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to the Commission**
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Subject: Ocean energy industry and funding

In the energy sector, one of the EU's principal aims is to promote the use of renewable energy sources. We have therefore seen a considerable increase in subsidies and spending on research and development in respect of renewable energy sources.

Given the recent announcements concerning the creation of the Ocean Energy Forum, and keeping in mind the goals of the European Industrial Initiative for Ocean Energy, what are the implications for other energy sectors? In other words, will EU funding for the new ocean energy industry come from a change in the allocation of funds for the different kinds of green energy, or will the overall section of the budget devoted to this sector be increased in 2020?