

Supermarket refrigeration & Living Lab

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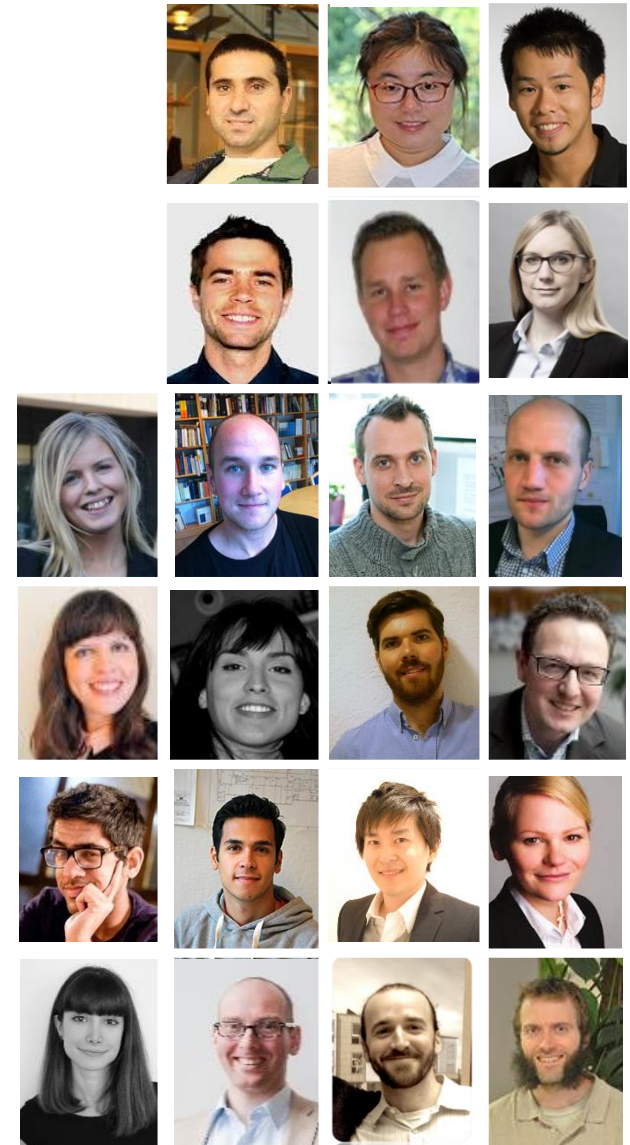
- Who are we and what do we do, the Sustainable Building Group @ Civil & Environmental Engineering Department?
- What makes supermarket refrigeration interesting?
- How to innovate in the built environment?

The Sustainable Building Group

A brief snapshot.

The group

- 1 Full Professor
 - 1 Assistant professor
 - 5 Senior researcher and PostDoc
 - 8 PhD students
 - 2 Researcher
 - 1 Project manager
 - 3 Project assistants
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- 9 nationalities
 - 13 disciplines



Research foci

The Sustainable Building Group works on concepts, tools and strategies to enhance the sustainability performance of construction materials, building products, buildings as well as entire cities.

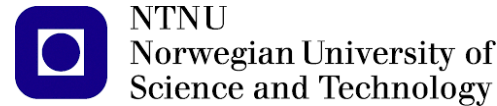
The main research interests are related to

1. The ecological and economic life cycle assessment of construction materials, buildings and infrastructures,
2. sustainability assessment tools for buildings,
3. social-cultural and climate adapted design concepts,
4. the refurbishment of the building stock, and
5. dynamic building stock modeling and its visualization.

Our network

The Sustainable Building Group has a large global network covering world leading research institutes and universities, sustainability driven business partners and change-making transdisciplinary initiatives.

Selected partners:



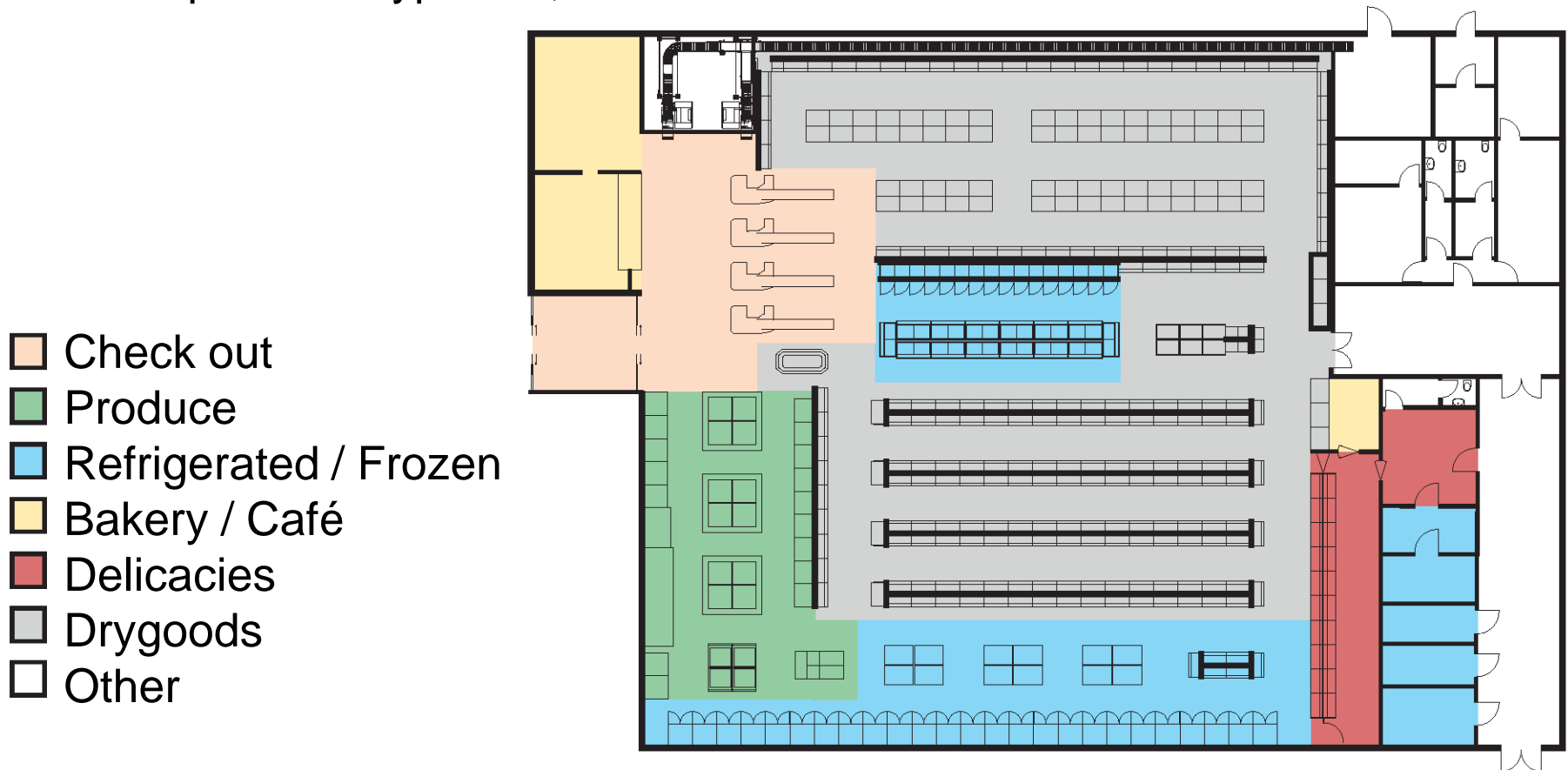
Supermarket Refrigeration

What makes supermarket refrigeration interesting?



