



EWEA
THE EUROPEAN WIND ENERGY ASSOCIATION



Final Results

*Survey on current perceptions of the single market in electricity
and the European electricity grid*

Conducted by Hill+Knowlton Strategies, November-December 2011

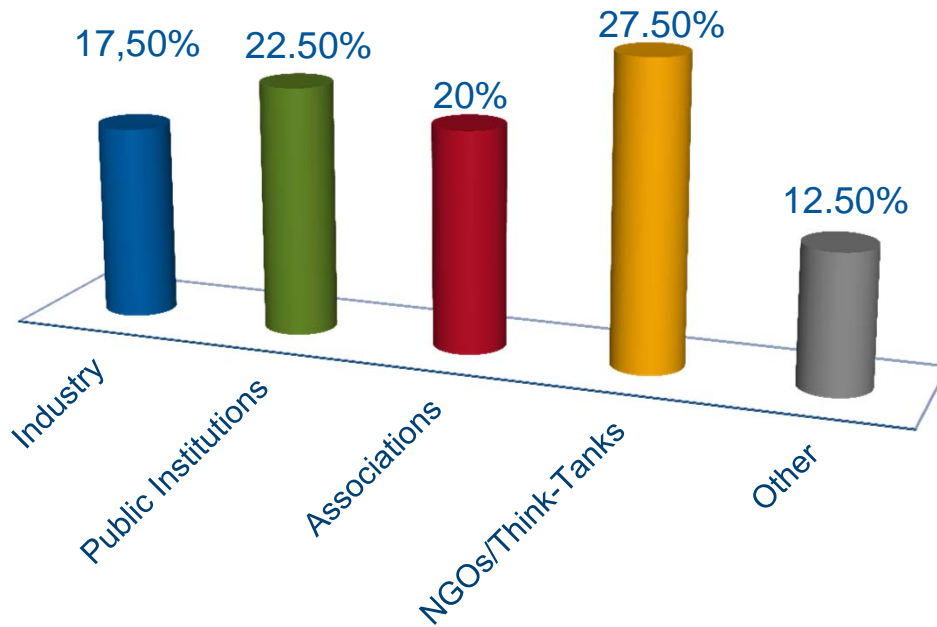
Introduction

- At the request of EWEA, Hill+Knowlton Strategies carried out an online survey among European stakeholders in November and December 2011 concerning the current perceptions of the single market in electricity and the European electricity grid

Methodology:

- Target a broad group of stakeholders (industry representatives and associations, regional offices, think-tanks and NGOs in Brussels) through a quantitative survey – anonymous and online.

