

Integrated Strategic Heating and Cooling Planning on regional level for the case of Brasov

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Integrated Strategic Heating and Cooling Planning Process

▶ Integrated:

- Demand and supply are not seen as independent dimensions but are interlinked
- Heating sector connected at least with the power sector

▶ Strategic:

- Whole planning process should be guided by a “desired final state” (efficient, renewable and affordable low carbon system)
- Includes framework conditions: (policies, economic assumptions etc. and their development play an important role in the strategic planning process)

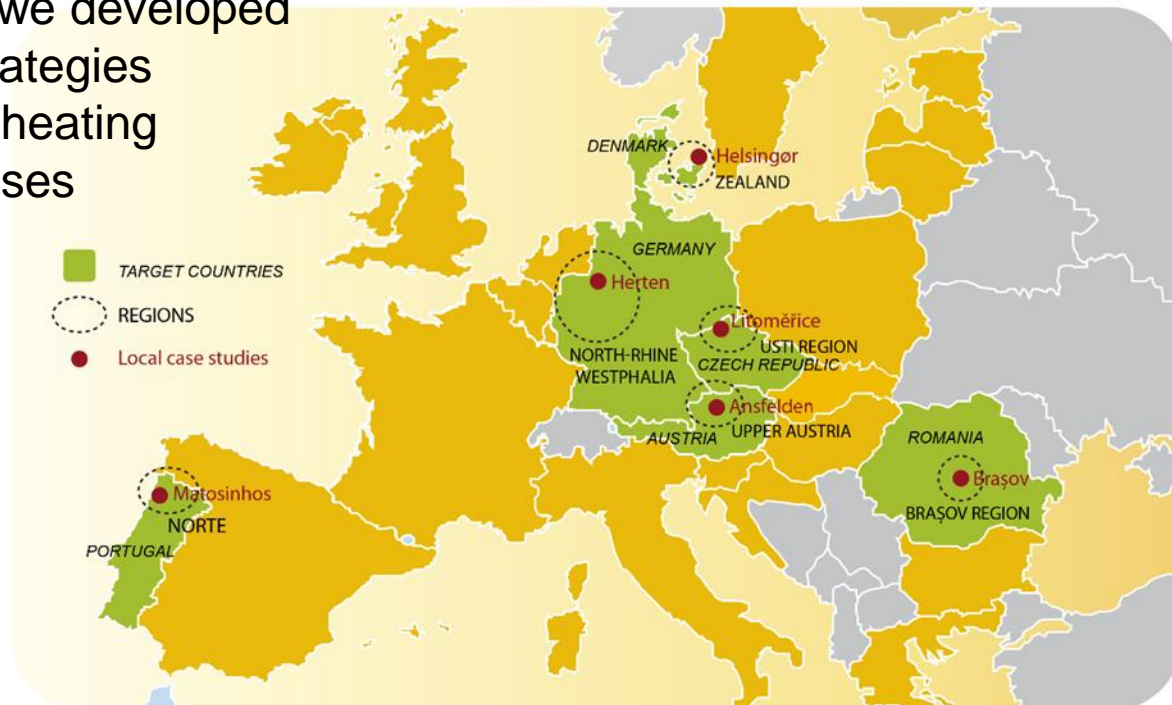
▶ Planning Process:

- All steps accompanied by intensive and target-group oriented information campaigns and involvement of all relevant stakeholders in order to ensure the achievement of the desired objectives

Project: progRESsHEAT (2015-2017)



- ▶ Aim: Assisting local, regional, national and EU political leaders in developing policies and strategies to ensure a strong and fast deployment of renewable and efficient heating and cooling systems
- ▶ 6 Local case studies where we developed local heating and cooling strategies through integrated strategic heating and cooling planning processes
- ▶ Case of Brasov
- ▶ www.progressheat.eu



Implementation of Integrated Strategic Heating and Cooling Planning Process in progRESsHEAT

