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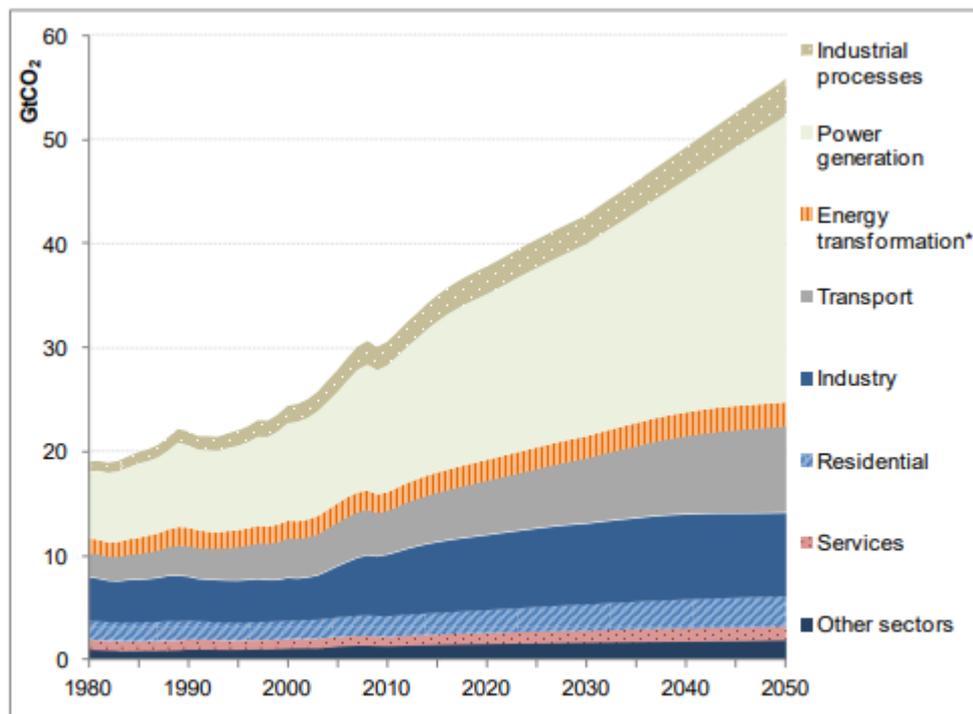


**Low carbon public buildings-targets and challenges up to 2050**



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# INTRODUCTION - CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSION FORECAST UP TO YEAR 2050