Participation

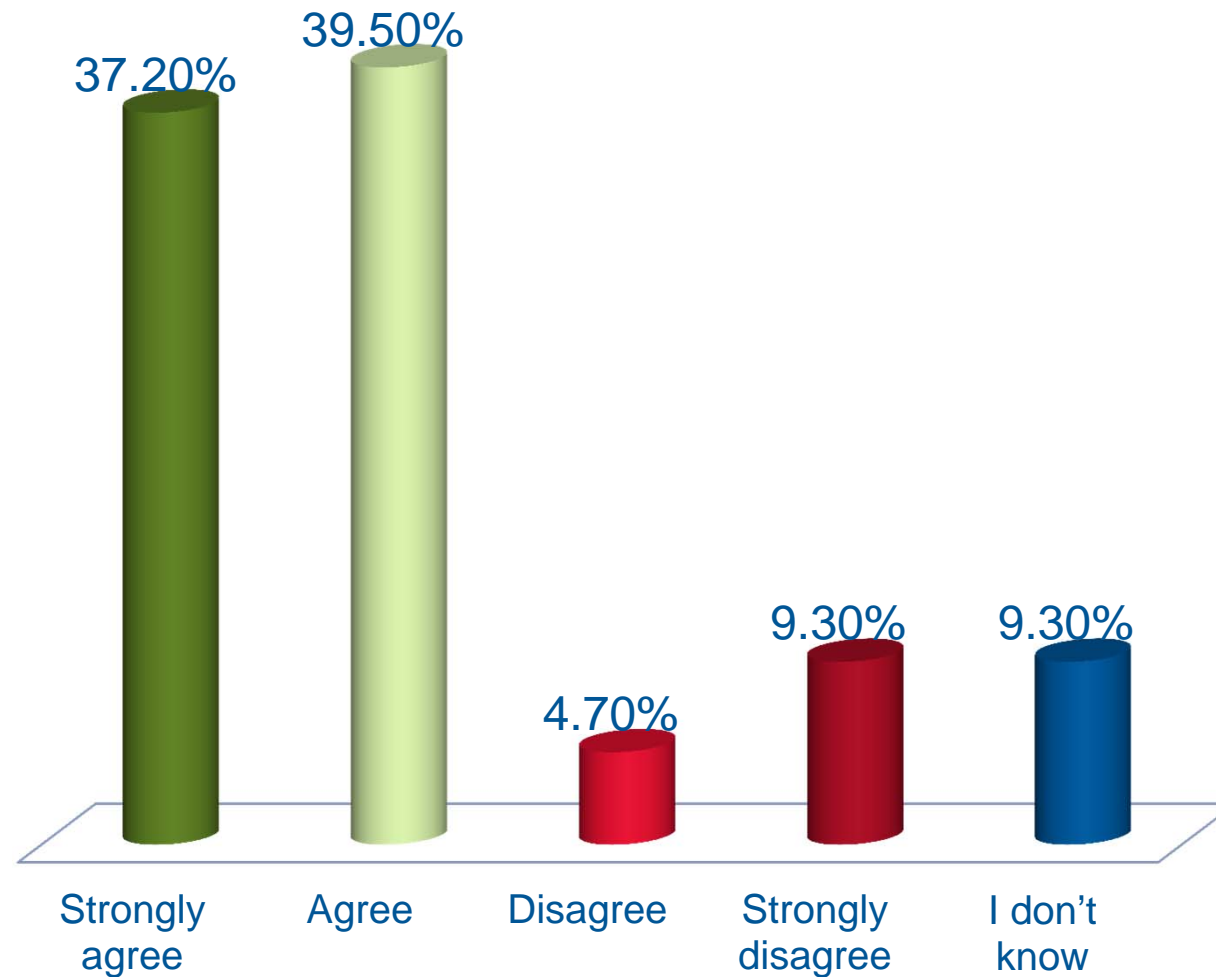


Total number of answers: 45

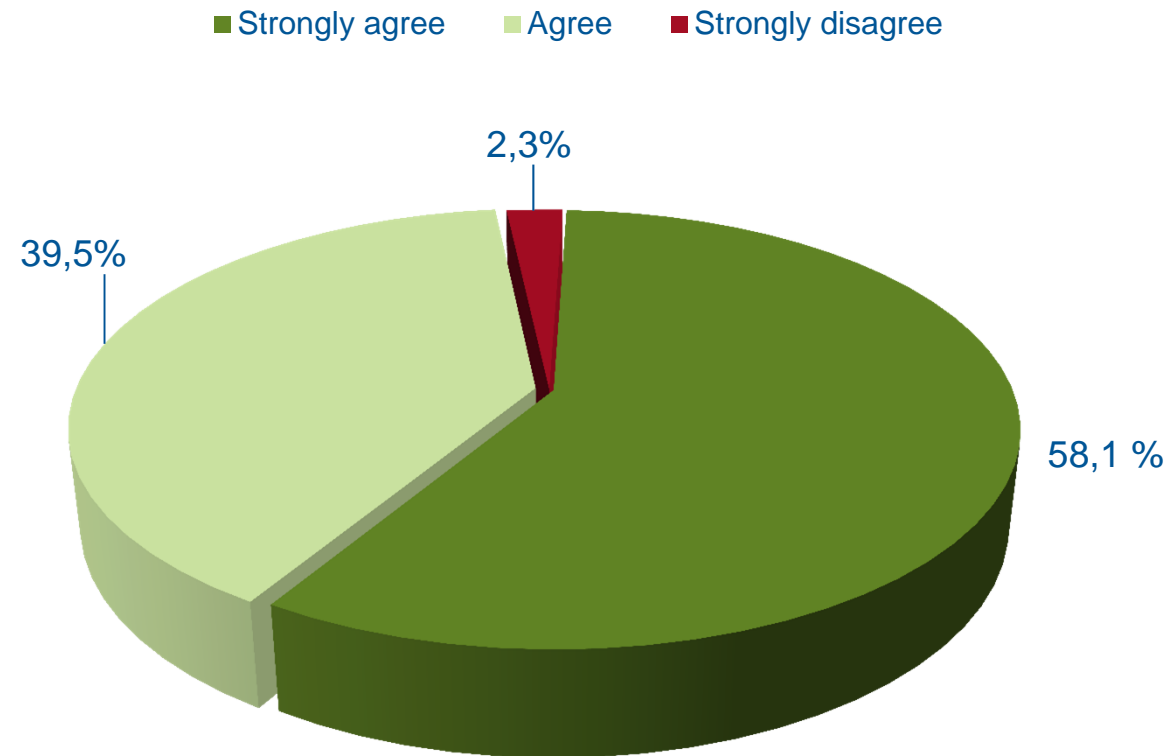
Answers per stakeholder category:

