distribution grid operators are members of the association and it carries out a comprehensive customer survey. All general satisfaction values are surveyed through a representative customer sample. The result can be viewed either as an overall result or individually. Individual questions can also be asked in the survey. These are used by Netz OÖ GmbH to gather information on customer needs and perceptions regarding general energy-related topics that fall within the legally defined responsibilities of the grid operator. The results are presented to the management and published through Netz OÖ GmbH's communication channels. Operational responsibility for implementation lies with the Austrian Association for Gas and Water, which commissions a market research institute. Within Netz OÖ GmbH, the survey is coordinated by 'Corporate Communications' in consultation with the management.

Environment segment: A survey of business customer contacts is conducted directly on a monthly basis. Each month, customers at a different Umwelt Service GmbH site are surveyed in accordance with an annual schedule. Organisational responsibility lies with the Sales Management department of Umwelt Service GmbH. Operational responsibility for conducting the survey rests with the Sales Service department. The individual responses to the customer satisfaction survey are recorded as raw data in an online tool and processed by the Sales Service department for the group of recipients specified by Sales Management.

# S4-3 – Processes to remediate negative impacts and channels for consumers and end users to raise concerns

Energy Segment and Grid Segment: Customers of the electricity, gas, fibre-to-the-home (FTTH) and heat (network and sales) sectors can voice their concerns and express their needs using the service hotline or by contacting the service email address, as well as in person at the customer office in Linz. These are channels set up by Energie AG. Energie AG ensures that telephone enquiries are handled by its service employees. Developments on the energy market over the past few years have led to a massive rise in customer enquiries, with various tools (e.g. Voicebot) being used to process these as effectively as possible. Simple enquiries are handled automatically using artificial intelligence. An additional intelligent 'peak management' allows for calls to be rescheduled to less busy times of the day. This increases the availability for the customers and in turn also their satisfaction with the Company.

Channel availability is supported by: Ensuring system availability (telephone system and email inboxes) by the IT and Digitalisation department and ensuring accessibility through IT-supported real-time call control in the call centre. In the event of failures, which cause a substantial increase in calls from those affected within a very short period of time, calls need to be answered and processed quickly. A flexible on-call service model for the customer service employees and a suitable infrastructure (remote work) enable an improved handling of unexpected or high call volumes.

The telephone numbers for the Grid and Sales service hotline as well as the relevant email addresses can be found in the customer portal, on customer letters and on the **Energie AG** and **Netz OÖ GmbH** websites. The opening hours for the customer office can also be found on the Energie AG website. To protect customer privacy and data, appropriate data protection guidelines have been established and communicated to the customer service team, and employees receive regular training on the subject. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, 17,461 concerns (previous year: 17,972) and complaints were received by Vertrieb GmbH and 5,369 (previous year: 3,184) by Netz OÖ GmbH.

Every customer concern is documented in the 'Customer Relationship Management System' (CRM system) as a (complaint) contact. If changes to customer data or products are requested, these will be carried out by either the first or second level service team. The corresponding tasks are recorded and documented in the CRM system. The effectiveness of complaint management, the channels provided and the remedial actions are assessed using a customer satisfaction survey.

The quality management team analyses contacts on a monthly basis alongside the complaints management team, assesses the issues and identifies possible courses of action. As part of customer campaigns, the quality management team specifically analyses complaints from affected customers in order to forward potential for improvements directly to Campaign Management and internal departments. If technical changes need to be made to the CRM system, the requirements are defined and passed on to the IT and Digitalisation department for implementation. The number of complaints in Austria and the handling thereof are reported to the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich in the course of the quarterly general meetings of Netz OÖ GmbH and Vertrieb GmbH.

Czech Republic Segment: Customers of the Czech companies have the option of communicating their concerns and needs directly by e-mail or in person at the local customer centre.

In the Czech companies operating in the water supply and wastewater management sector (hereinafter referred to as 'water companies'), complaints may be submitted in person, by telephone, by e-mail or by letter. The relevant contact details are available on the websites of the respective companies. Customers of more than half of the water companies can submit complaints via a form on the customer portal. Customers of VS Chrudim a.s. and Energie AG Kolín a.s. may lodge complaints either in writing by post or by e-mail.

ČEVAK a.s. ensures the availability of customer portals and websites through regular maintenance and IT support. For customers without Internet access, personal support provided at local customer centres ensures full accessibility.

In the Czech Republic, both Energie AG's water and heating companies comply with their statutory obligations. All customer invoices therefore include the relevant contact details to which customers may address any complaints (including those relating to billing). The company's headquarters and contact persons, as well as any public institutions from which customers may obtain information, must also be listed. All contact details and a dedicated e-mail address for submitting complaints are provided on the respective websites.

Each Czech water company has an established Complaints Procedure and an additional internal policy setting out the detailed process. As these companies are decentralised, each company has its own documentation. Every complaint received by a water company must be handled within the statutory period of 30 days and therefore is forwarded to the responsible person in the respective company.

All complaints are recorded in the incoming mail record. Each company has a responsible person (known as the guarantor) who is responsible for processing the complaint. Depending on the nature of the complaint, the guarantor will forward this complaint to other responsible departments. The guarantor monitors the entire process to ensure that all complaints are handled in a timely manner and the outcome is communicated to the respective customer. In the event of complaints regarding water

meter readings, customers are directly involved in the complaint resolution process to ensure the necessary ongoing communication. If a complaint relating to a significant impairment of drinking water quality (due to an accident/disruption) is received, the management of ENERGIE AG BOHEMIA s.r.o. (and the competent authorities) will be informed.

Environment Segment: In addition to the regular surveys, the following contact options are available to customers: telephone, e-mail, a contact form on the Containerdienst24.at and Entsorgungsdienst24.at websites, as well as other Umwelt Service GmbH websites and the Energie AG homepage. Customers of Umwelt Service GmbH are sent invitations to participate in surveys by email via an online tool where they can answer questions explicitly and also provide comments. Customers can use the online tool to express their concerns at any time. Customers can obtain information at any time and also request ISO certificates 9001:2015 etc. if required. If the feedback is negative, an external complaint is recorded in the CRM software. The actions taken in connection with this are documented in the complaint. The negative feedback received and the actions documented in the complaint are monitored at random. Effectiveness is also monitored as part of internal and external audits in accordance with ISO 9001:2015.

# S4-4 – Taking action on material impacts on consumers and end users, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to consumers and end-users, and effectiveness of those actions

Energie AG is implementing and planning a range of actions above and beyond the legal requirements to promote access to products and services as well as access to (high-quality) information for all customers. Given its business model, Energie AG considers measures that safeguard security of supply and waste management to be of particular importance.

The Group-wide quality and complaints management concept, together with Energie AG's IT-based customer service strategy, ensures that potential negative impacts on customers are identified, assessed and effectively addressed in a timely manner. This approach is embedded in product development, IT projects and operational customer service. The resulting measures are designed either to remedy negative impacts in the short term – for example in the event of acute disruptions – or to be incorporated into existing product development and IT processes over the longer term (e.g. CRM systems, AI-based tools and real-time call control). Measures are prioritised according to scale, scope, urgency and legal requirements. There is no uniform standard process due to the variety of measures implemented. Effectiveness is continuously monitored through monthly analyses of customer issues by quality management, CRM documentation, regular customer satisfaction surveys, quarterly reporting to the Management Board and structured feedback loops with the relevant departments.



#### **Digital offers for customers**

Access to (high-quality) information; access to products and services

To ensure data security, all customer service processes and services are implemented in accordance with the applicable data protection and information security requirements. Compliance with these requirements is ensured through appropriate testing procedures and regular company certifications.

#### Action

#### Digital offers for customers

#### Description

#### **Target group-specific information**

Energie AG makes target group-specific information available via a number of different channels and presents it in a way that is as easy to understand as possible. This includes the Group annual report, the Group website and websites of individual Group companies, the digital customer magazine, the press portal, the blog and social media platforms such as LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) with answers and explanations of information for customers are provided in template form on the Group website and also by Energie AG's customer service.

#### Accessibility of the Group website

The **Group website** is continuously reviewed using the 'WAVE Web Accessibility Evaluation Tool' to assess the degree of compliance with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.2; any identified deficiencies are evaluated. These are subsequently remedied as part of ongoing website maintenance activities.

#### **Customer portals**

The Energie AG customer portal (e-portal) offers customers a wide range of functions, including as consumption overview, online invoices, data updates and access to the exclusive 'My Bonus' customer club with a monthly newsletter.

In addition, the customer portal of Netz OÖ GmbH provides grid customers with digital access to grid connection data as well as various functions relating to the implementation and operation of PV systems and energy communities. Work is currently under way to expand the portal into a central information platform for all grid-related topics.

For both corporate and private one-time customers of Umwelt Service GmbH, dedicated portals such as Entsorgung24.at and Containerdienst24.at are available, enabling users to order waste management services and access relevant documentation.

The Czech water companies provide their customers with comprehensive online information on tariffs, water quality and infrastructure status, and offer a customer account with communication and monitoring functions, including services for smart-meter users.

#### E-Fairteiler

The E-Fairteiler app makes solar power accessible to people who are unable to operate their own photovoltaic system. The application enables a direct, digital connection between electricity customers and private operators of PV systems. Within personal groups, individual electricity prices are agreed and transparently billed through Energie AG's electricity invoice. **Energy communities** 

For energy communities, Energie AG provides a digital solution that enables members of the community to manage and transparently allocate consumption and generation within the community. Customers are supported in particular with the monthly preparation of energy-related data and the billing of the energy volumes exchanged within the community.

#### Expected outcomes

#### Target group-specific information

Continuous improvement of target-group-specific information across all channels

#### Review of the Group website for accessibility

Gradual improvement of access to the information provided on the website and compliance with the requirements of the Accessibility Act (BaFG) in its current version.

#### **Customer portals**

The measure enhances customer satisfaction by providing greater convenience, transparency and personalised services, thereby strengthening customer loyalty. At the same time, digital self-service portals and automated systems increase operational efficiency and reduce analogue workload. By enhancing the digital customer experience, the organisation's innovative image is strengthened and improved data utilisation enables customer-oriented further developments.

#### E-Fairteiler

The E-Fairteiler app promotes a conscious use of PV electricity by actively involving users in price setting. Operators of PV systems have the option to connect with both personally known and anonymous electricity customers and to enter into individual price agreements. Based on smart meter data, the app provides a daily overview of electricity consumption and feed-in. In addition, users can adjust their preferences on a daily basis.

#### Energy communities

Provision of a comprehensive and digital solution that enables energy communities to be managed easily

Concept mapping	Customer experience and digitalisation
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain
Time horizon	Ongoing measure; online channels and customer portals are permanently available to customers

Action	Digital offers for customers
IROs on which the measure is based	Transparent provision of information across multiple channels, insufficient/non-transparent customer information, reputational damage
Implementation progress	The digital channels and customer portals are continuously maintained and developed with regard to user-friendliness and clarity.  Customer portals  The 'My Bonus' customer club grew during the reporting period and now has 52,318 members (previous year: 40,371).  Accessibility of the Group website  In preparation for the BaFB (effective from the end of June 2025), the 'DigiAccess' accessibility tool was implemented on the Group website. This tool allows users to adjust various technical functions to remedy or bypass technical barriers to the information provided. In addition, an accessibility statement was published in the 2023/24 fiscal year. This statement documents the current level of accessibility implementation. It also provides the option to report deficiencies, and an email address for contacting the company is available.  E-Fairteiler  The E-Fairteiler app was developed on behalf of Energie AG by an external service provider and is currently operated on the provider's server infrastructure. All customer-related processes, from registration to invoicing, are integrated into Energie AG's SAP system. The user base is growing steadily and currently comprises around 3,000 customers. About half of these customers actively feed electricity into the community.
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Target group-specific information Reviews carried out through cross-functional exchange (e.g. review, adjustment and expansion of FAQs) Review of the Group website for accessibility Periodic review of the Group website using the WAVE tool to identify weaknesses. The results of these checks are used for the ongoing optimisation of the accessibility of the Group website. Customer portals Number of customers registered in the portals, error reports submitted by customers to customer service and customer feedback provided via the contact form. Customer satisfaction with feedback on Entsorgung24.at and Containerdienst24.at was 4.9 (previous year: 4.9) out of a maximum of 5.0 points in the 2024/25 fiscal year. E-Fairteiler Number of customer contracts, reporting on data availability in the app



Access to (high-quality) information

Action	Events
Description	Energie AG's presence at events allows it to communicate directly with its customers on issues such as energy efficiency and renewable energy. In addition to providing advice on current product and service offerings, discussions also focus on current issues and customer-focused matters.  The annual Energy Saving Trade Fair in Wels is a particularly important trade fair for Energie AG. Energie AG consultants are available to assist visitors at the trade fair stand. At the Energy Saving Academy, which was introduced in 2023, experts gave presentations on such subjects as PV plants, e-mobility, heat pumps and the efficient use of energy right at the stand. Erzeugung GmbH supports and facilitates specialist lectures, technical visits (covering topics such as energy technology, geology, ecology and dams) and offers guided tours of selected generation plants.
Expected outcomes	Direct dialogue with customers increases satisfaction and promotes awareness of sustainable energy use (e.g. through specialist lectures at the Energy Saving Academy). This strengthens the communication of innovative products and services, provides valuable feedback for further development. In addition, this reinforces the company's positioning as a customer-oriented and environmentally conscious energy supplier.
Concept mapping	Customer experience and digitalisation
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain
Time horizon	Events are organised as required
IROs on which the measure is based	Transparent provision of information across multiple channels
Implementation progress	The progress of the consultations at the Energy Saving Trade Fair is monitored. Over the three days open to the public in the 2024/25 fiscal year, some 2,100 consultations were held (compared to 2,400 in the previous year)
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	After the trade fair, customer feedback is collected in a comprehensive debriefing by the core team and included in the final presentation. This is used both for comparison with the previous year and as a basis for future improvements. This systematic assessment is then made available to all sales employees, team leaders and the management of Vertrieb GmbH.



### Security of supply

GRI EU-DMA Management approach to ensure short and long-term electricity availability and reliability

#### **Expansion of energy storage facilities**

Access to products and services

See E1-3 Actions and resources related to the climate concepts, energy storage.

#### **Expansion of grid infrastructure**

Access to products and services

See E1-3 Actions and resources related to the climate concepts, electricity grid expansion.

#### Social affairs

Action	Social affairs			
Description	Energie AG offers a variety of programmes and initiatives to support its customers in Austria, such as a solidarity fund, an emergency assistance fund to help low-income households cope with their energy costs and advisory initiatives regarding energy efficiency.  As an expression of social responsibility, the company voluntarily refrained from imposing supply disconnections due to late payment during the 2024/25 heating season. The aim was to ensure that households continued to receive energy during the cold months. The measure applied from December 2024 to the end of March 2025 and covered selected customer groups in the electricity, gas and heat units.			
Expected outcomes	Through Energie AG's social support measures – in particular the solidarity fund, the immediate assistance fund and the temporary suspension of disconnections – low-income households are to be specifically relieved and protected from energy poverty. The measures help to ensure security of supply, even for vulnerable customer groups, and strengthen trust in Energie AG as a responsible company. A reduction in disconnections, stabilised customer loyalty and positive perceptions in image and satisfaction analyses are expected outcomes.			
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management			
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain			
Time horizon	The solidarity fund, the emergency assistance fund and the disconnection moratorium will be available until further notice. The amount of funds made available in these programmes and the duration of the curtailment waiver may vary from one fiscal year to the next.			
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, reputational damage			
Implementation progress	The measure was also successfully implemented in the 2024/25 fiscal year.			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the actions taken can be monitored and assessed using the annual satisfaction analysis and measured by the extent to which the funds are used. The amount in the solidarity and emergency assistance fund and its use is reported to the management of Vertrieb GmbH on a monthly basis.  In the 2023 market study on customer types/loyalty, see S4-2 – Processes for engaging with consumers and end users about impacts, an image survey was conducted, among other things, which will be repeated in September 2026.  Additionally, electricity and gas supply and demand data for households, businesses and the agricultural sector are collected weekly using metering points and sent to the head of department for private and commercial customers as well as the team leaders and the management of Vertrieb GmbH.			
Remedial measures	The measures are intended to support customers who are in need as a result of the energy crisis. Special arrangements (e.g. a moratorium on electricity disconnections, the option to defer due payments, payment in instalments, actions for emergency assistance) are intended to provide customers with targeted relief and support.  Debt waiver: The emergency assistance fund enables the company to support customers experiencing difficulties with payments of EUR 100.00 per fiscal year for each division (electricity and gas) and each customer.  No disconnection policy: From 01.12.2024 to 31.03.2025, there were no disconnections due to late payments in order to support customers, especially during the heating season.			

#### **Emergency and crisis management**

Access to products and services

Action	Emergency and crisis management			
Description	By implementing and continuously improving a Group-wide emergency and crisis management system (ECMS) based on recognised standards, Energie AG enhances the Group's responsiveness and resilience to exceptional events (emergency and crisis situations); this ensures, on the one hand, the prevention or reduction of potential damage impacts and, on the other hand, the fastest possible return to normal operations.			
Expected outcomes	Ideally, extraordinary events do not occur, for example due to preventive actions. If an incident occurs, the impacts will be minimised by reacting appropriately. The professional emergency and crisis management system allows Energie AG to return to normal operations as quickly as possible.			
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management			
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain			
Time horizon	Emergency and crisis management is a continuous process			
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case or supply disruption			
Implementation progress	Since the fiscal year 2023/24, the following progress has been made:			
	<ul> <li>Assessment of the maturity levels of all existing emergency management systems and, based on this, derivation of individual recommendations for improvement measures for each Group company</li> <li>Onboarding of all Group companies into the Group-wide emergency and crisis management system. This primarily includes Group companies that have not previously implemented their own emergency management system.</li> <li>Definition of a new organisational structure for the crisis management team within the Energie AG Group.</li> <li>Staffing of the future crisis management team within the Energie AG Group and of the emergency teams in those companies that have not previously implemented their own emergency management system</li> </ul>			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the ECMS is reviewed in regular training sessions and drills and is continuously being improved through a continuous improvement process.			

## Prospective procurement of electricity and gas

Action	Prospective procurement of electricity and gas	
Description	Energie AG secures the electricity and gas volumes required for customers and for electricity and heat production in a forward-looking manner through long-term transactions on exchanges and over-the-counter (OTC) markets. Gas storage facilities with short- and long-term usage rights enable stockpiling beyond the statutory requirements. In addition, the expansion of renewable energy is being accelerated to strengthen self-sufficiency and minimise risks through diversification of the procurement portfolio. For 'protected customers' within the meaning of § 121 of the 2011 Gas Industry Act (GWG), natural gas of non-Russian origin is procured and stored, including for the 'Erdgas Loyal' tariff. Since 01.10.2024, targeted efforts have been made to meet the reduced 30-day requirement through stored non-Russian gas volumes.  The current procurement policy establishes the long-term purchasing of electricity and gas as well as guarantees of origin. This provision covers both private customers and the business/key account customer area.	
Expected outcomes	Through the hedging strategy of forward-looking procurement of electricity and gas, the impacts of short-term changes in supply conditions or wholesale prices on customers are limited. In the area of gas supply to customers, the supply standard pursuant to § 121 GWG and the SOS Regulation (EU Regulation on measures to safeguard the security of gas supply, EU 2017/1938) is ensured for the specified periods and scenarios.	
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management	
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain	
Time horizon	The procurement policy is an ongoing action that is incorporated into Energie AG's strategy.	
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case of supply disruption	

Action	Prospective procurement of electricity and gas				
Implementation progress	To ensure the best possible matching of maturities with sales products and price commitments, and to enable timely passing on of price changes on wholesale markets to customers, the electricity procurement strategy was evaluated and further developed last year. Through the adjustment of the strategy, procurement costs reflect market developments at an earlier stage, without losing the fundamentally price-dampening effect in terms of price stability for customers.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Energy procurement monitoring is generally carried out as a weekly report by the Portfolio Management department of Vertrieb GmbH. The key indicators and disclosures are reported at the Annual General Meeting.				

## **Operational network management**

Action	Operational network management				
Description	To ensure reliable operation of the grid with optimised grid capacity management, forecast live grid security analyses are implemented on the basis of load and feed-in forecasts that being developed.				
Expected outcomes	The expansion of the automation-supported grid security analysis system to include medium-voltage grids will enable grid capacities to be used more effectively in future and thus optimise implementation timing of all planned grid expansion measures. In addition, these actions will allow customers to make use of flexibility options for dynamic grid capacity management in the future. This will give grid users the opportunity to make better use of grid capacities in future, for example by using energy management systems.				
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management				
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain; serves all grid users who will require additional grid access or an increase in grid connection capacity in the future				
Time horizon	The implementation of reliable feed-in and load forecasting systems to ensure reliable grid security analyses down to the low-voltage level will be completed by approximately 2030.				
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case of supply disruption				
Implementation progress	In the 2024/25 fiscal year, an evaluation project was launched to identify the measurement data required for a grid analysis in the medium-voltage grid. Upon completion of the project (2026), a robust basis is to be available for the future installation of sensors (current, voltage, etc.) in the electricity grid. In parallel with this work, the granularity of the grid load forecasting processes is being significantly expanded and their quality evaluated.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Effectiveness is measured by monitoring usage data and delivery and feed-in volumes.				

## Protecting the system with generation plants

Access to products and services

Action	Protecting the system with generation plants				
Description	Generation plants are analysed in terms of their ability to support system stabilisation (frequency stability, voltage stability). In particular, black start capability and island operation capability for grid restoration are also tested.  Black start capability refers to the ability of a power plant to resume operation without an external electricity supply and to establish a stable grid frequency. The islanding capability of generation plants refers to the ability of a plant to continue operating autonomously, stably and over an extended period after being disconnected from the upstream grid (e.g. the public electricity grid). Island grid stability is achieved through high-performance frequency and voltage regulators in generation plants.  Model parameters are determined from the tests, which can be used to carry out dynamic simulations for different initial situations.				
Expected outcomes	This prevents weak points from being detected only in the event of a large-scale network failure.				
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management				
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and full value chain; increased security of supply has a positive impact on value chains and companies as well as end consumers				
Time horizon	Following the completion of the tests in the 2022/23 fiscal year, further analyses are being carried out using simulations, for example for the future inclusion of the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant that is currently under construction. For small generation plants, an islanding test is being prepared. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the theoretical basis for the tests planned for 2026 was developed.				
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case of supply disruption				
Implementation progress	The subject area was analysed and assessed as part of a master's thesis in cooperation with the Vienna University of Technology. Initial preparatory work for the design of a field trial is currently underway.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of this action is reviewed annually with grid reconstruction simulations.				

### Leak detection and repair of water infrastructure

Action	In the Czech Republic, Energie AG is pursuing two different operational models on the water and waste water management market. The operator model is defined as the public sector (cities, municipalities, communities) owning the infrastructure and outsourcing its operation by means of awarding long-term contracts (concessions, leases, leaseholds. In the asset owner model, Energie AG both operates and owns the infrastructure (VaK Beroun a.s.). Given that local authorities, for the most part, are responsible as the owners for renovating grids, Energie AG's actions focus on locating and repairing leaks.			
Description				
Expected outcomes	The measure prevents major water losses and thus increases security of supply.			
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management			
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain			
Time horizon	Leak detection and repair work is carried out continuously.			
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case of supply disruption			
Implementation progress	The measure was also successfully implemented in the 2024/25 fiscal year.			

Action	Leak detection and repair of water infrastructure		
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness of the action can be measured by the water companies using the 'unit water leakage' method. In calendar year 2024, 92 supply areas were benchmarked (CY 2023: 91; CY 2022: 90). The purpose of this assessment is to expand the process to smaller supply areas and thereby continually reduce water losses in those areas.		

### Monitoring the water supply for water losses

Access to products and services

Action	Monitoring the water supply for water losses			
Description	Continuous monitoring of the water supply for water losses allows possible leaks to be detected at an early stage.			
Expected outcomes	Consistently low (to no) water losses			
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management			
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain			
Time horizon	Ongoing implementation of reviews			
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, increased workload in case of supply disruption, reputational damage			
Implementation progress	The measure was also successfully implemented in the 2024/25 fiscal year. No noteworthy water losses occur within the transport pipe network, which is owned by the WDL GmbH. The differences between the measuring points at wells or tanks and water meter chambers at the customer's end fall within the range of the water meters' measurement tolerances.			
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The water supply is monitored by the control system. Additionally, records are kept comparing the quantities of water pumped and delivered to customers on a monthly basis.			

# Equipping the water supply systems with emergency power generators

Action	Equipping the water supply systems with emergency power generators				
Description	(Stationary and mobile) emergency power generators were installed in the company's own we supply plants in Upper Austria (Wels and Innviertel region). This ensures supply even in emergency situations (e.g. power outages). Furthermore, an agreement was concluded with Umwelt Service GmbH regarding refuelling options. In the Czech Republic, more than 230 mobile and stationary emergency generators are installated the water utilities.				
Expected outcomes	Equipping the water supply systems with emergency power generators ensures the drinking water supply in the event of power failures.				
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management				
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain				
Time horizon	Ongoing action				
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply, resilience to crises, reputational damage, increased workload in case of supply disruption				
Implementation progress	Carrying out structural modification work in the course of commissioning an emergency power generator.				
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	The effectiveness is reviewed in regular drills.				



# E-mobility solutions for customers

Access to products and services

Action	E-mobility solutions for customers	
Description	Expansion of the offering for private and business e-charging card holders:  The Energie AG e-charging card offers the ability to charge at many public charging stations (Energie AG e-charging stations and those of other operators) and to pay monthly on a long-term contract basis.  Own investment in charging infrastructure and its operation:  In Upper Austria, Energie AG has established a dense charging network to provide public charging facilities (with up to 400 kW) for electric cars. The electricity supplied to all charging stations operated by Energie AG is 100% provided by hydroelectric power, wind and solar energy. Work is planned on further expansion (together with municipalities and local partners) in a range of capacity categories and will be intensified by customers or by Energie AG in line with economic criteria.  Sale of e-charging infrastructure and operational services:  Energie AG offers its customers a range of charging station hardware to purchase, depending on the intended use. These are available for private electric charging stations or for company car parks – primarily in the form of service packages for operation.	
Expected outcomes	By providing e-charging infrastructure as a regional and trusted infrastructure operator, and through the market presence of da emobil GmbH, Energie AG raises awareness and reduces barriers for customers entering e-mobility.	
Concept mapping	Security of supply and waste management	
Scope of the measure	Own business activities and downstream value chain	
Time horizon	Expansion of the offering for private and business e-charging card holders:  The charging card offer is a permanent scheme associated with the ongoing expansion of the company's own charging network and the ongoing expansion of the partner charging network.  Company-financed charging infrastructure and its operation:  The installation and expansion of the charging infrastructure is a long-term initiative. Ongoing expansion and modernisation of company-owned electric charging stations, and long-term operational management, are necessary from a technical and service-oriented perspective.  Sale of e-charging infrastructure and operational services:  The range of charging station hardware and associated operating services for private and business customers are permanent initiatives.	
IROs on which the measure is based	High security of supply	
Implementation progress	Energie AG currently operates 845 (previous year: 648) publicly accessible charging points across Austria (with a focus on Upper Austria).  Number of public e-charging points made available through cooperation agreements enabling networked and nationwide charging of electric vehicles: around 21,500 (previous year: more than 15,000).  The number of managed e-charging points currently stands at 1,644 (previous year: 1,268). Th focus was on high-performance DC fast-charging points between 50 and 300 kW, of which 5 DC charging points were commissioned.  Across Austria and in the neighbouring international region, da emobil GmbH currently operate 2,576 publicly accessible e-charging points. The number of managed e-charging points at da emobil GmbH currently stands at 3,931. The focus was on high-performance DC fast-charging points between 50 and 400 kW, of which 93 DC charging points were commissioned.	
Methodological information on monitoring implementation and effectiveness	Expansion of the offering for private and business e-charging card holders:  Energie AG's e-charging card sales are recorded monthly or quarterly and monitored. A report is currently being prepared by da emobil GmbH.  Company-financed charging infrastructure and its operation:  The expansion plan for Energie AG's own electric charging infrastructure (number of charging points), as defined in the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project, is supported by monthly monitoring. The framework conditions (new vehicle registrations, etc.) must be monitored periodically in order to undertake any necessary adjustments to the further expansion of the infrastructure.  At da emobil GmbH, monitoring of the expansion targets for charging points is also carried out.  Sale of e-charging infrastructure and operational services:  The sales figures for wall boxes in the private and business sectors are tracked. The number of managed charging points is also recorded.	

For e-mobility actions relating to climate change mitigation, see E1-3 - Actions and resources related to the climate concepts, Sustainable mobility.

## **Metrics and targets**

#### **Company-specific metrics**

Sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities companies: GRI EU3

#### **Number of customers**

	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Customer installations in the electricity grid	533,000	531,000	0.4
Electricity meters	642,596	649,084	-1.0
Customer installations in the gas grid	65,584	65,791	-0.3
Gas meters	59,614	63,107	-5.5

Sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities companies: GRI EU4

#### Length of distribution grids

	<b>2024/25</b> km	<b>2023/24</b> km	Comparison ±%
Electricity	34,124	33,816	0.9
Gas	5,625	5,628	-0.1
Fibreglass	6,030	5,970	1.0

Sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities companies: GRI EU28

#### **Availability of facilities**

	<b>2024/25</b> in %	<b>2023/24</b> in %	Comparison ± %points
Availability of gas grid	99.99	99.99	0.0
Availability of data connections	99.98	99.99	0.0

To assess the security and quality of supply and overall performance capability, key performance indicators such as available grid capacity, grid reliability, grid interruptions and their causes (interruption duration > 3 minutes) are determined annually; the Group uses these findings to derive potential future actions in the context of grid maintenance and expansion.

In calendar year 2024, there were no exceptional regional events in the supply area of Netz OÖ GmbH. The unavailability parameters therefore remained within the expected range.

Sector-specific disclosures for energy utilities companies: GRI EU29

#### Supply reliability 1)

	<b>2024</b> min/a	<b>2023</b> min/a	Comparison ±%
Customer-related interruptions or System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI)	28.57	47.5	-39.9
Service-related interruptions or Average System Interruption Duration Index (ASIDI)	27.32	42.55	-35.8
	1/a	1/a	±%
Average customer-related interruption frequency or System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI)	0.76	1.25	-39.2
Average service-related interruption frequency or Average System Interruption Frequency Index (ASIFI) 2)	0.65	1.06	-38.7

<sup>1)</sup> These metrics are statistical key system figures for national and international comparison. They do not allow any conclusions to be drawn on unavailability at the local level.

2) Events that are abnormal for the region are not included in the statistic.

#### Governance information

### **G1 Business conduct**

The governance model of the Energie AG Group is based on a transparent and clearly defined governance structure that ensures responsible and sustainable corporate management. This structure is shaped by the formal decision-making of the relevant bodies – such as the Management Board, the Supervisory Board and the General Meeting of Shareholders – as well as by the rules applicable throughout the Group. These include in particular:

- Partnership agreements and articles of association that define the statutory environment and responsibilities of each Group company
- Rules of procedure that structure internal processes and decision-making pathways and ensure effective cooperation between the governing bodies and their members
- Group policies that define common standards and codes of conduct for all employees and senior executives, thereby contributing to compliance

These governance tools together form the foundation for strategic and operational governance, which is geared towards long-term value creation, risk mitigation and the integration of environmental and social aspects. Regular reviews and adjustments ensure that the governance model meets the changing needs of the market, legislation and stakeholders (see also GOV-1 – The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies).

The Group policies are issued by the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich and form a central part of the company-wide governance and control structure. Both the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich and the management of the respective Group companies are responsible for complying with these policies. This ensures that company-wide standards and legal requirements are consistently implemented and adhered to.

### Management of impacts, risks and opportunities

#### G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture

Energie AG puts great value on an open, respectful and appreciative corporate culture that offers scope for innovation and fresh ideas while creating an environment in which employees can enjoy their work. Every individual should have the chance to reach their full potential and contribute different perspectives.

Given the profound changes in the energy sector, it is all the more important to foster a culture that can cope with a volatile macroeconomic environment, anticipate change at an early stage and maintain a consistent focus on customers. It is also essential to embed innovations within the company at an early stage in order to strengthen Energie AG's innovative capacity on a sustainable basis.

Cultural work aims to align cultural orientation with the company's strategic objectives. The transformation is shaped by themes of change, culture and agility. Staff at all levels of the hierarchy play a key role: Cultural Change Agents act as ambassadors for cultural topics and embody change within their respective areas. It is important for Change

Agents to exchange ideas with colleagues as well as with senior executives across departments.

Change occurs when it is modelled and consistently driven forward by senior executives. Low-threshold information formats were developed and rolled out to strengthen senior executives' strategic understanding and implementation capabilities. These formats support senior executives in fulfilling their role as translators and ambassadors of the strategy.

Agile Coaches support the implementation of agile projects and promote an appropriate minimum standard across the company. In addition, the 'Agile Leadership for Action' (ALFA) initiative has established a group of senior executives that actively promotes agility within the organisation, creates appropriate framework conditions and enables new forms of work. The main task of this group is to regularly evaluate the progress of Energie AG's agile transformation.

Agility is intended to be made visible within the company. For this reason, agile pilot projects involve as many stakeholders as possible (Agile Coaches, project staff, senior executives) in order to reduce reservations and build familiarity with the topic. In addition, these projects are accompanied by targeted communication measures to ensure broad impact across the organisation.

To optimise internal processes and operating procedures, internal ideas competitions ('NEULAND' project, 'Loominati' platform) are held to draw on the wealth of practical experience and creative potential of its employees.



#### **Cultural transformation - Cultural Compass**

Corporate culture

**Content:** The Culture Compass defines six cultural directions: future viability, cooperation and partnerships, customer experiences, responsibility, sustainability and diversity. The accompanying Culture Compass Platform serves as a tool to support cultural transformation. Employees can submit initiatives that contribute to one of these six directions. These initiatives demonstrate how culture and strategy are embedded in day-to-day operations and also serve as inspiration for other areas (e.g. sharing expertise, promoting cross-departmental cooperation).

General objectives: The Culture Compass and the associated Culture Compass Platform aim to make corporate culture visible and to actively involve employees in cultural development. This increases employee satisfaction and enables employees to identify with the corporate culture, as their ideas and initiatives contribute directly to shaping it. At the same time, it fosters a common understanding of how strategic and cultural values can be lived in day-to-day cooperation.

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### Corporate culture

Material positive impacts

■ High employee satisfaction

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: The initiatives are reviewed and considered by the project team on submission and further steps are communicated to the employees.

**Scope:** The scope of the Cultural Compass covers employees in Austria.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

The Group Strategy holding unit, which also oversees organisational development, acts as the central driver for 'Change and Culture' within the Energie AG Group, thereby supporting the transition to a sustainable corporate culture. The managing directors and the management of the Group companies as well as the holding company managers are responsible for advancing actions that promote this shared culture in their divisions and contributing to this cultural transformation.

**Involvement of stakeholders:** The Cultural Compass was developed through a bottom-up process combined with a top-down process. Involving managers and employees in the development process meant that their views and interests were taken into account.

**Implementation support:** The Cultural Compass was distributed to all employees in Austria and is also available in digital form on the intranet. It has already been introduced to the Management Board and senior executives. In addition, the Group newsletter provides regular information on 'Change and Culture'.



# Transparent values – Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act'

Protection of whistleblowers, corruption and bribery; measures against violence and harassment at work

**Content**: Energie AG is fully committed to the highest standards of reliability, quality and integrity - both as a business partner and as an employer. This principle forms the foundation for trustworthy cooperation with customers, suppliers, employees, internal partners and other stakeholders.

A central concern for Energie AG is to communicate its ethical and moral principles clearly, transparently and in a way that is easy to understand. These values are firmly embedded in the corporate culture and inform all business processes. Compliance with applicable laws, regulations and internal policies is not only a legal obligation, but also a core element of responsible and sustainable corporate governance.

Targeted compliance measures, regular training and an open communication culture ensure that all employees are aware of, understand and apply ethical standards in their day-to-day work. Preventive measures such as training courses and contact points, as well as associated guidelines for conflicts or psychosocial crises, raise awareness of these issues, contribute to a respectful working environment and prevent misconduct such as bullying. In doing so, Energie AG fosters an environment characterised by

integrity, fairness and mutual respect – thereby laying the groundwork for long-term economic success and strong societal acceptance.

General objectives: The Code of Conduct is intended to act as a guideline and decision-making aid to help employees act appropriately. In addition to its internal organisation, Energie AG regards its business partners as an essential component of responsible and sustainable economic activity. In this context, the Code of Conduct serves as a key policy document, setting out clear expectations regarding ethical behaviour, integrity and lawful conduct. Alongside the Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act', the Code of Conduct for Contractors applies to employees and all external partners; see also **S2-1 Concepts related to value chain workers.** 

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

Protection of whistleblowers	
Material positive impacts	Ability to report incidents and grievances
Corruption and Bribery – Prever	ntion and detection, including in training
Material positive impacts	Responsible behaviour when dealing with customers, authorities and suppliers
Equal treatment and equal oppo	ortunities for all – Action against violence and harassment at work
Material negative impacts	Possible bullying

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: Topics covered by the Code of Conduct are monitored using compliance checks, see G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Comprehensive compliance management.

The Code of Conduct explicitly refers to the reporting channels and the whistleblower protection system. In addition, employees may report unlawful conduct or behaviour that contradicts the Code of Conduct or similar internal rules to their line manager, the responsible management, the Compliance Officer or the Group Internal Audit holding unit.

Energie AG's Code of Conduct is not only a central instrument for guiding ethical conduct towards domestic business partners, but also an integral element of the corporate culture. To ensure that all employees are familiar with the values and standards of conduct it sets out, the Code forms an important part of the onboarding process for new staff and is incorporated into the compliance training concept. This training raises awareness of compliance-related matters and promotes a common understanding of appropriate behaviour in day-to-day work. In this way, Energie AG ensures that its core ethical principles are not merely documented but actively practised.

Energie AG's compliance training concept constitutes a central component of the Group-wide compliance management system and reflects senior management's responsibility to foster a living culture of compliance. Its purpose is to establish and strengthen rule-compliant behaviour through targeted training and ongoing development measures. The objective is not only to raise awareness of legal and ethical standards, but also to contribute sustainably to ESG compliance.

The concept is based on two complementary perspectives. On the one hand, the Compliance Officer defines binding minimum training standards that apply across the Group. These include mandatory e-learning modules on anti-corruption, data protection

and antitrust law for new employees as part of online learning, as well as regular repetition of this content at specified intervals. Employees without PC access are also included through in-person training. In addition, specially designated intervention teams, which may be required to act in the event of a house search, participate in annual refresher training. On the other hand, senior executives in the holding company and in the business and service units are responsible for defining additional training measures tailored to the specific needs of their respective areas. In doing so, they are supported by the Compliance Officer and the Compliance Coordinator of the relevant business unit. Compliance-related training objectives can already be incorporated into the MbO target-setting process.

**Scope:** The Code of Conduct applies to all employees of the Energie AG Group and to all individuals performing equivalent functions to employees (e.g. temporary workers). This includes all employees and members of the Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich and members of the management bodies of Group companies in which Energie AG holds a participating interest of more than 50% or over which Energie AG can exercise a controlling influence. All other companies in which Energie AG holds a direct or indirect interest are also advised to implement this Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct also allows customers, suppliers and other business partners to acquaint themselves with the guidelines and use them as a guide when conducting business with Energie AG.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

**Stakeholder involvement:** The Code of Conduct was created as part of a joint project by the Energie AG Compliance Officer in cooperation with several specialist departments and with the involvement of employees and managers.

**Implementation support:** The Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act' is available both on the intranet and on the Energie AG homepage.



### Strengthening innovative power

Corporate culture

**Content:** The framework for Energie AG's innovation work is formed by the Group's overall strategy. It covers all types of innovation (processes, products/services, business models) and combines centralised and decentralised activities.

General objectives: Innovation work seeks to strengthen the Group's innovative power, to promote the development of innovations within the Group and to open up new sources of revenue and value creation for the Group through new products, services and business models. The six defined themes, which provide the strategic focus for innovation activities, offer clear direction: full circularity (identifying, enabling and closing material cycles); decarbonisation and sustainability (accelerating decarbonisation and acting sustainably); climate change fitness (continuous adaptation to climate change and its impacts); leveraging decentralisation (facilitating decentralised energy generation and energy use); energy efficiency and minimal resource use (reducing energy consumption and minimising resource use); and utilising technological tools (to enhance the quality and efficiency of work within Energie AG and to mitigate the effects of demographic changes).

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### Corporate culture

Material positive impacts

■ High employee satisfaction

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: on-going reporting to the Management Board; promote innovation activities and define innovation priorities and governance through an interdisciplinary Innovation Board

**Scope:** The Group Innovation holding unit supports the innovation work of all units of the Group. This team also implements its own innovation activities (business-related and directly attributable) and is responsible for them ((de)centralised approach as a strategic guardrail). The innovation work is also targeting external expansion and the development of a beneficial innovation ecosystem for the Energie AG Group.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of Group companies, holding company managers

**Stakeholder inclusion:** The strategic guardrails for innovation were developed with external support as part of the 'Innovation' module of the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project.

**Implementation support:** The innovation measures are communicated to the Management Board, senior executives and the wider workforce (e.g. via the Group newsletter, internal communication platform, intranet, employee magazine, etc.).

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### **Active ideas management**

Corporate culture

**Content:** Ideas management is the process through which employees can contribute their ideas for improving processes and structures within the Energie AG Group. Employees identify areas for improvement and are recognised by having their suggestions for improvement taken seriously and, where possible, implemented. Ideas management is also used to ensure that successful ideas are maintained and that Group processes and procedures are continuously developed and improved. Suggestions can be made for technical improvements as well as for administrative or organisational processes and structures.

General objectives: The primary goal of ideas management is to leverage the expertise and creative potential of the Group's employees for continuous improvement.

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### Corporate culture

Material positive impacts

■ High employee satisfaction

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: The Technical Management holding unit acts as a central organiser and is responsible for maintaining and developing ideas management and for the corresponding central communication activities (including reporting to the Management Board). Contact persons in Technical Management support the ideas management process from the submission of the improvement suggestion to its implementation and approval, including the associated reporting. The 'Guidelines for Ideas Management' were created to supplement the 'Ideas management at Energie AG Oberösterreich' Group Policy. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, 300 ideas were submitted (previous year: 236).

**Scope:** The Group policy and the guidelines apply to the Energie AG Group and are available in German.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

**Stakeholder involvement:** A comment process, regulated in the 'Rules for the preparation and amendment of Group policies' Group Policy, has been implemented. This Group policy and the guidelines are adjusted as required based on feedback from the Group companies.

**Implementation support:** The employees must be informed of the identity of the relevant Ideas Management Supervisors. They are responsible for ideas management, i.e. for the introduction, maintenance and further development of ideas management in their organisational unit on behalf of the Managing Directors or the holding company management. They support the employees of the organisational unit through the ideas management process. The Group policy and guidelines are made available to all employees on the intranet.



#### Comprehensive compliance management

Corruption and bribery

**Content:** Energie AG is subject to a wide range of legal and regulatory requirements in the course of its business activities. Compliance with these provisions is essential, as infringements may not only result in significant economic harm, but can also give rise to personal liability risks for corporate officers and employees, as well as causing lasting reputational damage.

The core elements of Energie AG's compliance culture are the Group-wide Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act' and the 'Code of Conduct for Contractors'. These documents set out binding principles for lawful and ethical conduct throughout the Energie AG Group. The objective of Energie AG's Compliance Management System (CMS) is to embed these principles effectively in day-to-day business practice and to anchor them on a sustainable basis.

For the operational implementation of the CMS, at least one Compliance Coordinator is appointed in each Group company and holding unit. These officers are nominated by the respective Managing Directors and holding company managers, and support the central Compliance Officer in the implementation, monitoring and further development of the Group-wide compliance measures. The Compliance Officer is appointed by the Management Board, acts independently and without instruction, and reports directly to the Management Board. This structure ensures objective, effective and credible oversight of adherence to legal and ethical standards across the Group.

The Compliance Coordinator serves as the interface between the operational units and the central compliance organisation. They play a key role in strengthening a living culture of compliance and contribute to promoting awareness and understanding of compliance requirements at all levels of the company.

General objectives: Internal Group policies govern the systematic approach to compliance and define the content, responsibilities and division of roles, as well as documentation and reporting obligations within Energie AG's CMS. The policies are intended to define the terms compliance and compliance management system as used within the Group and to ensure their uniform understanding, to set out the structure and processes of the compliance organisation, to establish responsibilities, to specify the minimum requirements for the CMS, to ensure appropriate standardised reporting, and to regulate the handling of compliance breaches.

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### Corruption and Bribery - Prevention and detection, including in training

Material positive impacts

Responsible behaviour when dealing with customers, authorities and suppliers

# Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: Compliance checks and monitoring activities are used to verify adherence to the Codes of Conduct and Energie AG's compliance regulations and are reported to the management bodies at regular intervals. In addition, compliance checks may be used to assess the effectiveness of the CMS and to define improvement measures. Compliance checks form part of Energie AG's internal control system, are defined on the basis of process risks and are reviewed during internal control system audits. This additional control mechanism is carried out by the Group Audit department

at specified regular intervals. Where necessary, external experts bound by confidentiality may also be engaged. To reduce any risks, compliance controls are defined, for example, to ensure adherence to the training concept or compliance with the deadlines set out in the Whistleblower Protection Act.

**Scope:** The regulations outlined in the 'Compliance Management System' Group Policy apply to Energie AG and all Group companies that Energie AG controls directly or indirectly within the meaning of § 15 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG). Individuals who perform the same functions as employees (e.g. temporary workers) are also included.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board and managing directors of Group companies, holding company managers

**Stakeholder involvement:** A comment process, regulated in the 'Rules for the preparation and amendment of Group policies' Group Policy, has been implemented.

**Implementation support:** The information on the CMS is available on Energie AG's intranet and in PowerData (sharepoint for the Czech Republic Segment) for all employees with computer access. The Compliance Officer is available to answer questions in this regard. The external reporting channels and other relevant information are available to external stakeholders on the **Energie AG website**.



#### **Protecting whistleblowers**

Protection of whistleblowers

**Content:** The Energie AG Group strives to make it easier for potential whistleblowers to submit reports and to guarantee comprehensive protection. The whistleblower system makes it possible for employees to report company-related unlawful and/or unethical behaviour without discrimination or retaliation.

General objectives: Confidential handling of whistleblower reports

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### **Protection of whistleblowers**

Material positive impacts

Ability to report incidents and grievances

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: Compliance checks and audits are used to ensure compliance, see G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Comprehensive compliance management.

The incident management policy defines the process for incoming reports. The following steps have been defined for the process of identifying, reporting and investigating concerns about unlawful behaviour or behaviour that conflicts with the Code of Conduct or similar internal rules: receipt of report, initial evaluation, case handling, closure and follow-up. This is done with the greatest possible care and confidentiality while fully preserving integrity and privacy. Investigations and enquiries are only carried out if there is sufficient 'initial suspicion' of a gross violation of the law with a connection to the company.

The compliance training concept stipulates that employees should be informed on the whistleblower system at least once every three years. As part of the introduction of the whistleblower system, training and awareness programmes were carried out for managers and employees. Employees, including those without computer access, received a whistleblowing folder as part of the process. Information about the whistleblower system is available on the intranet and is part of the compliance information provided during the Christmas period.

At Energie AG, open communication is the foundation for reporting and clarifying misconduct. The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich therefore encourages all employees to report suspected misconduct immediately.

Employees have the option of using the web-based whistleblower system or submitting a personal report to a contact person. Employees can contact either their direct line manager, the managing directors of the relevant Group company, the Group Internal Audit team, the Compliance Officer or the works councils. The contact persons can be notified in writing (e.g. by e-mail) or verbally (in person or by telephone). External whistleblowers can also use the compliance hotline or the compliance e-mail address.

Reports received are immediately forwarded by the contact persons to the Compliance Officer. Within seven days of receiving a report, whistleblowers will receive confirmation that the report has been received. Every report received will be investigated, unless the report contains no substantiated facts. Depending on the nature of the suspected misconduct, the Compliance Officer will involve internal/external legal experts (on a case-by-case basis) – the Group Internal Audit if need be – to clarify the reported violation. Depending on the outcome of the investigation and where necessary due to any misconduct discovered, the company will take appropriate corrective action and/or impose sanctions. Once the case has been closed or discontinued, the whistleblower will be informed, provided that doing so does not compromise their anonymity.

Regardless of the reporting channel chosen, whistleblowers are free to decide whether they wish to remain anonymous or reveal their identity. All whistleblowers are assured strict confidentiality with regard to their identity as well as the contents of the reported circumstances. The content of the report will be treated in strict confidence with regard to all persons who are not personally involved in receiving the report, conducting the investigation or deciding on any follow-up action. In exceptional cases, it may be necessary to disclose the identity of whistleblowers if the matter becomes the subject of an official investigation or court proceedings and the parties involved must be summoned. Energie AG assures whistleblowers who report a violation of laws, regulations or internal policies in good faith that they will be protected against retaliation and other adverse consequences. Any employee who retaliates against whistleblowers will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

All employees reporting misconduct must act in good faith and have reasonable grounds to believe that the disclosed behaviour constitutes a violation of applicable laws, regulations or internal policies. Any allegation that proves to be malicious or which the person making the allegation knows to be false will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Bullying and denunciation are not tolerated in the Energie AG Group.

**Scope:** This policy applies for Energie AG and all Group companies. Individuals who perform the same functions as employees (e.g. temporary workers) are also included. The whistleblower system policy has been translated and adapted to Czech law for the Czech Republic Segment. The provision of external reporting channels also covers affected interest groups in the upstream and downstream value chain.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

**Stakeholder involvement:** The whistleblower system and corresponding incident management policies and processes were implemented as part of a Group-wide project by the Compliance Officer of Energie AG with the involvement of several internal stakeholders, including Personalmanagement GmbH, the holding company Human Resources Strategy and Controlling, the board office, the Works Council and employees.

**Implementation support:** The information and policies on the whistleblower system and incident management are available on Energie AG's intranet and in PowerData (sharepoint for the Czech Republic Segment) for all employees with computer access. In addition, a service link for the whistleblower system has been integrated into the intranet homepage. New employees are informed of the policies when they join the company. The external reporting channels and other relevant information are available to external stakeholders on the **Energie AG website**.



#### **Prevention of corruption**

Corruption and bribery

Content: Energie AG is committed to the ethical and moral principles set out in the Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act'; this commitment is also required of business partners in the 'Code of Conduct for Contractors', see S2-4 Taking action on material impacts on value chain workers, and approaches to managing material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to value chain workers, and effectiveness of those actions, Code of Conduct for Contractors. The Energie AG Group aims to engage in open and honest cooperation to generate added value for stakeholders and shareholders. Policies and regulations such as the 'Anticorruption' Group Policy and the principles set out therein support these goals.

General objectives: To provide clear instructions for employees on how to act and behave in order to comply with the legal requirements and the requirements of Energie AG to prevent corruption; to protect employees from disciplinary consequences and consequences under criminal law and civil law; to meet the high standards that are placed on Energie AG and that it sets for itself, and thereby to strengthen trust in the company

All forms of corruption relating to Energie AG's business activities are prohibited. Non-compliance with the policies can lead to damage to the Group's reputation, but can also have disciplinary consequences or consequences under criminal law and civil law for individual employees.

Material impacts, opportunities and risks:

#### Corruption and Bribery - Prevention and detection, including in training

Material positive impacts

Responsible behaviour when dealing with customers, authorities and suppliers

Also see SBM-3 – Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with the strategy and business model.

Monitoring process: Compliance checks and audits are used to ensure compliance, see G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Comprehensive compliance management.

**Scope:** The 'Anti-Corruption' Group Policy applies to all employees and members of the Management Board of Energie AG as well as the employees and members of the management bodies of Group companies in which Energie AG holds a participating interest of more than 50% and/or over which Energie AG can exercise a controlling influence. Individuals who perform the same functions as employees (e.g. temporary workers) are also included.

**Responsibilities:** Management Board, managing directors of the Group companies, holding company managers, employees

**Stakeholder involvement:** A comment process, regulated in the 'Rules for the preparation and amendment of Group policies' Group Policy, has been implemented.

Implementation support: See G1-1 - Business conduct concepts and corporate culture, Comprehensive compliance management.

#### G1-3 – Prevention and detection of corruption and bribery

The Code of Conduct 'This is how we think; this is how we act' and the 'Code of Conduct for Contractors' provides essential information for the own workforce and for suppliers. Allegations or incidents relating to corruption and bribery can be reported using the whistleblower system or other reporting channels made available on the Energie AG homepage. Energie AG does not tolerate any corrupt behaviour on the part of employees or suppliers. For this reason, an internal policy has been implemented and a compliance training concept put in place. For suppliers the 'Code of conduct for Contractors' applies. Reported incidents are investigated according to a process designed for this purpose, which defines roles, responsibilities and detailed instructions for action. In principle, the person responsible for the investigation is independent of the management chain involved in the matter. See also G1 Business conduct.

The Compliance Officer reports to the Management Board every six months, which in turn reports to the Audit Committee on compliance management at Energie AG. At the following Supervisory Board meeting, the Chair of the Supervisory Board will report on this to the full Supervisory Board.

Compliance policies, information and documents are communicated within the Group in an appropriate form, e.g. on the intranet, newsletter, employee magazine, PowerData, etc. There is also a Group-wide policy on how Group policies are to be drawn up and communicated. In addition, the compliance organisation and in particular the Compliance Coordinators have a role in disseminating information on the roll-out of compliance action. As part of the onboarding process, new employees sign a compliance declaration of commitment and undertake to read the Code of Conduct, the Group policies on the Compliance Management System, antitrust law, corruption and data protection and to complete the learning modules on anti-corruption, data protection and antitrust law.

Employees of Energie AG are considered public officials and are therefore subject to strict legal standards, particularly with regard to personal integrity. Corrupt behaviour can affect all areas and can have devastating economic, social and cultural consequences. In this regard, the roles within the company that are most exposed to corruption and bribery risks are those that deal directly and routinely with customers, business partners and third parties, both in a professional and, where relevant, private context.

Within Energie AG, the prevention of corruption is given the highest priority. As a general principle, roles involving extensive external contact, decision-making authority over financial resources or influence over procurement processes may present an increased corruption or bribery risk. These include, for example, functions in purchasing, sales, project management or certain technical roles with interfaces to external partners.

To address these potential risks systematically, a comprehensive risk-assessment approach is currently being developed. Its purpose is to identify and assess the most vulnerable functions at Group level and to define targeted preventive measures. The final list of these roles and the associated measures is expected to be completed in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

Through this proactive approach, Energie AG underscores its clear commitment to integrity, transparency and a strict zero-tolerance policy towards corruption and unethical conduct.

The compliance training concept applies to all Energie AG employees in Austria. In this regard, the training concept covers all roles that deal directly and on a daily basis with customers, business partners and third parties, both professionally and in a private context. The Energie AG Group's training concept and the compliance checks defined for this purpose are aimed at increasing awareness to ensure compliance with the principles of corporate governance and to promote compliant behaviour among employees. Energie AG is committed to protecting the company and its employees from misconduct and to promoting an overall culture of compliance. The compliance training concept is intended to communicate the values of cooperation so that compliant behaviour is understood to be a matter of course.

The training concept is designed to cover two perspectives. Specific actions on compliance training and awareness to be complied with are provided from the Group's perspective, e.g. during the onboarding process or recurring training sessions such as web-based anti-corruption, antitrust law and data protection training. In addition, each holding, business and service unit can define further appropriate, suitable and effective compliance training programmes for a specific target group in consultation with the Compliance Officer.

As of 30 September 2025, 80.8% (previous year: 86.8%) of employees with PC access had completed the web-based 'anti-corruption' training offered in Austria.

As part of compliance reporting, biannual meetings are held with the Management Board regarding the CMS and reports are submitted to the Audit Committee meetings of Energie AG. When new members of the Management Board, Managing Directors and holding company managers join the company, a compliance meeting is held with the Compliance Officer. In the Czech Republic Segment, mandatory annual compliance dialogue days are held for managers.

### Metrics and targets

#### G1-4 - Incidents of corruption or bribery

	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Convictions for corruption and bribery offences	0	0	_
	EUR mill.	EUR mill.	±%
Fines for violation of anti-corruption and anti-bribery laws	0	0	-

In this Sustainability Statement, Energie AG provides insights into its sustainability strategies and the measures taken to address the identified impacts, risks and opportunities in the 2024/25 fiscal year. Its overarching objective is to decarbonise the entire value chain from generation through to distribution and recovery. The expansion of renewable electricity generation continued to play a central role during the reporting period, and concrete options for reducing greenhouse gas emissions were developed in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The focus of its activities continues to be on the reliable supply of preferably sustainable products and services from Energie AG to customers. The Group will continue to consistently position itself as an attractive and fair employer and responsible buyer, and will also continue to address key issues such as future-oriented technologies, innovation, digitalisation and circular economy. Finally, financial stability and robust creditworthiness are both essential to and the result of a consistent transformation towards sustainability. For these reasons, Energie AG's commitment to environmental, social and corporate governance matters will remain a central priority in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

Linz, 2 December 2025

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich

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# Audit Certificate for the Consolidated Non-Financial Report

# Report on the Independent Audit of the Consolidated Non-Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2024/25

#### Assurance Report by the Independent Auditor

We have conducted an audit to obtain limited assurance on the consolidated non-financial report of Energie AG Oberösterreich (the "Company") for the fiscal year ending 30 September 2025.

# Summary Assessment based on an Audit with Limited Assurance

Based on the audit procedures we performed and the evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the consolidated non-financial report is not, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of § 267a of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) (NaDiVeG).

### **Basis for the Summary Assessment**

We conducted our audit with limited assurance in accordance with the legal provisions and relevant Austrian professional standards for other assurance engagements and supplementary statements, as well as with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE 3000 (Revised)) applicable to such engagements. An engagement with limited assurance involves less extensive assurance procedures than an engagement with reasonable assurance, thereby resulting in a lower level of assurance. Our responsibilities under these regulations and standards are further described in the section 'Responsibilities of the Auditor of the Consolidated Non-Financial Report' of our assurance report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Austrian professional standards and Art. 22 ff. AP-RL, and we have fulfilled our other professional duties in accordance with these requirements.

Our audit firm is subject to the provisions of the KSW-PRL 2022, which essentially correspond to the requirements of ISQM 1, and applies a comprehensive quality management system, including documented policies and procedures to comply with ethical requirements, professional standards, and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained up to the date of the assurance report is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our summary assessment as of that date.

#### Other information

The legal representatives are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all information in the 2024/25 annual report of the Company, except for the consolidated non-financial report and our assurance report.

Our summary assessment of the consolidated non-financial report does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the consolidated non-financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether it is materially inconsistent with the consolidated non-financial report or with our knowledge obtained during the engagement with limited assurance or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we performed, we conclude that a material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Responsibilities of the Legal Representatives and the Supervisory Board

The legal representatives are responsible for preparing a consolidated non-financial report, including developing and implementing the Materiality Assessment Process in accordance with applicable requirements and voluntarily applied standards. This responsibility includes

- identifying actual and potential impacts, risks, and opportunities related to sustainability aspects and assessing the materiality of these impacts, risks, and opportunities,
- preparing the consolidated non-financial report in compliance with the requirements of § 267a UGB (NaDiVeG),
- designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls determined necessary by the legal representatives to enable the preparation of the consolidated nonfinancial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

This responsibility also includes selecting and applying appropriate methods for consolidated non-financial reporting and making assumptions and estimates about individual sustainability information, which are reasonable under the given circumstances.

The supervisory board is responsible for overseeing the Materiality Assessment Process and the preparation of the consolidated non-financial report.

