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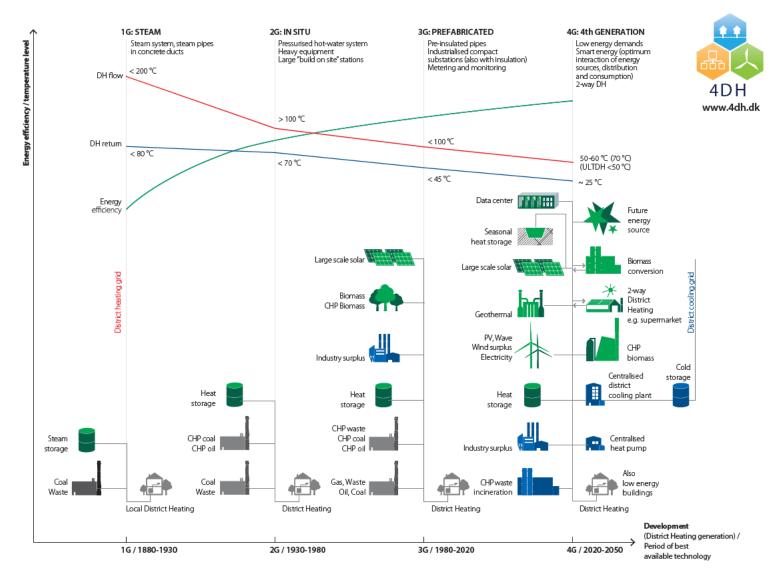






# **Heating Grids Evolution**





We see in the development of grids a huge focus on central plants and generating energy in a greener way which means:

- Dependant on weakest point in the grid
- Not flexible to enduser modifications
- 24/7 need for delivering heat 'at the front door' with large efficiency losses
- No cooling supply integrated



