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German subsidies: EEG 17 billion, research/education 13.7 billion !

The 44/3 edition of **europhysicsnews**, the journal of the European Physical Society, contains an interesting comment by its former president Fritz Wagner titled ***"The pitfalls of time derivatives"***. You may read it here (highlights by me).
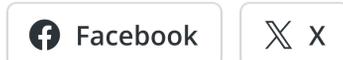
The author writes that last year (2012) the total subsidies for the Energiewende were **17 billion** Euros (17*10**9, billion always used in the US tradition), to be compared to the **13.7 billion** of the federal science and education budget!

The *Bundesministerium f. Umwelt, Naturschutz und Reaktorsic...* gives more recent and higher numbers in his latest **brochure**: the total EEG costs are about 20.4 billion Euros in 2013 and will rise to 23.6 billion in 2014 !

Being a fusion researcher, F. Wagner belongs to a category of German scientists I wish good courage to stem the tide of the hysterical "anti-atomism" embraced by the large majority of the German media and politicians. The last sentence of his opinion-paper reminds us that the electricity production of Norway, Sweden and **France** is essentially CO2 free, a fact not welcome in his country!

Read also on this subject an interview (in German) with Dr. Günther Keil, president of the "Deutscher Arbeitsgeberverband": *"Nur Dilettanten beschließen Maßnahmen, deren logische negative Auswirkungen sie nicht sehen können."*

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