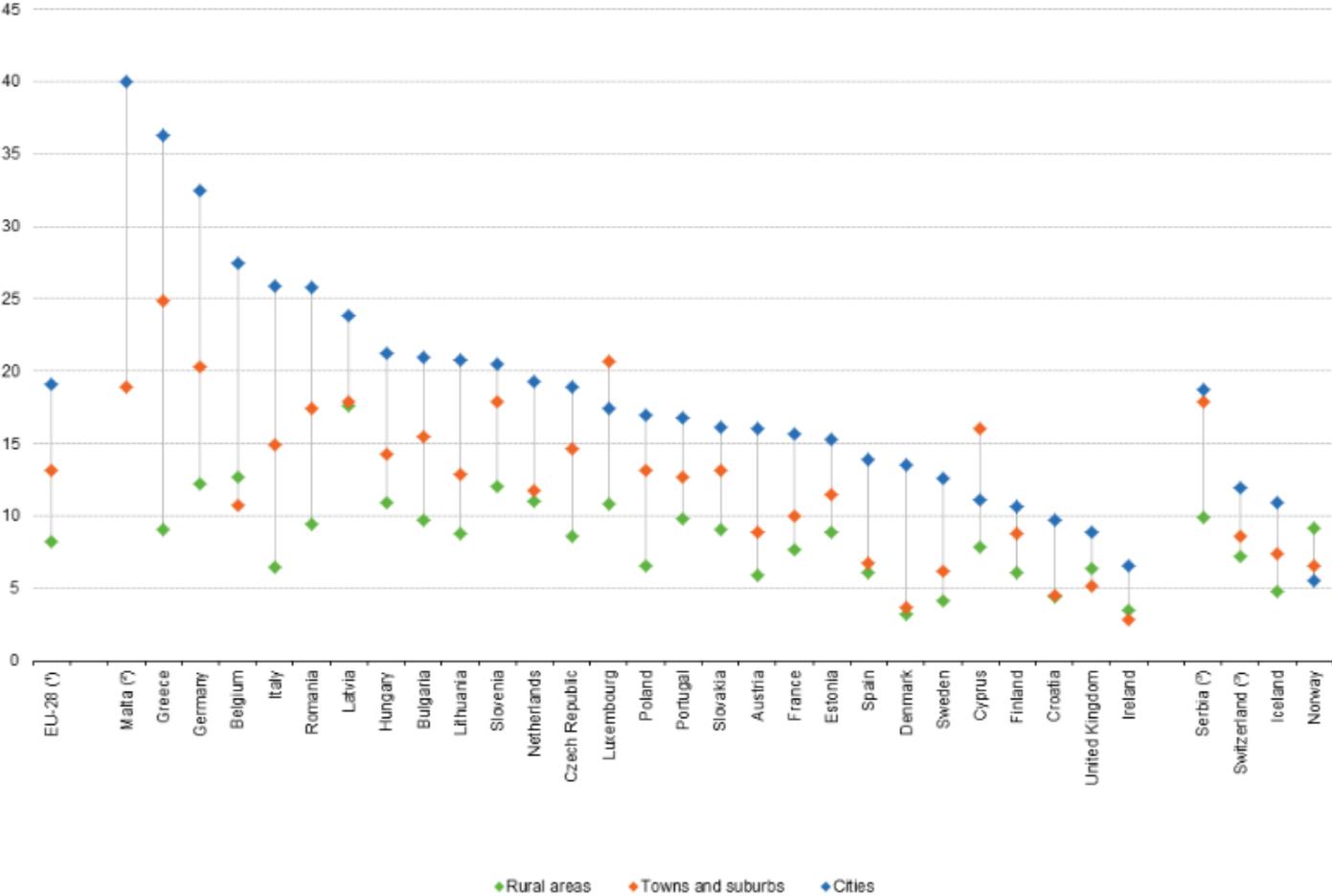
Note: The category "energy transformation" includes emissions from oil refineries, coal and gas liquefaction.

Source: OECD Environmental Outlook Baseline; output from IMAGE.

Graph1 Structure of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in period from 1980 to 2010 and forecast up to 2050  
(Source: OECD)



