

# New risks: Potential supply interruptions and stakeholder views on the growth of renewable electricity in Switzerland



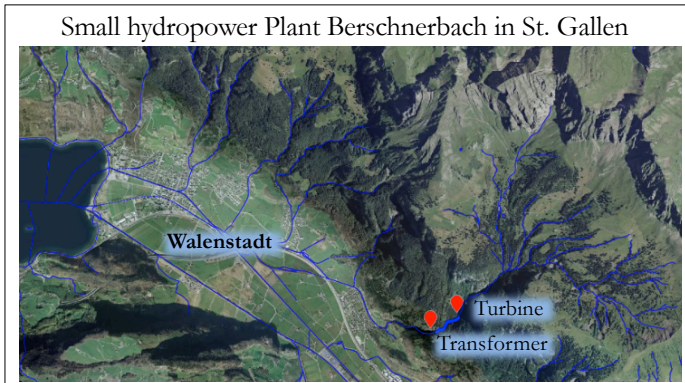
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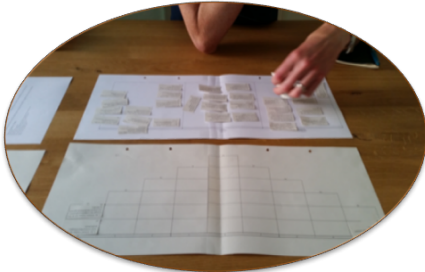
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9 Stakeholder Groups  
40 people involved  
2011 - 2016

## Q Method



34 Statements related to:  
Project and & the Swiss Energy Strategy 2050.  
From:  
12 Interviews (May 2015 - March 2016)  
Complain & court decision  
Media & literature

Do stakeholders' perspectives on renewable energy infrastructure pose a **risk** to the Energy Strategy 2050?

26 Stakeholders participated  
Instruction:

Distribute the statements according to your personal opinion on a scale from -4 to +4. Please note that -4 is most unlike your opinion and +4 most like your opinion

## Results show 3 different perspectives, but also consensus in the following statements:

*All stakeholders should be involved in the decisions-making*

*The many administration bodies in Switzerland made the decision-making process complex*

*In Switzerland the environment impacts are a concern although the economy moves*

*The phase out of nuclear in Switzerland is, in my opinion, right*

### Local pro producers

*We have to produce as much energy as possible to meet our needs.*

*Local residents have the best knowledge about community needs.*

*The results of the decision process about the hydropower Berschnerbach are something I could influence.*

*The Swiss energy strategy should not focus on how to protect our nature.*

### Cantonal leverage

*The hydropower plant Berschnerbach is a decisive project for the canton St. Gallen.*

*We have to produce much more renewable energy.*

*In projects planned at national level, local interests are not enough taken into account.*

*Decisions are not taken by those who pay.*

### National greens

*We should enhance the energy efficiency (efficient appliances, roof isolation).*

*In Switzerland we should not build any other small hydropower plant.*

*In projects planned at national level, local interests are enough taken into account.*

*We do not have to produce as much energy as possible.*