➤ Industry	7
➤ Public Institutions	9
➤ Associations	8
➤ NGO/Think-Tanks	11
➤ Other	5
➤ Not attributed	5

Do you agree that creating a single European market in electricity would create more competition, improve security of supply and help integrate renewables and smart grids?

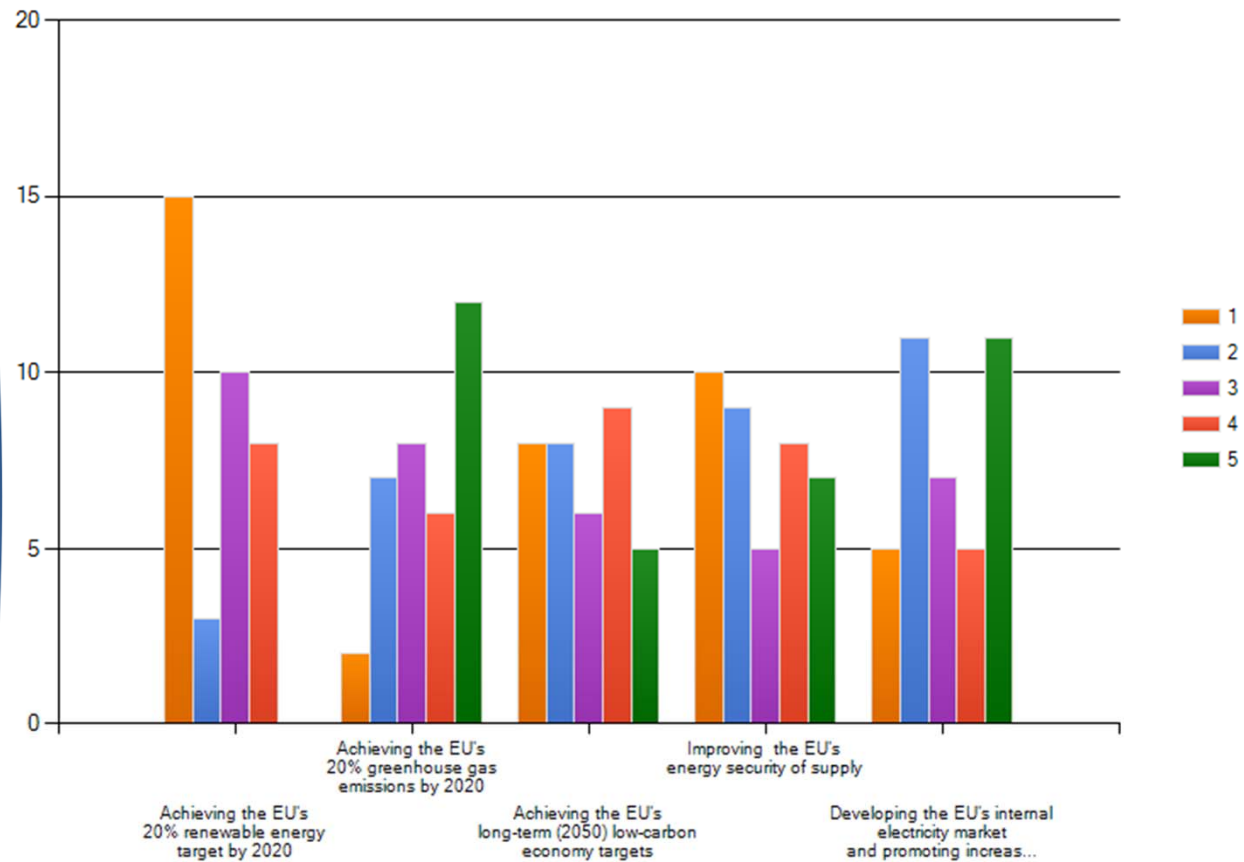


Do you agree that in order to achieve a single market in electricity Europe needs to upgrade, extend and fully interconnect its electricity grids?

