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Propositions  
Accompanying the dissertation

**Involvement in bottom-up energy transitions**

The role of local and contextual embeddedness

1. In order to study involvement in community energy initiatives one needs an approach scrutinizing both (potential) members and non-members. (This thesis)
2. People become involved in a community energy initiative not only because they care about the environment but also because they care about the community. (This thesis)
3. Involvement in the community via identification with the community and via interpersonal contact with community members may lead to similar outcomes, albeit via different mechanisms. (Chapter 2)
4. Direct contacts between community members and initiators are conducive to involvement in community energy initiatives. (Chapter 3)
5. Membership in local associations is a stronger predictor for involvement in community energy initiatives than knowing initiators of community energy initiatives via these associations. (Chapter 3)
6. Trust in other community members' willingness to participate more strongly predicts involvement than general interpersonal and institutional trust. (Chapter 4)
7. Despite strong support, shared private-community ownership arrangements are challenging in practice due to low levels of trust between community actors and commercial actors. (Chapter 5)
8. Successful cases of shared ownership arrangements are most likely to occur between developers with a normative rationale for community engagement and pragmatic community actors. (Chapter 5)
9. Twijfel is het begin van wijsheid. (Aristoteles)