ENERGY MARKET NEWS

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General context



The banking crisis is not over in the US



Core inflation (i.e. excluding energy) remains high and central banks are monitoring the situation closely



The Chinese recovery is already showing some signs of weakness

Natural gas



Gas prices are decreasing



Bearish fundamentals: lower oil prices, high stock levels and forecasts of strong LNG supply



Weaker demand due to economic concerns and higher temperatures

Power



Power prices follow the fading gas prices



The bearish trend is also supported by good renewable production and a weak demand



Uncertainties surrounding the French nuclear park or any supply disruption could trigger a rebound in prices

Oil



Oil prices have fallen sharply in May



Uncertainty
regarding
the economic
forecasts is
applying a
bearish pressure



Demand prospects are deteriorating, but supply is limited. This should limit price declines

CO₂



The CO2 emission market continues to show a **very poor liquidity**



Technical trading and speculation have become the main driver of prices



Prices influenced by financial markets

Future trends



Can gas prices continue to decrease much further?



Will the French nuclear park **keep to its** maintenance schedule?



How will the hydro levels in France **evolve** during the summer?

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