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Openness and Transparency

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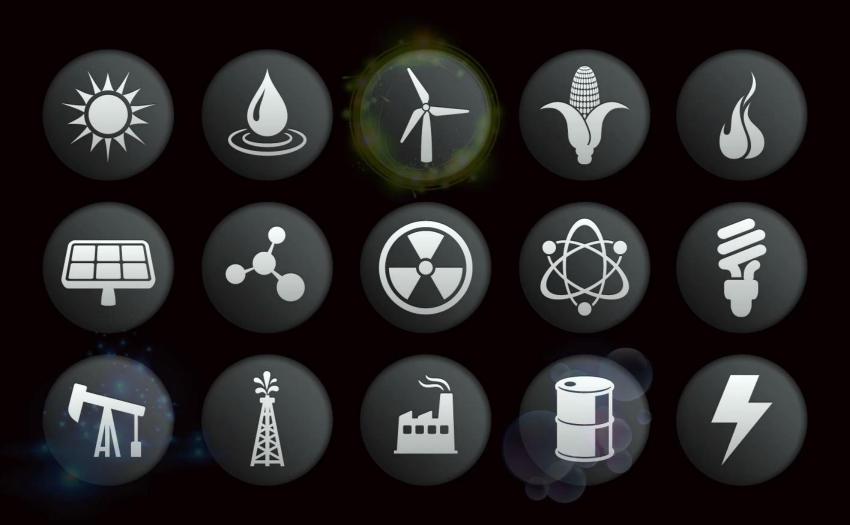
Openness and Transparency

Inform, educate, engage, provide access, stimulate

Independent, unbiased, quality and process assured

Benefits	Challenges
Convergent view	Divergent Interpretations
Build confidence	Create uncertainty (fear)
Risk reduction	Risk discovery (cost)
Political consensus	Political opportunism

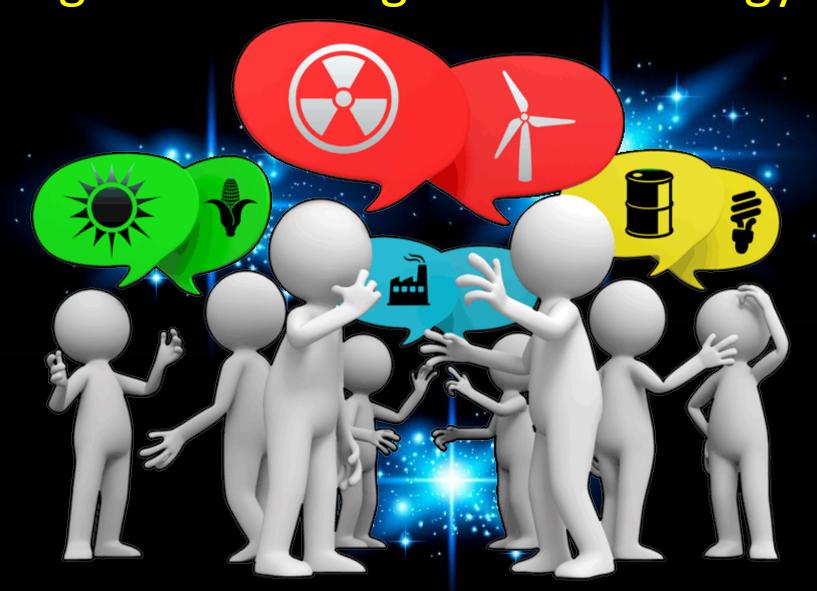
Not just an issue for nuclear



Building trust?

