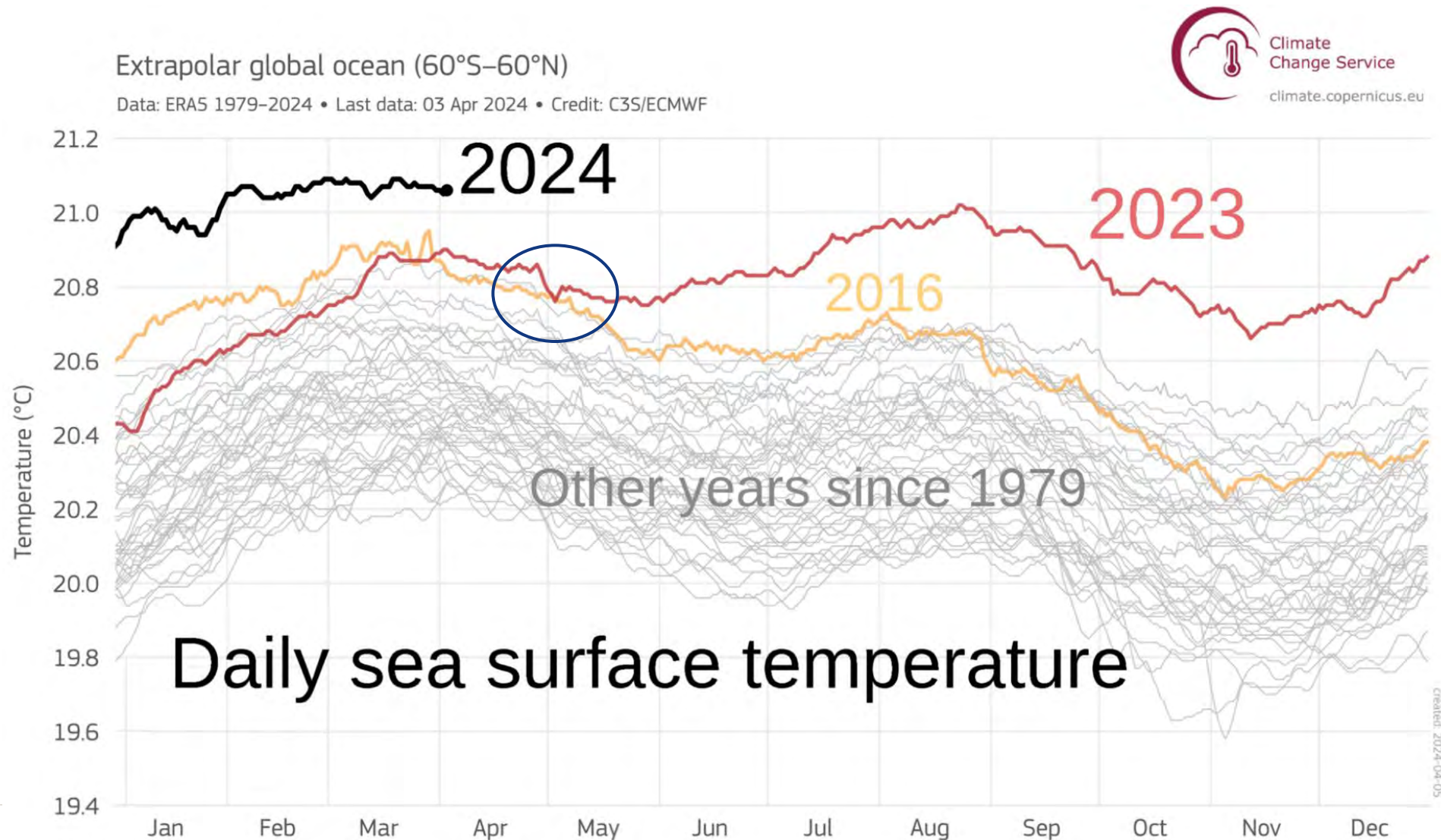


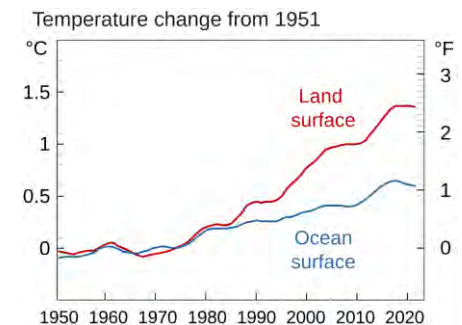


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# Why are you here?



The temperatures over land are rising faster than ocean temperatures. This is because the ocean absorbs 90% of excess heat generated by climate change



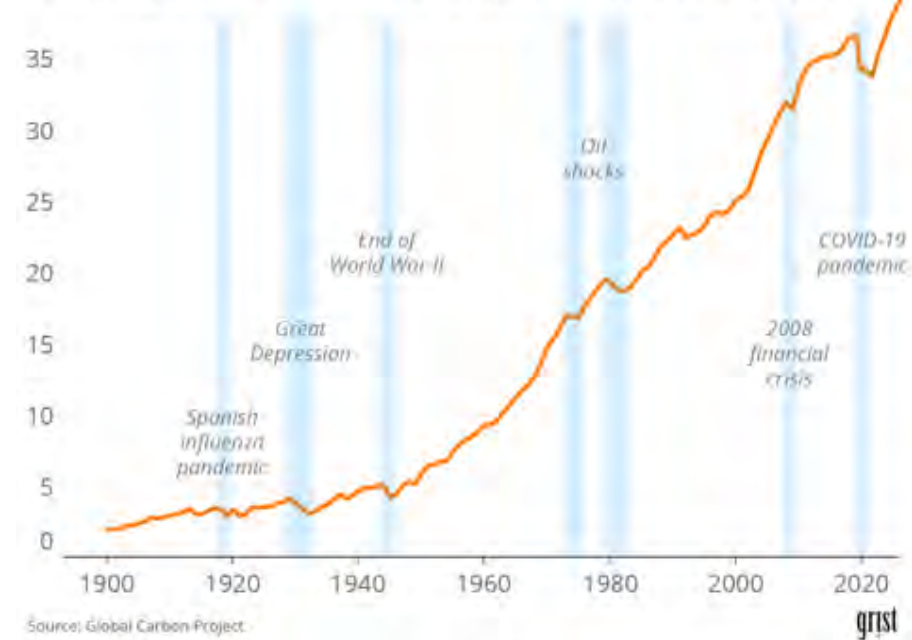
# We don't know, what we don't know.

– But we can estimate the cost and human toll of climate change

- At the start of 2023, Berkeley Earth, NASA, the UK Met Office, and Carbon Brief predicted that 2023 would be slightly warmer than the previous year but unlikely to set any records. Twelve months later and all four organisations concluded that 2023 was by some distance the warmest year ever recorded. In fact, between February 2023 and February 2024 the global average temperature warming exceeded the Paris target of 1.5°C.
- The World Economic Forum 2024 report concluded that by 2050 climate change may have caused over 14 million deaths and US\$12.5 trillion in loss and damages.
- Milankovitch Cycles – Even more cause for concern
- Only 6% of scientists believe that 1.5C is achievable
- Fossil fuel funding quadrupled in 2024....