# Inherent limitations in the Preparation of the Consolidated Non-Financial Report

When reporting on future-oriented information, the group is required to prepare this future-oriented information based on disclosed assumptions about events that may occur in the future, as well as possible future actions of the group. Deviations are likely as expected events often do not occur as assumed.

# Responsibilities of the Auditor of the Consolidated Non-Financial Report

Our objectives are to plan and conduct an audit to obtain limited assurance as to whether the consolidated non-financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, in accordance with the requirements of § 267a UGB (NaDiVeG), and to issue a report that includes our summary assessment. Misstatements can result from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of intended users taken on the basis of the consolidated non-financial report.

Throughout the engagement with limited assurance, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism.

Our responsibilities include

- performing risk-based procedures to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement in the consolidated non-financial report, whether due to fraud or error, and obtaining sufficient appropriate evidence to address those risks, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the group's internal controls, and
- developing and performing audit procedures related to information in the consolidated non-financial report, where material misstatements are likely. The risk of not detecting material misstatements resulting from fraud is higher than those resulting from errors, as fraudulent activities may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misleading representations, or the override of internal controls.

#### Summary of the work performed

An engagement with limited assurance involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the consolidated non-financial report. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on professional judgment, including identifying information in the consolidated non-financial report where material misstatements could occur, whether due to fraud or error.

In performing our audit to obtain limited assurance regarding the consolidated non-financial report, we proceed as follows:

- We gain an understanding of the Company's procedures relevant to the preparation of the consolidated non-financial report.
- We assess whether all relevant information identified in the Materiality Assessment
   Process is included in the consolidated non-financial report.
- We conduct inquiries with relevant personnel and analytical audit procedures on selected information in the consolidated non-financial report.
- We perform sample-based outcome-oriented audit procedures on selected information in the consolidated non-financial report.
- We reconcile selected information in the consolidated non-financial report with corresponding information in the group financial reports and other sections of the group management report.
- We obtain evidence on the methods used to develop estimates and forward-looking information.

### Limitation of liability and publication

The audit to obtain limited assurance of the consolidated non-financial report is a voluntary assurance engagement.

We issue this assurance report based on the engagement letter concluded with the Company, which also applies to third parties on the basis of the General Conditions of Contract for the Public Accounting Professions (AAB 2018). The AAB 2018 can be accessed online on the website of the Chamber of Tax Advisors and Auditors (under the section Berufsrecht / Mandatsverhältnis).

Concerning our responsibilities and liability arising from the engagement relationship, point 7 of the AAB 2018 applies. Consequently, our liability for slight negligence is excluded. In the case of gross negligence, the maximum liability for the Company and third parties is five times the received fee but is limited to a maximum of ten times the minimum insurance sum of the professional liability insurance according to § 11 Wirtschaftstreuhandberufsgesetz 2017 (WTBG 2017). This amount constitutes the maximum liability limit, applicable only once, even in the event of multiple claimants or grounds for claims. Compensation claims for damages is restricted to actual damage. We are liable for lost profits only in cases of intent or gross negligence, to the extent permitted by law. We are not liable for unforeseeable or atypical damages that we could not have anticipated.

The assurance report may only be disclosed to third parties in conjunction with the consolidated non-financial report and must be provided in its entirety and without any abridgement.

## **Responsible auditor**

The auditor responsible for the audit of the Consolidated Non-Financial Report is Mag. Alfred Ripka.

Vienna

3 December 2025

#### Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH

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# **Group Management Report 2024/25** for Energie AG Oberösterreich <sup>1), 2)</sup>

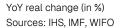
## Group

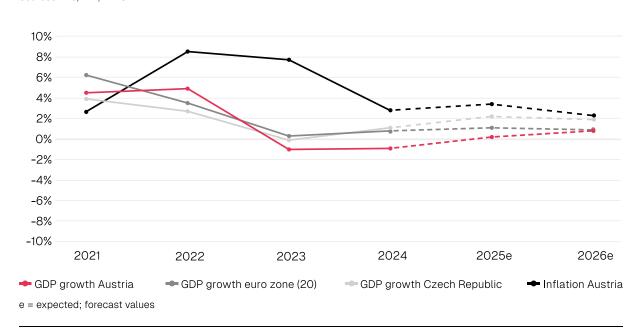
## **Framework conditions**

## Macroeconomic environment 3)

The 2024/25 fiscal year (1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025) of Energie AG Oberösterreich (Energie AG) saw the Austrian economy only slowly recover from the recession; the economy has been growing since then, while inflation remains high. The economic upswing was triggered by private consumption, while external trade in goods contracted initially.

#### **Economic growth and inflation**





<sup>1)</sup> The Group Management Report presented here was prepared in accordance with the requirements of § 267 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) and refers to the IFRS consolidated financial statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich in terms of § 245a UGB.

<sup>2)</sup> In accordance with EU Directive 2022/2464/EU (Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive - CSRD) amending Directive 2013/34/EU, Energie AG Oberösterreich draws up a consolidated non-financial report at the same time as its Group Management Report 2024/25, based on European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) 2024/25, fulfilling the requirements for the consolidated non-financial statement of Energie AG Oberösterreich. This is published as part of the Group Annual Report 2024/25 and online on www.energieag.at/sustainability.

<sup>3)</sup> Sources: IHS (Institute for Advanced Studies): Autumn Forecast for the Austrian Economy, 2025–2026 (ihs.ac.at), 8 October 2025. IMF (International Monetary Fund): World Economic Outlook Database: October 2025 (imf.org), 15 October 2025. WIFO (Austrian Institute of Economic Research): WIFO Economic Data (wifo.ac.at), 8 October 2025.

Using the gross domestic product (GDP) as a measure, the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) expect slight growth of +0.3% (previous year: -0.8%) for the **Austrian economy** for the calendar year 2025. This moderate GDP growth is mainly driven by private consumption, which has proven to be a key factor in the economic recovery, despite global uncertainties. Low international demand for capital goods is weighing heavily on domestic exporters. Beyond this, weak financial performance exhibited by companies has impacted on their willingness to invest. US import tariffs are also impeding progress, particularly because the US has been a significant outlet for Austrian goods in recent years. The labour market is still in the throes of recession. Inflation is expected to be higher than anticipated and is forecast at 3.5% for the 2025 calendar year (previous year: 2.9%).

Economic growth for the **euro zone** is expected to be +1.3% and +1.2% respectively for 2025 by the IHS and WIFO economic institutes and the IMF (previous year: +0.9%).

In the **Czech Republic** market relevant to Energie AG, an increase in economic output in the order of around +2.3% is anticipated for the 2025 calendar year (previous year: +1.2%). Growth is therefore expected to be above the euro zone average.

#### **Energy and climate policy environment**

At EU level, the start of the new College of Commissioners was marked by work on the 'Clean Industrial Deal', the 'Action Plan for Affordable Energy' and the two legislative 'Omnibus Directives' to reduce red tape in sustainability reporting and to simplify investment.

The **Clean Industrial Deal** - as a non-legislative communication - is designed to underpin the EU's belief in its decarbonisation targets, provide clear incentives to decarbonise businesses, and address climate change mitigation and competitiveness in an overarching growth strategy. The aim is to promote increasingly sustainable and resilient production in Europe, especially for energy-intensive industries and the cleantech sector. Key actions of the Clean Industrial Deal include reducing energy prices, promoting renewable energies and the necessary grid expansion, regulatory and financial assistance for hydrogen uptake, and supporting the decarbonisation industry.

The **Action Plan for Affordable Energy**, in turn, aims to reduce energy bills, deepen the Energy Union, promote investment and be better prepared for possible energy crises. The Communication is non-legislative, but it will be followed up in part by legislative measures or will be accompanied by reviews of existing regulations.

The first **Omnibus Directive** contains far-reaching proposals to reduce reporting requirements under the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), the EU Taxonomy, the EU's Sustainability Corporate Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD) and the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). On 3 April 2025, the deadline for implementing the CSRD and the CSDDD was decided in the European Parliament. The second Omnibus Directive aims to simplify and optimise the use of several European investment programs.

In early March 2025, the **action plan for the European automotive industry** was presented. The European Commission is looking to boost the sector's competitiveness and promote the transformation towards clean mobility and digitalisation. The intended flexibilisation of the  $\rm CO_2$  fleet limits for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles is expected to temporarily weaken the electromobility ramp up. The action plan also contains important positive accelerating impulses for electric vehicle charging infrastructure, energy networks and regulatory arrangements for bi-directional charging.

The report dated 28 April 2025 on the verification of bidding zones by the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity did not produce a clear result for Central Europe. It leaves open the possibility of splitting the German electricity price zone, which could have a potential impact on Austria. In the 21st legislative period, the German Federal Government committed to maintaining the existing electricity supply zone.

On 6 May 2025, the European Commission published a roadmap for the complete phasing out of Russian energy imports by the end of 2027. This intent is to implement this through concrete actions and regular EU legislative procedure. On 17 June 2025, a legislative proposal to phase out Russian gas imports and improve energy dependency monitoring followed. The draft provides for an end - directly or indirectly - to the import of pipeline gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG) of Russian origin by 2027 at the latest.

The implementation of the 'Net Zero Industry Act' (NZIA) is an important step in the implementation of the 'Green Deal Industrial Plan'. The objectives of the new energy and climate legislation are to provide predictability for investment, so that cleantech companies can grow in Europe and remain globally competitive.

On 26 June 2025, the European Commission adopted the **'Clean Industrial Deal' State Aid Framework**. The new framework in particular includes speeding up the development of renewable energies, including hydrogen, promoting non-fossil flexibility options, and temporary reductions in electricity prices for energy-intensive consumers. The State Aid Framework will remain in effect until 31 December 2030.

The European Commission presented the proposal for the **EU 2040 climate target** on 2 July 2025. It is part of the implementation of EU Climate Law and sets out the path towards climate neutrality in 2050. The intent is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 90.0% compared to 1990 levels. As of 2036, up to three percentage points of the target can be covered by international climate change projects in third countries. Flexibility between the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) and non-ETS sectors, as well as Member States, is also envisaged and there are incentives for permanent domestic  ${\rm CO_2}$  abstraction. On 18 September 2025, the EU Council adopted a non-binding memorandum of understanding, which sets a target range of 66.25% to 72.5% reduction by 2035.

The European **regulation on the reduction of methane emissions in the energy sector** came into force on 4 August 2024. This was the first time that immediately binding regulations regarding the prevention and reduction of methane emissions had been introduced in the EU for gas infrastructure operators, oil production and coal mining.

Following the publication of the **EU Gas Storage Regulation** in the Official Journal of the EU, the retention of 90.0% of storage capacity utilisation was extended to the end of 2027 as of 11 September 2025. Options for achieving the 90.0% target for member states have been made more flexible; this can now be achieved between 1 October and 1 December of each calendar year, instead of 1 November previously. In addition, additional flexibility is possible in difficult market or technical situations. The interim targets are also indicative with a view to avoiding market distortions.

At the **national level**, the Austrian Federal Government is committed to climate neutrality by 2040 in the government programme 2025-2029. The intent is to establish a socially balanced climate policy in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the EU Green Deal, as well as effective implementation of the pertinent legal instruments of the 'Fit for 55' package. The focus will also be on measures for competitive and stable energy prices for households and businesses.

In the area of legislation, the amendment of the **Renewable Energy Expansion Act** to increase the efficiency of support and to speed up approval procedures is envisaged in the form of key actions under the **Renewable Expansion Acceleration Act**. The **Electricity Industry Act**, the **Renewable Gases Act** and the **Climate Act** are also very high priorities in the Austrian Government's programme. The implementation of the Directive of the European Parliament on common rules for the internal markets for renewable gas, natural gas and hydrogen to establish a hydrogen start-up and core network also takes a key role in the form of a **Gas Industry Act (GWG) amendment**.

A draft of the **Electricity Industry Act** (ElWG) was submitted for evaluation on 8 July 2025. This legislative package includes the legal measures required to fully implement Directive (EU) 2019/44, as amended by Directive (EU) 2024/1711, and to adapt national electricity legislation to developments in Union law. Since the ElWG regulates many aspects of the electricity market, numerous comments on it were received.

On 1 October 2025 a small **amendment to the Renewable Energy Expansion Act** (EAG) was adopted by the Economic Affairs Committee; it provides for an extension of support for existing biogas plants for 18 months. The National Council is expected to take a decision later this year.

On 9 September 2025, an evaluation procedure on the **Renewable Energy Expansion Acceleration Act** (EABG) was launched. The focus will be on pooling procedural and decision-making powers among the country's heads of state. In future, instead of a wide variety of material procedures, the 'one-stop shop' principle will mean that there will be only one procedure; this will drive simplification, reduction and increased efficiency of administrative procedures. The EABG is the response to a long-standing demand from the industry for procedural acceleration below the environmental impact assessment (EIA) threshold.

Since July 2025, the government has been discussing a **climate law** (KliG) drafted by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management (BMLUK). The new draft focuses on climate change mitigation, adaptation measures and the circular economy, creating a governance framework without binding targets for climate action. A proposal to Parliament was announced for autumn 2025.

The 'Made in Europe' bonus is a support measure in Austria which has been in force since 23 June 2025 under the EAEC investment grant for photovoltaic (PV) installations. The aim is to strengthen European production of PV components and reduce dependency on Asian imports by obtaining higher subsidies when using European products.

The **Renewable Gases Act** (EGG) aims to promote the production and supply of domestic renewable gases by means of a market premium. The draft was submitted to Parliament by the previous government in February 2024.

The amendment to the **Upper Austrian Spatial Planning Act** saw the introduction of an extension to the dedication exemptions for certain projects, such as freestanding PV systems, substations, etc., on 1 July 2025.

## **Business development in the Group**

# Assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss 1)

#### **Group overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Sales revenues	EUR mill.	2,842.0	3,159.7	-10.1%
Operating result (EBIT)	EUR mill.	298.0	398.2	-25.2%
EBIT margin	%	10.5	12.6	-16.7%
Financial result	EUR mill.	1.2	1.9	-36.8%
Earnings before taxes	EUR mill.	299.2	400.1	-25.2%
Balance sheet total	EUR mill.	3,781.6	3,917.6	-3.5%
Equity	EUR mill.	2,098.7	1,914.9	9.6%
Equity ratio	%	55.5	48.9	13.5%
Net debt 1)	EUR mill.	241.9	336.8	-28.2%
Net gearing <sup>2)</sup>	%	11.5	17.6	-34.7%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	415.1	318.3	30.4%
Cash flow from operating activities	EUR mill.	388.2	321.7	20.7%
Cash flow from investing activities	EUR mill.	-281.6	-165.3	-70.4%
Cash flow from financing activities	EUR mill.	-284.0	-78.4	>-100.0%
ROCE	%	10.7	15.4	-30.5%
WACC	%	4.7	4.5	4.4%

<sup>1)</sup> The key figure net debt represents the net financial liabilities and is calculated by Energie AG Group as follows: Net debt = non-current financial liabilities + current financial liabilities (incl. pending margin payments) – cash and cash equivalents (cash, cheques, credit balances with banks).

<sup>2)</sup> The key figure net gearing was developed from the key figure debt-equity ratio. While the key figure debt-equity ratio measures the ratio between debt capital and equity, the key figure net gearing juxtaposes the net debt (current and non-current financial liabilities (incl. pending margin payments) less cash and cash equivalents) against the equity.

With regard to the derivation of the financial performance indicators and the calculation methods, please refer, in addition to the explanations in the Group Management Report, to the corresponding explanations in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, **sales revenues** of EUR 2,842.0 million (previous year: EUR 3,159.7 million) and an **operating result (EBIT)** of EUR 298.0 million (previous year: EUR 398.2 million) were achieved.

The decrease in sales revenues was mainly due to the lower level of wholesale prices for electricity and gas than in the comparative period of the previous year; this led to lower revenue in the management of the electricity and gas portfolio. In addition, sales revenue fell during the reporting period due to lower electricity sales volumes and lower sales prices compared with the 2023/24 fiscal year.

The **balance sheet total** amounted to EUR 3,781.6 million, down 3.5% on the previous year (previous year: EUR 3,917.6 million). The decrease is primarily attributable to lower fixed term deposits and other charges and to the repayment of a bond.

The operating result of EUR 211.5 million in the **Energy Segment** was EUR 107.1 million lower in the reporting period than in the 2023/24 fiscal year (EUR 318.6 million). EBIT was negatively affected by lower production volumes from proprietary hydropower plants and procurement rights from hydroelectric power compared to the previous year due to significantly lower water levels in the 2024/25 fiscal year and declining market prices in the generation business. Beyond this, the legally prescribed absorption of revenue from the sale of electricity in line with the Federal Act on the Energy Crisis Contribution for Electricity had a negative impact on earnings. In contrast, the operating result for the previous year was impacted on by special effects in the context of highly volatile wholesale prices. Additionally, a reversal of impairment in the amount of EUR 3.2 million was recognised for the Timelkam combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) power plant.

In the **Grid Segment**, EBIT was higher than in the previous year at EUR 54.7 million. The increase in the operating result is primarily attributable to the regulatory tariff increase and to higher electricity and gas grid charges.

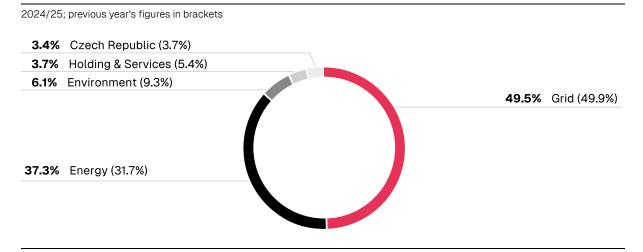
In the **Environment Segment** <sup>1)</sup>, EBIT was EUR 12.2 million lower than in the same period last year. The decrease is attributable to lower earnings contributions from generated electricity volumes.

In the **Czech Republic Segment**, an operating result in the amount of EUR 13.7 million was generated in the reporting period (previous year: EUR 11.4 million). In addition to higher sales volumes in the heating sector, higher earnings contributions in the Drinking Water and Waste Water unit also had a positive impact.

The EBIT of the **Holding & Services Segment** amounted to EUR 5.9 million in the reporting period (previous year: EUR 9.8 million). The lower operating result is mainly attributable to the increase in staff costs during the reporting period, the disposal of a property during the 2023/24 fiscal year and to lower earnings contributions from investments consolidated at equity.

Since the fiscal year 2024/25: renaming of the Waste Management Segment to the Environment Segment.

#### Investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment by Segments



In the 2024/25 fiscal year, **investments** in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment amounted to EUR 415.1 million, and were thus EUR 96.8 million or 30.4% above the previous year's level. With a share of 49.5%, the Grid Segment accounted for the largest part.

**Net debt** (non-current and current financial liabilities minus cash and cash equivalents) fell by EUR 94.9 million year-on-year from EUR 336.8 million to EUR 241.9 million. The decrease is mainly due to a reduction in financial liabilities and a less favourable liquidity situation.

**Cash flow** from operating activities in the 2024/25 fiscal year was EUR 388.2 million, compared with EUR 321.7 million in the previous year. Cash flow from operating activities includes payments received for derivative financial instruments in the amount of EUR 17.4 million and payments received for collateral for derivative financial instruments in the amount of EUR 1.2 million.

In the reporting period, the **financial result** amounted to EUR 1.2 million less than the EUR 1.9 million recorded in the previous year. Lower interest expenses and lower income on fixed-income assets were largely offset.

#### **Funding and investment strategy**

The year under review 2024/25 has again been characterised by distinctive and volatile geopolitical events, with far-reaching economic consequences for economies worldwide, coupled with the erratic customs policy of the current US administration, and significant price fluctuations.

The European Central Bank (ECB) has been successful in bringing inflation in the euro zone down to its target level of around 2.0% with ongoing interest rate cuts in recent months. Further monetary policy actions are taken by the ECB on a data-driven basis.

International ratings agency Moody's downgraded the outlook for Austria's credit rating (Aa1) from 'stable' to 'negative', due to sluggish economic performance and above-EU average inflation. The rating agency justified the decision on the grounds that the outlook for Austria's fiscal and debt policies had deteriorated over the past six months.

Given these diverse and complex areas of tension, Energie AG has continued its proven strategy of a stable and conservative funding and investment strategy in the year under review.

#### Top rating reaffirmed

Energie AG was also assessed by international ratings agency S&P Global Ratings (S&P) this fiscal year. This involves rating the enterprise's ability to meet its financial obligations on time. Credit quality is assessed by investigating the business risk profile and the financial risk profile on the basis of a variety of key figures.

After analysing the financial situation, S&P again confirmed Energie AG's excellent credit rating of A (with a stable outlook) in June 2025. This strong investment grade credit rating continues to ensure that the company has a high degree of flexibility and excellent access to funding sources on attractive terms.

#### **Major milestones in Group funding**

One key success factor in the transition towards the development of a sustainable energy system is early coverage of future financing needs with the best possible terms and framework conditions. During the reporting period, the European Investment Bank (EIB) granted Energie AG a EUR 400.0 million loan for hydroelectric power development, an important step towards a sustainable and independent energy future.

The 'Green Financing Framework' <sup>1)</sup> published in the first half of the 2024/25 fiscal year is another key building block for future funding. This framework summarises the sustainability strategy of Energie AG and outlines the essential future investment fields required for the transformation with a view to sustainable energy systems. This will create a robust basis for the direct use of the funds made available for the implementation of the energy transition.

#### Low debt and high financial flexibility

In early March 2025, the Energie AG corporate bond (EUR 300.0 million) was duly redeemed. As a result of this repayment, the Group's redemption profile has been significantly extended and, with a capital-weighted average remaining maturity of more than 10 years, is characterised by a distinctly long-term maturity structure. As of 30 September 2025, the volume of external financial liabilities decreased by EUR 209.0 million to a low level of EUR 401.6 million (previous year: EUR 610.6 million).

As of 30 September 2025, the Energie AG Group had EUR 131.4 million (previous year: EUR 308.5 million) in cash and cash equivalents. As of the reporting date, the Group also had EUR 40.4 million (previous year: EUR 145.1 million) in fixed term deposits and short-term investments. Because a large proportion of this strategic liquidity reserve is held in the form of cash or cash-equivalent instruments, the risk profile can be considered extremely conservative.

<sup>1)</sup> The 'Green Financing Framework' is available on the Energie AG website.

In addition, in order to further hedge current and structural liquidity, liquidity reserves amounting to EUR 315.0 million in the form of committed credit lines were made available by Austrian and international banks. These had not been utilised by the reporting date of 30 September 2025. The sound liquidity reserves and the excellent credit rating further guarantee the unchanged strong financial flexibility of the Energie AG Group in the long term.

## Value-based corporate management and capital costs

Energie AG's value management strategy serves as an instrument for measuring and controlling the economic success of the Group's business activities. It helps to assess the attractiveness of investments and secure the value of the company by ensuring capital market-oriented returns for the owners. In addition to the operating result, the capital costs, measured using the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) ratio plays a central role. The WACC value provides the basis for determining the minimum yield objectives for Group management and is therefore used as a yardstick for value generation in the company.

Energie AG calculates the cost of capital as the weighted average of equity and borrowing costs. The cost of equity is calculated using the Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM), taking into account factors such as the risk-free interest rate, a country and market risk premium, and a beta factor. Borrowing costs are composed of the risk-free interest rate, a country risk premium and the credit spreads of the peer group. The parameters specified by the regulatory authority are used for the regulated business units. In those business units of the company that operate in free market areas, the cost of capital is calculated in line with the reporting date principle and is then aggregated into segment and Group cost of capital using the bottom-up method.

WACC calculations are under continuous review and are adjusted as needed, taking into account the latest specialist publications and expert opinions. The consolidated WACC value for the 2024/25 fiscal year was 4.7% (previous year: 4.5%).

Along with the operating result, one of the most important key figure for the Group's internal management is the ROCE (Return on Capital Employed), which states how efficiently and profitably the available capital is employed. The ROCE is calculated as the quotient of Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT) and average capital employed.

The NOPAT key indicator denotes the taxed profit from operating activities excluding the at equity result of associated companies. One-time effects such as impairments and market valuations are taken into account and are included in the NOPAT. When calculating taxes, all at-equity income is eliminated from the tax base, as the former is already adjusted for taxes.

The capital employed is derived by subtracting the non-productive assets and non-interest-bearing liabilities from the average total assets. It reflects the interest-bearing capital pooled in the company. The average capital employed (Ø CE) is calculated as the average of the total capital employed of the last two fiscal years. For information on Capital Employed, please refer to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, section 7. Segment reporting.

The goal of the Energie AG Group is to generate an ROCE above the WACC through consistently value-oriented corporate management and control. The ROCE minus the WACC results in the relative value contribution. The absolute economic value added is calculated by multiplying it by the capital employed. In addition to the development of operating earnings, the level of ROCE and value added specifically depends on the capital employed. The NOPAT key indicator is equivalent to EBIT less related taxes in the amount of EUR 63.5 million and less results calculated using the equity method in the amount of EUR 32.2 million. In the Energie AG Group, in addition to strategic and sustainability-orientated considerations, resources for future capital investments and acquisitions are allocated by prioritising projects exclusively on the basis of the presented value-oriented criteria and methods.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the **ROCE** of the Energie AG Group was 10.7%, 4.7 percentage points below the previous year (15.4%).

## **Treasury stocks**

By resolution of the annual General Meeting on 17 December 2024, the share capital of Energie AG was reduced by EUR 1,216.00 from EUR 88,650,126.00 to EUR 88,648,910.00 by means of a simplified capital reduction by cancellation of 1,216 no-par value registered shares of treasury stock in the form of non-voting preferred shares. As a result, § 4 of the Company's Articles of Association was amended accordingly.

In certain cases, the Energie AG employee stock option plan provides for the right or the obligation to purchase Energie AG employee shares. In fiscal year 2024/25, the following changes in treasury stock resulted from this security:

#### Treasury stocks

	<b>Treasury stocks</b> Shares	Share in capital stock %	Share in capital stock EUR 1,000
Treasury stocks as of 30.09.2024	1,216	0.001	1.2
Disposals 2024/25	-1,216	-0.001	-1.2
Additions 2024/25	727	0.001	0.8
Treasury stocks as of 30.09.2025	727	0.001	0.8

## **Related party disclosures**

For Energie AG's transactions with related parties in the reporting period, please refer to the disclosures in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Section 34. Related party disclosures.

## Changes under corporate law

As of 1 October 2024, Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH acquired all shares of Pöchhacker Innovation Consulting GmbH. The company provides advisory services in the field of development consultation and 'Green Transition' of the economy.

By 31 March 2025, Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH had acquired 70% of the shares of da emobil GmbH. The company is an Austria-wide full-service provider of innovative electromobility solutions.

On 16 December 2024, EP Energie Plus GmbH was founded as a 100% subsidiary of Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH. Together with a well-known trading company in Austria, the company offers green electricity tariffs.

On 19 November 2024, Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH acquired all shares in ARBA 1 s.r.l. The company owns project rights for the construction of two PV systems with a total capacity of up to 8.1 MW in the municipality of Arba in the autonomous Italian region of Friuli Venezia Giulia.

Together with two partners, Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH founded the Windpark Kobernaußerwald FlexCo on 6 December 2024, with Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH holding 45% of the shares in the new company.

#### Trend in staff levels

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Group's average consolidated workforce stood at 4,900 full time equivalents (FTE), representing an increase of 2.8% compared with the same period the previous year (4,766 FTE).

### Staff levels 1)

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Energy Segment	FTE	473	461	2.6%
Grid Segment	FTE	641	606	5.8%
Environment Segment	FTE	848	837	1.3%
Czech Republic Segment	FTE	1,775	1,753	1.3%
Holding & Services Segment	FTE	1,163	1,109	4.9%
Group total	FTE	4,900	4,766	2.8%

<sup>1)</sup> Yearly average of the fully-consolidated and proportionately consolidated entities

## **Change in the Management Board**

There will be a change in the Management Board in the fiscal year ahead. Commercial Council, Mag. Dr. Andreas Kolar will retire after many years at Energie AG at the end of 2025. His successor in the position of chief financial officer, Mag.<sup>a</sup> Eva Schinkinger, was appointed by the supervisory board of Energie AG on 27 March 2025 with effect from 1 January 2026.

## **Internal control system**

The internal control system (ICS) is a process embedded in the work and operating procedures of the Energie AG Group which is being implemented by management and staff in order to identify and control existing risks and to ensure with sufficient certainty that the following general objectives are achieved in the course of fulfilling the tasks of the Group:

- Effectiveness and efficiency of business activities
- Regularity and reliability of internal and external reporting
- Compliance with the internal regulations applicable to the Company and the pertinent legal provisions, in particular for the accounting process.

In the Energie AG Group, the roles 'Group Treasury', 'Group Accounting' and 'Controlling and Risk Management' have been established as company holding roles. The 'Accounting' department acts as a service provider for the entire Group and is established in scope of the service company, Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH. The basis for the valid financial reporting is a strongly IT-supported process as well as a high degree of standardisation in data acquisition and processing, starting with commercial services, through the preparation of the companies' annual reports, to consolidation in the consolidated financial statements. The above-mentioned functions thus form the core of the **ICS control environment** with regard to the accounting process.

The **core processes** of the above-mentioned divisions, and the **process-inherent material risks** along with the appropriate controls, are documented and recorded using a Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) Management system. The IT tool used links the areas of ICS, Quality assurance and environmental protection (QAE), risk management, information and communication technology (ICT) risks, data protection, and compliance and has established itself as a valuable information system for senior executives and employees.

The concrete design of the **controls** is adapted to individual requirements which adequately consider risks and can include both manual and automated components. The dual control principle is strictly applied to approval processes. Conflicts of functional separation are avoided and monitored by compensatory controls.

Continuous monitoring and a **cyclical audit of the design and effectiveness of the controls by Group Internal Audit** form the **basis of quality validation** and monitoring for these systems throughout the Group. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the documented ICS controls were expanded to include dedicated **ESG controls** in support of sustainability reporting. Structured, standardised **reporting to the Management Board and supervisory bodies** ensures that the legally prescribed monitoring tasks are performed.

Control awareness is well anchored in the operating units and is sustainably implemented in the business processes. In addition, maintaining and strengthening risk awareness and awareness of the importance of the ethical values laid down in the vision and mission statement is an essential component of the corporate governance culture. The legal obligation of the grid operator to ensure equal treatment in accordance with the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act (ElWOG) and the Gas Industry Act (GWG) are subject to appropriate ICS controls and are monitored by the Equal Treatment Officer.

The ICS thus satisfied the statutory requirements in the reporting period.

## **Risks and opportunities**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the European energy industry continued to be characterised by geopolitical tensions, economic uncertainty and regulatory changes. The European Union intensified its action to secure energy supplies and promote renewable energies. The expansion of electricity generation from renewable sources continued with high momentum.

Price developments in energy markets have been characterised by strong fluctuations. The electricity futures market showed marked volatility. Following a broad sideways move at the start of the fiscal year, prices rose sharply, followed by a rapid decline and a renewed stabilisation at a high level. Spot market prices also developed dynamically and were higher than the previous year. At times, high input volumes, with low demand at the same time, led to negative prices.

The gas market was also characterised by uncertainty and price fluctuations. Geopolitical conflicts, high storage levels and subdued economic activity have affected price formation. Prices for CO<sub>2</sub> emission allowances also fluctuated in a volatile environment, with declines in the interim and subsequent recovery.

Despite the volatile market situation and geopolitical uncertainties, no risks could be identified in the 2024/25 fiscal year possessing the potential to jeopardise the continued existence of the company.

Energie AG has once again demonstrated its ability to adapt and has responded flexibly to the challenges of a dynamic market environment. Group-wide risk and opportunity management proved to be key success factors, especially in responding to geopolitical developments, regulatory innovations, and volatile price movements. Financial stability has been secured and the market position further strengthened. Due to this, Energie AG is well equipped to successfully meet future challenges.

For more details on the risks and opportunities situation, see the **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, section 33. Risk management**.

## Research, development and innovation

For Energie AG, research, development and innovation are key elements for actively addressing the challenges of the energy transition, ensuring security of supply, opening up new business opportunities and further developing the Group's own future orientation. All innovation activities taking place within the Group are in line with the current strategy. Defined innovation fields are the framework for all innovation activities. The focus of technical projects is on the integration of renewable energies, the transformation of grid infrastructure, the decarbonisation of heat supply and the development of sustainable circular economy solutions.

Particular attention is paid to the future heat supply using industrial waste heat, and optimising resource efficiency processes and material flows to conserve resources. In addition, initiatives in the field of hydrogen technology will be taken forward. Digitalisation and automation are leveraged in a targeted manner to manage processes intelligently, identify system correlations in a superior way, enable data-driven decisions, and improve interaction with customers.

Close cooperation with partners: researchers and businesses ensures that research results are translated into practical innovations. This is how Energie AG is promoting the decarbonisation of its business models and designs a sustainable, responsible energy supply.

The expansion of the Innovation Ecosystem of Energie AG, the cooperation with start-up companies and an open approach to innovation are essential elements of the innovation drive in the Group. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG's second international 'Startup Innovation Challenge' was successfully implemented and two specific tasks were completed in close cooperation with start-up companies. Three companies were also awarded the prize for their contributions to decarbonisation. In total, more than 300 start-ups from 57 countries submitted applications.

The development work of a central innovation team in the 'Group Innovation' holding unit for the management and further development of innovation management in the Energie AG Group continues to make inroads. In addition to providing support for investments in start-up funds and participating in partner events such as the 'Innovation Week' of Upper Austria University of Applied Sciences, the new 'Innovation Circle' format was introduced. This is a low-key exchange format, which stimulates innovation and future planning.

The 'Innovation Board', now established, is a collegiate body with diverse perspectives which promotes and supports innovation projects throughout the Group. It maintains an overview and ensures transparency for all innovation activities. Due to this, it proved possible to implement a digital construction twin for the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant during the reporting period. This digital twin is the central basis for further use cases, especially for the use of simulations and optimisations.

The development activities of **Wertstatt 8 GmbH** - a wholly-owned subsidiary of Energie AG - focus on the innovative fields of the Group. During the reporting period, new ideas in the field of energy efficiency were developed and validated, with the aim of identifying unused building renovation potentials and reducing the cost of refurbishment. The 'Zusa' product has implemented a sustainability assistant based on artificial intelligence (AI) with an integrated marketplace that helps people make informed and sustainable decisions in their daily lives.

#### R&D&I key performance indicators

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Number of R&D&I projects in the Group	Number	60	57	5.3%
Staff in R&D&I projects	FTE	21.8	25.3	-13.8%
R&D&I expenses in the Group	EUR mill.	5.3	4.1	29.3%

In fiscal year 2024/25, the following projects aimed at furthering research, development and innovation activities (non-exhaustive list):

## **Future Heat Highway**

The 'Future Heat Highway – Infrastructure for the Heat Transition' project, launched in the 2024/25 fiscal year, aims to develop trans-regional district heating pipelines, allowing the efficient use of industrial waste heat and renewable heat sources in four Austrian industrial regions and its distribution to several industrial regions in Austria. In the scope of industry transformation, the analysis of how existing and future district heating networks, seasonal storage, biomass, industrial processes and waste heat sources can be linked is in progress, so that district heating needs will be fully provisioned from renewable sources as of 2050. In addition to technical planning and evaluation, roll-out plans will be drawn up for the Linz (central area), Styria (Murtal and Mürztal including Graz), Salzkammergut and St. Pölten regions. Through this networking and utilisation of waste heat, biomass, heat storage and prosumer models (industry feeding in or drawing heat), the project aims to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, reduce energy imports and make the supply of heat more sustainable, efficient and robust.

### **GPOil - EBS pyrolysis**

The aim of the 'GPOIL' - Chemical Recycling of Plastics - project is to convert low-quality substitute fuels - mainly plastic waste which has previously been thermally recovered - into high-quality raw materials through an innovative pyrolysis process. These pyrolysis oils are intended for use as base materials for new polyolefins, enabling reintroduction into plastic production, for packaging for example. One core element of the project is a laboratory and experimental batch pyrolysis reactor that converts small amounts of different input materials into pyrolysis oil, coke and gas fractions. Initial experimental results show that high-quality oil fractions can be generated by adjusting process parameters. The next step is to examine the scalability of the process to an industrial scale. In the long term, this will contribute towards closing the plastic cycles and reducing fossil fuels.

#### Use of Al

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG conducted several feasibility studies on the use of Large Language Models (LLM) and successfully introduced the 'MIA' chatbot in the Group in April 2025. 'MIA' stands for 'Employee Information Assistant' and links internal knowledge sources with modern LLM technology to help employees search for information, generate texts, and learn. Particularly in the on-boarding process, MIA makes it easier for new colleagues to get started, answers frequently asked questions and boosts efficiency in everyday working life through smart information processing. Customer service is also using AI, and a digital assistant in the form of a voicebot is used for telephony. The voicebot understands the concerns of customers at home and offers the quickest way to solve them. Simple recurrent tasks are performed directly and without waiting time by the voicebot, while complex tasks are identified and directly transferred to the relevant employees. The goal is to develop the voicebot into an Al agent which can make autonomous decisions, build an expanded context understanding, and thereby engage in more complex processes in human-like dialogues. In addition, specifications have been developed for further AI applications as part of a Group-wide digitalisation project.

# Key performance indicators

#### **Group overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Electricity procurement	GWh	9,347	10,263	-8.9%
Electricity production 1)	GWh	2,966	3,297	-10.0%
Electricity generated from renewable energy sources	GWh	2,200	2,856	-23.0%
Group's own hydropower plants	GWh	862	1,227	-29.7%
Procurement rights from hydroelectric power	GWh	1,126	1,424	-20.9%
Bioenergy, PV and wind	GWh	212	205	3.4%
Electricity generated from non-renewable energy sources	GWh	766	441	73.7%
Gas-fired power plants	GWh	663	323	>100.0%
Thermal waste incineration	GWh	103	118	-12.7%
Electricity procured from third parties	GWh	6,381	6,966	-8.4%
Electricity grid distribution volume to end-customers	GWh	7,447	7,200	3.4%
Electricity sales volume <sup>2)</sup>	GWh	5,134	5,580	-8.0%
Gas grid distribution volume to end customers	GWh	17,755	15,762	12.6%
Gas sales volume	GWh	4,564	4,235	7.8%
Heat procurement	GWh	1,762	1,683	4.7%
Heat sales volume	GWh	1,634	1,548	5.6%
Total waste volume handled	1,000 t	1,474	1,533	-3.8%
Incinerated waste volume	1,000 t	577	575	0.3%
Invoiced drinking water volume	m <sup>3</sup> mill.	58.8	58.7	0.2%
Invoiced waste water volume	m <sup>3</sup> mill.	45.6	45.6	0.0%
Internet data volume transferred	ТВ	181,270	156,027	16.2%

<sup>1)</sup> of which in the fiscal year 2024/25 2,955 GWh on the domestic market (previous year: 3,295 GWh)

Unless otherwise stated, the key performance indicators given in the following segment report always refer to the respective segment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> of which in the fiscal year 2024/25 3,893 GWh distribution to consumers on the domestic market (previous year: 4,331 GWh)

## Segments

In accordance with internal reporting and pursuant to IFRS 8 'Operating segments', the Energy, Grid, Environment <sup>1)</sup>, Czech Republic and Holding & Services Segments will be reported on in the **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Section 7. Segment reporting**.

Segment name	Activities included
Energy	Production, trade and sales of electricity, gas, heat and telecommunications services
Grid	Construction and operation of the electricity and gas grids, incl. metering services
Environment	Acceptance, sorting, waste incineration and landfilling of residuals
Czech Republic	Supplying drinking water, waste water management, and supplying heat in the Czech Republic
Holding & Services	Telecommunications, service companies and management functions; associated companies consolidated using the equity method which are not allocated to other segments

<sup>1)</sup> Since the fiscal year 2024/25: renaming of the Waste Management Segment to the Environment Segment.

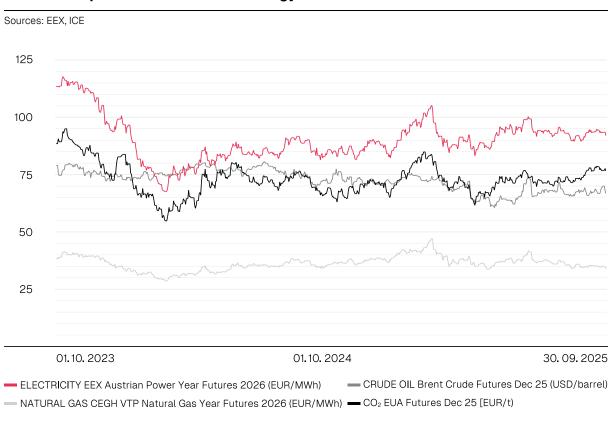
## **Energy Segment**

#### **Energy Segment overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Total sales	EUR mill.	1,864.3	2,259.6	-17.5%
EBIT	EUR mill.	211.5	318.6	-33.6%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	154.7	101.0	53.2%
Workforce (on average)	FTE	473	461	2.6%
Electricity procurement incl. electricity procured from third parties	GWh	9,165	10,082	-9.1%
Electricity production	GWh	2,784	3,116	-10.7%
Electricity sales volume	GWh	5,134	5,580	-8.0%
Gas sales volume	GWh	4,564	4,235	7.8%
Heat procurement	GWh	1,169	1,187	-1.5%
Heat sales volume	GWh	1,072	1,076	-0.4%

# Economic framework conditions for the energy sector <sup>1)</sup>

### Price development on international energy markets



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Sources: EEX (European Energy Exchange AG) market data: market data (eex.com), 10 October 2025. ICE (Intercontinental Currency Exchange) market data: Products – Futures & Options | ICE (theice.com), 10 October 2025.

The forward market price of electricity for supply in Austria in 2026 averaged EUR 90.35/MWh over the reporting period, just over 3.0% above that of the same period last year. Prices moved laterally in a high and volatile bandwidth in the first quarter; the lowest value being EUR 80.71/MWh in early November 2024. By mid-February 2025 prices rose to a peak of EUR 103.93/MWh. This was followed by a rapid downward trend, which reverted to a lateral movement with a high bandwidth and volatility. The main influencing factors here were the prices for coal, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> emission allowances as well as the macroeconomic development. The price at the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year was EUR 90.95/MWh, just above the average price of the previous year. On the spot market, prices rose by around one third compared with the same period of the previous year. The average European Power Exchange (EPEX) spot price base for delivery in Austria in the reporting period was EUR 99.50/MWh with a volatile development with fluctuations ranging between EUR -252.60/MWh and EUR 850.00/MWh. During the reporting period, the spot price was below EUR 0.00/MWh for 397 hours (previous year: 308 hours) due to the increasing frequency of negative residual loads.

The price of natural gas for delivery in Austria in 2026 was at an average value of EUR 37.32/MWh in the reporting period (previous year: EUR 34.58/MWh) in the field of tension between geopolitical crises and dampening factors such as diversification of supply sources, high storage levels and uncertain economic development. After reaching a high of EUR 46.59/MWh in February 2025, the price had dropped to EUR 33.38/MWh by the end of April 2025. After a slight recovery, prices moved sideways, closing at EUR 33.52/MWh at the end of the fiscal year.

Prices for  $CO_2$  emissions allowances fluctuated at an average value of EUR 71.57/t (previous year: EUR 72.60/t) between EUR 83.93/t at the end of January and EUR 60.94/t at the beginning of April 2025. Prices subsequently recovered and ended the fiscal year 2024/25 at EUR 75.74/t.

## **Business development in the Energy Segment**

At EUR 1,864.3 million, sales revenues in the **Energy Segment** were EUR 395.3 million below the previous year's figure. In addition to lower earnings in the management of the electricity and gas portfolio, driven by wholesale prices that were below those of the previous year- period, the decrease was attributable to declining electricity sales volumes and lower sales prices in the Sales unit. At EUR 211.5 million, the operating result was lower than in the same period last year (previous year: EUR 318.6 million).

EBIT was impacted by lower water levels leading to lower electricity generation volumes from proprietary hydropower plants and procurement rights of hydroelectric power, as well as by declining market prices in the generation business. In addition, the legally prescribed absorption of revenue from the sale of electricity in line with the Federal Act on the Energy Crisis Contribution for Electricity had a negative impact on operating results. In contrast to this, the EBIT of the previous year was impacted on by serious fluctuations in wholesale prices. In addition, the comparison period of the previous year was affected by an impairment of the Timelkam CCGT power plant and other factors, whereas a reversal of impairment of EUR 3.2 million was recognised in the reporting period. Additionally, the Timelkam CCGT power plant achieved higher earnings contributions due to increased use of the power plant.

# Hydropower plant production significantly below long-year average

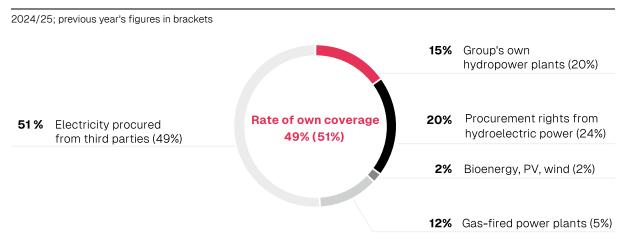
**Electricity procurement in the Energy Segment** in the 2024/25 fiscal year totalled 9,165 GWh and was 9.1% lower than in the previous year (10,082 GWh). The main causes of the decrease were an 8.4% reduction in external procurement of 6,381 GWh (previous year: 6,966 GWh) due to decreasing trade volumes and significantly underperforming hydroelectric power production, which was only partially compensated for by additional thermal production.

**Electricity generation from renewable energy** totalled 2,124 GWh, 24.0% lower than the same period last year (2,793 GWh). The decrease is mainly due to lower electricity generation from hydroelectric sources. Due to the prolonged drought, generation in the reporting period was significantly below the long-term average at 1,987 GWh, with a hydro coefficient of 0.82, and 25.0% below the previous year's above-average production (2,651 GWh). At 137 GWh electricity generated from bioenergy, PV and wind was 3.5% lower than the previous year (142 GWh).

**Electricity production from thermal capacities** in the Energy Segment amounted to 323 GWh, which is nearly double the previous year's value of 660 GWh. On top of congestion management operations to maintain grid stability, opportunities for market utilisation of thermal power plants with positive contribution margins again increased in the year under review.

The electricity procurement structure in the Energy Segment was as follows in the reporting period:

#### **Electricity procurement structure without electricity trading**



During the reporting period, Energie AG was a driving force behind numerous steps taken to shape a sustainable energy future. The considerable progress made in the construction of the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant is worthy of note here. The 2024/25 fiscal year saw the completion of the energy discharge tunnel and the breakthrough of the underwater feed water path. An important element of the energy transition, the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant will provide valuable flexibility to compensate for volatile PV and wind power plants and ensure grid stability.

With an investment volume of EUR 191.5 million in green energy, further milestones in the reporting period were the decision to build, and the subsequent launch of the construction works for, the new Traunfall hydroelectric plant, which will supply 35,000 households. This run-of-river power station on the river Traun will replace the existing plants at Gschröff, Siebenbrunn and the Traunfall power plant, boosting annual electricity production by 54 GWh to 125 GWh. Trial operations are intended for 2028.

Energie AG holds 50% in Ennskraftwerke AG and procurement rights in the electricity produced amounting to approximately 38%. The hydro coefficient of the electricity generated was above the long-term average at 0.81 on a pro rata basis in the 2024/25 fiscal year (previous year: 1.07). Energie AG additionally holds electricity procurement rights for the hydropower plants of Verbund Hydro Power GmbH. All told, electricity procurement rights from hydroelectric power amount to an annual standard production capacity of some 1,410 GWh.

Energie AG's **wind power portfolio** in Austria comprises shareholdings in four wind parks with an overall output consolidated using the equity method of 15.2 MW. Proprietary electricity generation at a pro rata basis in the reporting period was 36 GWh (previous year: 40 GWh).

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG acquired a 45% shareholding in Windpark Kobernaußerwald FlexCo. There are plans to build 18 wind turbines with a wind power output of around 250 GWh by 2030 in the scope of the Windpark Kobernaußerwald project. The project area covers the municipalities of Lengau, Maria Schmolln, Munderfing, Schalchen and St. Johann am Walde. The EIA approval procedure is currently pending.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, AAE Gamit, družba za proizvodnjo electrične energije, d.o.o. focused on the development of wind power and PV projects in Slovenia with a total peak output of more than 180 MW. Wind survey data for two of the three wind project areas in southern Slovenia are already available. Approval proceedings for the wind measurement mast in the third wind turbine project area are currently in progress. A decision is expected by the end of the 2025 calendar year.

Energie AG operates **PV systems** in Austria and Italy with a total capacity of around 37 MW $_p$  (previous year: 24 MW $_p$ ). 32 GWh of electricity was generated by these systems in the 2024/25 fiscal year (previous year: 22 GWh). This figure also includes electricity from customer contracting systems. Two further PV systems were commissioned in the 2024/25 fiscal year. On the one hand, one of the largest agricultural PV systems in Upper Austria containing 7,514 modules was commissioned in Pischelsdorf. A pro rata system output of 2.4 MW $_p$  was installed in the scope of this joint project with a partner company. The second project built and commissioned a further agricultural PV plant with an output of 2 MW $_p$  at a former excavation site in Mauthausen. In addition to the PV systems currently under construction with a total output of around 20 MW $_p$ , several other projects are already in the licensing phase.

In November 2024, Erzeugung GmbH acquired 100% of the shares in Italy's ARBA 1 s.r.l.. The company is located in the municipality of Arba, near Pordenone, approximately 100 kilometres north of Venice. Construction of a PV plant with an output of around 8.1 MW $_{\rm p}$  began on a 14 hectare plot during the reporting period. The installation is due to be commissioned in December 2025. With an expected annual electricity generation of around 12 GWh, the plant will supply renewable energy to approximately 3,400 households in the future.

The integration of volatile decentralised electricity generation systems and flexible consumer systems is particularly important. Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH (Erzeugung GmbH) is also working on **battery storage technology** in order to provide flexible capacity at short notice and thereby meet the requirements of an increasingly decarbonised energy system. For example, construction of the largest battery storage facility in Upper Austria started at the Timelkam power plant. When built, the storage facility will have an output of 5 MW and a usable capacity of 14.5 MWh.

The newly built biomass heating plant was commissioned at the Riedersbach power plant location. The core element of the new heating plant is a biomass boiler with a fuel heat output of 5 MW combined with state-of-the-art flue gas treatment. The installation is complemented by a district heat storage facility with a water volume of 200 m³ and efficient flue gas condensation. The fuels used consist of natural wood chips from forestry and industrial wood chips. In addition, biomethane will completely replace the natural gas use previously required at peak load times. This biomethane is derived from indigenous biogenic raw materials such as grasses, energy crops and slurry, and makes the heat supply carbon-neutral in the long term.

In the Energie AG **district heating networks**, the heat volume generated by proprietary production and procurement increased by 9.2% to 427 GWh compared with the previous year (391 GWh). Of this, 55.3% originates from renewable sources, 38.2% from non-renewable sources and 6.5% from industrial waste heat. The district heating network in Freistadt has been expanded by some 2.7 km since mid 2024. The existing heating centre was expanded to include a 2.5 MW biomass boiler, a 60m<sup>3</sup> buffer storage tank and a gas boiler as a backup reserve. Following commissioning in September 2025, the usable capacity of the heat supply grew by 4.8 GWh/a.

Cogeneration-Kraftwerke Management Oberösterreich GmbH (CMOÖ GmbH) in Laakirchen supplies a key account customer with electricity and process heat through a CCGT power plant, as well as several adjacent companies with district heating. The heat volume produced in the 2024/25 fiscal year was 602 GWh, 7.2% lower than the previous year's figure (649 GWh).

## **Customer proximity and attractive offers in focus**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH (Vertrieb GmbH) focused on the strategic topics of sustainability, electromobility and customer proximity. One specific focus was on comprehensive expansion of charging infrastructure in both urban and tourist regions and along major traffic axes. In this context, the investment in da emobil GmbH is noteworthy; this will make a decisive contribution towards the expansion of fast charging stations in Austria. Another major focus was on reducing electricity prices and boosting customer loyalty. Starting in April 2025, private and commercial customers have benefited from the new 'Ökostrom Loyal' tariff, which offers savings of up to just under 50.0% compared to the previous tariff. In addition, customers benefit from a price guarantee valid until March 2026. The electricity volume consumed for this purpose will be procured using a rolling procurement model. This approach helps to stabilise retail prices and delays the impact of both price increases and reductions on the international energy markets.

Furthermore, strategic actions have been taken to extend the portfolio of Vertrieb GmbH by founding EP Energie Plus GmbH, acquiring Pöchhacker Innovation Consulting GmbH, and through the 'VT Review' organisational development project. The 'VT Review' project has created the conditions to better meet the needs of customers.

In the first six months of 2024/25, the energy environment was characterised by colder weather compared to the previous year. Although the number of heating degree days in Upper Austria (this figure defines the temperature-related energy demand) was 8.4% in the reporting period, and therefore well below that of the comparable period in the previous year, this was only slightly below the average for the last five years (-3.9%).

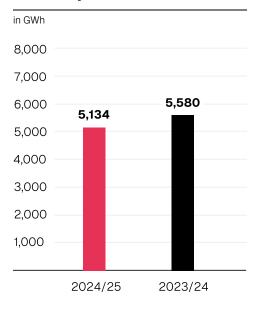
## **Electricity**

The consolidated electricity sales volume of Energie AG was 5,134 GWh in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The figure is down by 446 GWh, or 8.0%, compared with the previous year's figure of 5.580 GWh.

For private and commercial customers, cool weather in the winter months led to an increase in sales in the household segment. At the start of the 2024/25 fiscal year, Vertrieb GmbH showed increased customer fluctuation; this was successfully addressed through targeted sales actions. In particular, the reduction of prices as of 1 April 2025 contributed significantly to stabilising and improving customer loyalty.

The business and industrial customer fields were characterised by challenging price and demand conditions and the weak economic climate. The continuing higher level of proprietary production by PV systems and customer participation in energy communities again significantly

#### **Electricity sales volume**



impacted on sales in the current fiscal year. However, the regular customer base remained broadly stable.

The founding of EP Energie Plus GmbH in the scope of a second-brand strategy laid an essential foundation for successful cooperation with a well-known Austrian trading company with a focus on 100.0% green electricity. This partnership has attracted new customers in both electricity procured from third parties and PV feed-in.

#### Gas

At 4,564 GWh, the volume of gas sold by Energie AG in the past fiscal year was 329 GWh or 7.8% above the previous year's figure of 4,235 GWh.

In the case of private and commercial customers who mainly use space heating, the supply values varied in the individual months due to the weather conditions, however, supply volumes were higher in comparison with the previous year. Besides the slack economy, efficiency actions and substitutions on the customer side continued to expose sales volumes to pressure in the business and industrial customer sectors; despite this, some new contracts were concluded.

Following the founding of EP Energie Plus GmbH in the 2024/25 fiscal year, distribution of the 'sigi' second brand was completely discontinued with effect as of 31 March 2025. However, it proved possible to migrate many customers to the main brand.

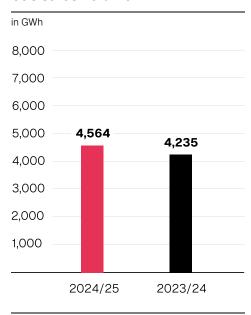
### Heat

The heat sales volume of Energie AG throughout Austria in the 2024/25 fiscal year amounted to 1,072 GWh, which is a 0.4% decrease on the previous year's figure of 1,076 GWh. In addition to the district heating sales volume and the heat sales volume supplied to customers by CMOÖ GmbH, the heat sales volume also includes the volumes from individual customer solutions provided through on-site power purchase agreements.

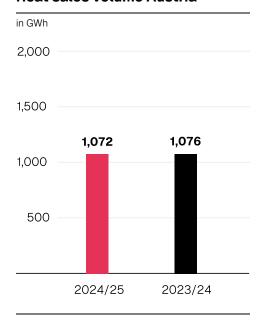
### **Telecommunications**

At the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year, 23,022 customers are already actively using FTTH products offered by Energie AG. This is an increase of 1,824 customers, or 8.6% compared with the previous year's figure of 21,198. It also proved possible to attract many new customers in the business and industrial sectors, despite challenging market conditions.

#### Gas sales volume



#### **Heat sales volume Austria**



#### **Photovoltaics**

At the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year, Vertrieb GmbH was operating a total of 84 PV on-site power purchase agreement installations (previous year: 76) with a total installed output of some 18.9  $\rm MW_p$  (previous year: 12.6  $\rm MW_p$ ). The largest PV on-site power purchase agreement installation with an output of 6.5  $\rm MW_p$  for a well-known industrial customer was successfully launched in the 2024/25 fiscal year. Energie AG offered two complete PV bundles for private and commercial customers in the form of the 'Solar Sorglos' and 'Solar Sorglos Business' service products.

## **Electromobility**

The focus of electromobility activities during the reporting period was on expanding charging infrastructure solutions. By the end of the reporting period, Energie AG was operating 348 publicly accessible charging stations (previous year: 269) and managing operations at a total of 1,644 charging points (previous year: 1,268). By the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year, da emobil GmbH was managing 3,931 charging points. By the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Energie AG charging card, which can be used throughout Austria, was in use in 5,251 active contracts (previous year: 3,933), while more than 21,500 charging points which accepted the Energie AG charging card were available throughout Austria thanks to cooperations (previous year: around 15,000).

## **Grid Segment**

#### **Grid Segment overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Total sales	EUR mill.	445.5	395.9	12.5%
EBIT	EUR mill.	54.7	25.1	>100.0%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	205.4	158.7	29.4%
Workforce (on average)	FTE	641	606	5.8%
Electricity grid distribution volume to end-customers	GWh	7,447	7,200	3.4%
Gas grid distribution volume to end-customers	GWh	17,755	15,762	12.6%

# Statutory and regulatory framework in the Grid Segment

The Electricity Act (ElWG), which was introduced into the parliamentary evaluation process in July 2025 and is earmarked to replace the current Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010, will not be voted on until after the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year.

The electricity and gas grid of Netz Oberösterreich GmbH (Netz OÖ GmbH) continues to be subject to incentive regulation by the regulator, E-Control. Within the current regulatory period, key metrics such as the weighted average cost of capital (WACC), efficiency targets and the grid operator price index (NPI) have been updated. The gas grid is subject to requirements in addition to the long-term grid adjustment due to a decrease in uptake. These regulatory framework conditions aim to promote efficiency, investment and security of supply.

Grid utilisation fees in the **electricity sector** increased by between 0.8% and 25.8% in the different grid levels compared to the previous year. The reasons for what was partly a sharp rise were a higher cost base due to the switch to planned investments by the regulator E-Control and the pricing volumes used as per the applicable regulatory framework, which are in decline due to slack economic development and large numbers of PV systems used by customers for self-sufficiency. The grid utilisation fees in the **gas sector** rose by 30.4% for consumers in grid level 3 and by 8.8% for consumers in grid level 2. This is due to the higher upstream grid costs and the drop in tariffs in grid level 3.

## **Business development in the Grid Segment**

A 12.5% increase in sales revenues to EUR 445.5 million was recorded in the Grid Segment in the reporting period compared to the previous year. This is mainly due to increased volumes in the electricity and gas networks.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Grid Segment recorded a higher EBIT of EUR 54.7 million compared to the same period in the previous year. The increase in the operating result is mainly attributable to the regulatory tariff increase in the gas and electricity sectors; this is due to an adaptation in the regulatory system relating to grid investments in the electricity sector. Beyond this, higher transported volumes were noted in the electricity sector, and above all in the gas sector. In contrast to this, increased personnel costs impacted on EBIT.

