



Thermal Urban Energy Systems

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'The right heat in the right place at the right time'

What is the right heat?

- **Sustainability**
 - Moving to more sustainable sources in time
- **Efficient**
 - Reduce primary energy consumption, i.e. reduce CO₂ emissions
 - Reduce costs
- **Amount**
 - Peaks in heat are high
 - Heat is ~50% of all final energy use, ~80% (excluding mobility) urban
- **Integrated**
 - The right temperature
 - From source to user
 - In new buildings / in old buildings
 - With other technologies
 - With other heat sources

Technical components

Innovating and improving technologies

Sources

Storage

Conversion

Distribution

System integration

Developing heat system configurations for local and regional conditions

Societal integration

Planning for a national integrated energy system

System Design

Governance

Monitoring and
Control

System
Optimization

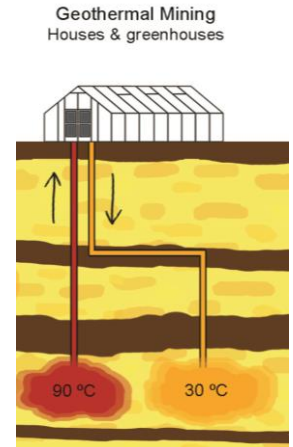
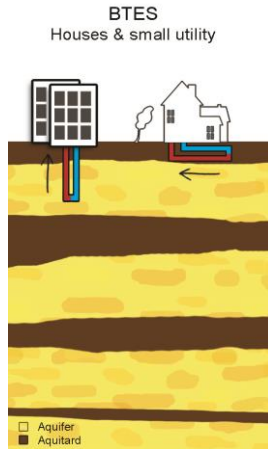
Decision
Framework

