



Airbus Postpones Groundbreaking Hydrogen Aircraft

Airbus are delaying plans to develop a hydrogen-powered commercial aircraft by the middle of next decade, citing slower than expected developments in technology.

The delay marks a setback to the European aerospace group's ambitions to pioneer the adoption of hydrogen fuel, as aviation strives to curtail emissions, a goal strongly championed by CEO Guillaume Faury since it was first introduced five years ago.

Airbus did not give a new timeline for the project, but the Force Ouvriere union said that staff had been told earlier this week that the technology was running five to 10 years behind the pace needed to support the original 2035 target.

Airbus have said its plans to produce the small hydrogen-powered plane for 100 people could pave the way for greater adoption in future.



Global Energy Transition Investment Exceeded \$2 Trillion Last Year

Global investment in the low-carbon energy transition worldwide grew 11% to hit a record \$2.1 trillion in 2024, according to Energy Transition Investment Trends 2025, an annual report released by research provider BloombergNEF (BNEF).

Growth was driven by electrified transport, renewable energy, and power grids, which all reached new highs last year, along with energy storage investment. While overall investment in energy transition technologies set a new record, the pace of growth was slower than the previous three years, when investment jumped by 24-29% annually.

Investments in renewable energy hit \$728 billion, which includes investment in wind, solar, biofuels, biomass and waste, marine, geothermal and small hydro. Investment in power grids - transmission and distribution lines, and the digitalisation of the grid - totaled \$390 billion.



Countries Committed to Climate Plans After US Paris Pact Exit

Countries are staying committed to their national climate plans and looking to lead the clean energy transition, as the United States looks to exit the Paris climate agreement, according to Simon Stiell, the UN's top climate official said in his first speech of the year.

"A country may step back, but others are already stepping into their place to seize the opportunity, and to reap the massive rewards," Stiell.

100 ppl.

Airbus officials say the plan to produce a hydrogen-powered plane for 100 people is behind schedule

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A recent report revealed that global energy transition investments surpassed \$2 trillion in 2024

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