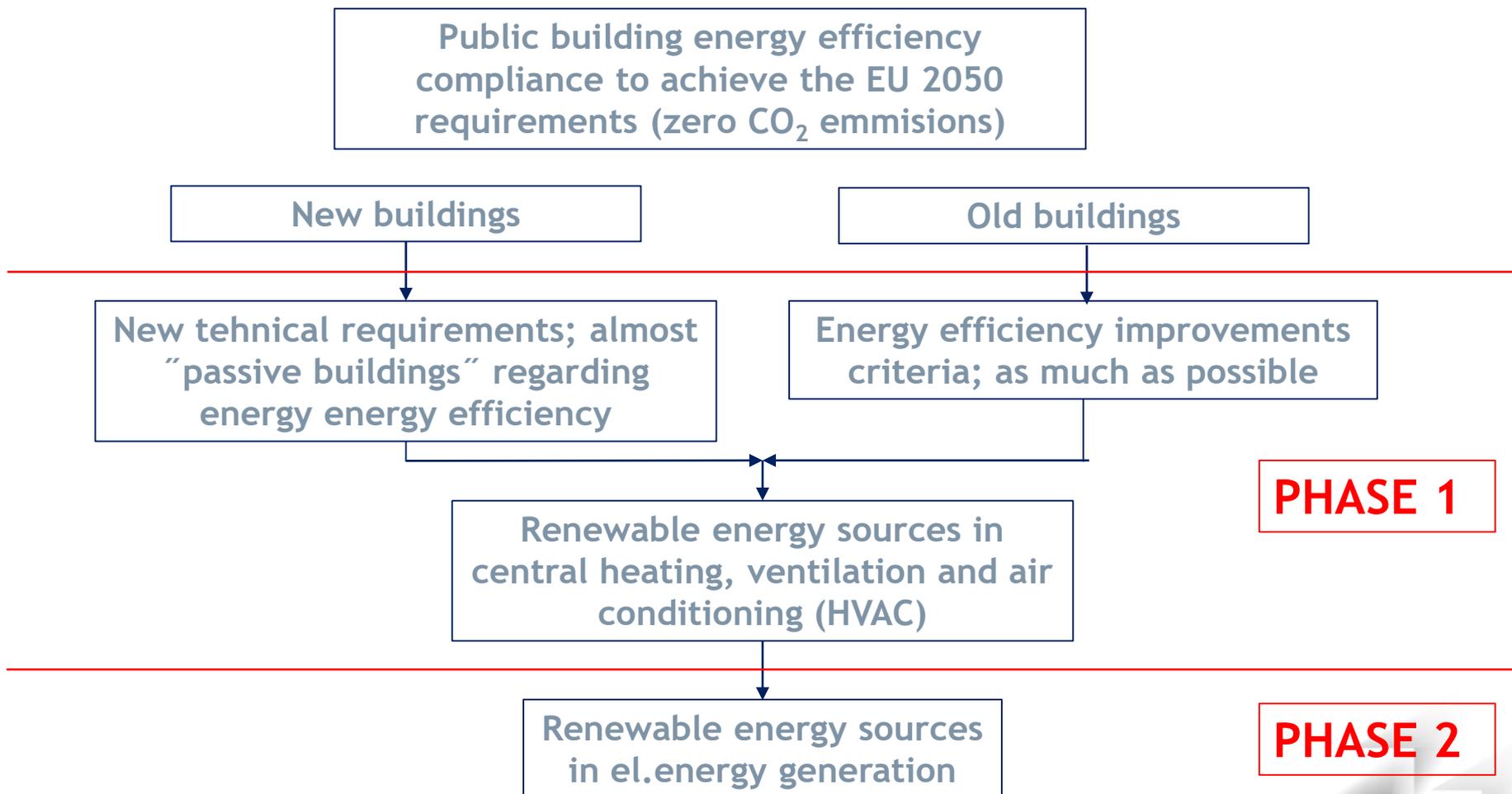
# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT



Graph2 Pollution exposure and level of urbanisation in EU countries



# THE PUBLIC BUILDINGS CHALLENGE - ENERGY EFFICIENCY EU REQUIREMENTS FULLFILMENT UP TO 2050



# RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES (RES) AND LOW TEMPERATURE HEATING (LTH)

The actual design methods for heating systems are based on the utilisation of the huge temperature drop. Renewable Energy Sources (RES) provide much smaller temperature interval operating at significantly lower temperatures. Wall and floor heating systems fit specific well into a LTH design. Also, air heating, enlarged radiators and convectors can be applied.



Lowered ceiling



Wall/ceiling (in mortar)



Wall (dry construction)

*Picture 1,2,3* Elements of Low Temperature Heating (LTH)



# RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES PERSPECTIVE

## The EMERSON SG company statement:

“ By replacing the traditional solution of central heating, fossil fuel boilers and air conditioning systems, heat pumps for central heating and air conditioning, 40-50% of energy savings are achieved.”