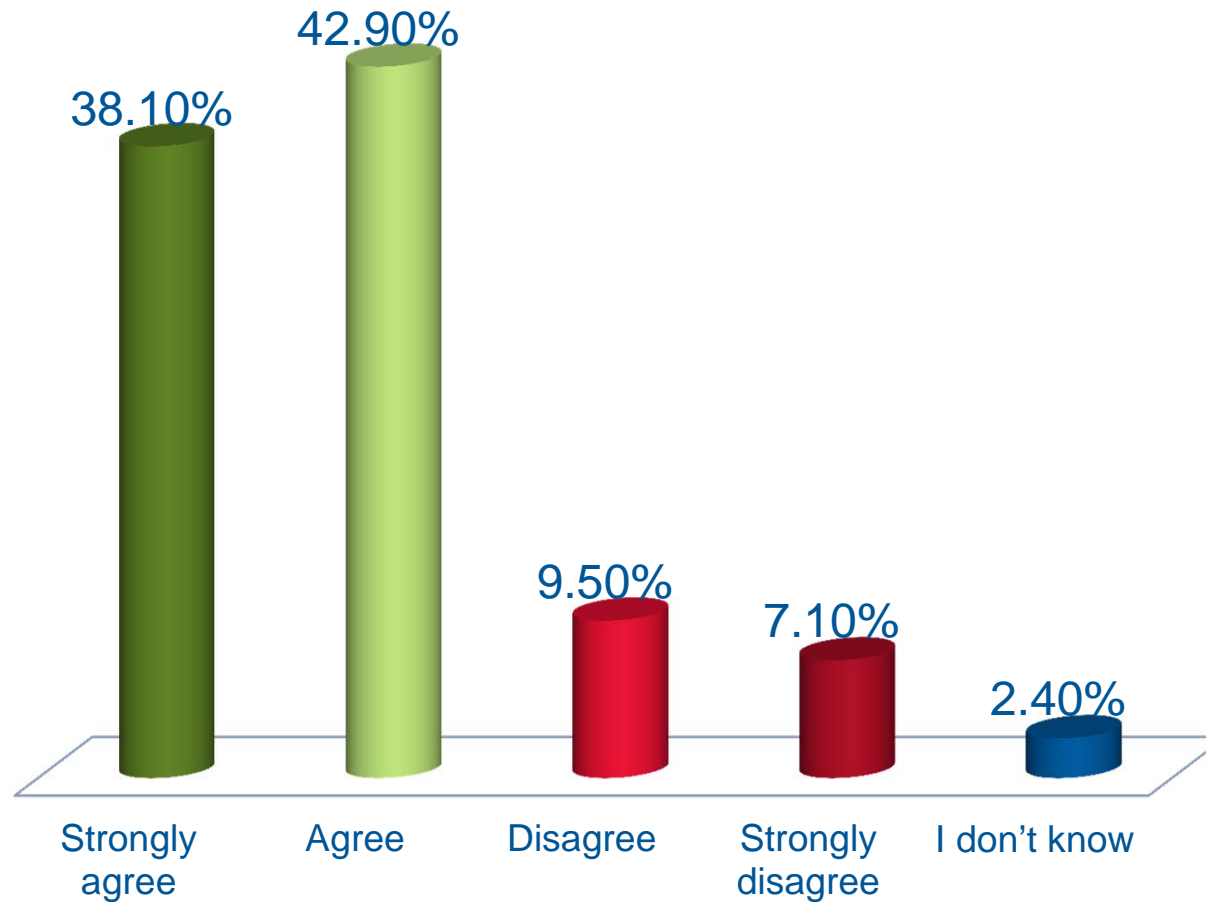


What do you think are the main drivers for a European electricity grid?