## **Electricity and gas grids**

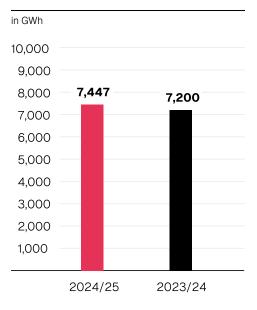
The changes in system usage resulting from the energy transition are affecting the Grid Segment in almost all fields of activity. This is why work on innovative solutions for automating and digitalising processes was intensified in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In collaboration with other grid operators, several research projects were drafted and continued and can now be implemented with partners from science and industry.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, audits specific to gas and electricity grid operators pursuant to ÖVGW QS-GNB200 (Quality Requirements for Gas Grid Operators), Technical Safety Management (TSM) and ÖVGW QS-GNB300 (Quality Requirements for Gas Network Operators for the Determination of Calorific Values), as well as audits according to ISO 9001 and ONR 192500 were successfully completed. Certification according to ÖVGW QS-GNB300 constitutes an important factor for the integration and acceptance of renewable gases, as it provides the basis for using the actual calorific values from billing. In the context of the information management system, all actions taken from the Network and Information System Security Act (NISG) audit in 2022 have been implemented. A new investigation under the NIS 1-EU Directive (EU 2016/1148) was carried out by CIS - Certification & Information Security Services GmbH in the scope of an 'ISO<sub>2</sub>7001/NISG combined audit'. The audit also investigated the direct applicability of the NIS 2-EU Directive (EU 2022/2555) in the form of a GAP analysis.

In the reporting period, the **electricity grid distribution volume** increased to 7,447 GWh; this is equivalent to an increase of 3.4% compared to the same period of the previous year (7,200 GWh). This increase in volumes affected both the industrial and household sectors and was facilitated by a decrease in electricity trading prices compared to the previous year. As of 30 September 2025, Netz OÖ GmbH supplied approx. 533,000 active customer installations (previous year: approx. 531,000).

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, business activities focused on grid upgrade and expansion measures with a view to maintaining and securing a stable electricity supply, the integration of decentralised generation systems and the consistent implementation of the **Electricity Grid Development Plan for Transmission System Operators (V-NEP)**. In June 2025, the 'Upper Austria Central Area' project saw the commissioning of the refurbished and extended Tillysburg substation. The project is currently on schedule.

# Electricity grid distribution volume to end users



During the reporting period, operational work was carried out on connecting the power station connection for the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant, the Rottenbach substation and the Klaus grid support facility. Work on the Ottensheim Danube crossing and the Wagenham grid support facility was completed during the reporting period.

The EIA hearing for the 'Electricity supply for Mühlviertel' project was held in January and February 2025. The decision had not been published by the end of the reporting period. In the scope of the 'Electricity supply for Salzkammergut' project, the documents for the approval under high voltage electricity grid law were submitted to the Federal Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism, and the oral hearing with a subsequent decision is expected before the end of the 2025 calendar year. It proved possible to obtain all the required approvals for the new Putzlinsdorf substation to be built on the existing Ranna - Rohrbach line. Construction is scheduled to start in the fiscal year 2025/26 following preparations for the medium voltage grid.

Replacing of overhead power line sections of the medium and low-voltage grid with underground cable was continued. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, 20 km of medium-voltage overhead lines and 113 km of low-voltage overhead lines were replaced by underground cables. Earth cables now account for 38.0% of the medium voltage grid and 79.0% of the low voltage grid.

The number of **grid connection applications for PV systems** took a dynamic course in the 2024/25 fiscal year. After the federal government negotiations having lasted longer than expected, the announcement signalling the end of the VAT exemption on the purchase of PV systems early on in the 2025 calendar year was relatively unexpected. Within days, the number of requests rose abruptly from around 200 to almost 600 per week. The processing systems, set up in the past, which have already been automated to a large extent, proved resilient and it was possible to process requests without noticeable delay for customers. On average, the number of applications over the 2024/25 fiscal year was at a consistently high level of about 260 per week. In the reporting period, there was an increase in the number of applications submitted for battery storage facilities. As it was impossible to fully provide the grid capacities or grid connections required for these systems at all locations, it will be necessary to carry out additional grid construction on the medium voltage grid, and in particular at substations.

The installed output from PV is around 1,470 MW in the reporting period (previous year: 1,300 MW), with around 83,500 connected systems (previous year: 72,800 systems).

In the reporting period, the **gas grid distribution volume** increased to 17,755 GWh; this is equivalent to an increase of 12.6% compared to the same period of the previous year (15,762 GWh). This increase in volumes affected both the industrial and the household sectors and was facilitated by a decrease in gas trading prices compared to the previous year.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the number of customers in the gas sector also declined. The causes for this were trends in society and political requirements, particularly in the field of climate change mitigation.

Extensive upgrades were carried out at three reduction stations in the 2024/25 fiscal year. Two high-pressure natural gas pipelines over a total length of 8.9 km were investigated using intelligent pigging. Beyond this, various repairs to high-pressure pipelines were carried out in the reporting period.

In addition, with a focus on a future hydrogen economy, concrete preparations have been made for the dual dedication of a high pressure line, which is also part of the Austrian Network Infrastructure Plan ( $\ddot{\text{O}}$ NIP), the H $_2$  roadmap

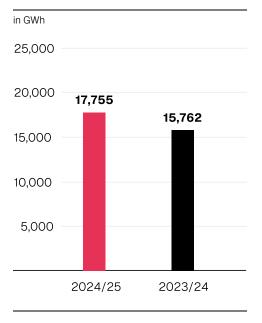
of AGGM Austrian Gas Grid Management AG (AGGM) and the long-term and integrated planning approved by the regulator. This will enable the operation of the existing gas grid infrastructure with methane and hydrogen in the future.

During the reporting period, Netz OÖ GmbH launched a decarbonisation project network. In a first step of the project, existing  $\rm CO_2$  emissions in the company were identified and presented in a transparent manner. Subsequently, actions to reduce emissions were explored.

The positive findings of the electromobility pilot project in network technology over a number of years have led to effective  ${\rm CO_2}$  reduction actions being derived. In a pan-European request for quotations, 57 electric vehicles have now been purchased, equipping a quarter of all employees in the unit in the first step. Featuring approx. 100 kW output and a daily range of some 300 kilometres, the vehicles are optimised for daily requirements. The project will reduce the number of fossil-fuel kilometres travelled by about 500,000 kilometres per year.

A project to improve customer communication and complaints management has also been launched. This involves harmonising or standardising the complaints management process, while leveraging appropriate digitalisation opportunities. Operational implementation will take place in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

# Gas grid distribution volume to end users



## **Environment Segment**

#### **Environment Segment overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Total sales	EUR mill.	299.1	298.0	0.4%
EBIT	EUR mill.	12.2	33.3	-63.4%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	25.5	29.6	-13.9%
Workforce (on average)	FTE	848	837	1.3%
Total waste volume handled	1,000 t	1,474	1,533	-3.8%
Incinerated waste volume	1,000 t	577	575	0.3%

# Economic framework conditions for the waste management sector

The EU Circular Economy Package aims to make the production of sustainable products in the European Union a matter of course. The intent is to ensure that products are durable, repairable, reusable and recyclable throughout their entire life cycles. At national level, the Circular Economy Package amendment under the Waste Management Act (AWG) is intended to continue to promote the drive towards waste avoidance, recycling, and reuse, and to achieve a product design based on European eco-design specifications that is consistently geared towards sustainability. To this end, concrete targets have been defined, including for recycling rates, reusable and disposable packaging, the reduction of certain plastic products, as well as for the fields of producer responsibility, incineration bans and landfill restrictions. These actions pose significant challenges for the whole industry.

The revised EU Waste Framework Directive was published on 26 September 2025 and is due to be transposed into national law by member states within 30 months. Substantial changes have been made in the area of food and used textiles. The aim is to reduce waste from food production and processing by 10.0% by 2030. In addition, the intent is to reduce by 30.0% the average calculated food waste per capita figure, which is attributable to retail, catering and household sectors. In the case of used textiles, extended producer responsibility will be introduced. In future, manufacturers must bear the cost of collection, sorting and recycling, and encourage the production of more durable clothing, while fast-fashion products will be burdened with higher contributions in the future. These changes will create new market opportunities for Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH (Umwelt Service GmbH).

The new EU Packaging Regulation (PPWR) entered into force on 11 February 2025 and will apply as of 12 August 2026. With a phased schedule, the Regulation aims to ensure that all packaging is recyclable in future by introducing recycling classes and defining minimum recycling shares. Mandatory recycling targets of 65.0% by 2025 and 70.0% by 2030 have been set and further differentiated by fractions such as plastics, paper and glass. Packaging minimisation, producer responsibility, deposit systems and extensive information requirements are also important parts of the regulation.

On 1 January 2025, a deposit of EUR 0.25 was introduced in Austria on PET and aluminium containers with volumes between 0.1 litres (L) and 3.0 L. In order to avoid waste and ensure a sustainable circular economy, deposit quotas have also been defined for the retail trade for drinks placed on the market; they will be at least 25.0% by 2025 and at least 30.0% by 2030; the quotas apply to retail outlets with more than  $400 \, \text{m}^2$  floorspace and online commerce.

The Waste Management Act amendment on digitalisation aims to drive further efficiency increases in waste management and therefore help to more quickly achieve sustainability objectives defined at a national level. The amendment focuses on measures designed to achieve a higher degree of digitalisation in waste management. Digitalised system approval procedures, central processing of deposits on non-recyclable packaging and fully electronic consignment notes are examples of this. The latter were unveiled by the BMLUK in April 2025 and are to be made mandatory by 1 January 2027. In addition to the numerous benefits the digital solution offers, major implementation overhead is anticipated at Umwelt Service GmbH.

Umwelt Service GmbH met its obligation under the AWG, to use rail or similarly climate-friendly means of transport to transport waste of more than 10 t over distances of more than 200 km during the year under review, by switching its own fleet of trucks to sustainable HVO100 (100.0% hydrotreated vegetable oil) fuel. A reduction of route lengths to 100 kilometres, originally planned as of 1 January 2026, will probably be postponed until 2030.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, higher prices for recovered paper/carton created more favourable framework conditions compared to the previous year. In terms of metals, average prices for various types of steel scrap were lower than in the previous year.

## **Business development in the Environment Segment**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, sales revenues in the Environment Segment amounted to EUR 299.1 million (previous year: EUR 298.0 million), representing an increase of 0.4%. While sales growth was particularly evident among business and industrial customers, declining sales revenues from electricity generated were observed due to lower prices and volumes. Turnover from other waste disposal services increased compared to the previous year.

In the Environment Segment, the operating result in the 2024/25 fiscal year was lower than in the previous year at EUR 12.2 million. EBIT was impacted by lower earnings contributions from generated electricity volumes. In contrast, the earnings for both industrial and commercial customers improved compared to the previous year. Increased earnings were recorded for used paper/cardboard recycling materials and for scrap metal, the latter reflecting increased volumes.

# Utilisation of the waste incineration plants

The waste incineration plants at Wels and Lenzing achieved a throughput of about 577,000 t of incinerated waste volume. This is equivalent to an increase of 0.3% compared with the previous year. It proved possible to offset a decrease in volume throughput in Wels by higher throughput in Lenzing, as Lenzing experienced fewer unplanned plant shutdowns than the previous year.

At the Wels waste incineration plant, line 2 was overhauled in June and July 2025, and line 1 in September and October 2025. In Lenzing, the annual overhaul took place in February and March 2025.

The supply of heat mainly from the waste incineration process to the eww ag district heating network, was sustained without interruption throughout the fiscal year. Heat from solar energy and biomass are also fed into the grid. In case of downtime at the waste incineration plant and to

cover short-term capacity bottlenecks, a backup system of hot water boilers is available to supply heat to the grid. This was activated in individual months in order to fully deliver the required heat.

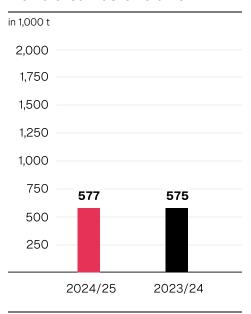
In the reporting period, the waste incineration plant in Wels distributed 348 GWh of heat (previous year: 285 GWh) to the district heating network and to one other key account customer. Electricity procurement totalled 171 GWh (previous year: 181 GWh).

The treatment plants for **hazardous waste in Steyr** were again very well utilised in the year under review. In terms of maintenance, the focus was primarily on the renovation of the chemical/physical treatment installation for non-organic waste. Important refurbishments of the roof were also carried out.

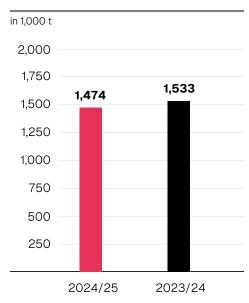
Compared with the 2023/24 fiscal year, the **volumes handled** in the Environment Segment fell slightly by 3.8% in the reporting period to a total of some 1,474,000 t (previous year: 1,533,000 t). While volumes in Austria declined, particularly in the mechanical biological treatment (MBT) fractions and hazardous waste, South Tyrol recorded an overall increase.

Various investment projects were implemented at the sales locations in the reporting period. In Steyr, a developed plot of land has been acquired with a view to future use for transhipment, processing and intermediate storage of non-hazardous waste. A new social building was completed at the Attnang Redlham site. In Unterhart, the final stage of the landfill expansion was completed.

#### Incinerated waste volume



#### Total waste volume handled



In addition, Umwelt Service GmbH again participated in the call for applications for several grants for zero-emission commercial vehicles and infrastructure (ENIN). In the 2024/25 fiscal year, several electric trucks and electric charging infrastructure to match were also purchased. Further PV systems were also built and commissioned.

During the reporting period, a new tender for residual and bulky waste disposal, was jointly initiated by the Upper Austrian District Waste Associations; a consortium of bidders, including Umwelt Service GmbH, again won the contract award. This will enable the company to continue to make an important contribution to security of disposal in Upper Austria.

In the Carinthia region, a contract for the outsourcing the waste management of a large industrial customer was also secured. Since the existing site in Fürnitz has already seen steady growth in sales over the past few years and the existing areas will no longer be sufficient to handle orders in the future, Umwelt Service GmbH has made a binding offer with a view to purchasing property. A final decision by the property owner is expected in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

Since 2021, the Federal Competition Authority (BWB) has been investigating several companies in the waste management sector in Austria for potential antitrust violations. This also affects Umwelt Service GmbH. Umwelt Service GmbH is treating the matter with the utmost seriousness and is cooperating fully with the BWB with the aim of clarifying the suspicions in full. Due to the potentially negative financial impact, a provision was recognised in the current reporting period. Given the complexity of the case, it remains unclear - pending the conclusion of the proceedings - whether any financial burdens will arise and, if so, in what amount.

The economic framework conditions at the Neumarkt location was still difficult due to the depression in the construction industry and the lower demand for substitute fuels this caused. Paper turnover has stabilised slightly compared to the same period last year. Paper reject volumes again achieved good levels. While lower prices in commercial and industrial waste disposal continued, glass sorting remained stable.

WDL-WasserdienstleistungsGmbH (WDL GmbH) experienced largely stable framework conditions for drinking water supply and waste water management in Austria during the reporting period. At WDL GmbH, the main focus was on maintaining the secure supply of drinking water and further developing the services offered.

## Czech Republic Segment

#### **Czech Republic Segment overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Total sales	EUR mill.	248.1	235.1	5.5%
EBIT	EUR mill.	13.7	11.4	20.2%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	13.9	11.7	18.8%
Workforce (on average)	FTE	1,775	1,753	1.3%
Invoiced drinking water volume	m <sup>3</sup> mill.	49.7	49.0	1.4%
Invoiced waste water volume	m <sup>3</sup> mill.	45.6	45.6	0.0%

## Framework conditions in the Czech Republic 1)

The Czech Republic recorded higher economic growth in the 2024/25 fiscal year than in previous years. In the second quarter of the 2025 calendar year, GDP increased by 2.6% compared to the same period in the previous year. Inflation declined marginally over the reporting period, and was at around 2.3% towards the end of the fiscal year. The unemployment rate was 4.5% towards the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, economic developments, the national political landscape and market conditions all remained broadly stable. Energy prices have stabilised at a solid level since the 2023/24 fiscal year. Electricity procurement for the Czech Republic segment is carried out on the basis of the purchasing strategy agreed with Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH.

The Czech koruna appreciated slightly against the euro over the period. The exchange rate ratio was EUR/CZK 24.91 at the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year (previous year: EUR/CZK 24.96).

# **Business development in the Czech Republic Segment**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Czech Republic Segment generated sales revenues of EUR 248.1 million. This is equivalent to an increase of 5.5% on the previous year (235.1 million). The main drivers of this development were price adjustments during the reporting period, increased sales revenues in the Drinking Water and Waste Water business unit and increased sales volumes in the heat sector.

The EBIT in the Czech Republic Segment amounted to EUR 13.7 million in the reporting period. This is equivalent to an increase of 20.2% (previous year: EUR 11.4 million), which is mainly attributable to an increase in sales volumes in the heating sector and higher earning contributions in the drinking water and waste water sector. Beyond this, not having the previous year's exposure due to flood damage had a positive impact on the operating result.

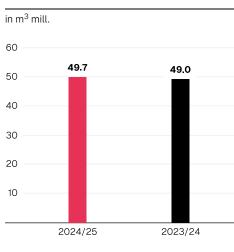
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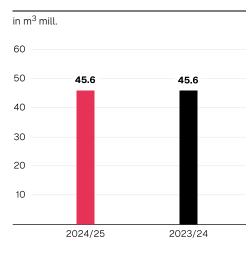
## Stable volume development in the Czech Republic

In the Czech Republic Segment, a total of 49.7 million m<sup>3</sup> of **drinking water** and 45.6 million m<sup>3</sup> of **waste water** were invoiced in the reporting period.

### Invoiced drinking water volume

#### Invoiced waste water volume





All major tenders for drinking water and operating contracts in the field of drinking water and waste water in the reporting period were won. The most significant contract extensions were in the cities Polička and Moravská Třebová. In addition, the concession contract with the VHS Kolín water authority, which comprises a total of 13 municipalities, was successfully concluded. This is the largest drinking water contract of Energie AG Kolín a.s.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the energy efficiency programs that started in the 2022/23 fiscal year were consistently pursued and further advanced. In Horní Planá, the tender for the management of the district heating supply was won for a five-year contract period, with heat of up to 3.2 GWh/a produced from green biomass.

A 300 kW biomass boiler was built in Dobříš, further advancing the gradual switch of the district heating supply from gas to renewable fuels. The new installation is expected to be operational by the end of the 2025 calendar year.

In addition, a pilot project for the expansion of the charging infrastructure of Czech subsidiaries was launched in cooperation with Vertrieb GmbH. In Kolín, an energy community has been launched to use electricity generated by company-owned PV systems at other sites. At RATE s.r.o., digital heat billing has been driven forward, with the implementation of digitalising an end-to-end process from smart meter measurement to invoicing already at 50.0%.

The **heat sales volume** in the Czech Republic amounted to 214 GWh in the reporting period; this is 14.4% above the previous year's figure (187 GWh) due to a slightly colder winter and new customer connections, in Horní Planá for example.

## Holding & Services Segment

#### **Holding & Services Segment overview**

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Total sales	EUR mill.	347.2	301.3	15.2%
EBIT	EUR mill.	5.9	9.8	-39.8%
Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	EUR mill.	15.6	17.3	-9.8%
Workforce (on average)	FTE	1,163	1,109	4.9%
Internet data volume transferred	TB	181,270	156,027	16.2%

## Business development in the Holding & Services Segment

The **Holding & Services Segment** saw sales revenues increase by EUR 45.9 million to EUR 347.2 million in the 2024/25 fiscal year. This increase is mainly attributable to the growing volume of orders at Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH.

At EUR 5.9 million, EBIT in the Holding & Services Segment was lower compared to the same period in the previous year. This development is primarily attributable to increased personnel costs and the real estate divestments occurring in the previous year. In addition, declining shares of earnings from investments consolidated at equity in the Holding & Services Segment had a negative impact on the operating result compared to the previous year. In contrast to this, higher order levels in the service entities and lower maintenance costs had a positive impact on the operating result.

### **Shared services**

The three Group-wide service companies

- Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH (Services und Digital Solutions GmbH)
- Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH (Personalmanagement GmbH) and
- Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH (Tech Services GmbH)

are combined in the Holding & Services Segment.

These service companies provide commercial and technical services for the entire Group in accordance with precisely defined quality and safety standards. These services are guided by external market conditions for similar products and services.

**Services und Digital Solutions GmbH** bundles services for the Energie AG Group in the areas of purchasing and logistics, real estate management, information technology, accounting, legal and insurance, telecommunications and customer services, invoicing, data management, receivables management and customer payment processing.

Group-wide digitalisation was consistently pursued throughout the reporting period. The introduction of a state-of-the-art, integrated employee experience platform was completed on schedule. In addition, the potential for automation and digitalisation of frequently executed processes and workflows was evaluated. A new customer service solution was also introduced, making customer contact more efficient. Al can now handle requests faster and more individually, thereby increasing customer satisfaction in a sustainable way. In IT service management, all IT resources have been fully integrated into a configuration management database and integrated into comprehensive monitoring along the entire process chain with a view to further enhancing transparency and operational security. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, customer processes were also continuously evaluated and developed on an on-going basis in the scope of the digitalisation strategy. Preparations were also made to address potential EIWG requirements, such as an increase in digitalisation in customer communications, process adaptations in monthly billing and accelerated reporting times for consumption data. The 'Information Lifecycle Management' project for data protection-compliant archiving and deletion of personal data in accordance with the provisions of the General Data Protection Regulation was successfully completed during the reporting period.

In the scope of constructing a future-oriented apprentice campus, the intent is a new-build or extension of the apprentice residences and to generally renovate of the existing training workshop at the Gmunden site. Starting in early September 2025, the overhead cable teaching campus, the substitute facilities for apprentice residences and the training workshop in Gmunden were handed over to the apprenticeship team. The general contract award process for the planned apprentice campus new build and general renovation of the training workshop has been successfully concluded.

Services und Digital Solutions GmbH is also assigned to the **telecommunication business area** due to synergy opportunities in IT. The volume of transported internet data in the 2024/25 fiscal year was 181,270 terabytes (TB), which is up by 16.2% on the previous year's figure of 156,027 TB. The increase further highlights the growing need for broader bandwidths across the market. As a result, steady, continuous growth in sales of standard products to external customers was recorded in the form of both new orders and upgrades. Data transmission reliability was maintained at an excellent level with a security of supply (= data connection availability) of 99.98% (previous year: 99.99%). The fibre-optic network is being continuously developed and optimised to ensure a consistently high level of supply security. As part of the strategic further development of telecommunications infrastructure, the construction of a disaster resilient network in the Upper Austrian region was implemented during the reporting period to ensure high availability and crisis-proof data communication, especially in the event of a large-scale power outage. In addition, an OTN (Optical Transport Network) connection to the internet node in Vienna was established.

The focus of **Personalmanagement GmbH**'s activities is both on matters related to personnel strategy and personnel policy for the Group, governed by the Holding division 'HR Strategy and Control', and on all agendas relating to personnel and management development, personnel support, personnel accounting and apprenticeship programs. In order to promote interest for technical professions among Energie AG employees' daughters, the 'GreenTechGirls' Action Days, with a focus on age-appropriate and multifaceted experiencing of renewable energies, were launched and initial events organised in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In addition to this, two female engineering students were selected for a scholarship. Due to positive experience from past fiscal years, a new HTL training program was also launched during the reporting period. In order to prepare all employees at the Group for digitalisation in the best possible way, a 'digital fitness quiz' was carried out in which all employees with IT access were given an individual evaluation of their digital skills. Building on this, a broad choice of digital training offerings has enabled employees to take part in targeted on-going training. In two major IT sub-projects, the human resources processes were merged on a cloud-based platform, promoting digitalisation in human resources. The continuation of numerous Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) initiatives, as well as the newly created Equal Opportunities Network, helped Energie AG to secure the 'equalitA Award' and the 'equalitA seal of approval' for promoting of women within the enterprise.

As the provider of technical services at Energie AG, **Tech Services GmbH** continues to be the central owner of know-how in the Group. The service portfolio includes the design, project planning, construction and maintenance of electricity, gas and telecommunications infrastructures, and power plants. The specific focus is on installations in the hydroelectric power, heat, PV, biogas and wind power sectors. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the focus was particularly on resource usage (circular economy), increased efficiency, adapting capacities in system and network construction, diversification and digitalisation. Significant progress has been made in the standardisation of processes, the introduction of new digital tools and other topics.

The Ebensee pumped-storage power plant developed into a flagship project in the year under review. In addition to project management, Tech Services GmbH also handled the coordination of additional technical units and ensured significant progress in the construction work. It is also important to highlight the start of construction work on the replacement for the Traunfall power plant, where Tech Services GmbH was also entrusted with project management.

Challenges arose in the 2024/25 fiscal year, in particular due to lengthy administrative approval procedures, volatile order books due to economic developments in the served electricity grid areas, the availability of skilled staff and weather-related incidents. Thanks to the decentralised structure and the consistent development of project and resource planning, these burdens were successfully cushioned.

Due to the continued expansion of grid and generation infrastructure and age-related fluctuation, a significantly higher need for recruitment is expected in the coming years. In order to ensure efficiency, quality and innovative power, Tech Services GmbH relies on targeted actions for the recruitment, retention and development of employees, all of this supported by digitalisation and continuous evaluation.

## Strategic investments

The companies Wels Strom GmbH, Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation (Salzburg AG) and BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH (BBOÖ GmbH), consolidated at equity, and other shareholdings, complement the business portfolio of Energie AG.

**Wels Strom GmbH**, in which Energie AG holds a 49% interest, is the integrated electricity supply company of the city of Wels. Other business areas include services relating to electromobility and energy systems for key account customers.

In the 2024 fiscal year (1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024), rapid and optimised electricity management, while reassessing the risks of volume deviations in collaboration with industrial and commercial customers, presented a business challenge. Moreover, the highly volatile water levels during the year posed an economic risk.

In the 2024 fiscal year, proprietary electricity generation decreased by 2.8% year-on-year to around 96 GWh. Similarly, the production volume varied widely in the individual months. All told, the self-generation ratio in the 2024 fiscal year was 13.7% of electricity sales to customers of Wels Strom GmbH (previous year: 15.0%).

The electricity volume delivered to its customers by Wels Strom GmbH increased year-on-year from 661 GWh to 703 GWh. This growth is attributable to an increase in new customers, volume growth with existing business customers and growth in the 'Voltino' and tariff customer segments.

The completion of the 'Future Initiative' project concluded the reorganisation of Wels Strom GmbH. The workforce grew from 31 to 33 on an annual basis. Parallel to this, Wels Strom GmbH is undergoing fundamental further development in the scope of a strategy process.

**Salzburg AG**, in which Energie AG has a 26.13% stakeholding, implemented the reformulated strategy in the 2024 fiscal year. Building on the six ambitions, 'Champion', 'Decarboniser', 'Innovator', 'Team player', 'Customer Hero' and 'Value Winner', at the heart of the strategic orientation, appropriate implementation actions were derived. For example, the 'Decarboniser' ambition seeks to increase the share of electricity generated from renewable sources to 2 TWh per year by 2040, and also to anchor climate-neutrality and sustainability for activities and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from all activities by 50.0% as early as 2030. Adjustments to the corporate structure have been made to allow for the targeted implementation of the strategy.

The Salzburg AG Group's total electricity use decreased to 11,915 GWh in the 2024 fiscal year (previous year: 12,089 GWh). Sales to end users fell to 3,648 GWh (previous year: 3,730 GWh). The trading volume, which includes marketing Group production and external volumes, plus trading for third parties, fell from 8,177 GWh in the same period of the previous year to 8,049 GWh in the 2024 fiscal year.

Electricity generated by hydropower plants, including the Danube holdings, increased by 9.8% year-on-year in the 2024 fiscal year totalling 1,555 GWh (previous year: 1,416 GWh).

In the 2024 fiscal year, the construction of the Stegenwald power plant, a joint project with Verbund AG, was pushed forward. Planning work for the Golling power plant - also a joint project with Verbund AG - is also in progress. Documents for the EIA will be submitted in autumn 2025. In the 2024 fiscal year, construction work at the Sulzau hydropower plant continued under the auspices of 72.5% subsidiary KW Sulzau GmbH.

Electricity generated from thermal production was about 4.6% lower than the previous year's figure at 255.3 GWh. Generation by PV systems was 7.9 GWh, 2.4% higher than the previous year's value. In the 2024 fiscal year, 'Sonnen.Park Eugendorf' was successfully opened. It is Salzburg's largest agricultural open-air PV facility covering 60,000 m². Some 2.6 GWh of solar power are generated annually. Salzburg AG also deals with wind power projects. Preparations for the wind power project in Windsfeld im Pongau and Lehmberg im Flachgau are the most advanced.

Overall sales of natural gas also decreased in the 2024 fiscal year. Including in-house use for on-site heating plants, electricity sales totalled 11,721 GWh in the 2024 fiscal year, which is 22.6% below the previous year's figure of 15,138 GWh. This decrease is mainly attributable to the energy trading sector. Trading figures were 8,746 GWh (previous year: 12,150 GWh). Sales to end users totalled 2,072 GWh (previous year: 2,023 GWh). Total in-Group use also decreased by 6.4%.

The Smart Metering project was concluded in the 2024 fiscal year. At the end of 2024, the rollout rate was 99.7%, exceeding the legal requirement of 95.0%.

At 874 GWh, total district heating sales was 0.4% below the previous year's level. Work is pushing forward on further decarbonisation of the district heating supply, in particular through the use of industrial waste heat.

The telecommunications business unit has seen constant growth for years; this is also the case in the 2024 fiscal year. It again proved possible to grow the customer base, especially in internet services.

The fiscal year 2024 of the Transport business unit was marked by restructuring following the transfer to the new entity, Salzburg Linien Verkehrsbetriebe GmbH, in 2023. This process is continuing and will include further strategy development. The strategy development process is taking place in close coordination with the transport advisory board and will be comprehensively supported by experts from the 'Corporate Strategy' department of Salzburg AG. Additionally, external consultants were tasked with carrying out a study on the future drivetrain technologies. The results will be integrated into the strategy process.

Additions to non-current assets totalled EUR 290.2 million (previous year: EUR 285.3 million). Of the total additions, EUR 268.4 million were for property, plant and equipment. This includes investments in generation plants in the amount of EUR 33.4 million. A total of EUR 98.5 million was invested in property, plant and equipment for the electricity grid; the corresponding figure in the telecommunications business unit was EUR 30.9 million for property, plant and equipment. EUR 32.6 million were invested in property, plant and equipment with regard to transport. The remainder is attributable to investments in other business units and financial assets.

**BBOÖ GmbH** is a company founded in 2022 by the Province of Upper Austria and Energie AG Oberösterreich; a 50% share is indirectly owned by the Province of Upper Austria via OÖ Landesholding GmbH, while Energie AG Oberösterreich holds a further 50%.

The entity's aim is the rapid expansion of the fibre optic infrastructure in the Province of Upper Austria and providing access to the fastest transmission bandwidths at equal and fair conditions. The intent is to set up a non-discriminatory fibre-to-the-home (FTTH) network independently of internet service providers in accordance with uniform standards as notified by the European Commission.

The task of BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH includes planning and implementing the FTTH fibre optic infrastructure and operations on this network. It acts independently of the individual interests of the providers, in the interest of the general public and in the sense of a nationwide supply mandate. The aim is to implement an Upper Austria model which will make the fibre optic infrastructure accessible to as many different internet service providers as possible.

In the 2024 fiscal year, the company was able to (partly) commission further networks, giving end users in more than 300 communities the opportunity to access broadband services offered by various internet service providers. BBOÖ GmbH actively manages network operations in the majority of these areas.

### Outlook

According to the latest forecasts from economic research institutes, **economic activity** will continue to develop in a positive way in the 2025/26 fiscal year. The recovery in external trade in goods is expected to start in the 2026 calendar year, while the positive trend in residential building investment, already increasing in fiscal year 2024/25, will continue. Domestic economic research institutes IHS and WIFO expect GDP growth in Austria to be between +0.9% and +1.1% in the 2026 calendar year, while the IMF is somewhat more pessimistic, forecasting a figure of +0.8%. Inflation is expected to decline to 2.4%. For the Czech Republic, economic growth is expected to be +2.0% in the 2026 calendar year; this is higher than the growth forecast of +1.0% for the euro zone.

In the first quarter of the 2026 calendar year, an **energy policy** Communication from the European Commission on electrification is expected; this is aimed at switching a greater share of energy consumption from fossil energy sources to electricity. The aim is to contribute to the EU's decarbonisation targets, strengthen system efficiency and make the benefits of renewable energy accessible to consumers. The action plan is part of the 'Clean Industrial Deal' and the Action Plan for Affordable Energy. The ElWG has been in the political coordination process since October 2025 and includes numerous amendments for evaluation. A decision may be reached by the National Council in December 2025. The EABG evaluation was finalised on 21 October 2025. Following the incorporation of the opinions and the decisions reached by the Council of Ministers and the National Council, publication in the Federal Gazette is expected in the first six months of the 2026 calendar year.

For the fiscal year 2025/26, the assumption is that **electricity prices** will be at levels similar to those of the year under review. Key input parameters are expected to show a slight decline in gas prices and rising prices for  $CO_2$  emissions allowances. The assumption is that volatility of the electricity market will be reinforced. This means both an expected increase in the periods of time with negative prices and more isolated times with very high prices. In addition to developments in the pertinent crisis regions, the political discussions on the objectives of the energy transition will also influence energy markets. Economic developments and the associated demand remain the key factors influencing the process.

In the **Generation unit**, the construction of the Ebensee pumped storage power plant and the Traunfall power plant will remain the focus in the 2025/26 fiscal year. The wind power and PV expansion drives will also continue. For example, Windpark Trautmannsdorf Nord is to be expanded to include a 4.2 MW installation; submission for approval is planned. Numerous PV projects are currently under construction or in various stages of approval and are successively entering the construction and commissioning phase. Beyond this, the focus is increasingly shifting to innovative hydrogen projects. The intent of entering strategic partnerships is to contribute towards Energie AG taking an active position in the hydrogen market.

**Vertrieb GmbH** also anticipates major market changes in the wake of the new ElWG, as the aim is to modernise the electricity market and create new market roles in order to promote the integration of renewable energies and innovative energy technologies. This will also make it easier for end users to switch suppliers while boosting consumer protection and price transparency. The sales focus of the coming fiscal year will be, among other things, the development of new sustainable products, promoting the use of heat pumps combined with a gradual withdrawal from gas, and the expansion of electromobility. These actions will be instrumental in achieving the Group-wide decarbonisation targets.

The regulatory environment for the **Grid Segment** for the 2025/26 fiscal year can continue to be assessed as positive. For the electricity grids, there will be a focus on investments in grid expansion, digitalisation and flexible tariffs to absorb the growing share of renewable energy and new consumption patterns. At the same time, incentive regulation remains in place, requiring efficiency gains despite the associated rise in costs. In the gas sector, the pressure to resize grids is intensifying due to the decline in the number of customers, while preparations for hydrogen and renewable gases are becoming increasingly significant and intensive work is being done to establish framework conditions for the feasibility and funding of an initial hydrogen grid. The challenges in the context of connecting decentralised generation plants, battery storage facilities, industry decarbonisation and the high demand for electromobility with the charging points required for this are huge; this means that investment funding will remain at very high levels for the next few years, although there will also be a focus on human resources and the sufficient availability of materials and operating resources. Three laws are expected to enter into force in the coming fiscal year, with special significance for the Grid Segment: the ElWG, EABG and GWG amendments.

In the **Environment Segment**, the tense situation in Austrian industrial and commercial enterprises is expected to lead to increasingly difficult framework conditions in the coming fiscal year, although a very good uptake is expected in terms of a continuation of the current good utilisation rates for waste incineration plants. The future development of paper, metals and waste wood as recycling materials is difficult to forecast, although a declining trend in the pricing of recovered paper/cardboard and scrap metals is anticipated. Umwelt Service GmbH will continue to invest in sustainable projects in the 2025/26 fiscal year, such as the installation of PV systems, and in the procurement of heavy goods vehicles with electric drivetrains and charging infrastructure.

The 2025/26 fiscal year in the **Czech Republic Segment** will see the implementation of decarbonisation and energy efficiency projects in heat and drinking water supply and waste water management business units consistently push forward. Sustainability matters are becoming increasingly significant with greater integration into project development and implementation. Services from the entire water and heating spectrum (e.g., on-site construction work, laboratory work, leak detection) will continue to be offered to towns and communities. Beyond this, the extension of important operating contracts in the water supply field will remain a key challenge in the coming fiscal year.

In the 2025/26 fiscal year, **Energie AG** will continue to focus on ensuring security of supply and waste management for its customers and on strengthening the financial stability of the Group. The coming fiscal year will be characterised by many strategic projects and actions; they will be instrumental in actively shaping a sustainable energy future. Particular attention will be paid to the consistent expansion of renewable energies, progressive decarbonisation and the on-going development of a resource-efficient circular economy. In addition, there will be a clear focus on the digital transformation of the Group and on bringing all services into line with customers needs.

In the light of the projected economic development, geopolitical tensions and market economy uncertainties, Energie AG expects solid earnings below the previous years' levels in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

Linz, 2 December 2025

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich

**Dr. Leonhard Schitter, M.A.** CEO

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# **Consolidated Financial Statements 2024/25** of Energie AG Oberösterreich

# Consolidated Statement of Income 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025

			<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
1.	Sales revenues	(6)	2,842,014.2	3,159,676.6
	Procurement costs for proprietary electricity trading	(6)	-27,773.4	-57,632.4
	Net sales revenues	(6)	2,814,240.8	3,102,044.2
2.	Change in inventories of finished goods and work in progress		131.4	-199.5
3.	Other capitalised corporate services	(16)	59,908.1	48,877.8
4.	Share in result of companies consolidated at equity	(3.1; 17)	32,237.2	43,839.6
5.	Other operating income			
	Reversals of impairment	(16.2)	3,161.4	515.4
	Other	(8)	17,318.2	21,878.4
			20,479.6	22,393.8
6.	Measurement of energy derivatives	(24.11)	53,939.9	223,560.2
7.	Expenses for material and other purchased services	(9)	-1,764,969.6	-2,204,865.2
8.	Personnel expenses	(10)	-431,482.7	-388,339.7
9.	Depreciation, amortisation, and impairments (thereof impairments EUR -835.2 thousand (previous year: EUR -21,363.2 thousand))	(11; 16)	-181,424.9	-193,249.1
10.	Other operating expenses	(12)	-305,053.8	-255,820.3
11.	Operating result		298,006.0	398,241.8
12.	Financing expenses	(13)	-19,764.9	-28,242.4
13.	Other interest income	(13)	11,509.3	16,450.7
14.	Other financial result	(14)	9,473.0	13,695.3
15.	Financial result		1,217.4	1,903.6
16.	Earnings before taxes		299,223.4	400,145.4
17.	Income taxes	(15)	-63,452.7	-83,645.5
18.	Consolidated net earnings		235,770.7	316,499.8
	Thereof attributable to non-controlling interests		1,206.9	654.1
	Thereof attributable to investors in the parent company			
	Consolidated net profit		234,563.8	315,845.7

# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025

			<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
1.	Consolidated net earnings		235,770.7	316,499.8
2.	Other comprehensive income			
	Items that will not be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:			
	Remeasurement of the defined benefit obligation	(25)	10,268.8	-15,671.3
	Changes in value of at-equity companies recognised in equity		16.1	-9.2
	Changes in value of investments and securities FVOCI	(23)	-25,933.5	17,489.4
	Deferred taxes	(15)	3,598.1	-416.8
	Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:			
	Hedge accounting	(23; 24)	29,777.7	60,082.8
	Changes in value of at-equity companies recognised in equity		-115.1	-328.1
	Currency translation differences	(5.19)	3,923.3	-3,119.3
	Deferred taxes	(15)	-6,848.8	-13,817.5
	Total expenses and revenues recognised in other comprehensive income		14,686.6	44,210.0
3.	Total comprehensive income after taxes		250,457.3	360,709.8
4.	Thereof attributable to non-controlling interests		1,640.9	365.5
5.	Thereof attributable to parent company		248,816.4	360,344.3

# Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of 30 September 2025

			<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
A.	Non-current assets			
	I. Intangible assets and goodwill	(16)	244,807.3	233,330.6
	II. Property, plant and equipment	(16)	2,377,533.7	2,136,171.7
	III. Investments (thereof at-equity companies: EUR 340,463.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 327,263.3 thousand))	(17)	410,595.5	424,427.7
	IV. Other financial assets	(18)	55,525.4	52,606.0
	14. Other financial access	(10)	3,088,461.9	2,846,536.0
	V. Derivative financial instruments	(24.5)	20,119.7	25,911.3
	VI. Other non-current assets	(19)	9,512.8	8,273.7
	VII. Deferred tax assets	(15)	6,581.3	7,966.1
		(,	3,124,675.7	2,888,687.1
B.	Current assets			_,000,00111
	I. Inventories	(20)	82,315.9	96,053.2
	II. Derivative financial instruments	(24.5)	13,693.9	29,951.3
	III. Receivables and other assets	(21)	389,100.3	449,324.2
	IV. Fixed term deposits and short-term investments	(5.10)	40,408.8	145,064.1
	V. Cash and cash equivalents	(22)	131,417.8	308,535.7
	v. Guarrana autri oquivalente	(22)	656,936.7	1,028,928.5
			3,781,612.4	3,917,615.6
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			<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
A.	Equity			
	I. Share capital	(23)	88,648.9	88,650.1
	II. Capital reserves	(23)	216,709.2	216,687.5
	III. Retained earnings	(23)	1,736,705.8	1,568,633.1
	IV. Other reserves	(23)	42,347.0	28,115.2
	V. Non-controlling interests	(23)	14,296.7	12,769.6
			2,098,707.6	1,914,855.5
B.	Non-current liabilities			
	I. Financial liabilities	(24.5)	395,212.7	296,931.0
	II. Non-current provisions	(25)	218,931.7	235,689.4
	III. Deferred tax liabilities	(15)	102,253.2	84,307.8
	IV. Construction cost subsidies	(26)	353,791.0	355,115.3
	V. Derivative financial instruments	(24.5)	4,510.4	35,638.8
	VI. Other non-current liabilities	(27)	46,188.6	44,767.5
			1,120,887.6	1,052,449.8
C.	Current liabilities			
	I. Financial liabilities	(24.5)	6,356.4	313,694.0
	II. Current provisions	(28)	49,438.4	90,120.5
	III. Tax provisions	(29)	137.9	25.6
	IV. Trade payables	(24.5)	234,906.0	184,248.3
	V. Derivative financial instruments	(24.5)	18,296.8	89,552.6
	VI. Other current liabilities	(30)	252,881.7	272,669.3
			562,017.2	950,310.3
			3,781,612.4	3,917,615.6

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

				Other reserves		
	Share capital EUR 1,000	Capital reserves EUR 1,000	Retained earnings EUR 1,000	Reserves under IAS 19 EUR 1,000	Reserves under IFRS 9 EUR 1,000	
Balance as of 30.09.2024	88,650.1	216,687.5	1,568,633.1	-71,642.1	62,451.5	
Items that will not be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:		`				
Remeasurement of defined contribution plans	_		_	10,422.4		
Changes in value of associated at- equity companies recognised in equity		_	_	16.1	_	
Changes in value of investments and securities FVOCI			_		-25,933.5	
Deferred taxes				-2,397.9	5,960.2	
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:						
Hedge accounting	_	_	_	_	29,777.7	
Hedge accounting at-equity companies	_		_	_	-115.1	
Currency translation differences	_	_		_	_	
Deferred taxes	_	_	-		-6,848.8	
Other comprehensive income		_	_	8,040.6	2,840.5	
Consolidated net earnings		_	234,564.1			
Total income for the period		_	234,564.1	8,040.6	2,840.5	
Dividend distribution		_	-66,486.7	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Treasury stocks		20.5	-20.5	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>	
Other	-1.2	1.2	15.8			
Transactions with shareholders	-1.2	21.7	-66,491.4	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Balance as of 30.09.2025	88,648.9	216,709.2	1,736,705.8	-63,601.5	65,292.0	

	Other reser	ves	Equity of				
reserve	Treasury stocks	Currency translation differences EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000	investors in parent company EUR 1,000	Non- controlling interests EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000	
37,631.0	-9,393.7	9,068.4	28,115.2	1,902,085.9	12,769.6	1,914,855.5	
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		<u> </u>	10,422.4	10,422.4	-153.0	10,208.8	
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		<u>-</u>			25.0		(23)
			3,502.3	3,502.3	35.8	3,598.1	
			29,777.7	29,777.7		29,777.7	(23)
			445.4				
							(5.40)
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			-20.5		510.3		(23)
	-20.5		-20.5				
<del>_</del>	-20.5	<u> </u>	-20.3	-00,431.4	-113.0	-00,005.2	
37,631.0	-9,414.2	12,439.6	42,347.0	2,084,410.9	14,296.7	2,098,707.6	
	reserve EUR 1,000 37,631.0	Revaluation reserve EUR 1,000 EUR 1,000 37,631.0 -9,393.7	Treasury stocks   EUR 1,000   SUR 1,000	Revaluation reserve   Treasury stocks   EUR 1,000   EUR 1,000	Currency translation reserve   EUR 1,000   EUR 1,000	Revaluation reserve   Treasury stocks   EUR 1,000   EUR 1,000	Revaluation reserve   Treasury stocks   EUR 1,000   EUR 1,000

				Other reserves		
	Share capital EUR 1,000	Capital reserves EUR 1,000	Retained earnings EUR 1,000	Reserves under IAS 19 EUR 1,000	Reserves under IFRS 9 EUR 1,000	
Balance as of 30.09.2023	88,651.8	216,655.5	1,306,064.1	-59,401.6	3,047.4	
Items that will not be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:					_	
Remeasurement of defined contribution plans			_	-15,886.3	_	
Changes in value of associated at- equity companies recognised in equity	_	_	_	-9.2	_	
Changes in value of investments and securities FVOCI			_		17,489.4	
Deferred taxes				3,655.0	-4,022.5	
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the statement of income:						
Hedge accounting	_	_	_	_	60,082.8	
Hedge accounting at-equity companies	_	_	_	_	-328.1	
Currency translation differences	_	-	-	_		
Deferred taxes	=		=	_	-13,817.5	
Other comprehensive income			_	-12,240.5	59,404.1	
Consolidated net earnings	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	315,845.7			
Total income for the period		<u> </u>	315,845.7	-12,240.5	59,404.1	
Dividend distribution			-53,190.1			
Treasury stocks	<u> </u>	30.4	-30.4	<u> </u>		
Other	-1.7	1.6	-56.2	<u>-</u>		
Transactions with shareholders	-1.7	32.0	-53,276.7	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>	
Balance as of 30.09.2024	88,650.1	216,687.5	1,568,633.1	-71,642.1	62,451.5	

	Other reser	ves	Equity of				
Revaluation reserve EUR 1,000	Treasury stocks	Currency translation differences EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000	investors in parent company EUR 1,000	Non- controlling interests EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000	
37,631.0	-9,363.3	11,733.4	-16,353.0	1,595,018.4	15,647.9	1,610,666.3	
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 		<del>_</del>	-15,886.3	-15,886.3	215.0	-15,671.3	
_	-	_	-9.2	-9.2	-	-9.2	
 			17,489.4	17,489.4		17,489.4	(23)
 _			-367.5	-367.5	-49.3	-416.8	
	·						
_		_	60,082.8	60,082.8	_	60,082.8	(23)
 _			-328.1	-328.1		-328.1	
 	<u> </u>	-2,665.0	-2,665.0	-2,665.0	-454.3	-3,119.3	(5.19)
 _	<u> </u>		-13,817.5	-13,817.5		-13,817.5	
_		-2,665.0	44,498.6	44,498.6	-288.6	44,210.0	
 _	_	_	_	315,845.7	654.1	316,499.8	
 -	_	-2,665.0	44,498.6	360,344.3	365.5	360,709.8	
 _			_	-53,190.1	-519.6	-53,709.7	(32)
_	-30.4	_	-30.4	-30.4	_	-30.4	(23)
		_	_	-56.3	-2,724.2	-2,780.5	·
 _	-30.4	_	-30.4	-53,276.8	-3,243.8	-56,520.6	
				·			
 37,631.0	-9,393.7	9,068.4	28,115.2	1,902,085.9	12,769.6	1,914,855.5	
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# Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000	
Earnings before taxes	299,223.4	400,145.4	
Tax payments	-85,195.9	-31,434.9	(15)
Earnings after income taxes	214,027.5	368,710.5	
Depreciation, amortisation and impairments/impairment reversals of non-current assets	177,457.4	189,500.1	(16)
Change in non-current provisions	-6,637.3	-3,447.1	
Change in other non-current assets	-1,239.1	-215.3	
Change in other non-current liabilities and advances received	-335.8	-1,613.7	
Retained earnings of equity companies	-11,674.5	-32,774.1	
Construction cost subsidies received	30,921.7	43,113.7	(26)
Income from the reversal of construction cost subsidies	-32,246.0	-31,792.4	(26)
Losses from the disposal of assets	2,606.4	2,210.8	
Gains from the disposal of assets	-2,102.2	-7,085.2	
Other non-cash expenses and income	-998.5	-2,258.5	
	369,779.6	524,348.8	
Change in current assets	87,265.1	90,526.8	
Payments from hedging transactions	17,435.1	-133,116.6	(24.1.)
Non-cash items from derivatives	-65,471.7	-114,551.7	(24.1.)
Initial margins for derivatives	1,199.6	48,900.9	(24.1.)
Change in current liabilities	18,673.1	-145,464.4	
Change in current provisions	-40,682.1	51,031.7	
Cash flow from operating activities	388,198.7	321,675.5	
Inflow from the disposal of property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets	4,651.9	9,612.7	
Outflow for additions to property, plant, equipment and intangible assets	-375,039.4	-286,249.7	(16)
Inflow from the disposal of financial assets	298,889.9	255,851.3	
Outflow for additions to financial assets and other financial investments	-210,127.2	-144,488.4	
Cash flow from investing activities	-281,624.8	-165,274.1	
Dividend distribution	-67,110.8	-53,709.7	(32)
Acquisition of own shares and non-controlling interests	93.4	-2,805.4	
Repayment of bond 2005-2025	-300,000.0	_	
European Investment Bank 2025-2035	100,000.0	_	
Other changes in financial liabilities	-16,987.0	-21,928.6	(24.10)
Cash flow from financing activities	-284,004.4	-78,443.7	
Total cash flow	-177,430.5	77,957.7	
Cash funds at beginning of period	308,535.7	230,669.4	(22)
Cash flow	-177,430.5	77,957.7	
Exchange rate effects	312.6	-91.4	
Cash funds at end of period	131,417.8	308,535.7	(22)
The cash flow from operating activities includes:			
Interest received	11,092.4	16,095.3	
Interest paid	11,547.9	18,787.5	
Dividends received	27,759.8	19,400.4	(17)

# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements 2024/25 of Energie AG Oberösterreich

### **General notes**

#### 1. General disclosures

The Energie AG Oberösterreich Group is a modern and competitive energy and service provider in the Energy, Grid, Environment, Czech Republic and Holding & Services Segments.

The parent company of the Group is Energie AG Oberösterreich (Company Register No. 76532y) with registered office at Böhmerwaldstraße 3 in Linz, Austria.

The consolidated financial statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich for the 2024/25 fiscal year were prepared in accordance with the IFRS Accounting Standards in force at the reporting date, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and the interpretations of the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC), as adopted by the European Union. The fiscal year runs from 1 October to 30 September.

The present Consolidated Financial Statements according to the IFRS release the company from its obligation under § 245 a of the Austrian Commercial Code to prepare consolidated annual financial statements in keeping with the Austrian Commercial Code. Whenever the Austrian Commercial Code so requires, additional disclosures are made in the respective notes.

The figures in the Consolidated Financial Statements are reported thousands of euros (EUR 1,000). The use of automated calculation systems may give rise to rounding differences when adding up rounded figures and percentages.

### 2. Change in accounting methods

# 2.1 Standards and interpretations applied or amended and adopted by the EU for the first time

Newly applicable amended standards adopted by the EU that take effect <sup>1)</sup> on 1 January 2024 or later:

- IAS 1 (Amendments: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current, Deferral of Effective Date)
- IFRS 16 (Amendments: Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback)
- IAS 1 (Amendments: Non-current Liabilities with Covenants)
- IAS 7, IFRS 7 (Amendments: IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows and IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures: Supplier Finance Arrangements)

The amended standards do not have a material impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

<sup>1</sup> The standards are to be applied in accordance with the Official Journal of the EU for fiscal years commencing on or after the effective date.

# 2.2 Standards and interpretations that have not been applied early

In the 2024/25 consolidated financial statements, the following amendments adopted by the EU were not applied early:

Entry into force in the EU on 1 January 2025 or later:

- IAS 21 (Amendments: The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates: Lack of Exchangeability)
- IFRS 9/IFRS 7 (Amendments: Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments)
- IFRS 9/IFRS 7 (Amendments: Contracts Referencing Nature-dependent Electricity)
- Annual Improvements Volume 11 (Amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 7, IFRS 9, IFRS 10, IAS 7)

The following standards and interpretations, amendments and improvements of standards enter into force on 1 January 2027 or a later date, although they have not yet been adopted by the European Union at this time:

- IFRS 18 (Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements)
- IFRS 19 (Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures)
- IFRS 19 (Amendments: Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures)

These standards are expected to be applied on the effective date promulgated by the FII

The following standard came into force on 1 January 2016, but was not adopted by the EU:

IFRS 14 (Regulatory Deferral Accounts)

Application of the following standard was postponed indefinitely:

 IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (Amendments: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture)

The first-time application of these standards is not expected to result in any significant implications for the Consolidated Financial Statements.

## 3. Scope of consolidation

### 3.1 Principles

#### **Subsidiaries**

All material entities that are directly or indirectly controlled by Energie AG Oberösterreich (subsidiaries) are fully consolidated according to IFRS 10 and included in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Control exists when the investor is exposed or has rights to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to use its power over the investee to influence the amount of the investor's returns. In all cases, the control results from the equity instruments that are held (participating interests in the company and shares).

#### Joint arrangements

IFRS 11 outlines accounting by entities that jointly control an arrangement. Joint control involves the contractually agreed sharing of control. If the controlling parties have rights to the net assets of the arrangement (joint venture), the equity method is used for financial reporting. If the controlling parties have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to the agreement (joint operations), the assets and liabilities, as well as the income and expenses, are recognised using proportionate consolidation.

#### **Joint operations**

Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft produces electricity with hydropower plants. Gasund Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH supplies electricity from the operation of a combined cycle gas-turbine power plant.

The Group holds a strategic interest of 50% in both Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft and Gas- und Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH. The entities are not controlled by any party.

Under the existing electricity supply contracts, the investors purchase the electric energy produced by the Group companies, where the internal price is calculated on a pro-rata basis of the production costs, plus a corresponding profit margin. Due to the electricity supply contracts, the parties have rights to the assets. As the arrangements' liabilities can only be settled with these cash flows, the parties have obligations for the liabilities relating to the joint arrangement. Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft and Gasund Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH are therefore classified as joint operations according to IFRS 11.

The share of the assets and liabilities, as well as the revenues and expenses are reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements. The average share of the electricity supply (38%) is used to determine the share for the pro rata recognition of Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft. The share of the electricity procured from Gas- und Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH, amounting to 70%, is used for the consolidation of the company.

#### Joint ventures

Due to special agreements under company law, no control exists for 'Papyrus' Altpapierservice Handelsgesellschaft m.b.H. (Salzburg), Papyrus Wertstoff Service GmbH (Bad Reichenhall, Germany) or for Fernwärme Steyr GmbH, despite holding a majority of the voting rights. These entities are controlled jointly with other investors and are therefore accounted for using the equity method.

#### Associated companies

Companies in which Energie AG Oberösterreich exercises a significant influence (associated companies) are consolidated using the equity method. Significant influence exists due to holdings of the entity's share capital. Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation is an infrastructure provider for energy, transport and telecommunication. Wels Strom GmbH is an energy utility and service company.

The changes in the scope of consolidation are as follows:

	Full consolidation	Proportionate consolidation	Equity consolidation	
30.09.2024	46	2	13	
First-time inclusion	3		1	
30.09.2025	49	2	14	

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, a 70% interest in da emobil GmbH (Energy Segment, Austria, 70% interest) was acquired and included in the consolidated financial statements for the first time on a fully consolidated basis. The company's main purpose is to expand the charging network for e-mobility. Goodwill results from future profit opportunities. The company generated sales revenue of EUR 20.4 million and EBIT of EUR 0.6 million in the current fiscal year. Its first-time inclusion in the consolidated financial statements presents the following picture:

	EUR mill.
Property, plant and equipment assets	2.4
Inventories	3.2
Receivables	7.2
Cash and cash equivalents	0.1
Non-current liabilities	-2.0
Current liabilities	-9.5
Equity	1.4
Proportionate equity	1.0
Goodwill	11.5
	12.5

ARBA 1 s.r.l. (Energy Segment, Italy, 100%) was also acquired and included in the consolidated financial statements for the first time. The company is involved in electricity generation using PV systems. The implications for the first-time inclusion in the Consolidated Financial Statements are insignificant.

On 16 December 2024, EP Energie Plus GmbH (Energy Segment, Austria, 100%) was established. The operational unit 'sigi Strom und Gas' of Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH was subsequently spun off to EP Energie Plus GmbH.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Kobernaußerwald FlexCo wind farm was established to generate electricity from wind turbines (Energy Segment, Austria, 45% share). The joint venture is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements using the equity method. The implications for the first-time inclusion in the Consolidated Financial Statements are insignificant.

