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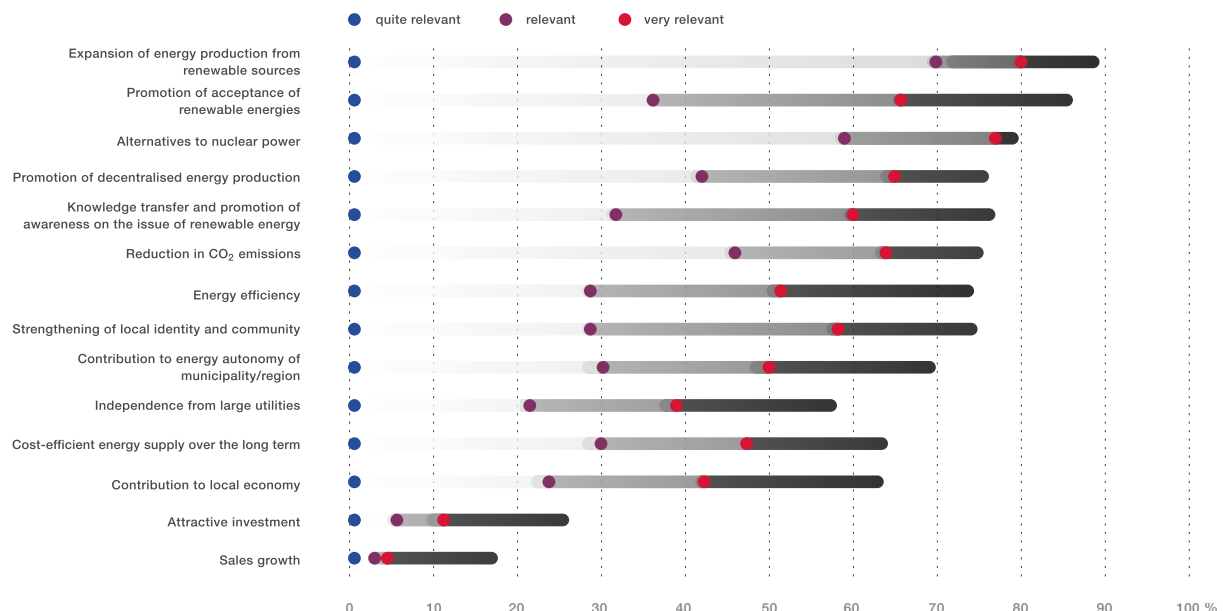
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Cooperation # Politics (federal government, canton, municipality)

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Relevant objectives from the perspective of energy cooperatives. (The number of energy cooperatives that responded in the individual answer categories is between 76 and 90. In the interest of clarity, the assessments “not relevant at all”, “not relevant” and “not really relevant” are not displayed.) *Source: Rivas/Schmid/Seidl 2018.¹*

The more an opinion gets noticed in public, the more it is able to spread. In the political sphere, broad coalitions between parties and influential groups have proven a tool in this respect that can serve to broaden the base for the acceptance of a project. This applies, in particular, to environmental and climate topics for which most centre parties and organisations decide between the poles based on their situation.²

The coalition principle has a comparable effect in an economic environment. For example, cooperatives in which several groups of stakeholders are included can create a broader basis for an energy infrastructure project.³ The illustration shows the relevance of various objectives for energy cooperatives in Switzerland and thus a basis on which different groups can come together.

Notes and References

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