## A familiar pattern

Annual global fossil emissions, billion metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>



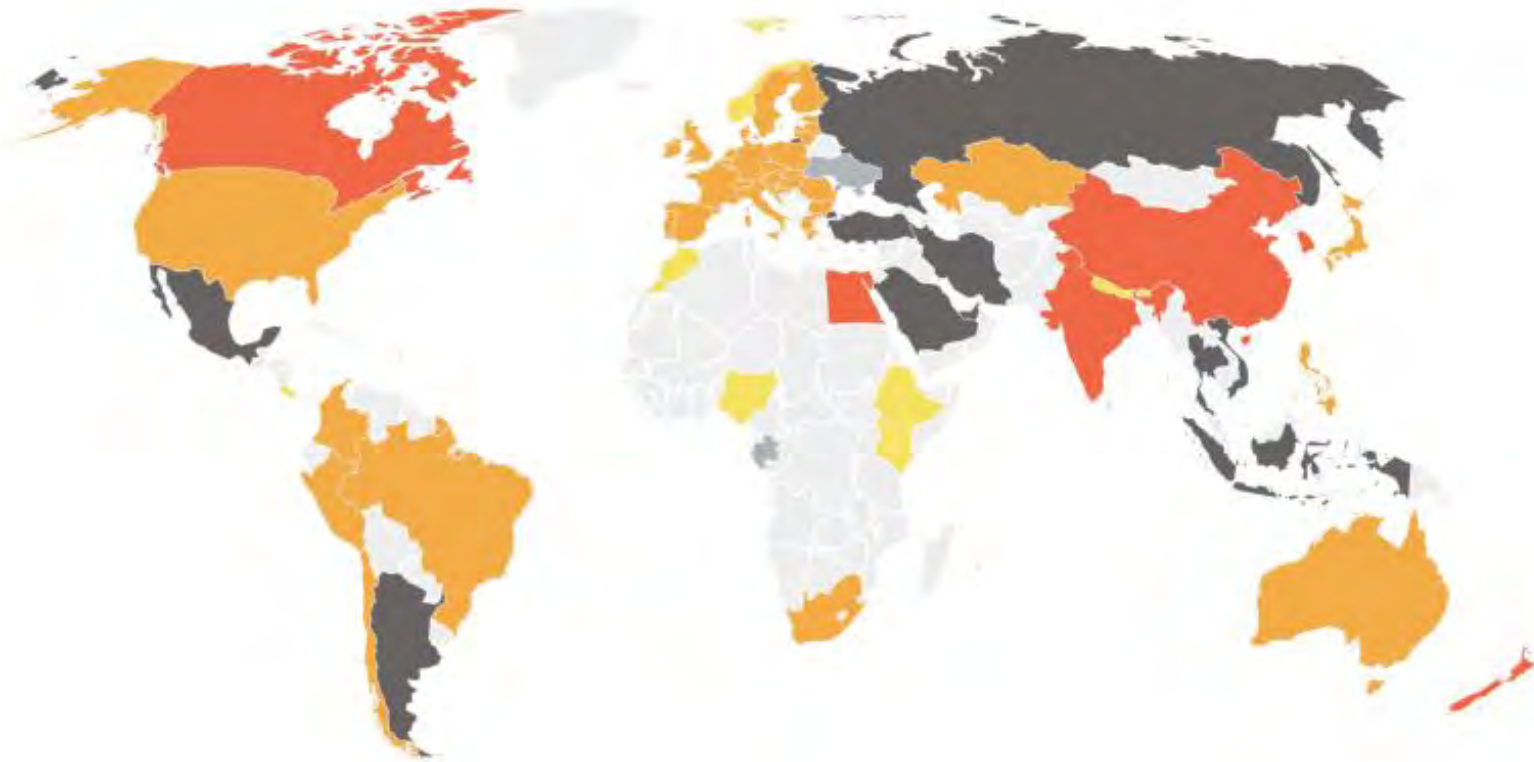


# 'Extreme' is now the new normal





# 1.5C Paris agreement compatible countries



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CRITICALLY INSUFFICIENT

HIGHLY INSUFFICIENT

INSUFFICIENT

ALMOST SUFFICIENT

1.5°C PARIS AGREEMENT  
COMPATIBLE

## June 2024 was the 13th month in a row to set a monthly temperature record

### National and territorial weather records broken or tied this year

**28 February** Cocos Islands tied its all-time highest temperature with 32.8C. It tied it again on **29 February** and **7 April**.

**6 March** Costa Rica broke its national record with 41C at Cerro Huacalito. The record was beaten again with 41.5C on **23 March** at the same location.

**12 March** Comoros broke its national record with 36.2C at Hahaya airport.

**13 March** Congo broke its national record with 39.6C at Impfondo.

**24 March** Maldives broke its national record with 35.1C at Hanimadhoo. It tied it again on **11 April**.

**31 March** Togo broke its national record with 44C at Mango.

**3 April** Mali broke its national record with 48.5C at Kayes..

**10 April** Belize broke its national record with 42.3C at Barton Creek. This temperature was later tied on **17 May** at Chaa Creek.

**24 April** Chad tied its national record with 48C at Faya. This was tied again on **5 June**.

**27 April** Cambodia broke its national record with 42.8C at Preah Viehar and Svay Leu.

**1 May** Ghana broke its national record with 44.6C at Navrongo.

**1 May** Laos broke its national record with 43.7C at Tha Ngon.

**29 May** Palau tied its national record with 35C at Babelthup international airport. On **2 June** it beat it with 35.6C.

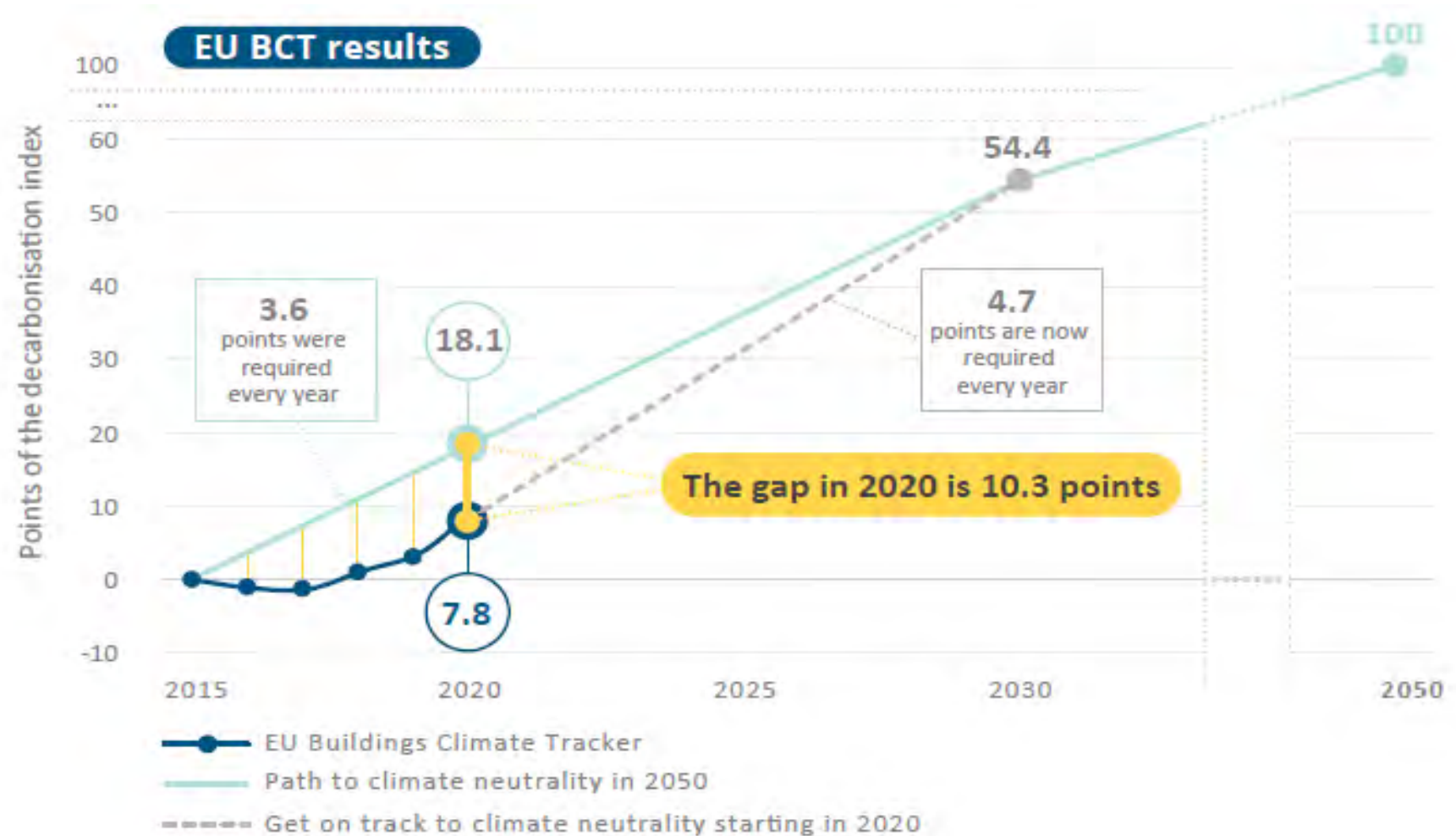
**7 June** Egypt beat its national record with 50.9C at Aswan.

