

IEA HPP Annex 40

Heat pump concepts for Nearly Zero Energy Buildings

Project outline IEA HPP Annex 40

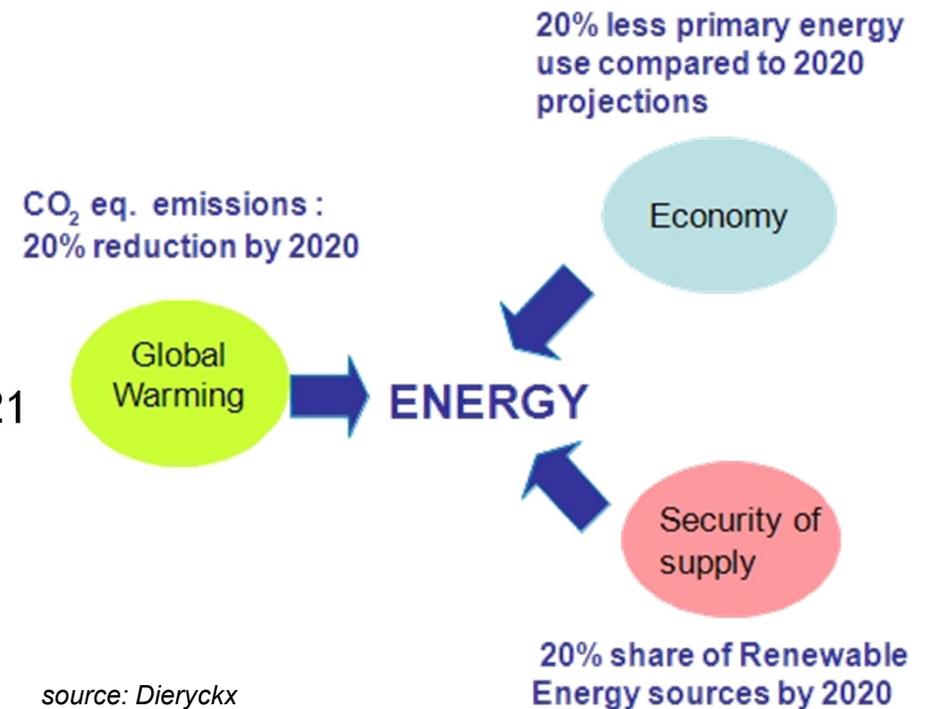
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Framework – Political targets and strategies

- **EU strategy: 20-20-20 until 2020**
- **20% renewable energy shares**
 - Heat pump source is considered renewable
- **20% Energy Efficiency (=> EPBD recast)**
 - New buildings shall reach nearly zero by 2021
- **20% reduced CO₂-emissions**
 - Heat pumps in Nearly Zero Buildings are an economical way to cut CO₂ emissions
- **USA (DOE) /Canada**
 - All new residential (commercial) buildings shall be Net Zero energy buildings (NZEB) by 2020 (2025) => “maximum efficiency houses”, also retrofit in focus
 - All buildings shall be Net Zero by 2050
- **Japan**
 - Heat pumps and high performance buildings are considered as key technologies to mitigate climate change