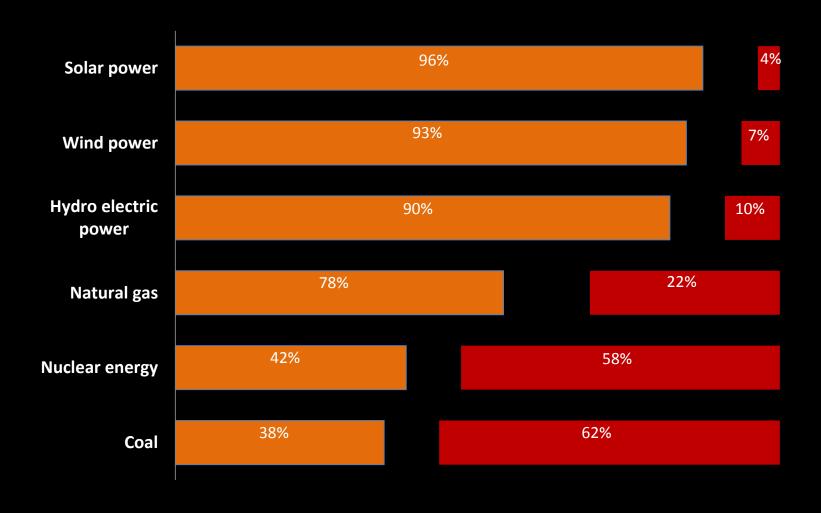


A genuine dialogue about energy



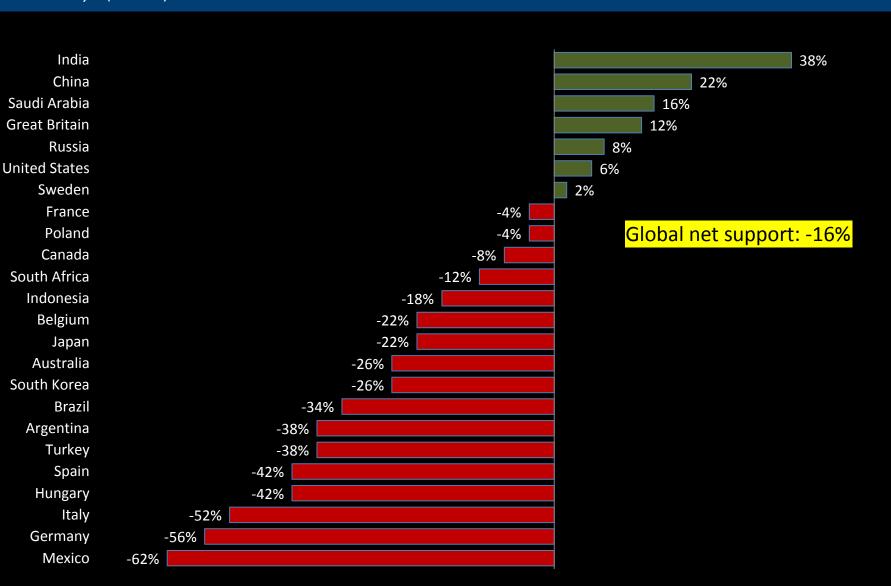
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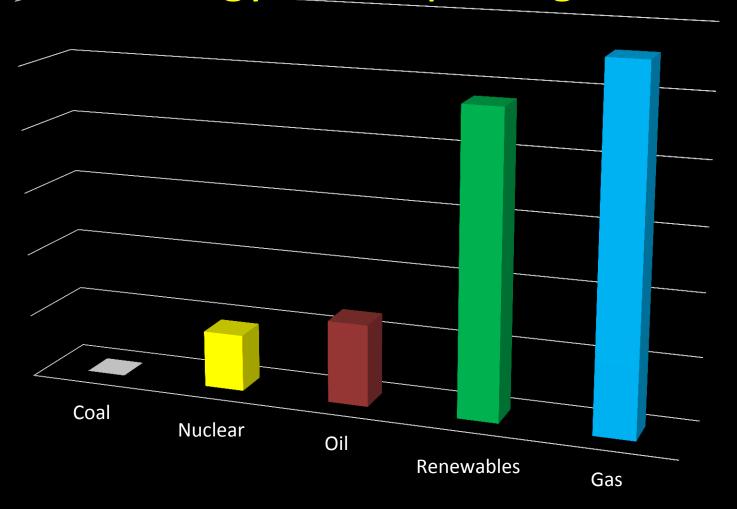