#### **Joint ventures**

The Statement of Financial Position and the Statement of Income of the joint ventures (100%) presents as follows:

#### BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH, Breitband Oberösterreich

	Infrastruktur GmbH		Windpower EP GmbH		Other joint ventures		
	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	
Non-current assets	274.3	250.7	18.4	21.0	63.4	56.6	
Current assets	23.0	35.0	4.2	7.7	28.7	34.4	
	297.3	285.7	22.6	28.7	92.1	91.0	
Equity	58.4	69.1	8.6	7.5	48.0	42.9	
Non-current liabilities	220.9	199.1	12.9	19.1	34.7	33.7	
Current liabilities	18.0	17.5	1.1	2.1	9.4	14.4	
	297.3	285.7	22.6	28.7	92.1	91.0	
Cash and cash equivalents	4.5	5.7	2.4	6.8	7.5	15.2	
Non-current financial liabilities	91.4	73.1	12.6	18.9	20.4	24.2	
Current financial liabilities	_		0.2	0.4	2.2	2.2	

#### BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH, Breitband Oberösterreich

	Infrastruktur GmbH		Windpower EP GmbH		Other joint ventures	
	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.
Sales revenues	16.8	15.2	5.7	9.9	67.5	64.4
Depreciation, amortisation, and impairments	-15.7	-13.9	-2.9	-2.9	-4.6	-4.4
Interest income	_	_	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.8
Interest expense	-3.0	-3.1	-0.5	-1.0	-1.0	-1.3
Taxes	0.5	0.1	-	-2.1	-0.9	-1.1
Earnings after taxes	-6.4	-4.5	1.3	5.2	6.5	4.5
Share in net assets as of 01.10.	35.1	35.8	3.7	3.2	19.9	17.9
Profit for the period	-5.4	-0.7	0.6	2.2	1.6	2.3
Dividends	_	_	_	-1.7	-0.6	-0.3
Share in net assets as of 30.09.	29.7	35.1	4.3	3.7	20.9	19.9
Goodwill	0.2	0.2	_		0.6	0.7
Carrying amount as of 30.09.	29.9	35.3	4.3	3.7	21.5	20.6

#### **Associated companies**

The Statement of Financial Position and the Statement of Income of the associated companies (100%) presents as follows:

#### Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und

	Telekommunikation		Wels Strom GmbH		Other associated companies	
	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09. 2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	30.09.2024 EUR mill.
Non-current assets	1,911.5	1,799.5	91.8	91.9	10.6	6.7
Current assets	451.4	609.0	25.2	30.5	11.4	9.4
	2,362.9	2,408.5	117.0	122.4	22.0	16.1
Equity	780.4	727.4	36.0	34.6	16.8	11.0
Non-current liabilities	833.6	814.6	23.2	24.9	4.4	4.6
Current liabilities	748.9	866.5	57.8	62.9	0.8	0.5
	2,362.9	2,408.5	117.0	122.4	22.0	16.1

Salzburg AG für Energie,
Verkehr und

	Telekommu	elekommunikation Wels Strom GmbH		om GmbH	Other associated companies	
	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.	<b>2024/25</b> EUR mill.	<b>2023/24</b> EUR mill.
Sales revenues	1,762.5	2,437.3	89.8	182.2	9.6	9.0
Earnings after taxes	119.0	130.1	7.0	8.7	2.1	1.9
Dividends	-66.0	-25.8	-5.5	-4.4	_	
Share in net assets as of 01.10.	190.0	162.5	16.9	14.8	4.4	3.7
Profit for the period	31.1	34.3	3.4	4.3	0.9	0.7
First-time inclusion	_	<u> </u>	_		1.6	
Dividends	-17.2	-6.8	-2.7	-2.2	_	
Share in net assets as of 30.09.	203.9	190.0	17.6	16.9	6.9	4.4
Goodwill	19.7	19.7	36.7	36.7	_	
Carrying amount as of 30.09.	223.6	209.7	54.3	53.6	6.9	4.4

# 3.2 Group companies

	Domicile	Interest held in % (prev. year)	Consoli- dation (prev. year)
Austria			
Energie AG Oberösterreich	Linz	Parent company	
Energie AG Group Treasury GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Businesskunden GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Bohemia GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Kraftwerk Ennshafen GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Kommunalservice GmbH	Wels	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Personal Power GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Renewable Power GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Service- und Beteiligungsverwaltungs- GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Holding GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH	Wels	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie-Contracting Steyr GmbH	Steyr	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
EP Energie Plus GmbH	Linz	100.00 (–)	FC (-)
Abfall-Aufbereitungs-GmbH	Hörsching	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
ASPG Altlastensanierungsprojekte GmbH	Wels	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Cogeneration-Kraftwerke Management Oberösterreich GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Oberösterreich Öko GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
IfEA Institut für Energieausweis GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Netz Oberösterreich GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Wertstatt 8 GmbH	Linz	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
MA Restabfallverwertung GmbH	Wels	99.00 (99.00)	FC (FC)
WDL-WasserdienstleistungsGmbH	Linz	90.00 (90.00)	FC (FC)

	Domicile	Interest held in % (prev. year)	Consoli- dation (prev. year)
da emobil GmbH	Innsbruck	70.00 (–)	FC (-)
Market Calling Marketing GesmbH	Linz	60.00 (60.00)	FC (FC)
Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft	Steyr	50.00 (50.00)	JO (JO)
Gas- und Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH	Linz	50.00 (50.00)	JO (JO)
"Papyrus" Altpapierservice Handelsgesellschaft m.b.H.	Salzburg	63.33 (63.33)	JV (JV)
Fernwärme Steyr GmbH	Steyr	51.00 (51.00)	JV (JV)
AMR Austrian Metal Recovery GmbH	Linz	50.00 (50.00)	JV (JV)
BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH	Linz	50.00 (50.00)	JV (JV)
Breitband Oberösterreich Infrastruktur GmbH	Linz	50.00 (50.00)	JV (JV)
Windpower EP GmbH	Parndorf	50.00 (50.00)	JV (JV)
Bioenergie Steyr GmbH	Behamberg	49.00 (49.00)	JV (JV)
Windpark Kobernaußerwald FlexCo	Linz	45.00 (-)	JV (-)
Energie Ried Wärme GmbH	Ried im Innkreis	40.00 (40.00)	JV (JV)
Wels Strom GmbH	Wels	49.00 (49.00)	AC (AC)
Geothermie-Wärmegesellschaft Braunau-Simbach mbH	Braunau	40.00 (40.00)	AC (AC)
Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation	Salzburg	26.13 (26.13)	AC (AC)
mieX GmbH	Peilstein	100.00 (100.00)	UC (UC)
Pöchhacker Innovation GmbH	Linz	100.00 (–)	UC (-)
Lino Solutions GmbH	Linz	80.00 (–)	UC (-)
Energy IT Service GmbH	Linz	66.67 (66.67)	UC (UC)
BBI Breitbandinfrastruktur GmbH	Linz	55.00 (55.00)	UC (UC)
RVL Reststoffverwertung Lenzing GmbH	Lenzing	50.00 (50.00)	UC (UC)
WDL Infrastruktur GmbH	Linz	49.00 (49.00)	UC (UC)
OÖ Science-Center Wels Errichtungs-GmbH	Wels	50.00 (50.00)	UC (UC)
GRB Geothermie Ried Bohrung GmbH	Ried im Innkreis	40.00 (40.00)	UC (UC)
Recycling Innsbruck GmbH	Innsbruck	25.00 (25.00)	UC (UC)
Czech Republic  ČEVAK a.s.	České Budějovice	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
ENERGIE AG BOHEMIA s.r.o.	Praha	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Teplo Vimperk s.r.o.	Vimperk	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
RATE s.r.o.	Štětí	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Teplo Bohemia s.r.o.	Rakovník	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
VHOS a.s.	Moravská Třebová	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Vodárenská společnost Beroun s.r.o.	Beroun	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
VODOS Velkoobchod s.r.o.	České Budějovice	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Kolin a.s.	Kolín	97.33 (97.33)	FC (FC)
Vodárenská společnost Chrudim a.s.	Chrudim	95.00 (95.00)	FC (FC)
SATEZA a.s.	Šumperk	95.83 (95.83)	FC (FC)
Aqua Servis a.s.	Rychnov nad Kněžnou	71.26 (74.06)	FC (FC)
Vodovody a kanalizace Beroun a.s.	Beroun	60.30 (60.25)	FC (FC)
1. Jihočeská vodohospodářská spol. s r.o.	České Budějovice	100.00 (100.00)	UC (UC)

	Domicile	Interest held in % (prev. year)	Consoli- dation (prev. year)
DÉMOS, spol. s r.o.	Ústí nad Orlicí	100.00 (100.00)	UC (UC)
DÉMOS – správa, s.r.o.	Ústí nad Orlicí	100.00 (100.00)	UC (UC)
Vodovod Radyně a.s.	České Budějovice	100.00 (100.00)	UC (UC)
Italy			
ARBA 1 s.r.l.	Sonico	100.00 (–)	FC (-)
ECOFE S.R.L.	Meran	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Energie AG Südtirol Umwelt Service GmbH	Neumarkt	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Salvatonica Energia S.R.L.	Meran	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Germany			
Erdgas Oberösterreich Vertriebs GmbH	Tittling	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)
Papyrus Wertstoff Service GmbH	Bad Reichenhall	63.33 (63.33)	JV (JV)
Geothermie-Fördergesellschaft Simbach-Braunau mbH	Simbach	40.00 (40.00)	AC (AC)
Hungary			
Energie AG Heves Régió Környezetvédelmi és Hulladékgazdálkodási Korlátolt Felelősségű Társaság	Miskolc	100.00 (100.00)	FC (FC)

FC fully consolidated entities

#### 4. Consolidation methods

Capital consolidation uses the purchase method of accounting, under which the fair value of the consideration paid for the acquired company is offset from the proportionate revaluated equity of the subsidiaries at the acquisition date. The non-controlling interests are measured at the fair value of the attributable assets and liabilities of the acquiree (partial goodwill method).

Goodwill from business combinations is measured according to IFRS 3. The acquired goodwill is essentially based on expected future earnings and synergy effects. The impairment of goodwill is tested at least once each year in accordance with IAS 36. Negative differences are recognised through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 3.

The financial statements of the entities fully or proportionally consolidated in the Consolidated Financial Statements are reported according to uniform accounting and measurement principles. The separate financial statements of the fully consolidated entities, joint operations and joint ventures, as well as the entities accounted for using the equity method, are reported at the date of the Consolidated Financial Statements, or interim reports are prepared.

Intragroup receivables and liabilities, expenses and income, as well as interim results are eliminated.

JV joint ventures consolidated at equity

JO joint operation, proportional consolidation of the assets, liabilities, expenses and income

AC associated company consolidated at equity
 UC entities unconsolidated due to immateriality

### 5. Accounting and measurement principles

#### 5.1 Framework conditions

The 2024/25 fiscal year was characterised by subdued economic growth and falling, but still comparatively high, inflation. Short-term interest rates are falling, while long-term interest rates are rising. Electricity prices (front-year futures) moved sideways, while gas and crude oil prices showed a downward trend. These circumstances are taken into account in the Consolidated Financial Statements when measuring provisions using discount rates, when conducting impairment tests using discount rates and when planning future cash flows.

#### 5.2 Estimates

Compiling the Consolidated Financial Statements required estimates to be made that influence the assets, liabilities and equity, income, and expenses, as well as the figures disclosed in the Notes.

In particular, estimates and assumptions are made in calculating provisions and in testing asset impairment.

Estimates and assumptions in the area of personnel provisions primarily involve interest rates, wage and salary trends and fluctuation.

The salary trend used to determine the personnel provisions consists of the expected future increase of salaries and wages under collective agreements and the average increases of salaries and wages.

The interest rate for discounting the personnel provisions is determined by an external service provider on the basis of 'high quality corporate bonds' and adjusted for the company's internal duration.

The interest rate for discounting the other non-current provisions is based on a no-risk interest rate determined on the basis of AAA-rated treasury bills.

In the course of testing the impairment of assets and goodwill, estimates are made concerning future cash flows and interest rates (see Note 5.5. and following items).

The estimates made may differ from the figures that actually result in the future and influence subsequent Consolidated Financial Statements. In respect to the possible effects of changes in estimates, please refer to the sensitivity analyses concerning impairment testing and actuarial parameters.

Estimates affect the following items in the Statement of Financial Position:

Carrying amounts	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Goodwill	101,598.1	89,279.6
Property, plant and equipment	2,377,533.7	2,136,171.7
Investments	410,595.5	424,427.7
Non-current provisions	218,931.7	235,689.4
Current provisions	49,438.4	90,120.5

#### 5.3 Intangible assets

The goodwill resulting from the acquisition of subsidiaries is reported under intangible assets. Goodwill is recognised at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Other assets acquired by the Group that have limited useful lives are recognised at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Under certain circumstances according to IAS 38 (Intangible Assets), development costs are to be capitalised as self-created intangible assets and subsequently amortised over their useful lives.

With the exception of goodwill, intangible assets are amortised over the period of the following estimated useful lives:

	<b>Useful life</b> in years
Intangible assets	
Procurement rights	15 – 99
Other rights	4 – 50
Customer base	10 – 25
Dumping rights and landfills	depending on utilisation

Costs for research activities with the prospect of providing new scientific or technical insights are recognised as expenses.

#### 5.4 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recognised at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The costs include expenses that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The costs for self-constructed assets include:

- Material costs and production wages, including material and production overheads.
   General administrative expenses are not capitalised
- All other costs directly attributable to bringing the assets into working condition for their intended use
- The estimated costs of dismantling and removing the objects and restoring the site
- Capitalised borrowing costs

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Subsequent expenses are only capitalised when it is probable that the future economic benefit associated with these expenses will flow to the Group. Ongoing repairs and maintenance are immediately recognised as expenses.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated from the date on which they are available for use, or in the case of self-constructed assets, from the date the asset is complete and ready for use.

As far as different useful lives are to be applied for material non-current assets, these are recognised according to the component approach (IAS 16.43).

The depreciation of significant property, plant and equipment is recognised according to the following, Group-wide uniform useful lives:

	<b>Useful life</b> in years
Constructions	
Buildings	50
Other structures	10 – 50
Water engineering structures	50 – 75
Manufacturing plant and equipment	
Power plants	10 – 50
Electricity grid	15 – 40
Waste management systems	6 – 20
Telecommunications facilities	7 – 20
Furniture and fixtures	3 – 10

#### 5.5 Impairment of goodwill

In the fourth quarter of each fiscal year, or during the course of the year when an impairment indicator arises, any potentially incurred impairment losses are determined by subjecting the goodwill to an impairment test. For this, goodwill is allocated to units that are expected to benefit from the expectations for future earnings and synergies of the combination. The goodwill of the Sales business unit is allocated to the cash generating unit 'Sales' in accordance with Group controlling and reporting. In the Environment Segment, the Group companies are combined by country due to the existing management and reporting structures in Austria. In the Czech Republic Segment, the cash generating unit CEVAK a.s. corresponds to the entity.

An impairment loss is recognised when the carrying amount of a cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount corresponds to the larger amount resulting from the fair value less the costs of disposal or the value in use. The value in use is determined by discounting future cash flows that are expected to be derived from a cash-generating unit. The fair value less cost of disposal is assessed from an external perspective, the value in use is assessed from the internal perspective of the company.

The cash flows used to determine the value in use are based on the five-year mid-term planning approved by the Management Board. The planning figures are based both on past experience and on external sources of information. The assumptions concerning cash flows beyond the period of detailed planning are based on analyses of the past as well as on forecasts for the future. Future restructuring measures and expansion

investments, for which no funds were expended or no obligation incurred yet, are not included. A growth rate of 1.0% (previous year: 1.0%) is assumed for the time after the detailed planning period. The growth rate is based on electricity prices and forecasts for future GDP growth, as well as expected increases in expenses. The assumptions concerning future GDP growth are based on European Commission publications. The testing of goodwill impairment is based on the goodwill's value in use.

The discount interest rate is an interest rate after taxes that reflects the current market estimates and the specific risks of the cash-generating unit.

#### 5.5.1 Planning assumption for the Sales unit

The planning of the Sales cash generating unit is broken down into the sectors electricity (key account customers; business, commercial and private customers), gas, heat and telecom sales, as well as e-mobility, PV/heating contracting and biogas plants.

The volatility on the energy markets meant that planning was carried out separately for the main and secondary brands in the electricity and gas units on the basis of achievable margins.

The assumptions for the future electricity and gas procurement costs are based, where available, on market data; where market data was unavailable, estimates were based on market surveys and assumptions.

The inflation rate is used to extrapolate the future external costs.

#### 5.5.2 Planning assumptions for the Environment Segment

Planning in the Environment Segment is based on the Group-wide central planning assumptions concerning economic growth, inflation and the development of interest rates and exchange rates during the planning period.

Sales planning is based on detailed planning for the individual products and services of each location. In the area of waste incineration plants and key account customers, single-customer planning based on contractual parameters was also used. For waste and recycling materials, a price development was used for the planning period that was realistic to assume at the time of planning. For the other products and services, an expected course of business development was projected and the sales revenues from electricity and district heating were determined on the basis of contracts or prospective forecasting.

The recycling and throughput volumes were planned for the major waste management systems based on expected market developments. The expected throughput is 305,000 tonnes for the Wels waste incineration plant and 295,000 tonnes for the Lenzing waste recycling plant.

The material expense items such as personnel expenses, vehicle fleet costs, maintenance and taxes were planned in line with the sales and plant planning.

#### 5.5.3 Planning assumptions for the Czech Republic Segment

Planning for the Czech Republic Segment is based on centrally defined, country-specific planning parameters like the development of the inflation rate and economic growth, as well as interest rates and exchange rates.

Sales planning in the area of drinking water and waste water as well as for the heating sector in the Czech Republic is based on a quantity and price structure that in turn is based on a trend for sales planning extrapolated from historical consumption data and the planning parameters. The planned drinking water, waste water prices and heating prices have been determined by each planning unit, taking into consideration the existing contract data and estimates of the future development of expenses, and in compliance with any applicable general regulatory conditions.

For the planning of material expense items in the Czech Republic Segment, country-specific planning parameters were determined using the estimates of external analysts. In particular, this includes price developments for untreated water, chemicals, and fuels, as well as prices for electricity and gas.

A major planning assumption is that existing contracts for drinking water and waste water with the municipal bodies and water authorities are maintained.

# 5.6 Impairment of other intangible assets and property, plant and equipment

According to IAS 36 (Impairment of Assets), intangible assets and property, plant and equipment are to be subjected to an impairment test when there is evidence that an asset or cash-generating unit might be impaired or a previously recognised impairment needs to be reversed. An impairment is recognised when the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount of the asset or cash generating unit. The recoverable amount is the larger amount resulting from the fair value less the costs of disposal or the value in use.

The value in use is determined by discounting future cash flows that are expected to be derived from a cash-generating unit. The cash flows used to determine the value in use are based on the five-year mid-term planning approved by the Management Board. For the subsequent period, a perpetual annuity or a calculation up to the expected end of the useful life of the object is recognised. The planning figures are based both on past experience and on external sources of information. Future restructuring and expansion investments are not included. The discount interest rate is an interest rate after taxes that reflects the current market estimates and the specific risks of the cash-generating unit.

The fair value less cost of disposal is assessed from an external perspective, the value in use is assessed from the internal perspective of the company.

#### 5.7 Investments

The measurement of investments in companies accounted for using the equity method is increased or decreased according to the changes in equity and impairments/reversal of impairments in proportion to the capital share held. The movements in equity are recognised through profit or loss or in the other comprehensive income.

#### 5.8 Inventories

Inventories are measured at average historical cost (moving average cost method) or at the lower net realisable value. Costs include direct costs as well as proportionate material and production overhead.

Impairments due to reduced realisable value are recognised using write-downs.

#### 5.9 Emissions allowances

The  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emissions allowances issued free of charge according to the Austrian Gas Emissions Allowances Act are measured at fair value at the date of allocation and recognised both under current receivables and under current liabilities. Fluctuations in fair value are recognised in the Statement of Income. In the course of using the emissions allowances, corresponding provisions are built up and the reduction of the liability from their allocation is recognised in the Statement of Income. Upon delivery of the emissions allowances to the registration office, the provision is netted against the asset.

Emissions allowances purchased on the market are recognised under current receivables. Fluctuations in fair value are recognised in the Statement of Income. In the course of using the emissions allowances, corresponding provisions are built up. Upon delivery of the emissions allowances to the registration office, the provision is netted against the asset.

#### 5.10 Fixed term deposits and short-term investments

The item 'Fixed term deposits' includes highly liquid fixed term deposits with an original maturity of more than three months up to one year. Fixed term deposits with terms of more than one year are recognised in the 'other financial assets'. They are measured at amortised costs under the category 'Financial Assets at Amortised Cost (AC)'. This item also recognises investments in money market funds that are allocated to the category 'Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)'.

#### 5.11 Cash and cash equivalents

The item 'Cash and cash equivalents' includes cash in hand and deposits at banks with an original maturity of up to three months, provided that they are not subject to limitations on availability and only minor fluctuations in value. They are measured at amortised costs under the category 'Financial Assets at Amortised Cost (AC)'.

#### 5.12 Financial instruments

Purchases and sales of primary financial instruments are recognised at the settlement date. Purchases and sales of derivative financial instruments are recognised at the trade date. Measurement of the financial instruments is done at the time of acquisition, always at fair value under consideration of the transaction costs (except for the financial instruments of the FVPL category). Financial instruments are derecognised when the rights to payments from the investment have lapsed or been assigned and once the Group has relinquished all substantial risks and rewards of ownership.

#### **5.12.1 Primary financial instruments**

Energie AG Group used the categories 'Financial Assets at Amortized Cost (AC)', 'Financial Assets at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)', 'Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)', 'Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost (FLAC)'.

Financial assets held as part of a business model that pursues the objective of holding financial assets for the purpose of collecting the contractual payment streams with contractual terms that result in payment streams on fixed dates and exclusively representing repayments and interest payments are classified as 'Financial Assets at Amortised Cost (AC)'. The initial recognition is measured at fair value plus transaction costs, subsequent measurement is made at amortised costs.

An impairment in the amount of the expected credit loss over the term is recognised for financial assets measured at amortised costs (AC) whose default risk has significantly increased since their first-time recognition, as well as for trade receivables. If the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, an impairment is recognised in the amount of the expected 12-month credit loss. If the term is less than 12 months, the impairment is determined on the basis of the shorter term.

The category 'Financial Assets at Amortised Cost (AC)' essentially comprises lendings, trade receivables, receivables from joint arrangements and associated companies, other financial receivables, fixed term deposits as well as cash and cash equivalents.

For certain financial investments in equity instruments that would otherwise be measured at their fair value through profit or loss, the irrevocable choice was made to recognise the changes to the fair value resulting from their remeasurement in the other comprehensive income ('Financial Assets at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)'). This category is essentially comprised of other investments and securities (shares). Their fair value is, where available, determined on the basis of stock exchange prices, or otherwise by measurement of internally or externally available measurement parameters.

Certain securities (units in investment funds) and money market funds recognised in the item 'Fixed term deposits and short-term investments' are allocated to the category 'Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)'. Their fair values are derived from current market prices.

Financial liabilities that are not attributable to leases, trade payables, liabilities to affiliated companies, joint arrangements as well as associated companies and other financial liabilities are allocated to the category 'Financial Liabilities at Cost (FLAC)' and measured at amortised costs calculated on the basis of the effective interest method. The initial recognition is measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Premiums,

discounts or other costs of issue are distributed across the financing term and disclosed in the financial result.

#### 5.12.2 Derivative financial instruments and hedging transactions

In the Group, derivative financial instruments are used above all to hedge the risks of fluctuations in interest rates and electricity, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> prices.

The requirements for hedge accounting according to IFRS 9 specifically include documentation of the hedging relationship, the hedging strategy and the ongoing assessment of effectiveness. According to IFRS 9, the hedging relationship is effective if there is a commercial relationship between the hedged item and the hedging transaction, the effects of the credit risk have no dominant impact on the change in value resulting from the commercial relationship and the hedging quota from the volume of the actually hedged item corresponds to the volume of the hedging transaction that is actually used for hedging purposes. All components of changes in fair value of derivatives are included in effectivity assessment.

If a derivative financial instrument pursuant to IFRS 9 is used for hedge accounting in a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument's fair value is recognised in equity in other comprehensive income. This is reclassified in the Statement of Income in the same period in which the cash flows of the hedged item are recognised in profit or loss. If the hedged item ceases to exist, the hedging result is recognised in the Statement of Income. The ineffective portion of the change in fair value of a hedging instrument for which a cash flow hedge has been created is recognised through profit or loss to the extent required.

In fair value hedge accounting, both the fair value change of the derivative, and the corresponding fair value change of the hedged item, as far as it is attributable to the hedged risk, are recognised through profit or loss.

Derivatives without a hedging relationship are recognised in the categories 'Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)' or 'Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)'. Changes in fair value of derivatives not designated as hedging instruments are recognised in the operating result.

Contracts that were entered into and that continue to be held for the receipt or delivery of non-financial items in accordance with expected purchase, sale or usage requirements are not recognised as derivative financial instruments at fair value according to IFRS 9, but rather as executory contracts according to the regulations of IAS 37.

#### 5.13 Provisions under IAS 19

Provisions for pensions, severance, stepped pension/early retirement benefits and anniversary bonuses are calculated according to the projected unit credit method in accordance with IAS 19 (Employee Benefits). Expected increases in wages, salaries and pensions are taken into account. Actuarial gains and losses for pension and severance provisions are recognised in other comprehensive income, and they are recognised through profit or loss for anniversary bonus, stepped pension and early retirement provisions. Interest costs are recognised in the financial result.

#### 5.14 Other provisions

Other provisions include all recognisable obligations as of the reporting date that are based on past events and for which the amount or maturity is uncertain. Provisions are recognised at the amount that is most likely to be incurred. Discounted costs for obligations resulting from dismantling and removing property, plant and equipment assets and restoring the site are estimated, capitalised at the date the plant is added, and recognised as a provision.

#### 5.15 Deferred taxes

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all temporary differences between the amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position and the amounts recognised in the tax balance sheets of the individual Group companies.

#### 5.16 Construction cost subsidies

This item primarily includes contributions received from electricity, gas and district heating customers for connecting them to the grid. Construction cost subsidies carried as liabilities are reversed as sales revenues in accordance with the depreciation and impairments for the corresponding asset.

#### 5.17 Investment subsidies

Government grants for asset acquisition are recognised as investment subsidies liabilities and reversed in other operating income in accordance with the asset's useful life.

#### 5.18 Contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities are potential or existing obligations (resulting from past events) for which an outflow of resources is not probable. There are no material contingent liabilities.

#### 5.19 Foreign currency translations

Foreign currency translation is carried out according to the functional currency principle. The functional currency for all consolidated entities is the respective national currency. Accordingly, items of the Statement of Financial Position are translated at the mean exchange rate on the reporting date, and items of the Statement of Income are translated at the mean exchange rate for the statement period. Differences from translating the pro-rate equity are recognised in other comprehensive income. Differences from currency translation of minority interests are recognised under the item 'non-controlling interest in equity'. The exchange rate applied on 30 September 2025 for the Czech koruna was 24.32410 (previous year: 25.18095), for the Hungarian forint 390.49700 (previous year: 397.15850), for the US dollar 1.17369 (previous year: 1.11610).

#### 5.20 Revenues from customer contracts

Revenues are recognised at the time a customer gains the authority to dispose over the goods or services. The sales revenues correspond to the revenues presented in the segment reporting. There are no significant obligations to accept returns or grant refunds, guarantees and/or discretionary decisions.

#### Sales revenues in the Energy Segment and the Grid Segment

Written contracts are in place with electricity and gas customers and/or electricity grid and gas grid customers.

These result in performance obligations for the delivery of electricity and natural gas, as well as obligations from the operation of the electricity and gas grid for the Group.

These performance obligations are satisfied within the relevant periods. Electricity and gas customers as well as electricity grid and gas grid customers with monthly volume metering are invoiced on a monthly basis. Payment is usually received within one month from the invoice date. Where no monthly volume metering takes place, the customers usually pay monthly instalments.

The transaction price is determined on the basis of the concluded electricity and gas supply contracts, or the grid utilisation fees for the grid utilisation period. In the case of multi-component contracts, the consideration payable is allocated to the performance obligations on the basis of the contractually agreed prices for the individual performance obligations. This essentially concerns energy supplies, balancing energy and other services.

Sales revenues are recognised within the period in which electricity or natural gas deliveries take place or the grid is utilised.

Sales revenues include revenues from proprietary trading of electricity. Net sales revenues (after deducting procurement costs for proprietary electricity trading) include the realised margin. Procurement costs for proprietary electricity trading pertain to quantities of electricity that have been purchased solely for the purpose of reselling at the wholesale level while achieving an appropriate margin.

#### Sales revenues in the Environment Segment

The revenues from the collection of waste concern the collection and intake of refuse. These performance obligations are, to the largest extent, satisfied at a certain point in time. The transaction price is determined on the basis of the contracts concluded. Multi-component contracts usually provide for the consideration payable to be allocated to the performance obligations.

Waste recycling includes the incineration of waste. Written contracts are in place with customers purchasing the generated heat and/or electricity. The performance obligations – the supply of heat and electricity – are satisfied within the relevant period. The transaction price is provided for in the contracts.

Additional revenues are generated from the sale of recycling materials (plastics, metals, timber). The performance obligation is satisfied at the time of the transfer to the customer.

Sales revenues are recognised within the period in which the collection and/or intake of the waste takes place, in which the generated heat or electricity is delivered, or in which the recycled materials are delivered. Payment terms in the Environment Segment are usually one month from the invoice date.

#### Sales revenues in the Czech Republic Segment

Sales revenues in the Czech Republic Segment predominantly result from water deliveries, intake of waste water and services related to water/waste water and heat supplies in the Czech Republic. These performance obligations are, to the largest extent, satisfied within the relevant periods. The transaction price is provided for in the contracts.

Sales revenues are recognised in the period in which the delivery of water or intake of waste water takes place, the customer obtains the benefit from the services, or the heat is delivered.

# Notes to the Consolidated Statement of Income

## 6. Sales revenues

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Energy Segment		
Revenues from electricity sales	1,099,229.4	1,465,129.6
Revenues from natural gas sales	589,667.7	646,375.4
Revenues from district heat sales	81,392.2	79,764.3
Others	82,996.1	56,937.9
	1,853,285.4	2,248,207.2
Grid Segment		
Revenues from the electricity and gas grids	390,465.7	338,573.1
Revenues from the reversal of construction cost subsidies	31,480.9	31,157.7
Others	5,968.2	7,552.7
	427,914.8	377,283.5
Environment Segment		
Revenues from the collection of waste	145,776.0	118,197.8
Revenues from the incineration of waste	75,387.4	88,206.7
Revenues from the recycling of waste	47,008.6	51,713.7
Others	12,151.6	11,517.1
	280,323.6	269,635.3
Czech Republic Segment		
Revenues from water deliveries	98,256.4	92,982.4
Revenues from waste water intake	92,900.8	87,693.3
Revenues from district heat sales	26,532.6	24,429.8
Others	30,381.2	29,992.5
	248,071.0	235,098.0
Holding & Services Segment	32,419.4	29,452.6
Sales revenues	2 9 4 2 0 1 4 2	2 150 676 6
	2,842,014.2	3,159,676.6
Procurement costs for proprietary electricity trading  Net sales revenues	-27,773.4 <b>2,814,240.8</b>	-57,632.4 <b>3,102,044.2</b>

### 7. Segment reporting

#### 7.1 Segment reporting by business units

Energie AG Group identifies the reportable segments according to IFRS 8 on the basis of internal reporting and internal control (Management Approach).

The segment reporting includes the Energy, Grid, Environment, and Czech Republic and Holding & Services Segments.

The accounting policies applied to the reported segments are the same as those applied throughout the Group. The operating result is the net profit or loss for the period that is monitored regularly by the chief decision-makers and used as the primary basis for assessing success and allocating resources.

The sales transactions carried out between the Grid Segment and the other segments primarily involve grid services for which the prices are based on regulatory stipulations. Intra-Group sales revenues in the Holding & Services Segment primarily involve delivery of goods and services that are charged at prices corresponding to market conditions.

Capital employed is the key figure relating to assets and liabilities in the Group that are reported to the chief operating decision makers on a regular basis. Capital employed includes above all equity and interest-bearing liabilities, including lease liabilities, less cash and cash equivalents, fixed term deposits, and certain financial assets.

#### **Energy**

The Energy Segment figures include the production, trade and sales of electrical energy. Electricity is primarily generated using hydraulic and thermal power generation plants. In addition, electricity is also obtained from third-party power plants via procurement rights, as well as on the electricity market. The Energy Segment includes Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH as a central electricity and gas trading company, as well as the 7-Fields gas reservoir. The trade with and distribution of natural gas, as well as Bioenergie Steyr GmbH, Fernwärme Steyr GmbH, Windpower EP GmbH, Geothermie-Wärmegesellschaft Braunau-Simbach mbH, Geothermie-Fördergesellschaft Simbach-Braunau GmbH, Windpark Kobernaußerwald FlexCo and Energie Ried Wärme GmbH, all consolidated using the equity method, are allocated to the Energy Segment.

#### Grid

The Grid Segment includes the construction and operation of the electricity and gas grids.

#### **Environment**

The Environment Segment primarily comprises the collection, sorting, incineration and landfilling of domestic and industrial waste. 'Papyrus' Altpapierservice Handelsgesellschaft m.b.H. (consolidated using the equity method), Papyrus Wertstoff Service GmbH and Austrian Metal Recovery GmbH are allocated to the Environment Segment.

#### **Czech Republic**

The Czech Republic Segment primarily includes supplying drinking water, as well as waste water management and the heat activities in the Czech Republic.

#### **Holding & Services**

The Holding & Services Segment comprises the management and control functions, commercial and technical services, and telecom services of the holding company, as well as the investments in Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation, Wels Strom GmbH, BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH and Breitband Oberösterreich Infrastruktur GmbH, all recognised at equity.

Segment reporting by business units is as follows:

2024/25	<b>Energy</b> EUR mill.	<b>Grid</b> EUR mill.	Environ- ment EUR mill.	Czech Republic EUR mill.	Holding & Services EUR mill.	Reconcili- ation/ elimination EUR mill.	<b>Group</b> EUR mill.
Sales to third parties	1,853.3	427.9	280.3	248.1	32.4		2,842.0
Intersegment sales	11.0	17.6	18.8	-	314.8	-362.2	-
Total sales	1,864.3	445.5	299.1	248.1	347.2	-362.2	2,842.0
Results from investments in equity companies	2.9		0.3	_	29.0		32.2
Depreciation, amortisation, and impairments	-27.0	-106.0	-22.4	-9.6	-16.4		-181.4
Thereof impairments	-0.8	_					-0.8
Operating result	211.5	54.7	12.2	13.7	5.9		298.0
Carrying amount of investments in equity companies	26.6		6.0	_	307.9		340.5
Goodwill	32.6	_	45.3	23.5	0.2		101.6
Investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	154.7	205.4	25.5	13.9	15.6		415.1
Capital employed	638.8	986.0	198.6	108.7	80.9		2,013.0

Balance sheet total	3,781.6
Non-interest bearing liabilities, provisions	1,131.3
Assets not used in the service production and sales process	637.3
Capital employed	2,013.0
	EUR mill.

The segment information 2023/24 broken down by business unit presents as follows:

2023/24	<b>Energy</b> EUR mill.	<b>Grid</b> EUR mill.	Environ- ment EUR mill.	Czech Republic EUR mill.	Holding & Services EUR mill.	Reconcili- ation/ elimination EUR mill.	<b>Group</b> EUR mill.
Sales to third parties	2,248.2	377.3	269.6	235.1	29.5		3,159.7
Intersegment sales	11.4	18.6	28.4		271.8	-330.2	-
Total sales	2,259.6	395.9	298.0	235.1	301.3	-330.2	3,159.7
Results from investments in equity companies	5.1		0.9		37.8		43.8
Depreciation, amortisation, and impairments	-47.8	-101.0	-21.0	-8.9	-14.5		-193.2
Thereof impairments	-21.4	_	_			_	-21.4
Operating result	318.6	25.1	33.3	11.4	9.8		398.2
Carrying amount of investments in equity companies	22.6		6.0		298.7		327.3
Goodwill	21.1	_	45.3	22.7	0.2		89.3
Investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	101.0	158.7	29.6	11.7	17.3	_	318.3
Capital employed	564.9	861.8	214.6	102.2	81.0		1,824.5

Balance sheet total	3,917.6
Non-interest bearing liabilities, provisions	1,163.2
Assets not used in the service production and sales process	929.9
Capital employed	1,824.5
	EUR mill.

Reversals of impairment concern the Energy Segment with EUR 3.2 million (previous year: EUR 0.5 million). Impairments losses concern the Energy Segment with EUR 0.8 million (previous year: 21.4 million). Non-cash items in connection with derivatives in the amount of EUR 65.2 million (previous year: EUR 114.6 million) pertain to the Energy Segment. The income from the reversal of construction cost subsidies attributable to the Grid Segment amounted to EUR 31.5 million (previous year: EUR 31.2 million). Non-cash income from companies valued using the equity method concern the Holding & Services Segment in an amount of EUR 8.4 million (previous year: EUR 28.9 million).

## 7.2 Segment reporting broken down by geographic segments

Energie AG Oberösterreich Group operates primarily in the regions 'Austria' and 'Czech Republic'. Business operations in other countries (Italy, Germany, Hungary) are combined in the geographical segment 'Other countries'.

2024/25	<b>Austria</b> EUR mill.	<b>Czech Republic</b> EUR mill.	Other countries EUR mill.	<b>Group</b> EUR mill.
Sales to third parties	2,579.1	248.4	14.5	2,842.0
Capital employed	1,884.6	108.8	19.6	2,013.0
	Austria	Creek Benublie	Other countries	Croun

2023/24	Austria EUR mill.	Czech Republic EUR mill.	Other countries EUR mill.	<b>Group</b> EUR mill.
Sales to third parties	2,910.8	235.3	13.6	3,159.7
Capital employed	1,714.5	102.3	7.7	1,824.5

Revenues from electricity trading with customers outside Austria amounting to EUR 126.1 million (previous year: EUR 229.6 million) were also generated.

## 8. Other operating revenues

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Income from the disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	2,014.0	7,023.5
Reversals of impairment	3,161.4	515.4
Capitalised production costs	601.2	763.9
Rental and lease income	4,437.7	4,456.7
Income from the reversal of investment subsidies	2,277.6	2,376.0
Insurance income	493.7	348.4
Other income	7,494.0	6,909.9
	20,479.6	22,393.8

## 9. Expenses for material and other purchased services

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Electricity purchased from third parties	688,266.2	1,150,687.8
Gas purchases	609,215.1	662,314.4
Gas input	74,217.8	45,900.1
Expenses for grid purchases	86,666.2	80,091.3
Other purchased goods	171,173.4	166,782.5
Expenses for purchased services	163,204.3	156,721.4
	1,792,743.0	2,262,497.5
Procurement costs for proprietary electricity trading	-27,773.4	-57,632.3
	1,764,969.6	2,204,865.2

## 10. Personnel expenses

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Wages and salaries	329,980.7	299,111.8
Severance payments and contributions to company pension funds	6,752.7	6,263.9
Pension payments	9,628.0	7,924.3
Expenses for statutory social security contributions and payroll-related levies and statutory contributions	79,340.4	72,788.5
Other benefit expenses	5,780.9	2,251.2
	431,482.7	388,339.7

The expenses for defined contribution plans amounted to EUR 12,874.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 9,020.6 thousand). Expenses for severance payments of EUR 15.9 thousand (previous year: EUR 14.0 thousand), as well as expenses for pension payments of EUR 430.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 463.2 thousand), pertain to members of the Management Board.

The remunerations of the Management Board and of the Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich are as follows:

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Management Board	1,042.0	934.8
Former Management Board and their survivors	623.6	608.4
Supervisory Board	132.2	120.3
	1,797.8	1,663.5

The average number of employees in this fiscal year amounts to 4,900 (previous year: 4,766). Part-time employees are included on a proportional basis.

## 11. Depreciation, amortisation and impairments

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Depreciation and amortisation	180,589.7	171,885.9
Impairments	835.2	21,363.2
	181,424.9	193,249.1

# 12. Other operating expenses

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Taxes	21,556.1	41,752.8
External services	104,708.9	67,521.4
Travel expenses	10,989.4	9,982.3
Insurance premiums	13,717.2	14,228.4
Postage and telecommunication	6,580.3	6,222.3
Rental and leasing expenses	2,127.3	2,166.0
Write-offs of receivables	2,127.3	1,325.4
Allocation of allowances and expected losses to receivables	807.4	456.5
Vehicle expense	20,350.4	20,515.4
Losses from the disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	2,600.7	1,803.7
Repairs	36,831.2	36,050.7
Other expenses	82,657.6	53,795.4
	305,053.8	255,820.3

Taxes mainly include the energy crisis contribution for electricity, property tax, dumpsite levy and electricity levy, as well as the Austrian landfill tax. The expenses incurred for the Group auditor, Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH, for auditing services and other accounting services provided to the entities of the Energie AG Oberösterreich Group amount to EUR 812.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 722.3 thousand). In addition, the Group auditor provided other consulting services for the Energie AG Oberösterreich Group totalling EUR 26.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 37.9 thousand).

Other expenses primarily include allocations to provisions, transaction costs, marketing expenses and fees.

## 13. Interest income

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Financing expenses		
Interest and similar expenses	-10,906.2	-17,909.0
Interest expense on personnel provisions	-6,433.1	-7,339.8
Interest expense on lease liabilities	-2,391.3	-2,836.1
Foreign exchange losses	-34.3	-157.5
	-19,764.9	-28,242.4
Other interest income		
Interest and similar income	11,359.4	16,448.5
Foreign exchange gains	149.9	2.2
	11,509.3	16,450.7
	-8,255.6	-11,791.7

# 14. Other financial result

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Result from investments		
Non-consolidated affiliated companies	100.0	100.0
Income from other investments	7,097.2	8,234.8
	7,197.2	8,334.8
Result from financial investments		
Losses from the measurement of lendings	-0.5	-2.6
Gains from the measurement of lendings	44.2	27.9
Income from securities	436.8	545.7
Losses from the measurement of securities	-167.8	-32.9
Gains from the measurement of securities	930.2	3,241.3
Losses from the disposal of securities	-5.7	-407.1
Gains from the disposal of securities	88.2	61.7
Gains from the measurement of fixed term deposits	84.6	62.0
Income from the measurement of investment funds	865.8	1,864.5
	2,275.8	5,360.5
	9,473.0	13,695.3

### 15. Income taxes

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Current income taxes	46,541.3	83,211.6
Tax expenses from previous periods	1,556.6	2,916.0
Adjustment for deferred taxes	15,354.8	-2,482.1
	63,452.7	83,645.5

Expenses for taxes on income are EUR 5,398.6 thousand lower (previous year: EUR 8,298.5 thousand lower) than the calculated expenses for taxes on income that result from applying the respective tax rates (Austria: 23.0% (previous year: 23.0%); Czech Republic: 21.0% (previous year: 19%)) to the earnings before taxes on income. The reasons for the difference between the calculated and reported income tax expenses are as follows:

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Earnings before income taxes	299,223.4	400,145.4
Imputed tax expenses	68,780.5	91,944.0
Tax effects from		
Tax-free earnings from companies measured at equity and tax-free investment income	-9,260.9	-12,093.3
Tax liabilities from previous periods	1,556.6	2,916.0
Other items	2,376.5	878.8
Effective tax income/expenses	63,452.7	83,645.5
Effective tax rate in %	21.2	20.9

Temporary differences between the amounts recognised in the Consolidated Financial Statements and the respective taxable amounts have the following effects on the reported deferred taxes:

	Ass	ets	Liabilities		Net	
	<b>2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2024</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2024</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2024</b> EUR 1,000
Intangible assets	-	_	-17,273.8	-18,151.5	-17,273.8	-18,151.5
Property, plant and equipment	12,062.1	9,953.0	-91,894.9	-74,508.0	-79,832.8	-64,555.0
Financial assets	3,221.7	3,174.1	-18,870.4	-24,783.3	-15,648.7	-21,609.2
Provisions	21,214.4	28,503.3	-2,404.1	-2,883.2	18,810.3	25,620.1
Untaxed reserves	-		-9,859.4	-11,307.6	-9,859.4	-11,307.6
Construction cost subsidies	236.2	246.8	-1,016.8	-1,241.1	-780.6	-994.3
Cash flow hedge reserve	2,207.4	5,820.8	-6,562.3	-3,379.3	-4,354.9	2,441.5
Leasing	17,814.1	18,496.1	-17,587.8	-18,313.9	226.3	182.2
Current derivative financial instruments	4,202.8	20,791.1	-3,616.9	-20,841.6	585.9	-50.5
Non-current derivative financial instruments	592.0	7,606.3	-294.1	-1,990.2	297.9	5,616.1
Other	14,544.8	14,731.3	-2,386.9	-8,264.8	12,157.9	6,466.5
Deferred tax assets/-liabilities before offsetting	76,095.5	109,322.8	-171,767.4	-185,664.5	-95,671.9	-76,341.7

	Balance as of 30.09. 2025 EUR 1,000	Exchange differences EUR 1,000	Initial recognition EUR 1,000	Recog- nised in equity EUR 1,000	Recog- nised in profit or loss EUR 1,000	Balance as of 01.10. 2024 EUR 1,000
Intangible assets	-17,273.8	-25.1		-	902.8	-18,151.5
Property, plant and equipment	-79,832.8	-191.7	-525.8		-14,560.3	-64,555.0
Financial assets	-15,648.7			5,960.2	0.3	-21,609.2
Provisions	18,810.3	43.1		-2,362.1	-4,490.8	25,620.1
Untaxed reserves	-9,859.4				1,448.2	-11,307.6
Construction cost subsidies	-780.6				213.7	-994.3
Cash flow hedge reserve	-4,354.9			-6,848.8	52.4	2,441.5
Leasing	226.3				44.1	182.2
Current derivative financial instruments	585.9				636.4	-50.5
Non-current derivative financial instruments	297.9			_	-5,318.2	5,616.1
Other	12,157.9	-25.2			5,716.6	6,466.5
	-95,671.9	-198.9	-525.8	-3,250.7	-15,354.8	-76,341.7

	Balance as of 30.09. 2024 EUR 1,000	Exchange differences EUR 1,000	Initial recognition EUR 1,000	Recog- nised in equity EUR 1,000	Recog- nised in profit or loss EUR 1,000	Balance as of 01.10. 2023 EUR 1,000
Intangible assets	-18,151.5	31.9	_	_	721.1	-18,904.5
Property, plant and equipment	-64,555.0	167.2		_	-14,770.5	-49,951.7
Financial assets	-21,609.2			-4,022.5	-1.2	-17,585.5
Provisions	25,620.1	-39.6		3,605.7	8,396.4	13,657.6
Untaxed reserves	-11,307.6			_	721.0	-12,028.6
Construction cost subsidies	-994.3			_	237.3	-1,231.6
Cash flow hedge reserve	2,441.5			-13,817.5	-73.5	16,332.5
Leasing	182.2			_	75.9	106.3
Current derivative financial instruments	-50.5			_	12,281.0	-12,331.5
Non-current derivative financial instruments	5,616.1		_	_	-4,248.5	9,864.6
Other	6,466.5	-67.1	=	_	-3,772.9	10,306.5
	-76,341.7	92.4		-14,234.3	-433.9	-61,765.9

No deferred tax liabilities were recognised for temporary differences of EUR 1,075,700.9 thousand (previous year: EUR 907,187.8 thousand) in connection with fully consolidated subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies. Deferred taxes in the amount of EUR 5,960.2 thousand (previous year: EUR -4,022.5 thousand) pertain to changes in value of investments and securities FVOCI recognised outside of profit or loss; deferred taxes in the amount of EUR -6,848.8 thousand (previous year: EUR -13,817.5 thousand) pertain to changes in value from hedge accounting recognised outside of profit or loss.

In December 2021, the OECD published model regulations for a global minimum taxation system (Pillar Two). The minimum taxation system is intended to ensure that groups with global sales revenues of at least EUR 750 million are subject to an effective tax burden of at least 15 percent in the countries in which they operate. Council Directive (EU) 2022/2523 was adopted on 14 December 2022 to ensure global minimum taxation for multinational corporations and large domestic groups in the European Union; in Austria, this was transposed into national law with the Minimum Tax Act (MinBestG) of 30 December 2023 and has been applicable to taxpayers since 1 January 2024.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Energie AG Oberösterreich Group will fall within the scope of the Minimum Taxation Act and the global regulations concerning Pillar Two for the first time.

According to current estimates, the group of companies meets at least one safe harbour test in all jurisdictions, which is why there will be no additional tax burden as a result of the Minimum Taxation Act.

# Notes to the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

16. Intangible assets and property, plant and equipment

# Changes in intangible assets and goodwill

2024/25	Electricity procurement rights EUR 1,000	Other rights EUR 1,000	<b>Goodwill</b> EUR 1,000	Customer base EUR 1,000	Assets under construction EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000
Costs						
01.10.2024	258,915.7	134,215.1	100,302.5	67,315.8	435.5	561,184.6
Change in the scope of consolidation	_	39.2	11,517.7	_	_	11,556.9
Currency translation differences	_	221.7	800.8	901.7	15.1	1,939.3
Additions	1,024.0	7,810.1		_	668.8	9,502.9
Disposals	_	-1,842.2	_	_	_	-1,842.2
Transfers	_	678.5	_	_	-678.5	_
30.09.2025	259,939.7	141,122.4	112,621.0	68,217.5	440.9	582,341.5
Accumulated amortisation						
01.10.2024	175,179.0	108,249.4	11,022.9	33,402.7		327,854.0
Currency translation differences		169.0	_	695.6		864.6
Amortisation	1,393.0	5,357.8	_	3,627.1	_	10,377.9
Disposals		-1,562.3	_	_	_	-1,562.3
Transfers	_			_	_	-
30.09.2025	176,572.0	112,213.9	11,022.9	37,725.4		337,534.2
Carrying amount as of 01.10.2024	83,736.7	25,965.7	89,279.6	33,913.1	435.5	233,330.6
Carrying amount as of 30.09.2025	83,367.7	28,908.5	101,598.1	30,492.1	440.9	244,807.3

	Electricity procurement rights	Other rights	Goodwill	Customer base	Assets under construc- tion	Total
2023/24	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000
Costs						
01.10.2023	257,560.7	127,382.4	100,883.5	60,788.1	346.7	546,961.4
Currency translation differences	_	-166.7	-701.0	-792.3	-11.3	-1,671.3
Additions	1,355.0	6,817.0	120.0		919.3	9,211.3
Disposals		-636.8		_	_	-636.8
Transfers		819.2		7,320.0	-819.2	7,320.0
30.09.2024	258,915.7	134,215.1	100,302.5	67,315.8	435.5	561,184.6
Accumulated amortisation						
01.10.2023	173,815.6	106,065.4	11,022.9	23,025.3	_	313,929.2
Currency translation differences		-139.4		-567.6		-707.0
Amortisation	1,363.4	3,032.3		3,625.0	_	8,020.7
Disposals		-708.9			_	-708.9
Transfers				7,320.0	_	7,320.0
30.09.2024	175,179.0	108,249.4	11,022.9	33,402.7		327,854.0
Carrying amount as of 01.10.2023	83,745.1	21,317.0	89,860.6	37,762.8	346.7	233,032.2
Carrying amount as of 30.09.2024	83,736.7	25,965.7	89,279.6	33,913.1	435.5	233,330.6

# Changes in property, plant and equipment

2024/25	Land and buildings EUR 1,000	Manu- facturing plant and equipment EUR 1,000	Furniture and fixtures EUR 1,000	Assets under construction EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000
Costs					
01.10.2024	1,302,723.4	4,515,850.4	264,266.5	197,647.2	6,280,487.5
Change in the scope of consolidation	815.6	3,730.7	207.4	658.7	5,412.4
Currency translation differences	3,880.7	2,248.3	778.3	303.3	7,210.6
Additions	23,387.6	140,845.6	24,753.5	216,612.0	405,598.7
Disposals	-321.8	-9,263.7	-9,211.9	-1,804.1	-20,601.5
Transfers	13,895.0	52,896.8	5,883.0	-72,674.8	-
30.09.2025	1,344,380.5	4,706,308.1	286,676.8	340,742.3	6,678,107.7
Accumulated depreciation and impairments					
01.10.2024	733,301.2	3,202,097.4	209,287.8	-370.6	4,144,315.8
Currency translation differences	1,846.0	1,485.9	575.4	1.2	3,908.5
Depreciation	24,167.1	127,484.9	18,578.8	-19.0	170,211.8
Impairments		835.2			835.2
Reversal of impairments	-4.5	-3,156.9			-3,161.4
Disposals	-192.1	-6,837.2	-9,002.2	495.6	-15,535.9
Transfers		33.0		-33.0	-
30.09.2025	759,117.7	3,321,942.3	219,439.8	74.2	4,300,574.0
Carrying amount as of 01.10.2024	569,422.2	1,313,753.0	54,978.7	198,017.8	2,136,171.7
Carrying amount as of 30.09. 2025	585,262.8	1,384,365.8	67,237.0	340,668.1	2,377,533.7

2023/24	Land and buildings EUR 1,000	Manu- facturing plant and equipment EUR 1,000	Furniture and fixtures EUR 1,000	Assets under construction EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000
Costs					
01.10.2023	1,265,748.3	4,394,478.1	256,181.3	95,767.0	6,012,174.7
Currency translation differences	-3,226.6	-1,792.7	-607.9	-313.1	-5,940.3
Additions	23,167.9	114,088.2	18,631.6	153,177.0	309,064.7
Disposals	-1,568.8	-20,269.6	-12,210.5	-762.7	-34,811.6
Transfers	18,602.6	29,346.4	2,272.0	-50,221.0	_
30.09.2024	1,302,723.4	4,515,850.4	264,266.5	197,647.2	6,280,487.5
Accumulated depreciation and impairments					
01.10.2023	712,416.1	3,075,895.2	204.903.9	-316.9	3,992,898.3
Currency translation differences	-1,519.0	-1,222.2	-457.6	1.4	-3,197.4
Depreciation	23,404.6	123,520.2	16,959.4	-19.0	163,865.2
Impairments	64.3	21,298.9			21,363.2
Reversal of impairments	-4.5	-476.2		-34.7	-515.4
Disposals	-963.2	-17,031.5	-12,103.4	_	-30,098.1
Transfers	-97.1	113.0	-14.5	-1.4	-
30.09.2024	733,301.2	3,202,097.4	209,287.8	-370.6	4,144,315.8
Carrying amount as of 01.10.2023	553,332.2	1,318,582.9	51,277.4	96,083.9	2,019,276.4
Carrying amount as of 30.09.2024	569,422.2	1,313,753.0	54,978.7	198,017.8	2,136,171.7

# 16.1 Impairment of cash generating units with own goodwill

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to the following cash-generating units and the cash flows of these cash-generating units are discounted at the following discount rates:

	Goody	vill	Discount rate		
	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR mill.	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR mill.	30.09.2025 %	30.09.2024 %	
Energy Segment					
Sales	20.7	20.7	5.7	5.5	
Other	11.9	0.4	5.7	5.5	
	32.6	21.1			
Environment Segment					
Environment Austria	43.1	43.1	5.7	5.4	
Other	2.2	2.2	6.1	6.4	
	45.3	45.3			
Czech Republic Segment					
CEVAK a.s.	16.0	15.5	5.3	5.0	
Other	7.5	7.2	5.3 - 6.0	5.0 – 5.8	
	23.5	22.7			
Other	0.2	0.2	-	_	
	101.6	89.3			

The recoverable amount attributable to the cash generating unit 'Sales' exceeds the carrying amount by EUR 146.2 million (previous year: EUR 99.9 million). In the event of a decrease in future cash flows by 41.5% (previous year: 42.9%), or an increase in the interest rate by 4.1% (previous year: 3.0%), the carrying amount corresponds to the present value of the future cash flows.

The recoverable amount of the 'Environment/Austria' cash-generating unit exceeds the carrying amount by EUR 22.0 million (previous year: EUR 34.8 million), while the recoverable amount of CEVAK a.s. exceeds the carrying amount by EUR 115.7 million (previous year: EUR 113.8 million). In the event of a decrease in future cash flows by 8.8% (previous year: 13.3%), or an increase in the interest rate by 0.4% (previous year: 0.7%), the carrying amount of the 'Environment Segment/Austria' cash-generating unit corresponds to the present value of the future cash flows. A decrease in CEVAK a.s.' future cash flows by 10% would not result in an impairment.

### 16.2 Impairment of cash generating units without own goodwill

#### Timelkam CCGT (combined cycle gas-turbine) power plant

Due to the current situation on the market, impairment testing was performed for the Timelkam CCGT power plant (Energy Segment). The maximum output of the power plants amounts to 422 MW, maximum district heating supply is 100 MW. Efficiency was estimated at 55.7%. Annual electricity generation was recognised at up to 779 GWh per year (previous year: 932 GWh). In future, the system will only be used for congestion management. The assumptions for the future gas prices are based, where available, on market data; if no market data were available, estimates were made based on market studies. Expenses for maintenance and repair were recognised according to maintenance plans and contracts. Other material expense items such as personnel costs, insurance and infrastructure costs are annually increased by an estimated increase rate. The discount rate is 5.6% (previous year: 5.5%). The planning horizon ends in the 2037/38 fiscal year. Due to stable future expectations resulting from the commitment to congestion management, an impairment reversal of EUR 3.2 million was recognised (previous year: impairment loss of EUR 9.1 million). The recoverable amount determined using the DCF method corresponds to the value in use in the amount of EUR 21.8 million (previous year: EUR 21.3 million). Fluctuations in cash flows of 20% resulted in a change of EUR 4.4 million in the recoverable amount. An increase in the interest rate by 0.5% results in a reduction of the recoverable amount by EUR 0.6 million.

#### Price-regulated heat sales

The 'Price-regulated heat sales' cash generating unit (Energy Segment) includes the thermal plants Timelkam/Vöcklabruck, Riedersbach and Kirchdorf, for which the sales prices are jointly set by a price authority. Due to fuel costs and electricity prices, an impairment test was performed in the 2023/24 fiscal year, and an impairment loss of EUR 11.4 million was recognised in the previous year. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, no valuation measures were required.

#### 16.3 IFRS 16 (Leases)

For leased assets, a right-of-use asset representing the Group's right to use the underlying asset is capitalised and, at the same time, a lease liability is recognised in the amount of the present value of the lease payments. Discounting takes place at the lease-specific interest rate. If the lease-specific interest rate cannot be determined, the incremental borrowing interest rate is applied. A marginal cost of debt of 3.67% and 4.12%, depending on maturity, was assumed in the 2024/25 fiscal year. The right-of-use asset is then amortised and the lease liability carried forward using the effective interest method.

IFRS 16 is not applied to short-term leases and leases concerning an underlying asset of minor value. In accordance with IFRS 16.4, the company has opted out of voluntary application of IFRS 16 for intangible assets.

The Group has been leasing the property at Böhmerwaldstraße 3, Linz, where Group headquarters is located, from Power Tower GmbH since the year 2008. The Group holds a 1% share in the entity.

The entity is not funded by the Group. The leasing contract is for an indefinite period, cancellation by the lessee is only possible 20 years after the start of the contract at the earliest, under certain circumstances only after 23 years. The Group has the unilateral right, but no obligation, to acquire Power Tower GmbH 15 or 20 years after the commencement of the lease. Leasing payments are linked to interest rate developments. The Group is required to perform the ongoing maintenance of the property and fulfill all legal requirements that could also apply to the owner. There are no other additional risks. Power Tower GmbH is to be considered a structured entity pursuant to IFRS 12, but the lack of control means that it is not to be included as a subsidiary in the consolidated financial statements. In accordance with IFRS 16, a rightof-use asset in the amount of EUR 34.0 million and a lease liability of EUR 34.6 million were recognised as of 30 September 2025.

As of 30 September 2025, the lease liabilities amount to EUR 80.0 million (previous year: EUR 82.6 million) (up to 1 year: EUR 5.4 million; 1-5 years EUR 48.4 million, more than 5 years EUR 26.2 million) (previous year: up to 1 year: EUR 5.3 million, 1-5 years EUR 49.9 million, more than 5 years EUR 27.4 million). The Statement of Financial Position recognises the lease liabilities in the item for financial liabilities.

For fiscal year 2024/25, the cash outflows for leases amount to EUR 9,712.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 10,160.0 thousand). Expenses for leases not recognised in accordance with IFRS 16 amount to EUR 2,127.3 thousand (of which current rental and lease expenses: EUR 656.5 thousand, of which marginal rental and lease expenses: EUR 295.6 thousand, of which rental and lease expenses not covered by IFRS 16: EUR 1,175.3 thousand, of which variable rental and lease expenses: EUR 0.0 thousand) (previous year: EUR 2,166.0 thousand; of which: short-term rental and lease expenses: EUR 671.5 thousand, of which marginal rental and lease expenses: EUR 329.0 thousand, of which rental and lease expenses not covered by IFRS 16: EUR 1,165.4 thousand, of which variable rental and lease expenses: EUR: 0.0 thousand).

The item property, plant and equipment recognises the following right-of-use assets:

2024/25	Land and buildings EUR 1,000	Manu- facturing plant and equipment EUR 1,000	Furniture and fixtures EUR 1,000	<b>Vehicles</b> EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000
01.10.2024	73,005.9	6,700.4	282.6	1,797.9	81,786.8
Currency translation differences	12.4	_	_		12.4
Additions	2,344.3	125.6	60.4	397.5	2,927.8
Disposals	-61.9	_		-44.7	-106.6
Depreciation	-4,610.9	-348.8	-102.5	-721.5	-5,783.7
30.09.2025	70,689.8	6,477.2	240.5	1,429.2	78,836.7

2023/24	Land and buildings EUR 1,000	Manu- facturing plant and equipment EUR 1,000	Furniture and fixtures EUR 1,000	<b>Vehicles</b> EUR 1,000	<b>Total</b> EUR 1,000
01.10.2023	72,027.3	7,009.9	429.7	1,424.6	80,891.5
Currency translation differences	-12.0	_	-0.1	_	-12.1
Additions	5,665.0	42.6	8.8	1,023.6	6,740.0
Disposals	-208.2	_	-33.3	-7.5	-249.0
Transfers	4.1	_	-4.1		-
Depreciation	-4,470.3	-352.1	-118.4	-642.8	-5,583.6
30.09.2024	73,005.9	6,700.4	282.6	1,797.9	81,786.8

#### 16.4 Further disclosures

Research costs in the amount of EUR 5.3 million (previous year: EUR 4.1 million) were recognised as expenses.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, interest on borrowed capital in the amount of EUR 1,871.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,487.9 thousand) was capitalised. The applied interest rate was 3.5% (previous year 3.6%).