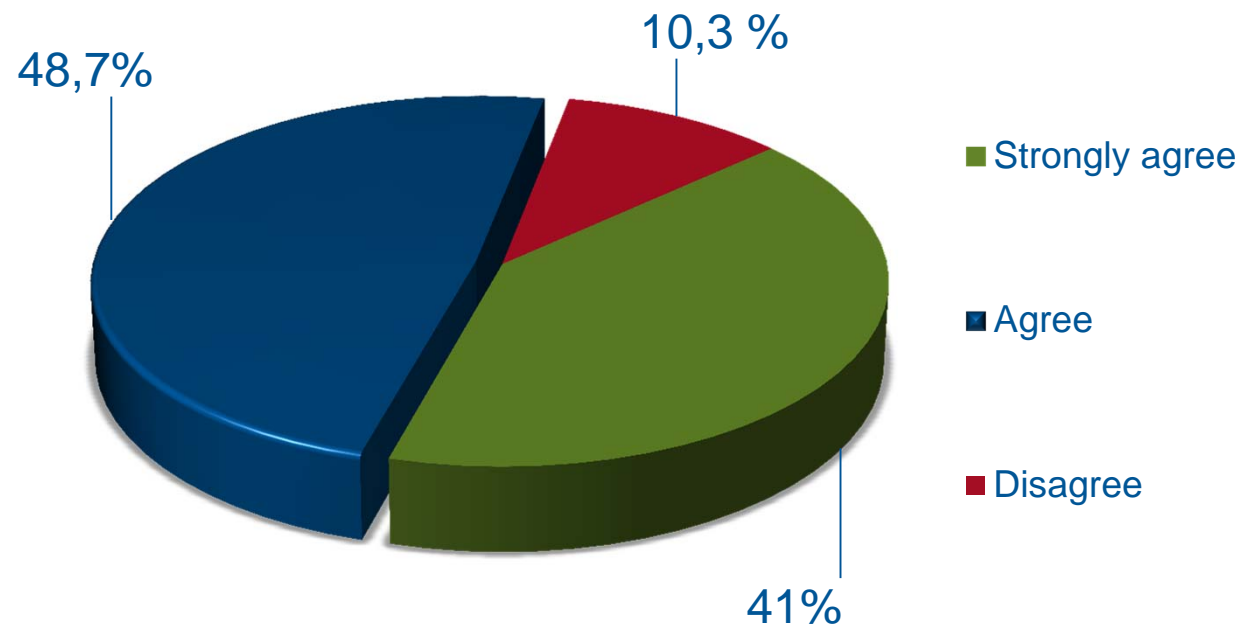
Please rank in order of importance - 1 being the most important.



Do you agree that creating a single European market in electricity, and the necessary grid infrastructure, should be one of the EU's policy priorities?