<https://climate.emerson.com/en-us/industries/processing>



ENERGY CONSUMPTION	HEAVY OIL BOILERS (CURRENT SOLUTION)	HEAT PUMPS	BIOMASS BOILERS	NATURAL GAS BOILERS
Fuel net (kWh/god.)	5.607.490	5.607.490	5.607.490	5.607.490
Heat losses of the source (kWh/year)	785.049	0	504.674	448.599
Heat transfer losses (kWh/year)	560.749	0	0	0
El.energy (kWh/year)	1.604.000	1.393.760	1.604.000	1.604.000
El.energy generated (kWh/year)	0	0	-1.728.000	0
Water (m3/year)	117.000	110.000	117.000	117.000
<b>YEARLY ENERGY COST (A)</b>	<b>7.471.200 kn</b>	<b>3.706.132 kn</b>	<b>4.448.615 kn</b>	<b>5.515.159 kn</b>
Fuel net (a)	3.575.000 kn	841.124 kn	1.233.648 kn	2.186.921 kn
Heat losses of the source (b)	500.500 kn	0 kn	61.682 kn	174.954 kn
Heat transfer losses (c)	357.500 kn	0 kn	0 kn	0 kn
<b>Total fuel cost (a+b+c)</b>	<b>4.433.000 kn</b>	<b>841.124 kn</b>	<b>1.295.330 kn</b>	<b>2.361.875 kn</b>
El.energy consumed	1.283.200 kn	1.215.008 kn	1.398.284 kn	1.398.284 kn
El.energy generated (kWh/year)	0 kn	0 kn	0 kn	0 kn
Water (m3/year)	1.755.000 kn	1.650.000 kn	1.755.000 kn	1.755.000 kn
<b>TOTAL (A):</b>	<b>7.471.200 kn</b>	<b>3.706.132 kn</b>	<b>4.448.615 kn</b>	<b>5.515.159 kn</b>
<b>MANPOWER COST (B)</b>	744.049 kn	0 kn	0 kn	0 kn
<b>TOTAL YEARLY COSTS (A+B)</b>	8.215.249 kn	3.706.132 kn	4.448.615 kn	5.515.159 kn
<b>SAVINGS</b>	<b>0 kn</b>	<b>4.509.118 kn</b>	<b>3.766.634 kn</b>	<b>2.700.090 kn</b>
<b>SAVINGS BALANCE SHEET</b>				
		<b>HEAT PUMP</b>	<b>BIOMASS</b>	<b>NATURAL GAS</b>
Investment cost		9.000.000 kn	12.600.000 kn	4.500.000 kn
Yearly energy costs		3.706.132 kn	4.448.615 kn	5.515.159 kn
Yearly maintenance cost		100.000 kn	110.000 kn	100.000 kn
Yearly savings		4.509.118 kn	3.766.634 kn	2.700.090 kn
Return on investment (year)		2,9	4,7	3,8

*Table 1* Potential solutions of central heating/air conditioning system upgrade in public building with high energy demand (1EUR=7,5kn)