**20 June** Mexico tied its national record with 52C at Tepache.

# Building decarbonisation and the path to net zero

– Work needed to get back on track

- Insulation
- Air-tightness
- Efficiency
- Fuel sources

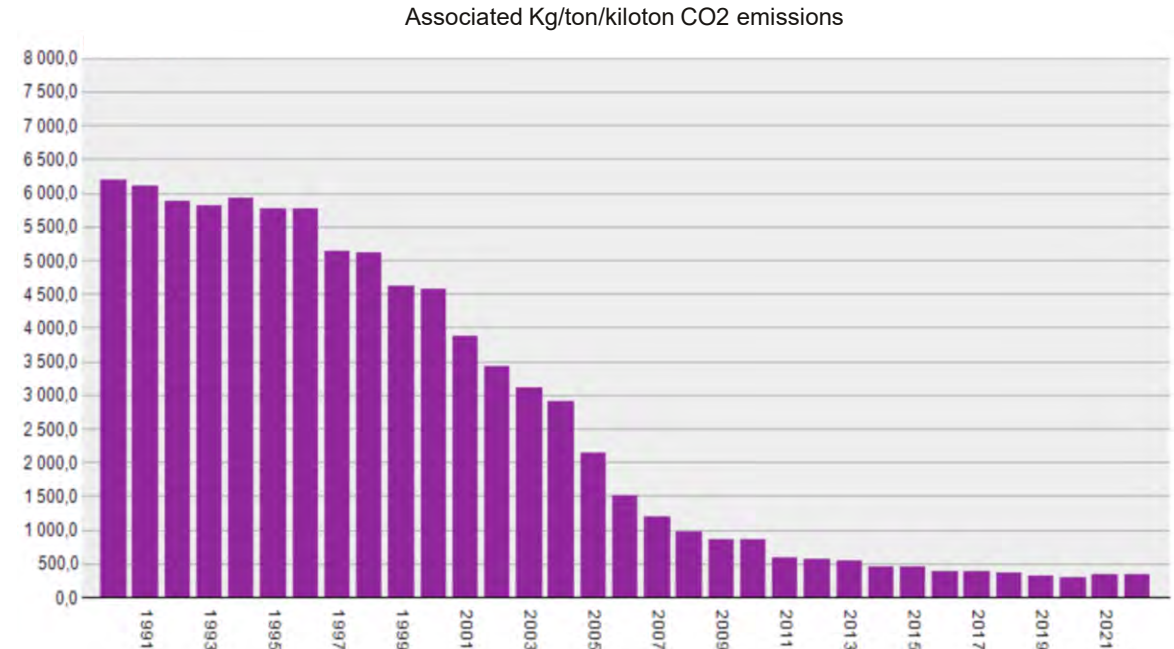
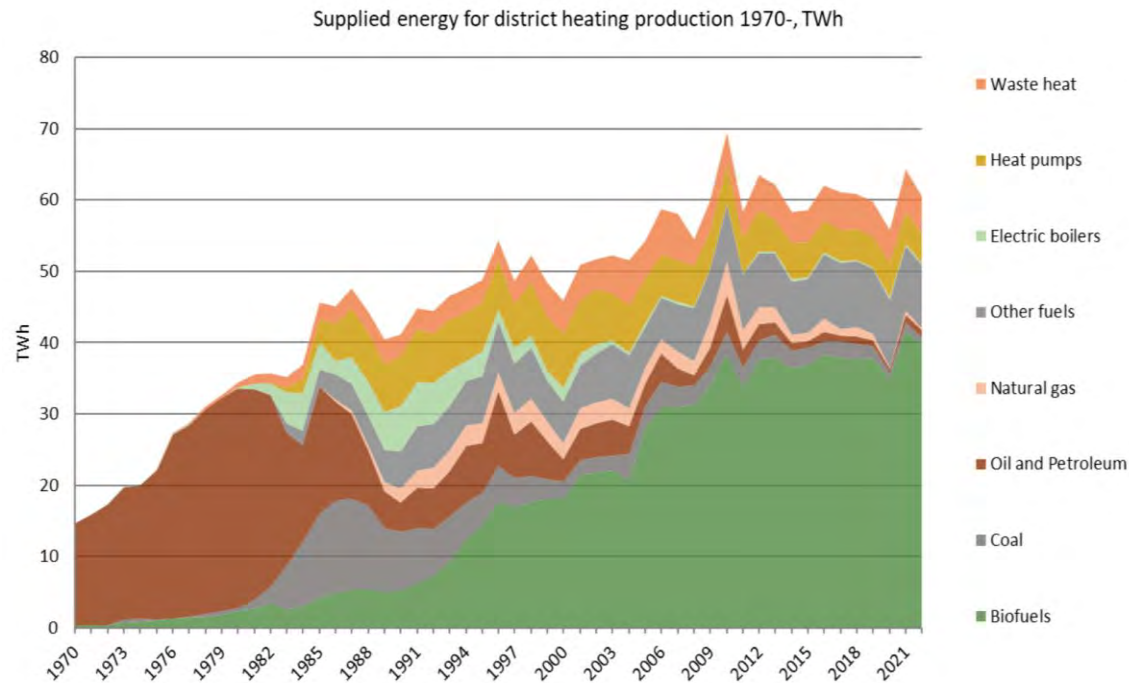