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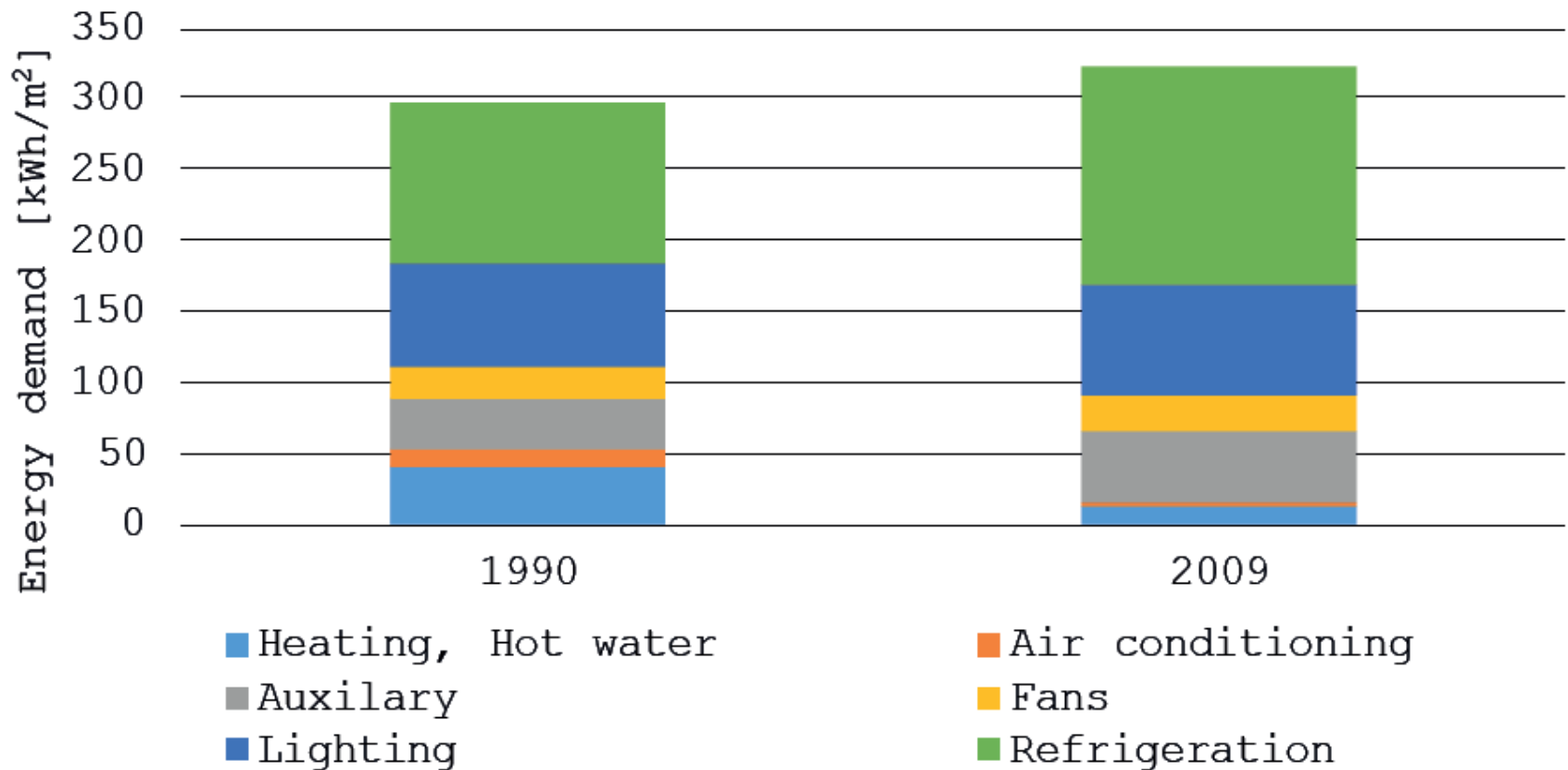
Floor plan of a typical 1,300 m² retail store



source: Tommie Månsson

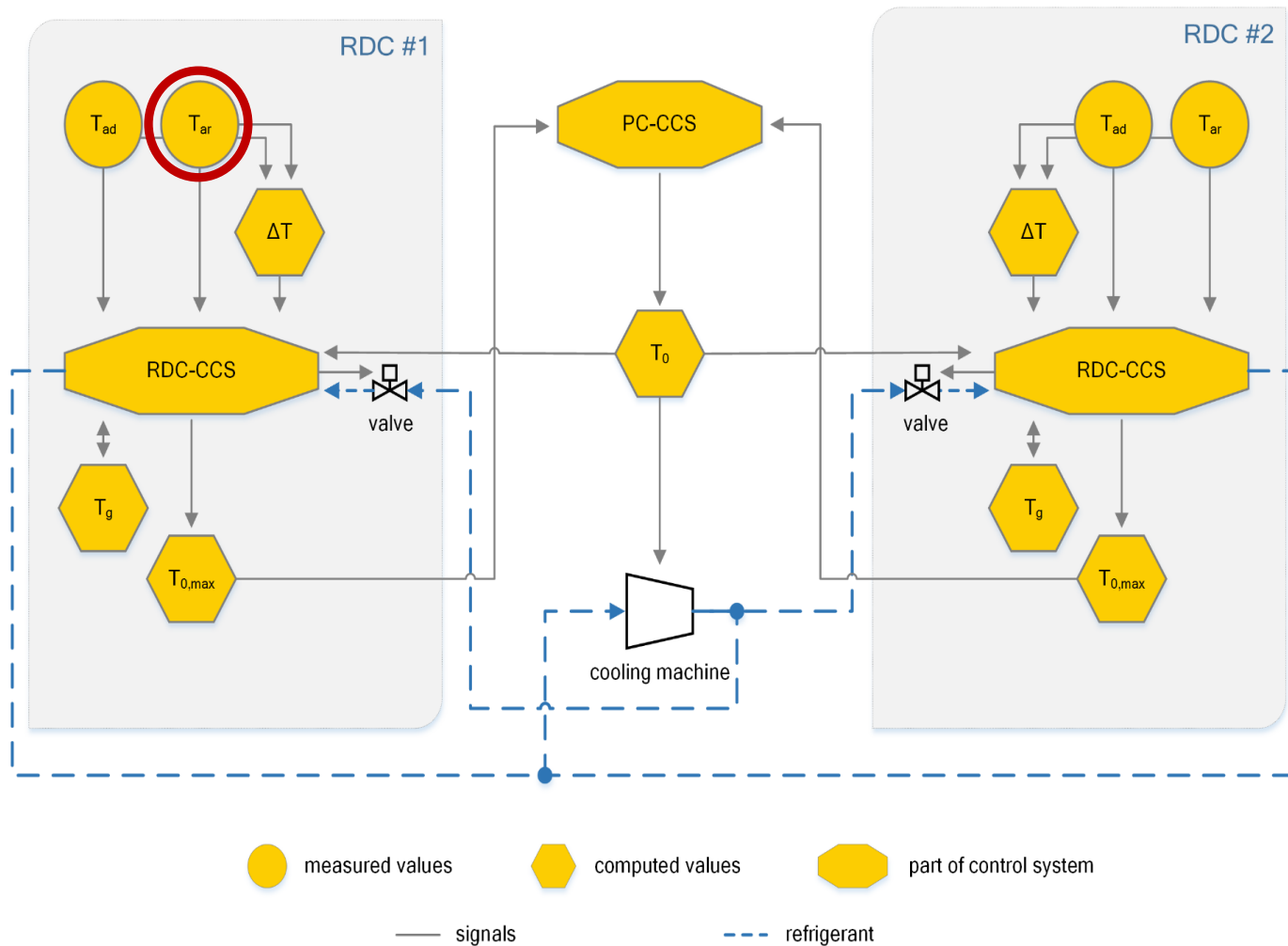
Scene II

Annual energy use of Swedish supermarkets



source: Tommie Månsson

Refrigeration control system

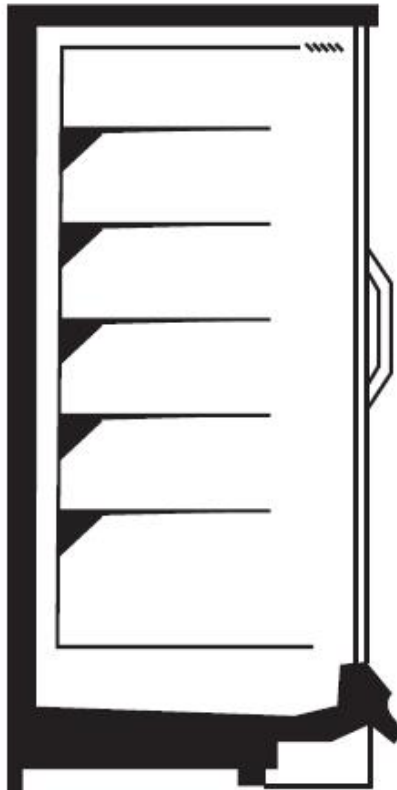


RESEARCH GOALS

1. Identify base level innovation potentials
2. Validate and implement technological solutions
3. Find further potentials on data processing and control side
4. Investigate into thermal storage capabilities of supermarkets
5. Develop suitable technologies to improve the overall flexibility of supermarkets to balance electricity grids
6. Validate and implement technological solutions

Computational Fluid Dynamics

CFD – Model configuration



$$\rho(\bar{u}\nabla)\bar{u} = \nabla \left[-p\bar{I} + (\mu + \mu_T)(\nabla\bar{u} + (\nabla\bar{u}^T)) \right]$$