Policies and
Regulations

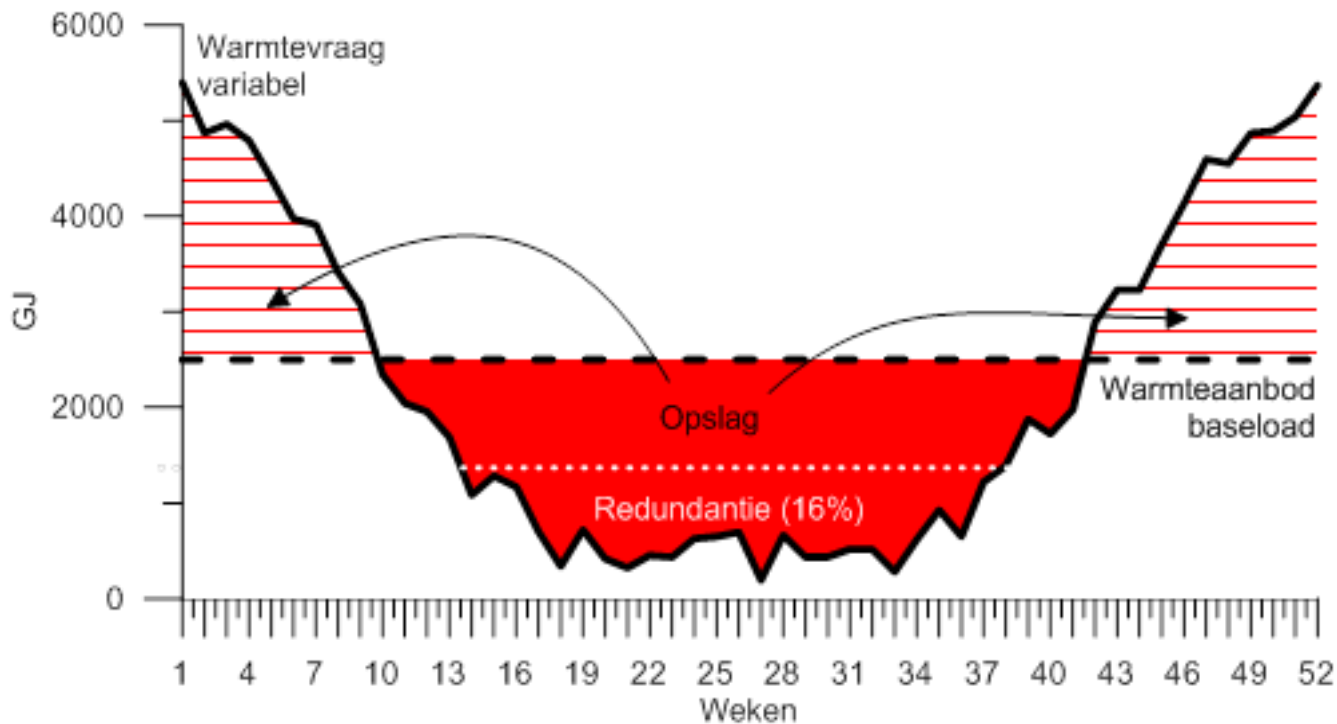
Public
Participation

Impact Analysis

Sources



Storage



