Dear Ms. Lehbib, you had asked what is the point of the green numbers we present every year when, on the other hand, ESG standards are not met in connection with Western Sahara. As part of our sales process, we screen projects that meet specific risk criteria for compliance with ESG standards. This includes not only environmental aspects, but also social aspects such as compliance with human rights, as well as corporate governance. Siemens Energy relies on external ESG databases that focus on country-, customer- and project-related risks and takes into account the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. By publishing what you call our green figures, we live up to our claim to report transparently on the status of emissions and our progress in reducing them.

Ms. Lehbib, you also asked about responsibility for activities in the Western Sahara. As I said, we are aware that the territory of Western Sahara is disputed under international law. However, Siemens Energy or Siemens Gamesa do not have the mandate to take a political position on such issues or to confirm a territorial status. These matters are the responsibility of governments and international organizations. Overall, we would like to clarify that Siemens Energy and Siemens Gamesa always act in accordance with applicable laws. Siemens Energy and Siemens Gamesa also fulfill existing obligations under valid contracts in accordance with the law.

Ms. Lehbib, you asked about the justification for the cooperation with the Moroccan state. We know that the territory of Western Sahara is disputed under international law, but Siemens Energy or Siemens Gamesa do not have the mandate to take a political position on such issues, as I have just said, and I would like to refer you once again to the clarification I have just given.

Ms. Lehbib, you asked when Siemens Energy will withdraw from Western Sahara. We interpret this as meaning Siemens Gamesa, which concluded the relevant contracts for the construction of wind turbines in 2015. As already described several times, Siemens Gamesa fulfills its obligations under the valid contracts from 2015, always in accordance with legal requirements. This also applies to projects located on the territory of Western Sahara. We can only repeat that the primacy of politics applies here.

Ms. Lehbib, in your list of questions you again asked about possible claims for damages by the Sahrawi people. That is a hypothetical question, and we cannot say anything about it at this point. You also asked about contacts with the Polisario Front. We have no direct contacts with representatives of the Frente Polisario, and there are no plans to do so at present.

Ms. Lehbib, you asked about legal opinions on our project. The legal opinions have assessed the situation in Western Sahara with regard to Siemens Gamesa's business activities. The legal opinions have comprehensively discussed the relevant legal issues and concluded that Siemens Gamesa's activities in Western Sahara are in compliance with applicable law.

I would like to perhaps say something again about the personal question from Ms. Lehbib, who asked if I could sleep well in light of the Western Sahrawi woman's story. First of all, I can well understand you and your concerns; secondly, of course, I am concerned and preoccupied by such discussions. But I would ask to understand that we have to weigh things up and, of course, as a private company, we always adhere to the primacy of politics in order to assess and also understand precisely these complex interrelationships. I would also like to refer once again to the previous answers to this complex of questions. This is a highly
complex issue and, as I said, I am also personally concerned about what is ultimately the best and right way forward.

Mrs. Lehbib, once again on the subject of Western Sahara, to what extent the deliveries of SGRE wind turbines to the territory of Western Sahara correspond to our responsibility from a due diligence point of view. As a matter of principle, Siemens Energy conducts a human rights due diligence review for all projects where this is mandatory due to defined risk criteria. The same applies to Siemens Gamesa. When the business relationship was established, Siemens Gamesa carried out appropriate due diligence measures before entering into the project in the Western Sahara. I had already commented on this and refer to the answers given in this regard.

You also asked another question about our understanding of sustainability. For us, sustainability is an integral part of our corporate strategy and the way we do business. Accordingly, we align our actions along the three areas of ESG, which of course also includes respect for human rights. Accordingly, we are also committed to the principles of the UN Global Compact and report on this annually. You can also see this in our regular reports in the Sustainability Report.