$$\rho\nabla(\bar{u}) = 0$$

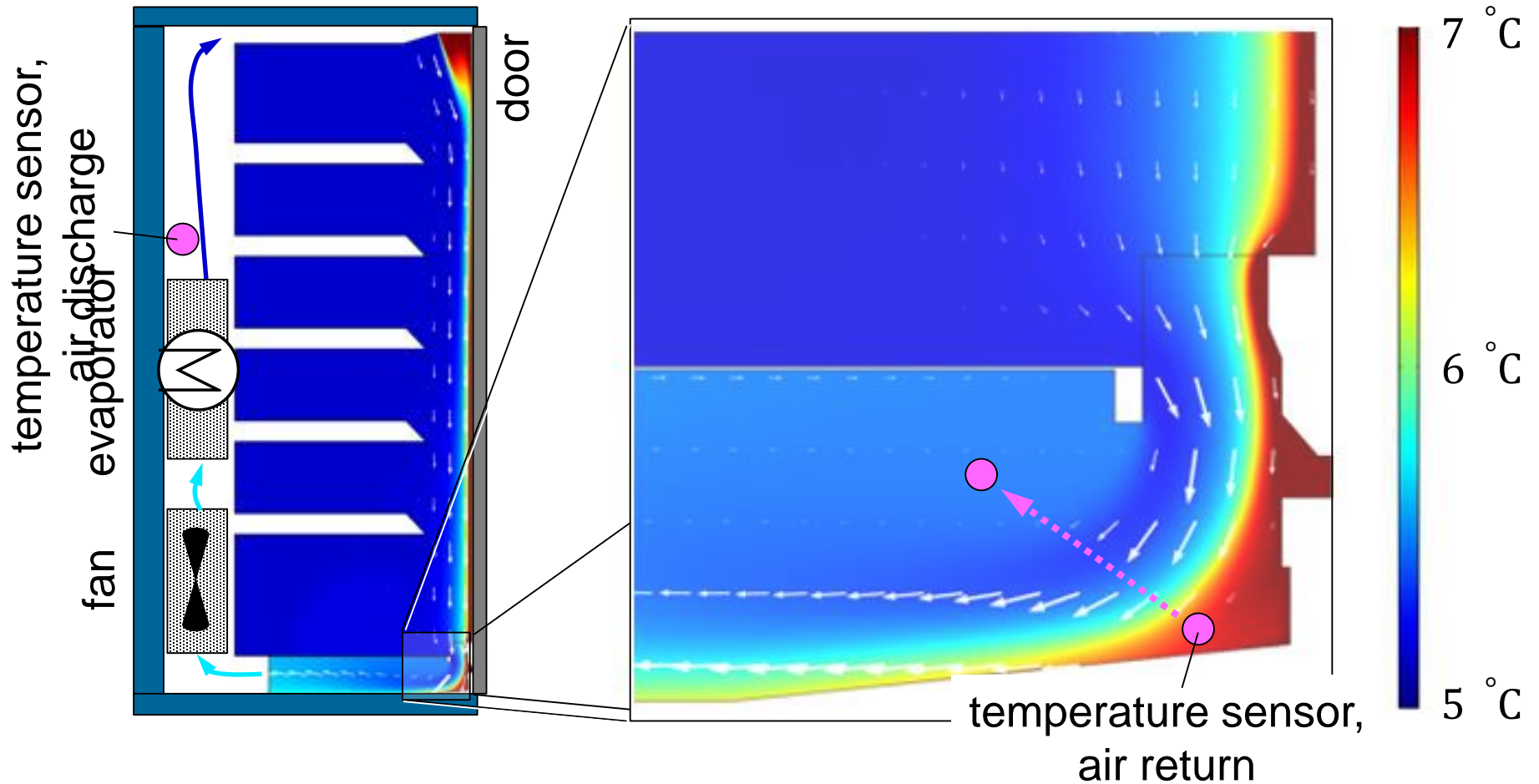
$$\rho(\bar{u}\nabla)k = \nabla \left[\left(\mu + \frac{\mu_T}{\sigma_k} \right) \nabla k \right] + P_k - \rho\epsilon$$

$$\rho(\bar{u}\nabla)\epsilon = \nabla \left[\left(\mu + \frac{\mu_T}{\sigma_\epsilon} \right) \nabla \epsilon \right] + C_{\epsilon 1} \frac{\epsilon}{k} P_k - C_{\epsilon 2} \rho \frac{\epsilon^2}{k}$$

$$\rho C_p \bar{u} \nabla T + \nabla \bar{q} = Q$$

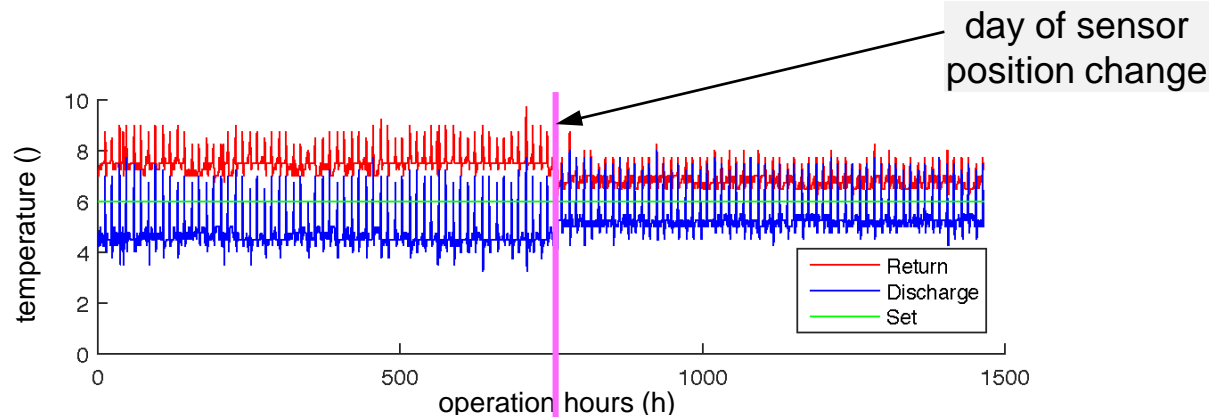
$$\bar{q} = -k \nabla T$$

Computational Fluid Dynamics

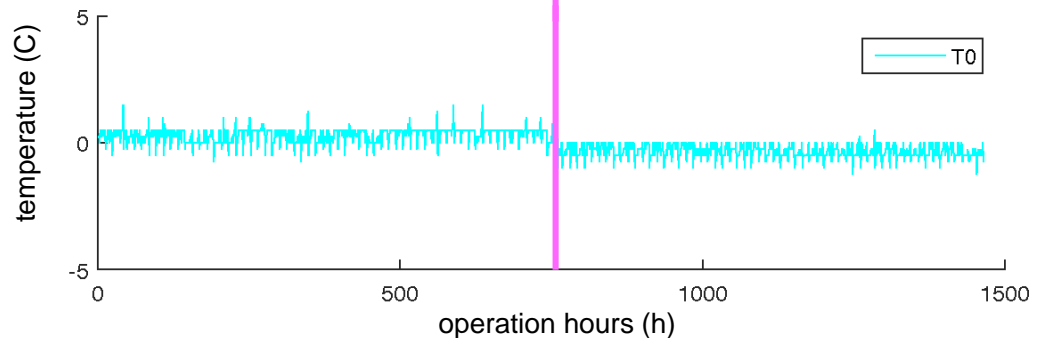


Impact on performance

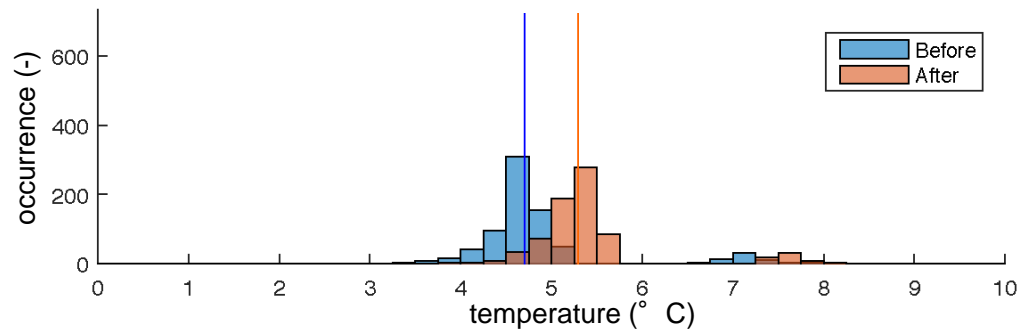
Return & discharge temperature



Evaporator temperature



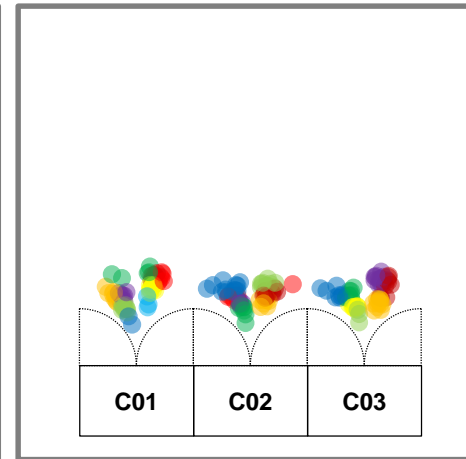
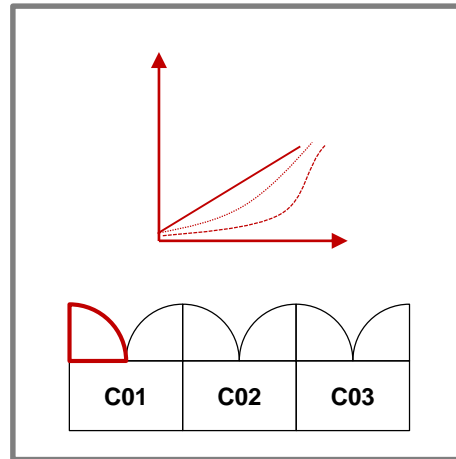
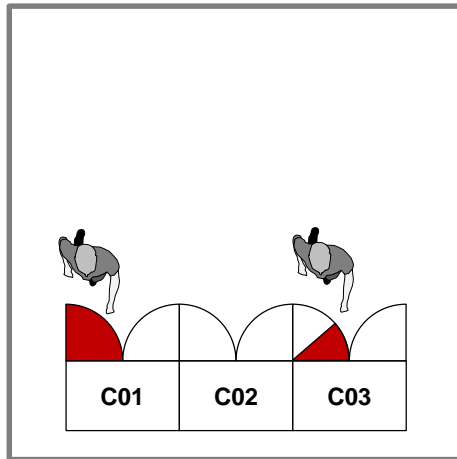
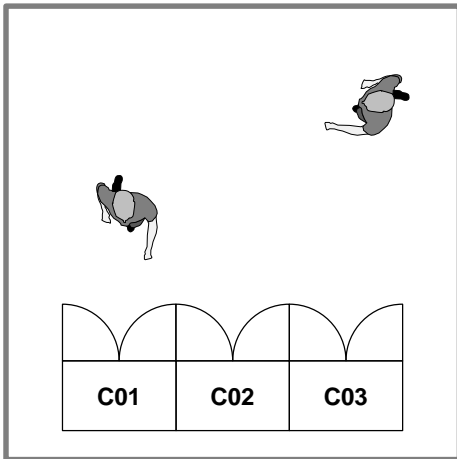
Discharge temperature histogram