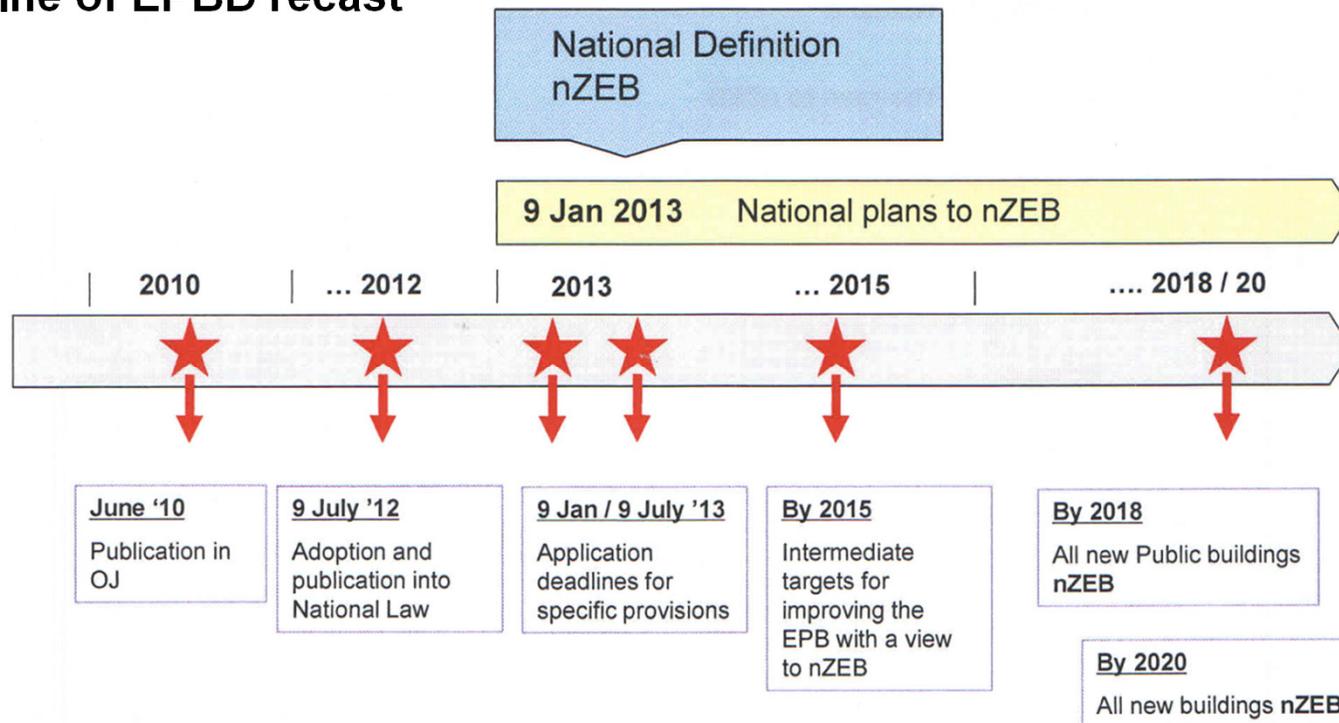


EPBD DEFINITION “Nearly Zero Energy Building (nZEB)”

- Means a building that has a very high energy performance
- **Nearly zero or very low energy amount** should be covered to **very significant extent** by energy from renewable sources, including renewable energy **produced on-site or nearby**

