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Energy poverty in the EU: Status, Policies, Consumers Empowerment
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UTD concept

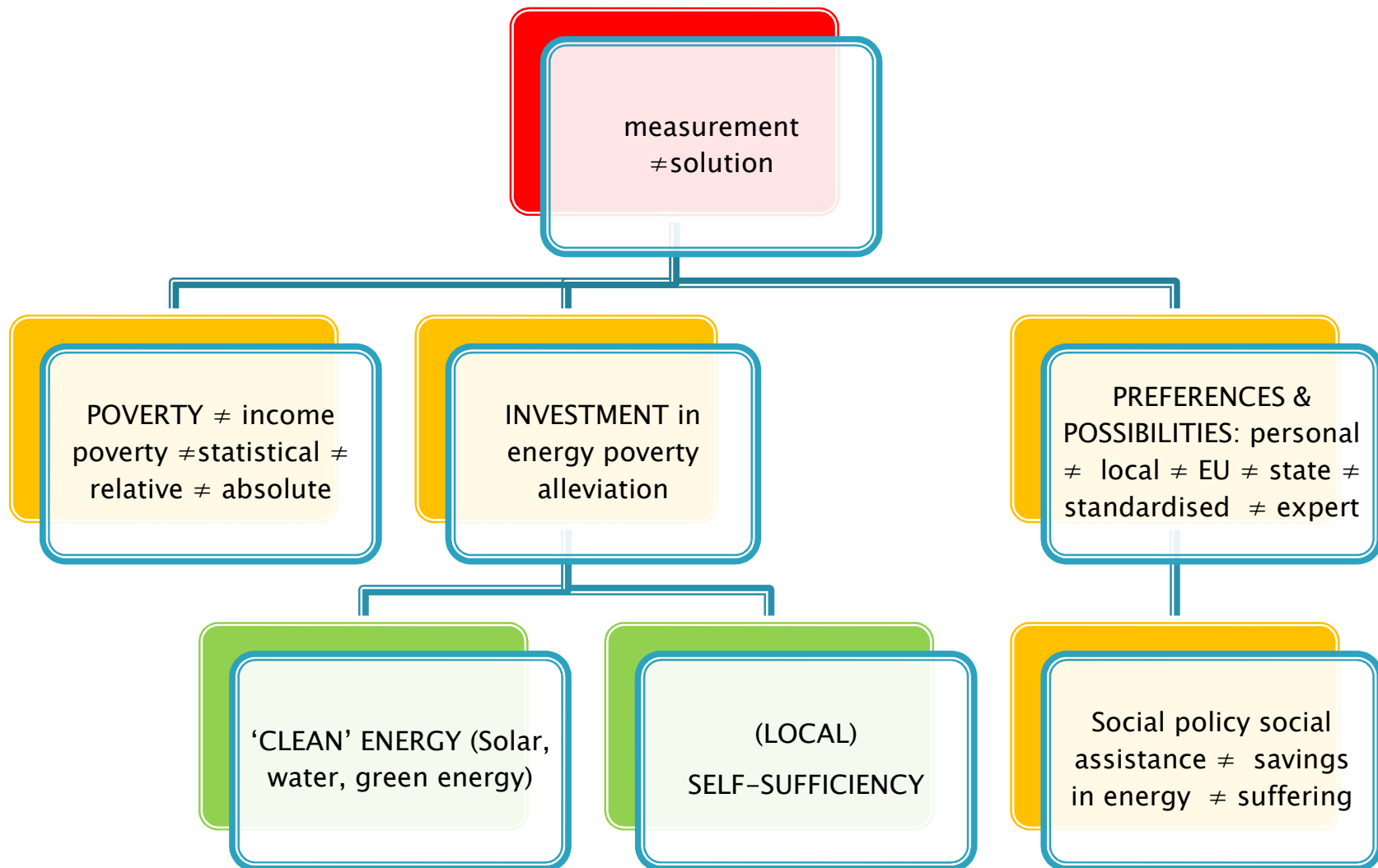
Universal basic services in domain of
energy poverty solution.

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Multi-faceted energy poverty problem



Social inequality can escalate in violence.

We need more of:

- ▶ Social justice
- ▶ Trust in the government
- ▶ Social cohesion
- ▶ Social stability and development



Covid lessons & good/bad local examples

➤ Covid lessons:

COMMUNICATION

MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY DIFFER

EVERY MEMBER OF COMMUNITIY MATTERS

- Municipality Moravče – how they approach to redistribute facial masks in 2020, how they approach to organise summer child care.
- Village Zavrate in Municipality RADEČE : Solar electricity for all village (6.okt. 2021, Nedeljski) vs. the problem of egoistic rich investors–

Local advantages vs. weaknesses

- + a holistic knowledge of local problems
- +/- a bigger personal responsibility
- +/- short political mandate
- +/- smaller financial risks
- +/- local cooperation, knowledge & self-interest
 - lack of knowledge, experts, money

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a better possibility for social innovation

Additional challenge: energy poverty coupled with imperative of energy efficiency and 'clean' energy

1. Knowledge? a) about energy efficiency “burning (fresh) wood in an (old) stove” (Dukić), b) without information how to apply for state subventions, c) lack of trust.
2. Money? for the improvement (e.g. Energy costs are already more then 10% of the persons' income.)
3. Motivation? for the improvement: e.g. Old people living alone – AGEING SOCIETY!