# Why district energy?

– Swedish district energy networks



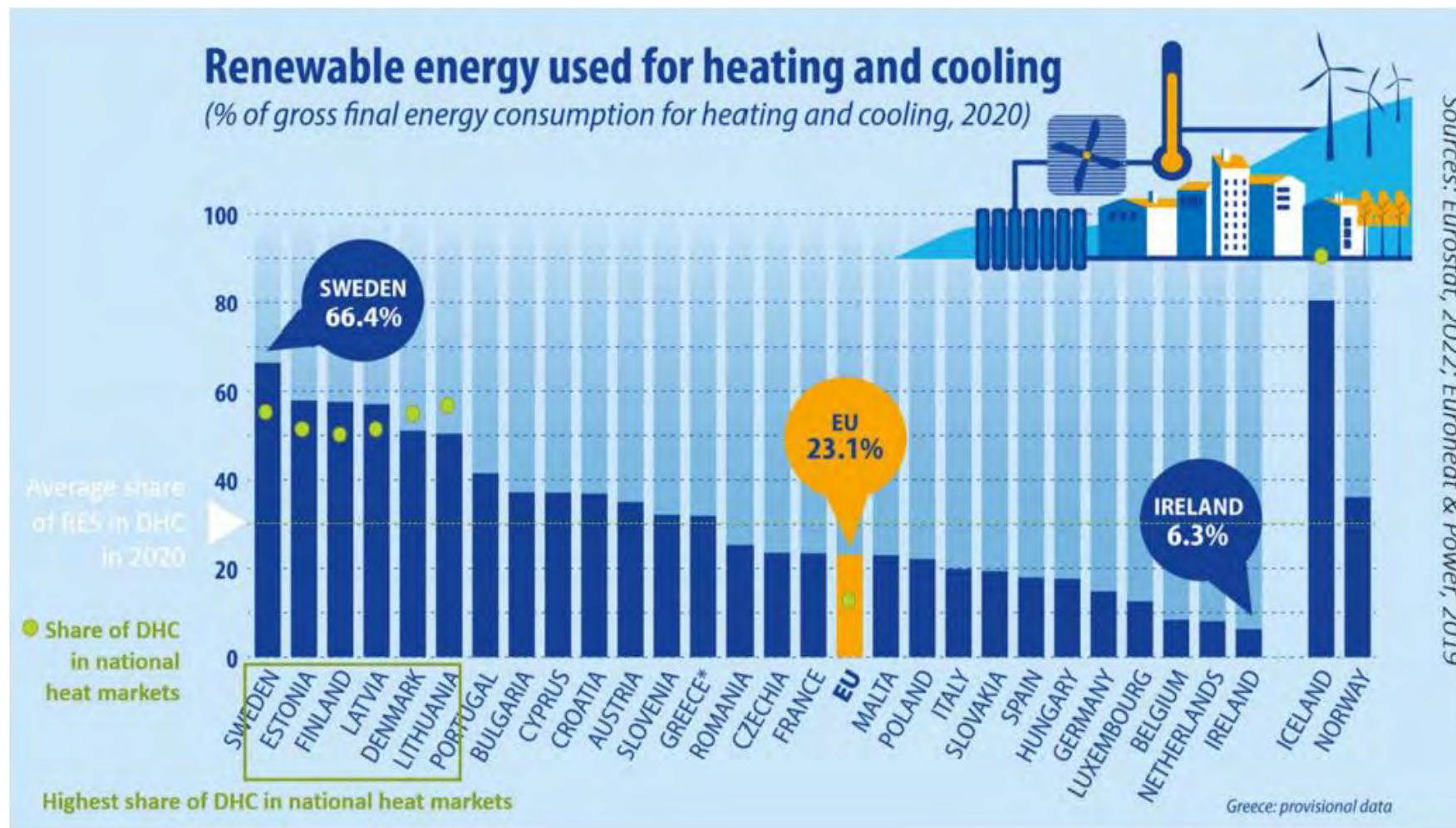
- Continuous increase in heat energy supplied
- Diversification of the heat sources
- *Dramatic* reduction in carbon emissions





# RES Utilisation – All Heating and Cooling Applications

EU Comparison

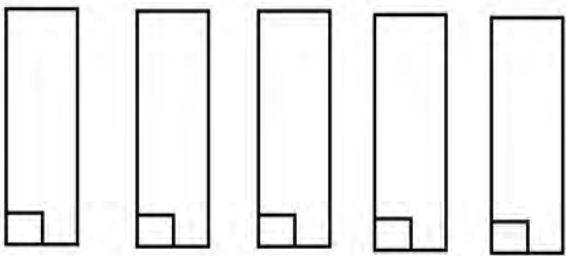


Any country or government with a plan for the reduction of carbon emissions, the utilisation of waste heat, utilisation of renewable energy sources, carbon taxing etc. etc. will have to regulate strongly to promote district energy



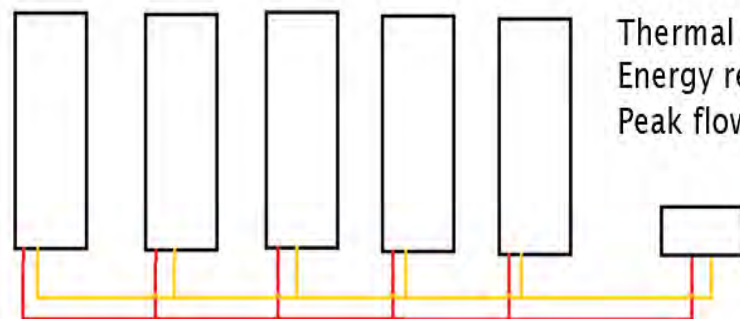
# Why District Energy

– Heating and Cooling



Thermal store size: 38,715 litres  
Energy required: 5385 kW  
Peak flow: 88.95 l/sec

Individual buildings with plant-rooms

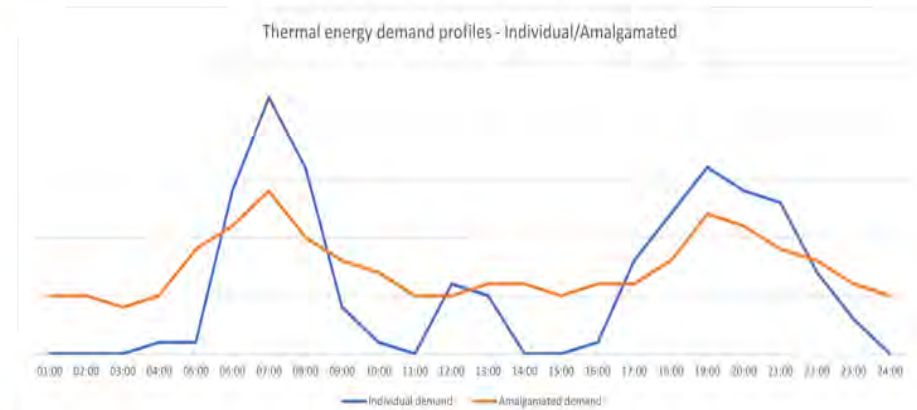


Thermal store size: 30,555 litres  
Energy required: 5207 kW  
Peak flow: 80.94 l/Sec