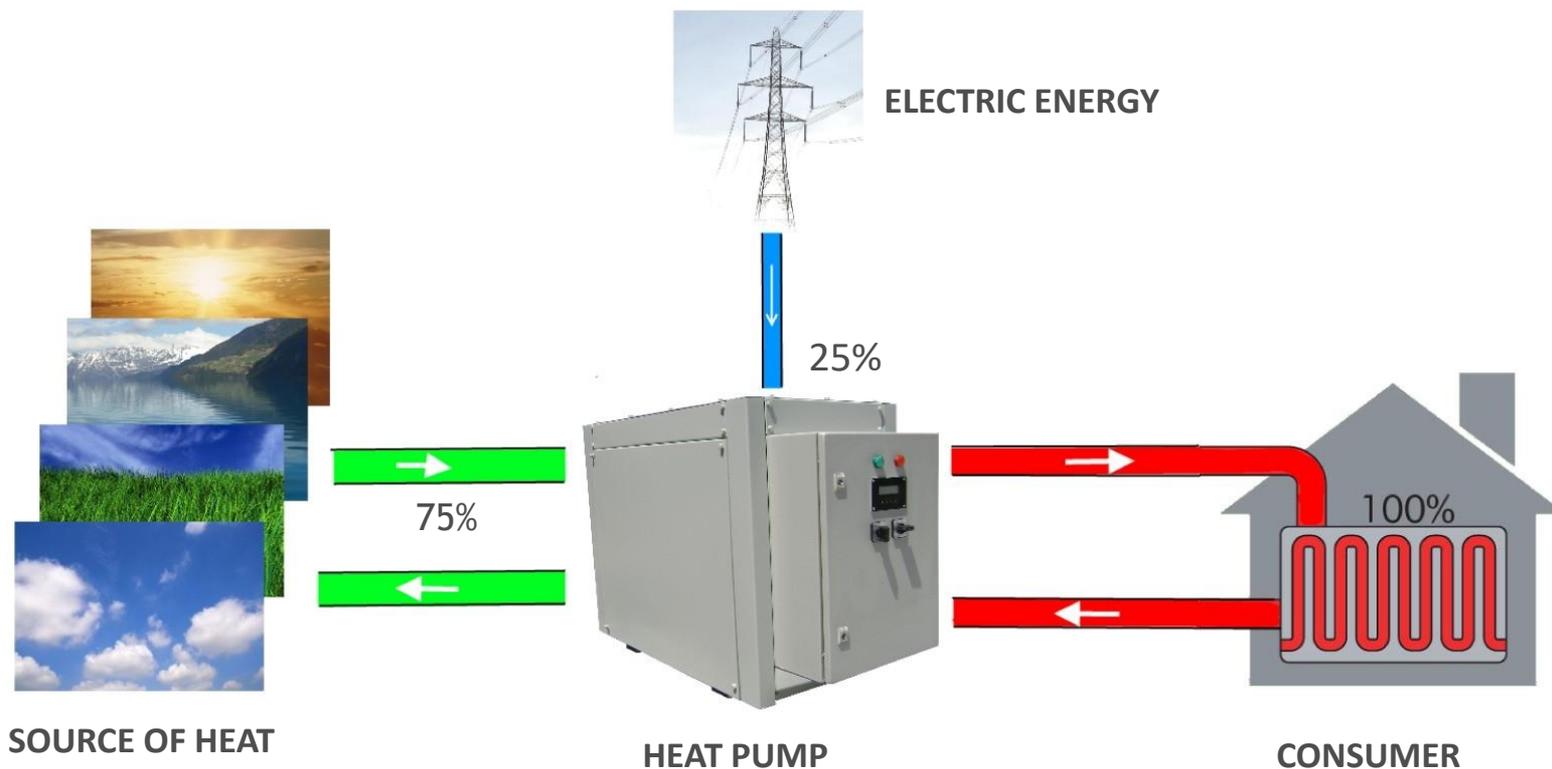
CENTRAL HEATING AND CLIMATISATION	CURRENT CONDITION	NEW
Central heating and climatization solution	Fossil fuel	Renewable sources of energy, waste heat recovery
Energy consumption (MWh/year)	12,1*	6,8
Heat unitary price (€/kWh)	0,04	<b><u>0,018</u></b>
Energy savings (kWh/year)	-	<b>5.300.000</b>
Savings (€/year)	-	<b><u>220.000</u></b>
Return on investment		<b><u>3,3 years</u></b>

Table2 Comparison of fossil fuel and heat pumps based RES solution of central heating and air conditioning for a building with high energy demands in Zagreb, Croatia