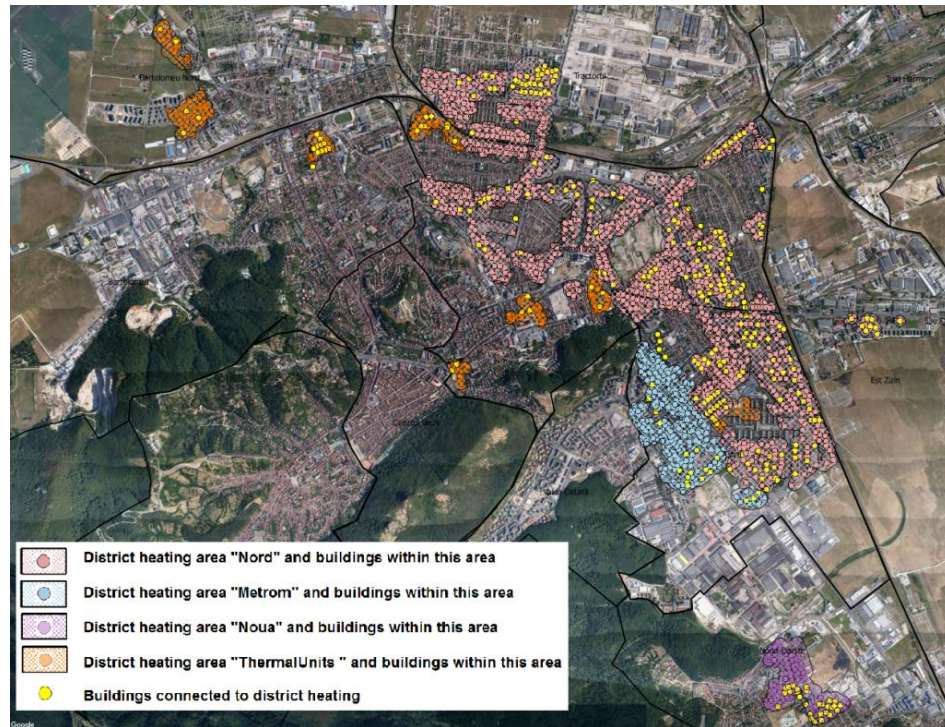
- ▶ Empirical analysis:
 - Interviews & surveys
 - Barriers and success factor

- ▶ Policy assistance process:
 - Policy Group Meetings
 - Policy Workshops
 - Capacity building workshops

- ▶ Quantitative analysis:
 - Analysis of current demand and supply + RES potentials
 - Development of modelling frameworks
 - Economic feasibility of technical solutions
 - Detection of business cases and need for policy

Brasov case study - Status quo

- ▶ Municipal area: 158 km²
- ▶ Inhabitants: 274 500 (2014)
- ▶ Altitude: 625 m
- ▶ Detailed building stock data:
 - ~17 000 buildings (category, location, floor area, age)
 - ~9.8 Mio m² floor area
- ▶ Demand for SH&DHW: ~1400 GWh
- ▶ District heating supply ~5% (~67 GWh)
 - Four DH areas
 - 36 km transport network (13 km renewed) + 70 km distribution network (16 km renewed) (owned by municipality)
 - Old & overdimensioned / very high network losses: >50%!! / unreliable → many disconnection
 - External supplier:
11 (new) CHP gas engines (43 MW_{el} / 38 MW_{th}) + natural gas boiler (107 MW_{th})
- ▶ Remaining heat demand (~95%) supplied by natural gas boiler



Modelling Framework

Idea: Find cost optimal combination for consumer between...

...for different building classes located in different areas of the municipality

Heat savings

- ▶ Minimization of investments into building envelope (windows, roof, basement, walls) to achieve 10 different levels of heat savings relative to national building code (incl. maintenance)
- ▶ Levelized costs of heat savings (EUR/kWh_{saved}) derived for different building classes in Invert/EE-Lab¹⁾ (10 categories / 3 construction periods)

Heat supply options

- ▶ LCOH of individual technologies (biomass-, oil- & gas boiler, HPs)

$$LCOH = \frac{(IC * cap * CRF + costs_{O\&M})}{Heat\ Demand} + \frac{costs_{fuel}}{efficiency}$$

- ▶ LCODH District heating
 - Sensitivity of LCODH depending on additional/ less heat demand (Dispatch optimisation model in energyPRO²⁾ for a reference and alternative DH supply scenario)
 - GIS based analysis:
Four different types of areas
 - District heating areas
 - Next-to-DH areas
 - Individual areas
 - Scattered Buildings/ Individual buildings

→ Choose heat saving level that is most economic with cheapest supply option per building