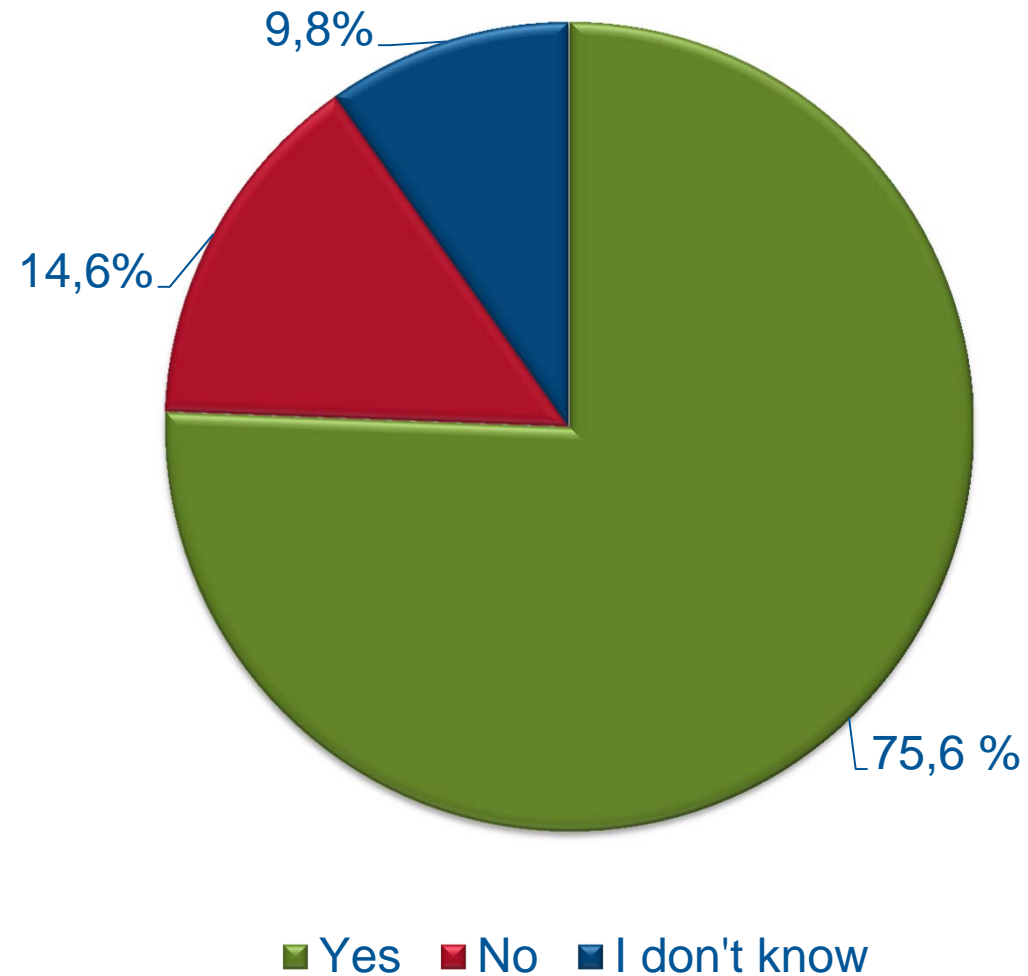


Do you agree that the EU budget should be reformed to reflect this priority?*

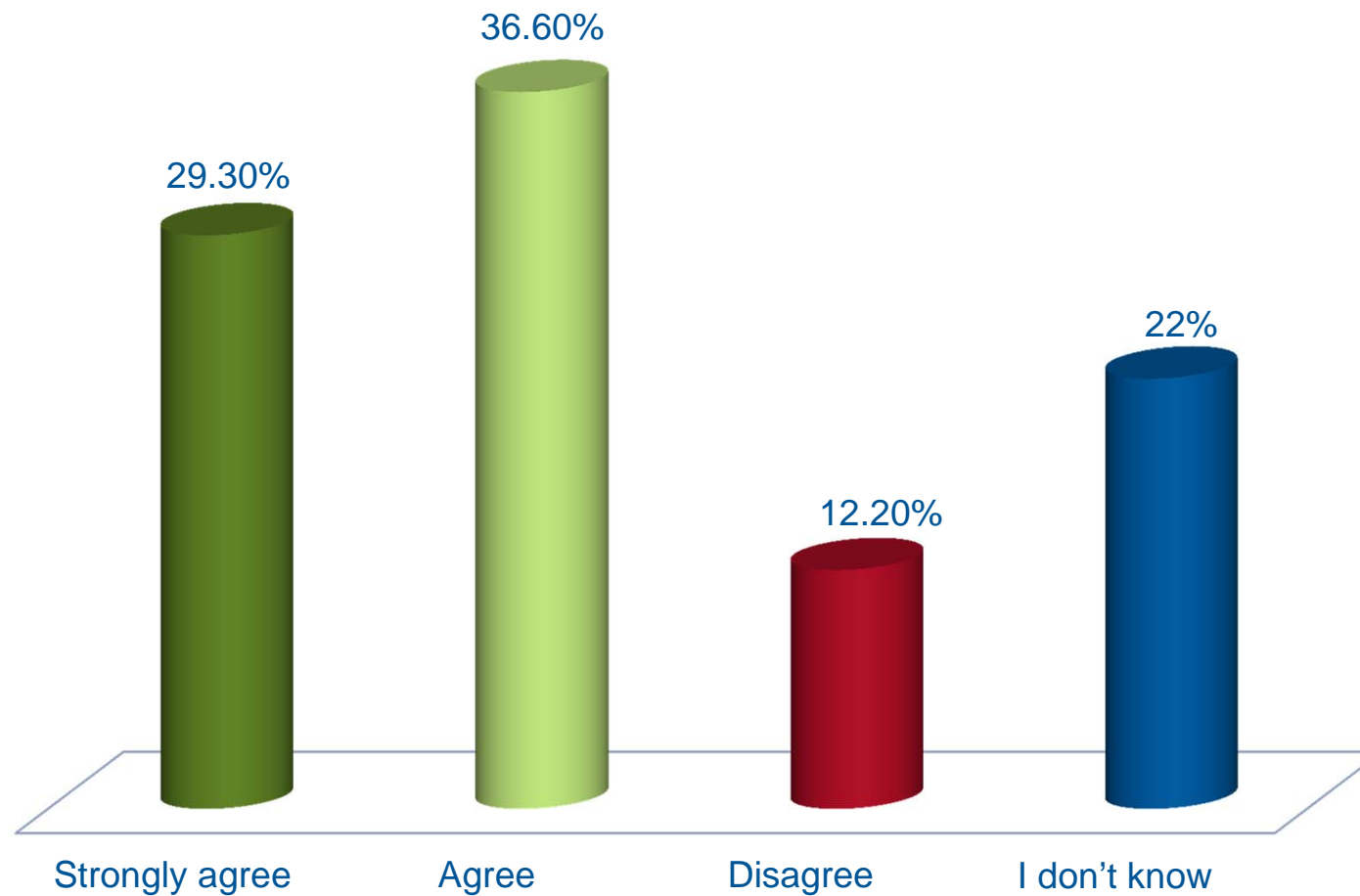


* Answer given by people who answered "yes" to the previous question: "Do you agree that creating a