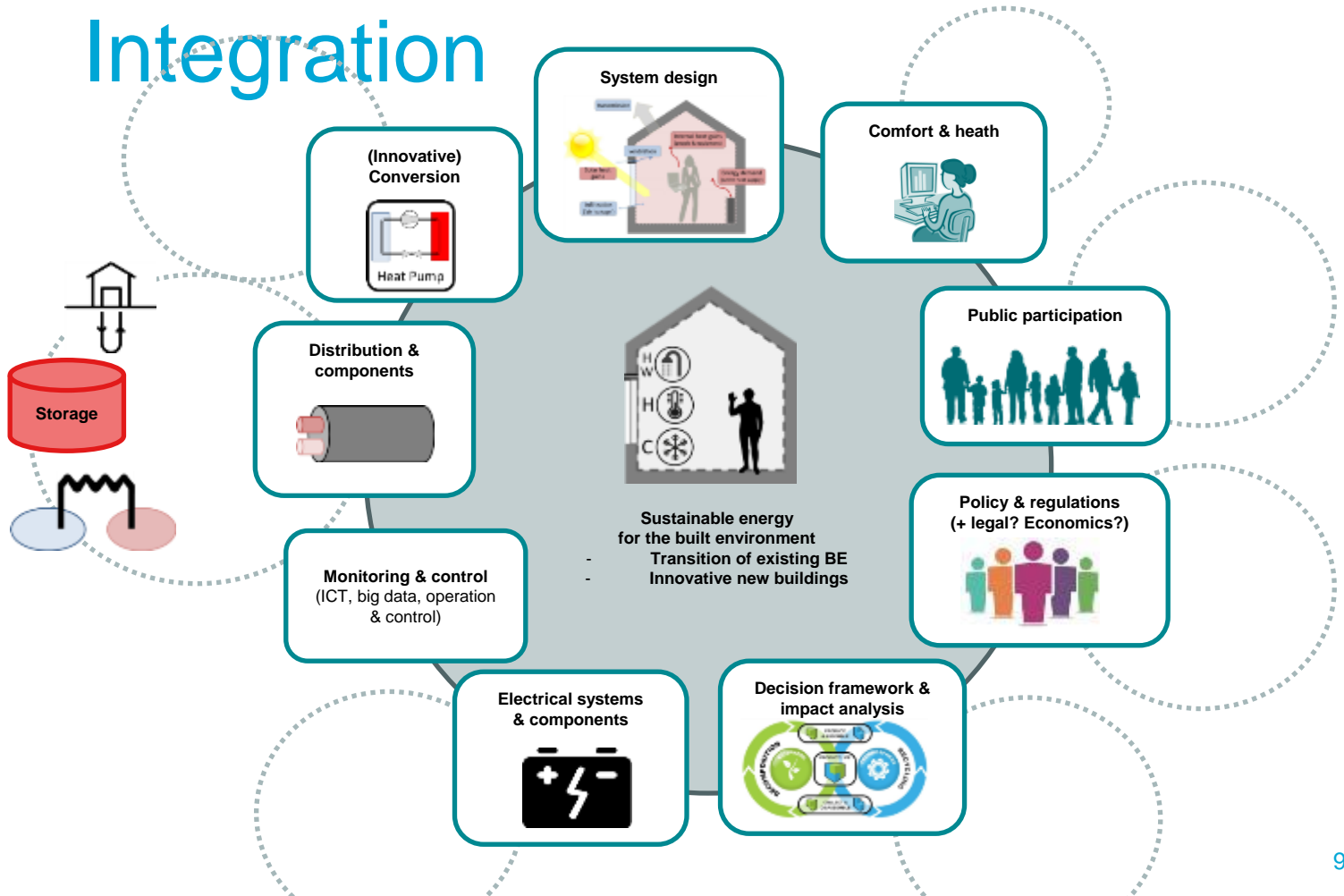
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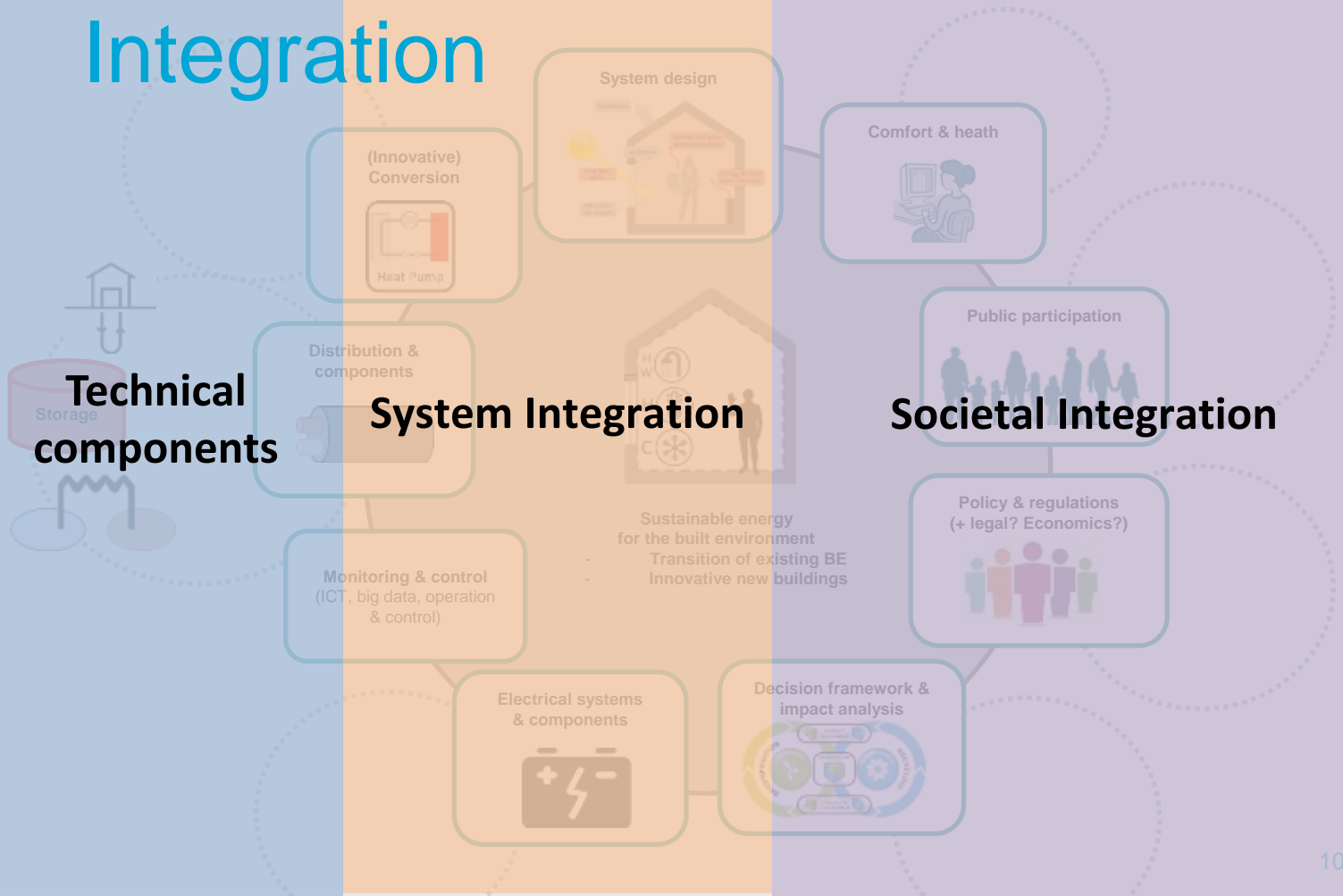