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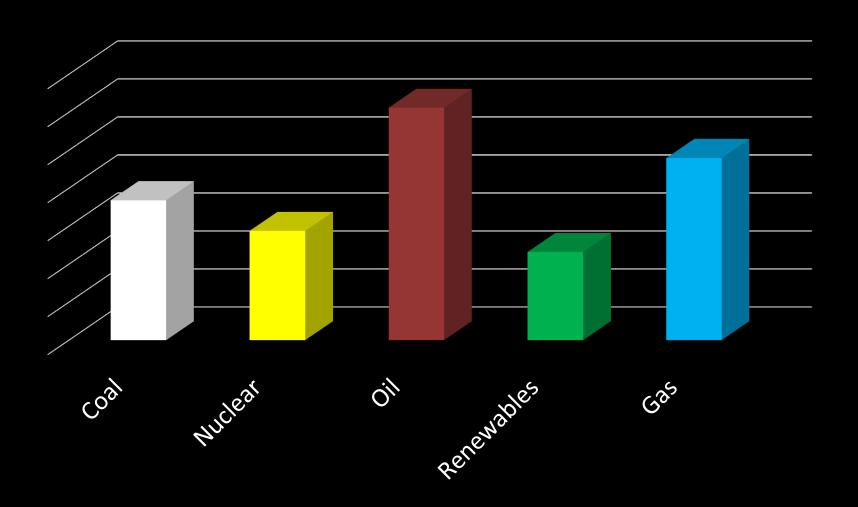
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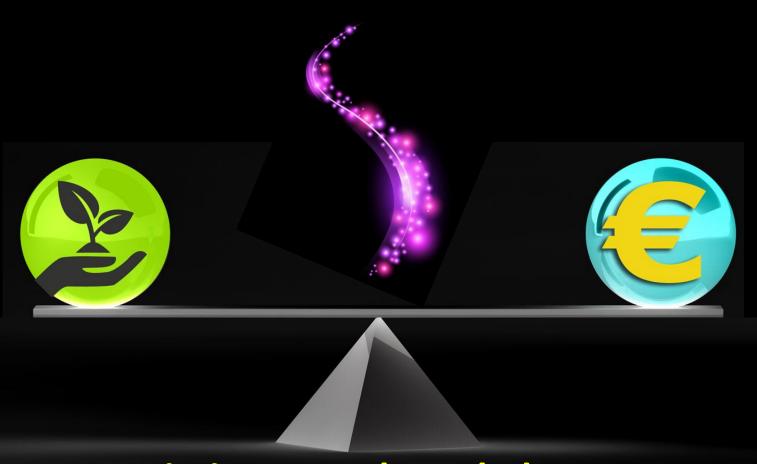
Primary energy references - Energy Union package



Primary source of EU energy



Complex and difficult trade-offs



Limits to our knowledge 'What is acceptable risk?'

A key element of the Energy Roadmap 2050 (2011)

- 3.4 Engaging the public is crucial
- "the social dimension is important"
- "vigorous social dialogue"
- "transparent and understandable"
- "Citizens informed and engaged"



A key element of the Energy Union Framework (2015)

- more competitive and transparent global energy markets.
- Intergovernmental agreements should ... be more transparent.
- an energy dialogue with stakeholders to inform policy-making and support active engagement in managing the energy transition

Transparency is not enough

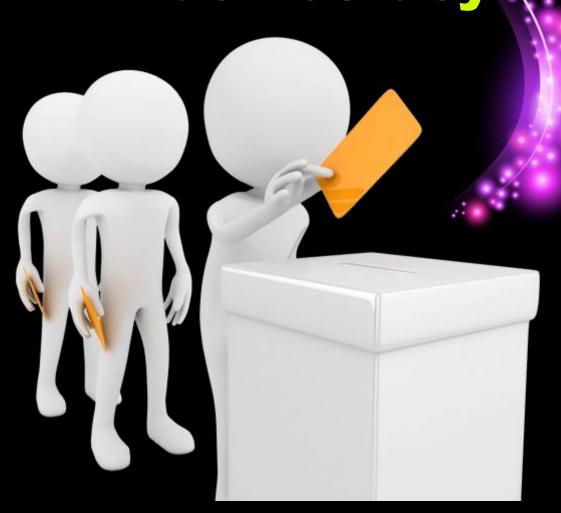
Transparency + dialogue + analysis ≈ effective governance



ENSREG: Transparency scorecard



The challenge, risks and rewards of an informed democracy





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