# HEAT PUMPS TECHNOLOGY PRINCIPLE

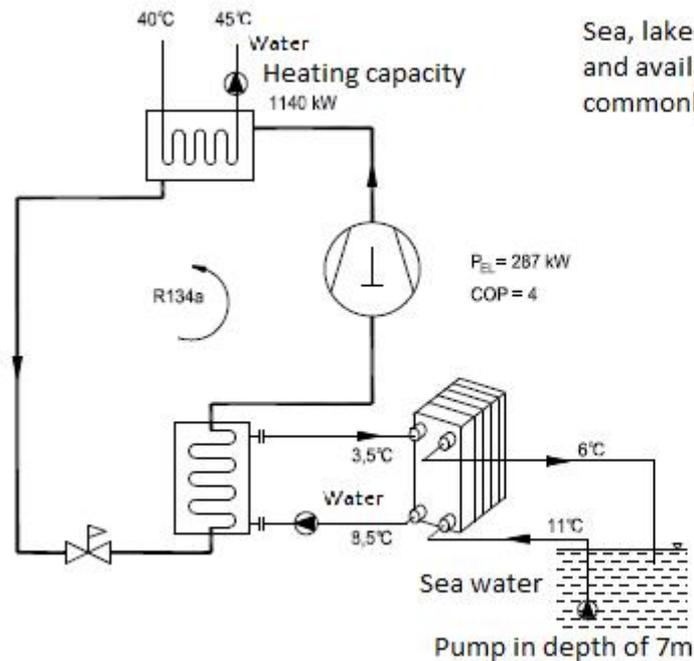
## DIZALICE TOPLINE



*Scheme 1 Heat pumps principle with different source/sink of heat opportunities*



# HEAT PUMPS SOLUTIONS OF HEATING/AIR CONDITIONING IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS



Sea, lakes and rivers nearby settlements have cheap and available source of heat. That kind of water are commonly used at temperatures above +4°C.



*Scheme 2 Heat pumps HVAC system using sea water as source/sink of heat provides energy and cost efficient solution of heating/air conditioning*



# BIOMASS SOURCES



Picture 4 Scope of biomass sources



# BIOMASS THERMAL ENERGY SOLUTIONS



Biomass boilers design is more complex and it requires much more space comparing to the fossil fuels ones and heat pumps so it significantly increase Investment costs of biomass central heating solution.

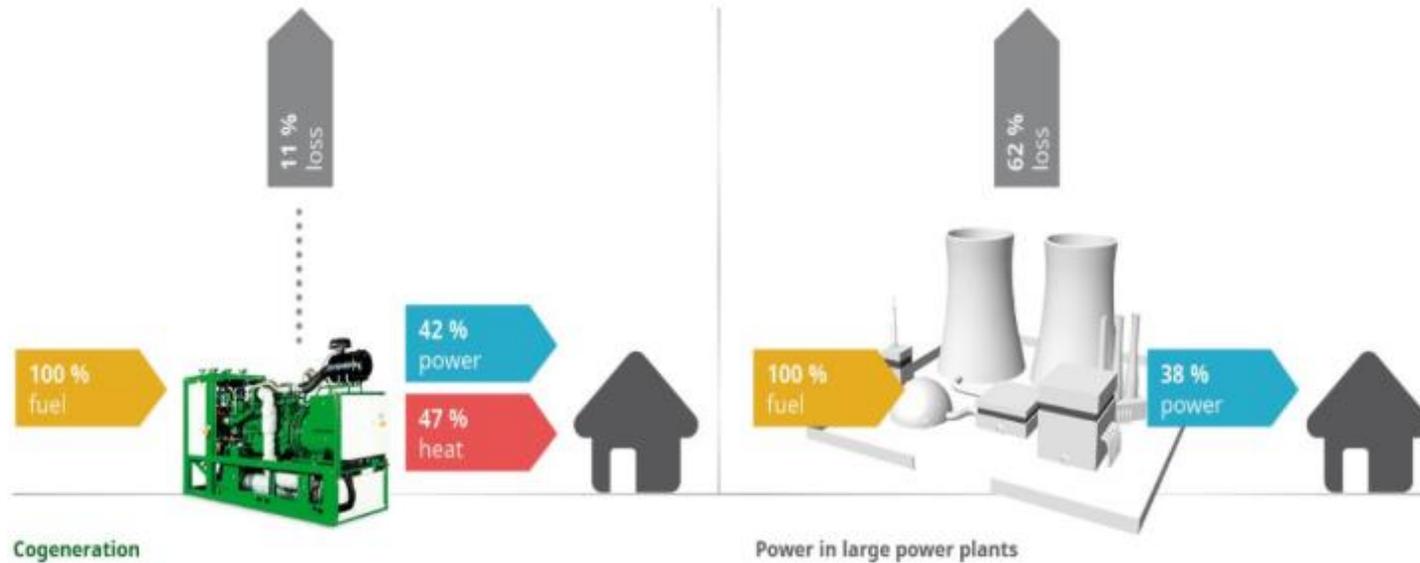
Biomass thermal energy cost is lowest comparing to the fossil fuel and heat pump solutions in areas within 100km from the source.



