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Energy communities in Latvia

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EU legislation on energy communities – II types of communities

- Electricity market directive 2019
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32019L0944>
- RED II directive <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/LV/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32018L2001>



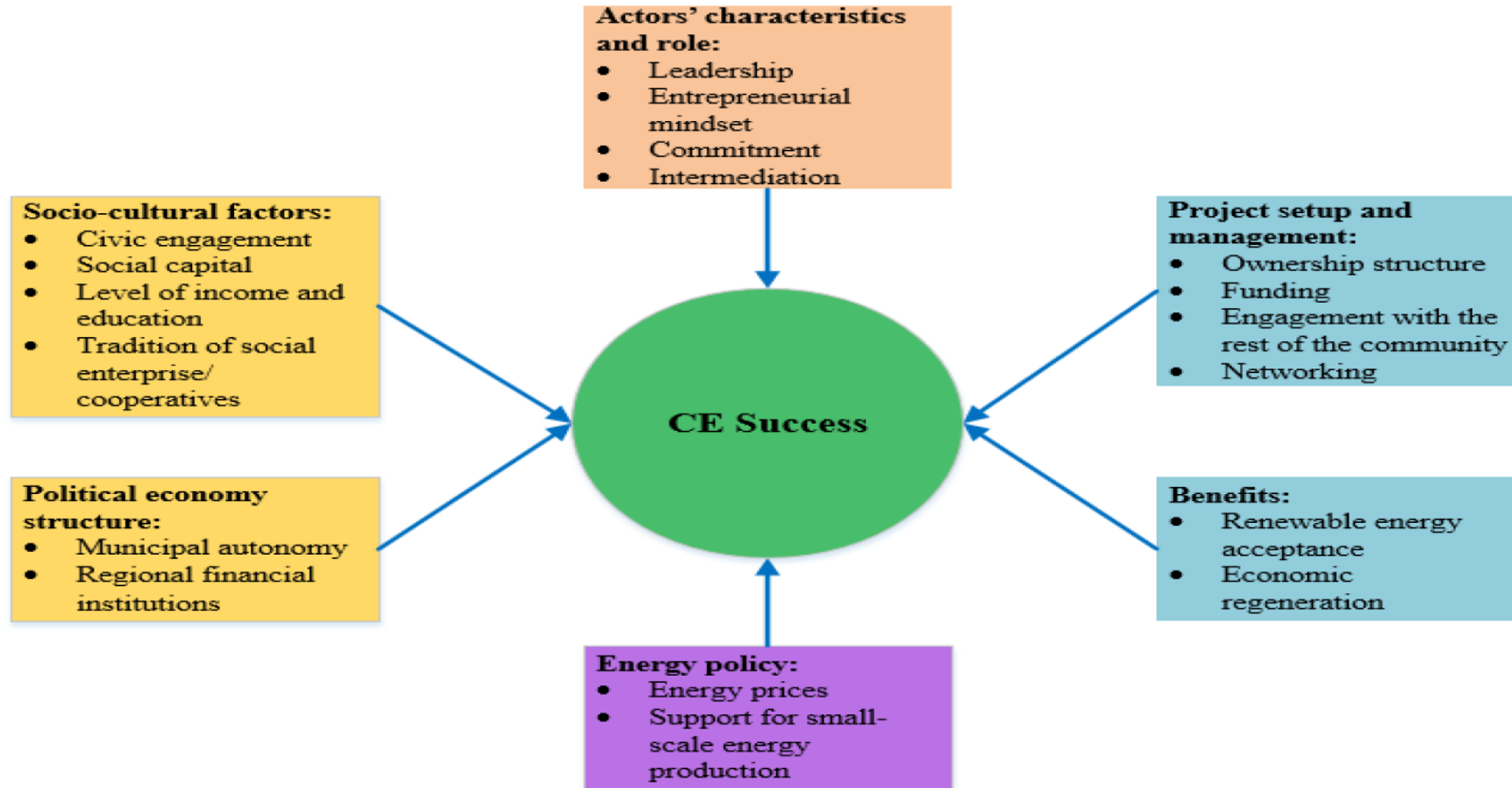
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Comparison of citizen energy communities (CEC) and renewable energy communities (REC)





Factors influencing development of energy communities





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Challenges for energy communities in Latvia

- Not completed legislation, lack of guidelines and regulatory practices;
- Insufficient institutional capacity at all levels;
- Lack of previous similar forms – like energy cooperatives in western Europe;
- Problems with social capital and social memory on collective property during the soviet occupation;
- Non existing support programs and unfeasibility of any kind of tariff support, taking into account bad practice of previous support tariffs (OIK);