Additions to assets under construction led to outflows of payment instruments in the amount of EUR 206,439.1 thousand (previous year: EUR 157,813.5 thousand). Obligations for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment amount to EUR 409,100.3 thousand (previous year: EUR 285,651.8 thousand).

## 17. Investments

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Shares in affiliated companies	3,298.8	3,264.2
Shares in companies consolidated at equity	340,463.4	327,263.3
Other investments	66,833.3	93,900.2
	410,595.5	424,427.7

The Cash Flow Statement includes dividends from entities consolidated using the equity method in the amount of EUR 20,562.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 11,065.6 thousand).

## 18. Other financial assets

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Lendings to companies in which an interest is held	1,291.2	1,575.2
Other lendings	7,063.2	8,286.4
Securities at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income	13,381.8	10,834.5
Securities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	33,789.2	31,909.9
	55,525.4	52,606.0

## 19. Other non-current assets

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Other assets	9,512.8	8,273.7
	9,512.8	8,273.7

## 20. Inventories

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Primary energy	54,264.0	70,449.3
Raw materials and supplies	23,261.5	22,320.6
Contract assets	2,622.4	1,605.5
Finished goods	2,168.0	1,677.8
	82,315.9	96,053.2

### 21. Receivables and other assets

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Trade receivables	263,109.2	310,199.0
Receivables from non-consolidated affiliated companies	16,887.3	208.3
Receivables from joint arrangements and associated companies	14,182.1	14,127.7
Accruals and deferrals of interest	991.3	4,832.1
Receivables from initial margins for derivatives	33,417.8	34,917.4
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances	6,196.5	4,072.2
Receivables from cost subsidies	1,001.6	25,173.0
Other	53,314.5	55,794.5
	389,100.3	449,324.2

Receivables from electricity and water supplies that have not been invoiced as of the reporting date are accrued and recognised in the item 'Trade receivables'.

## 22. Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Cash in hand	130.6	115.8
Cash in bank	131,287.2	308,419.9
	131,417.8	308,535.7

## 23. Equity

The share capital of Energie AG Oberösterreich consists of 88,648,910 individual share certificates (previous year: 88,650,126), of which 88,600,000 are ordinary shares (previous year: 88,600,000), and 48,183 are preferred shares without voting rights (previous year: 48,910). The share capital has been fully paid in.

The capital reserves result from the share premium of the capital increase, minus the directly attributable costs of obtaining equity in the amount of EUR 1,771.9 thousand, as well as from the contribution of own shares in the 2006/07 fiscal year, and from shares issued to staff in the 2012/13 fiscal year.

In the 2007/08 fiscal year, 390,000 preferred shares without voting rights were contributed to Energie AG Oberösterreich. These shares were offered to Group staff members at favourable conditions during the 2007/08 fiscal year. The benefit per staff member amounted to the maximum tax-exempt sum pursuant to § 3 para 1 subpara 15 letter b of the Austrian Income Tax Act.

In the 2012/13 fiscal year, 87,750 shares were issued to employees of the Group at discounted prices. The capital increase took effect with entry in the Register of Companies on 29 October 2013.

In fiscal year 2024/25, the share capital was reduced due to the redemption of 1,216 (previous year: 1,624) treasury shares (preference shares without voting rights). As of 30 September 2025, the company held 727 treasury shares (previous year: 1,216).

The retained earnings result from the profits that the Group generated but did not distribute.

Other reserves include IFRS 9 reserves, IAS 19 reserves, revaluation reserves, and treasury stock reserves, as well as reserves from currency translation differences.

The reserves under IFRS 9 include changes in the fair value of investments and securities measured 'At Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income' (FVOCI), and changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges, as well as changes in the equity of associated companies consolidated using the equity method recognised outside profit or loss.

As of 30 September 2025, the cash flow hedge reserve amounts to EUR 18,857.2 thousand (previous year: EUR -10,920.5 thousand), also see Note 24.3. The effective share of the fair value changes concerning cash-flow hedges is recognised in the other comprehensive income in the cash-flow hedge reserve. The ineffective share of the fair-value changes from cash flow hedges in the amount of EUR 0.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,874.4 thousand) was recognised as income through profit or loss. Fair value changes in the amount of EUR 17,535.8 thousand (previous year: EUR -86,870.2 thousand) are recognised as other comprehensive income. During the fiscal year, EUR 12,241.9 thousand (previous year: EUR 146,953.0 thousand) were withdrawn from the cash-flow hedge reserve and recognised as an expense through profit or loss.

The OCI reserve, which is part of the IFRS 9 reserves, includes changes in value of investments and securities classified as 'At Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income' (FVOCI), which are recognised in other comprehensive income. As of 30 September 2025, the OCI reserve amounts to EUR 65,537.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 91,471.2 thousand). Changes in market value of EUR -25,933.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 17,489.4 thousand) in the fiscal year were recognised in equity under other comprehensive income and transfers made to retained earnings in the amount of EUR 0.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand).

The IAS 19 reserves result from the actuarial valuation of pension and severance provisions recognised in other comprehensive income.

The revaluation reserve results from first-time consolidations in previous years.

#### Capital management

It is the objective of the Group's capital management to preserve a strong capital base so that the company can continue to generate adequate returns for the investors corresponding with the risk situation of the company, promote the future development of the company, and also provide benefits for other interest groups. Value based management is firmly entrenched in the management systems and in management processes. The equity in the books according to IFRS is what the management considers to be capital. As of the reporting date, the equity ratio amounted to 55.5% (previous year: 48.9%). For purposes of internal reporting and management, the return on capital employed (ROCE) is also used. The capital employed includes the assets attributable to a unit, with the exception of the assets not used in the process of

creating and utilising goods and services, less non-interest bearing liabilities and certain provisions.

## 24. Financial instruments and financial risk management

### 24.1 Derivative financial instruments and hedging

The Group's risk management uses derivative financial instruments that predominantly serve the purpose of hedging price and interest rate risks. The accounting of these derivative financial instrument applies – in as far as hedging transactions are concerned and the criteria are met – the cash flow hedge and fair value hedge accounting methods.

The use of derivative financial instruments in the Group is subject to corresponding authorisation and control procedures. Proprietary trading is only carried out within very tightly defined limits.

Interest rate swaps are used for hedging future variable interest payments on funding and leasing contracts as well as highly probable funding in the future. Energie AG Group hedges these by purchasing interest rate swaps that correspond to the hedged item in terms of the base interest rate, payment dates, interest rate fixing date, nominal amounts and maturities. As their essential parameters concur, a commercial relationship between the hedged item and the hedging transaction can be affirmed. Hedges may be ineffective in the case of changes in the counterparty's and Energie AG's credit risk, as well as in cases where the measurement-relevant parameters differ from the hedged item and hedging transaction. The qualitative and quantitative effectiveness of a hedge is determined on the basis of the hypothetical derivatives method.

Futures and forwards are used to hedge price-related risks from electricity procurement and electricity sales. The objective of Energie AG Group is to hedge the price risk using derivative and non-derivative financial instruments and thereby reduce the cash flow risk from electricity purchasing and sales and/or the fair value risk from firm commitments. This means that only a portion of the total volume is hedged using derivative financial instruments. Hedging is carried out on a rolling basis. Either the entire price risk is hedged, or only a component of the risk. The commercial relationship results either from almost identical parameters of hedged item and hedging transaction (in particular base price, performance, term and price base), or the high correlation of prices in different market price zones in cases where only a component is hedged. A hedging ineffectiveness may result from temporal differences, price differences, different market price zones or the counterparty's credit risk. The qualitative and quantitative effectiveness of a hedge is determined on the basis of the hypothetical derivatives method.

Futures are used to hedge price risks from gas purchases and gas sales. The hedging aims at reducing the cash flow risk or fair value risk from firm commitments. The hedging volume is determined on the basis of the hedging strategy. Only a portion of the purchases and sales are hedged using derivative instruments. The commercial relationship either results from almost identical parameters (in particular volume, price and term), or from the high correlation of prices if the hedged item and the hedging transaction have a different price base. A hedging ineffectiveness may result from temporal differences, price differences, different market price zones or the

counterparty's credit risk. The qualitative and quantitative effectiveness of a hedge is determined on the basis of the hypothetical derivatives method.

Futures are used to hedge procurement and sales of  ${\rm CO}_2$  emissions allowances. The hedging aims at reducing the cash flow risk. Only a portion of the total volume is hedged on the basis of the hedging strategy. The commercial relationship results from almost identical parameters (in particular volume, price and term). Ineffective hedges may result from temporal differences or the counterparties' credit risk. The qualitative and quantitative effectiveness of a hedge is determined on the basis of the hypothetical derivatives method.

Beyond that, gas-oil-swaps are concluded to hedge the price risks of purchasing fuel. The objective is to reduce the cash flow risk from fuel purchases. The hedging volume results from the hedging strategy and concerns only a portion of the fuel purchases. The commercial relationship is established on the basis of the parameters quantity, term and the evidence for the correlation of the prices of the hedged item and the hedging transaction. Ineffective hedges may result from temporal differences, price differences and the counterparties' credit risk. The qualitative and quantitative effectiveness of a hedge is determined on the basis of the hypothetical derivatives method.

The spark-spread risk from Gas- und Dampfkraftwerk Timelkam GmbH (CCGT power plant) and Cogeneration-Kraftwerke Management Oberösterreich GmbH (CMOÖ) is hedged using electricity, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> derivatives.

Hedging instruments associated with the Timelkam CCGT and CMOÖ (hedging for the procurement of gas and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions allowances, sale of electricity) are presented as positive or negative market values without hedge FVPL (see Note 24.4). The result is reported in the Statement of Income under a separate item entitled 'Assessment of energy derivatives' (see Note 24.11).

The Group holds fair value hedges for firm commitments relating to gas procurement and supply transactions.

Cash flow hedges are used to protect future cash flows. The Group also uses electricity futures and forwards, gas and CO2 futures, as well as gas and gas-oil swaps, to hedge price risks; interest rate swaps are used to hedge the cash flow risks of variableinterest liabilities and highly probable funding in the future.

The cash flows from hedging transactions in the amount of EUR 17.4 million (previous year: EUR -133.1 million) included in the cash flow statement mainly comprise margins from electricity, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> futures as well as cash flows from collateral annexes. The non-cash items from derivatives amounting to EUR -65.5 million (previous year: EUR -114.6 million) include amounts reclassified from the cash flow hedge reserve as the hedged item affected profit or loss, amounts arising from the measurement of fair value hedges, and non-cash items from derivatives not designated as hedging instruments. The collateral for derivatives in the amount of EUR 1.2 million (previous year: EUR 48.9 million) is cash and cash equivalents that had to be deposited as collateral for stock exchange transactions.

## 24.2 Disclosures on hedging transactions

## 24.2.1 Cash flow hedges

For cash flow hedges, the carrying amounts, nominal amounts and changes in fair values for the reporting period used for recognising an ineffective hedge are as follows:

30.09.2025	Positive fair values EUR 1,000	Negative fair values EUR 1,000	Unit	Nominal amount	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement EUR 1,000
Electricity futures, forwards – Sales	7,761.1	-7,887.0	GWh	3,715.8	-39,602.5
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement	18,880.0	-27,134.3	GWh	5,737.0	66,932.7
Gas futures – Sales	261.5	-301.2	GWh	327.1	2,125.8
Gas futures – Procurement	3.0	-90.0	GWh	124.6	-87.0
Gas-oil swaps – Procurement		-77.3	Tonnes	1,200.0	227.9
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales			Tonnes		6.6
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement	592.1	-236.5	Tonnes	148,000.0	414.6
Interest rate swaps	18,840.8	-1,936.5	EUR mill.	131.6	2,211.7
Foreign exchange contract		-15.0	CZK mill.	75.0	-15.0
Total	46,338.5	-37,677.8			32,214.8

30.09.2024	Positive fair values EUR 1,000	Negative fair values EUR 1,000	Unit	Nominal amount	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement EUR 1,000
Electricity futures, forwards – Sales	47,020.2	-7,543.6	GWh	4,005.7	-45,052.1
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement	16,132.0	-91,319.0	GWh	5,527.9	97,309.4
Gas futures – Sales	_	-2,165.5	GWh	542.4	-2,165.5
Gas futures - Procurement	_	-	GWh	_	-3,565.7
Gas-oil swaps – Procurement	2.1	-307.3	Tonnes	4,500.0	-1,298.0
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales	_	-6.6	Tonnes	2,000.0	-6.6
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement	125.8	-184.8	Tonnes	87,000.0	640.2
Interest rate swaps	17,258.1	-2,565.5	EUR mill.	131.6	-6,701.2
Foreign exchange contract		-	CZK mill.		30.6
Total	80,538.2	-104,092.3			39,191.1

If not yet cleared, the positive fair values of the derivatives are reported under assets in the non-current and current item 'Derivative financial instruments', while negative fair values, if not yet cleared, are reported under liabilities in the non-current and current item 'Derivative financial instruments' (see Note 24.5).

The nominal values and average hedging prices for cash flow hedges are as follows:

30.09.2025	Unit	2025	2026	2027	2028	> 2028
Electricity futures, forwards – Sales						
Nominal amount	GWh	700.5	2,172.3	807.9	35.1	_
Average price hedged	EUR	98.25	85.21	79.76	71.19	_
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement	<del>-</del>				· -	
Nominal amount	GWh	1,148.6	3,030.6	969.9	453.4	134.5
Average price hedged	EUR	100.94	91.17	75.97	72.79	69.86
Gas futures – Sales					· -	
Nominal amount	GWh	73.0	254.1	_	_	-
Average price hedged	EUR	33.80	30.39	_	_	_
Gas futures – Procurement					· -	
Nominal amount	GWh	19.4	_	52.5	26.4	26.3
Average price hedged	EUR	31.95	_	30.37	27.03	24.93
Gas-oil swaps – Procurement					· -	
Nominal amount	Tonnes		1,200.0	_	_	-
Average price hedged	EUR		619.11		_	_
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances						
Nominal amount	Tonnes		_	_	_	_
Average price hedged	EUR		_	_	_	_
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement CO <sub>2</sub> emission allowances						
Nominal amount	Tonnes	148,000.0	_	_	_	-
Average price hedged	EUR	73.32	_		_	_
Interest rate swaps					· -	
Nominal amount	EUR mill.	131.6	131.6	131.6	100.0	100.0
Average fixed interest rate	%	1.33	1.33	1.33	0.29	0.29
Foreign exchange contract					· -	
Nominal amount	CZK mill.		75.0	_	_	_
Forward rate	EUR/CZK		24.54	_	_	-

30.09.2024	Unit	2024	2025	2026	2027	> 2027
Electricity futures, forwards – Sales						
Nominal amount	GWh	594.3	2,528.1	857.0	17.5	8.8
Average price hedged	EUR	96.96	102.53	83.71	73.66	73.00
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement					·	
Nominal amount	GWh	1,189.0	2,706.2	1,078.7	416.1	137.9
Average price hedged	EUR	92.66	112.02	94.25	72.21	71.85
Gas futures – Sales					·	
Nominal amount	GWh	38.9	249.5	254.0	_	_
Average price hedged	EUR	38.27	33.24	30.39	_	_
Gas futures – Procurement					·	
Nominal amount	GWh	_	_	_	_	_
Average price hedged	EUR	_	_	_	_	_
Gas-oil swaps – Procurement						
Nominal amount	Tonnes	900.0	2,400.0	1,200.0	_	-
Average price hedged	EUR	659.42	670.63	619.11	_	-
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances						
Nominal amount	Tonnes	2,000.0	_		-	-
Average price hedged	EUR	62.25			_	-
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement CO <sub>2</sub> emission allowances						
Nominal amount	Tonnes	87,000.0			_	_
Average price hedged	EUR	66.24		_	_	_
Interest rate swaps					·	
Nominal amount	EUR mill.	131.6	131.6	131.6	131.6	100.0
Average fixed interest rate	%	4.62	1.33	1.33	1.33	0.29
Foreign exchange contract					<del>_</del>	
Nominal amount	CZK mill.			_	_	_
Forward rate	EUR/CZK				_	

The above reporting of derivatives is broken down by calendar year in which these fall due.

## 24.2.2 Fair value hedges

For fair value hedges, the carrying amounts, nominal amounts and changes in fair values for the reporting period used for recognising an ineffective hedge are as follows:

30.09.2025	Positive fair values EUR 1,000	Negative fair values EUR 1,000	Unit	Nominal amount	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement EUR 1,000
Electricity forwards – Sales			GWh		_
Electricity forwards – Procurement		_	GWh		
Gas futures – Procurement			GWh		
Total		_			

30.09.2024	Positive fair values EUR 1,000	Negative fair values EUR 1,000	Unit	Nominal amount	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement EUR 1,000
Electricity forwards – Sales	_	_	GWh	-	135.9
Electricity forwards – Procurement			GWh		-63.0
Gas futures - Procurement			GWh	_	-1,787.4
Total					-1,714.5

If not yet cleared, the positive fair values of the derivatives are reported under assets in the non-current and current item 'Derivative financial instruments', while negative fair values, if not yet cleared, are reported under liabilities in the non-current and current item 'Derivative financial instruments' (see Note 24.5).

# 24.3 Disclosures on hedged items and the reserve for cash flow hedges

The carrying amounts of the hedged items in fair value hedges, the reserve for cash flow hedges and the change in the fair value for the determination of ineffective cash flow hedges and fair value hedges for the reporting period are as follows:

30.09.2025	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement (cash flow hedges) EUR 1,000	of cash flow	of cash flow hedges open derivatives	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement (fair value hedges) EUR 1,000	fair value	Carrying amount of the hedged item in fair value hedges open derivatives EUR 1,000
Future electricity sales	39,602.5	3,651.2	-119.7			
Future electricity procurement	-66,932.7	626.5	-8,260.5			
Future gas sales	-2,125.8	0.2	-39.6		-6,381.0	
Future gas purchases	87.0	5,918.5	-87.1			<u> </u>
Future diesel purchases	-227.9		-77.3			<u> </u>
Future sales of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances	-6.6	_	_	_	_	_
Future purchases of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances	-414.6	_	355.6	_	_	_
Financial liabilities bearing variable interest	-2,211.7	_	16,904.4	_	_	_
Dividend in CZK	15.0	_	-15.0	_	_	_
Total	-32,214.8	10,196.4	8,660.8		-6,381.0	
Total closed and open derivatives	_	18,8	57.2	_	-6,3	81.0

30.09.2024	Change in the fair value for ineffectiveness measurement (cash flow hedges) EUR 1,000	of cash flow	of cash flow hedges open derivatives	fair value for ineffectiveness measurement (fair value hedges)	Carrying amount of the hedged item in fair value hedges closed derivatives EUR 1,000	Carrying amount of the hedged item in fair value hedges open derivatives EUR 1,000
Future electricity sales	45,052.1	20,071.8	39,476.4	-72.0	_	_
Future electricity procurement	-97,309.4	-27,080.3	-75,186.9	_	_	
Future gas sales	2,165.5	-957.1	-2,165.5	1,905.8	-20,458.9	_
Future gas purchases	3,565.7	20,599.2	_	_	_	_
Future diesel purchases	1,298.0	_	-305.1	_	_	_
Future sales of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances	6.6	_	-6.6	_	_	_
Future purchases of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances	-640.2	_	-59.0		_	
Financial liabilities bearing variable interest	6,701.2	_	14,692.6		_	
Dividend in CZK	-30.6	_	_	_	_	_
Total	-39,191.1	12,633.6	-23,554.1	1,833.8	-20,458.9	_
Total closed and open derivatives	_	-10,9	20.5	_	-20,4	58.9

The development of the reserves for cash flow hedges is as follows:

				Transfers from reserves to profit loss		
2024/25	Hedging gains (+)/losses (-) recognised in the other comprehensive income EUR 1,000	Ineffective hedges recognised through profit or loss EUR 1,000	Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income item in which ineffective hedge was recognised EUR 1,000	Amounts transferred because the hedged item affected profit or loss EUR 1,000	Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income item in which transfer was recognised EUR 1,000	
Electricity futures, forwards – Sales	10 700 6			42.204.0	Calaa waxaanaa	
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement	<u>-12,722.6</u> 26,714.7			-43,294.0 67,918.4	Sales revenues  Expenses for material and other purchased services	
Gas futures – Sales	648.3			2,434.8	Sales revenues	
Gas futures – Procurement	-116.5	_		-14,651.3	Expenses for material and other purchased services	
Gas-oil swaps – Procurement	65.2	_	_	162.7	Other operating expenses	
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales	68.4	_	_	-61.8	Sales revenues	
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement	-264.9			679.5	Expenses for material and other purchased services	
Interest rate swaps/Foreign exchange contract	3,143.2	_	_	-946.4	Financing expenses	
Total	17,535.8	_		12,241.9	· · ·	

				Transfers from res	•
2023/24	Hedging gains (+)/losses (-) recognised in the other comprehensive income EUR 1,000	Ineffective hedges recognised through profit or loss EUR 1,000		Amounts transferred because the hedged item affected profit or loss EUR 1,000	Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income item in which transfer was recognised EUR 1,000
Electricity futures, forwards –	117 700 0			175 200 2	0-1
Sales	117,702.0			-175,396.3	Sales revenues
Electricity futures, forwards – Procurement	-191,717.3	_	_	327,864.3	Expenses for material and other purchased services
Gas futures – Sales	-1,010.1	-769.3	Sales revenues	2,017.0	Sales revenues
Gas futures – Procurement	-2,452.7	2,643.7	Sales revenues	-9,589.4	Expenses for material and other purchased services
Gas-oil swaps - Procurement	-878.9	_	_	-418.9	Other operating expenses
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Sales	-6.6		_		Sales revenues
CO <sub>2</sub> futures – Procurement	-1,737.0	_	_	2,377.3	Expenses for material and other purchased services
Interest rate swaps/Foreign exchange contract	-6,769.6			99.0	Financing expenses
Total	-86,870.2	1,874.4		146,953.0	

# 24.4 Disclosures on derivatives not designated as hedging instruments

The Energie AG Group holds the following derivatives that are not designated as part of any hedging relationship:

Nominal value			Positive fair values	Negative fair values
30.09.2025	Purchase	Sale	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments				
Electricity forwards	EUR 15.1 mill.	EUR 17.6 mill.	629.3	-3,260.5
Electricity futures	EUR 20.7 mill.	EUR 13.2 mill.	1,594.2	-1,365.3
Gas forwards	EUR 2.7 mill.	EUR 0.0 mill.	1,384.3	-
Gas futures	EUR 7.1 mill.	EUR 13.6 mill.	2,872.7	-470.9
CO <sub>2</sub> futures	EUR 13.7 mill.	EUR 10.9 mill.	242.2	-3,045.0

	Nomina	l value	Positive fair values	Negative fair values	
30.09.2024	Purchase Sale		EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments					
Electricity forwards	EUR 127.3 mill.	EUR 100.0 mill.	8,339.3	-68,204.2	
Electricity futures	EUR 150.9 mill.	EUR 164.7 mill.	64,404.5	-18,107.3	
Gas forwards	EUR 13.6 mill.	EUR 0.1 mill.	11,139.4	-20.7	
Gas futures	EUR 59.3 mill.	EUR 96.2 mill.	34,047.5	-21,845.3	
CO <sub>2</sub> futures	EUR 28.7 mill.	EUR 29.0 mill.	6,637.8	-6,345.6	

# 24.5 Carrying amounts in accordance with IFRS 9

In accordance with IFRS 9 or IFRS 16, the carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities are grouped into classes or measurement categories as follows:

	Category acc. to IFRS 9	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000
Investments		70,132.1	97,164.4
Shares in affiliated companies	FVOCI	3,298.8	3,264.2
Other investments	FVOCI	66,833.3	93,900.2
Other financial assets		55,525.4	52,606.0
Lendings to companies in which an interest is held	AC	1,291.2	1,575.2
Other lendings	AC	7,063.2	8,286.4
Securities FVOCI	FVOCI	13,381.8	10,834.5
Securities FVPL	FVPL	33,789.2	31,909.9
Derivative financial instruments (non-current and current)		33,813.6	55,862.6
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow			
hedge)	n/a	20,440.0	30,605.0
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge	e) n/a	82.2	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	FVPL	2,013.6	19,478.7
Margin payments made	n/a	11,277.8	5,778.9
Receivables and other assets (non-current and current) acc. t the Statement of Financial Position	о	398,613.1	457,597.9
Thereof non-financial assets		34,626.9	29,621.0
Thereof financial assets	<del></del>	363,986.2	427,976.9
Trade receivables	AC	264,050.9	310,238.3
Receivables from affiliated companies	AC	17,712.6	944.6
Receivables from joint arrangements and associated companies	s AC	14,182.1	14,127.7
Other financial assets	AC	68,040.6	102,666.3
Fixed term deposits and short-term investments		40,408.8	145,064.1
Fixed term deposits	AC	29,991.8	134,907.2
Short-term investments	FVPL	10,417.0	10,156.9
Cash and cash equivalents	AC	131,417.8	308,535.7
Total financial assets		695,283.9	1,087,209.7
Financial liabilities (non-current and current)		401,569.1	610,625.0
Bonds	FLAC	401,000.1	300,164.2
Liabilities to banks	FLAC	106,049.3	12,517.7
	<del></del>		82,585.6
Other financial liabilities	FLAC	215,569.0	215,357.5
Lease liabilities  Other financial liabilities	FLAC	79,950 215,569	

	Category acc. to IFRS 9	<b>Carrying amount</b> <b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>Carrying amount</b> <b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Trade payables (current)	FLAC	234,906.0	184,248.3
Derivative financial instruments (non-current and current)		22,807.2	125,191.4
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	n/a	13,083.5	36,507.6
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	n/a	6,463.2	20,458.9
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	FVPL	3,260.5	68,224.9
Other liabilities (non-current and current) acc. to the Statement of Financial Position		299,070.3	317,436.8
Thereof non-financial liabilities		275,470.9	252,492.9
Thereof financial liabilities		23,599.4	64,943.9
Liabilities to affiliated companies	FLAC	495.0	23,265.4
Liabilities to joint arrangements and associated companies	FLAC	6,248.5	10,455.3
Other financial liabilities (non-current and current)	FLAC	16,855.9	31,223.2
Total financial liabilities		682,881.7	985,008.6
Carrying amounts grouped to measurement categories according to IFRS 9			
Financial Assets at Amortized Costs (AC)		533,750.2	881,281.4
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)		83,513.9	107,998.9
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)		46,219.8	61,545.5
Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost (FLAC)		580,123.7	777,231.6
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL)		3,260.5	68,224.9

The positive and negative long-term and short-term market values of the balance sheet item 'Derivative financial instruments' are divided up as follows:

	ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000
Cash flow hedges	18,942.5	18,979.8	3,941.6	12,988.9
Electricity forwards	101.7	1,721.7	2,005.1	10,383.1
Others	18,840.8	17,258.1	1,936.5	2,605.8
Fair value hedges	20.5		496.4	19,778.2
Derivatives not used for hedging	92.3	2,478.3	72.4	2,871.7
Electricity forwards	92.3	317.8	72.4	2,871.7
Gas forwards	-	2,160.5	-	
Margin payments made	1,064.4	4,453.2	-	
NON-CURRENT DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS	20,119.7	25,911.3	4,510.4	35,638.8

	ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000
Cash flow hedges	1,497.5	11,625.2	9,141.9	23,518.7
Electricity forwards	1,497.5	11,623.1	9,049.6	23,251.8
Others	_	2.1	92.3	266.9
Fair value hedges	61.7		5,966.8	680.7
Derivatives not used for hedging	1,921.3	17,000.4	3,188.1	65,353.2
Electricity forwards	537.0	8,021.5	3,188.1	65,332.5
Gas forwards	1,384.3	8,978.9	_	20.7
Margin payments made	10,213.4	1,325.7	-	_
CURRENT DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS	13,693.9	29,951.3	18,296.8	89,552.6
Cash flow hedges	20,440.0	30,605.0	13,083.5	36,507.6
Electricity forwards	1,599.2	13,344.8	11,054.7	33,634.9
Others	18,840.8	17,260.2	2,028.8	2,872.7
Fair value hedges	82.2		6,463.2	20,458.9
Derivatives not used for hedging	2,013.6	19,478.7	3,260.5	68,224.9
Electricity forwards	629.3	8,339.3	3,260.5	68,204.2
Gas forwards	1,384.3	11,139.4	-	20.7
Margin payments made	11,277.8	5,778.9	-	_
DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (NON- CURRENT AND CURRENT)	33,813.6	55,862.6	22,807.2	125,191.4

Cash flow hedges and fair value hedges are concluded in particular to hedge price change and interest rate change risks of hedged items. Derivatives not used for hedging are largely closed positions, with the criteria for hedge accounting according to IFRS 9 not being fulfilled. These positive and negative market values do not include futures, as these are cleared with daily margin payments.

As of 30 September 2025, the Energie AG Group holds shares in affiliated companies and other investments in the amount of EUR 70,132.1 thousand (previous year: EUR 97,164.4 thousand), as well as securities (stocks) in the amount of EUR 13,381.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 10,834.5 thousand) classified as 'Financial Assets Through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)'. These investments are held for long-term, strategic purposes. For fiscal year 2024/25, the dividends distributed for securities amount to EUR 287.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 407.0 thousand). Dividends distributed for investments amount to EUR 7,197.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 8,334.8 thousand).

In the 2024/25 fiscal year and in the previous year, no investments or securities were sold.

### 24.6. Offsetting of financial assets and liabilities

The following table shows the effect of netting agreements:

		30.09.2025			30.09.2024			
	Reported financial assets/ liabilities EUR 1,000	Effects from offsetting framework agreements EUR 1,000	Net amounts EUR 1,000	Reported financial assets/ liabilities EUR 1,000	Effects from offsetting framework agreements EUR 1,000	Net amounts EUR 1,000		
Financial assets								
Trade receivables	264,050.9	-4,273.4	259,777.5	310,238.3	-7,210.0	303,028.3		
Positive fair value of derivatives	22,453.6	-1,060.4	21,393.2	50,083.7	-5,316.5	44,767.2		
Total	286,504.5	-5,333.8	281,170.7	360,322.0	-12,526.5	347,795.5		
Financial liabilities	_			·				
Trade payables	234,906.0	-4,273.4	230,632.6	184,248.3	-7,210.0	177,038.3		
Negative fair value of derivatives	16,344.0	-1,060.4	15,283.6	104,732.5	-5,316.5	99,416.0		
Total	251,250.0	-5,333.8	245,916.2	288,980.8	-12,526.5	276,454.3		

At the Energie AG Oberösterreich Group, the derivative financial instruments and receivables/payables presented above are concluded on the basis of standard agreements (e.g. ISDA, EFET, German Master Agreement for Financial Derivative Transactions), which, in the event of insolvency of a business partner, permit the offsetting of outstanding transactions. The criteria for netting in the statement of financial position are not met, because either no net payments are being made or the legal enforceability of the netting agreements is uncertain.

#### 24.7 Measurement at fair value

# 24.7.1 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are measured regularly at fair value

Pursuant to IFRS 13, financial instruments that are measured at fair value are classified within a fair value hierarchy. In view of possible uncertainties relating to possible estimates of the fair values, a distinction is made between three levels:

Level 1: Measurement on the basis of a published price quotation for identical assets or liabilities in an active market.

Level 2: Measurement on the basis of inputs that are observable either directly or indirectly in the market and measurements based on prices quoted in inactive markets.

Level 3: Measurement on the basis of inputs not observable in the market.

If the inputs used to determine the fair value of an asset or liability are attributable to different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the measurement at fair value is wholly assigned to the fair value hierarchy level that corresponds to the lowest input which, in the aggregate, is material for the measurement.

The financial instruments measured at fair value are assigned to levels 1 to 3:  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

30.09.2025	Carrying amount EUR 1,000	Measurement at market prices Level 1 EUR 1,000	Measurement on the basis of inputs observable on the market Level 2 EUR 1,000	Other measurement methods Level 3 EUR 1,000	Total fair value EUR 1,000
Assets					
Shares in affiliated companies (FVOCI)	3,298.8	_	_	3,298.8	3,298.8
Other investments (FVOCI)	66,833.3	1,352.8	_	65,480.5	66,833.3
Securities (FVOCI)	13,381.8	13,381.8	_	_	13,381.8
Securities, funds (FVPL)	33,789.2	31,703.0	_	2,086.2	33,789.2
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	20,440.0	-	20,440.0	-	20,440.0
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	82.2	-	82.2	-	82.2
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments (FVPL)	2,013.6	-	2,013.6	_	2,013.6
Short-term investments (FVPL)	10,417.0	10,417.0	_		10,417.0
Total	150,255.9	56,854.6	22,535.8	70,865.5	150,255.9
Liabilities					
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	13,083.5	-	13,083.5	-	13,083.5
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	6,463.2	-	6,463.2		6,463.2
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments (FVPL)	3,260.5		3,260.5		3,260.5
Total	22,807.2	_	22,807.2	-	22,807.2

30.09.2024	Carrying amount EUR 1,000	Measurement at market prices Level 1 EUR 1,000	Measurement on the basis of inputs observable on the market Level 2 EUR 1,000	Other measurement methods Level 3 EUR 1,000	<b>Total fair</b> <b>value</b> EUR 1,000
Assets					
Shares in affiliated companies (FVOCI)	3,264.2		_	3,264.2	3,264.2
Other investments (FVOCI)	93,900.2	1,628.2	_	92,272.0	93,900.2
Securities (FVOCI)	10,834.5	10,834.5	_		10,834.5
Securities, funds (FVPL)	31,909.9	30,351.4	_	1,558.5	31,909.9
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	30,605.0		30,605.0	_	30,605.0
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	_	-	-	-	_
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments (FVPL)	19,478.7	-	19,478.7	-	19,478.7
Short-term investments (FVPL)	10,156.9	10,156.9	_		10,156.9
Total	200,149.4	52,971.0	50,083.7	97,094.7	200,149.4
Liabilities					
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	36,507.6	-	36,507.6	_	36,507.6
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	20,458.9		20,458.9		20,458.9
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments (FVPL)	68,224.9		68,224.9	_	68,224.9
Total	125,191.4	_	125,191.4	_	125,191.4

Level 3 financial instruments developed as follows:

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Carrying amount as of 01.10.	97,094.7	74,397.1
Gains (losses) – recognised in profit or loss	-167.8	-32.9
Gains (losses) – not recognised in profit or loss	-28,205.4	18,035.6
Additions	2,101.5	4,737.4
Disposals	-0.4	_
Transfers	-	
Currency translation	42.9	-42.5
Carrying amount as of 30.09.	70,865.5	97,094.7

The (losses) gains recognised outside profit or loss include the impairment (previous year: reversal of impairment) of the investment in Verbund Hydro Power GmbH in the amount of EUR -29,348.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 18,306.4 thousand). The fair value of the investment (0.42%) of EUR 56,256.8 thousand (30 September 2024: EUR 85,605.3 thousand) was determined on the basis of expected future distributions and a discount rate of 7.08% (previous year: 7.14%). The decrease (previous year: increase) in fair value is mainly attributable to lower (previous year: higher) expected distributions.

The total (losses) gains recognised outside profit or loss amounting to EUR -28,205.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 18,035.6 thousand) were recognised in other comprehensive income under 'Change in the fair value of investments and securities (FVOCI)'.

An increase (decrease) of 25% in the assumed cash flows would have resulted in an increase (decrease) in the other comprehensive income of

EUR 12,497.2 thousand (EUR -12,497.2 thousand)

(previous year: EUR 17,603.0 thousand (EUR -17,603.0 thousand)). A 50-basis-point increase (decrease) in the discount rate would have decreased (increased) OCI by EUR -3,461.5 thousand (EUR 4,179.6 thousand)

(previous year: EUR -2,356.2 thousand (EUR 2,470.8 thousand)).

## 24.7.2 Valuation techniques and inputs used in measuring fair values

In general, the fair values of the financial assets and liabilities correspond to their market prices on the reporting date. If active market prices are not directly available, then - if they are not of minor significance - they are calculated using recognised actuarial measurement models and current market parameters (in particular interest rates, exchange rates and the credit rating of contractual partners). This is done by discounting the cash flows from the financial instruments to the reporting date.

The following valuation parameters and inputs were used:

Financial instruments	Level	Valuation techniques	Inputs
Other investments	3	Capital value-oriented	Assumptions concerning cash flows, interest rates, planning
Listed securities, mutual funds	1	Market value-oriented	Nominal values, stock market price, net asset value
Units in investment funds	3	Capital value-oriented	Net asset value
Listed energy futures	1	Market value-oriented	Settlement price determined at stock exchange
Non-listed energy forwards	2	Capital value-oriented	Forward price curve derived from stock exchange prices, interest rate curve, credit risk of contractual partners on a net basis
Interest rate swaps	2	Capital value-oriented	Cash flows already fixed or determined using forward rates, interest rate curve, credit risk of contractual partners
Gas-oil swaps 2 Capital value-orie		Capital value-oriented	Cash flows already fixed or determined using forward rates, interest rate curve, credit risk of contractual partners

# 24.7.3 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities that are not measured regularly at fair value, however for which the fair value must be disclosed

The items trade receivables, receivables from affiliated companies, receivables from joint arrangements and associated companies, other financial assets, as well as fixed term deposits and current investments are characterised by predominantly short remaining terms. This means that their carrying amounts as of the reporting date roughly represent their fair value. If they are material and have a fixed interest rate, then the fair value of non-current lendings corresponds to the present value of the payments associated with the assets, taking into consideration the current market parameters in each case (interest rates, credit spreads).

Trade payables, liabilities to affiliated companies, liabilities to joint arrangements and associated companies and other financial liabilities usually have short remaining terms. The values on the balance sheet are approximately the fair values. If they are material and bear interest at a fixed rate, the fair value of financial liabilities is determined using the present value of the payments associated with the liabilities, taking into consideration the respectively applicable market parameters (interest rates, credit spreads).

The following financial assets and liabilities have a fair value different from the carrying amount:

	Category acc. to IFRS 9	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Fair Value 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000	<b>Fair Value</b> <b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000	Level
Assets						
Other financial assets		8,354.4	8,382.6	9,861.6	9,867.7	
Lendings to companies in which an interest is held	AC	1,291.2	1,319.4	1,575.2	1,619.7	Level 3
Other lendings	AC	7,063.2	7,063.2	8,286.4	8,248.0	Level 3
Liabilities		-				
Financial liabilities		321,618.3	255,992.6	528,039.4	467,266.0	
Bonds	FLAC	-	-	300,164.2	301,305.0	Level 1
Liabilities to banks	FLAC	106,049.3	106,189.3	12,517.7	12,517.7	Level 3
Other financial liabilities	FLAC	215,569.0	149,803.3	215,357.5	153,443.3	Level 3

The fair values of the Level 3 financial assets and liabilities disclosed above were determined in agreement with generally accepted valuation techniques based on discounted cash flow analyses. Material input is the discount rate, which takes into account the expected credit loss of the counterparty.

#### 24.8 Net result

The net result from financial instruments is grouped in the different classes of financial instruments as follows:

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Financial Assets at Amortized Cost	7,753.1	16,135.7
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income	-25,645.7	17,896.4
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	1,861.9	4,868.3
Financial Assets/Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	51,602.3	203,084.7
Financial Liabilities Measured at Amortized Cost	-12,875.7	-19,021.6
Net result	22,695.9	222,963.5
Interest income and expenses from financial instruments measured at amortised costs:		
Total interest income	9,108.7	16,357.7
Total interest expense	-12,875.7	-19,021.6

The net result for the category Financial Assets at Amortized Cost (AC) mainly includes interest income from invested money and is recognised in the financial result. This item also includes income from the reversal of impairments and expected credit losses, income from the receipt of receivables that had previously been written off, as well as expenses from impairments, expected credit losses and write-offs for trade receivables recognised in the operating result.

The net result of the category Financial Assets at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) shows the measurement result for the investments and securities measured outside of profit or loss. Income from investments and dividends from securities are reported in the other financial result.

The net result of the category Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL) mainly includes earnings from remeasurement and earnings from disposals, as well as dividends from securities and income from the remeasurement of funds and is shown in other financial result.

The net result of the category Financial Assets at Fair Value Trading through Profit or Loss (FVPL) and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value Trading through Profit or Loss (FVPL) essentially results from the derivatives used by Energie AG. The measured value of derivative instruments in the Energy Segment is recognised in the operating result.

The net result of the category Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost mainly includes interest expenses from financial liabilities and is part of the financial result.

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### 24.9.1 Principles of financial risk management

Due to its business activities and the financial transactions it conducts, the Energie AG Group is exposed to various risks. These risks primarily include currency and interest rate risks, liquidity risks, expected credit loss, price risks from securities, and price risks in the commodity sector (energy sector price risks).

Energy-industry risk management is carried out by Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH, while financial risk management is performed centrally by the Group Treasury. Any hedging is executed centrally for all Group companies. Hedging against energy sector risks is handled on the basis of an internal policy on conducting energy sector hedging transactions. A financial management guideline for the Group (Treasury Policy), in which the main goals, principles and distribution of duties in the Group are set out, serves as a basis for the management of financial risks.

Hedging against energy sector and financial risks is also handled using derivative financial instruments. Transactions of this type are on principle only carried out with counterparties with very good credit ratings in order to minimise the risk of default.

#### 24.9.2 Foreign exchange risk

The foreign exchange risks in the Energie AG Group result from funding provided in foreign currencies and the translation risk from the conversion of foreign Group companies into the Group currency (Czech Republic and Hungary).

For the foreign exchange risk of financial instruments, sensitivity analyses were carried out which show the effects of hypothetical changes in exchange rates on result (after taxes) and equity. The affected holdings as of the reporting date were used as a basis (CZK 82.1 million, HUF 2.7 billion), (previous year: CZK 7.4 million, HUF 2.7 billion). It was assumed that the risk at the reporting date essentially represents the risk prevailing during the fiscal year. A tax rate of 23% was applied. Furthermore, the analysis was carried out on the assumption that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant. In the analysis, the currency risks for financial instruments that are denominated in a currency different from the functional currency and are of a monetary nature were included. Differences resulting from the exchange rate in translating financial statements into the Group currency were not taken into consideration.

Following the aforementioned assumptions, an upward revaluation of the Euro by 10% against all other currencies on the reporting date would result in lower earnings (after taxes) by EUR 503.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 495.3 thousand) and a reduction in equity by EUR 300.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 495.3 thousand). In this case, the sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), was affected by the sensitivity of the exchange-rate-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR 203.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand).

Following the aforementioned assumptions, a write-down of the Euro by 10% against all other currencies on the reporting date would result in increased earnings (after taxes) by EUR 615.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 605.3 thousand) and an increase in equity by EUR 340.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 605.3 thousand). In this case, the sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), was affected by the sensitivity of the exchange-rate-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR -274.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand).

#### 24.9.3 Interest rate risk

The Energie AG Group holds interest rate-sensitive financial instruments in order to meet the requirements of operational and strategic liquidity management. Interest rate change risks mainly result from financial instruments with variable interest rates (cash flow risk). Interest rate risks result in particular from:

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Cash in bank	131,287.2	308,419.9
Variable rate lendings	1,611.3	1,440.6
Variable rate loans	-103,201.3	-11,431.6
Variable rate lease liabilities	-40,474.4	-41,775.5
Net risk before hedge accounting	-10,777.2	256,653.4
Hedge accounting and interest rate derivatives	131,600.0	31,600.0
Net risk after hedge accounting and interest derivatives	120,822.8	288,253.4

For the interest rate risks of these financial instruments, sensitivity analyses were carried out which show the effects of hypothetical changes in market interest rates on result (after taxes) and equity. The affected holdings as of the reporting date were used as a basis. It was assumed that the risk at the reporting date essentially represents the risk prevailing during the fiscal year. A tax rate of 23% was applied. In addition, it was assumed for the analysis that all other variables, in particular exchange rates, remain constant.

Following the aforementioned assumptions, an increase in the market interest rate by 50 basis points on the reporting date would result in increased earnings (after taxes) by EUR 465.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,109.8 thousand) and an increase in equity in the amount of EUR 3,431.2 thousand (previous year: EUR 4,434.8 thousand). The sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), were in this case affected by the sensitivity of the interest rate-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR 2,966.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 3,325.0 thousand).

Following the aforementioned assumptions, a decrease in the market interest rate by 50 basis points on the reporting date would result in a reduction of earnings (after taxes) by EUR 465.2 thousand (previous year: increase: EUR 1,109.8 thousand) and a decrease in equity in the amount of EUR 3,524.3 thousand (previous year: EUR 4,618.2 thousand). The sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), were in this case affected by the sensitivity of the interest rate-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR 3,059.1 thousand (previous year: EUR 3,508.4 thousand).

#### 24.9.4 Commodity price risk

Commodity price risks arise primarily from the procurement and sale of electricity, gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. Beyond that price risks arise for Energie AG Oberösterreich due to speculative positions taken in proprietary trading. Proprietary trading is only carried out within very tightly defined limits and the risk can therefore be considered immaterial.

Hedging instruments are used for electrical energy, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> to hedge against energy industry risks.

For the commodity price risks, sensitivity analyses were carried out which show the effect of hypothetical changes in the fair value level on result (after taxes) and equity. The affected derivative holdings in the area of energy as of the reporting date were used as a basis. It was assumed that the risk at the reporting date essentially represents the risk prevailing during the fiscal year. A tax rate of 23% was applied. In addition, it was assumed for the analysis that all other variables, in particular exchange rates, remain constant. Not taken into consideration are contracts which are for the purpose of the receipt or delivery of non-financial items according to the expected purchase, sale and use requirements of the company (own use) and which therefore are not to be reported according to IFRS 9, with the exception of onerous contacts.

Sensitivity of derivative contracts regarding the electricity price:

Following the aforementioned assumptions as of the reporting date, a 68% (previous year: 50%) increase / 17% decrease (previous year: 35%) in the fair value level as of the reporting date would result in a decrease (increase) in profit (after taxes) of EUR 1,367.3 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand) / a decrease of EUR 350.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand) and an increase of EUR 95,080.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 49,531.2 thousand) / decrease of EUR 23,814.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 34,671.8 thousand) in equity. The sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), were affected by the sensitivity of the electricity-price-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR +93,713.4 thousand/EUR -23,463.9 thousand (previous year: EUR +49,531.2 thousand/ EUR - 34,671.8 thousand).

Sensitivity of derivative contracts with regard to the prices for gas and diesel (gas-oil):

Following the aforementioned assumptions as of the reporting date, a 55% (previous year: 40%) increase / 14% decrease (previous year: 40%) in the fair value level as of the reporting date would result in a decrease (increase) in profit (after taxes) of EUR 0.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand) and a decrease of EUR 2,569.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 5,244.3 thousand) / increase of EUR 654.1 thousand (previous year: EUR 5,244.3 thousand) in equity. The sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), were affected by the sensitivity of the gas-price-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR -2,569.6 thousand / +654.1 thousand (previous year: EUR -/+5,244.3 thousand).

Sensitivity of derivative contracts with regard to the price of CO<sub>2</sub>:

Following the aforementioned assumptions as of the reporting date, a 87% (previous year: 40%) increase / 6% decrease (previous year: 40%) in the fair value level as of the reporting date would result in a decrease (increase) in profit (after taxes) by EUR 0.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 0.0 thousand) and an increase of EUR 7,507.3 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,716.4 thousand) / decrease of EUR 517.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,716.4 thousand) in equity. The sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of earnings (after taxes), were affected by the sensitivity of the gas-price-related cash flow hedge reserve in the amount of EUR +7,507.3 thousand / -517.7 thousand (previous year: EUR +/-1,716.4 thousand).

#### 24.9.5 Market risk from securities measured at fair value

The Energie AG Oberösterreich Group holds securities and funds that result in price change risks for the company. The fluctuation risk of the securities held is limited by a conservative investment policy and ongoing monitoring, as well as ongoing quantification of the risk potential.

A sensitivity analysis carried out for the price risks from securities established the effect of hypothetical changes in the market price level on earnings (after taxes) and equity. The relevant holdings of financial instruments 'At Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income' and 'At Fair Value through Profit or Loss' on the reporting date were used as a basis. It was assumed that the risk at the reporting date essentially represents the risk prevailing during the fiscal year. A tax rate of 23% was applied. In addition, it was assumed for the analysis that all other inputs, such as the currency, remain constant.

Following the aforementioned assumptions, a 15% increase (decrease) in the fair value level as of the reporting date would result in an increase (decrease) in profit (after taxes) in the amount of EUR 5,105.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 4,858.7 thousand) and in equity in the amount of EUR 6,807.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 6,298.1 thousand). Here, the sensitivity of equity, as well as the sensitivity of profit (after taxes), were affected by the sensitivity of the market-price-level-related OCI reserve in the amount of EUR 1,701.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,439.4 thousand).

#### 24.9.6 Expected credit loss

Credit risks arise for the Energie AG Group due to non-fulfilment of contractual arrangements by counterparties.

The expected credit loss is limited by performing regular credit assessments of the customer portfolio. In the area of financial and energy trading, transactions are only conducted with counterparties with a first-class credit rating. In addition, the risks are mitigated by limit systems and monitoring.

At Energie AG Oberösterreich, the maximum expected credit loss corresponds to the carrying amount of the reported financial assets.

A low credit risk is assumed for derivatives and other instruments accounted for at fair value. Netting agreements are used to reduce the credit risks attached to derivatives.

2,545.0

5,120.7

982.8

The carrying amounts of the financial assets are composed as follows:

		Thereof: not impaired or	red or following maturity ranges						
	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000	date	Less than 30 days	Between 30 and 60 days EUR 1,000		More than 90 days EUR 1,000	impaired as of the reporting date EUR 1,000		
Other financial assets	7,063.2	6,878.2			_	185.0			
Other lendings	7,063.2	6,878.2				185.0			
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	332,091.5	308,709.8	12,371.5	1,040.9	1,346.0	1,161.6	7,461.7		
Trade receivables	264,050.9	243,323.0	12,371.5	1,040.9	1,346.0	1,137.5	4,832.0		
Other financial assets	68,040.6	65,386.8		_	_	24.1	2,629.7		
Total	339,154.7	315,588.0	12,371.5	1,040.9	1,346.0	1,346.6	7,461.7		
		Thereof: not impaired or		Thereof: not					
	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000	date	Less than 30 days		Between 60 and 90 days EUR 1,000	More than 90 days EUR 1,000	impaired as of the reporting date EUR 1,000		
Other financial assets	8,286.4	8,107.7	_	_	-	178.7	_		
Other lendings	8,286.4	8,107.7		_		178.7			
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	412,904.6	395,915.2	9,464.5	1,125.1	475.0	804.1	5,120.7		
Trade receivables	310,238.3	295,938.7	9,464.5	980.3	475.0	804.1	2,575.7		

The changes in impairments of financial assets were as follows:

102,666.3

421,191.0

99,976.5

404,022.9

Other financial assets

Total

	Balance as of <b>01.10.2024</b> EUR 1,000	scope of consolidation	Additions EUR 1,000	<b>Use</b> EUR 1,000	Reversals EUR 1,000	Currency conversion EUR 1,000	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	9,114.0	162.5	804.0	-106.5	-547.3	22.0	9,448.7
Trade receivables	9,063.7	162.5	804.0	-106.5	-547.3	20.2	9,396.6
Other financial assets	50.3	_			_	1.8	52.1
Total	9,114.0	162.5	804.0	-106.5	-547.3	22.0	9,448.7

9,464.5

144.8

475.0

1,125.1

	Balance as of 01.10.2023 EUR 1,000	scope of consolidation	Additions EUR 1,000	<b>Use</b> EUR 1,000	Reversals EUR 1,000		30.09.2024
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	9,061.0	_	449.7	-47.9	-330.1	-18.7	9,114.0
Trade receivables	9,009.1		449.7	-47.9	-330.1	-17.1	9,063.7
Other financial assets	51.9		_	_	_	-1.6	50.3
Total	9,061.0		449.7	-47.9	-330.1	-18.7	9,114.0

The expenses for complete derecognition of receivables amount to EUR 2,127.3 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,325.4 thousand). The income from the receipt of derecognised receivables amount to EUR 807.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 545.9 thousand). The expenses from additions in the fiscal year amounts to EUR 256.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 119.6 thousand) for financial assets classified as 'Financial Assets at Amortized Cost (AC)'.

With regard to the holdings of financial trade and other receivables that are neither impaired nor in default, there are no indications as of the reporting date that the debtors will not meet their payment obligations. For the financial assets not listed in the above table, there are no material delinquencies or impairments at the reporting date, and there are no indications that the debtors will not meet their payment obligations.

Individual impairments are made up of a number of individual items, of which none is material when considered by itself. In addition, impairments graduated by risk groups are recognised to provide for general credit risks. An impairment of 50% is usually recognised for trade receivables that are more than 180 days overdue.

A financial asset is considered a write-off if the debtor is unlikely to meet his obligations. This is in particular assumed if insolvency proceedings are opened or a claim is overdue for a long time.

Pursuant to the expected credit loss model described in IFRS 9, expected credit losses must also be recognised for financial assets 'At Amortised Cost' (AC). The expected credit losses developed as follows:

	<b>01.10.2024</b> EUR 1,000	Additions EUR 1,000	Reversals EUR 1,000	Currency conversion EUR 1,000	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR 1,000
Other financial assets	135.0	0.5	-44.2	0.6	91.9
Lendings to companies in which an interest is held	103.8	_	-38.1	_	65.7
Other lendings	31.2	0.5	-6.1	0.6	26.2
	-				
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	297.2	3.4	-96.7	0.5	204.4
Trade receivables	297.2	3.4	-96.7	0.5	204.4
Fixed term deposits and short-term investments	92.8	_	-84.6		8.2
Fixed term deposits	92.8		-84.6		8.2
Total	525.0	3.9	-225.5	1.1	304.5

	<b>01.10.2023</b> EUR 1,000	Additions EUR 1,000	Reversals EUR 1,000	Currency conversion EUR 1,000	Balance as of 30.09.2024 EUR 1,000
Other financial assets	160.8	2.6	-27.9	-0.5	135.0
Lendings to companies in which an interest is held	125.7	_	-21.9		103.8
Other lendings	35.1	2.6	-6.0	-0.5	31.2
Receivables and other financial assets (non-current and current)	887.3	6.8	-596.5	-0.4	297.2
Trade receivables	887.3	6.8	-596.5	-0.4	297.2
Fixed term deposits and short-term investments	154.8		-62.0		92.8
Fixed term deposits	154.8	_	-62.0		92.8
Total	1,202.9	9.4	-686.4	-0.9	525.0

For trade receivables and receivables from subsidiaries that are essentially comprised of trade receivables, the credit losses expected over the term are measured using an impairment matrix. In the case of lendings, fixed term deposits, cash and cash equivalents, the expected credit losses are assessed for a 12-month period due to the credit risk remaining essentially unchanged, or because a low credit risk is assumed on the basis of the counterparty's current rating. Any change in the credit risk is ascertained by monitoring the rating. For the purpose of reflecting an assumed recovery rate, the expected losses include the Loss Given Default (LGD), unless the instrument is of diminished creditworthiness. The estimated losses are in this case ascertained on the basis of the estimated expected cash flows and the originally effective interest rate.

In the 2022/23 fiscal year, the rating of a loan to a company in which an interest is held was downgraded to 'non-investment grade' in accordance with IFRS 9B.5.5.23. This has significantly increased the expected credit loss since the investment's initial recognition. The loss expected for this long-term lending was thus measured over the remaining term and amounted to EUR 65.7 (previous year: EUR 103.8 thousand).

#### 24.9.7 Liquidity risk

A liquidity risk would exist when liquidity reserves or debt capacity were insufficient to meet financial obligations on time. Due to anticipatory liquidity planning and the liquidity reserves that are held, the liquidity risk is considered very low for the Energie AG Group. In addition, open lines of bank credit and on the capital market are also drawn on as sources for financing. Measures aimed at assuring an appropriate capital structure and a conservative financial profile assist the company in maintaining its current 'A' rating.

All financial instruments held on the reporting date and for which payments are contractually agreed upon are consolidated. Plan figures for new, future financial liabilities are not included. An average remaining term of 12 months is assumed for the current operating loans; the loan terms are however extended regularly and are, from a commercial perspective, available for longer than the stated periods. Foreign currency amounts are translated at the spot rate as of the reporting date. Variable interest payments from financial instruments are determined based on the last interest rates set before the reporting date. Financial liabilities that can be repaid at any time are always assigned to the earliest maturity range.

	Carrying amount _	Cash 1 2025		Cash : 2026/27 to		Cash from 20	
	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>Interest</b> EUR 1,000	Repayments EUR 1,000	Interest EUR 1,000	Repayments EUR 1,000	Interest EUR 1,000	Repayments EUR 1,000
Financial liabilities (non- current and current)	401,569.1	9,161.8	6,356.4	32,846.9	91,922.1	55,995.7	304,125.1
Bonds	_		_	_	_	-	_
Liabilities to banks	106,049.3	2,982.8	798.2	11,768.8	2,643.9	12,449.2	102,913.9
Lease liabilities	79,950.8	2,002.3	5,406.2	5,023.1	48,355.8	11,442.1	26,188.8
Other financial liabilities	215,569.0	4,176.7	152.0	16,055.0	40,922.4	32,104.4	175,022.4
Trade payables (current)	234,906.0		234,906.0				
Derivative financial instruments (non-current and current)	22,807.2	662.7	18,296.8	2,311.0	2,573.9		
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	13,083.5	662.7	9,141.9	2,311.0	2,005.1	-	-
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	6,463.2	_	5,966.8	_	496.4	-	_
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	3,260.5		3,188.1		72.4		
Other liabilities (non- current and current) acc. to the Statement of Financial Position	299,070.3						
Thereof non-financial liabilities	275,470.9						
Thereof financial liabilities	23,599.4		19,701.0		3,284.9		613.5
Liabilities to affiliated companies	495.0		495.0				_
Liabilities to joint arrangements and associated companies	6,248.5	-	6,248.5				
Other financial liabilities (non-current and current)	16,855.9	_	12,957.5		3,284.9		613.5
Total	682,881.7	9,824.5	279,260.2	35,157.9	97,780.9	55,995.7	304,738.6

	Carrying amount	Cash : 2024		Cash f 2025/26 to		Cash from 20	
	30.09.2024		Repayments		Repayments		Repayments
	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000
Financial liabilities (non- current and current)	610,625.0	13,074.7	313,769.4	25,032.9	52,394.8	48.055.0	245,140.2
Bonds	300,164.2	5.695.9	300,239.5		-	-10,000.0	
Liabilities to banks	12,517.7	466.4	7,993.7	439.9	1,850.5	357.1	2,673.5
Lease liabilities	82,585.6	2,726.8	5,251.3	7,897.7	49,892.9	12,054.8	27,441.4
Other financial liabilities	215,357.5	4,185.6	284.9	16,695.3	651.4	35,643.1	215,025.3
Trade payables (current)	184,248.3		184,248.3			<u> </u>	
Derivative financial instruments (non-current and current)	125,191.4	255.0	89,552.6	3,119.9	33,073.3		
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (cash flow hedge)	36,507.6	255.0	23,518.7	3,119.9	10,423.4	_	_
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments (fair value hedge)	20,458.9	_	680.7	_	19,778.2	_	_
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	68,224.9	_	65,353.2		2,871.7	_	_
Other liabilities (non- current and current) acc. to the Statement of Financial Position	317,436.8		-				
Thereof non-financial liabilities	252,492.9						
Thereof financial liabilities	64,943.9	_	61,234.7		2,806.5	_	902.7
Liabilities to affiliated companies	23,265.4		23,265.4				
Liabilities to joint arrangements and associated companies	10,455.3	_	10,455.3		_	_	_
Other financial liabilities (non-current and current)	31,223.2		27,514.0		2,806.5		902.7
Total	985,008.6	13,329.7	648,805.0	28,152.8	88,274.6	48,055.0	246,042.9

## 24.10 Development and terms of the most material financial liabilities

	EUR 1,000
Financial liabilities 30.09.2024	
Non-current	296,931.0
Current	313,694.0
	610,625.0
Repayment of bond 2005-2025	-300,000.0
European Investment Bank 2025-2035	100,000.0
Other changes in financial liabilities	-9,055.9
Financial liabilities 30.09.2025	
Non-current Non-current	395,212.7
Current	6,356.4
	401,569.1

The Group issued the following material funding:

Energie AG Oberösterreich:

Registered bond 2010–2030, 4.75%, Volume: EUR 40,000,000

Registered bond 2020–2040, 1.25%, Volume: EUR 100,000,000

Registered bond 2021–2051, 1.386%, Volume: EUR 65,000,000

European Investment Bank 2025-2035; variable interest rate; volume:

EUR 100,000,000

#### 24.11 Measurement of energy derivatives

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Positive measurements	86,393.4	661,302.6
Negative measurements	-32,453.5	-437,742.4
	53,939.9	223,560.2

The result from the measurement of energy derivatives is largely offset by results from the physical settlement in the income statement.