Integration



Challenges

Integration



Integration

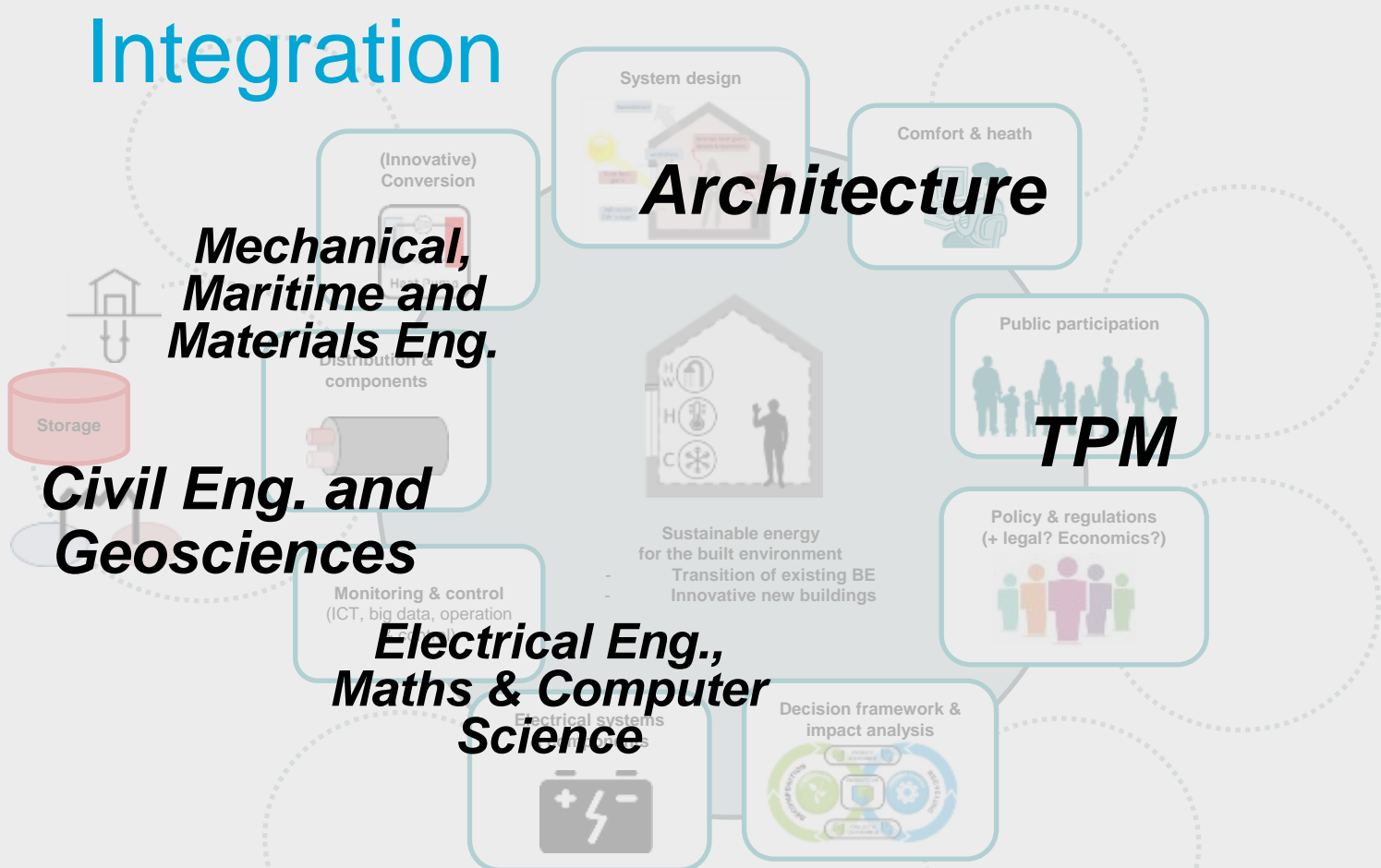


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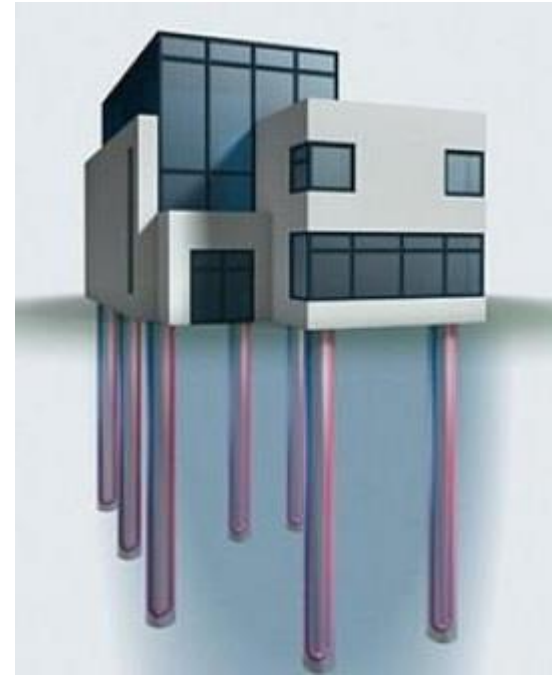