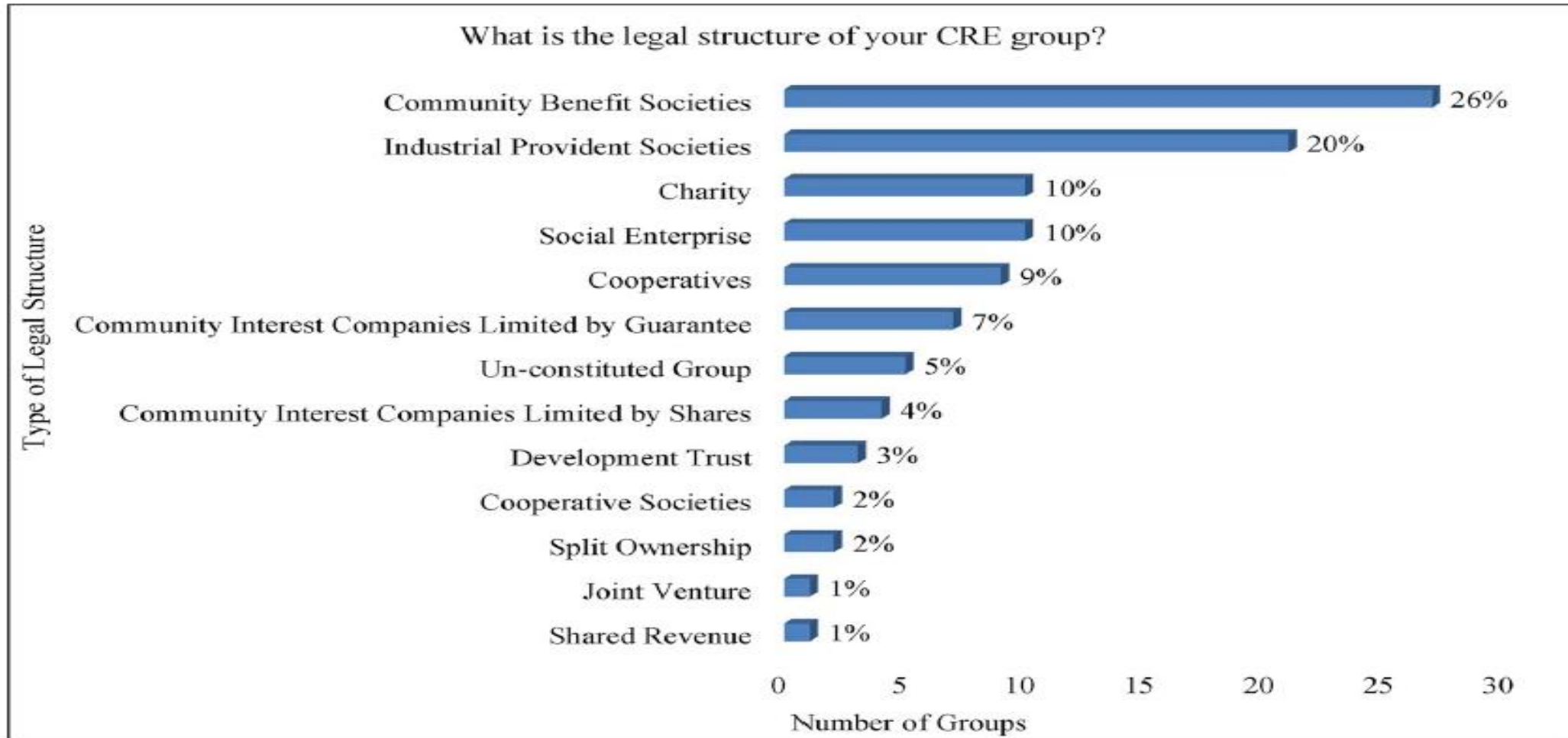
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Latvian legislation on energy communities

- General requirements on energy communities – Amendments to the Energy Law enters in force 1.01. 2023 <https://likumi.lv/ta/id/334150>
- Specific requirements on electric energy communities (Latvian version of EU citizen energy communities) Amendments to Electrical energy market law.
<https://likumi.lv/ta/id/334153>



Legal forms of energy communities in UK





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Latvian approach on energy communities

- Unified system for both types of energy communities;
- All types of legal forms, non-profit for enterprise forms;
- Registration – State construction Control Bureau;



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Implementing regulations and guidelines – in drafting process

- Regulations on registration of energy communities;
- Regulations on proximity for renewable energy communities;
- Regulations on state aid;
- Regulations on energy sharing;
- Guidelines for local governments and public institutions;



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