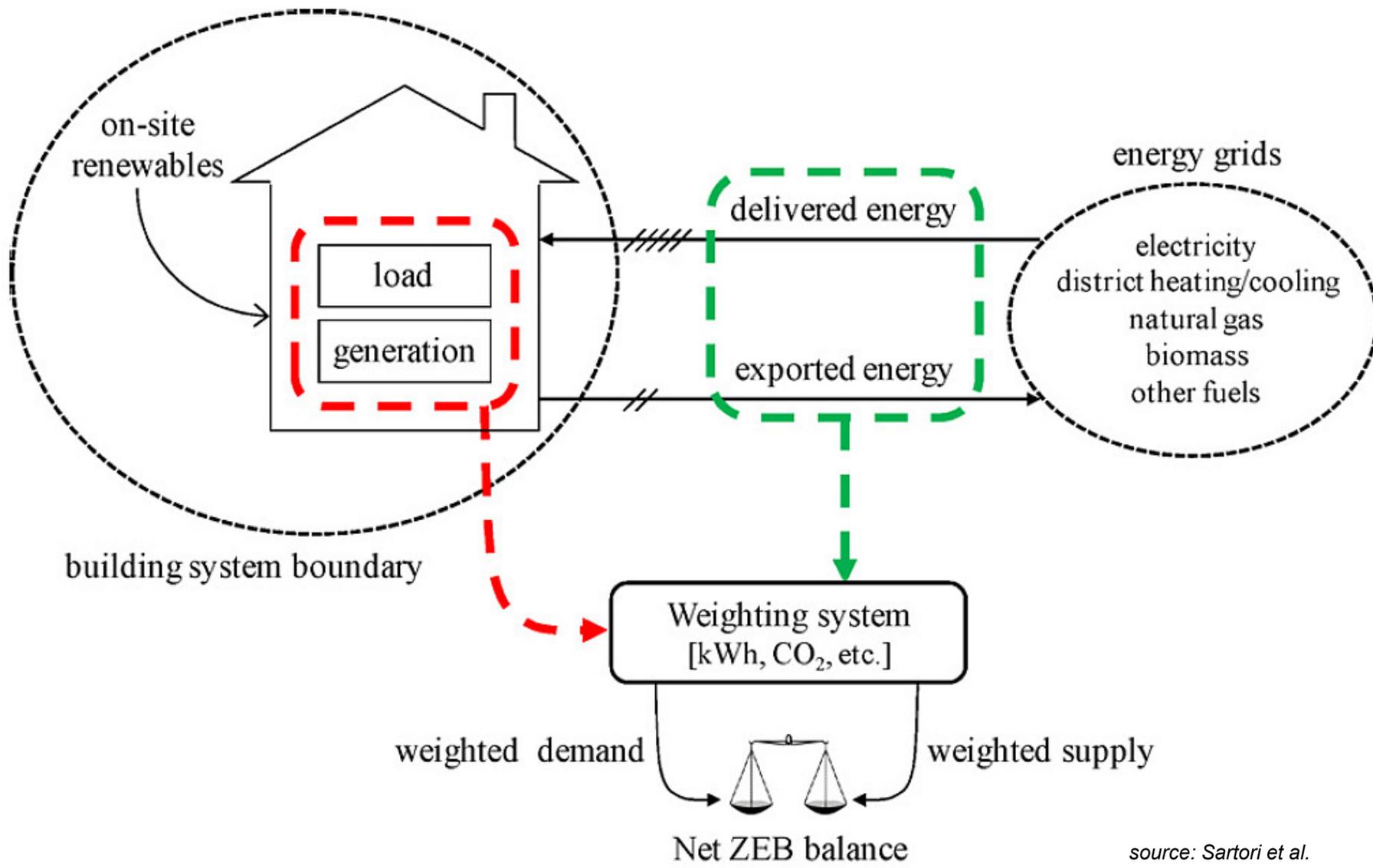
=> Presently no common definition of nZEB, neither in policy nor in the market

■ Timeline of EPBD recast



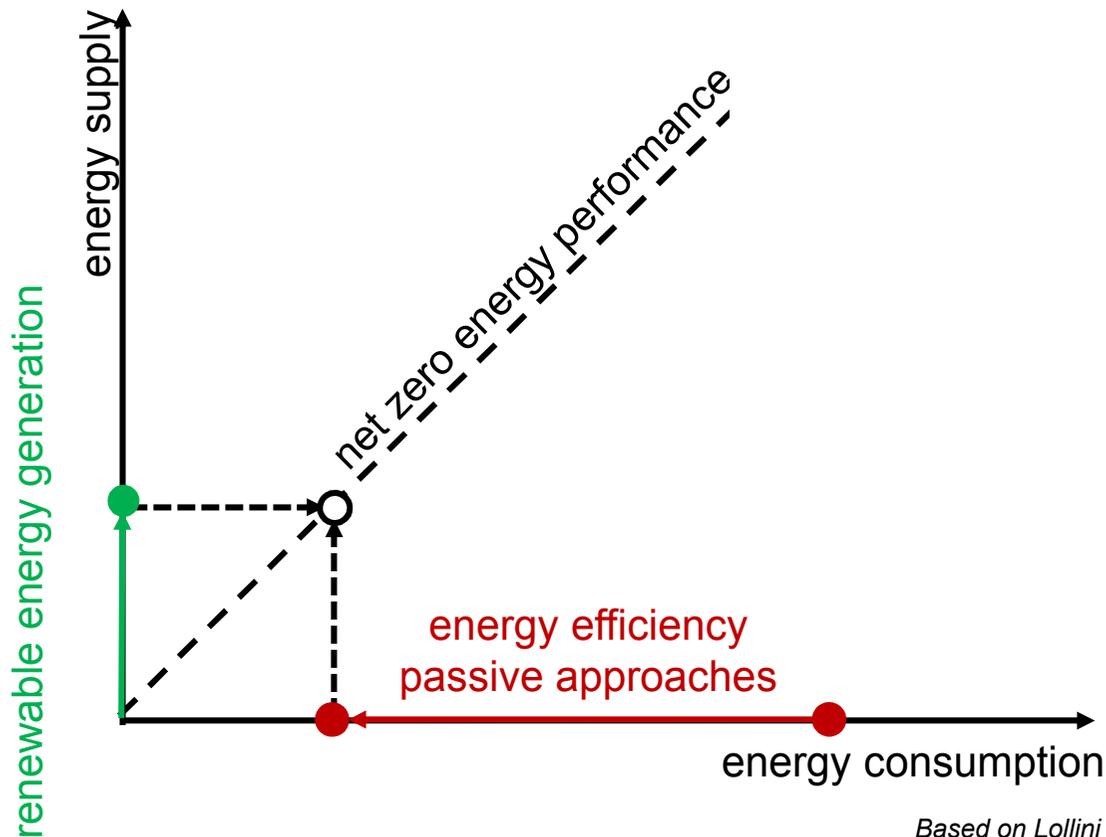
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NZEB Definition