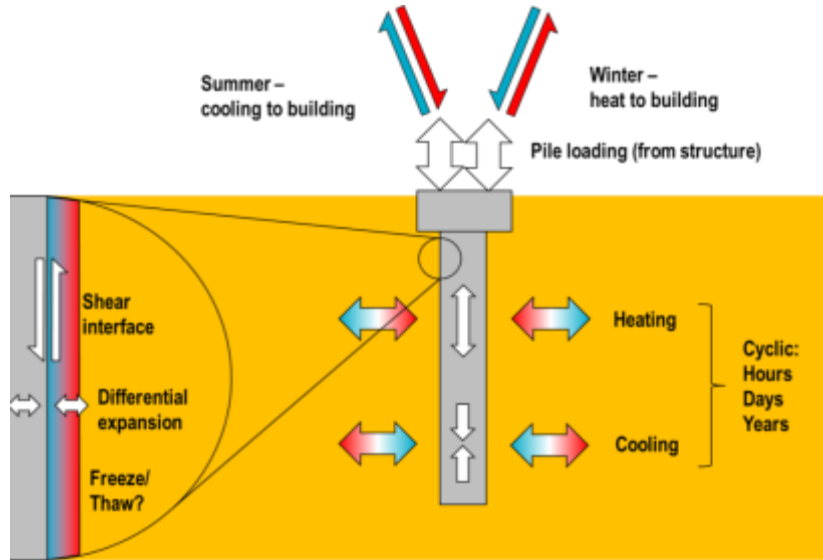
Uncertainty

- We need to better predict energy systems
 - Monitoring
 - Simulation
 - Changing in time
- Then we can design them better
- And use them better: multi-scale planning