OUTLOOK

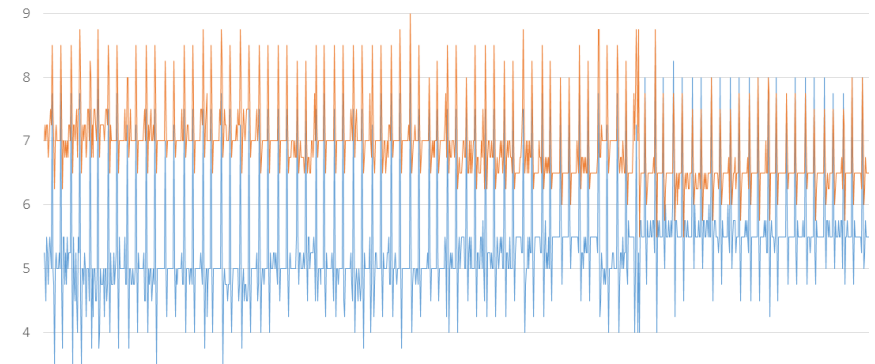
User impact

With doors on cabinets the energetic efficiency is improved - and can be improved more - but now the door opening behavior becomes a new factor.



OUTLOOK

Supermarket data basis I



Meta data

- Store location
- RDC IDs
- Indoor environmental quality

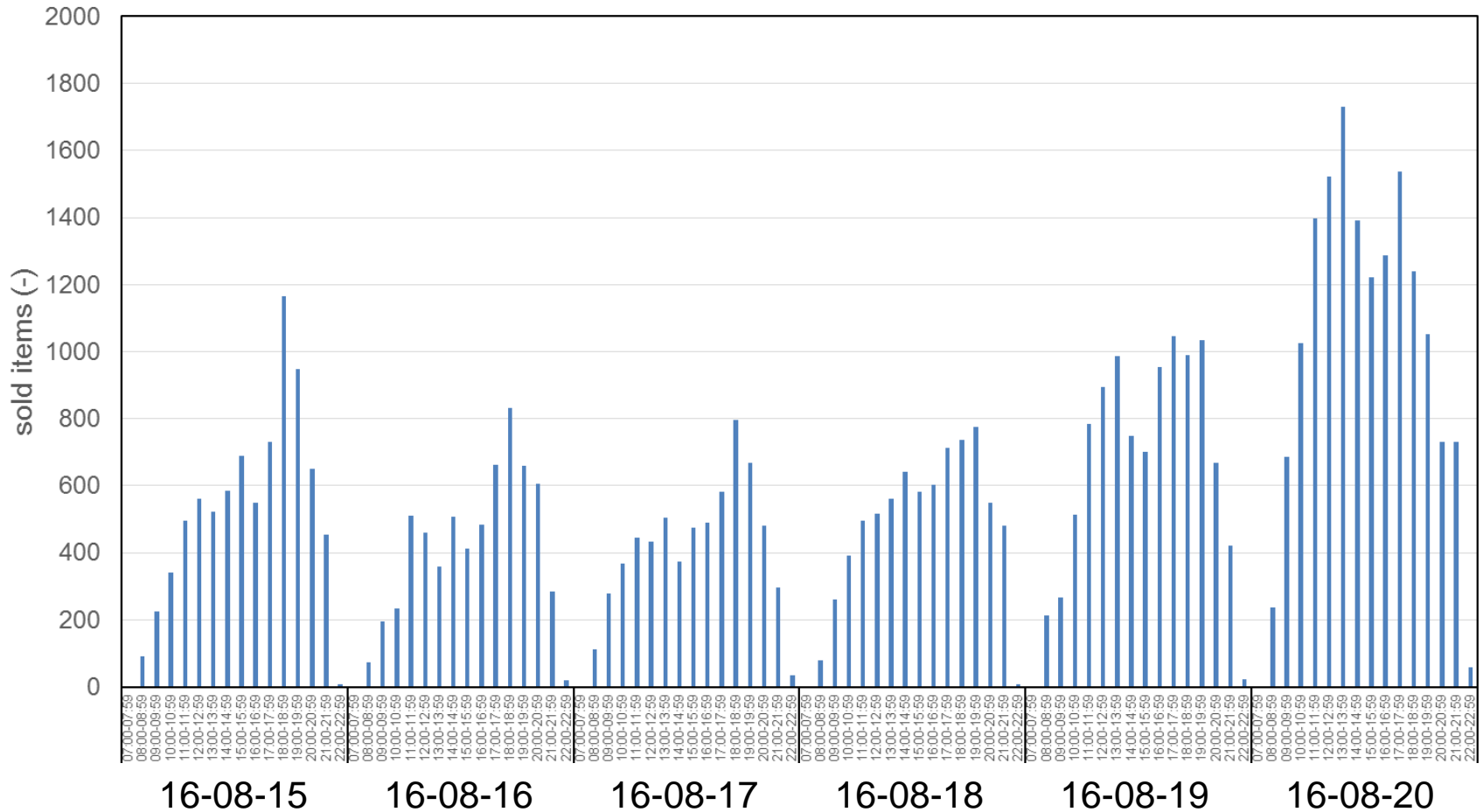
Technical data

- spatial resolution: 1 cabinet
- temporal resolution: 5 min
- values:
 - set / actual temperature
 - air discharge / return temp.
 - $T_{0,max}$

OUTLOOK

Supermarket data basis II

REWE, Dorotheenstr., Hamburg - GERMANY
SOLD REFRIGERATED GOODS



OUTLOOK

Validation in RDC lab



Equipment

- 3.75 m RDC
- direct cooling unit (oversized)
- PLC (Beckhoff)
- parallel door openers
- refrigerant flow meter, pressure and temperature sensors
- air temperature and relative humidity sensors
- condensate meter
- all electricity meters

Studies

- Door opening impact
- Heat extraction rate

What makes supermarket refrigeration interesting?

- Low hanging fruits
(some extremely low hanging)
- Spatial distribution of demands in the electricity grid with energy buffering capabilities
- Complex, versatile human-technology interactions with some monitoring in place in the supermarkets

Living Lab Infrastructure

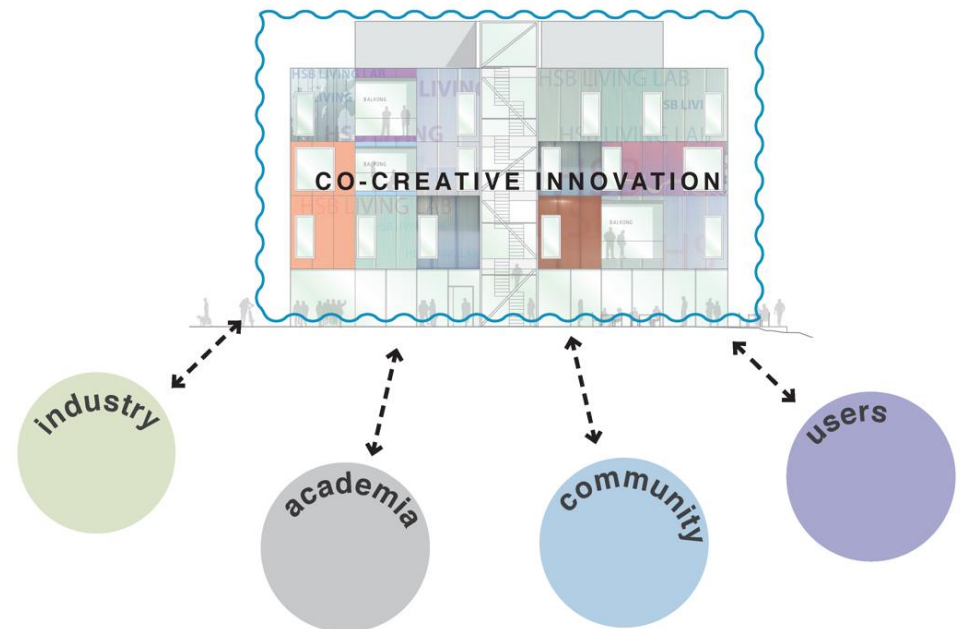
How to innovate in the built environment?