source: Sartori et al.

■ Principle of Nearly Zero Energy Buildings (NZEBs)



Framework for consistent definition

- Building system boundary
Physical boundary (“on-site”)
Balance boundary (“type of energy”)
- Weighting system
Metrics (“Primary energy, CO₂”)
Symmetric weighting
Time dependent weighting
- Net ZEB Balance
Balancing period (“annual or shorter”)
Type of balance (e.g. “import/export”)
Energy efficiency requirements
Energy supply requirements
- Temporal energy match characteristic
Load mismatch (e.g. summer surplus)
Grid interaction
- Measurement and verification

■ Open questions

- How is an NZEB reached most energy- and cost-effectively?
- How should heat pumps be integrated?



■ Objectives

1. Optimisation of heat pump concepts for NZEB
2. Evaluation of system integration options for NZEB
3. Requirements for further developments to exploit specific performance opportunities (e.g. multi-source ability, capacity control, temperature lift)



■ Scope

- Residential buildings (focus on space heating, DHW)
- small commercial buildings (focus on space heating/cooling, ventilation)

■ Task 1: State-of-the-art technology and concepts

- Classification of available envelope and system technology as well as concepts for NZEB
- Definition of an NZEB for the IEA HPP Annex 40

■ Steps:

- Survey/evaluation of existing technology and concepts
- Check of suitability for new buildings and retrofit
- Summary of most promising state-of-the-art concepts/technologies
- Missing components and development options for NZEB

■ Deliverables (as country reports)