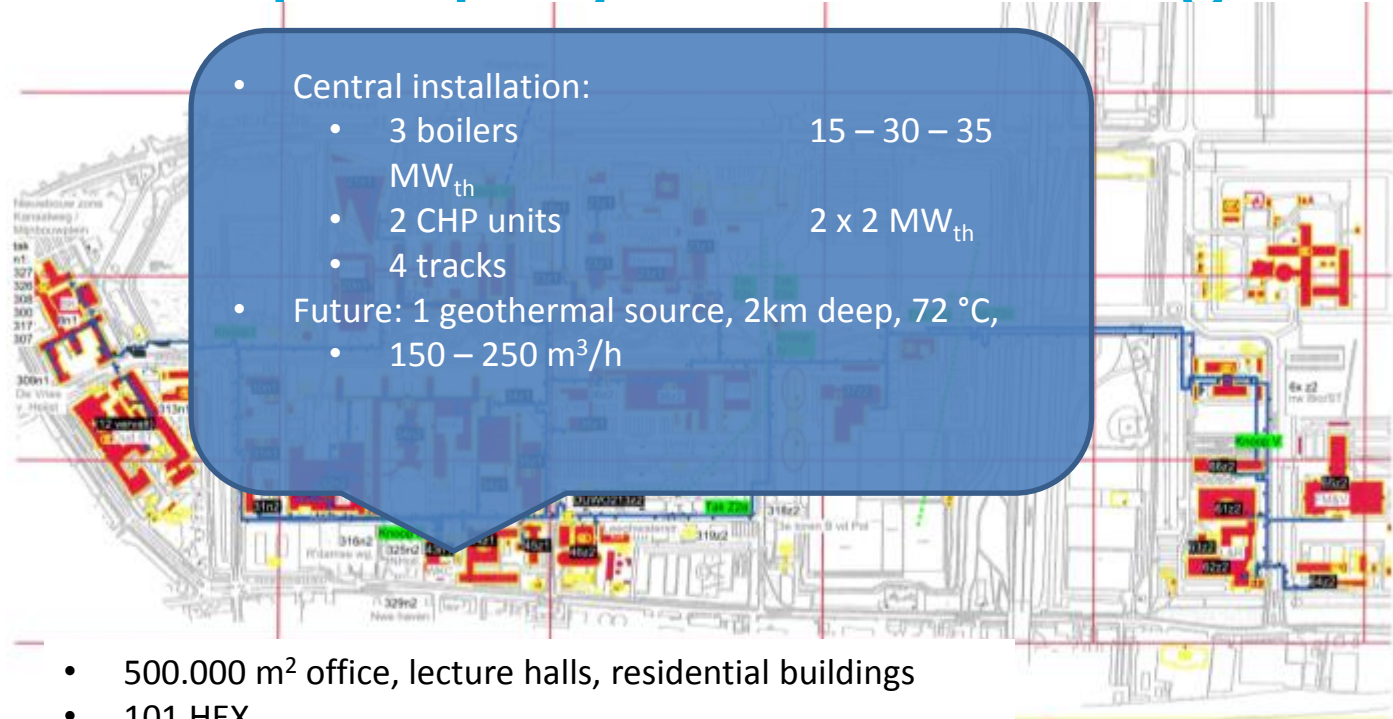
Integration



Campus projects – Energy Pile



Campus projects – Smart grid

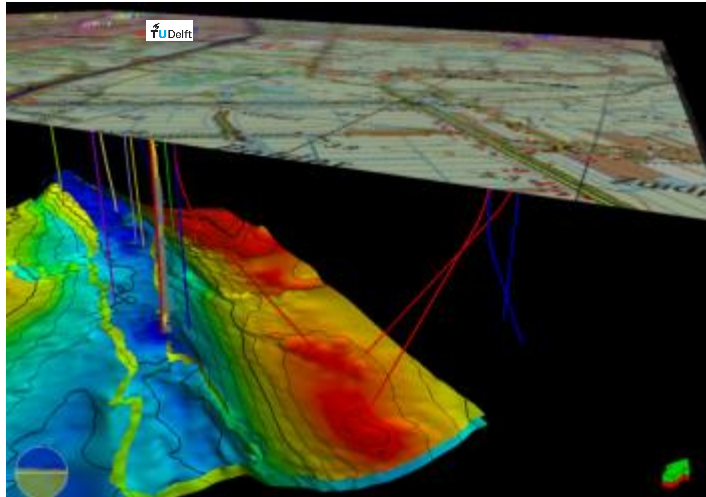


- 500.000 m² office, lecture halls, residential buildings
- 101 HEX
- Heat demand ~ 125.000 GJ



efficiency | local | planning | integrated

Campus projects – DAPwell



Image/data courtesy of Douglas Gilding / DAP / NAM

Geology: cores >500m

Monitoring: geophysics, fibre optics, best monitored well

Materials: new casing material

Integrated: to campus, urban

Simulations / reducing uncertainty

New technologies

Efficiency

New materials

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Integrated

Society-business-technology

Reduce uncertainties

Retrofit

The background of the slide is a photograph of the TU Delft campus. It shows a wide, paved walkway lined with young trees, leading towards a large, modern building with a glass facade. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. In the top right corner, the name 'Phil Vardon' is written in a large, bold, black font.

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A wide-angle photograph of a TU Delft campus. On the left is a long, modern building with a white facade and a grid of windows. A paved walkway runs alongside it. In the center and right, there are green lawns, young trees, and a taller building in the background under a cloudy sky.

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