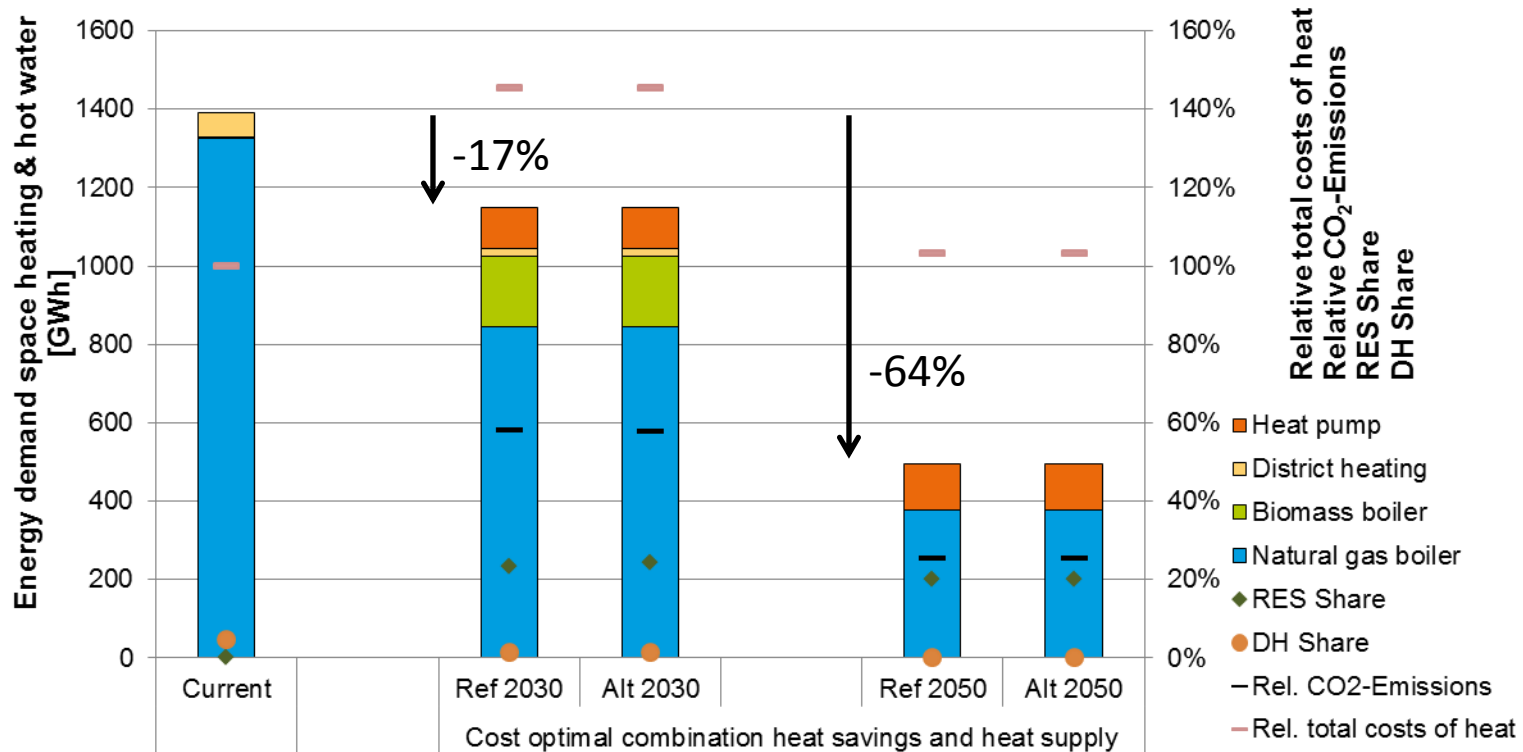
$$\min(HS * LCOHS + (HD - HS) * LCOH)$$

→ Calculate new levelized costs of heat supply options after implemented heat savings