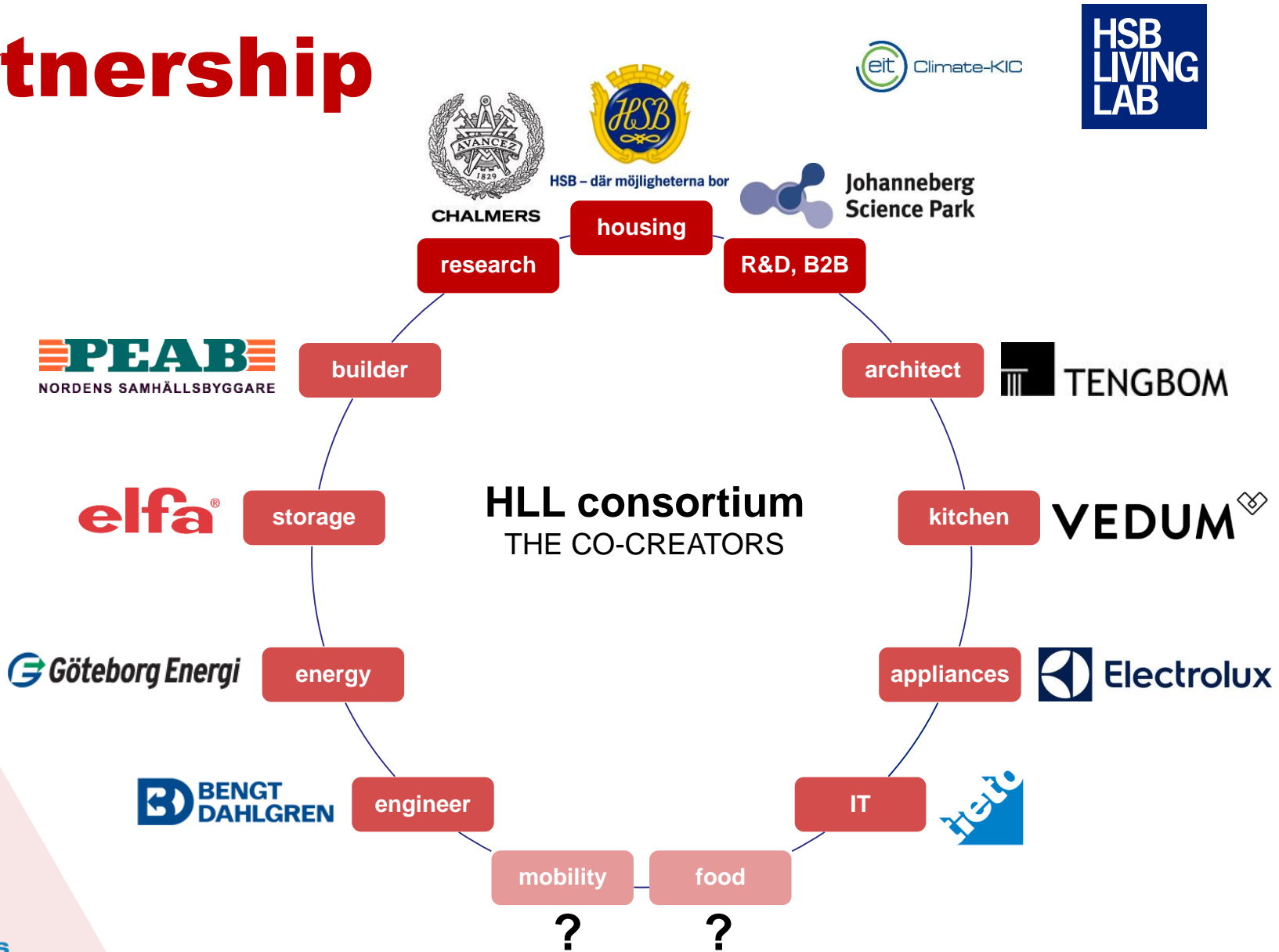
Living Lab infrastructures

A Living Lab

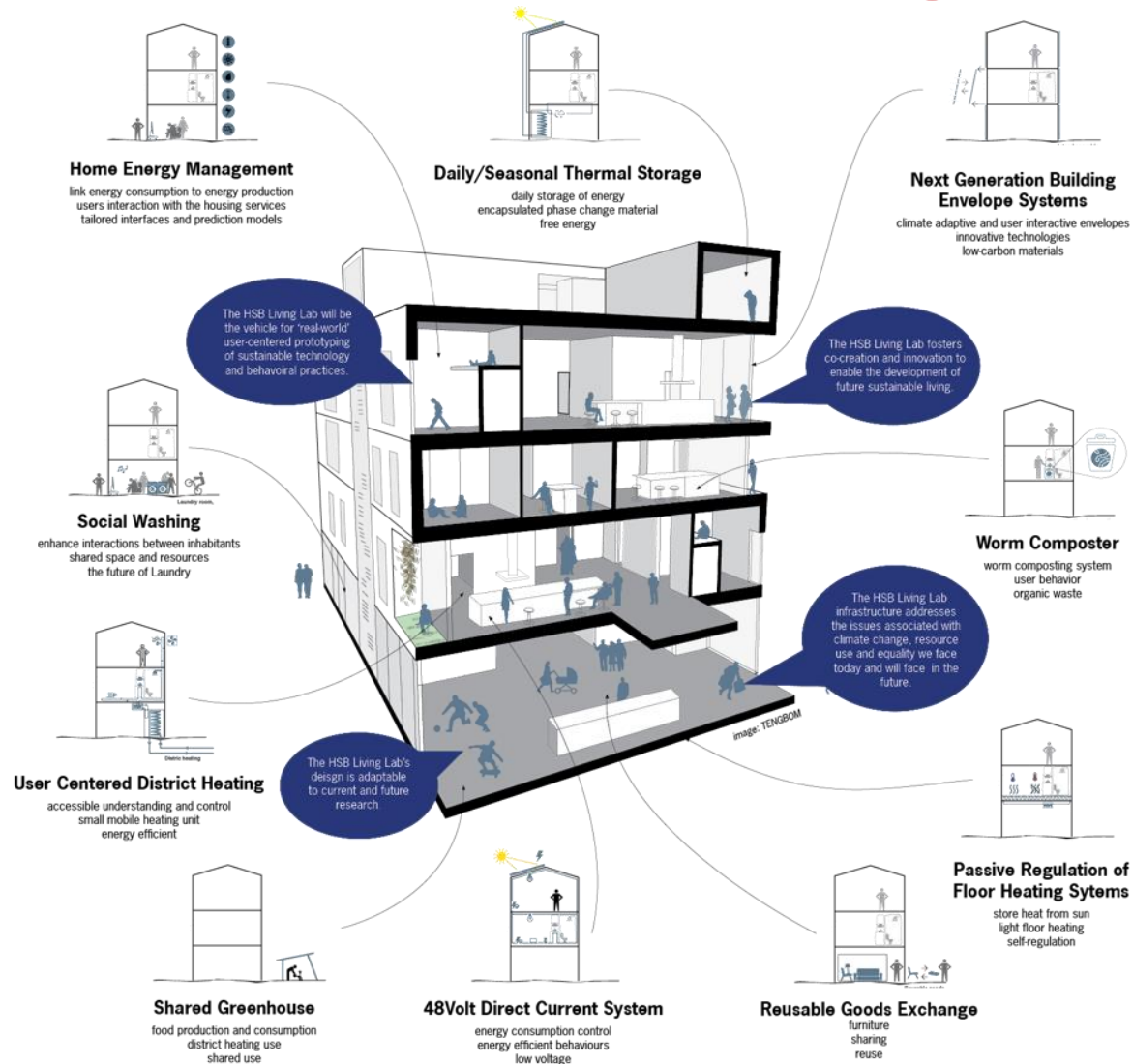
“... aims to turn users into active co-creators of emerging ideas and innovative concepts. A living lab is an experimental environment, physical or virtual, where users are immersed in a creative social space for designing and experiencing their own future.”



Partnership



Research based Design



HSB Living Lab

- 24 single room apartments (4 clusters)
- 5 more standard apartment
- 34 tenants
- common kitchens
- common laundry
- elevator
- district heating
- FTX-system
- modular construction
- transparent installations



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Next Generation Building Envelop System



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Sensor and Data Network



HSB Living Lab Sensors I

Indoor environmental quality



Measurements	Accuracy
Temperature	0.6 °C
Relative humidity	2.5 %rH
CO ₂ concentration	50 ppm
Number of sensors in the building	80 units

HSB Living Lab Sensors II

Through-wall heat and moisture transfer



	Measurements	Accuracy
	Reading time and date	1 s
	Temperature (in-wall)	0.5 °C
	Relative humidity (in-wall)	2.5 %rH
	Dewpoint temperature (in-wall)	0.5 °C
	Moisture content (in-wall)	1 g/kg air
	Wood moisture equivalent (in-wall)	1 %WME
	Number of sensors in the building	15 units

HSB Living Lab Sensors III

Electricity



1-phase meters

	Measurements	Accuracy
	Present active power, wattage	1 %
	Total energy, accumulated	0.1 kWh
	Minimum measurement interval	1 s
Number of sensors in the building		
	1-phase meters	490
	3-phase meters	40

Also measures present voltage (V), present current (A), present reactive power (var), present apparent power (VA), power factor (-) and frequency (Hz)

HSB Living Lab Sensors IV

Weather



Measurements	Accuracy
Wind direction	1°
Wind speed	1 m/s
Relative humidity	3 %rH
Temperature	0.6 °C
Precipitation	0.1 mm
Precipitation intensity	max. 11 mm/min
CO ₂ concentration	3 %
Irradiation, PAR (400-700 nm)	1 μmol/m ² /s
Irradiation, global (380-3500 nm)	1 W/m ²
Irradiation balance, net albedo (W/m ²)	1 %
Brightness & twilight	0.1 klux & 1 lux
Minimum measurement interval	5 s
Number of sensors in the building	1 units on roof, 4 units on façade

HSB Living Lab Sensors V

Water usage



Measurements	Accuracy
Flow	0.2 L/min
Temperature	0.15 °C
Minimum measurement interval	10 s
Number of sensors in the building	207 units

HSB Living Lab Sensors VI

Positioning



Measurements	Accuracy
Acceleration, tag-based	0.01 m/s ²
Position x-y-z, tag-based	0.2 m
Minimum measurement interval	0.2 s

Number of sensors in the building	54
Number of positioning tags	300

Senses position with tags, allows triggering, in-zone notifications, IDs etc.