#### 25. Non-current provisions

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Provisions for pensions	77,351.4	86,067.5
Provisions for severance payments	76,015.9	83,502.7
Provisions for anniversary bonuses	21,394.7	21,383.8
Provisions for stepped pension and early retirement benefits	4,124.5	4,008.0
Other provisions	40,045.2	40,727.4
	218,931.7	235,689.4

For the most part, the provisions for pensions, severance payments and anniversary bonuses have a term that is more than five years. The provision for stepped pension and early retirement benefits will lead to payment outflows within the next five fiscal years, for the most part.

The following assumptions were made in calculating the personnel provisions:

	2024/25 %	<b>2023/24</b> %
Discount rate	3.8	3.5
Salary trend	2.9	3.2
Pension trend	2.1	2.2
Expected return on plan assets	3.8	3.5

Biometric calculations were based on the AVÖ 2018 P calculation principles for pension funds from the Actuarial Association of Austria. The statutory retirement age was used as a basis.

A fluctuation ranging from 0.0% to 12.98% (previous year: 0.00% to 13.69%) is assumed, staggered according to length of service with the company.

#### 25.1 Provisions for pensions and similar provisions

Company agreements and commitments under individual contracts have incurred an obligation to pay pensions upon retirement to certain staff members who joined the company prior to 30 September 1996 and have accepted neither full nor partial compensation of their claims to direct payments. Beyond that, there is an obligation to pay pensions to certain staff members who retired before 01 July 1998.

For this group of people, a pension provision has been created in line with IAS 19 (Employee Benefits) using the projected unit credit method of actuarial valuation.

The Group has an obligation to make additional contributions for defined retirement benefit obligations that were transferred to the Group's pension fund.

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Present value of retirement benefit obligations (DBO) as of 01.10.	99,113.1	92,087.2
+ Current service costs	395.1	352.8
+ Interest expense	3,315.8	3,733.9
- Retirement benefits payments	-7,884.7	-7,710.8
(-)/+ Remeasurement - actuarial (gains)/losses:		
Due to experience adjustments	-2,564.9	806.3
Due to changes in demographic assumptions	-1,065.4	-0.1
Due to changes in financial assumptions	-3,795.3	9,843.8
Present value of retirement benefit obligations (DBO) as of 30.09.	87,513.7	99,113.1
- Fair value of fund assets	-10,162.3	-13,045.6
Recognised pension provisions as of 30.09.	77,351.4	86,067.5

#### **Changes in fund assets**

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Plan assets as of 01.10.	13,045.6	12,834.1
+/(-) Interest income/(expenses) for plan assets	445.1	509.6
+ Contributions to fund	3.4	119.9
- Payments from fund	-1,264.8	-1,264.6
+/(-) Asset gain/(loss)	-2,067.0	846.6
Plan assets as of 30.09.	10,162.3	13,045.6

The actual income from the plan assets amounts to EUR -2,435.7 thousand (previous year: EUR 918.7 thousand).

The composition of the fund's assets presents as follows:

	30.09.2025 %	30.09.2024 %
Shares	37.1	32.7
Bonds	25.7	28.1
Cash and cash equivalents	3.2	4.9
Other investments	34.0	34.3
Total	100.0	100.0
	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Current service costs	395.1	352.8
Net interest expense	2,870.7	3,224.3
Pension expense (recognised in net profit or loss for the period)	3,265.8	3,577.1
Remeasurement of retirement benefit obligations	-5,358.6	9,803.4
Retirement benefits expense (recognised in other comprehensive income)	-2,092.8	13,380.5

The present value of the defined retirement benefit obligations is distributed over the individual groups of employees entitled to pension benefits as follows:

	30.09.2025 %	30.09.202 <b>4</b> %
Active	17.6	18.2
Vested	-	2.0
Retired	82.4	79.8
	100.0	100.0

As of 30 September 2025, the weighted average remaining term of the defined benefit obligations was 10.0 years (previous year: 10.0 years).

Pension payments for the 2025/26 fiscal year are expected to amount to EUR 6,502.7 thousand.

An increase or decrease in the material actuarial assumptions would have the following effects on the present value of the retirement benefit obligations:

#### Sensitivity analyses

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Remaining life expectancy		
Change by +1 year	5,675.3	5,938.0
Change by -1 year	-6,021.1	-6,324.1
Discount rate		
Change by +0.5%	-4,015.1	-4,797.3
Change by -0.5%	4,398.3	5,272.4
Future pension increase		
Change by +0.5%	4,345.2	5,153.8
Change by -0.5%	-4,016.1	-4,752.9

#### 25.2 Provisions for severance payments

In line with the obligations under Austrian law and the relevant collective bargaining agreements, severance payments were granted to employees whose employment began on or before 31 December 2002. Benefits due at the time of retirement or severance are calculated on the basis of the last salary, as well as the number of years of employment.

Based on these regulations according to labour law and collective bargaining agreements, a provision is created which is calculated according to the projected unit credit method.

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Present value of severance payment obligations (DBO) as of 01.10.	83,502.7	80,064.8
+ Current service costs	2,448.1	2,446.4
+ Interest expense	2,723.3	3,151.2
- Severance payments	-7,748.2	-8,027.6
(-)/+ Remeasurement - actuarial (gains)/losses:		
Due to experience adjustments	56.9	1,080.4
Due to changes in demographic assumptions	-1,672.5	391.8
Due to changes in financial assumptions	-3,294.4	4,395.7
Present value of severance payment obligations (DBO) as of 30.09. = reported provision for severance payment obligations as of 30.09.	76,015.9	83,502.7
	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Current service costs	2,448.1	2,446.4
Net interest expense	2,723.3	3,151.2
Severance expenses (recognised in net profit or loss for the period)	5,171.4	5,597.6
Remeasurement of the severance benefit obligation	-4,910.0	5,867.9
Severance expenses (recognised in other comprehensive income)	261.4	11,465.5

As of 30 September 2025, the weighted average remaining term of the defined benefit obligations was 7.0 years (previous year: 7.0 years).

Severance payments for the 2025/26 fiscal year are expected to amount to EUR 10.924.2 thousand.

An increase or decrease in the significant actuarial assumptions would have the following effects on the present value of the severance payment obligations:

#### Sensitivity analyses

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Discount rate		
Change by +0.5%	-2,532.5	-2,680.4
Change by -0.5%	2,733.7	2,890.6
Future salary increase		
Change by +0.5%	2,773.2	2,917.9
Change by -0.5%	-2,615.6	-2,760.7

For employment relationships in Austria commencing on or after 1 January 2003, the employer is liable to remit 1.53% of the gross salary to an employee pension fund. This form of severance payment is recognised as a defined contribution plans according to IAS 19 (Employee Benefits).

#### 25.3 Provisions for anniversary bonuses

Based on collective bargaining agreements, a provision for anniversary bonuses is created which is calculated according to the projected unit credit method.

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Present value of anniversary bonus obligation (DBO) as of 01.10.	21,383.8	19,034.1
+ Current service costs	1,332.5	1,715.9
+ Interest expense	733.6	789.8
- Anniversary bonus payments	-2,142.3	-1,472.2
(-)/+ Remeasurement – actuarial (gains)/losses	87.1	1,316.2
Present value of anniversary bonus obligation (DBO) as of 30.09. = reported provisions for anniversary bonuses as of 30.09.	21,394.7	21,383.8
	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Current service costs	1,332.5	1,715.9
Net interest expense	733.6	789.8
Remeasurement	87.1	1,316.2
Expenses for anniversary bonuses (recognised in net profit or loss for the period)	2,153.2	3,821.9

## **25.4** Provisions for stepped pension and early retirement benefits

A phased retirement model ('stepped pension') has been agreed with certain employees. This is a transitional payment for the period between the early termination of the employment relationship and the time when a claim to legal pension benefits is reached. The transitional payments for this period correspond to a previously determined percentage of the previous salary.

For the resulting obligations, a provision is created according to IAS 19 (Employee Benefits).

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Present value of early retirement obligations (DBO) as of 01.10.	4,008.0	5,514.6
+ Interest expense	105.9	174.5
+ Past service costs	1,349.0	567.7
- Early retirement payments	-1,748.7	-2,376.1
(-)/+ Remeasurement – actuarial (gains)/losses	410.3	127.3
Present value of early retirement obligations (DBO) as of 30.09. = reported provisions for early retirement obligations as of 30.09.	4,124.5	4,008.0

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Past service costs	1,349.0	567.7
Net interest expense	105.9	174.5
Remeasurement	410.3	127.3
Expenses for stepped pension and early retirement benefits (recognised in net profit or loss for the period)	1,865.2	869.5

#### 25.5 Other non-current provisions

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR 1,000	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Carrying amount as of 01.10.	40,727.4	38,998.6
Use	-2,001.6	-1,971.9
Reversal	-1,313.8	-2,375.2
Allocation	2,400.9	6,088.4
Change in interest rate	217.3	_
Currency translation differences	15.0	-12.5
	40,045.2	40,727.4

This item predominantly contains provisions for landfills and provisions related to the operation of gas storage facilities.

#### 26. Construction cost subsidies

This item primarily includes financing contributions received from electricity, gas and district heating customers. They are reversed as income over the average depreciation period for the corresponding equipment (up to 40 years). Impairments and reversals of impairment for these assets were proportionally considered in the construction cost subsidies.

#### 27. Other non-current liabilities

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Investment subsidies	25,348.8	23,595.4
Other liabilities	20,839.8	21,172.1
	46,188.6	44,767.5

#### 28. Current provisions

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Carrying amount as of 01.10.	90,120.5	39,088.8
Use	-89,921.2	-31,490.7
Reversal	-1,933.5	-1,682.0
Allocation	51,147.6	84,232.4
Currency translation difference	25.0	-28.0
	49,438.4	90,120.5

This item primarily comprises provisions for the future fulfilment of electricity and gas supply contracts, provisions for obligations relating to emission allowances, and provisions for pending litigation and waste-management costs.

#### 29. Tax provisions

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Corporate tax for the reporting period	137.9	25.6

#### 30. Other current liabilities

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR 1,000	<b>30.09.2024</b> EUR 1,000
Liabilities to non-consolidated affiliated companies	470.9	23,239.6
Liabilities to joint arrangements and associated companies	6,248.5	10,455.3
Tax liabilities	88,943.6	56,803.0
Social-security liabilities	8,981.9	8,282.8
Advances received	24,754.1	54,899.5
Liabilities to employees	90,512.0	73,707.3
Liabilities from collateral annexes	-	3,800.0
Other liabilities	32,970.7	41,481.8
	252,881.7	272,669.3

#### Other explanatory notes

#### 31. Further disclosures

Pursuant to an energy supply agreement between Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH and VERBUND AG, the Group procures a certain annual amount of electricity on the basis of standard market products. The cost of the delivered electricity is recognised under material costs.

Since 2021, the Federal Competition Authority (BWB) has been investigating several companies in the waste management sector in Austria for potential antitrust violations. Energie AG Oberösterreich Umweltservice GmbH is also affected. EnergieAG Oberösterreich Umweltservice GmbH is treating the matter with the utmost seriousness and is cooperating fully with the BWB with the aim of clarifying the suspicions in full. A provision has been recognised in the current reporting period in view of possible negative financial effects. Given the complexity of the case, it remains unclear – pending the conclusion of the proceedings – whether any financial burdens will arise and, if so, in what amount.

#### 32. Proposal for the appropriation of profit

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich proposes to the Annual General Meeting a dividend of EUR 0.60 (previous year: EUR 0.75) per share, amounting to a total of EUR 53,188.9 thousand (previous year: EUR 66,486.7 thousand).

#### 33. Management of risks and opportunities

#### 33.1 Risk management process

The ever-changing situation in the European energy market – characterised by geopolitical developments, regulatory adjustments and highly volatile energy prices – is creating a challenging environment for Energie AG. These changes have a direct impact on procurement, production, marketing and investment decisions, and increase the importance of forward-looking and integrated risk management. The aim is to identify potential impacts on the economic situation at an early stage, assess their probability of occurrence and scope, and take appropriate measures in timely fashion.

The risk management of Energie AG follows the internationally recognized COSO-II framework as the risk management standard across the Group. The responsible business units follow a structured, quarterly process to identify, assess and document their significant risks and opportunities in a central management system. The data collected is consolidated and analysed on Group-level and incorporated into the Group's overall risk position.

Reporting to the Group Management Board takes place quarterly and, if necessary, on an ad hoc basis. The risk management report forms part of the regular reporting to the Supervisory Board and, in line with the requirements of the Austrian Company Law Amendment Act (URÄG), is also submitted to the audit committee so as to ensure the

efficiency and appropriateness of the processes. The central management system assures full and complete documentation and traceability of all steps.

#### 33.2 Material opportunities (+) | risks (-) 1) and measures

#### STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS

#### +|- Strategic opportunities | risks due to

- Changes in general climatic conditions
  - Extreme events and their consequences (periods of heat/drought, flooding, storms, hail, forest fires, avalanches)
  - Long-term changes in climatic and ecological conditions (precipitation frequency/volume, increase in average temperatures)
- Changes in the general energy policy and energy market environment
- Changes in technological developments, in the market environment, in customer needs ...

#### **Measures:**

- Continuous intensive monitoring of energy policy developments, markets, competitors, customers, the climate and technologies
- Participation in research projects, ...
- Early and intensive monitoring of strategic opportunities | risks

#### **IMPAIRMENT OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS**

- Depreciation, amortisation and impairments of assets, procurement rights, investments
- Allowances for receivables
- Creation of provisions for impending losses

#### Measures:

- Ongoing monitoring, sensitivity analyses
- Long-term contracts
- Counterparty risk management

#### **PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS**

- High, long-term investment costs, projects with a high level of complexity
- Underruns and overshooting of the planned values in terms of timing schedule, project costs and quality
- (Energy) policy uncertainty

#### Measures:

- Project management
- Risk management methods in the entire project cycle
- Optimised contract arrangements

#### SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS

In the medium term – in our 5-year planning horizon – we assume that climate-related opportunities | risks will remain within the statistical range of the past few years, and these have been taken into account in our (opportunities | risks) scenarios.

Potential long-term climate-related risks and opportunities beyond this have been taken into account in strategic decision-making.

Environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects are becoming increasingly important factors in the risk management process.

For opportunities|risks that may affect questions of sustainability as a result of Energie AG's business activities, see > Non-financial report, SBM-3 - Material impacts, risks and opportunities and their interaction with strategy and business model

For more information on the risks|opportunities which may have an impact on the aspects of the ESG as a result of Energie AG's business activities, refer to the materiality assessment in the Non-financial report

Risklopportunities, definition:

<sup>-</sup>A risk is the possibility of an event occurring which has a negative impact on targets (EBT, EBIT, cash flow)

<sup>-</sup>An opportunity is the possibility of an event occurring which has a positive impact on targets (EBT, EBIT, cash flow)

#### 33.2.1 Market and competition risks

#### +|- Market price changes

(electricity, gas, biomass and  $CO_2$  emissions allowances prices)

#### **Measures:**

- Bundled management of commodity price risks by Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH
- Risk strategies geared for the market environment
- Leveraging of internal synergies within the Group

## +|- Electricity generated from hydroelectric power

influenced by development of weather/climate

#### Measures:

 Optimised management of generation portfolio

## +|- Electricity production from thermal power plants

#### **Measures:**

- Bundled management of commodity price risks by Energie AG Trading
- Long-term contracts
- Leveraging of internal synergies within the Group
- Risk strategies geared for the market environment

## +|- Electricity, gas, heat and telecommunications services sales volumes

influenced by development of weather/climate, competition, economy, policy, ...

#### **Measures:**

- Bundling of sales organisations
- Price guarantee
- Service and subsidy offerings
- Focus on digitalisation
- Positioning as an energy service provider

## +|- Market price and volume changes in waste management

Recycling materials, industrial waste, domestic waste, delivery prices, thermal, ...

- Increased competition from pretreatment plants and industrial co-incinerators
- Increased re-municipalisation efforts of municipal waste management associations

#### **Measures:**

- Long-term indexed contracts with defined delivery volumes and prices
- Focused market activities
- Intensification of cooperation with the public sector
- Further development of the digitalisation projects

## +|- Contractual losses|gains and contract changes in the water|wastewater sector

- Synergy projects
- Ongoing participation in (concession) tenders

#### 33.2.2 Opportunities/risks from business operations

#### - Facility risks

Impairment of the availability of facilities due to

- Technical malfunctions, sabotage, ...
- Natural disasters such as storms, flooding, ...

#### **Measures:**

- Maintenance and quality controls
- Optimised maintenance strategy
- Structural (flood) protection measures
- Strategy programmes 'Replacing overhead medium-voltage lines that are particularly susceptible to disruption with underground cable', 'Replacing low-voltage lines', consistent expansion of grid automation
- Crisis and contingency management
- Insurance

#### +|- Physical weather risks

such as periods of heat|drought, flooding, storms, hail, forest fires, avalanches and their impact on third parties

#### Measures:

- Structural (flood) protection measures
- Strategy programmes 'Replacing overhead medium-voltage lines that are particularly susceptible to disruption with underground cable', 'Replacing low-voltage lines', consistent expansion of grid automation
- Crisis and contingency management
- Insurance

#### - Risks from information security, cybersecurity and data protection

#### Measures:

- Optimised insurance strategy
- Comprehensive technical measures
- Management systems for information security and data protection

#### - Personnel risks

- Health and safety risks for company staff and temporary employees
- Loss of expertise and practical knowledge

- Safety training courses for employees
- In-house health management project energy@work
- Apprenticeship|trainee programmes
- 'Human Resource Management',
   'Management by Objectives' and
   'Management Academy' Group policies

#### 33.2.3 Political, regulatory and statutory opportunities/risks

#### +|- Changes in the regulatory environment

for the electricity and gas grids

#### **Measures:**

- Intensive and constructive dialog with the regulatory authorities
- Cooperation with interest groups

#### +|- Legal risks

from pending legal disputes

#### **Measures:**

- Legal support
- Provisions in the balance sheet
- Out-of-court settlements

#### +|- Political and statutory environment

- EU climate policy provisions and their implementation in Austria
- Statutory environment for project development and implementation
- Changes to subsidy regime

#### Measures:

- Intensive and constructive dialog with authorities and politicians
- Cooperation with interest groups

#### 33.2.4 Compliance risks and data protection infringements

#### - Compliance risks

- Antitrust and corruption risks
- Financial market compliance

#### **Measures:**

- Group policies 'Compliance Management System' and 'Anti-Corruption', 'Handling on Insider Information', 'ICT Information Security Management'
- In-person training and e-learning courses

#### - Data protection infringements

- Accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration or disclosure of data
- Hacker attacks

- Group policies 'Data Protection Management System' and 'Data Protection Compliance Policy'
- In-person training and e-learning courses

#### 33.2.5 Financial risks

#### +|- Changes in interest rates

#### **Measures:**

Long-term fixed interest agreements

#### +|- Foreign exchange risk

Primarily from the transaction and translation risks of the Czech Group companies

#### **Measures:**

- Ongoing monitoring
- Currency hedging, where necessary

## +|- Prices changes in financial assets (securities, funds)

resulting from market value fluctuations in the capital markets

#### Measures:

- Conservative investment policy
- Consistent monitoring
- On-going quantification of share price risks

#### +|- Rating change

relates to lower| higher refinancing costs

#### **Measures:**

- The management of Energie AG continues to seek to maintain Energie AG's Single A credit rating in the long term
- Ensuring compliance with the required key financial performance indicators

## +|- Opportunities|Risks from investments in other companies

- Fluctuations in the returns on investments
- Fluctuations in dividends received

#### **Measures:**

- Ongoing monitoring
- Representation on boards of the subsidiaries

#### +|- Changes in the discount rate for provisions

The present value of provisions decreases at a higher discount rate and increases at a lower discount rate

#### Measures:

Ongoing monitoring

#### - Counterparty risks

Complete or partial failure of counterparties

#### **Measures:**

- Ongoing monitoring
- Credit limit systems
- Hedging instruments
- Targeted strategy of diversification of business partners

#### - Liquidity risk

- Centralised, forward-looking liquidity planning
- Sufficient liquidity reserves
- Open, partially committed credit lines

#### 34. Related party disclosures

Related parties include OÖ Landesholding GmbH as majority shareholder as well as its subsidiaries, the Province of Upper Austria as sole investor of OÖ Landesholding GmbH, the joint ventures, the associated companies as well as members of the Management Board and of the Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich and their close relatives.

		Revenues EUR 1,000	Expenses EUR 1,000	Receivables EUR 1,000	<b>Liabilities</b> EUR 1,000
Province of Upper Austria	2024/25	2,600.9	155.4	560.2	85.8
	2023/24	1,846.3	171.4	135.3	676.1
OÖ Landesholding and subsidiaries	2024/25	20,692.4	238.0	18,191.5	84.9
	2023/24	20,184.4	270.0	1,462.6	22,861.4
Associated companies	2024/25	120,132.4	16,384.2	6,565.1	327.5
	2023/24	114,329.6	25,950.3	6,559.7	92.6
Joint ventures	2024/25	10,399.5	12,088.3	6,110.8	698.4
	2023/24	10,171.8	10,068.1	6,332.3	65.6

#### **Province of Upper Austria**

The Province of Upper Austria is the sole investor of OÖ Landesholding GmbH. OÖ Landesholding GmbH is the majority shareholder of Energie AG Oberösterreich.

#### **OÖ Landesholding GmbH**

Energie AG Oberösterreich and selected subsidiaries are members of the OÖ Landesholding GmbH tax group. The provisions of the OÖ Landesholding GmbH Group contract govern the relationship between Energie AG Oberösterreich and the Group parent, whereas Energie AG Oberösterreich calculates its taxable income in consideration of the taxable income of its subordinate Group companies. In the case of positive tax income, any positive tax allocations are offset using the applicable tax rate. Negative tax results are carried forward. The tax allocations amount to EUR 80,457.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 27,990.0 thousand). Sales revenues were also generated with OÖ Landesholding GmbH and its subsidiaries, in particular through the supply of electricity and gas, in the amount of EUR 20,692.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 20,184.4 thousand). As of the reporting date, this item also includes receivables in the amount of EUR 18,191.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 1,462.6 thousand) and liabilities of EUR 84.9 thousand

(previous year: EUR 22,861.4 thousand).

#### **Associated companies**

#### Salzburg AG für Energie, Verkehr und Telekommunikation

Gas and electricity deliveries at standard market terms take place between the Group and Salzburg AG. The sales revenues amount to EUR 22,590.4 thousand (previous year: EUR 6,088.3 thousand), while expenses are EUR 244.9 thousand (previous year: EUR 2,583.2 thousand).

#### **Wels Strom GmbH**

In addition to grid services, heat and electricity deliveries at standard market terms took place between the Group and Wels Strom GmbH. The sales revenues amount to EUR 93,118.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 103,270.2 thousand), while expenses are EUR 14,444.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 22,793.5 thousand). As of the reporting date, this item also includes receivables of EUR 5,378.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 5,751.6 thousand).

#### Joint ventures

#### **BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH**

The Group provided construction services and other services totalling EUR 5,544.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 2,627.4 thousand) to BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH and its subsidiary Breitband Oberösterreich Infrastruktur GmbH. Services amounting to EUR 7,755.8 thousand (previous year: EUR 7,204.2 thousand) were purchased. This item also includes receivables in the amount of EUR 5,436.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 5,563.1 thousand) and liabilities in the amount of EUR 680.0 thousand (previous year: EUR 36.0 thousand). The settlements are conducted at standard market conditions. There are loan collateral guarantees in the amount of EUR 33,750.0 thousand for liabilities of Breitband Oberösterreich Infrastruktur GmbH.

#### Members of the Management in key positions

Members of the management in key positions include the members of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich, and the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of OÖ Landesholding GmbH. Please refer to **Note 10** with regard to the remuneration of the members of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich. Additional disclosable transactions included revenues of EUR 27.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 27.6 thousand) and benefits in the amount of EUR 100.5 thousand (previous year: EUR 134.4 thousand). This item also includes receivables in the amount of EUR 3.6 thousand (previous year: EUR 1.1 thousand).

#### 35. Material events after the reporting date

On 18 November 2025, the Austrian Council of Ministers adopted a government draft for the 'ElWG package'. Among other things, the legislative package provides that energy utilities will be required, under certain conditions, to adjust the electricity price charged to customers within 6 months. In addition, the draft introduces a social tariff for particularly vulnerable households and special grid tariffs for grid-supporting electricity storage systems. Furthermore, in future, feed-in parties will be required to pay a grid utilisation fee. The exact nature of the legislative amendments and their impact on the Energie AG Group cannot yet be assessed, as parliamentary negotiations are still pending.

#### 36. Disclosures on Group management bodies

In this fiscal year, the members of the management board of Energie AG Oberösterreich were:

Dr. Leonhard Schitter MA (Chairman of the Management Board, CEO); KommR Mag. Dr. Andreas Kolar (Member of the Management Board, CFO); DI Alexander Kirchner, MBA (Member of the Management Board, CTO).

The Supervisory Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich had the following members in the 2024/25 fiscal year:

Provincial Councillor Markus Achleitner (Chairman); Mag. Stefan Lang PLL.M (Vice-Chairman); Mag. Reinhard Schwendtbauer (Deputy Vice-Chairman, since 17.12.2024); Dr. Heinrich Schaller (Deputy Vice-Chairman, until 17.12.2024); Dr. in Miriam Eder MBA; Mag. Dr. Erich Entstrasser (until 27.03.2025); Mag. Dr. Dr. Christiane Frauscher; Mag. Florian Hagenauer MBA; Dipl.-Ing. Erich Haider MBA; Dr. Elisabeth Kölblinger; Commercial Council Mag. Michaela Keplinger-Mitterlehner; DI Dr.-Ing. Michael Kraxner (since 27.03.2025); Mag. Kathrin Renate Kühtreiber-Leitner MBA; Member of the Provincial Parliament Commercial Council Ing. Herwig Mahr; Gertrude Schatzdorfer-Wölfel; Thomas Peter Stadlbauer MSc MBA MPA.

Appointed by the Works Council: Ing. Peter Neißl MBA MSc; Pamela Neuer; Edith Schmid; Ing. Bernhard Steiner; Christian Strobl; Gerhard Störinger; Andreas Walzer.

Linz, 2 December 2025

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich

Dr. Leonhard Schitter, M.A.

CEO

Dr. Andreas Kolar

CFO

Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Kirchner MBA

CTO

#### **Audit Certificate**

#### **Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### **Audit opinion**

We have audited the Consolidated Financial Statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich, Linz, and its subsidiaries (the Group) comprising the Consolidated Statement of Income from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025, the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025, the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of 30 September 2025, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the fiscal year ending on that date, as well as the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

It is our opinion that the attached Consolidated Financial Statements comply with the statutory requirements and offer an adequately accurate representation of the asset and financial position of the Group as of 30 September 2025, as well as the Group's earnings position and cash flows during the fiscal year ending as of that date, in accordance with the IFRS Accounting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), as they are to be applied in the EU and the additional requirements stipulated in § 245a of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB), the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010, and the Gas Industry Act 2011.

#### **Basis for our audit opinion**

We have conducted our audit in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing of Financial Statements. These principles require the application of the International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under these regulations and standards are set out in more detail in Section 'Responsibilities of the Auditor in Auditing the Consolidated Financial Statements' of the audit certificate. We are independent from the Group in compliance with the Austrian corporate law and professional regulation and have discharged our other professional duties in accordance with these requirements. We are of the opinion that the audit evidence obtained by us by the date of our audit certificate is sufficient and suitable for forming the basis for our audit opinion expressed as of that date.

#### Other disclosures

The legal representatives are responsible for the other required disclosures. The other disclosures encompass all information presented in the Annual Financial Report and Group Annual Report, with the exception of the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Group Management Report and the audit certificate. The Consolidated Non-financial Report was received by us prior to the date of this audit certificate, the other components of the Annual Financial Report and Group Annual Report are expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our audit opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements does not extend to the other disclosures, which are excluded from the assurances given by our firm.

Our audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements comes with the responsibility to read and consider the other disclosures with the objective of determining whether the other disclosures contain significant discrepancies from the Consolidated Financial Statements and the insights gained in the course of our audit, or whether they are significantly misrepresented in another way.

If, based on the information received or work performed by us prior to the date of this audit certificate, we conclude that a material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to report that fact. Our audit has not resulted in any reportable circumstances.

# Responsibilities of the legal representatives and the Audit Committee for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The legal representatives are responsible for compiling the Consolidated Financial Statements in compliance with the IFRS Accounting Standards applicable in the EU and the additional requirements stipulated in § 245a of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB), the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010 and the Gas Industry Act 2011, and for assuring that they provide a true and fair view of the Group's assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss. The legal representatives are further responsible for the internal controls deemed necessary by them for preparing a set of Consolidated Financial Statements that is free from significant misrepresentations caused by fraud or human error.

In compiling the Consolidated Financial Statements, the legal representatives have the duty to form an opinion on the Group's ability to continue its business operations, to disclose any relevant circumstances relating to the continuation of the business operations and to base their considerations on the principle of continued business operations, unless they intend to liquidate the Group, cease business operations or find themselves in lack of any viable alternative to such course of action.

The Audit Committee is responsible for supervising the Group's accounting processes.

## Responsibilities of the auditors for the audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objective is to assure an adequate degree of certainty on whether the Consolidated Financial Statements in their entirety are free from significant misrepresentations caused by fraud or human error, and to issue an audit certificate that reflects our audit findings. An adequate degree of certainty means a high degree of certainty, but is not an absolute guarantee that the audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing, which require application of ISA, has in fact identified all significant misrepresentations that may be contained in the audited financial statements.

Misrepresentations may result from malicious acts or misconceptions and are deemed significant if they could, individually or collectively, have a potential influence on the commercial decisions made by their readers on the basis of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

In conducting our audit in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing, which require application of ISA, we form our opinions on the basis of our professional judgement and maintain a critical view of the circumstances presented to us throughout the entire course of the audit.

We further adhere to the following:

- We identify and assess the risks stemming from any significant misrepresentations in the Financial Statements caused by fraud or human error, plan our audit activities as a response to these risks, perform our audit activities and gain sufficient and suitable audit evidence to serve as the basis for our audit findings. The risk of significant misrepresentations resulting from malicious acts remaining undetected is higher than the risk resulting from misconceptions, because malicious acts may include collusion, fraudulent acts, forgery, intentional omissions, deceiving representations or the circumvention of internal controls. In order to plan audit activities that adequately address the prevailing circumstances, we gain an understanding of the Group's system of internal controls bearing relevance for our audit, but without the objective of forming an audit opinion on its effectiveness.
- We evaluate the appropriateness of the accounting methods applied by the legal representatives, as well as the tenability of values estimated by the legal representatives and represented in the accounts and the disclosures associated with such estimates.
- We draw inferences about the appropriateness of the legal representatives operating under the accounting principle of continued business operations, as well as, on the basis of the evidence presented to us for our audit, whether any events or circumstances are subject to a considerable uncertainty that would give rise to doubts about the viability of the Group continuing its business operations. If we arrive at the conclusion that a material uncertainty exists, we are obliged to draw attention to the associated disclosures contained in the Consolidated Financial Statements in our audit certificate, or to modify our audit certificate if these disclosures are inappropriate. We draw our conclusions on the basis of the audit evidence gathered by the date of our audit certificate. Future events or circumstances may however result in the Group resolving to discontinue its business operations.

- We form an opinion on the overall presentation, structure and contents of the Consolidated Financial Statements including the disclosures therein, as well as on whether they present a true and fair view of the underlying business transactions and events.
- We plan and perform the Group audit in order to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business units within the Group, which forms the basis for expressing an audit opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements. We are responsible for directing, supervising and reviewing the audit work performed for the purposes of the Group audit. We bear the sole responsibility for our audit opinion.
- We consult with the Audit Committee on matters such as the planned scope and timing of the audit as well as significant audit findings, including any significant defects in the system of internal control system detected during our audit.

#### **Report on the Group Management Report**

Austrian corporate law requires an assessment of whether the Group Management Report reconciles with the Consolidated Financial Statements and whether it was compiled in accordance with the applicable legal requirements.

The legal representatives are responsible for compiling the Group Management Report in compliance with the requirements under Austrian corporate law.

We have conducted our audit on the basis of the professional principles for the auditing of group management reports.

#### **Audit opinion**

We have formed the opinion that the Group Management Report complies with the applicable legal requirements and that it reconciles with the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Declaration**

Our audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the understanding formed about the Group and its business environment has not identified any material misrepresentations in the Group Management Report.

Vienna

3 December 2025

#### Deloitte Audit Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH

Mag. Gerhard Marterbauer Auditor



The Consolidated Financial Statements with our audit certificate may only be published or disclosed in the format certified by us. This audit certificate refers exclusively to the full original Consolidated Financial Statements and the Group Management Report issued in German. The provisions of § 281 para 2 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) must be observed for any other versions.

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of Energie AG Oberösterreich

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#### **Audited Company Annual Report**

# Statement of Financial Position as of 30 September 2025

ASSI	ETS	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
A.	Non-current assets		
	I. Intangible assets	70,049,939.63	67,992
	II. Property, plant and equipment	1,773,290,167.41	1,554,917
	III. Financial assets	802,247,600.00	802,351
		2,645,587,707.04	2,425,261
B.	Current assets		
	I. Inventories	50,180,953.24	53,853
	II. Receivables and other assets (thereof with a remaining term of more than 1 year: EUR 14,853.56, previous year: EUR 16 thousand)	50,967,402.18	58,579
	III. Securities	9,999,999.95	10,000
	IV. Cash, credit balances with banks	129,383,884.51	421,765
		240,532,239.88	544,197
C.	Prepayments and accrued income	2,941,646.48	3,560
		2,889,061,593.40	2,973,018
LIAB	ILITIES	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	<b>Previous year</b> EUR 1,000
A.	Equity		
	<ol> <li>Called and paid share capital (thereof subscribed share capital EUR 88,648,910.00; previous year EUR 88,650 thousand)</li> </ol>	88,648,910.00	88,650
	less nominal value of treasury stocks	-727.00	-1
		88,648,183.00	88,649
	II. Committed capital reserves	209,141,190.00	209,140
	III. Retained earnings		
	1. Legal reserves	8,000,000.00	8,000
	2. Free reserves	527,029,696.87	488,185
	3. Reserves for treasury stocks	727.00	1
		535,030,423.87	496,186
	IV. Balance sheet profit (thereof profit carried forward EUR 13,317.50; previous year EUR 10 thousand)	53,200,000.00	66,500
		886,019,796.87	860,476
B.	Investment subsidies	12,787,232.32	10,196
C.	Special item for emission allowances allocated free of charge	3,669,635.67	2,993
D.	Provisions	99,571,256.17	110,012
E.	Liabilities (thereof with a remaining term of up to one year: EUR 1,219,582,404.17, previous year EUR 1,433,429 thousand thereof with a remaining term of more than one year: EUR 635,485,674.13, previous year EUR 520,976 thousand)	1,855,068,078.30	1,954,405
F.	Construction cost subsidies	31,156,267.25	33,968
G.	Accrued expenses and deferred income	789,326.82	968
		2,889,061,593.40	2,973,018

### Statement of Income 2024/25

		<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
1.	Sales revenues	707,854,838.00	732,958
2.	Capitalised corporate services	6,098.48	0
3.	Other operating income	3,888,554.14	10,687
4.	Expenses for material and other purchased services	-366,943,456.26	-316,999
5.	Personnel expenses	-14,184,841.82	-12,957
6.	Depreciation, amortisation and write-downs (thereof impairments EUR 470,595.44; previous year EUR 19,499 thousand)	-132,491,006.32	-147,767
7.	Other operating expenses	-41,018,290.23	-53,107
8.	Operating result (l. 1 to 7)	157,111,895.99	212,816
9.	Income from investments (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 0.00; previous year EUR 0 thousand)	6,459,047.15	8,051
10.	Income from other securities and lendings from the non-current financial assets (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 1,685,013.56; previous year TEUR 1,737 thousand)	1,972,757.43	2,144
11.	Other interest and similar income (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 0.00; previous year EUR 0 thousand)	10,378,549.71	13,244
12.	Income from the disposal and write-up of financial assets and current securities (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 0.00; previous year EUR 0 thousand)	760,127.52	6,228
13.	Expenses from financial assets and current securities (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 1,496,617.20; previous year: EUR 5,536 thousand, thereof from write-downs EUR 200,724.11; previous year EUR 33 thousand)	-1,697,341.31	-5,569
14.	Interest and similar expenses (thereof from affiliated companies EUR 44,813,669.44; previous year: 61,747 thousand)	-57,589,248.69	-81,578
15.	Financial result (l. 9 to 14)	-39,716,108.19	-57,480
16.	Earnings before taxes	117,395,787.80	155,336
17.	Income taxes (thereof deferred taxes EUR -11,221,498.09; previous year EUR -10,243 thousand)	-25,344,372.21	-35,183
18.	Earnings after taxes = net profit for the year	92,051,415.59	120,153
19.	Allocation of retained earnings	-38,864,733.09	-53,663
20.	Profit for the year	53,186,682.50	66,490
21.	Profit carried forward from the previous year	13,317.50	10
22.	Balance sheet profit	53,200,000.00	66,500

# Notes to the Annual Financial Statements 2024/25

#### 1. General notes

The present Annual Financial Statements for the fiscal year 2024/25 were prepared in compliance with the principles of proper accounting and the general duty to provide a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the company in accordance with the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB).

The Company is classified as a large stock corporation pursuant to § 221 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB).

In order to achieve a clear presentation, some items have been condensed in the Statement of Financial Position and in the Statement of Income. These items are explained separately in the Notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

For assets and liabilities that are split between different items of the Statement of Financial Position, the respective splitting relationship with other items is disclosed in the Notes.

The Statement of Income is presented in vertical format and was prepared using the total-cost method.

The format used in previous years was continued in the preparation of the present Annual Financial Statements.

Together with individual Group companies, Energie AG Oberösterreich was incorporated into the Group of companies of OÖ Landesholding GmbH (Group parent) as a member company pursuant to § 9 KStG (Austrian Tax Act) starting with the 2010 tax year. The associated inclusion in the group and tax allocation agreement of OÖ Landesholding GmbH was finalised.

The provisions of the OÖ Landesholding GmbH Group contract govern the relationship between Energie AG Oberösterreich and the Group parent, whereas Energie AG Oberösterreich calculates its taxable income in consideration of the taxable income of its subordinate Group companies (accrual principle):

The Group contract provides for the recognition of positive tax allocations from Group members in an amount corresponding to 23% of the allocated positive income. The tax losses allocated to the Group parent reduce the basis for positive tax allocations to be paid to the Group parent in subsequent years. However, the Group parent can ultimately assume the allocated negative result by paying a negative tax allocation to the Group company in the amount of 97% of the tax portion attributable to the assumed negative income.

The option of a deviating tax allocation agreement between Energie AG Oberösterreich and its Group companies provided for in the accession agreement to the Group contract was exercised and a clearing procedure similar to the clearing system described above was approved at the level of Energie AG Oberösterreich and its subordinate Group members.

On 1 October 2004, Energie AG Oberösterreich introduced an effective cash-pooling system that aims at optimising the management of the Group's bank accounts, as well as the intra-group liquidity management and the processing of payment transactions within the Group.

Energie AG Oberösterreich decided in favour of two pooling groups, and since 1 October 2006 Energie AG Group Treasury GmbH has been the lead company of the pool.

A total of 26 (previous year: 25) companies participate in the pooling arrangements as of 30 September 2025.

Energie AG Oberösterreich is Energie AG Group's highest-level parent company and prepares the Consolidated Financial Statements prescribed under § 245a para 1 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB). The Consolidated Financial Statements are filed with the Provincial Court of Linz as the competent Commercial Court.

#### 2. Accounting policies

The accounting policies applied in the previous year were continued.

#### General principles

The Annual Financial Statements were prepared in adherence to the principle of completeness.

The principle of obtaining individual measurements was applied in the measurement of assets and liabilities.

The company observed the principle of prudence by only recognising profits that were realised by the date of the Statement of Financial Position. All discernible risks and impending losses incurred up to the reporting date are included in the Annual Financial Statements.

Estimates are based on prudent appraisals. The company has based its estimates on statistical data from its historical experience with similar circumstances.

Measurements were made under the assumption of a continuation of the company.

#### Non-current assets

Intangible assets are, to the extent acquired against consideration, measured at their acquisition costs and depreciated over a useful life of 5 to 20 years using the straight-line method.

Property, plant and equipment assets are measured at cost less straight-line depreciation. Buildings are depreciated over a useful life ranging from 15 to 40 years, manufacturing plant and equipment as well as other equipment, furniture and fixtures are depreciated over a useful life of 4 to 25 years.

Low-value assets are fully written off in the year of their acquisition.

Impairment losses are recognised for impairments expected to be permanent.

Shares in affiliated companies and other investments are recognised at cost or the lower attributable fair values.

For the purposes of the Annual Financial Statements, shares in affiliated companies and investments are assessed on indications for a significant change in the attributable value. This includes an assessment of whether there are any prevailing external or internal influences that may cause a significant change in value. If necessary, the value is measured on the basis of discounted net cash inflows determined on the basis of the 5-year mid-term planning and/or available external planning data. This includes in particular the future development of electricity, heat and primary energy prices, the availability and price developments of waste and recycling materials, and assumptions concerning regulatory developments. Assumptions regarding costs and price developments for the supply of water and management of waste water are also a factor when determining values.

The perpetual annuity is usually based on the cash inflows assumed in the mid-term planning. The assumptions for an increase in the perpetual annuity are determined in a company-specific approach. The specific discount rate applied by the company is derived from the current market data. The pro-rata equity serves as the lower ceiling for the measurement of participating interests.

Securities (book-entry securities) held investments are measured at their purchase prices or, in the event of a permanent impairment, at the lower stock exchange price.

Non-interest-bearing and low-interest-bearing lendings are shown at their present value.

Write-ups are now always recognised following an upward revaluation or if the reasons for a write-down no longer apply. Pursuant to § 124b para 270 of the Austrian Income Tax Act (EStG), a reserve for taxes assessable on write-ups has been formed in the 2016/17 fiscal year for write-ups of security investments unrecognised prior to 30 September 2016. This reserve is recognised as deferred income and reversed in accordance with the tax provisions pursuant to § 906 para 32 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB).

#### Current assets

Raw materials and supplies are measured at their average acquisition or production costs (moving average price method), lower current values or fixed values. The gas reservoirs are valued by means of a moving average price method. Where market-based prices for volumes already contracted as of the reporting date are lower than the ones contractually agreed at the time of storage, a write-down is recognised.

Work in progress is measured at the attributable production costs.

Receivables are measured at their nominal value, taking their collectability into account. Bad debt allowances are recognised for receivables that may not be collectable. Receivables in foreign currency are measured in strict adherence to the principle of lower of cost or market.

#### **Deferred taxes**

Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all temporal differences between the values of assets, provisions and liabilities under tax law and their carrying values under corporate law. Pursuant to § 198 para 10 subpara 3 of the Austrian Commercial Code, deferred taxes from shares in affiliated companies are not recognised as deferred taxes if their reversal is plannable but not timeable from today's perspective.

A deferred tax liability will be recognised on the liabilities side of the Statement of Financial Position for taxes payable in future fiscal years. The calculation is based on a tax rate of 23% (previous year: 23%).

#### **Provisions**

Actuarial principles are applied to calculate provisions for severance payments using the 'Projected-Unit-Credit' method, in keeping with IAS 19. The calculation is based on a retirement age of 63 years (previous year: 62 years) for females and males in keeping with transitional provisions or an earlier retirement age in individual cases, an actuarial interest rate of 3.80% (previous year: 3.50%), planned salary increases of 2.90% (previous year: 3.20%) as well as a discount for fluctuations according to probabilities, depending on years of employment from 2.00% for 0 years of employment (previous year: 1.86% for 0 years of employment) to 0.00% from 42 years of employment upwards (previous year: 0.0% from 42 years of employment).

The provision for anniversary bonuses is also calculated using the 'Projected-Unit-Credit' method in keeping with IAS 19, using the same parameters that were employed to calculate the provisions for severance payments. When calculating the provisions for anniversary bonuses, a discount for fluctuations according to probabilities, depending on years of employment from 2.00% for 0 years of employment (previous year: 1.86% for 0 years of employment) to 0.16% from 43 years of employment (previous year: 0.00% from 48 years of employment) was used as a basis.

Actuarial principles are applied to calculate provisions for old-age pensions and early retirement using the 'Projected-Unit-Credit' method, in keeping with IAS 19. The calculation is based on the AVÖ 2018-P calculation tables, an actuarial interest rate of 3.80% (previous year 3.50%) and a pension trend of 2.10% (previous year: stepped from 0.00% to 2.20%).

Other provisions were formed in accordance with the principle of prudent accounting.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, the company considered all discernible risks and impending losses in the measurement of the other provisions. Non-current provisions were discounted using an interest rate of 3.20% (previous year: 2.50%).

#### Liabilities

Liabilities are measured at their repayment amounts and in adherence to the principle of prudent accounting. Liabilities in foreign currencies are measured in keeping with the highest value principle.

#### CO2 emissions allowances

Starting in the 2009/10 fiscal year, accounting of emission allowances based on AFRAC expert's opinion takes place by capitalising emission allowances obtained at no charge at the time of their acquisition and measuring them at market value applicable on the date of their disposition. A special liability item is recognised in the same amount and reversed in accordance with the actual  $\rm CO_2$  emissions. Emission allowances acquired against consideration are capitalised at cost on the acquisition date. The measurement of capitalised emission allowances strictly adheres to the lower-of-cost-or-market value principle. A provision is created to account for the obligation to surrender emission allowances based on the actual  $\rm CO_2$  emissions.

Starting with the 2013 calendar year, no free allocation is planned for power generation. In calendar year 2020, Energie AG received a free allocation for heat generation for the last time.

#### Construction cost subsidies

This item primarily includes financing contributions received from electricity and gas customers. They are reversed through profit or loss over a 15 to 40 year period. Since the 2005/06 and 2015/16 fiscal years, construction cost subsidies are collected at the time new electricity and gas connections are installed by Netz Oberösterreich GmbH.

#### 3. Notes to the Statement of Financial Position

#### **Non-current assets**

The 'Changes in non-current assets' (Annex 2 to the Notes) shows, in addition to the legally required outline and annual development, the company-specific composition of the non-current assets.

#### Intangible assets

In addition to electricity procurement rights, the intangible assets also comprise various computer software programmes, user rights for various systems, leasehold interests etc.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Low-value assets amounting to EUR 2,096,565.97 were fully written off in the year of acquisition (previous year: EUR 2,136 thousand).

The individual assets in item 'Land and buildings' show real property assets in the amount of EUR 38,663,010.89 (previous year: EUR 35,663 thousand).

The use of property, plant and equipment not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position on the basis of long-term rent, lease and leasing agreements results in liabilities in the amount of EUR 3,444,917.25 (previous year: EUR 3,842 thousand) for the next fiscal year. The liabilities for the next five years amount to EUR 12,736,366.10 (previous year: EUR 16,392 thousand).

#### **Financial assets**

The table below provides information about the relevant data as of 30 September 2025 with respect to participating interests of 20% or more.

	Share capital	Interest in the company		Equity of the company	Profit/loss for the year
	EUR	%	EUR	EUR	EUR
Affiliated companies					
Energie AG Oberösterreich Service- und Beteiligungs- verwaltungs-GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	391,175,558.17	25,598,111.55
Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Holding GmbH, Linz	150,000.00	100	150,000.00	97,626,329.23	-78,268.41
Energie AG Group Treasury GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	54,919,970.26	6,948,269.17
Energie AG Oberösterreich Bohemia GmbH, Linz	500,000.00	100	500,000.00	34,100,346.05	149,810.10
Netz Oberösterreich GmbH, Linz	5,000,000.00	100	5,000,000.00	166,696,157.54	10,404,467.17
Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH, Linz	150,000.00	100	150,000.00	87,972,076.28	10,831,808.24
Energie AG Oberösterreich Erzeugung GmbH, Linz	150,000.00	100	150,000.00	278,079,592.38	51,149,266.05
Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH, Linz	150,000.00	100	150,000.00	24,696,652.93	6,732,931.96
Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	29,688,392.54	796,460.21
Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	2,435,426.74	-959,755.16 <sup>3)</sup>
Energy IT Service GmbH, Linz	45,000.00	33.3	15,000.00	161,702.25	5,936.70
Cogeneration-Kraftwerke Management Oberösterreich GmbH, Linz	100,000.00	99.9	99,900.00	2)	2)
Wertstatt 8 GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	1,532,400.67	-536,862.04 <sup>3)</sup>
Energie AG Oberösterreich Vertrieb GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	100	35,000.00	68,957,742.15	1,079,588.76
	EUR	%	EUR	EUR 1,000	EUR 1,000
Other investments					
BBOÖ Breitband Oberösterreich GmbH, Linz	35,000.00	50	17,500.00	77,234.68	139.76 <sup>1)</sup>
Ennskraftwerke Aktiengesellschaft, Steyr	3,400,000.00	50	1,700,000.00	46,919.10	812.90 <sup>1)</sup>

Lendings in the amount of EUR 944,792.92 (previous year: EUR 2,215 thousand) will mature in the next fiscal year.

With effect on 1 October 2016, write-ups of investment securities recognised in fiscal year 2015/16 were transferred into a provision for value adjustments pursuant to § 124b para 270 subpara a of the Austrian Income Tax Act (EStG) and recognised as deferred income pursuant to § 906 para 32 of the Austrian Corporate Code.

Figures as of 31.12.2024

Discretionary non-disclosure as per § 242 para 2 subpara 2 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB)

The loss for the year is absorbed by Energie AG Oberösterreich in accordance with the loss absorption agreement

#### **Current assets**

#### **Inventories**

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Raw materials and supplies	50,180,953.24	53,853

#### Receivables and other assets

	Carrying value 30.09.2025 EUR	Thereof remaining term > 1 year EUR	Thereof securitised by bills of exchange EUR	Capitalised anticipated amounts EUR
Trade receivables	124,226.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	25,086.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Receivables from affiliated companies	36,673,202.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	42,702,886.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
Receivables from companies in which an interest is held	5,014,881.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	4,920,669.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other receivables and other assets	9,155,091.64	14,853.56	0.00	1,815,600.33
Previous year	10,930,515.01	16,253.07	0.00	4,858,990.05
	50,967,402.18	14,853.56	0.00	1,815,600.33
Previous year	58,579,157.33	16,253.07	0.00	4,858,990.05

The receivables from affiliated companies in the amount of EUR 36,673,202.04 (previous year: EUR 42,703 thousand) consists of trade receivables in the amount of EUR 15,042,102.08 (previous year: EUR 12,867 thousand), other receivables in the amount of EUR 37,463,070.74 (previous year: EUR 42,750 thousand) including receivables from positive tax allocations in the amount of EUR 20,788,255.64 (previous year: EUR 42,540 thousand), trade payables in the amount of EUR -15,769,312.28 (previous year: EUR -12,914 thousand), and other liabilities from tax allocations in the amount of EUR -62,658.50 (previous year: EUR 0 thousand).

The carrying amount of the allocated free-of-charge  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emissions allowances on 30 September 2025 was EUR 4,050,073.21 (previous year: EUR 3,674 thousand). The  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emissions allowance price on the reporting date was EUR 75.72 (previous year: EUR 65.56), which means that it was necessary to write down part of the free-of-charge emission allowances. After write-down, the carrying amount was EUR 3,772,026.45 (previous year: EUR 3,164 thousand) as of 30 September 2025.

#### **Accruals and deferrals**

The discount on cost of finance, carried under assets, and the portions of issuing costs for bonds are written off in keeping with the terms of these bonds.

#### **Equity**

#### Called share capital and paid-in share capital

By resolution of the annual General Meeting on 17 December 2024, the share capital of Energie AG was reduced by EUR 1,216.00 from EUR 88,650,126.00 to EUR 88,648,910.00 by means of a simplified capital reduction by cancellation of 1,216 no-par value registered shares of treasury stock in the form of non-voting preferred shares.

The share capital is broken down into 88,648,910 no-par value shares (of which 88,600,000 are ordinary shares and 48,910 non-voting preferred shares) with a nominal value per share of EUR 1.00. All ordinary shares as well as the non-voting preferred shares are registered in the bearer's name.

The company has formed appropriated reserves in the amount required by law.

#### Capital reserves

The reserves take the form of appropriated capital reserves.

The appropriated capital reserve provides cover of the statutory reserve in the amount of EUR 864,891.00.

#### **Retained earnings**

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Legal reserves	8,000,000.00	8,000
Other reserves (free reserves)	527,029,696.87	488,185
Reserves for treasury stocks	727.00	1
	535,030,423.87	496,187

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, free reserves in the amount of EUR 727.00 (previous year: EUR 1 thousand) were transferred to the reserves for treasury stocks.

The free reserves were reduced by the acquisition of treasury stocks in the amount of EUR 20,469.18.

EUR 38,864,733.09 was allocated to free reserves from retained earnings in the fiscal year (previous year: EUR 53,663 thousand).

In the context of the introduction of an employee-shareholding model, the shares transferred in the 2006/07 fiscal year as a shareholder contribution free of charge from the Province of Upper Austria, amounting to EUR 7,879 thousand, were purchased at favourable conditions by a defined group of employees of the Energie AG Oberösterreich Group. 1,216 treasury stocks with a nominal value of EUR 1,216.00 and acquisition costs of EUR 30,361.60 were redeemed during the reporting year. As of the reporting date, the entity held treasury stocks with a nominal value of EUR 727.00 (previous year: EUR 1 thousand) and acquisition costs in the amount of EUR 20,469.18 (previous year: EUR 30 thousand) from retired and former employees, as well as from employees who exercised the option allowing them to sell employee shares after a five-year holding period. 727 of these shares were repurchased in fiscal year 2024/25.

#### Investment subsidies

The position 'Changes in Investment Subsidies' (Annex 3 to the Notes) shows the composition and movement over the year.

#### **Provisions**

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	<b>Previous year</b> EUR 1,000
Provisions for severance payments	2,001,082.64	2,065
Provisions for pensions	9,850,620.46	11,246
Provisions for tax (thereof deferred taxes EUR 43,466,061.54; previous year EUR 32,245 thousand)	62,693,418.42	48,974
Other provisions	25,026,134.65	47,728
	99,571,256.17	110,012

#### Tax provisions

The calculation of the deferred tax liabilities is based on a tax rate of 23%. Differences between the values recognised in the Statement of Financial Position for tax purposes and the commercial Statement of Financial Position only contain deferred taxes that have a limited term. Differences that remain on the accounts are assumed to be relevant for taxation. Deferred tax assets are offset against deferred tax liabilities.

A provision for tax arrears in the amount of EUR 19,227,356.88 (previous year: EUR 16,730 thousand) was formed for tax losses from Group members already utilised by the parent company.

The deferred tax liabilities in the amount of EUR 43,466,061.54 (previous year: EUR 32,245 thousand) are non-current liabilities.

The accrual item for deferred taxes results from differences between the commercial and tax balance sheets for expenses that will only become tax-deductible in future years. This item recognises the balance from deferred tax assets and liabilities to the extent the prerequisites for offsetting deferred tax assets from deferred tax liabilities have been met. The deferred tax item resulting from the difference between the commercial and tax balance sheets under corporate law is shown in the following:

	Statement of Financial Position 30.09.2025 EUR	Tax balance sheet 30.09.2025 EUR	Difference 2024/25 EUR	Change in deferred taxes 2024/25 EUR
Deferred tax assets:				
Inventory measurement	-	2,110,147.09	2,110,147.09	9,398.68
Cost of finance	_	590,578.89	590,578.89	256,007.35
Measurement of receivables	-784.97	_	784.97	624.15
Provision for severance payments	2,001,082.64	1,554,816.88	446,265.76	-137,946.60
Provision for pensions	9,850,620.46	6,140,106.53	3,710,513.93	-1,366,895.97
Provision for early retirement	903,171.98	836,114.86	67,057.12	-346,705.75
Provision for anniversary bonuses	809,638.88	571,881.11	237,757.77	-34,681.69
Allowances in kind (electricity)	4,120,276.78	1,271,480.85	2,848,795.93	28,592.90
Allowances in kind (gas)	1,222,709.07	975,592.01	247,117.06	-688,320.43
Current liabilities	4,281,305.94	3,726,389.99	554,915.95	554,915.95
Current provisions	16,694,782.00	_	16,694,782.00	193,858.00
			27,508,716.47	-1,531,153.41
Permanent differences from property, plant and equipment			693.57	
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Property, plant and equipment	1,773,290,167.41	1,595,089,089.00	-178,201,078.41	-52,590,228.97
Untaxed reserves	-	38,291,207.88	-38,291,207.88	5,332,260.30
			-216,492,286.29	-47,257,968.67
Balance from deferred tax assets and liabilities			188,982,876.25	48,789,122.08
Resulting deferred tax liability (23%)			43,466,061.54	11,221,498.09
Total deferred tax liabilities			43,466,061.54	11,221,498.09

## Other provisions

The other provisions mainly comprise obligations to personnel (anniversary benefits, early retirement benefits, electricity and gas used by employees), uncertain liabilities such as for the decommissioning of the Riedersbach coal power station, an environmental provision, a provision for impending losses from the 7Fields gas reservoir and obligations from emission allowances that must be surrendered.

Obligations from outstanding supplier invoices are reported in the trade payables item. Certain obligations to personnel (accrued paid leave, accruals for holiday, vacation and other bonuses, etc.) are reported in the other liabilities.