### **DECENTRALIZED NETWORK = CLOUD**



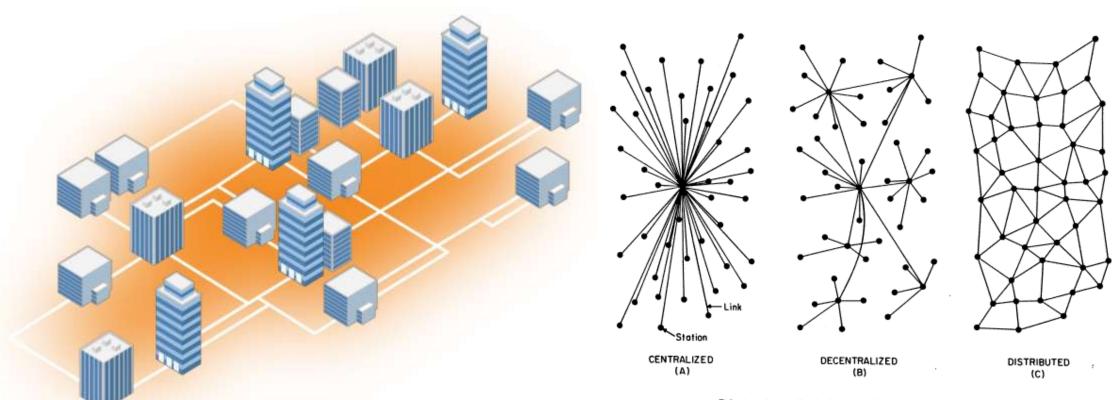


FIG. 1 — Centralized, Decentralized and Distributed Networks

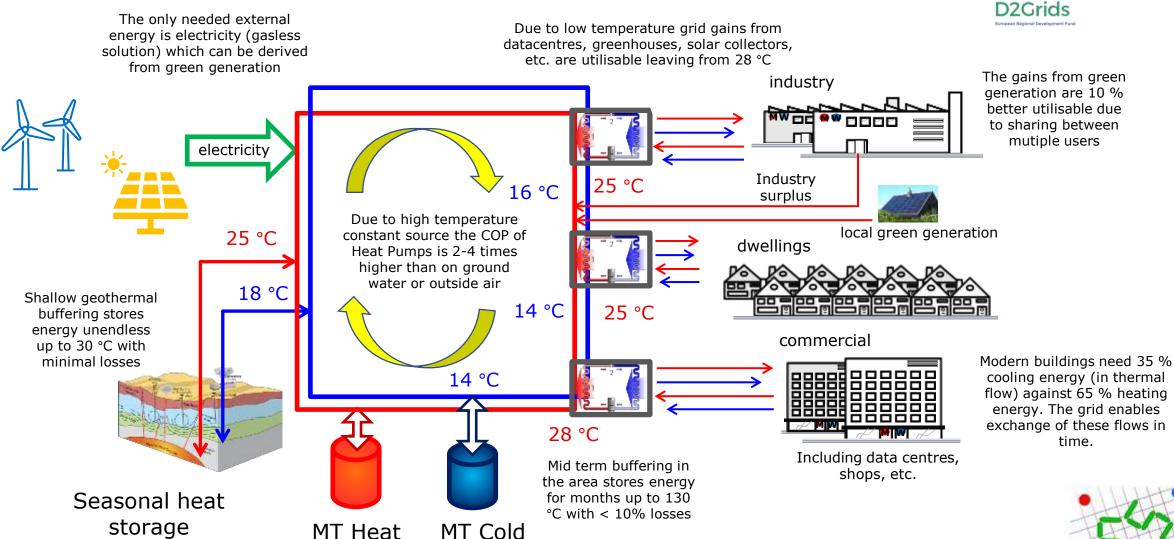


## **5GDHC** concept in Heerlen

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## **5GDHC Principles**

urban thermal energy grid for heating&cooling based on the next 5 principles:



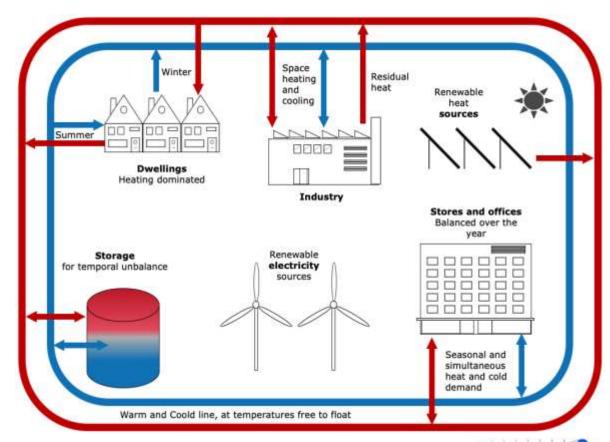
#### 1 Closing the energy loop

An optimized system allowing exchange of heat and cold between end users. To prevent waste, energy exchange occurs firstly on the scale of the building, then within the neighbourhood and finally on city level.

- **2** Using low-graded sources for low-graded demand *In 5GDHC* we match the supply with the requested quality level of the demand.
- **3 Decentralized & demand-driven energy supply** *Circulating energy within the system only when and where needed, as close as possible to the end-user*
- 4 An integrated approach of energy flows
  Connecting heating and cooling to other energy flows
  (power grid, hydrogen conversion, solar plants, etc.) to
  avoid energy waste across sectors and reduce peak
  loads.

### **5 Local sources as a priority**

Avoiding big investments and energy loss during transport, while stimulating the local economy.

