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## News Review

### What is the future for fuel?

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#### The story

Countries mainly in Europe have been trying to reduce their reliance on Russia's oil and gas following the invasion of Ukraine.

The EU gets roughly 40% of its gas from Russia: According to figures from research group Transport & Environment, this dependence costs around \$118m a day.

The EU has now laid out a strategy that could cut reliance on this fuel source by two thirds within a year.

The REPowerEU plan aims to make Europe independent of Russian fossil fuels by 2030.

#### Key words and phrases

##### re-energise

give new energy and life to something

- The new evidence re-energised interest in the case.
- I felt re-energised after my weekend at the spa.

##### mitigate

Lessen negative effects

- The new scheme was designed to mitigate the effects of the tax increase on low-income families.
- The new ad campaign was created to mitigate the bad publicity from the original adverts.

##### seeing sense

understanding something logical

- No matter how many times I tell him he needs to stop shouting in the office, he won't see sense.
- I just wish you'd see sense and let people off the train before you get on it.