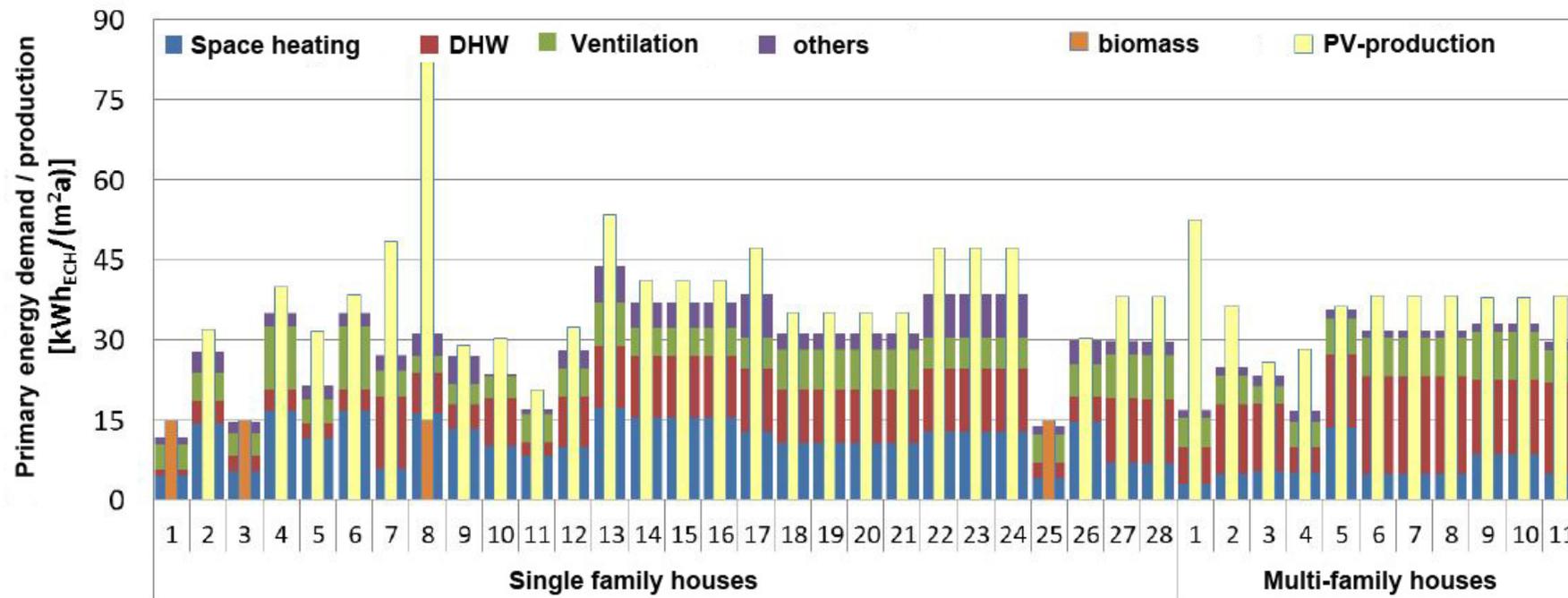
- Categorisation of concepts for NZEBs
- Technology matrix of suitable building and system components



Evaluation Swiss MINERGIE-A[®] Label - residential

MINERGIE-A[®]

- MINERGIE-A[®] is a common approach for NZEB in Switzerland
- Evaluation of 39 certified residential MINERGIE-A[®] houses
- Average weighted demand is about 29 kWh/(m²a) to be compensated with PV-production
- Average installed peak power of the solar PV system is 5.5 ± 3 kW_p
- 80% of the buildings use heat pumps, only few use biomass, some solar DHW



source: Hall

■ Task 2: Assessment of concepts

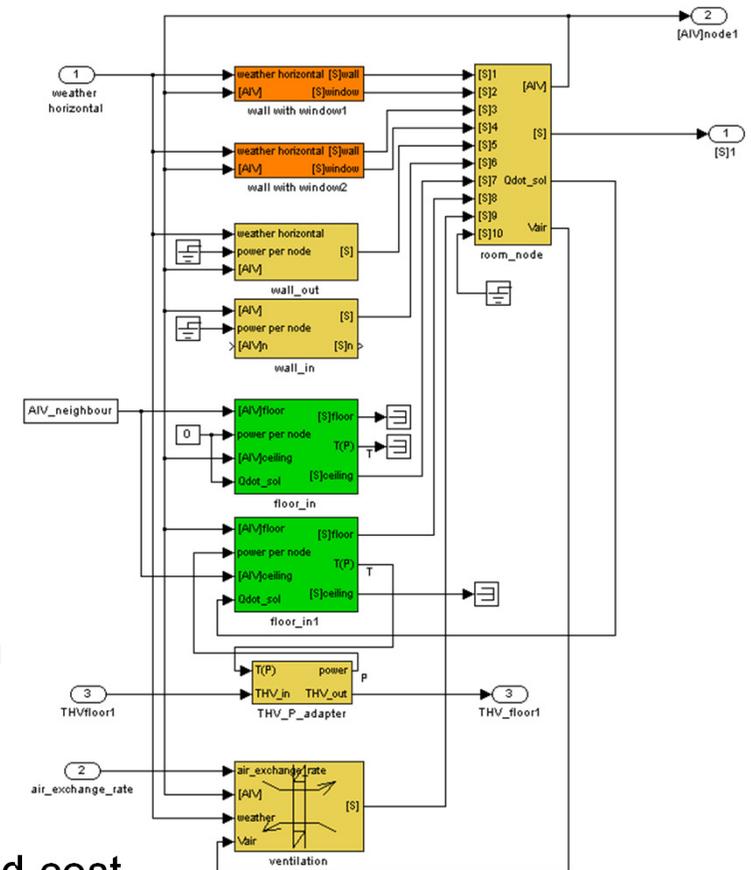
- Assessment of
 - technology options
- regarding the performance and cost

