

# Funding the Future

## Why not nuclear? The answer in one chart

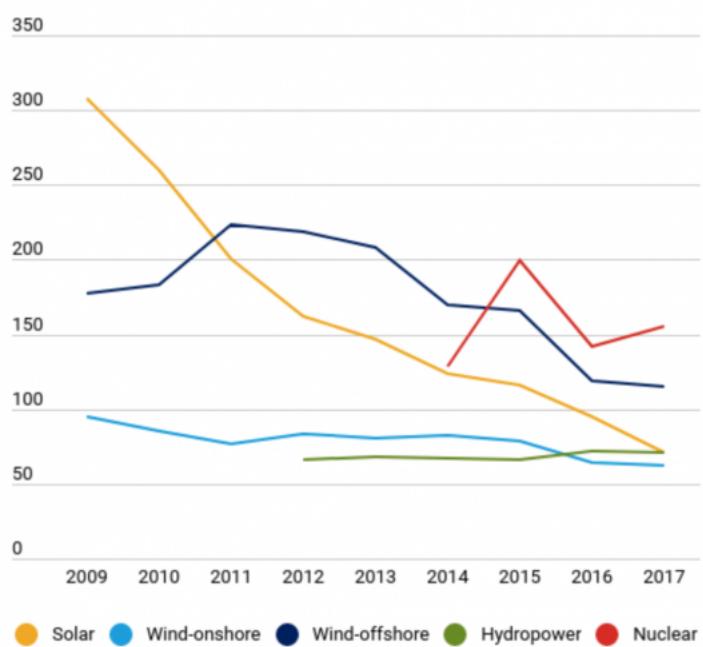
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This is from the [IMF](#):

### **Cheaper power**

Rapidly falling costs are fueling investment in solar panels and wind turbines for electric power generation.

(levelized cost of electricity, US dollars per megawatt hour)



Sources: Bloomberg New Energy Finance; Federal Reserve Economic Data; and IMF staff calculations.

Note: Levelized cost of electricity data has been deflated using GDP deflator and does not include subsidies and taxes.

Why not nuclear? Because it makes no economic sense: that's why not. And that's before the uncertainty of decommissioning costs are, I suspect, taken fully into account, as well as terrorism risk.

This should, surely, put this debate to bed?