Same buildings on a district network

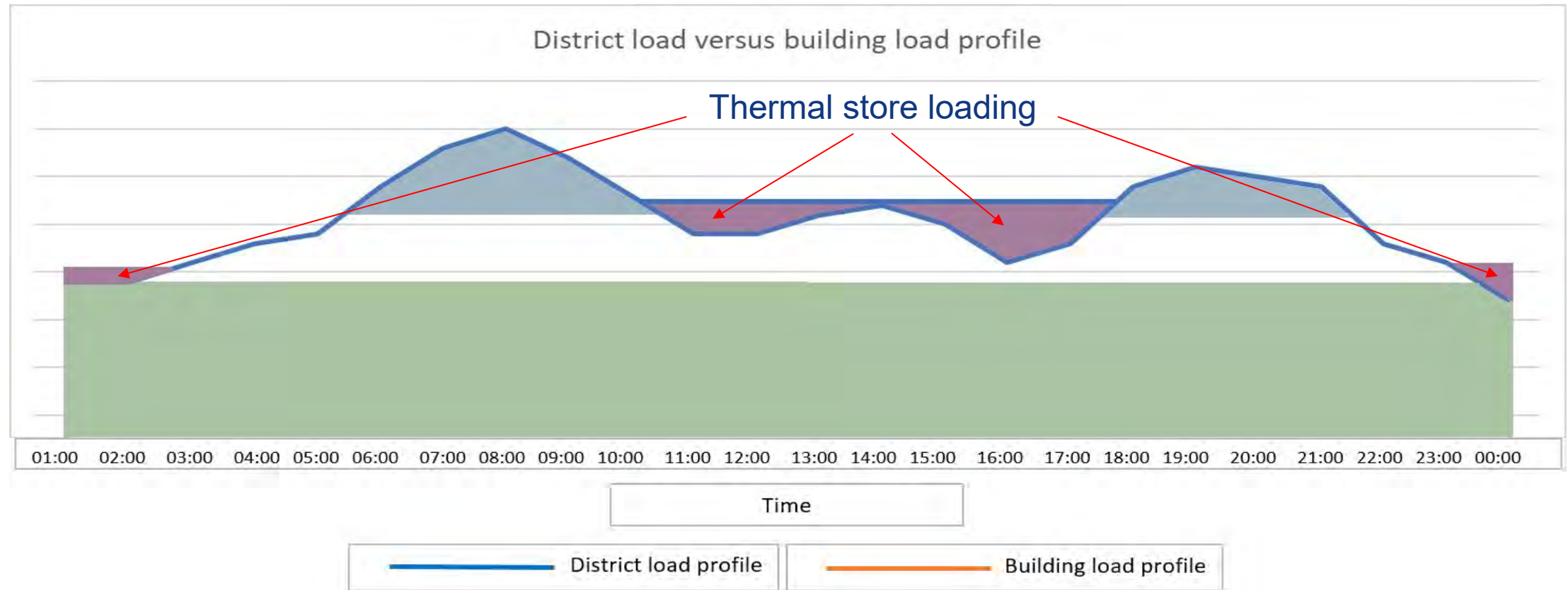
More costly plant-rooms  
Greater risk  
Greater FM management costs  
Restricted renewable options  
Less apartments  
‘Spiky’ demand profile  
No expansion capability  
Less infrastructure  
Reduced footprint

Lower cost plant-room  
Less risk  
Lower FM management costs  
Greater renewable options  
More apartments  
Easier waste heat utilisation  
Smoother demand profile  
Expansion possibilities  
Greater infrastructure cost  
Greater footprint



# Why district energy?

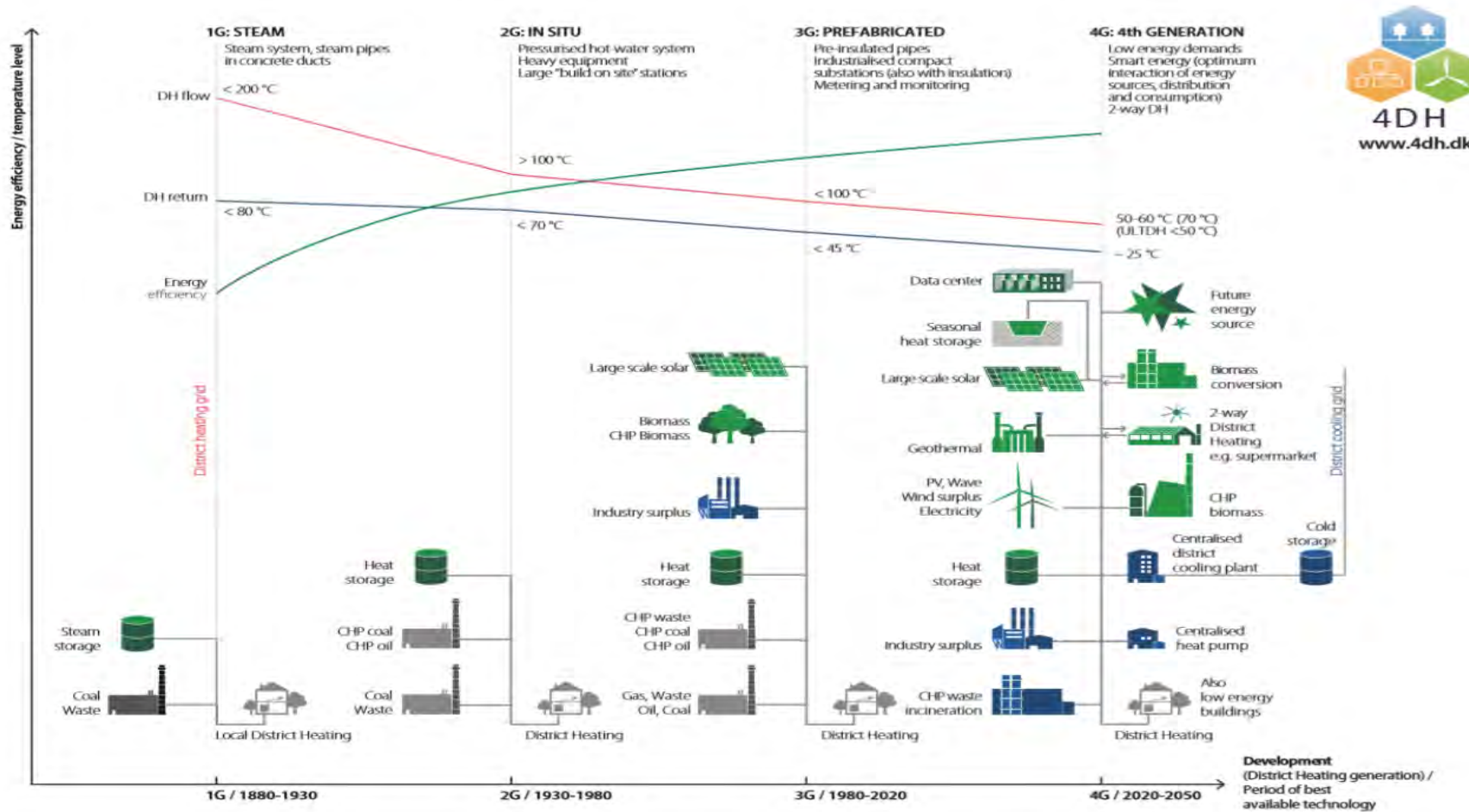
– What are the benefits?



Amalgamation of load profiles  
Smoothing of peaks and troughs  
Allows greater renewable energy heat integration

# Heat Network Evolution

– Greater source diversification and therefore greater PHE use



As we move to more efficient networks with lower primary flow temperatures, multiple additional energy sources become available.