HSB Living Lab Sensors VII

Heating



Measurements	Accuracy
Heating flow	0.1 L/s
Heating temperature	0.1 °C
Heating energy	10 Wh
Minimum measurement interval	10 s
Number of sensor in the building	47 units

HSB Living Lab Sensors VIII

Ventilation



	Measurements	Accuracy
	Ventilation air flow	4 %
	Ventilation velocity	2 %
	Ventilation air temperature	0.15 °C
	Ventilation air relative humidity	3 %rH
	Minimum measurement interval	10 s
	Number of sensor in the building	42 units

HSB Living Lab Sensors IX

Waste water



Measurements **Accuracy**

Temperature 0.15 °C

Minimum measurement interval 10 s

Number of sensor 28 units
in the building

Ongoing

This is a short presentation of the research projects which are being performed in the HSB Living Lab. Projects which request to use the HSB Living Lab infrastructure are reviewed on criteria concerning sustainability, innovation and user involvement.

design for sustainable behavior change

An exploration on how you can change the living environment to help individuals towards a more sustainable lifestyle. The project explores an interdisciplinary method where behavior challenges for a sustainable lifestyle are defined. The project will design prototypes together with the residents to test in HSB Living Lab and then measure actual behavior change.

Project Lead: Kajsa Lindström - Beteendelabbet

Project Partners:   **Beteendelabbet**

sharing is caring

Implementation of two spaces aimed to create a backbone for a sharing economy within the Living Lab. The Swap Cube, which is for exchanging things (e.g. clothes and books) and the Share Hub which is a sharing pool (e.g. household appliances and leisure equipment).

Project Lead: Sheea Hagy - Chalmers University

Project Partners:  additional partners yet to be decided

district heating in a low temperature system

The flow of temperature in district heating pipes of approximately 90-120°C is not necessary for the well insulated buildings of today. The effect needed for heating is also much lower compared to what is used in traditional buildings. The aim of this study is to see the effects of using this type of system in a pilot project.

Project Lead: Claes Sommanson - Göteborg Energi

Project Partners:  

sustainable changes in apartments

A study on the correlation between the layout of the apartments and the changes which are done over time to adapt the apartment to the changed needs. It also includes calculations on the environmental impact these changes imply. Further, the aim is to define a concept and guidelines for sustainable apartment renovation solutions

Project Lead: Paula Fernerias - Chalmers University

Project Partners:    

innovative energy management

This project will develop an innovative energy management and protection system for buildings which have multiple energy sources. The project will contribute to improve overall energy efficiency in buildings, reduce the customers' energy bills, reduce buildings' carbon footprints and reduce the demand for grid investment by the distribution network company.

Project Lead: Tuan Le - Chalmers University

Project Partners:  

development of p.e.t. interface

The goal of this project is to develop a front-end interface, the "Personal Energy Threshold (PET)", for getting users actively engaged to change their energy consumption behavior. The inclusion of ICT in energy networks, homes, and everyday appliances will give new possibilities for energy delivery and consumption and mainly the interface in between.

Project Lead: Ulrike Rahe - Chalmers University

Project Partners:     

solar cells on facade

Exploration of the potentials and challenges in mounting solar cells on facade elements. It will be investigated what is the degree of efficiency, methods for mounting the solar cells and potential impact on the facade.

Project Lead: Filippa Borg - Göteborg Energi

Project Partners:    

innovation platform for electricity consumers

The project will build and provide an R&I platform consisting of a micro-grid with solar power and battery storage, where electricity consumers interact through an interface that make it possible to monitor and manage electricity flows. The purpose is knowledge building for designing of electricity consumer interaction.

Project Lead: Jan Kristoffersson - Sustainable Innovation

Project Partners:    

apartment cloud

Investigation on the technological preconditions for creating a virtual cloud which contains all necessary information about the apartment appliances (warranties, manuals). Including an analysis of the current situation, performed together with Living Lab partners and residents.

Project Lead: Linnea Källgård - Tieto

Project Partners:    

refreshment cupboard demonstrators

A study on the usage of a refreshment cupboard, which is to be used to freshen up clothes instead of washing them. The purpose of this study is to investigate whether this could lengthen the time between the washing of garments and avoid unnecessary washing.

Project Lead: Mattias Johansson - Electrolux

Project Partners:     

life cycle analysis of the building

Perform a Life Cycle Analysis on the HSB Living Lab. A comparison to other apartment buildings in order to investigate what is the impact of a movable module building compared to a regular building. Develop guide lines for future use of similar analyses.

Project Lead: Henrik Jönsson - Bengt Dahlgren

Project Partners:       

simulation of process flow in textile care

An analysis of the required room and movements in a combined space for social interaction and laundry. The usage of the appliances in the combined meeting and laundry space is investigated in order to create efficient laundry handling in such a space.

Project Lead: Christine Gustavsson - Electrolux

Project Partners:   

indoor air quality measuring

Measurements of the air quality inside the apartments will be performed in combination with questionnaires about the perceived indoor air quality. Investigations on what characterizes good air quality and how the measurements relates to the perceived quality will be performed.

Project Lead: Sarka Langer - IVL Svenska Miljöinstitutet

Project Partners:    

more by less

Project focusing on the energy consumption behavior of end users and the interfaces which have been developed in order to affect end users energy consumption. Further, it will identify knowledge gaps and suggest further research within this field.

Project Lead: Ulrike Rahe - Chalmers University

Project Partners:  

mycelium acoustics

Development of a solution to reduce noise levels between the common kitchen and living room areas in one of the clusters in the HSB Living Lab using a 100% compostable, mycelium based bio-composite.

Project Lead: Anita Ollár - Chalmers University

Project Partners:  

smart storage

Compact living is a highly current topic, this study investigates solutions for smart storage suitable for area efficient homes. Developed solutions will also be tested in the Living Lab.

Project Lead: Peter Elfstrand - Tengboom Arkitekter

Project Partners:    