Picture 5,6,7 Hot water boiler driven by biomass, firebox and biomass dosing system



# COGENERATION IN PUBLIC BUILDING HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SOLUTIONS



*Scheme 3* Cogeneration of electrical and heat energy achieve higher efficiency (up to 89%) apart from big power plants el.energy production efficiency (up to 38%)



# WIND ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES IN RES OF PUBLIC BUILDING



**Picture 8** *Micro windturbines integrated within the urban zone environment*

Wind energy technologies may be divided in two categories;

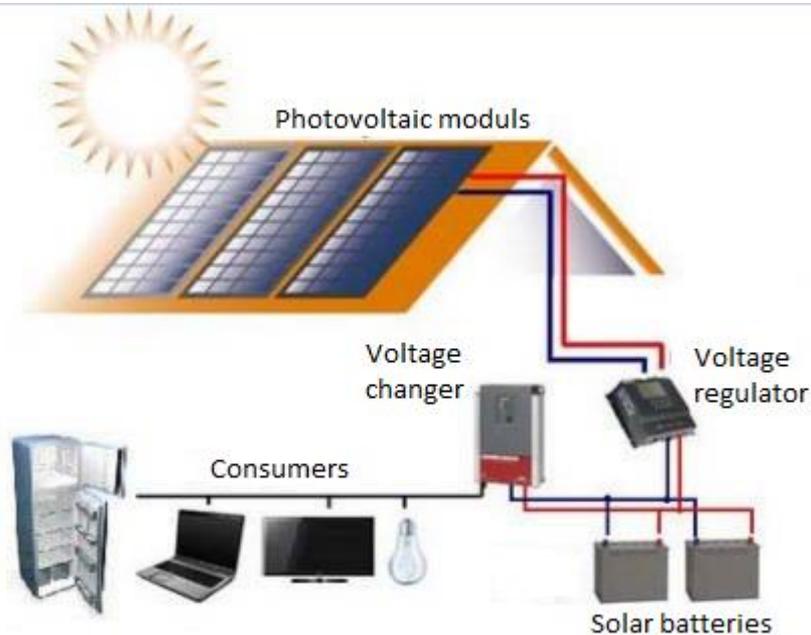
- ❖ Macro wind turbines used for big amount of energy generation in power plants,
- ❖ Micro wind turbines are used for local manufacturing of el.energy. They are suitable for buildings installing called “integrated windturbines”. The main windturbine components are: blades, impeller, gearbox and generator.

Micro wind turbines may operate in following conditions:

- off-grid (independent grid),
- on-grid (connected with public grid).



# PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY MODULES IN RES OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

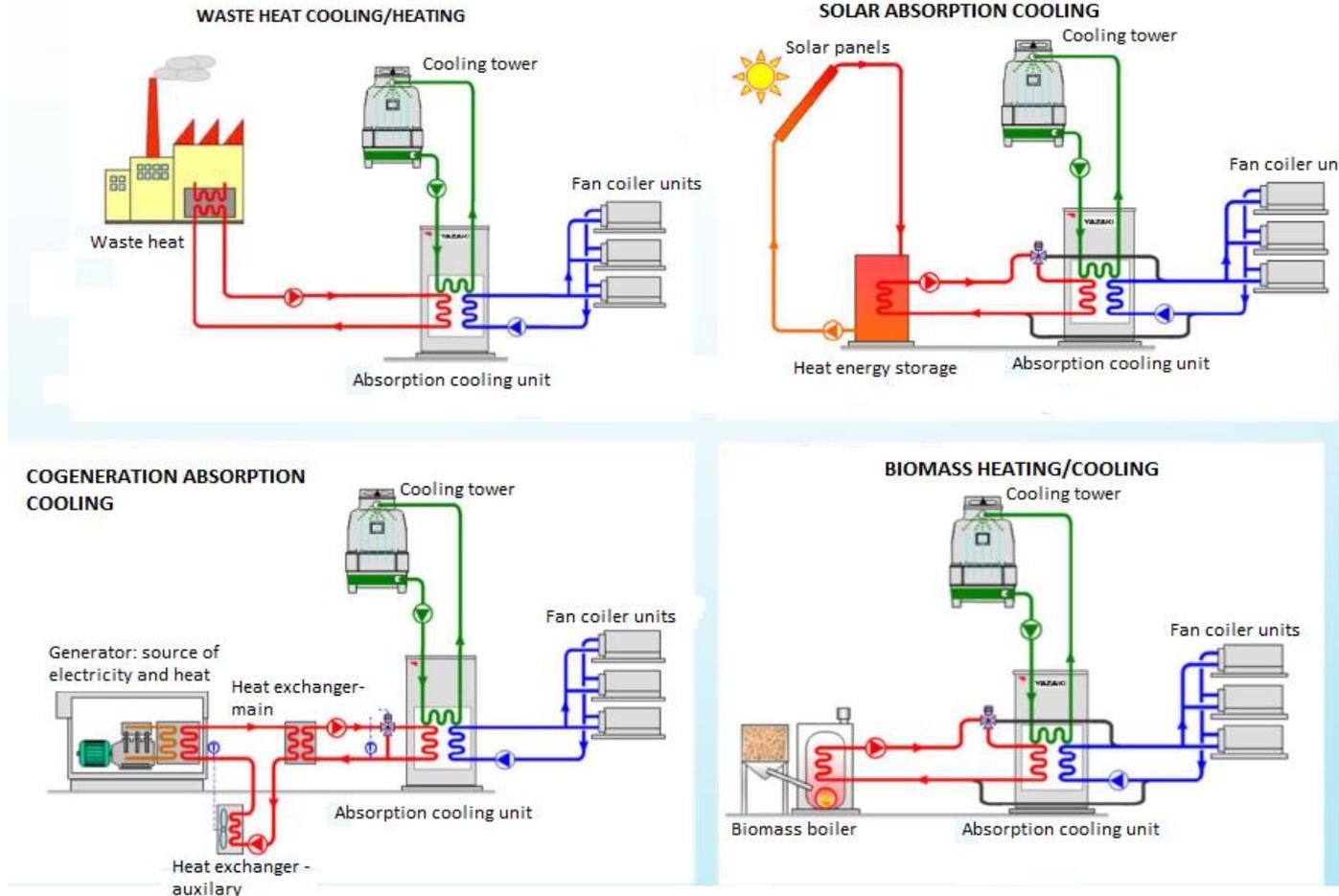


*Scheme 4 Photovoltaic off-grid system*

- There are two basic types of photovoltaic energy generation in houses and buildings:
- ❖ The independent photovoltaic systems which can not operate on public grid (off-grid),
  - ❖ The photovoltaic systems which may operate on public grid (on-grid).



# RES SOLUTIONS WITH ABSORPTION COOLING/HEATING UNITS



*Scheme 5* Zero CO<sub>2</sub> emission RES solution applicable in public buildings





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