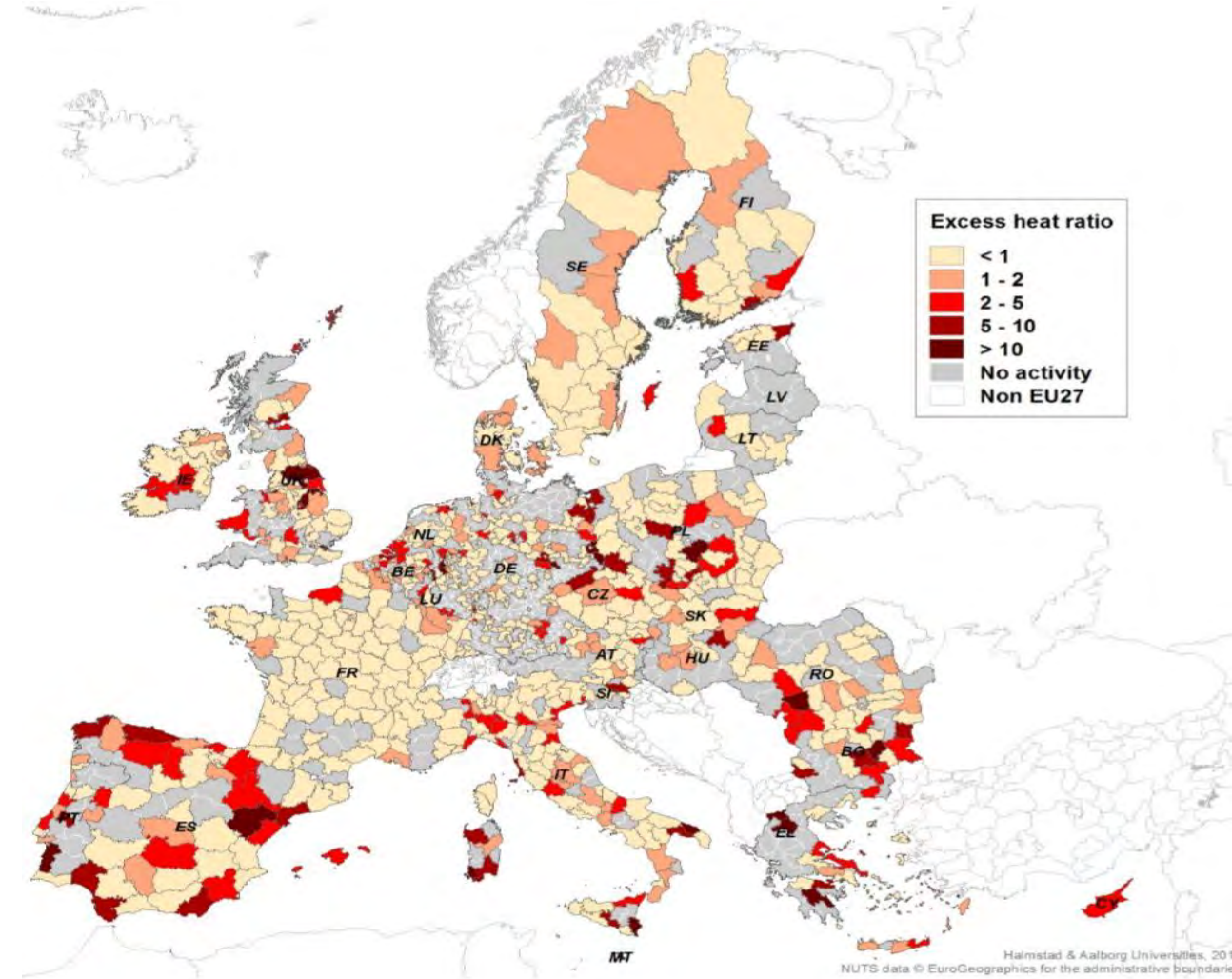


# Excess Heat Ratio – Heat Roadmap Europe



- Excess heat ratio
- ‘Waste’ heat from:
  - Process industry
  - Food retail
  - Metro
  - Waste water treatment
  - Datacentres
  - Etc.

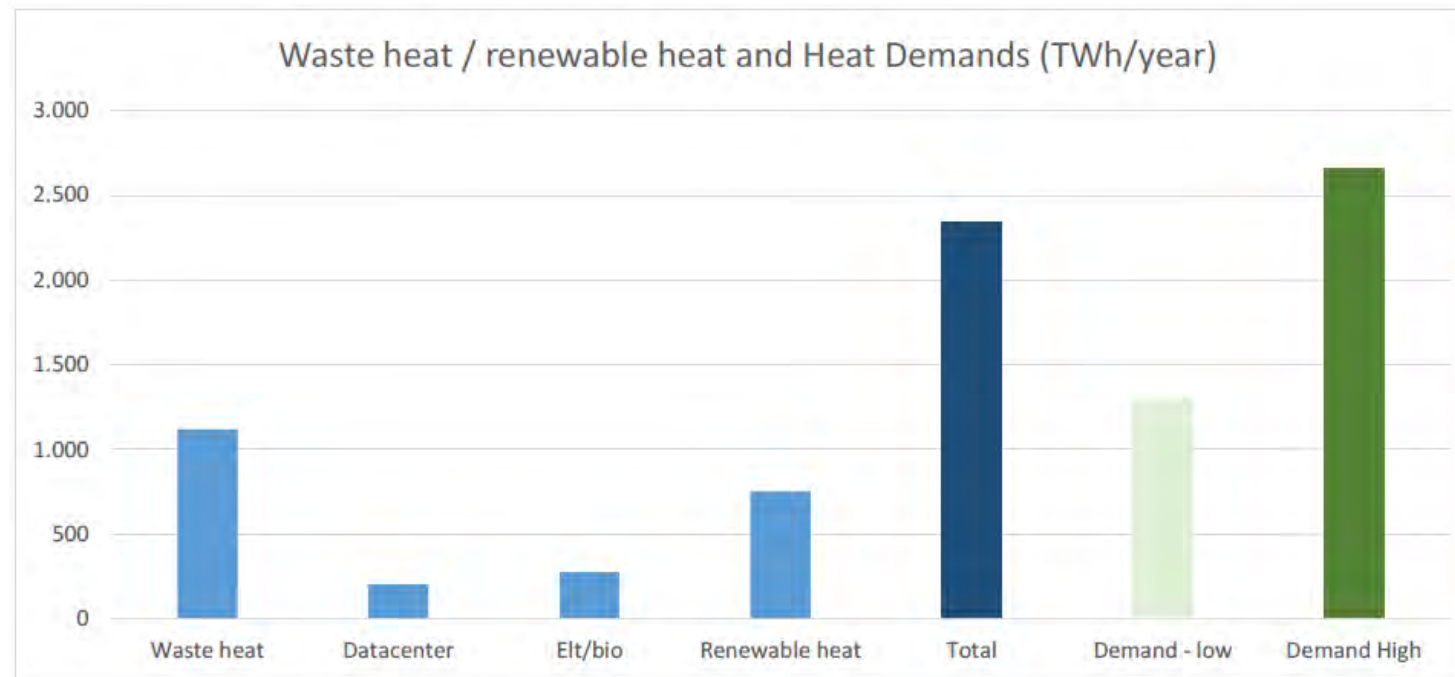
A thermal delta can provide heating or cooling



\*Heat Roadmap Europe 2012

# The importance of waste heat

- Currently, two thirds of the heat required to heat and cool our buildings is wasted
  - We could reduce our building energy demand to just 33% if we captured this heat
- By 2050, it is forecast that, without change, this will rise to four fifths
  - With only small efficiency improvements to our building stock, we can achieve a negative energy demand

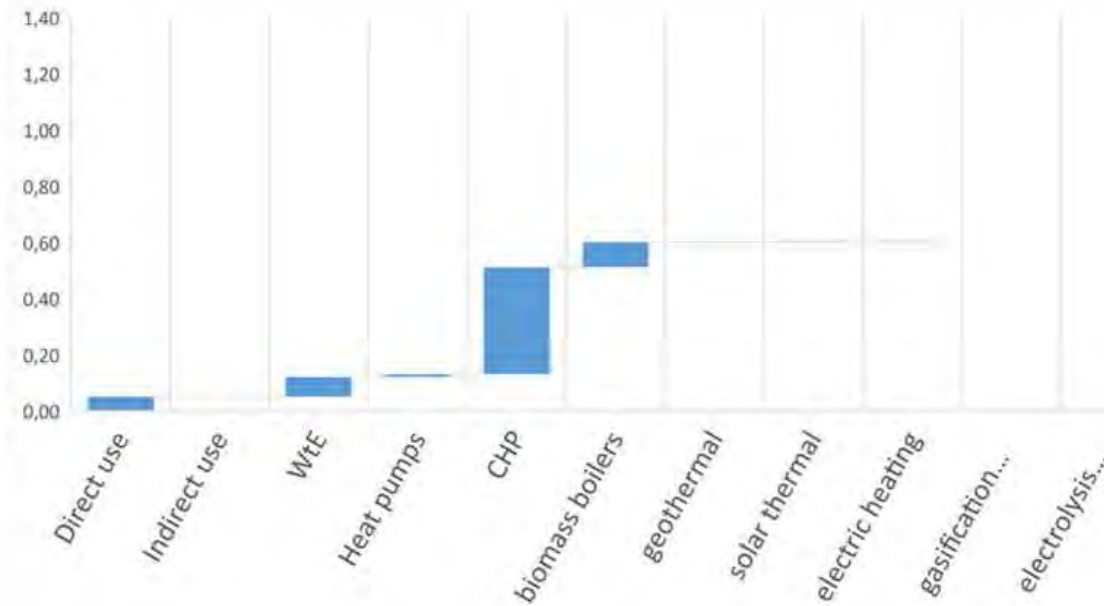


Impossible to ignore and impossible to capture without the widespread uptake of district energy