single European market in electricity, and the necessary grid infrastructure, should be one of the EU's policy priorities?"

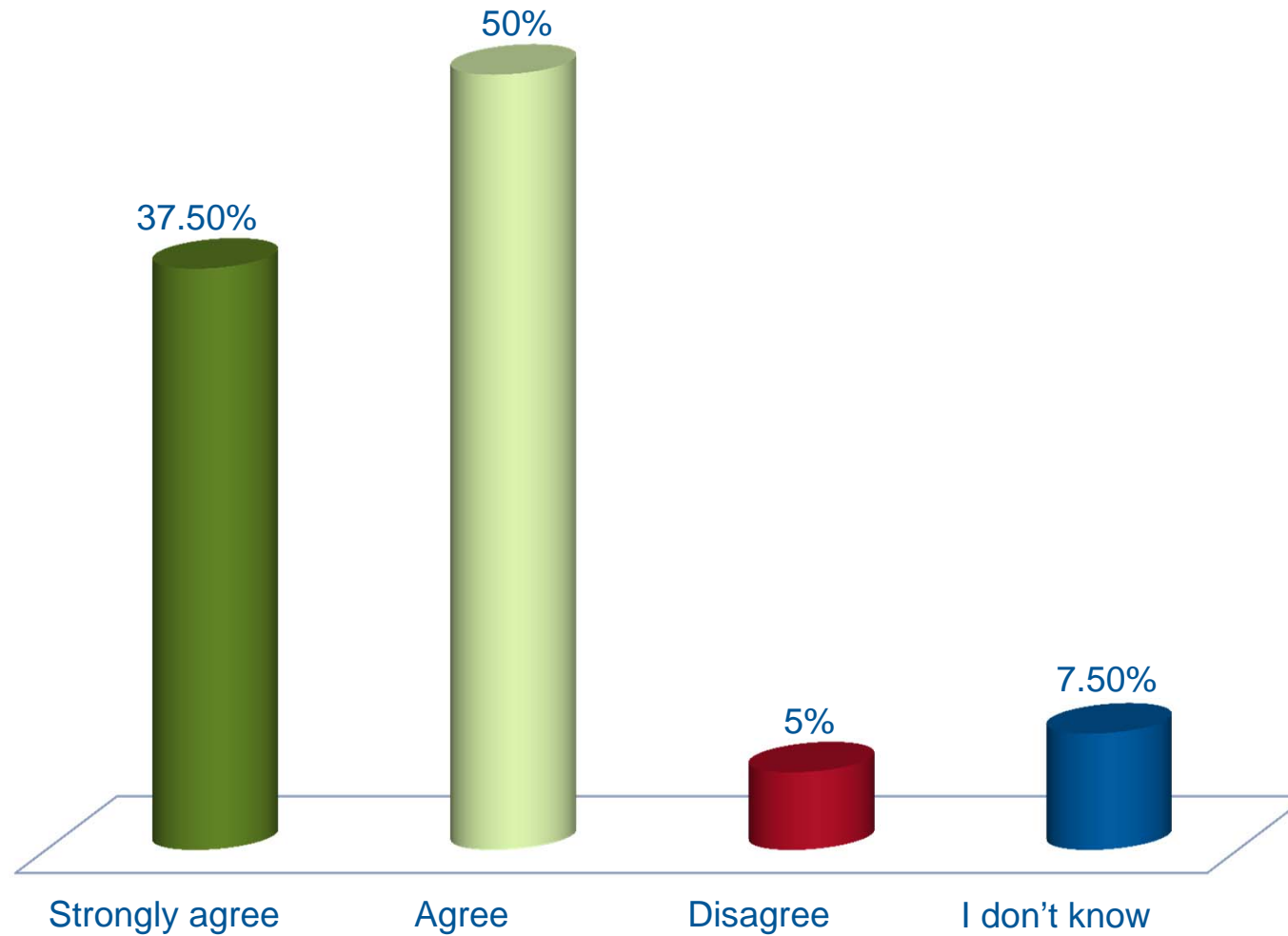
Is the European Commission right to propose an increase in EU financial support for electricity grids?



