How policymakers can support:

Ensure regulatory stability and timely implementation of ETS2

Following the energy crisis and policy measures to shift from imported fossil fuels, the heat pump sector invested €7 billion to expand production capacity in Europe.

Regulatory uncertainty risks jeopardising these investments.

Ringfence ETS2 revenues for clean heating and vulnerable households

Member States should use ETS2 revenues to help citizens decarbonise their homes. The €87 billion Social Climate Fund must be swiftly deployed to support vulnerable households and cut fossil fuel use.

Accelerate heating decarbonisation to reduce impact on citizens

Faster decarbonisation of heating can lower ETS2 prices and ease costs for consumers. Member States should use available funds like the Recovery and Resilience Facility and Modernisation Fund to invest in clean heat solutions.

Align gas and electricity taxes for fairer electricity-to-gas prices

Switching from fossil fuels to electric solutions must become the most competitive option. Rebalance energy taxation and put a carbon price on fossil fuels used for heating buildings.

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EU's carbon price on buildings can turbocharge switch to clean heat

Around 80% of the energy consumed in EU homes is for heating and cooling.*

What's it all about?

- The EU's second Emissions Trading System will put a price on carbon from buildings and transport from 2027
- Carbon 'allowances' can be bought and sold, generating revenues.
 One allowance = one tonne of CO₂ emitted
- Projected revenue 2027-2032: €342–570 billion* for EU governments
- This revenue can be used to support the switch to clean heat.

*Source: Bruegel

Why heat pumps?

more efficient than gas boilers.
Source: International Energy Agency (IEA)

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heat pumps currently installed in Europe avoid 21 billion cubic metres of gas imports.

Source: EHPA Market Report 2025



Up to **73%** of the heat pumps installed in Europe are made in Europe across

manufacturing sites



The European heat pump sector provides

433,000

direct and indirect jobs*



*Source: EHPA, EurObserv'ER

What's the Social Climate Fund?

- Established alongside ETS2 to support vulnerable citizens during the transition to decarbonised heating and transport.
- The Social Climate Fund provides up to €87 billion — €65 billion from ETS2 auction revenues and the rest from mandatory Member State contributions.

65%

of energy-poor homes in the EU could be shielded from gas price shocks with a heat pump subsidised through the Social Climate Fund.*