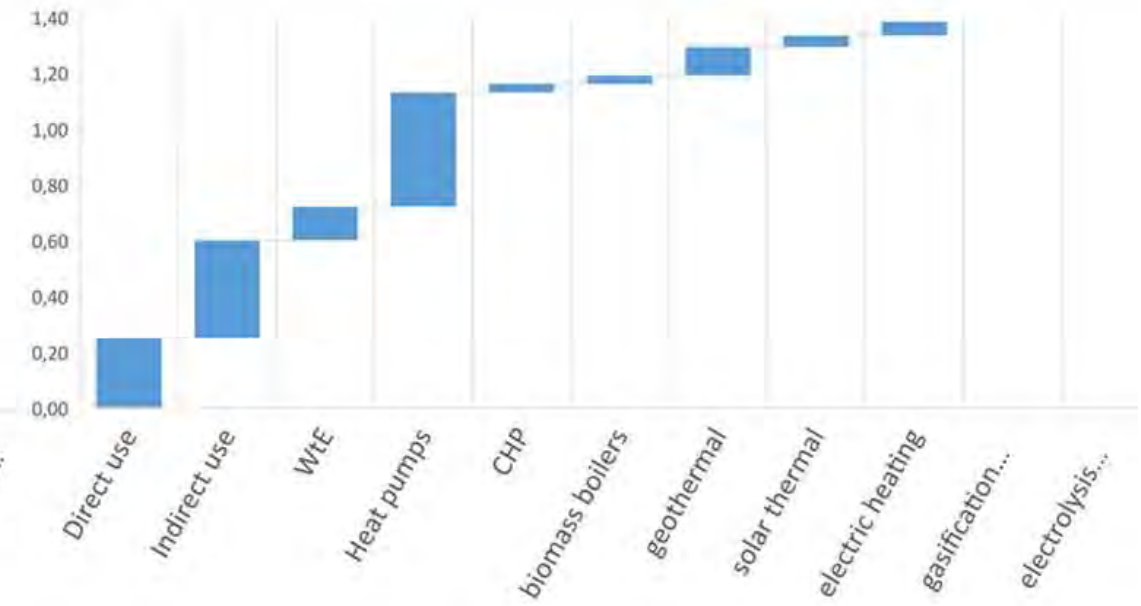
# But DHC sources needs to change....

- DHC energy sources - EH&P/Aalborg report

Current energy sources



2050 energy sources



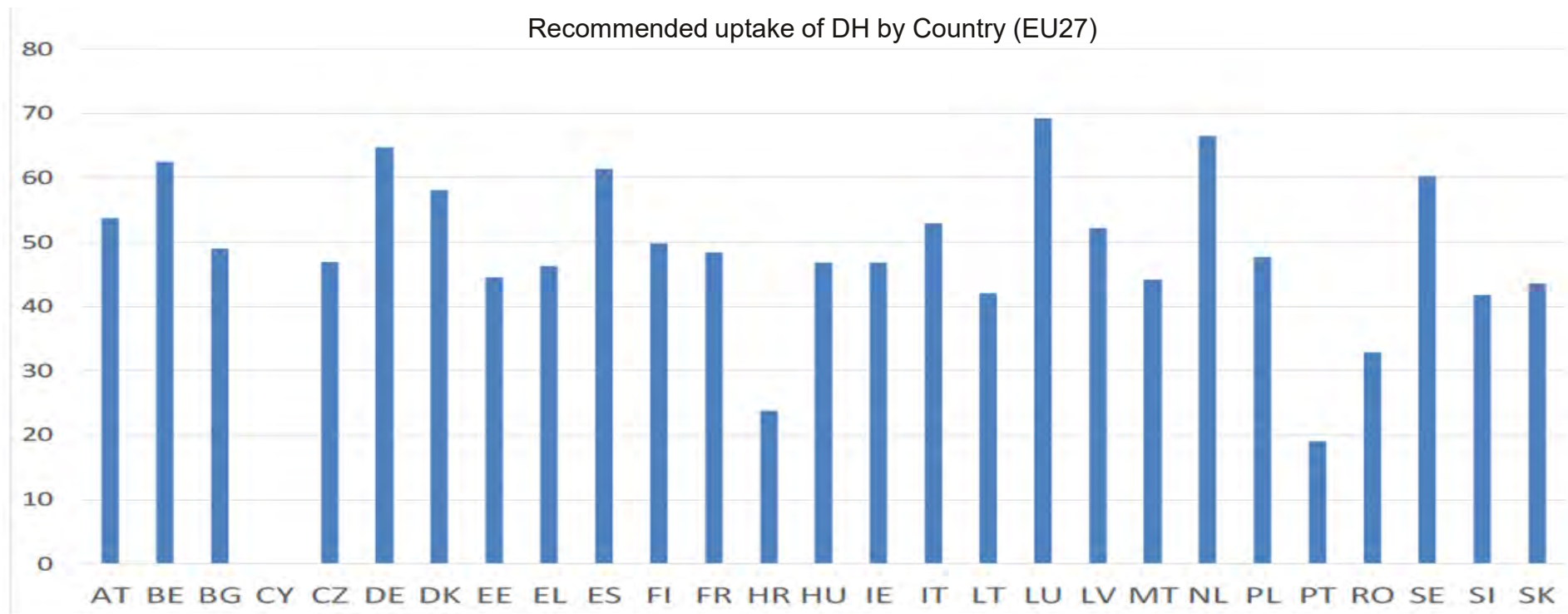
- Direct use: increased waste energy capture at source temp'.
- Indirect use: increased waste energy captured at low temp (Datacentre/WTW/DH return) and boosted by HP.
- Greater heat pump, geothermal, solar thermal and direct electricity use.
- Reduced CHP and biomass use.



# Recommended uptake of district energy

– HRE 4 - EH&P/Aalborg report

- Heat Roadmap Europe (HRE 4) – 50% (Feb 2019)
- Euroheat and Power/Aalborg – 55% (previously 48%) (Nov 2024)
- UK GOV – Aiming for 19%