■ Steps

- Comparison of technologies and concepts
- Improvement of concepts by calculation/simulation
- Design and performance evaluation
- Control of systems
- Recommendation on system configuration and operation

■ Deliverables

- Adapted technology for NZEB regarding performance and cost
- Improved building technology and integration



■ Task 3: Technology development and field monitoring

- Requirements for technology development
 - of heat pumps including the source and sink systems
- Investigation of prototype systems in lab- and field testing



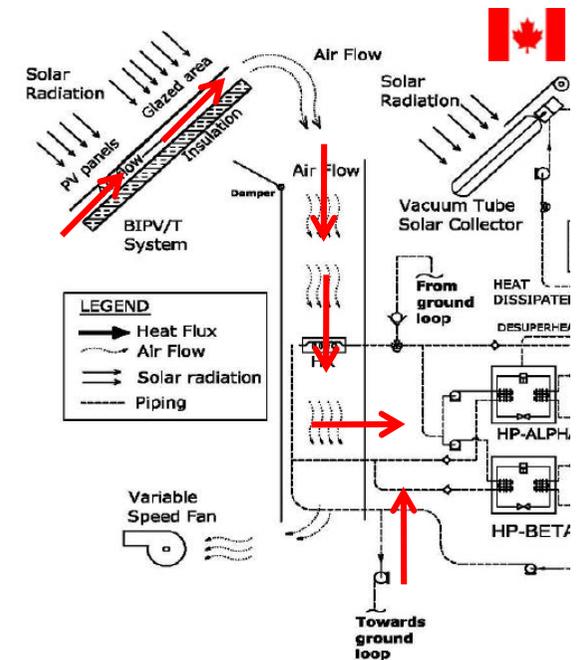
source: IVT

■ Approaches

- Building integration of renewable energies
- Multi-source heat pumps
- Advanced controls, capacity control
- Efficient DHW solutions
- Refrigerants

■ Deliverables (as country reports)

- Adapted components and systems as prototypes
- System concepts approved by field-monitoring