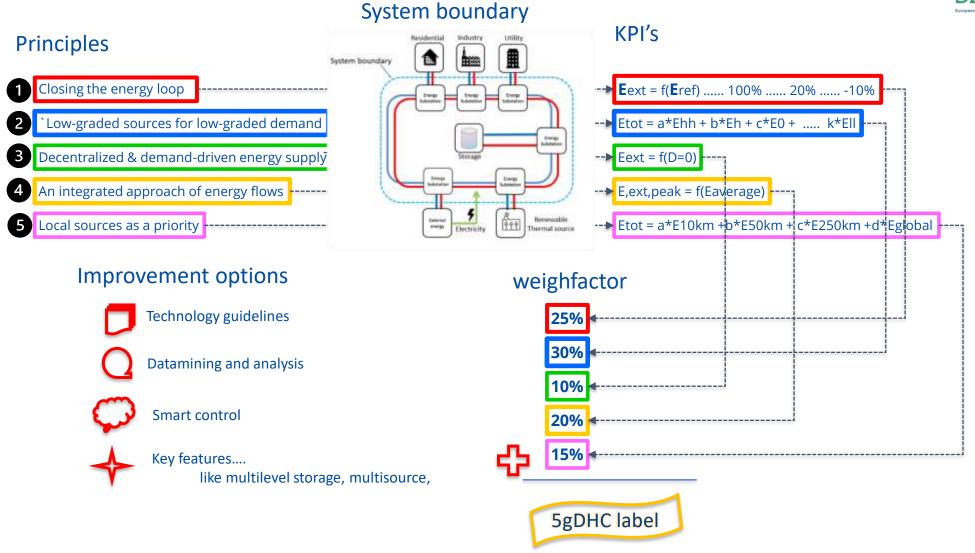




Sustainable Source Solutions

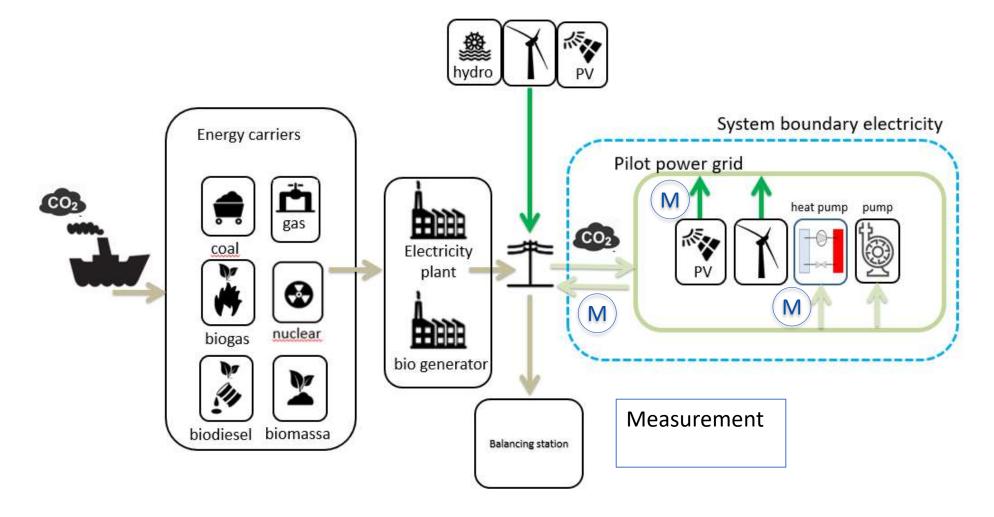
### **5GDHC** assesment





## **5GDHC Monitoring**







### **Benefits of 5GDHC I**



At first a choice must be made if a district/neighbourhood will get a collective thermal supply or individual solutions, if decided for a district approach, the choice is between temperature levels .. or grade of decentralisation, or 2,3,4,5<sup>th</sup> generation DHC:

- Decentralised installations give end-users the opportunity to connect when they are ready, and modify the energy substation to their (over time changing) demands;
- Substantial heat gains can be achieved from low-temperature sources and the heatflow from the backside of the heatpump is kept in the system;
- Cooling is integrated within one system



### **Benefits of 5GDHC II**



From recent scientific studies is found:

- Reducing the heat distribution temperatures leads to up to 40% annual electric energy savings (from 10.4 kWh/m2 to 6.2 kWh/m²)
- moving from 3GDH to 4GDH saves 4.5% primairy energy, costs of the system 2.7%
- 5GDHC systems showed a cost reduction of 42% and 56% less CO2 emissions compared to individual heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems
- Compared to conventional gas-fired district heating system, a 5GDHC network showed a primary energy consumption reductions of 58% and 84% (US/Germany), less  $CO_2$  emissions of 35% and 78%, and reductions in energy costs of 53% and 57%
- Integration of 5GDHC systems with PV generation led to about 30% reduction of grid electricity consumption

## **Barriers/Opportunities**



Decarbonizing urban built environment is a **major operation** on buildings and infrastructure. Key is to **speed up the process** and reduce costs:

- Integrate in urban infrastructure planning;
- Low interest loans (0 % 1 %);
- Plug and play connections to end consumers, with communication protocol;
- Prefabricated substations, possibly subsoil;
- Plug and play connection for (green) sources and waste heat;
- Avoid hinderance ... in buildings, on the street
- Built in resilience and flexibility (adapt to future changes ..)



### **APPENDIX COVERAGE MIJNWATER**















#### **AWARDS**

2019 Green Solutions Awards



 2015 GeoTHERM: European Geothermal Innovation Award

#### **REPORTS**

- Bloomberg Businessweek: Decades- Old Technology Offers a Greener Way to Cool Buildings, d.d. 2 October 2019.
- Internal due diligence.
- CE Delft: Weg van gas, kansen voor de nieuwe concepten LaagTemperatuurAardwarmte en Mijnwater, d.d. May 2018.
- Parkstad Limburg Energietransitie: PALET 3.0, d.d. 2016.





### **INNOVATION PROJECTS**















#### **Smart control framework:**

https://www.storm-dhc.eu/en

#### **Interreg HEATNET-NWE 6 pilots**

https://www.nweurope.eu/projects/project-search/heatnet-transition-strategies-for-delivering-low-carbon-district-heat/

#### **LIFE Life4HeatRecovery**

http://www.life4heatrecovery.eu/en/

#### **D2Grids: Rolling out 5GDHC**

https://www.nweurope.eu/projects/project-search/d2grids-increasing-the-share-of-renewable-energy-by-accelerating-the-roll-out-of-demand-driven-smart-grids-delivering-low-temperature-heating-and-cooling-to-nwe-cities/

## ReWardHeat: Renewable and Waste Heat Recovery for Competitive District Heating and Cooling Networks

https://cordis.europa.eu/project/rcn/224317/f actsheet/en

# <u>CAGE: Development and demonstration of several cost-saving and output-improving installation technologies</u>

http://www.geothermica.eu/projects/cage/



# D2Grids website: https://5gdhc.eu/



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5GDHC OVERVIEW

ABOUT D2GRIDS

STARTING A PROJECT ~