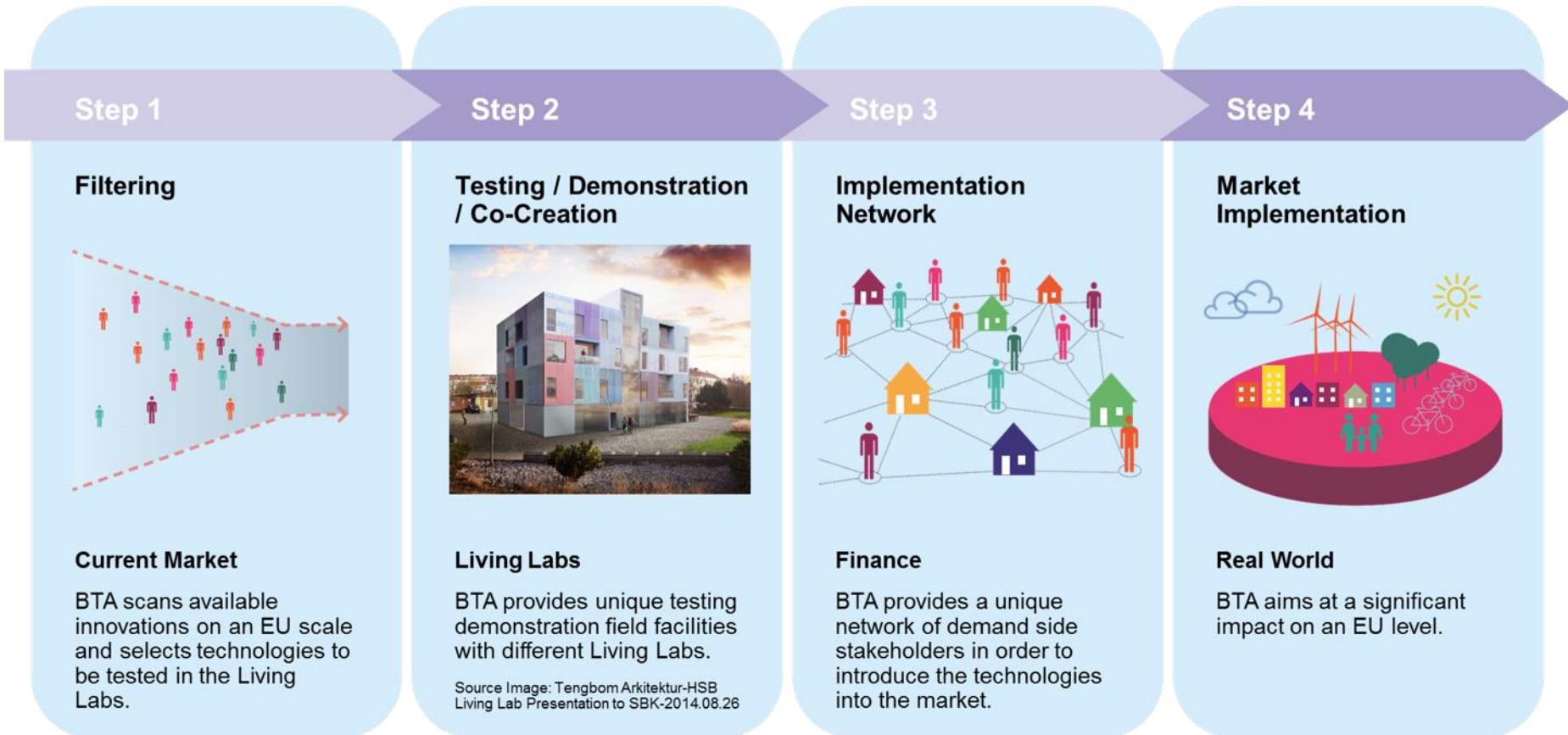
test bed for storm water management

Investigation of extreme delay and cleaning of storm water in a test bed of two containers. The evaluation in the project will consider economical, societal and environmental aspects.

Project Lead: Lena Blom - Göteborg stad, Kretslopp och vatten

Project Partners:    

How to innovate in the built environment?



APPENDIX

The Sustainable Building Group

Selected projects.

Transforming campus

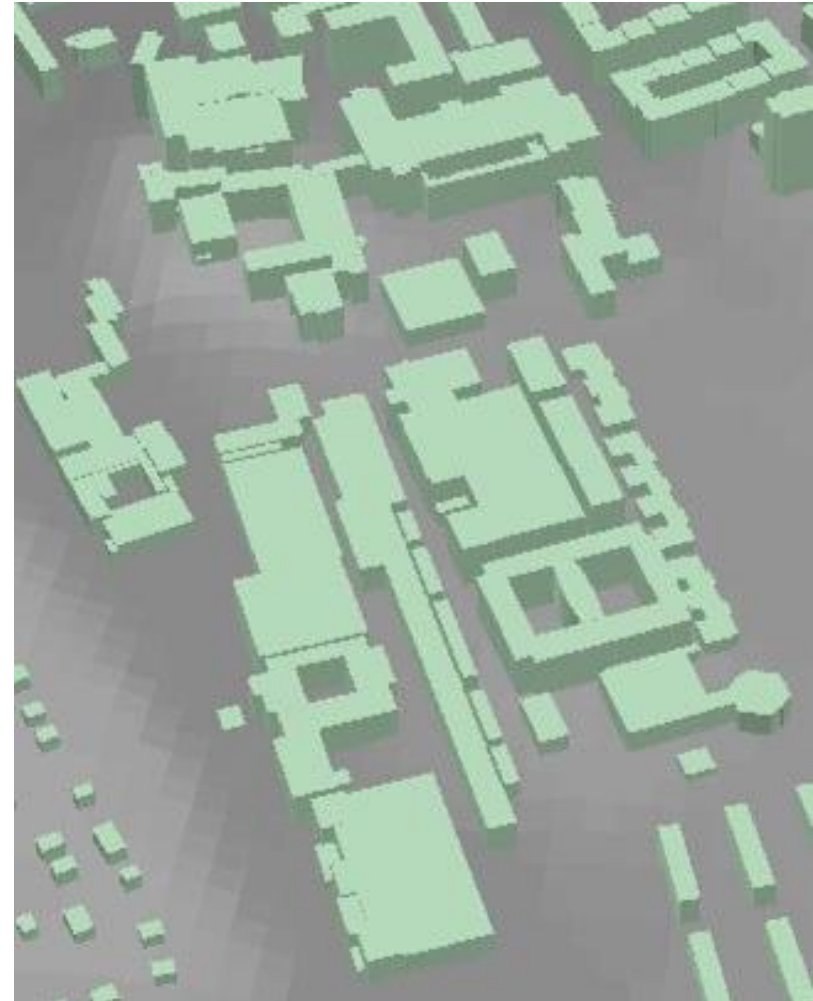
How can the infrastructure of the Johanneberg campus be transformed to drastically reduce the energy and environmental impact and what are innovative pathways to such a conversion?

4 Building owners on campus:

- Akademiska Hus
- Chalmers Fastigheter
- SSPA
- Emils Kårhus AB

Other collaboration:

- Energiteknik, Filip Johnsson
- Data och informationsteknik, Marina Papatriantafilou



Energy consumption: way too high
($> 300 \text{ kWh} / \text{m}^2 / \text{a}$)

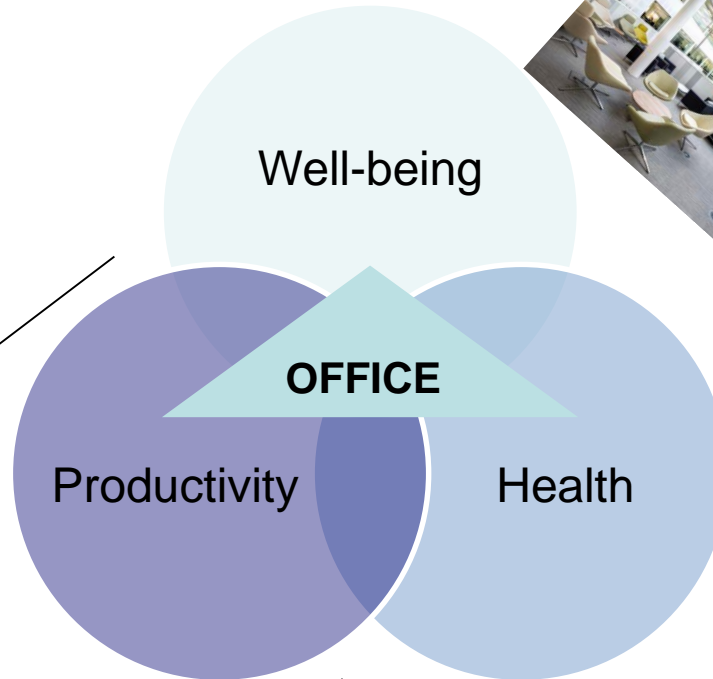
Smart and Sustainable Offices

Guidelines of SSO

- Three climate zones
- Buildings from 
- Holistic measures of human responses and physical environments

Advanced Model

- Human perception driven
- Comfort and health targeted
- Physics and Psychology integrated



Business Opportunity

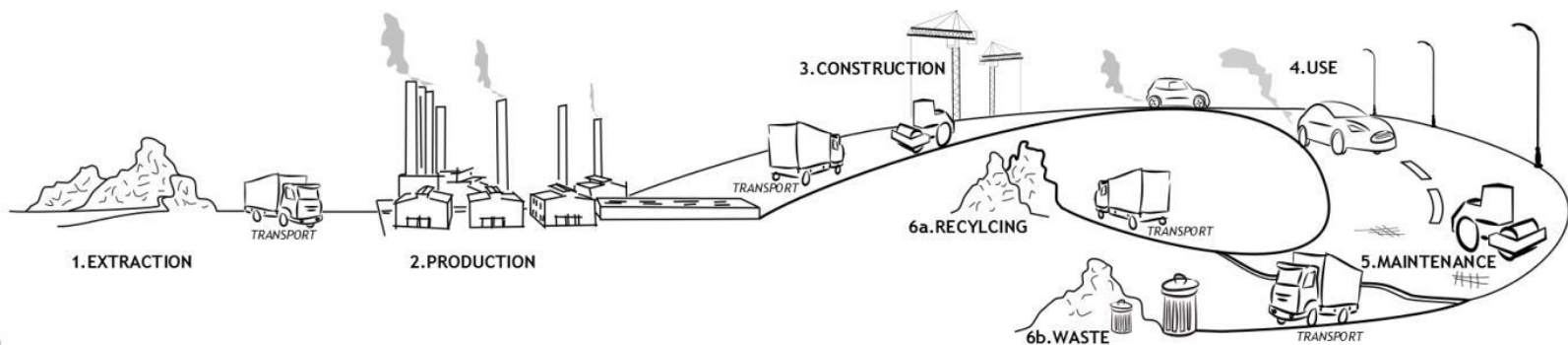
- Targeting various stakeholders
- Covering different processes (design, construction and refurbishment)



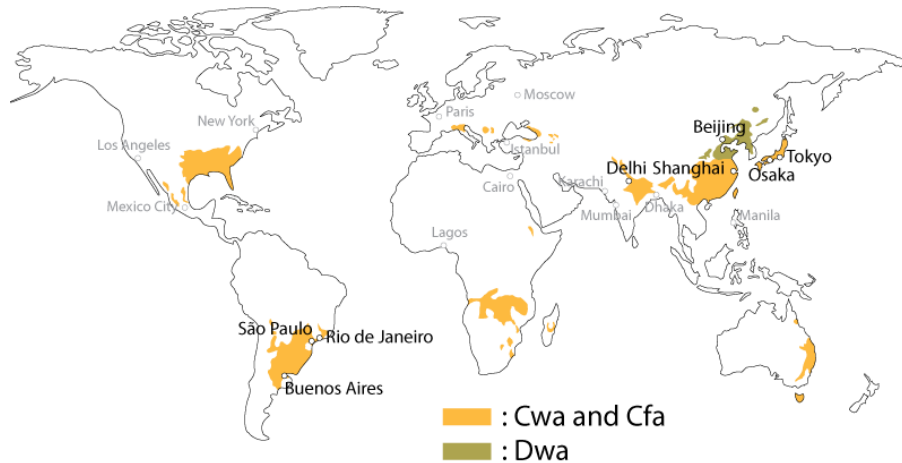
Infrastructure Performance (LCA-LCCA of Norwegian Roads)

Evaluation of **environmental** and **economic** impacts of activities related to the construction and rehabilitation of new and existing Norwegian open roads (excl. bridges and tunnels) by means of:

- Environmental life cycle assessment (LCA) and
- Economic life cycle cost analysis (LCCA).