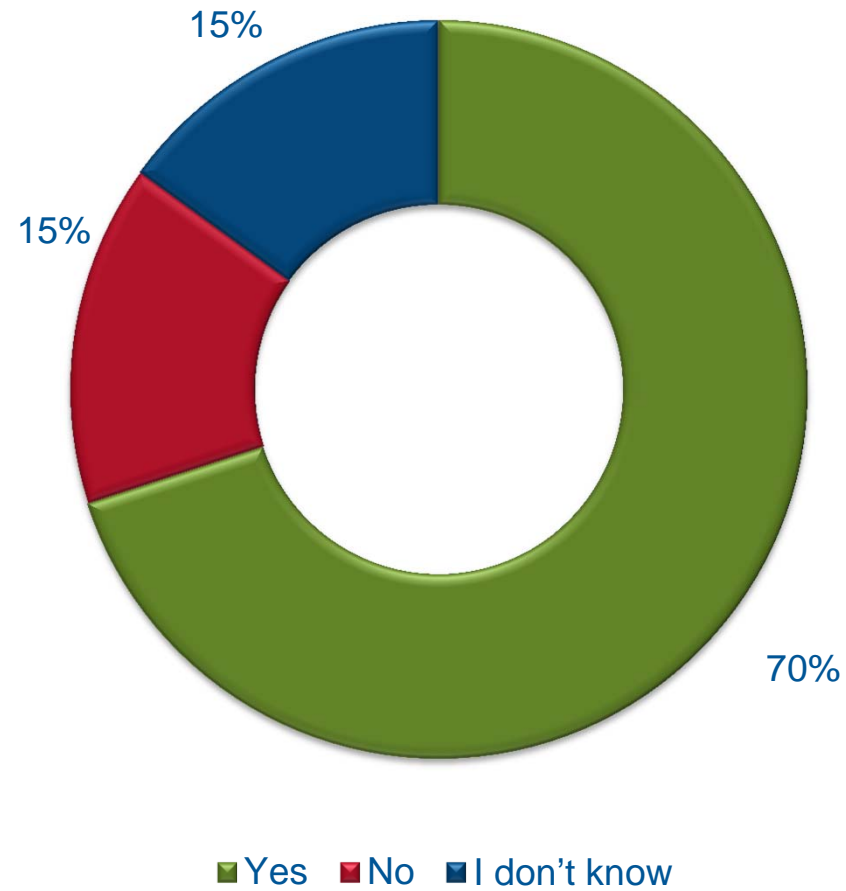
Do you agree that the lengthy and complex permit granting processes at national level are one of the major reasons for delays in grid infrastructure projects?



Do you agree that the EU should take action to speed up the permit granting procedure for grid projects of European importance?



Should the EU impose time limits for all authorities involved in the granting of permits?



Do you agree that a single market in electricity should in the longer run reduce electricity prices as a result of improved competition?