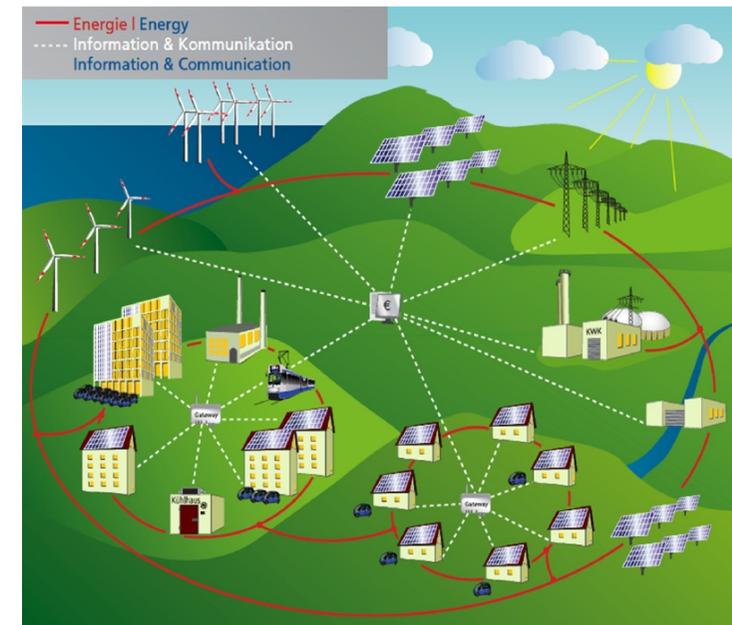
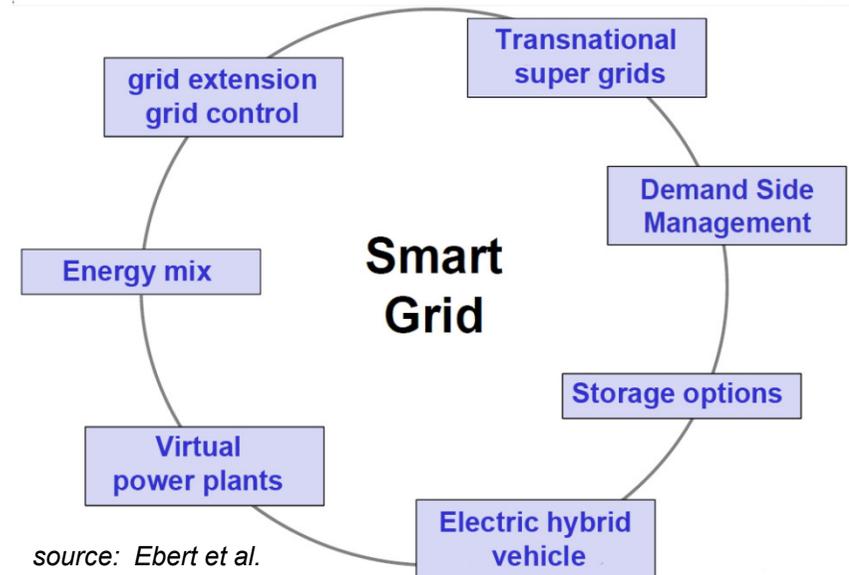
source: Pogharian, Candanedo, Athienitis

■ Task 4: Broad introduction of NZEB: Integration of buildings into the energy system

- Load mismatch
- Grid interaction
- Needs for storage, e.g.
 - Electrical or thermal storage systems
 - Heat pump to store electrical surplus as heating/cooling energy

■ Approaches

- How can self-consumption be optimised?
 - Potentials of “smart” (ICT)-technologies
 - Load/generation management
 - Storage integration
- Is a definition for a single building useful?
 - “Clusters of buildings”
 - “Smart cities”



IEA HPP Annex 40 – Deliverables

■ Scope

- Concepts and technologies for NZEB with heat pumps
- Residential and small commercial buildings
- All buildings services as needed

■ Deliverables

- Technical recommendations, methods and tools for concepts and design
- Test results of prototype technologies
- System assessment by simulations
- Simulations models
- Field experience of systems in NZEB
- Best practice systems
- Accompanying technical reports

■ Project time

- July 2012 – June 2015



■ Participating countries (state March 2013)



CA: CanmetENERGY, Natural Ressources, Hydro-Quebec



CH: Univ. Appl. Sc. Rapperswil, Univ. Appl. Sc. Northwestern Switzerland



JP: Uni Nagoya, Japanese manufacturers



NL: SEV



NO: SINTEF Energy Research, COWI, Enova SF



SE: SP, SVEP



US: ORNL, NIST, University of Maryland

■ Interested countries



BE: Daikin Europe NV, Uni Liège, Th!nk E



DE: Viessmann GmbH, Uni Nürnberg, HLK Stuttgart GmbH, Fraunhofer ISE



FI: Aalto University, VTT, SULPU



KR: Korean Institute of Energy Research (KIER)

■ Common items

- NZEB could be an application case for solar cooling & heating
- Load match evaluation and load management
- Simulation work
- Developments for heat pump and chiller
- Integration options of heat pump/chiller with PV and solar thermal
- Storage integration



■ Conclusion

- Projects have synergies
- Projects also complementary (focus cooling, countries involved, systems etc.)
- Collaboration useful

Thank you for your attention!



Kick-off meeting IEA HPP Annex 40 in July 2012 at HSR Rapperswil, Switzerland