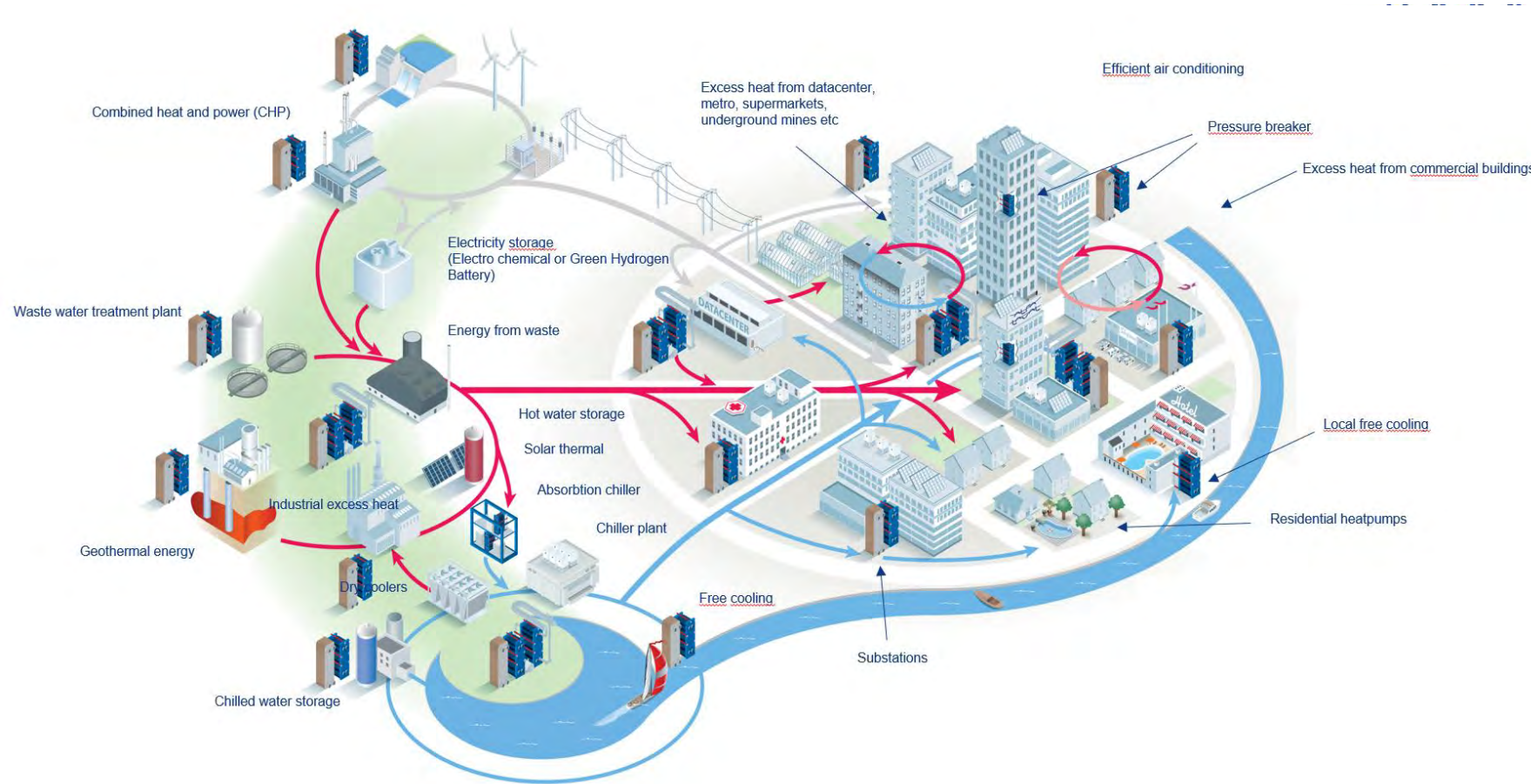


# What does it look like in real life?

– Sector coupling for a truly sustainable city



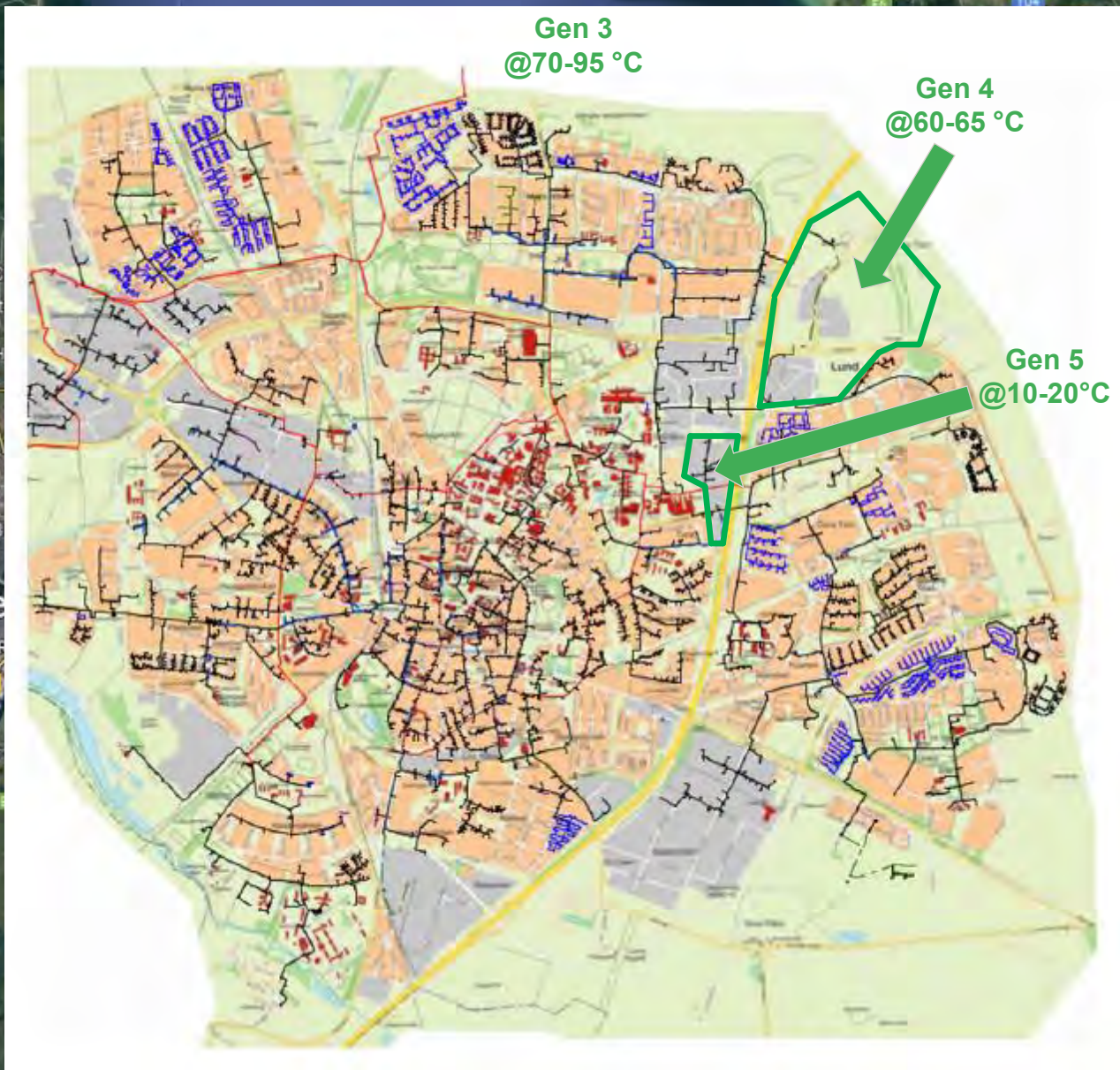
Approximately two thirds of all energy is wasted



How sector coupling can assist in reducing electrical demand

- Waste heat can provide cooling
- Waste heat can provide electricity via ORC
- District heating and cooling can reduce electricity demand
- District heating and cooling systems are **thermal batteries**
- District cooling and heating are two of the four energy grids required for sector coupling





Helsingborg (100km)



Lund



# District Energy – The great facilitator



- District energy is completely energy source agnostic and facilitates the use of a variety of energy sources
- District energy Facilitates the capture and utilisation of waste energy.
- District energy's 'thermal battery' can reduce electrical demand
- District Energy allows for step changes in the reduction of carbon emissions
- District heating and cooling are two of the four 'power grids' required for sector coupling
- Without District Energy sector coupling cannot work
- District Energy future proofs the supply of heating, DHW and cooling
- District Energy reduces the peaks and troughs of thermal demand allowing greater renewable utilisation
- District Energy facilitates the easy integration and utilisation of large scale thermal storage



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