

Infrastructure Bill must be used to stop renewables jobs going overseas



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GMB Union says the UK Infrastructure Bank bill, announced in today's Queen's Speech, is a great opportunity to stop UK renewables jobs going overseas.

The UK infrastructure bank will mete out public subsidies to support major projects.



GMB expects part of its new statutory remit it would include powers to ensure support for UK content and supply chains is a factor.



Gary Smith, GMB General Secretary, said:

“The Government needs to understand we can’t have energy security if it keeps sending essential renewables work overseas to authoritarian regimes.

“For too long, Ministers have sat back and allowed thousands of UK jobs in this key industry of the future to be lost to other nations.

“The UK Infrastructure Bank Bill offers a great opportunity to fix this.

“GMB will be campaigning hard to make sure the Government walks its own talk and finally takes action that will support businesses and create the jobs our country so desperately needs.”

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