#### Liabilities

	Carrying value 30.09.2025 EUR	Thereof remaining term < 1 year EUR	Thereof remaining term 1 – 5 years EUR	Thereof remaining term > 5 years EUR	Secured in rem EUR	Thereof accrued liabilities EUR
Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	300,000,000.00	300,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Liabilities to banks	317,166,141.88	105,558.77	40,416,348.95	276,644,234.16	0.00	0.00
Previous year	217,248,200.35	91,734.08	400,921.39	216,755,544.88	0.00	0.00
Advances received on account of orders	107,000.01	107,000.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	107,000.01	107,000.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trade payables	13,004,615.66	12,952,458.63	52,157.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	9,652,154.50	9,648,984.24	3,170.26	0.00	0.00	0.00
Liabilities to affiliated companies	1,426,429,657.74	1,110,174,142.16	0.00	316,255,515.58	0.00	0.00
Previous year	1,340,677,922.56	1,039,456,465.43	0.00	301,221,457.13	0.00	0.00
Liabilities to companies in which an interest is held	4,476,515.31	4,476,515.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Previous year	14,752,770.57	14,752,770.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other liabilities	93,884,147.70	91,766,729.29	1,503,922.39	613,496.02	0.00	11,006,971.80
Previous year	71,967,152.03	69,372,156.25	1,598,834.01	996,161.77	0.00	20,432,928.49
	1,855,068,078.30	1,219,582,404.17	41,972,428.37	593,513,245.76	0.00	11,006,971.80
Previous year	1,954,405,200.02	1,433,429,110.58	2,002,925.66	518,973,163.78	0.00	20,432,928.49

The liabilities to affiliated companies in the amount of EUR 1,426,429,657.74 (previous year: EUR 1,340,678 thousand) are broken down into trade payables with EUR 1,664,411.08 (previous year: EUR 1,761 thousand), financial liabilities with

EUR 1,107,905,133.08 (previous year: EUR 1,013,490 thousand), the security deposit to

Netz Oberösterreich GmbH with EUR 316,255,515.58

(previous year: EUR 301,221 thousand), other liabilities with EUR 4,232,617.20 (previous year: EUR 31,420 thousand), trade receivables with EUR 189,660.84 (previous year: EUR 217 thousand), and other receivables with EUR 3,438,358.36 (previous year: EUR 6,997 thousand), with the latter including EUR 3,438,358.36 (previous year: EUR 6,984 thousand) in receivables from the positive tax appropriation.

Other liabilities to affiliated companies in the amount of EUR 4,232,617.20 (previous year: EUR 31,420 thousand) consist of tax appropriation refunds to Group companies in the amount of EUR 2,736,000.00 (previous year: EUR 2,961 thousand) and loss absorptions in the amount of EUR 1,496,617.20 (previous year: EUR 5,536 thousand).

The greatest part of the remaining liabilities pertain to tax liabilities in the amount of EUR 80,682,495.34 thousand (previous year: EUR 48,750 thousand), liabilities concerning social security contributions in the amount of EUR 328,406.23 thousand (previous year: EUR 249 thousand), and outstanding interest charges in the amount of EUR 3,636,973.42 thousand (previous year: EUR 12,730 thousand).

#### **Disclosures on financial instruments**

As of the reporting date, the **derivative financial instruments** are composed as follows:

			Fair value			
	Contract value	Term	Positive EUR	<b>Negative</b> EUR	Carrying amount EUR 1,000	Balance sheet item
Interest swaps bond (fixed interest received)	EUR 0 mill.	2025	_	_	0	_
	EUR 0 mill.				0	
Previous year	EUR 75 mill.		149,577.59		0	
Interest swaps loans (fixed interest paid)	EUR 32 mill.	2028		-1,936,457.54	0	-
	EUR 100 mill.	2035	18,840,840.91		0	_
	EUR 132 mill.		18,840,840.91	-1,936,457.54	0	
Previous year	EUR 132 mill.		17,258,140.12	-2,565,553.63	0	

Derivative financial instruments that are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position are used to partially hedge the risks of interest rate changes inherent in loans. A provision item will be formed if there is no hedging relationship and the present value is negative. Negative market values of derivatives in a hedging relationship amounted to EUR 1,936,457.54 (previous year: EUR 2,566 thousand) and were not recognised in the accounts.

The measurement of the swaps results from discounting the future cash flows (present value method) on the basis of an expected interest curve from 30 September 2025. The interest curve is provided by a department that is not involved in trading the respective financial instrument.

The derivative financial instruments used for hedging purposes are regularly tested on effectiveness in order to assess their compensating effect and in turn the effectiveness of the hedging relationships.

#### **Construction cost subsidies**

This item primarily includes financing contributions received from electricity and gas customers. They are reversed through profit or loss over a 15 to 40 year period. Since the 2005/06 and 2015/16 fiscal years, construction cost subsidies are collected at the time new electricity and gas connections are installed by Netz Oberösterreich GmbH.

#### **Accruals and deferrals**

The deferred income and accrued expense items are essentially composed of accruals of income received.

Pursuant to § 124b para 270 letter a of the Austrian Income Tax Act, write-ups for investment securities in the amount of EUR 309,921.53 not recognised in the 2015/16 fiscal year were transferred into a provision for value adjustments under tax law with effect on 1 October 2016 and recognised as deferred income pursuant to § 906 para 32 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB).

As of the reporting date, write-ups of EUR 7,327.82 that were not carried out are recognised as deferred income.

### Contingent liabilities

	<b>30.09.2025</b> EUR	Thereof to affiliated and associated companies	Previous year EUR 1,000	Thereof to affiliated and associated companies EUR 1,000
Guarantees from cash pooling	894,516,473.72	894,516,473.72	807,147	807,147
Guarantees related to electricity trade	16,704,455.00	16,704,455.00	51,971	51,971
Other guarantees	47,425,516.39	47,425,516.39	47,911	47,911
Total guarantees	958,646,445.11	958,646,445.11	907,028	907,028
Liabilities from bills of exchange	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000	2,000
	960,646,445.11	960,646,445.11	909,028	909,028

Energie AG Oberösterreich assumed an obligation, in the form of a letter of guarantee, to ensure the contracting parties' claims from the cash-pooling agreement. As of 30 September 2025, these receivables amount to EUR 894.5 million. In consideration of Energie AG's own pooling liabilities, the net financial guarantee item amounts to EUR -43.3 million. Letters of guarantee and letters of comfort were issued to the business partners of Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH in relation to energy trading transactions. The other guarantees pertain to assumptions of liability for loans that affiliated companies of Energie AG were granted from various financial institutions.

#### 4. Notes to the Statement of Income

#### **Turnover**

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Electricity	183,079,975.14	279,871
Gas	251,906,768.16	198,440
Other sales revenues	272,868,094.70	254,648
	707,854,838.00	732,958

The electricity and gas revenues result from the settlement of electricity procurement agreements and settlements from the 7Fields gas reservoir to Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH.

The other sales revenues mainly include income from the reversal of construction cost subsidies, income from warehoused inventory used by Group companies, and lease payments for non-current assets and lease payments made to Group companies.

## Other operating income

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Income from the disposal and write-up of non-current assets (excluding financial assets)	638,087.75	6,834
Other	3,250,466.39	3,853
	3,888,554.14	10,687

The other operating income essentially consists of proceeds from the utilisation of investment subsidies, proceeds from insurance benefits, proceeds from capitalised production activities, proceeds from  ${\rm CO_2}$  emissions allowances and proceeds from onward invoicing.

#### **Expenses for material and other purchased services**

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Cost of materials	286,109,432.96	263,110
Expenses for purchased services	80,834,023.30	53,888
	366,943,456.26	316,999

The most important items under 'Cost of materials' are the electricity procured from electricity supply contracts that remained with Energie AG Oberösterreich, the use of gas, the cost of materials withdrawn from the inventories by Group companies, as well as materials procured from third parties.

#### Personnel expenses

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Wages	4,400.86	7
Salaries	11,863,399.09	10,247
Social security expenses	2,317,041.87	2,703
Thereof expenses for pension payments	380,401.00	1,297
Thereof severance payments and contributions to company pension funds	224,607.18	241
Thereof expenses for statutory social security contributions and payroll-related levies and statutory contributions	2,284,497.80	2,021
	14,184,841.82	12,957

The item for salaries includes EUR 56,745.91 (previous year: EUR 37 thousand) from changes in the provisions for anniversary bonuses.

The expenses for severance payments and payments to company pension funds as well as the expenses for pension benefits include the actuarial profits from 2024/25 in an amount of EUR 302,712.65 (previous year: EUR 457 thousand actuarial losses).

The interest expenses resulting from the provisions for severance payments, old-age pensions, anniversary bonuses and early retirement benefits is reported in the financial result under interest and similar expenses.

The expenses for severance payments and payments to company pension funds include expenses for members of the Management Board and senior executives amounting to EUR 71,298.09 (previous year: EUR 66 thousand).

The expenses for old-age pensions include expenses for members of the Management Board and senior executives in the amount of EUR 650,946.97 (previous year: EUR 686 thousand).

The expenses for pension payments consist of EUR 518,989.07 related to contribution-based commitments (previous year: EUR 471 thousand).

The item 'Expenses for severance payments and payments to company pension funds' includes expenses for pension funds in the amount of EUR 126,272.82 (previous year: EUR 109 thousand).

#### Depreciation

Depreciation and amortisation expenses fully relate to non-current intangible assets and property, plant and equipment and are reported in the assets analysis. Impairments in an amount of EUR 470,595.44 were recognised for thermal plants (previous year: EUR 12,184 thousand for power and thermal plants) in the reporting year.

## Other operating expenses

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Taxes other than income tax	8,975,865.35	20,846
Other	32,042,424.88	32,262
	41,018,290.23	53,107

The other operating expenses comprise administrative expenses, allowances, insurance premiums, rental expenses, consultancy expenses, losses from the disposal of property, plant and equipment, and marketing expenses.

The losses from the disposal of non-current assets amount to EUR 1,984,046.08 (previous year: EUR 1,428 thousand) and essentially relate to redistribution systems, power plants, and gas supply systems.

As the Company's auditors are also the auditors of the Consolidated Financial Statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich, Linz, in which the Company is included (as a fully consolidated company), reference is made to the corresponding disclosures with regard to the expenses for the auditor in fiscal year 2024/25 contained in that Company's Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### Other interest and similar income

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Actuarial interest rate for social capital	830,408.76	_
Interest	9,548,140.95	13,244
	10,378,549.71	13,244

# Income from the disposal and appreciation of financial assets and current securities

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Income from the disposal of financial assets and current securities	605,875.73	5,343
Write-up of financial assets and current securities	154,251.79	885
	760,127.52	6,228

Income from the disposal of financial assets and current securities relate entirely to current securities. EUR 154,251.79 (previous year: EUR 434 thousand) of the income from the appreciation of financial assets and current securities relates to investment securities and EUR 0.00 (previous year: EUR 451 thousand) to current securities.

### **Expenses from financial assets and current securities**

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Write-downs	200,724.11	33
Loss absorption	1,496,617.20	5,536
	1,697,341.31	5,569

Write-offs relate entirely to investment securities.

The expenses resulting from loss-assumption arrangements amount to EUR 1,496,617.20 thousand (previous year: EUR 5,536 thousand).

## Interest and similar expenses

This item includes the calculated interest expense attributable to provisions for severance benefits, pensions, anniversary bonuses and early retirement benefits totalling EUR 772,985.27 (previous year: EUR 853 thousand), interest income from plan assets in the amount of EUR -265,969.30 (previous year: EUR 308 thousand) and the change in the social capital provision due to changes in the actuarial interest rate and assumptions regarding salary and pension increases in the amount of EUR 0.00 (previous year: EUR 1,577 thousand).

#### Income taxes

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Ongoing tax expenses	42,280,428.81	79,869
Tax expenses from tax audit	744,014.18	_
Positive tax allocations	-35,162,467.46	-58,504
Negative tax allocations	6,260,898.59	3,576
Deferred tax liabilities	11,221,498.09	10,243
	25,344,372.21	35,183

The receivables from and liabilities to affiliated companies include receivables for outstanding tax allocation repayments from Group companies in the amount of EUR 2,798,658.50 (previous year: EUR 2,961 thousand), as well as liabilities for additional tax allocation payments in the amount of EUR 24,226,614.00 (previous year: EUR 49,524 thousand). The receivable reported for tax allocation refund from the Group parent, OÖ Landesholding GmbH, amounts to EUR 16,535,081.72 (previous year: liability of EUR 22,860 thousand).

The difference of receivables or liabilities from tax allocations against the resulting tax expenses or income is due to advance payments received from the Group companies during the fiscal year.

The company is the ultimate parent company of the Energie AG Group, which has exceeded the turnover threshold of EUR 750 million in at least two of the previous four fiscal years and thus falls within the scope of Pillar Two. This means that the Minimum Taxation Act (Mindestbesteuerungsgesetz, MinBestG) applies to Energie AG Oberösterreich.

In view of the impact of the Minimum Taxation Act, the Energie AG Group has tested the applicability of the temporary Country-by-Country Reporting (CbCR) safe harbour rules for the various countries in which the Energie AG Group has a presence. These calculations show that the safe harbour rules apply to Energie AG Oberösterreich. The Energie AG Group does not currently anticipate any significant additional tax burden as a result of Pillar Two.

The mandatory exception to the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting from the introduction of the Minimum Tax Act or comparable foreign tax laws, as regulated in § 198 para 10 subpara 4 of the Austrian Business Code (Unternehmensgesetzbuch, UGB), was applied by Energie AG Oberösterreich.

# Income or expense items of extraordinary magnitude or significance

The individual items recognised in the Statement of Income do not contain expenses or income of an extraordinary magnitude or significance pursuant to § 237 para 1 subpara 4 of the Austrian Corporate Code, with the exception of the aforementioned impairments recognised for property, plant and equipment.

#### 5. Other disclosures

## Other financial obligations

Energie AG Oberösterreich has entered into loss coverage agreements that require the company to cover the full losses of Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH and Wertstatt 8 GmbH for fiscal year 2024/25 only. The losses assumed from these entities amount to EUR 1,496,617.20.

On 22 October 2025, Energie AG Oberösterreich gave an undertaking to absorb the losses of Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH, Energie AG Oberösterreich Personalmanagement GmbH, Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH, and Wertstatt 8 GmbH for fiscal year 2025/26 and further issued a non-binding letter of comfort to these entities. This letter of comfort, which Energie AG Oberösterreich can only terminate after expiry of 24 months from signing, was not recognised in the Annual Financial Statements as of 30 September 2025, but may give rise to financial obligations for Energie AG Oberösterreich in fiscal year 2025/26.

## Corporate bodies, employees

The remuneration of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board presents as follows:

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	Previous year EUR 1,000
Management Board	1,042,029.20	935
Former Management Board and their survivors	623,604.25	608
Supervisory Board	132,201.39	138

The average number of employees (FTE) in the fiscal year presents as follows:

	2024/25	Previous year
Employees	75	70

The data pertaining to the members of the Management Board and the members of the Supervisory Board are disclosed separately (Annex 1 to the Notes).

### Unbundling

In addition to the already existing functional and accounting unbundling, Energie AG Oberösterreich implemented the unbundling requirement under corporate law (statutory unbundling) by setting up legally autonomous companies during the 2006/07 fiscal year.

Pursuant to § 8 para 3 ElWOG and § 8 para 3 GWG, the following disclosable transactions are executed with affiliated companies:

Management of electricity and gas assets,

trading services Energie AG OÖ Trading GmbH

Electricity procured from third parties,

energy services,

technical services, heat supplies Energie AG OÖ Vertrieb GmbH

Grid services Netz OÖ GmbH

Fuel purchases Energie AG OÖ Umwelt Service GmbH Data/telecommunication Energie AG OÖ Services und Digital

Solutions GmbH

Commercial/legal services Energie AG OÖ Services und Digital

Solutions GmbH

Personnel management services Energie AG OÖ

Personalmanagement GmbH

Personnel leasing Energie AG OÖ Personal Power GmbH Cash pooling, financing Energie AG Group Treasury GmbH

Provisioning of personnel Wertstatt 8 GmbH

Assets, holding services Energie AG OÖ Vertrieb GmbH,

Netz OÖ GmbH,

Energie AG OÖ Erzeugung GmbH, Energie AG OÖ Trading GmbH, Energie AG OÖ Services und Digital

Solutions GmbH,

Energie AG OÖ Tech Services GmbH, Cogeneration-Kraftwerke Management

OÖ GmbH,

Energie AG OÖ Umwelt Holding GmbH

The breakdown of the Statement of Financial Position as of 30 September 2025 and the Statement of Income for fiscal year 2024/25 into the areas of electricity generation and electricity trade, electricity and gas grid and other activities (Annexes 5 and 6 to the Notes) in accordance with the breakdown principles described in Annex 7 to the Notes serves the purpose of establishing the capital structure for the cost audit by Energie-Control Austria for the regulation of the economic sectors electricity and natural gas.

### **Events after the reporting date**

On 18 November 2025, the Austrian Council of Ministers adopted a government draft for the 'ElWG package'. Among other things, the legislative package provides that energy utilities will be required, under certain conditions, to adjust the electricity price charged to customers within 6 months. In addition, the draft introduces a social tariff for particularly vulnerable households and special grid tariffs for grid-supporting electricity storage systems. Furthermore, in future, feed-in parties will be required to pay a grid utilisation fee. The exact nature of the legislative amendments and their impact cannot yet be assessed, as parliamentary negotiations are still pending.

## Proposal for the appropriation of profit

The Management Board proposes to distribute an amount of EUR 53,200,000.00 from the balance sheet profit in the form of a dividend payment of EUR 0.60 per each ordinary share and to carry the difference forward to new account.

Linz, 2 December 2025

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich

Dr. Leonhard Schitter, M.A.

CEO

Dr. Andreas Kolar

CFO

Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Kirchner MBA

CTO

## **Annexes to the Notes**

## **Corporate management bodies**

## **Supervisory Board**

Commercial Council Markus Achleitner

Mag. Stefan Lang, LL.M.

Dr. Heinrich Schaller

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Deputy Vice-Chairman (until

17 December 2024)

Dr.in Miriam Eder MBA

Mag. Dr. Erich Entstrasser

Mag.<sup>a</sup> Dr. Christine Frauscher Mag. Florian Hagenauer MBA

Dipl.-Ing. Erich Haider MBA

Dr. Elisabeth Kölblinger

DI Dr.-Ing. Michael Kraxner

Mag.<sup>a</sup> Michaela Keplinger-Mitterlehner

Mag.<sup>a</sup> Kathrin Renate Kühtreiber-Leitner

MBA

KommR Ing. Herwig Mahr

Gertrude Schatzdorfer-Wölfel

Mag. Reinhard Schwendtbauer

Thomas Peter Stadlbauer MSc MBA MPA

(until 27 March 2025)

(since 27 March 2025)

(since 17 December 2024)

#### **Works Council representatives:**

Ing. Peter Neißl MBA MSc

Pamela Neuer

Edith Schmid

Ing. Bernhard Steiner

Christian Strobl

Gerhard Störinger

Andreas Walzer

## **Management Board**

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Chairman of the Management Board, CEO

Member of the Management Board, CFO

Member of the Management Board, CTO

## **Changes in non-current assets**

	Balance as of 01.10.2024 EUR	<b>Additions</b> EUR	<b>Disposals</b> EUR	<b>Transfers</b> EUR	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR	
I. Intangible assets						
Procurement rights	231,321,092.03	1,024,000.00	0.00	0.00	232,345,092.03	-
2. Other rights	118,928,506.78	7,376,362.56	1,633,691.69	0.00	124,671,177.65	-
Total intangible assets	350,249,598.81	8,400,362.56	1,633,691.69	0.00	357,016,269.68	
II. Property, plant and equipment				_		
1. Electricity plants						
Power plants, land and buildings	475,342,747.01	729,064.79	15,434.90	0.00	476,056,376.90	
Manufacturing plant and equipment	601,598,328.82	1,376,956.58	264,785.28	5,128,783.17	607,839,283.29	
Advance payments made and facilities under construction	89,418,379.42	108,508,465.51	1,205,463.34	-5,226,625.02	191,494,756.57	
Total power plant assets	1,166,359,455.25	110,614,486.88	1,485,683.52	-97,841.85	1,275,390,416.76	
1. 2. Transformer and distribution systems						
Land and buildings	180,586,675.95	10,896,901.13	322,630.49	6,184,380.71	197,345,327.30	
Manufacturing plant and equipment	682,832,649.74	32,600,487.76	3,637,075.50	14,813,605.08	726,609,667.08	
Lines and cables	1,612,193,789.00	76,157,307.87	4,890,834.00	13,503,376.17	1,696,963,639.04	
Advance payments made and facilities under construction	70,394,975.11	60,281,447.63	837,162.83	-34,501,361.96	95,337,897.95	
Total transformer and distribution systems	2,546,008,089.80	179,936,144.39	9,687,702.82	0.00	2,716,256,531.37	
Total electricity assets	3,712,367,545.05	290,550,631.27	11,173,386.34	-97,841.85	3,991,646,948.13	
2. Gas supply assets			· ·			
Land and buildings	12,647,424.23	1,137,994.41	15,000.00	0.00	13,770,418.64	
Lines and cables	661,490,930.92	7,113,323.28	173,022.06	2,343,532.31	670,774,764.45	
Gas stations and measurement systems	73,296,559.09	3,923,936.15	133,500.00	724,608.83	77,811,604.07	
Advance payments made and facilities under construction	4,168,933.89	1,664,946.73	0.00	-3,068,141.14	2,765,739.48	
Total distribution systems	751,603,848.13	13,840,200.57	321,522.06	0.00	765,122,526.64	

Accumulated depreciation, amortisation, and impairments							Carrying amounts		
Balance as of 01.10.2024 EUR	<b>Additions</b> EUR	Value appreciation EUR	<b>Disposals</b> EUR	<b>Transfers</b> EUR	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR		
185,562,600.00	1,335,025.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	186,897,625.98	45,758,492.03	45,447,466.05		
96,694,609.70	4,862,012.69	0.00	1,487,918.32	0.00	100,068,704.07	22,233,897.08	24,602,473.58		
282,257,209.70	6,197,038.67	0.00	1,487,918.32	0.00	286,966,330.05	67,992,389.11	70,049,939.63		
390,169,636.50	5,330,176.13	0.00	14,196.47	0.00	395,485,616.16	85,173,110.51	80,570,760.74		
566,606,774.96	3,815,403.38	0.00	259,787.16	0.00	570,162,391.18	34,991,553.86	37,676,892.11		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	89,418,379.42	191,494,756.57		
956,776,411.46	9,145,579.51	0.00	273,983.63	0.00	965,648,007.34	209,583,043.79	309,742,409.42		
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122,114,176.40	3,541,139.38	0.00	313,562.95	0.00	125,341,752.83	58,472,499.55	72,003,574.47		
483,439,503.09	23,393,782.83	0.00	2,486,678.64	0.00	504,346,607.28	199,393,146.65	222,263,059.80		
1,065,784,884.44	48,063,685.30	0.00	4,344,987.24	0.00	1,109,503,582.50	546,408,904.56	587,460,056.54		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,394,975.11	95,337,897.95		
1,671,338,563.93	74,998,607.51	0.00	7,145,228.83	0.00	1,739,191,942.61	874,669,525.87	977,064,588.76		
2,628,114,975.39	84,144,187.02	0.00	7,419,212.46	0.00	2,704,839,949.95	1,084,252,569.66	1,286,806,998.18		
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6,691,246.51	259,403.79	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	6,940,650.30	5,956,177.72	6,829,768.34		
428,088,702.28	12,654,286.51	0.00	150,752.85	0.00	440,592,235.94	233,402,228.64	230,182,528.51		
45,488,262.87	2,273,617.38	0.00	131,311.33	0.00	47,630,568.92	27,808,296.22	30,181,035.15		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,168,933.89	2,765,739.48		
480,268,211.66	15,187,307.68	0.00	292,064.18	0.00	495,163,455.16	271,335,636.47	269,959,071.48		

	Balance as of 01.10.2024	Additions EUR	<b>Disposals</b> EUR	<b>Transfers</b> EUR	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR	
3. District heat systems						
Land and buildings	4,963,779.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,963,779.52	
Manufacturing plant and equipment	32,315,271.44	72,124.18	12,588.41	658,141.38	33,032,948.59	
Lines and cables	103,739,566.84	2,228,577.43	151,998.69	653,416.07	106,469,561.65	
Advance payments made and facilities under construction	2,712,673.27	8,046,515.65	48,104.57	-1,311,557.45	9,399,526.90	
Total district heat assets	143,731,291.07	10,347,217.26	212,691.67	0.00	153,865,816.66	
Other facilities, furniture and fixtures	-	·				
Land and buildings	121,164,238.87	180,813.97	0.00	3,936,402.46	125,281,455.30	
Manufacturing plant and equipment	339,586,490.65	9,487,839.64	502,360.29	2,090,541.19	350,662,511.19	
Furniture and fixtures	93,815,669.26	10,070,488.55	1,789,106.85	316,500.00	102,413,550.96	
Advance payments made and facilities under construction	7,898,480.78	14,187,104.86	6,597.81	-6,245,601.80	15,833,386.03	
Total other facilities, furniture and fixtures	562,464,879.56	33,926,247.02	2,298,064.95	97,841.85	594,190,903.48	
Total property, plant and equipment	5,170,167,563.81	348,664,296.12	14,005,665.02	0.00	5,504,826,194.91	
III. Financial assets						
Shares in affiliated companies	735.460.339.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	735.460.339.37	
Loans to affiliated companies	37,746,573.37	63,992.93	1,200,989.63	0.00	36,609,576.67	
3. Investments	36,190,948.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	36,190,948.64	
Non-current assets (book-entry securities)	10,438,067.08	1,079,864.33	0.00	0.00	11,517,931.41	
Total financial assets	819,835,928.46	1,143,857.26	1,200,989.63	0.00	819,778,796.09	
Total non-current assets	6,340,253,091.08	358,208,515.94	16,840,346.34	0.00	6,681,621,260.68	

Accumulated depreciation, amortisation, and impairments							Carrying amounts		
Balance as of 01.10.2024	Additions EUR	Value appreciation EUR	<b>Disposals</b> EUR	<b>Transfers</b> EUR	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR	Carrying amount 30.09.2024 EUR	Carrying amount 30.09.2025 EUR		
4,346,517.11	26,804.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,373,321.31	617,262.41	590,458.21		
31,094,695.31	183,846.36	0.00	12,139.26	0.00	31,266,402.41	1,220,576.13	1,766,546.18		
98,970,823.33	868,328.98	0.00	118,503.96	0.00	99,720,648.35	4,768,743.51	6,748,913.30		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,712,673.27	9,399,526.90		
134,412,035.75	1,078,979.54	0.00	130,643.22	0.00	135,360,372.07	9,319,255.32	18,505,444.59		
59,109,661.10	2,255,911.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	61,365,572.53	62,054,577.77	63,915,882.77		
237,041,603.74	16,428,926.74	0.00	392,112.91	0.00	253,078,417.57	102,544,886.91	97,584,093.62		
76,303,809.48	7,198,655.24	0.00	1,774,204.51	0.00	81,728,260.21	17,511,859.78	20,685,290.75		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,898,480.78	15,833,386.03		
372,455,074.32	25,883,493.41	0.00	2,166,317.42	0.00	396,172,250.31	190,009,805.24	198,018,653.17		
3,615,250,297.12	126,293,967.65	0.00	10,008,237.28	0.00	3,731,536,027.49	1,554,917,266.68	1,773,290,167.41		
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16,862,221.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,862,221.98	718,598,117.39	718,598,117.39		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,746,573.37	36,609,576.67		
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36,190,948.64	36,190,948.64		
622,501.79	200,724.11	154,251.79	0.00	0.00	668,974.11	9,815,565.29	10,848,957.30		
17,484,723.77	200,724.11	154,251.79	0.00	0.00	17,531,196.09	802,351,204.69	802,247,600.00		
3,914,992,230.59	132,691,730.43	154,251.79	11,496,155.60	0.00	4,036,033,553.63	2,425,260,860.48	2,645,587,707.04		

## **Changes in investment subsidies**

		Balance as of 01.10.2024 EUR	Allocation 2024/25 EUR	Disposals 2024/25 EUR	Transfers 2024/25 EUR	Reversal/ con- sumption 2024/25 EUR	Balance as of 30.09.2025 EUR
I.	Intangible assets						
	Other rights	805,507.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	103,845.01	701,662.10
	Total intangible assets	805,507.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	103,845.01	701,662.10
II.	Property, plant and equipment						
	1. Electricity plants						
	Power plants, land and buildings	6,002,517.57	2,344,938.07	0.00	0.00	787,801.34	7,559,654.30
	Manufacturing plant and equipment	761,418.63	1,269,934.49	0.00	0.00	185,923.80	1,845,429.32
	Advance payments made and facilities under construction	68,475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	68,475.00
	Total power plant assets	6,832,411.20	3,614,872.56	0.00	0.00	973,725.14	9,473,558.62
	Transformer and distribution systems						
	Lines and cables	45,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,000.00	32,500.00
	Total transformer and distribution systems	45,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,000.00	32,500.00
	Total electricity assets	6,877,911.20	3,614,872.56	0.00	0.00	986,725.14	9,506,058.62
	2. District heat systems						
	Land and buildings	59,400.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,345.31	57,054.83
	Manufacturing plant and equipment	278,499.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,523.74	251,975.52
	Lines and cables	757,786.39	149,257.00	0.00	0.00	57,648.42	849,394.97
	Total district heat assets	1,095,685.79	149,257.00	0.00	0.00	86,517.47	1,158,425.32
	<ol><li>Other facilities, furniture and fixtures</li></ol>						
	Land and buildings	972,368.26	0.00	0.00	200,174.00	35,435.34	1,137,106.92
	Manufacturing plant and equipment	216,060.99	79,371.12	0.00	0.00	40,299.74	255,132.37
	Furniture and fixtures	28,080.76	18,013.72	0.00	0.00	17,251.46	28,843.02
	Advance payments made and facilities under construction	200,385.40	0.00	207.43	-200,174.00	0.00	3.97
	Total other facilities, furniture and fixtures	1,416,895.41	97,384.84	207.43	0.00	92,986.54	1,421,086.28
	Total property, plant and equipment	9,390,492.40	3,861,514.40	207.43	0.00	1,166,229.15	12,085,570.22
(th	tal investment subsidies nereof allocated COVID bonus EUR 223,209.21)	10,195,999.51	3,861,514.40	207.43	0.00	1,270,074.16	12,787,232.32

## Cash Flow Statement 2024/25

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Net cash flow from ongoing business activities:		
Net profit for the year	92,051,415.59	120,153
Gains from the disposal of assets	-687,187.43	-6,358
Reversal of investment subsidies	-1,270,074.16	-1,220
Reversal of construction cost subsidies	-2,811,652.51	-3,945
Write-up of property, plant and equipment	0.00	-476
Write-up of financial assets	-154,251.79	-434
Write-up of current securities	0.00	-5,722
Income from investments, securities and lendings as well as interest and similar expenses	38,778,894.40	58,139
Loss absorptions	1,496,617.20	5,536
Losses from the disposal of assets	2,234,046.08	1,428
Write-down of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	132,491,006.32	147,767
Change in social capital	-2,714,699.48 <sup>1)</sup>	761 <sup>1)</sup>
Change in other non-current provisions	73,858.00	2,037
Change in non-current provisions for deferred taxes	11,221,498.09	10,243
Write-down of financial assets	200,724.11	33
Write-down of current securities	0.00	0
Cash flow from earnings	270,910,194.42	327,942
Change in inventories	3,672,126.04	9,933
Change in other receivables and assets, prepayments and accrued income (excl. financial receivables)	8,230,136.53	32,987
Change in current provisions	-19,017,619.00	23,367
Change in advance payments received	0.00	0
Change in CO <sub>2</sub> special item	676,620.28	18
Change in current liabilities, and accrued expenses and deferred income (excl. Financial liabilities)	-9,903,454.13	22,018
Change in non-current liabilities, and accrued expenses and deferred income (excl. financial liabilities)	-486,266.37	-566
Cash flow from operations	254,081,737.77	415,699

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  exclusive of personnel transfer outside of profit or loss

	<b>2024/25</b> EUR	<b>2023/24</b> EUR 1,000
Cash flow from investing activities:		
Investments into non-current assets	-358,208,515.94	-296,441
Income from the disposal of non-current assets	3,797,332.09	9,091
Income received from investments, securities and interest	18,810,354.29	23,439
Investment subsidies received	3,861,306.97	1,332
Construction subsidies received	0.00	1
	-331,739,522.59	-262,578
Cash flow from financing activities:		
Change in bonds and bank liabilities	-200,082,058.47	-88
Change in treasury stocks	-20,469.18	-30
Distribution to shareholders	-66,486,682.50	-53,190
Interest payments and similar expenses	-57,589,248.69	-81,578
Purchase, sale of current securities	0.00	155,519
Change in financial receivables and financial liabilities within the Group	109,459,351.05	-51,259
	-214,719,107.79	-30,627
Cash flow from operations	254,081,737.77	415,699
Cash flow from investment activities	-331,739,522.59	-262,578
Cash flow from financing activities	-214,719,107.79	-30,627
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-292,376,892.61	122,494
Cash and cash equivalents opening balance	421,764,968.00	299,136
Transfer of personnel provisions to/from subsidiaries	-4,190.88	135
Cash and cash equivalents closing balance	129,383,884.51	421,765

# Statement of Financial Position of Energie AG Oberösterreich as of 30 September 2025 pursuant to § 8 ElWOG and § 8 GWG

ASSETS		Electricity generation/ sales EUR 1,000	Electricity grid EUR 1,000	<b>Gas grid</b> EUR 1,000	Other EUR 1,000	Total for the Company EUR 1,000
D.3.1.	Total non-current assets	564,027.9	1,078,686.3	275,882.9	726,990.5	2,645,587.6
D.3.1.1.	Intangible assets	49,297.7	12,389.3	174.4	8,188.4	70,049.8
D.3.1.2.	Property, plant and equipment	344,701.1	1,044,339.6	275,096.2	109,153.3	1,773,290.2
D.3.1.3.	Financial assets	170,029.1	21,957.4	612.3	609,648.8	802,247.6
D.3.2.	Total current assets	87,654.9	68,767.3	16,715.7	67,394.4	240,532.3
D.3.2.1.	Inventories	33,833.7	13,304.0	2,568.0	475.2	50,180.9
D.3.2.2.	Total receivables and other assets	22,380.9	104.6	31.3	28,450.6	50,967.4
D.3.2.2.1.	Trade receivables	2.1	0.0	0.0	122.1	124.2
D.3.2.2.2.	Receivables from affiliated companies	17,048.8	-13.7	1.1	19,637.1	36,673.3
D.3.2.2.3.	Receivables from companies in which an interest is held	0.0	0.0	0.0	5,014.9	5,014.9
D.3.2.2.4.	Other receivables and assets	5,330.0	118.3	30.2	3,676.5	9,155.0
D.3.2.3.	Securities	2,255.7	3,971.7	1,012.8	2,759.9	10,000.1
D.3.2.4.	Cash, cheques, credit balances with banks	29,184.6	51,387.0	13,103.6	35,708.7	129,383.9
D.3.3.	Prepayments and accrued income	59.0	103.8	26.5	2,752.4	2,941.7
	Total assets	651,741.8	1,147,557.4	292,625.1	797,137.3	2,889,061.6

LIABILITI	ES	Electricity generation/ sales EUR 1,000	Electricity grid EUR 1,000	<b>Gas grid</b> EUR 1,000	Other EUR 1,000	Total for the Company EUR 1,000
D.3.4.	Equity	217,949.9	384,512.6	72,570.7	210,986.4	886,019.6
D.3.6.	Investment subsidies	10,661.2	39.6	701.7	1,384.8	12,787.3
D.3.7.	Total provisions	19,162.7	45,380.2	1,142.8	37,555.2	103,240.9
D.3.7.1.	Severance payments	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,001.1	2,001.1
D.3.7.2.	Pensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	9,850.6	9,850.6
D.3.7.3.	Other interest-bearing provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,712.8	1,712.8
D.3.7.4.	Other provisions	19,162.7	45,380.2	1,142.8	23,990.7	89,676.4
D.3.8.	Total liabilities	400,785.5	717,596.7	189,556.2	547,129.7	1,855,068.1
D.3.8.1.1.	Trade payables	811.6	6,509.8	139.7	5,650.6	13,111.7
D.3.8.1.2.	Liabilities to affiliated companies	245,716.0	626,422.8	150,969.5	403,321.4	1,426,429.7
D.3.8.1.3.	Liabilities to companies in which an interest is held	4,476.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	4,476.5
D.3.8.1.4.	Other liabilities	149,781.4	84,664.1	38,447.0	138,157.7	411,050.3
D.3.9.	Construction cost subsidies	2,393.2	28.3	28,653.7	81.2	31,156.4
D.3.10.	Accrued expenses and deferred income	789.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	789.3
	Total liabilities and equity	651,741.8	1,147,557.4	292,625.1	797,137.3	2,889,061.6

# Statement of Income of Energie AG Oberösterreich for the 2024/25 fiscal year pursuant to § 8 ElWOG and § 8 GWG

		Electricity generation/ sales EUR 1,000	Electricity grid EUR 1,000	<b>Gas grid</b> EUR 1,000	Other EUR 1,000	Total for the Company EUR 1,000
1.	Turnover	466,149.9	126,745.0	25,132.0	89,828.0	707,854.9
2.	Change in inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.	Capitalised corporate services	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	6.1
4.	Other operating income	1,744.2	643.2	35.1	1,466.1	3,888.6
5.	Cost of materials and other services	-285,013.7	-363.7	0.0	-81,566.0	-366,943.4
6.	Personnel expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	-14,184.8	-14,184.8
7.	Depreciation, amortisation and write-downs	-12,447.4	-89,065.6	-15,801.5	-15,176.6	-132,491.1
8.	Other operating expenses	-33,304.0	-1,636.3	-35.6	-6,042.4	-41,018.3
9.	Operating result (l. 1 to 8)	137,129.0	36,322.4	9,330.0	-25,669.6	157,112.0
10.	Income from investments in other companies	6,311.8	11.2	14.2	121.8	6,459.0
11.	Income from other securities and lendings from the non-current financial assets	1,621.0	0.0	0.0	351.7	1,972.7
12.	Other interest and similar income	2,153.5	3,791.9	966.9	3,466.2	10,378.5
13.	Income from the disposal and write-up of financial assets and current securities	171.5	301.9	77.0	209.8	760.2
14.	Expenses from financial assets and current securities	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1,697.3	-1,697.3
15.	Interest and similar expenses	-10,803.4	-25,206.4	-4,785.2	-16,794.3	-57,589.3
16.	Financial result (l. 10 to 15)	-545.4	-21,101.4	-3,727.1	-14,342.1	-39,716.2
17.	Earnings before taxes	136,583.6	15,221.0	5,602.9	-40,011.7	117,395.8
18.	Income taxes	-15,704.4	-10,701.0	-865.7	1,926.8	-25,344.3
19.	Earnings after taxes = net profit for the year	120,879.2	4,520.0	4,737.2	-38,084.9	92,051.5
20.	Allocation of retained earnings	-51,036.0	-1,908.4	-2,000.1	16,079.7	-38,864.8
21.	Profit carried forward from the previous year	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	13.3
22.	Balance sheet profit	69,843.2	2,611.6	2,737.1	-21,991.9	53,200.0

# Reporting pursuant to ElWOG 2010 as amended and § 8 GWG 2011

The UNBUNDLING concept is based on the use of SAP-S/4 HANA with the 'cost center' and 'profit center' standard functions from the financial management with the support of the fixed asset accounting and cost accounting departments.

All own power plants, the procurement rights, and the 7Fields gas reservoir have been allocated to the production sector.

The Grid Segment includes the 110 kV grid, the electrical substations, the medium and low-voltage grid, the transformer stations, the high-pressure and low-pressure natural gas grid, the gas pressure control and measuring stations, as well as the automated metering infrastructure. In the course of incorporating the 'Grid' operational unit into Netz Oberösterreich GmbH in the 2014/15 fiscal year, the operation of the distribution grid was leased out from Energie AG Oberösterreich.

The general rule of directly allocating the assets and directly attributable capital to the individual segments in the Statement of Financial Position has been followed. In cases where the relationship to the individual activities was indirect, or a further breakdown would require a disproportionately great effort, the allocation was based on relevant and cause-related classifications.

The static method was used for the allocation of capital. Interest-bearing liabilities have been allocated on the basis of the directly attributable net assets (total assets less cash/bank credit balances) in accordance with the overall situation in the company. The difference between calculated assets and directly or indirectly attributed capital was subsequently replenished from equity.

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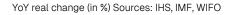
Energie AG Oberösterreich (Energie AG) is the holding company of the Energie AG Group. Energie AG Group is a leading Austrian infrastructure group of companies with the segments Energy, Grid, Environment, Czech Republic and Holding & Services. Energie AG assumes the role of a holding company and holds the majority of assets in the electricity and gas business as well as the intra-Group service companies as non-current assets. Due to the close ties between the Company and the Group as a whole, the following primarily represents the Group's perspective.

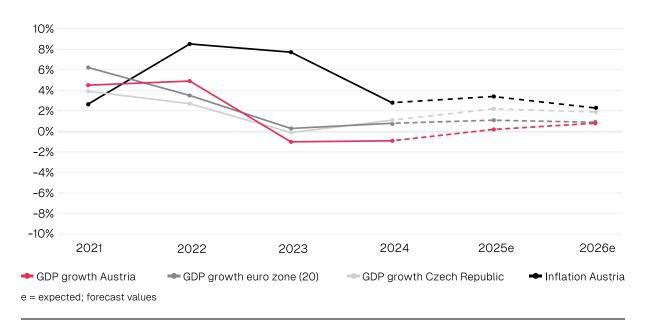
## **Framework conditions**

## Macroeconomic environment 1)

The 2024/25 fiscal year (1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025) of Energie AG Oberösterreich (Energie AG) saw the Austrian economy only slowly recover from the recession; the economy has been growing since then, while inflation remains high. The economic upswing was triggered by private consumption, while external trade in goods contracted initially.

#### **Economic growth and inflation**





Sources: IHS (Institute for Advanced Studies): Autumn Forecast for the Austrian Economy, 2025–2026 (ihs.ac.at), 8 October 2025.

IMF (International Monetary Fund): World Economic Outlook Database: October 2025 (imf.org), 15 October 2025.

WIFO (Austrian Institute of Economic Research): WIFO Economic Data (wifo.ac.at), 8 October 2025.

Using the gross domestic product (GDP) as a measure, the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) expect slight growth of +0.3% (previous year: -0.8%) for the **Austrian economy** for the calendar year 2025. This moderate GDP growth is mainly driven by private consumption, which has proven to be a key factor in the economic recovery, despite global uncertainties. Low international demand for capital goods is weighing heavily on domestic exporters. Beyond this, weak financial performance exhibited by companies has impacted on their willingness to invest. US import tariffs are also impeding progress, particularly because the US has been a significant outlet for Austrian goods in recent years. The labour market is still in the throes of recession. Inflation is expected to be higher than anticipated and is forecast at 3.5% for the 2025 calendar year (previous year: 2.9%).

Economic growth for the **euro zone** is expected to be +1.3% and +1.2% respectively for 2025 by the IHS and WIFO economic institutes and the IMF (previous year: +0.9%).

In the **Czech Republic** market relevant to Energie AG, an increase in economic output in the order of around +2.3% is anticipated in the calendar year 2025 (previous year: +1.2%). Growth is therefore expected to be above the euro zone average.

## **Energy and climate policy environment**

At EU level, the start of the new College of Commissioners was marked by work on the 'Clean Industrial Deal', the 'Action Plan for Affordable Energy' and the two legislative 'Omnibus Directives' to reduce red tape in sustainability reporting and to simplify investment.

The **Clean Industrial Deal** – as a non-legislative communication – is designed to underpin the EU's belief in its decarbonisation targets, provide clear incentives to decarbonise businesses, and address climate change mitigation and competitiveness in an overarching growth strategy. The aim is to promote increasingly sustainable and resilient production in Europe, especially for energy-intensive industries and the cleantech sector. Key actions of the Clean Industrial Deal include reducing energy prices, promoting renewable energies and the necessary grid expansion, regulatory and financial assistance for hydrogen uptake, and supporting the decarbonisation industry.

The **Action Plan for Affordable Energy**, in turn, aims to reduce energy bills, deepen the Energy Union, promote investment and be better prepared for possible energy crises. The Communication is non-legislative, but it will be followed up in part by legislative measures or will be accompanied by reviews of existing regulations.

The first **Omnibus Directive** contains far-reaching proposals to reduce reporting requirements under the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), the EU Taxonomy, the EU's Sustainability Corporate Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD) and the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). On 3 April 2025, the extension of the deadline of the CSRD and the CSDDD was decided in the European Parliament. The second Omnibus Directive aims to simplify and optimise the use of several European investment programs.

In early March 2025, the **action plan for the European automotive industry** was presented. The European Commission is looking to boost the sector's competitiveness and promote the transformation towards clean mobility and digitalisation. The intended flexibilisation of the  $\rm CO_2$  fleet limits for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles is expected to temporarily weaken the electromobility ramp up. The action plan also contains important positive accelerating impulses for electric vehicle charging infrastructure, energy networks and regulatory arrangements for bi-directional charging.

The report dated 28 April 2025 on the verification of bidding zones by the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity did not produce a clear result for Central Europe. It leaves open the possibility of splitting the German electricity price zone, which could have a potential impact on Austria. In the 21st legislative period, the German Federal Government committed to maintaining the existing electricity supply zone.

On 6 May 2025, the European Commission published a roadmap for the complete phasing out of Russian energy imports by the end of 2027. This intent is to implement this through concrete actions and regular EU legislative procedure. On 17 June 2025, a legislative proposal to phase out Russian gas imports and improve energy dependency monitoring followed. The draft provides for an end – directly or indirectly – to the import of pipeline gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG) of Russian origin by 2027 at the latest.

The implementation of the 'Net Zero Industry Act' (NZIA) is an important step in the implementation of the 'Green Deal Industrial Plan'. The objectives of the new energy and climate legislation are to provide predictability for investment, so that cleantech companies can grow in Europe and remain globally competitive.

On 26 June 2025, the European Commission adopted the 'Clean Industrial Deal' State Aid Framework. The new framework in particular includes speeding up the development of renewable energies, including hydrogen, promoting non-fossil flexibility options, and temporary reductions in electricity prices for energy-intensive consumers. The State Aid Framework will remain in effect until 31 December 2030.

The European Commission presented the proposal for the **EU 2040 climate target** on 2 July 2025. It is part of the implementation of EU Climate Law and sets out the path towards climate neutrality in 2050. The intent is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 90.0% compared to 1990 levels. As of 2036, up to three percentage points of the target can be covered by international climate change projects in third countries. Flexibility between the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) and non-ETS sectors, as well as Member States, is also envisaged and there are incentives for permanent domestic  ${\rm CO_2}$  abstraction. On 18 September 2025, the EU Council adopted a non-binding memorandum of understanding, which sets a target range of 66.25% to 72.5% reduction by 2035.

The European **regulation on the reduction of methane emissions in the energy sector** came into force on 4 August 2024. This was the first time that immediately binding regulations regarding the prevention and reduction of methane emissions had been introduced in the EU for gas infrastructure operators, oil production and coal mining.

Following the publication of the **EU Gas Storage Regulation** in the Official Journal of the EU, the retention of 90.0% of storage capacity utilisation was extended to the end of 2027 as of 11 September 2025. Options for achieving the 90.0% target for member states have been made more flexible; this can now be achieved between 1 October and 1 December of each calendar year, instead of 1 November previously. In addition, additional flexibility is possible in difficult market or technical situations. The interim targets are also indicative with a view to avoiding market distortions.

At the **national level**, the Austrian Federal Government is committed to climate neutrality by 2040 in the government programme 2025–2029. The intent is to establish a socially balanced climate policy in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the EU Green Deal, as well as effective implementation of the pertinent legal instruments of the 'Fit for 55' package. The focus will also be on measures for competitive and stable energy prices for households and businesses.

In the area of legislation, the amendment of the **Renewable Energy Expansion Act** to increase the efficiency of support and to speed up approval procedures is envisaged in the form of key actions under the **Renewable Expansion Acceleration Act**. The **Electricity Industry Act**, the **Renewable Gases Act** and the **Climate Act** are also very high priorities in the Austrian Government's programme. The implementation of the Directive of the European Parliament on common rules for the internal markets for renewable gas, natural gas and hydrogen to establish a hydrogen start-up and core network also takes a key role in the form of a **Gas Industry Act (GWG) amendment**.

A draft of the **Electricity Industry Act** (ElWG) was submitted for evaluation on 8 July 2025. This legislative package includes the legal measures required to fully implement Directive (EU) 2019/44, as amended by Directive (EU) 2024/1711, and to adapt national electricity legislation to developments in Union law. Since the ElWG regulates many aspects of the electricity market, numerous comments on it were received.

On 1 October 2025 a small **amendment to the Renewable Energy Expansion Act** (EAG) was adopted by the Economic Affairs Committee; it provides for an extension of support for existing biogas plants for 18 months. The National Council is expected to take a decision later this year.

On 9 September 2025, an evaluation procedure on the **Renewable Energy Expansion Acceleration Act** (EABG) was launched. The focus will be on pooling procedural and decision-making powers among the country's heads of state. In future, instead of a wide variety of material procedures, the 'one-stop shop' principle will mean that there will be only one procedure; this will drive simplification, reduction and increased efficiency of administrative procedures. The EABG is the response to a long-standing demand from the industry for procedural acceleration below the environmental impact assessment (EIA) threshold.

Since July 2025, the government has been discussing a **climate law** (KliG) drafted by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management (BMLUK). The new draft focuses on climate change mitigation, adaptation measures and the circular economy, creating a governance framework without binding targets for climate action. A proposal to Parliament was announced for autumn 2025.

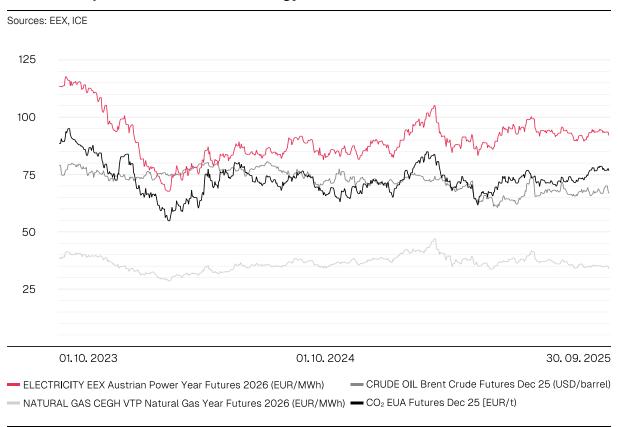
The 'Made in Europe' bonus is a support measure in Austria which has been in force since 23 June 2025 under the EAEC investment grant for photovoltaic (PV) installations. The aim is to strengthen European production of PV components and reduce dependency on Asian imports by obtaining higher subsidies when using European products.

The **Renewable Gases Act** (EGG) aims to promote the production and supply of domestic renewable gases by means of a market premium. The draft was submitted to Parliament by the previous government in February 2024.

The amendment to the **Upper Austrian Spatial Planning Act** saw the introduction of an extension to the dedication exemptions for certain projects, such as freestanding PV plants, substations, etc., on 1 July 2025.

## Economic framework conditions for the energy sector 1)

#### Price development on international energy markets



Sources: EEX (European Energy Exchange AG) market data: market data (eex.com), 10 October 2025.
ICE (Intercontinental Currency Exchange) market data: Products – Futures & Options | ICE (theice.com), 10 October 2025.

The forward market price of electricity for supply in Austria in 2026 averaged EUR 90.35/MWh over the reporting period, just over 3.0% above that of the same period last year. Prices moved laterally in a high and volatile bandwidth in the first quarter; the lowest value being EUR 80.71/MWh in early November 2024. By mid-February 2025 prices rose to a peak of EUR 103.93/MWh. This was followed by a rapid downward trend, which reverted to a lateral movement with a high bandwidth and volatility. The main influencing factors here were the prices for coal, gas and CO<sub>2</sub> emission allowances as well as the macroeconomic development. The price at the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year was EUR 90.95/MWh, just above the average price of the previous year. On the spot market, prices rose by around one third compared with the same period of the previous year. The average European Power Exchange (EPEX) spot price base for delivery in Austria in the reporting period was EUR 99.50/MWh with a volatile development with fluctuations ranging between EUR -252.60/MWh and EUR 850.00/MWh. During the reporting period, the spot price was below EUR 0.00/MWh for 397 hours (previous year: 308 hours) due to the increasing frequency of negative residual loads.

The price of natural gas for delivery in Austria in 2026 was at an average value of EUR 37.32/MWh in the reporting period (previous year:34.58/MWh) in the field of tension between geopolitical crises and dampening factors such as diversification of supply sources, high storage levels and uncertain economic development. After reaching a high of EUR 46.59/MWh in February 2025, the price had dropped to EUR 33.38/MWh by the end of April 2025. After a slight recovery, prices moved sideways, closing at EUR 33.52/MWh at the end of the fiscal year.

Prices for  $CO_2$  emissions allowances fluctuated at an average value of EUR 71.57/t (previous year: EUR 72.60/t) between EUR 83.93/t at the end of January and EUR 60.94/t at the beginning of April 2025. Prices subsequently recovered and ended the fiscal year 2024/25 at EUR 75.74/t.

#### Statutory and regulatory framework in the Grid Segment

The Electricity Act (ElWG), which was introduced into the parliamentary evaluation process in July 2025 and is earmarked to replace the current Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010, will not be voted on until after the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year.

The electricity and gas grid of Netz Oberösterreich GmbH (Netz OÖ GmbH) continues to be subject to incentive regulation by the regulator, E-Control. Within the current regulatory period, key metrics such as the weighted average cost of capital (WACC), efficiency targets and the grid operator price index (NPI) have been updated. The gas grid is subject to requirements in addition to the long-term grid adjustment due to a decrease in uptake. These regulatory framework conditions aim to promote efficiency, investment and security of supply.

Grid utilisation fees in the **electricity sector** increased by between 0.8% and 25.8% in the different grid levels compared to the previous year. The reasons for what was partly a sharp rise were a higher cost base due to the switch to planned investments by the regulator E-Control and the pricing volumes used as per the applicable regulatory framework, which are in decline due to slack economic development and large numbers of PV systems used by customers for self-sufficiency. The grid utilisation fees in the **gas sector** rose by 30.4% for consumers in grid level 3 and by 8.8% for consumers in grid

level 2. This is due to the higher upstream grid costs and the drop in tariffs in grid level 3.

# Economic framework conditions for the waste management sector

The EU Circular Economy Package aims to make the production of sustainable products in the European Union a matter of course. The intent is to ensure that products are durable, repairable, reusable and recyclable throughout their entire life cycles. At national level, the Circular Economy Package amendment under the Waste Management Act (AWG) is intended to continue to promote the drive towards waste avoidance, recycling, and reuse, and to achieve a product design based on European eco-design specifications that is consistently geared towards sustainability. To this end, concrete targets have been defined, including for recycling rates, reusable and disposable packaging, the reduction of certain plastic products, as well as for the fields of producer responsibility, incineration bans and landfill restrictions. These actions pose significant challenges for the whole industry.

The revised EU Waste Framework Directive was published on 26 September 2025 and is due to be transposed into national law by member states within 30 months. Substantial changes have been made in the area of food and used textiles. The aim is to reduce waste from food production and processing by 10.0% by 2030. In addition, the intent is to reduce by 30.0% the average calculated food waste per capita figure, which is attributable to retail, catering and household sectors. In the case of used textiles, extended producer responsibility will be introduced. In future, manufacturers must bear the cost of collection, sorting and recycling, and encourage the production of more durable clothing, while fast-fashion products will be burdened with higher contributions in the future. These changes will create new market opportunities for Energie AG Oberösterreich Umwelt Service GmbH (Umwelt Service GmbH).

The new EU Packaging Regulation (PPWR) entered into force on 11 February 2025 and will apply as of 12 August 2026. With a phased schedule, the Regulation aims to ensure that all packaging is recyclable in future by introducing recycling classes and defining minimum recycling shares. Mandatory recycling targets of 65.0% by 2025 and 70.0% by 2030 have been set and further differentiated by fractions such as plastics, paper and glass. Packaging minimisation, producer responsibility, deposit systems and extensive information requirements are also important parts of the regulation.

On 1 January 2025, a deposit of EUR 0.25 was introduced in Austria on PET and aluminium containers with volumes between 0.1 litres (L) and 3.0 L. In order to avoid waste and ensure a sustainable circular economy, deposit quotas have also been defined for the retail trade for drinks placed on the market; they will be at least 25.0% by 2025 and at least 30.0% by 2030; the quotas apply to retail outlets with more than  $400 \, \text{m}^2$  floorspace and online commerce.

The Waste Management Act amendment on digitalisation aims to drive further efficiency increases in waste management and therefore help to more quickly achieve sustainability objectives defined at a national level. The amendment focuses on measures designed to achieve a higher degree of digitalisation in waste management. Digitalised system approval procedures, central processing of deposits on non-recyclable packaging and fully electronic consignment notes are examples of this. The latter were unveiled by the BMLUK in April 2025 and are to be made mandatory by

1 January 2027. In addition to the numerous benefits the digital solution offers, major implementation overhead is anticipated at Umwelt Service GmbH.

Umwelt Service GmbH met its obligation under the AWG, to use rail or similarly climate-friendly means of transport to transport waste of more than 10 tons over distances of more than 200 km during the year under review, by switching its own fleet of trucks to sustainable HVO100 (100.0% hydrotreated vegetable oil) fuel. A reduction of route lengths to 100 kilometres, originally planned as of 1 January 2026, will probably be postponed until 2030.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, higher prices for recovered paper/carton created more favourable framework conditions compared to the previous year. In terms of metals, average prices for various types of steel scrap were lower than in the previous year.

## Framework conditions in the Czech Republic

The Czech Republic recorded higher economic growth in the 2024/25 fiscal year than in previous years. In the second quarter of the 2025 calendar year, GDP increased by 2.6% compared to the same period in the previous year. Inflation declined marginally over the reporting period, and was at around 2.3% towards the end of the fiscal year. The unemployment rate was 4.5% towards the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, economic developments, the national political landscape and market conditions all remained broadly stable. Energy prices have stabilised at a solid level since the 2023/24 fiscal year. Electricity procurement for the Czech Republic segment is carried out on the basis of the purchasing strategy agreed with Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH.

The Czech koruna appreciated slightly against the euro over the period. The exchange rate ratio was EUR/CZK 24.91 at the end of the 2024/25 fiscal year (previous year: EUR/CZK 24.96).

## **Employees**

## **Development of the workforce**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the Group's average consolidated workforce stood at 4,900 full time equivalents (FTE), thus representing an increase of 2.8% over the average of the 2023/24 fiscal year (4,766 FTE).

As of 30 September 2025 Energie AG Group had 4,942 employees (FTE) (previous year: 4,833) in three countries (previous year: three).

The Group parent company Energie AG had an average of 75 employees (FTE) in the 2024/25 fiscal year, previous year: 70 employees (FTE).

## **Change in the Management Board**

There will be a change in the Management Board in the fiscal year ahead. Commercial Council, Mag. Dr. Andreas Kolar will retire after many years at Energie AG at the end of 2025. His successor in the position of chief financial officer, Mag.<sup>a</sup> Eva Schinkinger, was appointed by the supervisory board of Energie AG on 27 March 2025 with effect from 1 January 2026.

## **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)**

Achieving the strategic ambitions defined in the 'LOOP' strategy and organisation project requires diverse perspectives and new approaches. Innovative ideas thrive in a collaborative culture that values and supports all employees, regardless of workplace, background, gender, age or disability status. This inclusive working environment is of central importance to Energie AG. Five fields of action have been defined within the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) strategy: women, accessibility, regionality, positive and inclusive leadership, and culture and change, the latter of which was replaced by a focus on generations in September 2025.

Energie AG respects all facets of diversity and firmly rejects all forms of discrimination.

To prevent and combat discrimination and to actively promote diversity and inclusion, a range of procedures and initiatives are in place, including: equal development and promotion opportunities; consideration of diversity criteria in recruitment and career advancement; training and awareness-raising for all employees; awareness training for managers to minimise unconscious bias; confidential reporting channels for discrimination and harassment; mentoring programmes for underrepresented groups; open communication of plans and results to employees; and the promotion of a culture of openness and transparency.

