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## Bavaria really wants Czech nuclear power



When Bavarian PM Markus Söder was in Prague on Dec. 12, 2024, Czech PM Petr Fiala talked about "ensuring [secure and reliable electricity supplies](#) for both the CR and Bavaria" and about connecting the electricity grids as one of the ways to "bring us cheaper and more accessible energy." Fiala [forgot to mention](#) that, under the [memorandum](#) he signed with Söder, the cheaper electricity was only supposed to flow in one direction - from the CR to Bavaria. Söder didn't mention the memorandum on Mon. when he hosted Andrej Babiš in Munich, but he did say that Bavaria has "[utmost interest](#)" in Czech energy projects and "strongly supports" them. Babiš said in reply that he's glad [Söder doesn't have a problem with nuclear power](#). New Czech reactors are still a decade down the road, but Babiš and Vice PM Karel Havlíček will understand, unlike apparently Fiala, that reliable baseload nuclear power is a huge bargaining chip in negotiations about whether "[Germany is on our side](#)" in addressing the EU's problems.

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