Solution

Use of renewable energy
produced in energy community
introduced as #zaUTD energy service

Recommendation for sound, smart and sustainable UTD social innovation

Everyone is
included

Everyone
gets the
equal share
because
everyone's
social value
is equal.

UNIVERSAL PILLAR

Trade –
market
economy–
the best one
wins

The winner
takes it all
(profits).

TRADE PILLAR

Majority is
better of.


The
member's
share
depends on
input and
how
democratic
society
values the
input.

DEMOCRATIC PILLAR

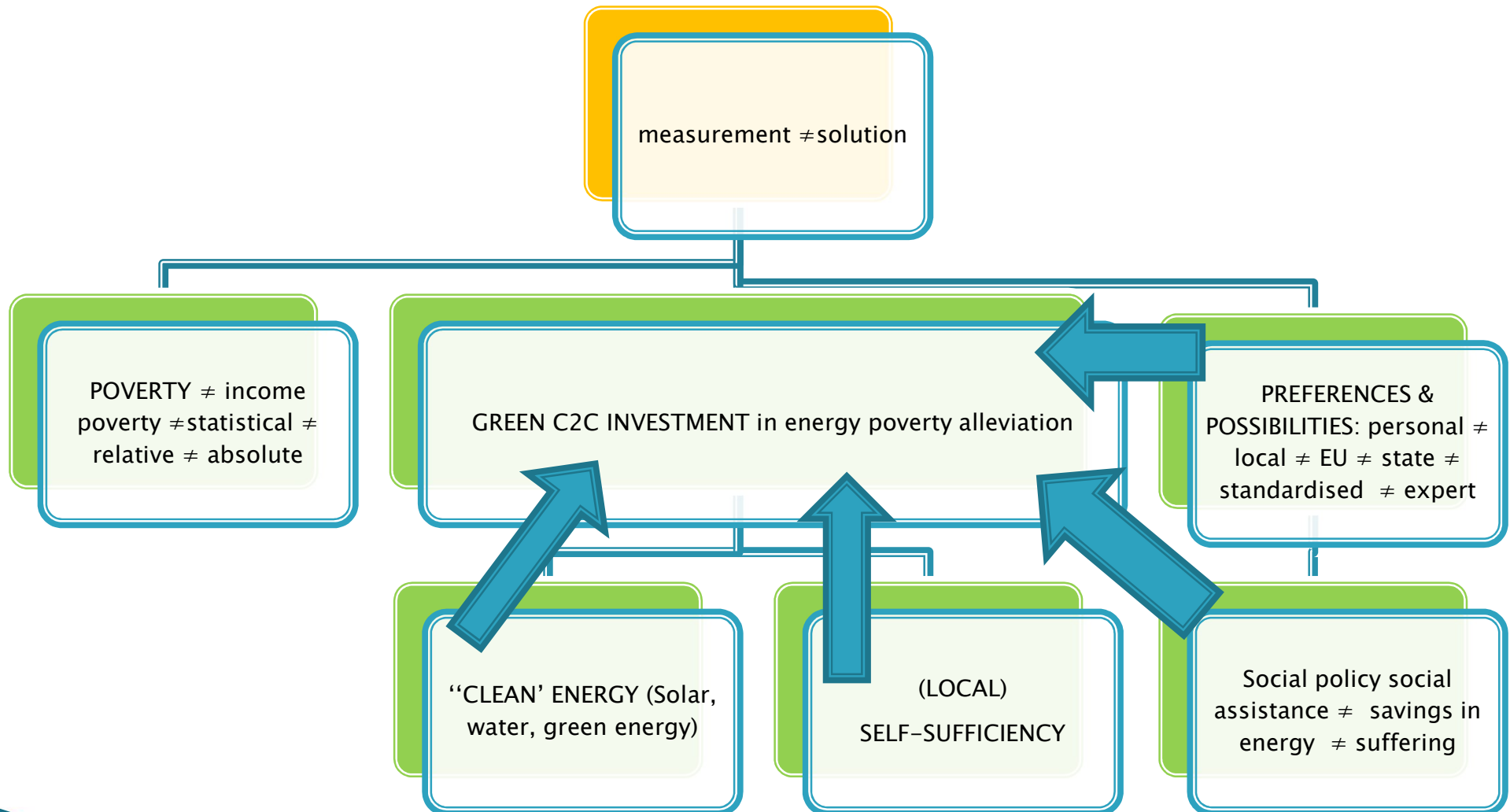
RECOMMENDATION for an Universal Pillar of the energy system

SOME 'efficient' AMOUNT OF 'clean'
ENERGY SHOULD BE UNCONDITIONALLY AND
EQUALLY ENSURED TO EVERY MEMBER OF
THE COMMUNITY.

Why ... 1) each human being is firstly a part
of the human community; 2) due to natural
inheritance of the land, culture, knowledge
and 3) because of the involvement in
community production and/or consumption
4) for social cohesion 5) social trust 6)
courage for the change and innovation.



Multi-dimensional harmonised approach toward energy poverty solutions



Thank you.
Hvala za pozornost.

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