¹⁾<http://www.invert.at/>

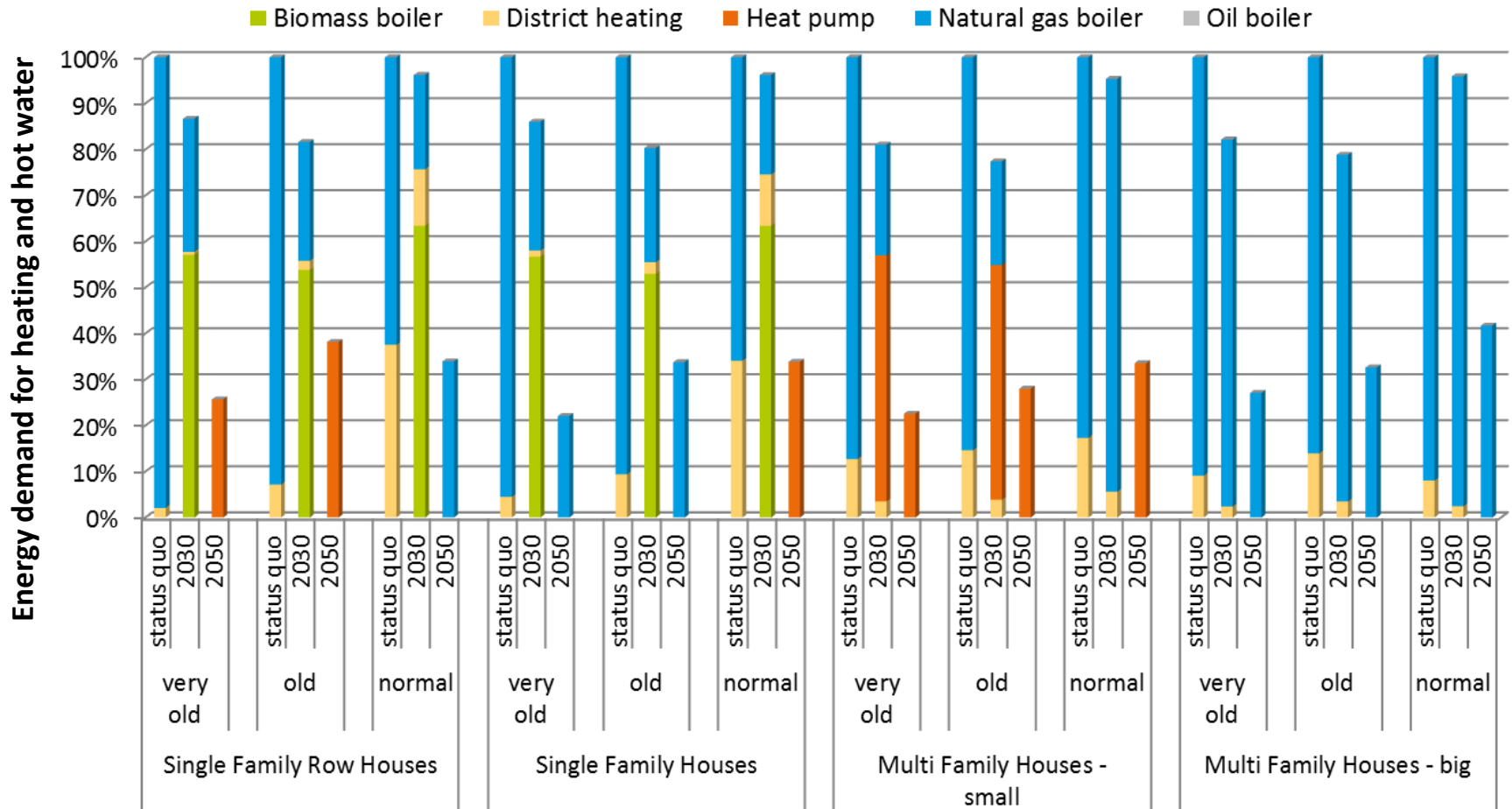
²⁾<http://www.emd.dk/energypro/>

Cost optimal combination of savings and supply for whole building stock in Brasov in Ref. and Alt. scenarios 2030/2050



- ▶ Almost no difference in reference and alternative scenario because DH is not economical
 - Ref and Alt scenario refer to two scenarios for the DH supply portfolio
- ▶ Heat savings until 2030 limited by renovation rate (~18-30% depending on building category) + limited replacement of heating system (~60%)
- ▶ Until 2050 full saving potential

Cost optimal combination of savings and supply in different residential building types in different scenarios



- ▶ Heat savings until 2030 limited by renovation rate (~18-30% depending on building category) + limited replacement of heating system (~60%) → only these buildings switch heating system
- ▶ Until 2050 full saving potential → all buildings switch to cheapest combination

Conclusions and discussion

- ▶ “Most economic” solution is not necessarily “best” or “desired” solution

Limitations: optimal vs. real behaviour, only per building class, rough GIS analysis (same costs within area), detail of modelling, data availability, economic assumptions, renewable potentials,

- ▶ Importance of integrated strategic heating and cooling planning
 - We need a target (“desired final state”) and develop a strategy to get there
 - We need to include framework conditions
 - We need to integrate relevant stakeholders and get public acceptance
 - We need to include effects of heat savings vs. economy of (DH) supply
- ▶ Change in framework conditions/ policies is needed to reach “desired final state”
 - Policy assessment performed for Brasov based on the presented method
 - Paper: Impact of policy framework on the future of district heating in Brasov
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Thank you for your attention!

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