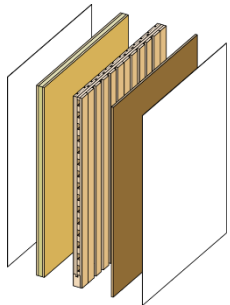


Sustainable wooden building envelope concept for subtropical regions



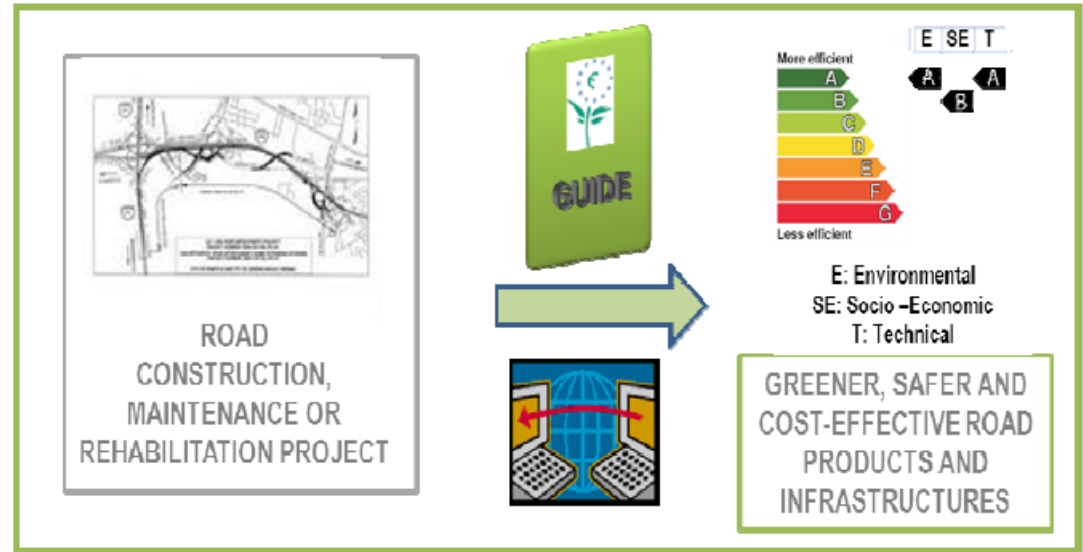
The goal of the project is to develop a sustainable wooden building envelope system for the regions with subtropical climate.

The project emphasizes the socio-cultural and climate adapted technologies applying an interdisciplinary approach (building physics, LCA and LCCA).



ECOLABAL roads

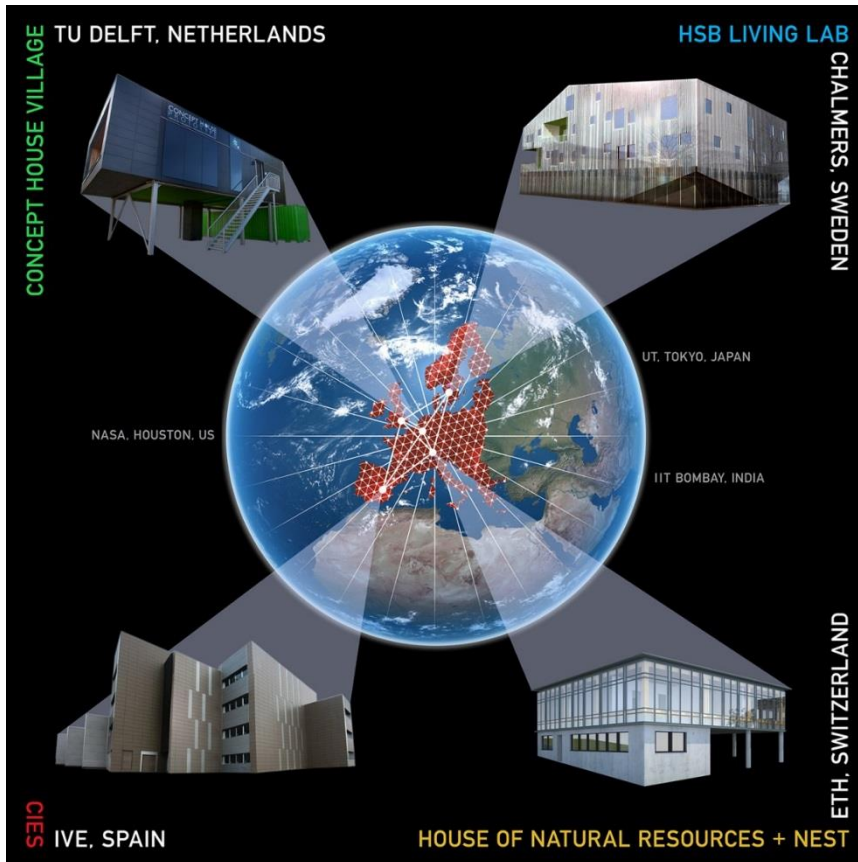
Development of a novel ECO-LABELing EU-harmonized methodology for cost-effective, safer and greener road products and infrastructures



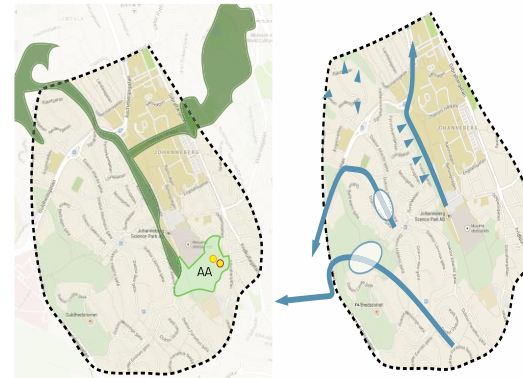
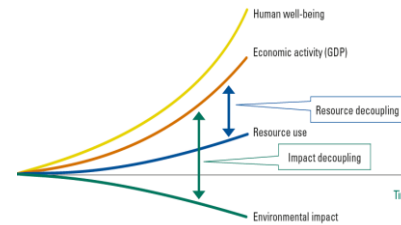
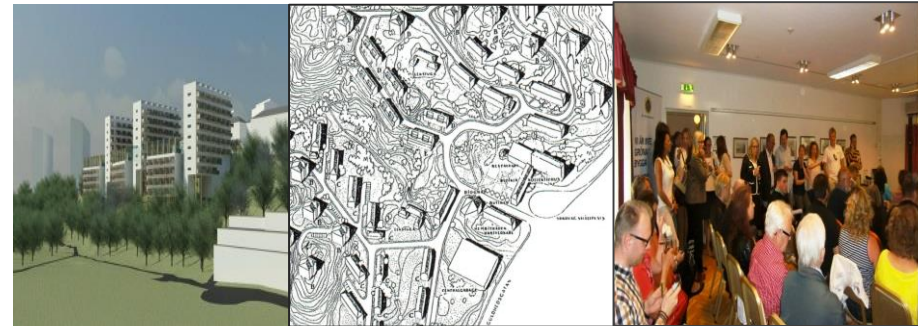
Climate-KIC

(European Network to foster Entrepreneurship and Innovation on Climate)

HSB Living Lab



Johanneberg District Factor 10





Project goals

Promote and increase high-energy performance and prefabricated timber-based renovation of school buildings in Europe

Asplan Viak AS (Asplan), **Norway**; Autonomous public company City Education Antwerpen (AGSO), **Belgium**; Chalmers tekniska högskola AB, **Sweden**; Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der angewandten Forschung e.V., IBP, **Germany**; Informest – Service and Documentation Centre for International Economic Cooperation, **Italy**; National Energy Conservation Agency (NAPE), **Poland**; Passiefhuis-Platform vzw (PHP), **Belgium**; Politecnico di Milano, Dipartimento di Energia (eERG-PoliMi), **Italy**; Technical University of Denmark (DTU), **Denmark**; Wood Cluster Styria Ltd. (HCS), **Austria**; Wood Industry Cluster (WIC), **Slovenia**

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