Between January and November 2024, the 'DiversiTeam' – an interdisciplinary group of employees promoting DEI – visited more than 20 Energie AG locations as part of the DEI tour. The objective was to provide local employees with insights into the DEI process. Upcoming actions as well as those already implemented were presented, and employees were sensitised to the issues of diversity, equal opportunities and inclusion. This enables the 'DiversiTeam' to engage directly with employees. Diversity cafés are held regularly at a number of sites, providing a forum where the 'DiversiTeam' meets with employees to discuss a broad range of topics openly. The Equal Opportunities Network facilitates exchange and networking with the aim of promoting equal opportunities across all dimensions of DEI.

The various communication measures, enhanced awareness training and events contribute to raising awareness and, in the long term, to increasing the representation of underrepresented groups and promoting increased diversity. Overall, this strengthens employees' sense of belonging and security. Diversity Cafés contribute to higher employee satisfaction and retention, as well as a respectful and inclusive working environment, by providing a space for open dialog. This has a positive effect on Energie AG's appeal and sense of responsibility, and also makes the company more attractive to talented professionals from diverse backgrounds.

## Target group-focused employee development

Target group-focused employee development covers integrated training and development programmes tailored to specific target groups and a selection of different employee development measures for specific needs.

In line with the company's current policy, employee strengths and competencies are assessed as part of the annual performance review discussions between managers and employees, during which appropriate training and development measures are identified. Energie AG's 'EINSTEIN' learning platform provides all employees with an overview and documentation of all training sessions and courses they have completed. Senior executives can view all training sessions and courses completed by the employees assigned to them. The learning platform includes all current certificates as well as a reminder function for expiring certificates.

One of Energie AG's key goals is to provide targeted services to prepare employees and managers for the challenges they will face in the working world of the future.

In Austria, the following programmes are available, among others: Leadership Experience Discussion Circle; Manager Group Coaching; Junior Employee Development Programme; 'Future LAB' (Top Management); 'EINSTEIN' learning platform (educational programme); Toolbox workshop for managers.

The effectiveness of the training and development programmes is monitored and assessed using a number of methods such as seminar evaluations and knowledge reviews. The level of uptake of the training and further education programmes is also used for assessment purposes.

### Digital skills

To prepare for the digital challenges of the future working environment, the Next Level project is working intensively on a digital vision and strategy. A central element of this vision is the digital upskilling of the workforce, which is being pursued through several steps. The starting point is a validated, anonymised online assessment ('digital fitness quiz'), which provides each employee with an individual measure of their digital skills.

To classify and benchmark employees' digital competencies, Energie AG applies DigComp 2.3 AT under the EU framework, which divides digital competences into the following six categories: basics, access and digital understanding; handling of information and data; communication, interaction and cooperation; creation, production and publication; security and the sustainable use of resources; problem-solving, innovation and further learning. This framework is supplemented by three qualitative skill areas: digital strategy, digital leadership and artificial intelligence (AI) management.

Based on the results of the individual assessments, employees undertake targeted training. For this purpose, a specific training matrix has been developed, offering training for all staff groups and proficiency levels. A follow-up assessment is intended to monitor individual progress and enable the continuous adaptation of training measures.

Each participant receives an individual evaluation of their results after completing the check-in, which forms the basis for further training. Energie AG is able to analyse the (anonymised) aggregate results and receives targeted guidance on future training requirements. The anonymous results are stored on the platform of the association 'fit4Internet', through which the assessment is conducted.

The digital fitness quiz offers all workers in Austria with IT access the opportunity to reflect on their basic digital skills, identify individual strengths and determine specific areas for improvement.

## Skills development through apprenticeship

Energie AG's in-house apprenticeship training makes a significant contribution to developing qualified professionals and ensuring the long-term retention of employees. It also provides the company with a competitive advantage and represents an important contribution to securing the energy supply. As part of the training programme at the company's own training workshop, 36 apprentices began their training as future energy technicians, mechanical engineering technicians and IT systems technicians in the 2024/25 fiscal year. In line with its commitment to diversity, the Energie AG Group also offers apprentices with a migrant background and asylum seekers opportunities for training and professional development.

The demand for young professionals is identified through close coordination between Personalmanagement GmbH and the individual Group companies. On this basis, targeted training of skilled workers is planned.

The training management team is also in continuous contact with the relevant HR managers and department heads at the Group companies Energie AG Oberösterreich Tech Services GmbH (Tech Services GmbH), Services und Digital Solutions GmbH, Netz OÖ GmbH and Erzeugung GmbH, each of which has specific requirements for new talent.

In addition, the 'Succession Planning' working group – comprising the management of Personalmanagement GmbH, the heads of the technical divisions, the human resources officer and the training management team – determines the number of apprentices required for the coming years. Expected retirements and the economic development of the entities are taken into account to ensure forward-looking and sustainable workforce planning.

Energie AG promotes the training of qualified young skilled workers and supports the personal and professional development of its trainees through the use of targeted measures and events. The aim is to attract young talent to the company early in their careers and retain them in the long term.

Key measures include: cooperation with compulsory schools, electrical engineering courses at polytechnic schools, initiatives with partners in the Province of Upper Austria such as PowerGirls and Girls' Day to give girls an insight into technical professions, modernisation and expansion of the training workshop and construction of a new apprentice residence in Gmunden from October 2025, target group-specific workshops and seminars on topics related to health and safety (addiction prevention, safe use of the internet, communication training, etc.).

## **Employee protection**

Employee protection is a key element of Energie AG's sustainable corporate governance. The objective is to safeguard the health and safety of employees through preventive measures, regular training and continuous assessments of working conditions. The approach is based on the statutory requirements of the Employee Protection Act (ASchG) in Austria, Labour Act No. 262/2006 Coll. in the Czech Republic and Legislative Decree No. 81/2008 in Italy. In addition, the Group is guided by international standards such as ISO 45001:2018.

Regular training on occupational safety, health and risk prevention is conducted and continuously expanded. Employees and – where required – external contractors may participate in training on safety-related topics such as working under pressure, switching authorisations, building security or working with lift platforms. Briefings are supplemented with current topics as needed and are made available online. E-learning modules are also provided, for example, for fire protection, anti-crash protection and working in containers.

Work accidents and near misses are systematically investigated in order to derive targeted prevention measures. In accordance with § 4 of the Austrian Employee Protection Act (ASchG), risks are assessed by the responsible managers or officers pursuant to § 9 of the Administrative Penalty Act (VStG) or § 23 of the Labour Inspection Act (ArblG), with the support of safety officers and occupational physicians; at Austrian entities (excluding the Environment Segment), risks are classified using a risk matrix in line with ISO 45001:2018. This forms the foundation for determining required measures (workplace assessment). The 'Safety Manual' issued by the Austrian industry association 'Österreichs Energie' is used to evaluate individual activities. Employees are actively involved in safety management and assess their activities using the forms provided. Safety representatives and staff delegates promote communication and support the implementation of protective measures.

Energie AG is obliged to coordinate hazard prevention and informs external partners of existing risks, for example in electrical installations or factory traffic. Several entities – including Umwelt Service GmbH, WDL GmbH, VAK Beroun a.s. and ČEVAK a.s. – operate certified management systems in accordance with ISO 45001:2018. This demonstrates Energie AG's commitment to maintaining a high standard of occupational health and safety and actively contributing to a sustainable safety culture across the Group.

Energie AG aims to prevent work-related ill health and occupational accidents; the natural objective is to achieve zero accidents in terms of accident frequency and severity. The goal of employee protection is prevention. This means acting before an accident occurs to minimise the probability of its occurrence as much as possible. Priority is therefore given to potential work accidents with a high probability of occurrence and severe injury potential.

Regular reporting on the effectiveness of the ISO 45001:2018 management systems which have already been implemented is carried out in annual management reviews, in internal and external and customer audits or in occupational health and safety meetings.

Agreed actions are checked during safety inspections and fire safety checks.

Energie AG organises training courses that go beyond the legal requirements (e.g. safety information days and safety training courses) and distributes relevant information.

In Austria, primarily through training courses on occupational safety and health protection, safety training for safety representatives and fire safety officers, safety information days for managers, e-learning modules, communication of safety-related topics with the involvement of safety representatives, and ad hoc awareness campaigns.

Workplace inspections ensure that the knowledge taught has been understood and is being applied correctly. The documentation of the training courses carried out is used to monitor compliance with legal requirements and the acquisition of knowledge.

## Key figures for health and safety

#### Health and safety management system

	2024/25		2023/24		Comparison
	Headcount	in %	Headcount	in %	±%
Employees covered by a health and safety management system	2,126	41.0	2,109	41.6	0.8
Non-employees covered by a health and safety management system	212	57.1	264	55.0	-19.7
Own workforce covered by a health and safety management system	2,338	42.1	2,373	42.8	-1.5

#### **Fatalities**

	<b>2024/25</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	Comparison
	Number	Number	±%
Fatalities resulting from work-related injuries 1)	0	0	_

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  The number of worker fatalities at the company's other sites is not systematically recorded.

#### Work-related injuries and LTIF

	<b>2024/25</b> Number	<b>2023/24</b> Number	Comparison ±%
Reportable work-related injuries – Work-related accidents	94	95	-1.1
	Million hours	Million hours	±%
Hours worked by own workforce	8.95	7.86	13.9
	Number per million hours	Number per million hours	±%
Rate of work-related accidents per million hours worked or "Lost Time Injury Frequency Index" (LTIF)	10.5	12.1	-13.1

#### Days lost

	2024/25 Number of days lost	2023/24 Number of days lost	Comparison ±%
Work-related injuries – Work accidents	1,838	2,266	-18.9
Fatalities from work-related accidents	0	0	
Total	1,838	2,266	-18.9

## Workplace health promotion

The health and safety of employees is understood as an important success factor and promoted by targeted priority programmes and internal campaigns. Only healthy and satisfied staff can be successful with their work for a company. Energie AG works to ensure awareness and personal responsibility around the quality of work and occupational health and safety among its employees.

Specific measures in Austria: 'Occupational Psychology Service Line': free counselling and assistance with cases of conflict, stress, inability to cope, anxiety, sleep disorders or even personal crises (deaths, illnesses, etc.); 'energy@work' health project; rehabilitation support for existing illnesses; numerous programmes contribute to safeguarding the employees' health (e.g. 'healthy 15 minutes', first-aid courses, 'shiftwork fitness basics' workshop for employees in Austria).

The range of occupational healthcare services also includes vaccination campaigns and general advice on prevention in Austria.

Energie AG's company health management policy was awarded the 'Betriebliche Gesundheitsförderung bis 2025' (Workplace Health Promotion) seal of approval and the new seal 'Betriebliche Gesundheitsförderung 2026 – 2028' was again applied for (excl. for the Environment and Czech Republic Segments).

## Adequate wages – performance-based salary system

Rules governing base pay and performance-based remuneration are set out in works agreements. The following are included: Determining base pay, rules for classification and reclassification and performance bonuses. Fair and transparent remuneration and objectivity is the goal.

A clear assignment of employees to reference positions (annex to the works agreement) ensures that remuneration deviating from the works agreement is formally (dual control principle) or systemically within the SAP system impossible. No remuneration can be processed without assignment to a reference position.

The new bonus system developed in the 2023/24 fiscal year addresses the concept of 'team spirit' with a team bonus as part of the performance bonus and also offers managers the opportunity to reward outstanding individual performance with a special bonus.

The aim is to strengthen team spirit, contribute to diversity, and subsequently foster open collaboration and reinforce a positive corporate culture.

The works agreement applies to employees of all Group companies that sign the works agreement. Employees on legacy remuneration schemes (predating the year 2000) and managers with MbO target agreements are exempt. Employees in the Environment Segment and the Czech Republic Segment are not covered.

## 'Management by Objectives' (MbO)

The 'Group Management by Objectives' (MbO) Group Policy defines the process, inclusion, target categories and bonus calculation for the performance-based component of pay for managers (management tool).

General objectives: Group manageability, supporting the pursuit of policies, identifying common goals and focusing on performance

### Flexibility of working hours

Energie AG has works agreements on flexible working hours, working from home and taking sabbaticals. The works agreement on flexible working hours allows employees to organise their working hours flexibly to suit their personal circumstances within the framework conditions set out in the works agreement. The works agreements 'Homeoffice Standard' and 'Homeoffice Plus' set out the general conditions for working from home. The works agreement 'Sabbatical' is a tool for flexibility and leave management and addresses the changing needs of employees.

Promoting work-life balance and flexibility of working conditions and leave management is the goal.

Digital time recording and monitoring by time managers as well as reports on employee working time data that are accessible for managers at any time ensure compliance with the works agreement. In addition, notifications are automatically sent to managers if time limits are exceeded.

The works agreements apply to employees of all Group companies that sign the works agreement. The works agreement on flexible working hours does not apply to senior employees to whom the Austrian Working Hours Act (Arbeitszeitgesetz) does not apply, employees working shifts, employees with a work schedule and temporary interns. Group areas in Austria that are not covered by the works agreements on flexible working hours and working from home are subject to similar provisions with comparable content. Employees in the Environment Segment are not covered by the 'Sabbatical' works agreement. The works agreements do not apply to the Czech Republic Segment.

#### Work-life balance

Energie AG values employee satisfaction highly and strives to create the right conditions to offer employees the best possible working environment. There is a strong focus on promoting work-life balance, which is achieved in particular through the initiatives 'Flexibility of working hours' with regard to part-time arrangements, home office or sabbaticals, year-round operation of a childcare facility, school holiday offers, 'Financial assistance (for families)' and 'Support services for family caregivers'.

Progress in the area of work-life balance is documented in the audit report as part of the 'berufundfamilie' (work-life) audit. The award of the State Prize for 'Family & Career' (Familie&Beruf) highlights the company's family-friendly employer branding with a special focus on father-friendly HR policies. The annual satisfaction analysis regarding company childcare is used to highlight potential areas where there is room for improvement. Information about support services for employees who provide care and support to persons close to them is also provided on an ongoing basis via internal channels, such as the intranet.

# Processes for engaging with own workforce and employee representatives about impacts

Energie AG fosters and practises an open and transparent feedback culture, ensuring that suggestions, ideas and feedback from the workforce are considered as comprehensively as possible. Feedback from employees, Group representatives and trade unions is used to identify appropriate actions and implement improvements. Recognition such as the 'Top Employer' award by the business magazine Trend reflects the strong reputation of the Energie AG Group as an employer.

Feedback from larger groups within the Energie AG Group is collected in anonymised, digital form. Reports on the implementation or consideration of the feedback are communicated to all employees as part of project-related communication or via another suitable channel. Personal feedback is also possible on an ad hoc basis.

Structured economic discussions between Managing Directors and Works Council members form the basis for regular dialogue in line with this open feedback culture. In accordance with the Austrian Labour Constitution, employees are represented on the Supervisory Board of the joint stock company by the Works Council (one-third parity). This ensures that employee interests are directly reflected in the Supervisory Board's decision-making. This arrangement enables the Management Board, supported by the Human Resources holding unit, to address relevant issues effectively. In addition to structured feedback opportunities, such as annual employee review discussions, employees may consult and interact with their direct supervisors at any time. The

Cultural Compass platform for culture-promoting actions and the 'Loominati' platform for making suggestions for improvements are another way to get involved.

Key channels and tools for engaging and communicating with employees (for Austria excluding the Environment Segment) include the Central Conflict Contact Point (ZAK) for conflict management, Manager Group Coaching, the Leadership Experience Discussion Circle and the Change Agents Community. Anonymous feedback from both employees and external stakeholders, such as applicants, can be provided via the Austrian online employer review platform 'kununu'.

In most cases, anonymous digital feedback is requested from the entire workforce. For tools that apply specifically to managers – for example, evaluations of group coaching – only managerial feedback is collected. This feedback is assessed, analysed and integrated into appropriate follow-up actions by the responsible staff at Personalmanagement GmbH.

Actions implemented under the DEI process, such as diversity cafés, facilitate the collection of views from employees who may be particularly vulnerable or at risk. The 'DiversiTeam' also serves as a continuous point of contact. In the Czech Republic, equal opportunities and equal treatment are also taken into account in employee surveys.

Both employees and employee representatives/trade unions are involved in new projects or in the evaluation of initiatives as required. There are also regular opportunities for feedback, such as employee performance review dialogues and surveys. The views of employees are communicated to the Management Board through the works council's participation in the Supervisory Board and discussions with the Management Board.

Depending on the nature of the process for involving the workforce and their representatives with respect to business impacts, operational responsibility lies with different officials. For group-wide processes such as employee surveys, responsibility lies with the respective project managers and the topic leads; processes such as the employee performance review dialogue fall within the remit of Managing Directors as well as department and team leaders. For formal formats, such as economic discussions with the Works Council, responsibility rests exclusively with management. Monitoring of the respective processes is carried out by management, which, in close coordination with the Management Board, initiates any necessary measures and supports their implementation within the framework of the corporate concept.

The agreements negotiated and concluded between employers and employee representatives are intended above all to ensure the continuous development of working conditions and their alignment with modern standards. In addition to economic and organisational matters, works agreements reflect the interests and perspectives of the workforce through the involvement of employee representatives.

Regular employee surveys allow for the results to be compared, developments to be identified and the actions taken to be evaluated. The goal is to strengthen employee loyalty to the company and thereby minimise staff turnover. Employee surveys in the Czech Republic not only involve a comparison within the company itself, but also benchmarking against other companies in the Czech Republic. The results are presented to the management in a comprehensive report. Any negative feedback or complaints are addressed immediately by the management and action is taken. Every five years, an anonymous and voluntary employee consultation is conducted covering health, work organisation, work interests and cooperation. The key indicator enabling

comparison with previous surveys is the Human Work Index® (HWI®). The HWI® and the theory of the human ecology of labour, as a method for managing the sustainability of work assets through human-ecological management, are based on research by IBG (Innovative Organisation for Health and Human Resources Management) on working capital. The standardised surveys using the Human Work Index® measure work capacity in terms of employees' personal productivity in relation to existing work requirements and provide prognostic estimates of the sustainability of work capacity. The results are calculated for the Group as a whole and for the individual Group companies and are communicated accordingly. Implementation of the resulting measures takes place within the relevant business areas. The next survey will be conducted in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

### **Branch offices**

Energie AG has no branch offices.

# Assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss

	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Turnover	EUR mill.	707.9	733.0	-3.4%
Operating result (EBIT)	EUR mill.	157.1	212.8	-26.2%
EBIT margin	%	22.2%	29.0%	-23.6%
Earnings before taxes	EUR mill.	117.4	155.3	-24.4%
Balance sheet total	EUR mill.	2,889.1	2,973.0	-2.8%
Equity	EUR mill.	886.0	860.5	3.0%
Equity ratio	%	30.8%	29.1%	6.0%
Cash flow from operating activities	EUR mill.	254.1	415.7	-38.9%

The sales revenues are EUR 25.1 million lower than in the previous year and amounted to EUR 707.9 million (previous year: EUR 733.0 million).

A comparison with revenues in the previous year shows that intra-group gas sales have increased by EUR 54.2 million. This increase is primarily attributable to a 38.8% rise in withdrawal volume, as average sales revenues are down -8.2% on the previous year's figures. Electricity revenue decreased by EUR 96.8 million, a development which is indeed due to a lower volume procured (-20.9%) on the back of below-average water levels, but above all to significantly lower transfer prices (-26.1%) compared to the previous year.

EBIT decreased by EUR 55.7 million to EUR 157.1 million over the previous year. This is attributable to the differences in the sales revenues and the following other differences:

The other operating income saw a decrease of EUR 6.8 million over the previous year, a fact attributable to the proceeds from the sale of land in the previous year.

Expenses for materials and purchased services increased by EUR 49.9 million. While gas procurement rose by EUR 57.1 million due to the 38.8% increase in withdrawal volumes and the lower purchase prices, the operating costs of the procurement rights were EUR -3.2 million lower than in the previous year.

Personnel expenses were EUR 1.2 million higher than in the previous year. This is mainly attributable to the higher headcount and salary increases under the collective bargaining agreement.

Depreciation and amortisation increased by EUR 3.8 million. Impairments in an amount of EUR 0.5 million (previous year: EUR 12.2 million) in the reporting year were recognised for thermal plants (previous year: power and thermal plants); in the previous year, a non-period write-off of EUR 7.3 million was also recognised on thermal plants.

Other operating expenses saw a decrease of EUR 12.1 million compared to the previous year, a fact mainly due to the energy crisis contribution, which was EUR 11.9 million less than in the previous year.

The financial result is EUR -39.7 million, an increase of EUR 17.8 million over the previous year. The change is mainly due to lower interest expenses for current investments and the expiry of bond liabilities this year, resulting in lower interest charges. Higher returns on invested funds and increased income from investments also had a positive impact on the financial result. Income from investments less loss absorptions from affiliated companies increased year-on-year by EUR 2.4 million.

This amounts to earnings before taxes (EBT) of EUR 117.4 million (previous year: EUR 155.3 million).

The balance sheet total in the fiscal year is EUR 2,889.1 million (previous year: EUR 2,973.0 million) and has decreased by EUR 83.9 million (or 2.8%) over the previous year.

On the assets side, intangible assets increased by EUR 2.1 million and property, plant and equipment by EUR 218.4 million. The transformer and distribution systems and the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant account for the largest part of the investments in property, plant and equipment, as well as power generation plants. Financial assets decreased only slightly by EUR 0.1 million.

Inventories decreased by EUR 3.7 million, a fact primarily attributable to significantly higher withdrawal volumes at the 7Fields gas reservoir.

Receivables from affiliated companies and companies in which an interest is held decreased by EUR 5.9 million. This is primarily due to the reduction in other related receivables from tax allocations.

Other receivables and assets decreased by EUR 1.8 million, mainly due to lower accrued interest income caused by fewer investments in fixed-term deposits.

Credit balances with banks decreased by EUR 292.4 million.

Turning to the liabilities side of the balance sheet, equity increased by EUR 25.5 million. This is attributable to the profit for the year of EUR 92.1 million and the distribution of the dividend of EUR 66.5 million.

The investment subsidies include the COVID-19 investment bonus of EUR 2.8 million.

The provisions decreased by EUR 10.4 million. The main changes relate to the removal of the provision of EUR 20.6 million for the energy crisis contribution and the decrease in social capital provisions of EUR 2.7 million. Running counter to this is the increase in deferred tax liabilities of EUR 11.2 million.

The bond of EUR 300.0 million was fully redeemed this year.

Liabilities to banks increased by EUR 99.9 million due to a new loan from the European Investment Bank for the Ebensee project.

Trade payables, including advances received on orders, increased by EUR 3.4 million.

Liabilities to affiliated companies and companies in which an interest is held increased by EUR 75.5 million year-on-year. Higher netting and pooling liabilities to Energie AG Group Treasury GmbH amount to EUR 90.0 million, which are offset by higher liabilities of EUR 15.0 million from the provision of security to Netz Oberösterreich GmbH, contrasted with lower liabilities from tax allocations.

The other liabilities increased by EUR 21.9 million. The main changes relate to a higher tax liability of EUR 31.9 million, which is offset by a lower liability of EUR 9.1 million from interest accruals due to the elimination of the bond liability.

Construction cost subsidies were EUR 2.8 million lower.

Equity increased by 3.0% over the previous year, the equity ratio (relating to the total capital less investment subsidies and special items for emission allowances) increased by 6.0% to 30.8%.

The cash flow from operating activities amounts to EUR 254.1 million and decreased by 38.9% over the previous year (EUR 415.7 million). The cash flow from earnings decreased by EUR 57.0 million in a year-on-year comparison.

## **Funding and investment strategy**

The year under review 2024/25 has again been characterised by distinctive and volatile geopolitical events, with far-reaching economic consequences for economies worldwide, coupled with the erratic customs policy of the current US administration, and significant price fluctuations.

The European Central Bank (ECB) has been successful in bringing inflation in the euro zone down to its target level of around 2.0% with ongoing interest rate cuts in recent months. Further monetary policy measures are taken by the ECB on a data-driven basis.

International ratings agency Moody's downgraded the outlook for Austria's credit rating (Aa1) from 'stable' to 'negative', due to sluggish economic performance and above-EU average inflation. The rating agency justified the decision on the grounds that the outlook for Austria's fiscal and debt policies had deteriorated over the past six months.

Given these diverse and complex areas of tension, Energie AG has continued its proven strategy of a stable and conservative funding and investment strategy in the year under review.

## Top rating reaffirmed

Energie AG was also assessed by international ratings agency S&P Global Ratings (S&P) this fiscal year. This involves rating the enterprise's ability to meet its financial obligations on time. Credit quality is assessed by investigating the business risk profile and the financial risk profile on the basis of a variety of key figures.

After analysing the financial situation, S&P again confirmed Energie AG's excellent credit rating of A (with a stable outlook) in June 2025. This strong investment grade credit rating continues to ensure that the company has a high degree of flexibility and excellent access to funding sources on attractive terms.

## **Major milestones in Group funding**

One key success factor in the transition towards the development of a sustainable energy system is early coverage of future financing needs with the best possible terms and framework conditions. During the reporting period, the European Investment Bank (EIB) granted Energie AG a EUR 400.0 million loan for hydroelectric power development, an important step towards a sustainable and independent energy future.

The 'Green Financing Framework' <sup>1)</sup> published in the first half of the 2024/25 fiscal year is another key building block for future funding. This framework summarises the sustainability strategy of Energie AG and outlines the essential future investment fields required for the transformation with a view to sustainable energy systems. This will create a robust basis for the direct use of the funds made available for the implementation of the energy transition.

## Low debt and high financial flexibility

In early March 2025, the Energie AG corporate bond (EUR 300.0 million) was duly redeemed. As a result of this repayment, the Group's redemption profile has been significantly extended and, with a capital-weighted average remaining maturity of more than 10 years, is characterised by a distinctly long-term maturity structure. As of 30 September 2025, the volume of external financial liabilities decreased by EUR 209.0 million to a low level of EUR 401.6 million (previous year: EUR 610.6 million).

As of 30 September 2025, the Energie AG Group had EUR 131.4 million (previous year: 308.5 million) in cash and cash equivalents. As of the reporting date, the Group also had EUR 40.4 million (previous year: EUR 145.1 million) in fixed term deposits and short-term investments. Because a large proportion of this strategic liquidity reserve is held in the form of cash or cash-equivalent instruments, the risk profile can be considered extremely conservative.

In addition, in order to further hedge current and structural liquidity, liquidity reserves amounting to EUR 315.0 million in the form of committed credit lines were made available by Austrian and international banks. These had not been utilised by the reporting date of 30 September 2025. The sound liquidity reserves and the excellent credit rating further guarantee the unchanged strong financial flexibility of the Energie AG Group in the long term.

<sup>1)</sup> The 'Green Financing Framework' is available on the Energie AG website.

# Value-based corporate management and capital costs

Energie AG's value management strategy serves as an instrument for measuring and controlling the economic success of the Group's business activities. It helps to assess the attractiveness of investments and secure the value of the company by ensuring capital market-oriented returns for the owners. In addition to the operating result, the capital costs, measured using the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) ratio plays a central role. The WACC value provides the basis for determining the minimum yield objectives for Group management and is therefore used as a yardstick for value generation in the company.

Energie AG calculates the cost of capital as the weighted average of equity and borrowing costs. The cost of equity is calculated using the Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM), taking into account factors such as the risk-free interest rate, a country and market risk premium, and a beta factor. Borrowing costs are composed of the risk-free interest rate, a country risk premium and the credit spreads of the peer group. The parameters specified by the regulatory authority are used for the regulated business units. In those business units of the company that operate in free market areas, the cost of capital is calculated in line with the reporting date principle and is then aggregated into segment and Group cost of capital using the bottom-up method.

WACC calculations are under continuous review and are adjusted as needed, taking into account the latest specialist publications and expert opinions. The consolidated WACC value for the 2024/25 fiscal year was 4.7% (previous year: 4.5%).

Along with the operating result, one of the most important key figures for the Group's internal management is the ROCE (Return on Capital Employed), which states how efficiently and profitably the available capital is employed. The ROCE is calculated as the quotient of Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT) and average capital employed.

The NOPAT key indicator denotes the taxed profit from operating activities excluding the at equity result of associated companies. One-time effects such as impairments and market valuations are taken into account and are included in the NOPAT. When calculating taxes, all at-equity income is eliminated from the tax base, as the former is already adjusted for taxes.

The capital employed is derived by subtracting the non-productive assets and non-interest-bearing liabilities from the average total assets. It reflects the interest-bearing capital pooled in the company. The average capital employed ( $\emptyset$  CE) is calculated as the average of the total capital employed of the last two fiscal years.

The goal of the Energie AG Group is to generate an ROCE above the WACC through consistently value-oriented corporate management and control. The ROCE minus the WACC results in the relative value contribution. The absolute economic value added is calculated by multiplying it by the capital employed. In addition to the development of operating earnings, the level of ROCE and value added specifically depends on the capital employed. The NOPAT key indicator is equivalent to EBIT less related taxes in the amount of EUR 63.5 million and less results calculated using the equity method in the amount of EUR 32.2 million.

In the Energie AG Group, in addition to strategic and sustainability-orientated considerations, resources for future capital investments and acquisitions are allocated by prioritising projects exclusively on the basis of the presented value-oriented criteria and methods.

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the **ROCE** of the Energie AG Group was 10.7%, 4.7 percentage points below the previous year (15.4%).

## **Treasury stocks**

By resolution of the annual General Meeting on 17 December 2024, the share capital of Energie AG was reduced by EUR 1,216.00 from EUR 88,650,126.00 to EUR 88,648,910.00 by means of a simplified capital reduction by cancellation of 1,216 no-par value registered shares of treasury stock in the form of non-voting preferred shares. As a result, § 4 of the Company's Articles of Association was amended accordingly.

In certain cases, the Energie AG employee stock option plan provides for the right or the obligation to purchase Energie AG employee shares. In fiscal year 2024/25, the following changes in treasury stock resulted from this security:

Treasury stocks	Treasury stocks, in shares	Share in capital stock, in %	Share in capital stock, in EUR 1,000
Treasury stocks as of 30.09.2024	1,216	0.001	1.2
Disposals 2024/25	-1,216	-0.001	-1.2
Additions 2024/25	727	0.001	0.8
Treasury stocks as of 30.09.2025	727	0.001	0.8

## Internal control system

The internal control system (ICS) is a process embedded in the work and operating procedures of the Energie AG Group which is being implemented by management and staff in order to identify and control existing risks and to ensure with sufficient certainty that the following general objectives are achieved in the course of fulfilling the tasks of the Group:

- Effectiveness and efficiency of business activities
- Regularity and reliability of internal and external reporting
- Compliance with the internal regulations applicable to the Company and the pertinent legal provisions, in particular for the accounting process.

In the Energie AG Group, the roles 'Group Treasury', 'Group Accounting' and 'Controlling and Risk Management' have been established as company holding roles. The 'Accounting' department acts as a service provider for the entire Group and is established in scope of the service company, Energie AG Oberösterreich Services und Digital Solutions GmbH. The basis for the valid financial reporting is a strongly IT-supported process as well as a high degree of standardisation in data acquisition and processing, starting with commercial services, through the preparation of the companies' annual reports, to consolidation in the consolidated financial statements. The above-mentioned functions thus form the core of the ICS control environment with regard to the accounting process.

The **core processes** of the above-mentioned divisions, and the **process-inherent material risks** along with the appropriate controls, are documented and recorded using a Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) Management system. The IT tool used links the areas of ICS, Quality assurance and environmental protection (QAE), risk management, information and communication technology (ICT) risks, data protection, and compliance and has established itself as a valuable information system for senior executives and employees.

The concrete design of the **controls** is adapted to individual requirements which adequately consider risks and can include both manual and automated components. The dual control principle is strictly applied to approval processes. Conflicts of functional separation are avoided and monitored by compensatory controls.

Continuous monitoring and a **cyclical audit of the design and effectiveness of the controls by Group Internal Audit** form the **basis of quality validation** and monitoring for these systems throughout the Group. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the documented ICS controls were expanded to include dedicated **ESG controls** in support of sustainability reporting. Structured, standardised **reporting to the Management Board and supervisory bodies** ensures that the legally prescribed monitoring tasks are performed.

Control awareness is well anchored in the operating units and is sustainably implemented in the business processes. In addition, maintaining and strengthening risk awareness and awareness of the importance of the ethical values laid down in the vision and mission statement is an essential component of the corporate governance culture. The legal obligation of the grid operator to ensure equal treatment in accordance with the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act (ElWOG) and the Gas Industry Act (GWG) are subject to appropriate ICS controls and are monitored by the Equal Treatment Officer.

The ICS thus satisfied the statutory requirements in the reporting period.

## **Risks and opportunities**

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, the European energy industry continued to be characterised by geopolitical tensions, economic uncertainty and regulatory changes. The European Union intensified its action to secure energy supplies and promote renewable energies. The expansion of electricity generation from renewable sources continued with high momentum.

Price developments in energy markets have been characterised by strong fluctuations. The electricity futures market showed marked volatility. Following a broad sideways move at the start of the fiscal year, prices rose sharply, followed by a rapid decline and a renewed stabilisation at a high level. Spot market prices also developed dynamically and were higher than the previous year. At times, high input volumes, with low demand at the same time, led to negative prices.

The gas market was also characterised by uncertainty and price fluctuations. Geopolitical conflicts, high storage levels and subdued economic activity have affected price formation. Prices for  $\rm CO_2$  emissions allowances also fluctuated in a volatile environment, with declines in the interim and subsequent recovery.

Despite the volatile market situation and geopolitical uncertainties, no risks could be identified in the 2024/25 fiscal year possessing the potential to jeopardise the continued existence of the company.

Energie AG has once again demonstrated its ability to adapt and has responded flexibly to the challenges of a dynamic market environment. Group-wide risk and opportunity management proved to be key success factors, especially in responding to geopolitical developments, regulatory innovations, and volatile price movements. Financial stability has been secured and the market position further strengthened. Due to this, Energie AG is well equipped to successfully meet future challenges.

## Material opportunities (+) | risks (-) 1) and measures

# STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS

#### +|- Strategic opportunities | risks due to

- Changes in general climatic conditions
  - Extreme events and their consequences (periods of heat/drought, flooding, storms, hail, forest fires, avalanches)
  - Long-term changes in climatic and ecological conditions (precipitation frequency/volume, increase in average temperatures)
- Changes in the general energy policy and energy market environment
- Changes in technological developments, in the market environment, in customer needs ...

#### Measures

- Continuous intensive monitoring of energy policy developments, markets, competitors, customers, the climate and technologies
- Participation in research projects, ...
- Early and intensive monitoring of strategic opportunities / risks

# IMPAIRMENT OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS

- Depreciation, amortisation and impairments of assets, procurement rights, investments
- Allowances for receivables
- Creation of provisions for impending losses

#### Measures:

- Ongoing monitoring, sensitivity analyses
- Long-term contracts
- Counterparty risk management

## PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES | RISKS

- High, long-term investment costs, projects with a high level of complexity
- Underruns and overshooting of the planned values in terms of timing schedule, project costs and quality
- (Energy) policy uncertainty

#### **Measures:**

- Project management
- Risk management methods in the entire project cycle
- Optimised contract arrangements

# SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITIES I RISKS

In the medium term – in our 5-year planning horizon – we assume that climate-related opportunities | risks will remain within the statistical range of the past few years, and these have been taken into account in our (opportunities | risks) scenarios.

Potential long-term climate-related risks and opportunities beyond this have been taken into account in strategic decision-making.

Environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects are becoming increasingly important factors in the risk management process.

Opportunities / risks that may affect questions of sustainability as a result of Energie AG's business activities, see > Non-financial report, SBM-3

Risklopportunities, definition:

<sup>-</sup> A risk is the possibility of an event occurring which has a negative impact on targets (EBT, EBIT, cash flow)

<sup>-</sup> An opportunity is the possibility of an event occurring which has a positive impact on targets (EBT, EBIT, cash flow)

### Market and competition risks

#### +|- Market price changes

(electricity, gas, biomass and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions allowances prices)

#### **Measures:**

- Bundled management of commodity price risks by Energie AG Oberösterreich Trading GmbH
- Risk strategies geared for the market environment
- Leveraging of internal synergies within the Group

## +|- Electricity generated from hydroelectric power

influenced by development of weather/climate

#### **Measures:**

Optimised management of generation portfolio

## +|- Electricity production from thermal power plants

#### **Measures:**

- Bundled management of commodity price risks by Energie AG Trading
- Long-term contracts
- Leveraging of internal synergies within the Group
- Risk strategies geared for the market environment

## +|- Electricity, gas, heat and telecommunications services sales volumes

influenced by development of weather/climate, competition, economy, policy, ...

#### **Measures:**

- Bundling of sales organisations
- Price guarantee
- Service and subsidy offerings
- Focus on digitalisation
- Positioning as an energy service provider

## +|- Market price and volume changes in waste management

Recycling materials, industrial waste, domestic waste, delivery prices, thermal, ...

- Increased competition from pretreatment plants and industrial co-incinerators
- Increased re-municipalisation efforts of municipal waste management associations

#### Measures:

- Long-term indexed contracts with defined delivery volumes and prices
- Focused market activities
- Intensification of cooperation with the public sector
- Further development of the digitalisation projects

## +|- Contractual losses|gains and contract changes in the water|wastewater sector

- Synergy projects
- Ongoing participation in (concession) tenders

## Opportunities/risks from business operations

#### - Facility risks

Impairment of the availability of facilities due to

- Technical malfunctions, sabotage, ...
- Natural disasters such as storms, flooding, ...

#### Measures:

- Maintenance and quality controls
- Optimised maintenance strategy
- Structural (flood) protection measures
- Strategy programmes "Replacing overhead medium-voltage lines that are particularly susceptible to disruption with underground cable", "Replacing low-voltage lines", consistent expansion of grid automation
- Crisis and contingency management
- Insurance

#### +|- Physical weather risks

such as periods of heat|drought, flooding, storms, hail, forest fires, avalanches and their impact on third parties

#### Measures:

- Structural (flood) protection measures
- Strategy programmes "Replacing overhead medium-voltage lines that are particularly susceptible to disruption with underground cable", "Replacing low-voltage lines", consistent expansion of grid automation
- Crisis and contingency management
- Insurance

- Risks from information security, cybersecurity and data protection

#### Measures:

- Optimised insurance strategy
- Comprehensive technical measures
- Management systems for information security and data protection

#### - Personnel risks

- Health and safety risks for company staff and temporary employees
- Loss of expertise and practical knowledge

- Safety training courses for employees
- In-house health management project energy@work
- Apprenticeship|trainee programmes
- "Human Resource Management",
  - "Management by Objectives" and
  - "Management Academy" Group policies

## Political, regulatory and statutory opportunities/risks

#### +|- Changes in the regulatory environment

for the electricity and gas grids

#### **Measures:**

- Intensive and constructive dialog with the regulatory authorities
- Cooperation with interest groups

#### +|- Legal risks

from pending legal disputes

#### **Measures:**

- Legal support
- Provisions in the balance sheet
- Out-of-court settlements

#### +|- Political and statutory environment

- EU climate policy provisions and their implementation in Austria
- Statutory environment for project development and implementation
- Changes to subsidy regime

#### Measures:

- Intensive and constructive dialog with authorities and politicians
- Cooperation with interest groups

## Compliance risks and data protection infringements

#### - Compliance risks

- Antitrust and corruption risks
- Financial market compliance

#### **Measures:**

- Group policies 'Compliance Management System' and 'Anti-Corruption', 'Handling on Insider Information', 'ICT Information Security Management'
- In-person training and e-learning courses

#### - Data protection infringements

- Accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration or disclosure of data
- Hacker attacks

- Group policies "Data Protection Management System" and "Data Protection Compliance Policy"
- In-person training and e-learning courses

#### Financial risks

#### +|- Changes in interest rates

#### **Measures:**

Long-term fixed interest agreements

#### +|- Foreign exchange risk

Primarily from the transaction and translation risks of the Czech Group companies

#### **Measures:**

- Ongoing monitoring
- Currency hedging, where necessary

## +|- Prices changes in financial assets (securities, funds)

Resulting from market value fluctuations in the capital markets

#### **Measures:**

- Conservative investment policy
- Consistent monitoring
- On-going quantification of share price risks

#### +|- Rating change

Relates to lower| higher refinancing costs

#### **Measures:**

- The management of Energie AG continues to seek to maintain Energie AG's Single A credit rating in the long term
- Ensuring compliance with the required key financial performance indicators

## +|- Opportunities|Risks from investments in other companies

- Fluctuations in the returns on investments
- Fluctuations in dividends received

#### Measures:

- Ongoing monitoring
- Representation on boards of the subsidiaries

#### +|- Changes in the discount rate for provisions

The present value of provisions decreases at a higher discount rate and increases at a lower discount rate

#### Measures:

Ongoing monitoring

#### - Counterparty risks

Complete or partial failure of counterparties

#### Measures:

- Ongoing monitoring
- Credit limit systems
- Hedging instruments
- Targeted strategy of diversification of business partners

#### - Liquidity risk

- Centralised, forward-looking liquidity planning
- Sufficient liquidity reserves
- Open, partially committed credit lines

## Risk management process

The ever-changing situation in the European energy market – characterised by geopolitical developments, regulatory adjustments and highly volatile energy prices – is creating a challenging environment for Energie AG. These changes have a direct impact on procurement, production, marketing and investment decisions, and increase the importance of forward-looking and integrated risk management. The aim is to identify potential impacts on the economic situation at an early stage, assess their probability of occurrence and scope, and take appropriate measures in timely fashion.

The risk management of Energie AG follows the internationally recognized COSO-II framework as the risk management standard across the Group. The responsible business units follow a structured, quarterly process to identify, assess and document their significant risks and opportunities in a central management system. The data collected is consolidated and analysed on Group-level and incorporated into the Group's overall risk position.

Reporting to the Group Management Board takes place quarterly and, if necessary, on an ad hoc basis. The risk management report forms part of the regular reporting to the Supervisory Board and, in line with the requirements of the Austrian Company Law Amendment Act (URÄG), is also submitted to the audit committee so as to ensure the efficiency and appropriateness of the processes. The central management system assures full and complete documentation and traceability of all steps.

## Research, development and innovation

For Energie AG, research, development and innovation are key elements for actively addressing the challenges of the energy transition, ensuring security of supply, opening up new business opportunities and further developing the Group's own future orientation. All innovation activities taking place within the Group are in line with the current strategy. Defined innovation fields are the framework for all innovation activities. The focus of technical projects is on the integration of renewable energies, the transformation of grid infrastructure, the decarbonisation of heat supply and the development of sustainable circular economy solutions.

Particular attention is paid to the future heat supply using industrial waste heat, and optimising resource efficiency processes and material flows to conserve resources. In addition, initiatives in the field of hydrogen technology will be taken forward. Digitalisation and automation are leveraged in a targeted manner to manage processes intelligently, identify system correlations in a superior way, enable data-driven decisions, and improve interaction with customers.

Close cooperation with partners: researchers and businesses ensures that research results are translated into practical innovations. This is how Energie AG is promoting the decarbonisation of its business models and designs a sustainable, responsible energy supply.

The expansion of the Innovation Ecosystem of Energie AG, the cooperation with start-up companies and an open approach to innovation are essential elements of the innovation drive in the Group. In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG's second international 'Startup Innovation Challenge' was successfully implemented and two specific tasks were completed in close cooperation with start-up companies. Three companies were also awarded the prize for their contributions to decarbonisation. In total, more than 300 start-ups from 57 countries submitted applications.

The development work of a central innovation team in the 'Group Innovation' holding unit for the management and further development of innovation management in the Energie AG Group continues to make inroads. In addition to providing support for investments in start-up funds and participating in partner events such as the Innovation Week of Upper Austria University of Applied Sciences, the new "Innovation Circle" format was introduced. This is a low-key exchange format, which stimulates innovation and future planning.

The Innovation Board, now established, is a collegiate body with diverse perspectives which promotes and supports innovation projects throughout the Group. It maintains an overview and ensures transparency for all innovation activities. Due to this, it proved possible to implement a digital construction twin for the Ebensee pumped-storage power plant during the reporting period. This digital twin is the central basis for further use cases, especially for the use of simulations and optimisations.

The development activities of **Wertstatt 8 GmbH** – a wholly-owned subsidiary of Energie AG – focus on the innovative fields of the Group. During the reporting period, new ideas in the field of energy efficiency were developed and validated, with the aim of identifying unused building renovation potentials and reducing the cost of refurbishment. The 'Zusa' product has implemented a sustainability assistant based on artificial intelligence (AI) with an integrated marketplace that helps people make informed and sustainable decisions in their daily lives. The 'Paula' product, which was developed from prototype to market maturation in the reporting period, enables older people to live safely and confidently at home for longer. The system detects everyday routines based on electricity consumption and is operated via a user-friendly app developed specifically for members of the family. 'Paula' is a product of the newly formed LINO Solutions GmbH, which is a corporate start-up company of Energie AG.

R&D&I key performance indicators	Unit	2024/25	2023/24	Change
Number of R&D&I projects in the Group	Number	60	57	5.3%
Staff in R&D&I projects	FTE	21.8	25.3	-13.8%
R&D&I expenses in the Group	EUR mill.	5.3	4.1	29.3%

In fiscal year 2024/25, the following projects aimed at furthering research, development and innovation activities (non-exhaustive list):

### **Future Heat Highway**

The 'Future Heat Highway – Infrastructure for the Heat Transition' project, launched in the 2024/25 fiscal year, aims to develop trans-regional district heating pipelines, allowing the efficient use of industrial waste heat and renewable heat sources in four Austrian industrial regions and its distribution to several industrial regions in Austria. In the scope of industry transformation, the analysis of how existing and future district heating grids, seasonal storage, biomass, industrial processes and waste heat sources

can be linked is in progress, so that district heating needs will be fully provisioned from renewable sources as of 2050. In addition to technical planning and evaluation, roll-out plans will be drawn up for the Linz (central area), Styria (Murtal and Mürztal including Graz), Salzkammergut and St. Pölten regions. Through this networking and utilisation of waste heat, biomass, heat storage and prosumer models (industry feeding in or drawing heat), the project aims to reduce  ${\rm CO}_2$  emissions, reduce energy imports and make the supply of heat more sustainable, efficient and robust.

## **GPOil – EBS pyrolysis**

The aim of the 'GPOIL' – Chemical Recycling of Plastics – project is to convert low-quality substitute fuels – mainly plastic waste which has previously been thermally recovered – into high-quality raw materials through an innovative pyrolysis process. These pyrolysis oils are intended for use as base materials for new polyolefins, enabling reintroduction into plastic production, for packaging for example. One core element of the project is a laboratory and experimental batch pyrolysis reactor that converts small amounts of different input materials into pyrolysis oil, coke and gas fractions. Initial experimental results show that high-quality oil fractions can be generated by adjusting process parameters. The next step is to examine the scalability of the process to an industrial scale. In the long term, this will contribute towards closing the plastic cycles and reducing fossil fuels.

#### Use of Al

In the 2024/25 fiscal year, Energie AG conducted several feasibility studies on the use of Large Language Models (LLM) and successfully introduced the MIA chatbot in the Group in April 2025. 'MIA' stands for 'Employee Information Assistant' and links internal knowledge sources with modern LLM technology to help employees search for information, generate texts, and learn. Particularly in the on-boarding process, MIA makes it easier for new colleagues to get started, answers frequently asked questions and boosts efficiency in everyday working life through smart information processing. Customer service is also using AI, and a digital assistant in the form of a voicebot is used for telephony. The voicebot understands the concerns of customers at home and offers the quickest way to solve them. Simple recurrent tasks are performed directly and without waiting time by the voicebot, while complex tasks are identified and directly transferred to the relevant employees. The goal is to develop the voicebot into an Al agent which can make autonomous decisions, build an expanded context understanding, and thereby engage in more complex processes in human-like dialogues. In addition, specifications have been developed for further AI applications as part of a Group-wide digitalisation project.

## **Outlook**

According to the latest forecasts from economic research institutes, **economic activity** will continue to develop in a positive way in the 2025/26 fiscal year. The recovery in external trade in goods is expected to start in the 2026 calendar year, while the positive trend in residential building investment, already increasing in fiscal year 2024/25, will continue. Domestic economic research institutes IHS and WIFO expect GDP growth in Austria to be between +0.9% and +1.1% in the 2026 calendar year, while the IMF is somewhat more pessimistic, forecasting a figure of +0.8%. Inflation is expected to decline to 2.4%. For the Czech Republic, economic growth is expected to be +2.0% in the 2026 calendar year; this is higher than the growth forecast of +1.0% for the euro zone.

In the first quarter of the 2026 calendar year, an **energy policy** Communication from the European Commission on electrification is expected; this is aimed at switching a greater share of energy consumption from fossil energy sources to electricity. The aim is to contribute to the EU's decarbonisation targets, strengthen system efficiency and make the benefits of renewable energy accessible to consumers. The action plan is part of the 'Clean Industrial Deal' and the Action Plan for Affordable Energy. The ElWG has been in the political coordination process since October 2025 and includes numerous amendments for evaluation. A decision may be reached by the National Council in December 2025. The EABG evaluation was finalised on 21 October 2025. Following the incorporation of the opinions and the decisions reached by the Council of Ministers and the National Council, publication in the Federal Gazette is expected in the first six months of the 2026 calendar year.

For the fiscal year 2025/26, the assumption is that **electricity prices** will be at levels similar to those of the year under review. Key input parameters are expected to show a slight decline in gas prices and rising prices for  $CO_2$  emissions allowances. The assumption is that volatility of the electricity market will be reinforced. This means both an expected increase in the periods of time with negative prices and more isolated times with very high prices. In addition to developments in the pertinent crisis regions, the political discussions on the objectives of the energy transition will also influence energy markets. Economic developments and the associated demand remain the key factors influencing the process.

In the **generation unit**, the construction of the Ebensee pumped storage power plant and the Traunfall power plant will remain the focus in the 2025/26 fiscal year. The wind power and PV expansion drives will also continue. For example, Windpark Trautmannsdorf Nord is to be expanded to include a 4.2 MW installation; submission for approval is planned. Numerous PV projects are currently under construction or in various stages of approval and are successively entering the construction and commissioning phase. Beyond this, the focus is increasingly shifting to innovative hydrogen projects. The intent of entering strategic partnerships is to contribute towards Energie AG taking an active position in the hydrogen market.

**Vertrieb GmbH** also anticipates major market changes in the wake of the new ElWG, as the aim is to modernise the electricity market and create new market roles in order to promote the integration of renewable energies and innovative energy technologies. This will also make it easier for end users to switch suppliers while boosting consumer protection and price transparency. The sales focus of the coming fiscal year will be, among other things, the development of new sustainable products, promoting the use of heat pumps combined with a gradual withdrawal from gas, and the expansion of electromobility. These actions will be instrumental in achieving the Group-wide decarbonisation targets.

The regulatory environment for the **Grid Segment** for the 2025/26 fiscal year can continue to be assessed as positive. For the electricity grids, there will be a focus on investments in grid expansion, digitalisation and flexible tariffs to absorb the growing share of renewable energy and new consumption patterns. At the same time, incentive regulation remains in place, requiring efficiency gains despite the associated rise in costs. In the gas sector, the pressure to resize grids is intensifying due to the decline in the number of customers, while preparations for hydrogen and renewable gases are becoming increasingly significant and intensive work is being done to establish framework conditions for the feasibility and funding of an initial hydrogen grid. The challenges in the context of connecting decentralised generation plants, battery storage facilities, industry decarbonisation and the high demand for electromobility with the charging points required for this are huge; this means that investment funding will remain at very high levels for the next few years, although there will also be a focus on human resources and the sufficient availability of materials and operating resources. Three laws are expected to enter into force in the coming fiscal year, with special significance for the Grid Segment: The EIWG, EABG and GWG amendments.

In the **Environment Segment**, the tense situation in Austrian industrial and commercial enterprises is expected to lead to increasingly difficult framework conditions in the coming fiscal year, although a very good uptake is expected in terms of a continuation of the current good utilisation rates for waste incineration plants. The future development of paper, metals and waste wood as recycling materials is difficult to forecast, although a declining trend in the pricing of recovered paper/cardboard and scrap metals is anticipated. Umwelt Service GmbH will continue to invest in sustainable projects in the 2025/26 fiscal year, such as the installation of PV systems, and in the procurement of heavy goods vehicles with electric drivetrains and charging infrastructure.

The 2025/26 fiscal year in the **Czech Republic Segment** will see the implementation of decarbonisation and energy efficiency projects in heat and drinking water supply and waste water management business units consistently push forward. Sustainability matters are becoming increasingly significant with greater integration into project development and implementation. Services from the entire water and heating spectrum (e.g., on-site construction work, laboratory work, leak detection) will continue to be offered to towns and communities. Beyond this, the extension of important operating contracts in the water supply field will remain a key challenge in the coming fiscal year.

In the 2025/26 fiscal year, **Energie AG** will continue to focus on ensuring security of supply and waste management for its customers and on strengthening the financial stability of the Group. The coming fiscal year will be characterised by many strategic projects and actions; they will be instrumental in actively shaping a sustainable energy future. Particular attention will be paid to the consistent expansion of renewable energies, progressive decarbonisation and the on-going development of a resource-efficient circular economy. In addition, there will be a clear focus on the digital transformation of the Group and on bringing all services into line with customers needs.

In the light of the projected economic development, geopolitical tensions and market economy uncertainties, Energie AG expects solid earnings below the previous years' levels in the 2025/26 fiscal year.

Linz, 2 December 2025

The Management Board of Energie AG Oberösterreich

**Dr. Leonhard Schitter, M.A.** CEO

**Dr. Andreas Kolar** CFO **Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Kirchner MBA** 

#### **Audit Certificate**

## **Report on the Annual Financial Statements**

### **Audit opinion**

We have audited the Annual Financial Statements of Energie AG Oberösterreich, Linz, comprising the Statement of Financial Position as of 30 September 2025, the Statement of Income for the fiscal year ending as of that date, as well as the Notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

It is our opinion that the attached Annual Financial Statements comply with the statutory requirements and present an in all material respects suitable view of the asset and financial position of the Company as of 30 September 2025, as well as the earnings position and cash flows of the Company during the fiscal year ending on that date, in accordance with Austrian corporate law and the statutory provisions of the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010 and the Gas Industry Act 2011.

## **Basis for our audit opinion**

We have conducted our audit in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing of Financial Statements. These principles require the application of the International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under these regulations and standards are set out in more detail in section 'Responsibilities of the Auditor in Auditing the Annual Financial Statements' of the audit certificate. We are independent from the Company in compliance with the Austrian corporate law and professional regulation and have discharged our other professional duties in accordance with these requirements. We are of the opinion that the audit evidence obtained by us by the date of our audit certificate is sufficient and suitable for forming the basis for our audit opinion expressed as of that date.

#### Other disclosures

The legal representatives are responsible for the other required disclosures. The other disclosures encompass all information presented in the Annual Financial Report, with the exception of the Annual Financial Statements, the Management Report and the audit certificate. The Consolidated Non-financial Report was received by us prior to the date of this audit certificate, the other components of the Annual Financial Report are expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our audit opinion on the Annual Financial Statements does not extend to the other disclosures, which are excluded from the assurances given by our firm.

Our audit of the Annual Financial Statements comes with the responsibility to read and consider the other disclosures with the objective of determining whether the other disclosures contain significant discrepancies from the Annual Financial Statements and the insights gained in the course of our audit, or whether they are significantly misrepresented in another way.

If, based on the information received or work performed by us prior to the date of this audit certificate, we conclude that a material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to report that fact. Our audit has not resulted in any reportable circumstances.

# Responsibilities of the legal representatives and the Audit Committee for the Annual Financial Statements

The legal representatives are responsible for compiling the Annual Financial Statements in compliance with Austrian corporate law, the statutory provisions of the Electricity Industry and Organisation Act 2010 and the Gas Industry Act 2011, and for assuring that they provide a true and fair view of the Company's assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss. The legal representatives are further responsible for the internal controls deemed necessary by them for preparing a set of Annual Financial Statements that is free from significant misrepresentations caused by fraud or human error.

In compiling the Annual Financial Statements, the legal representatives have the duty to form an opinion on the Company's ability to continue its business operations, to disclose any relevant circumstances relating to the continuation of the business operations and to base their considerations on the principle of continued business operations, unless they intend to liquidate the Company, cease business operations or find themselves in lack of any viable alternative to such course of action.

The Audit Committee is responsible for supervising the Company's accounting processes.

## Responsibilities of the auditors for the audit of the Annual Financial Statements

Our objective is to assure an adequate degree of certainty on whether the Annual Financial Statements in their entirety are free from significant misrepresentations caused by fraud or human error, and to issue an audit certificate that reflects our audit findings. An adequate degree of certainty means a high degree of certainty, but is not an absolute guarantee that the audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing, which require application of ISA, has in fact identified all significant misrepresentations that may be contained in the audited financial statements.

Misrepresentations may result from malicious acts or misconceptions and are deemed significant if they could, individually or collectively, have a potential influence on the commercial decisions made by their readers on the basis of these Annual Financial Statements.

In conducting our audit in accordance with the Austrian Principles of Proper Auditing, which require application of ISA, we form our opinions on the basis of our professional judgement and maintain a critical view of the circumstances presented to us throughout the entire course of the audit.

We further adhere to the following:

- We identify and assess the risks stemming from any significant misrepresentations in the Financial Statements caused by fraud or human error, plan our audit activities as a response to these risks, perform our audit activities and gain sufficient and suitable audit evidence to serve as the basis for our audit findings. The risk of significant misrepresentations resulting from malicious acts remaining undetected is higher than the risk resulting from misconceptions, because malicious acts may include collusion, fraudulent acts, forgery, intentional omissions, deceiving representations or the circumvention of internal controls. In order to plan audit activities that adequately address the prevailing circumstances, we gain an understanding of the system of internal controls bearing relevance for our audit, but without the objective of forming an audit opinion on its effectiveness.
- We evaluate the appropriateness of the accounting methods applied by the legal representatives, as well as the tenability of values estimated by the legal representatives and represented in the accounts and the disclosures associated with such estimates.
- We draw inferences about the appropriateness of the legal representatives operating under the accounting principle of continued business operations, as well as, on the basis of the evidence presented to us for our audit, whether any events or circumstances are subject to a considerable uncertainty that would give rise to doubts about the viability of the Company continuing its business operations. If we arrive at the conclusion that a material uncertainty exists, we are obliged to draw attention to the associated disclosures contained in the Annual Financial Statements in our audit certificate, or to modify our audit certificate if these disclosures are inappropriate.
- We draw our conclusions on the basis of the audit evidence gathered by the date of our audit certificate. Future events or circumstances may however result in the Company resolving to discontinue its business operations.
- We form an opinion on the overall presentation, structure and contents of the Annual Financial Statements including the disclosures therein, as well as on whether they present a suitable view of the underlying business transactions and events.
- We consult with the Audit Committee on matters such as the planned scope and timing of the audit as well as significant audit findings, including any significant defects in the system of internal control system detected during our audit.

#### **Audit report on the Management Report**

Austrian corporate law requires an assessment of whether the Management Report reconciles with the Annual Financial Statements and whether it was compiled in accordance with the applicable legal requirements.

The legal representatives are responsible for compiling the Company Management Report in compliance with the requirements under Austrian corporate law. We have conducted our audit on the basis of the professional principles for the auditing of management reports.

## **Audit opinion**

We have formed the opinion that the Management Report complies with the applicable legal requirements and that it reconciles with the Annual Financial Statements.

### **Declaration**

Our audit of the Annual Financial Statements and the understanding formed about the Company and its business environment has not identified any material misrepresentations in the Management Report.

Vienna

3 December 2025

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The Annual Financial Statements bearing our audit certificate may only be published or disclosed in the version certified by us. This audit certificate refers exclusively to the full original Annual Financial Statements and the Management Report issued in German. The provisions of § 281 para 2 of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) must be observed for any other versions.

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