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Energy Efficient Buildings in Germany – An Introduction

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Introduction

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Fraunhofer Institute for Building Physics

Established: 1929
Employee: 400
Budget: € 24 million

Competence in Building Physics

- Acoustics
- Building Chemistry, Biology, Hygiene
- Energy Efficiency and Indoor Climate
- Hygrothermics
- Life Cycle Engineering



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60 years of field tests
= long-term durability
observation

IBP field test site in Holzkirchen



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Natural and artificial weathering

*Ageing and
microbial
growth
analysis*



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VERU test building to determine energy consumption required to meet comfort conditions



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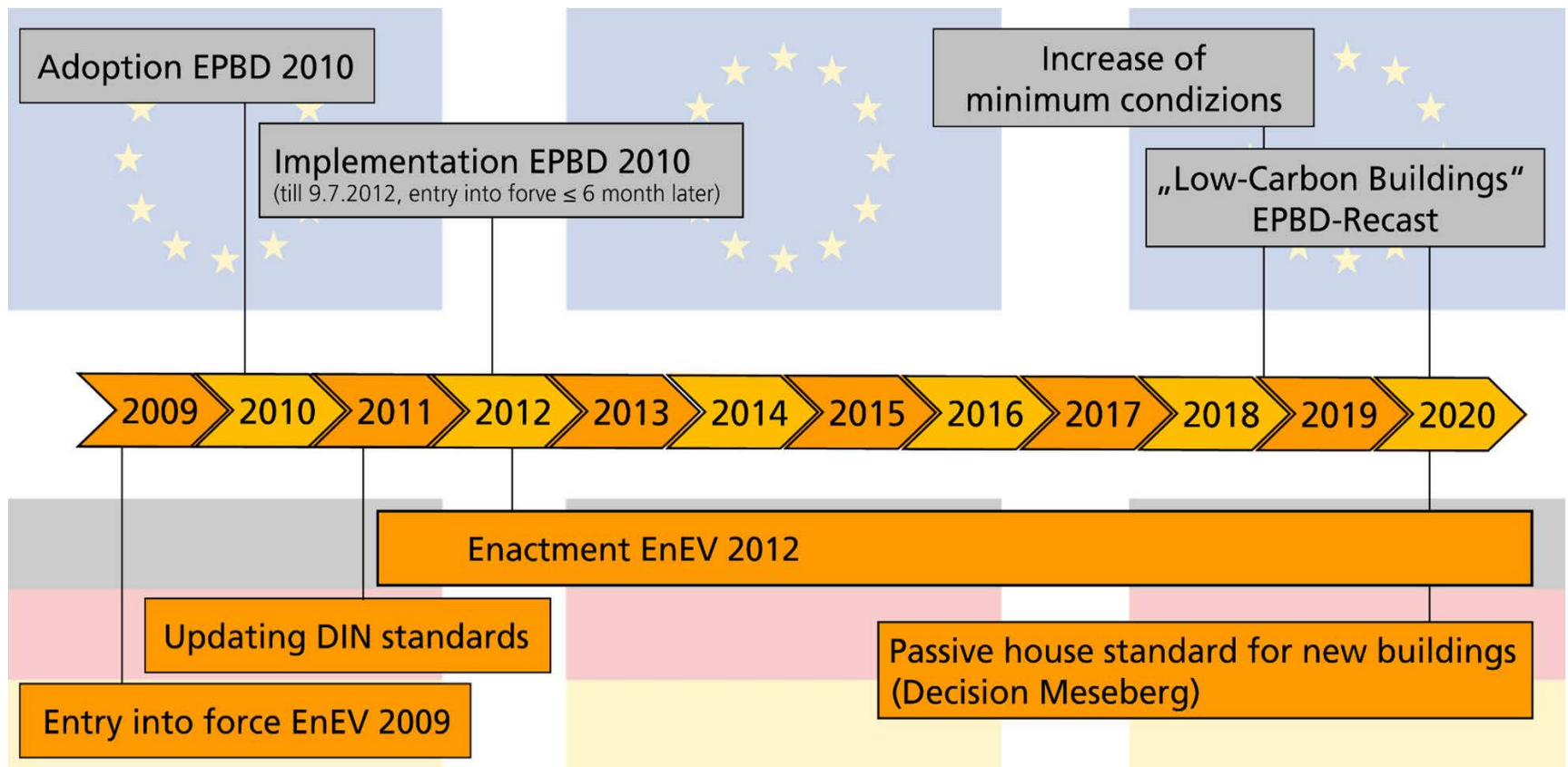
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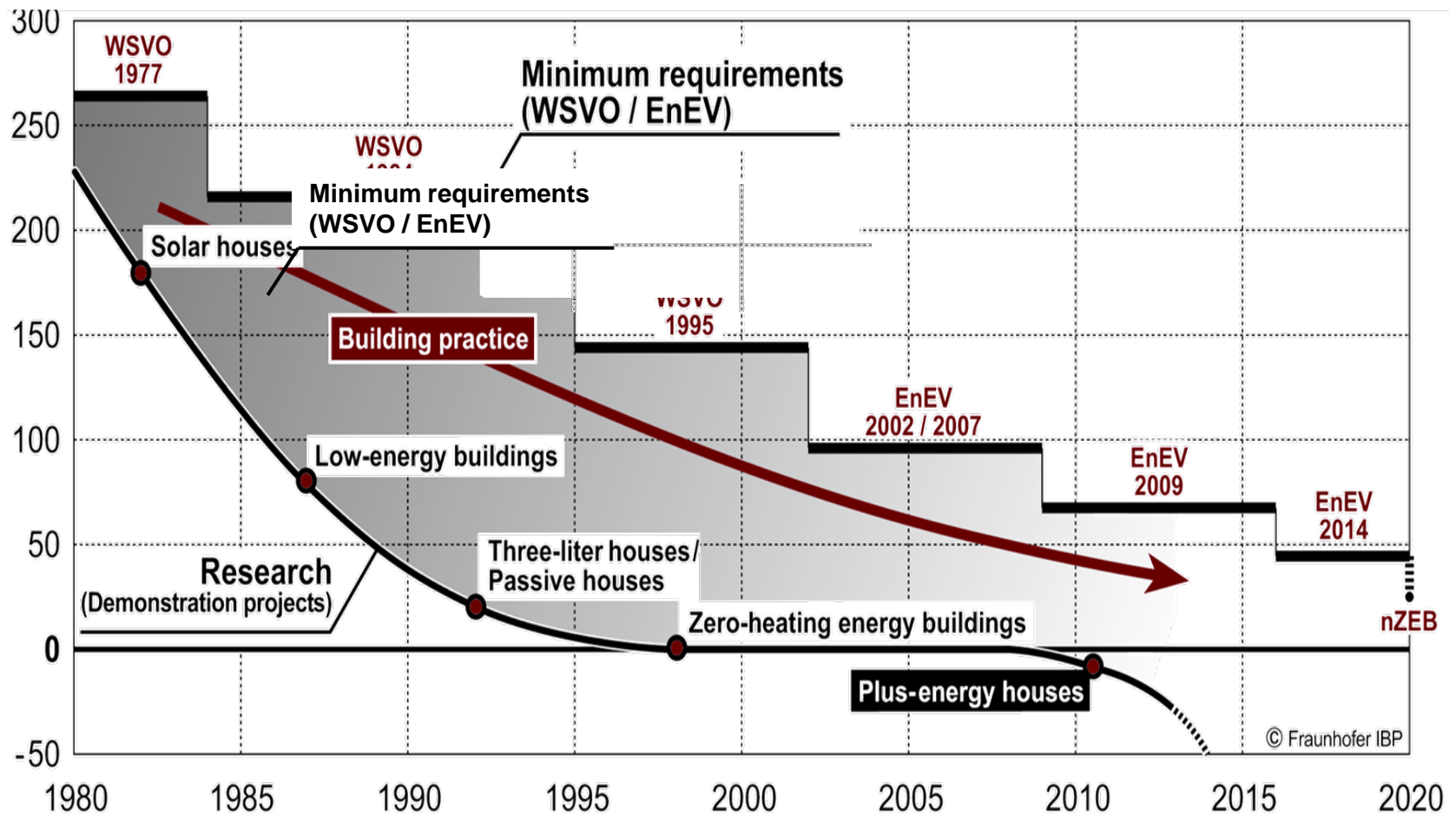


Development of Energy Standards for Buildings in the EU and Germany



Development of energy efficiency requirements

Primary energy need semi-detached house – heating [kWh/m²a]



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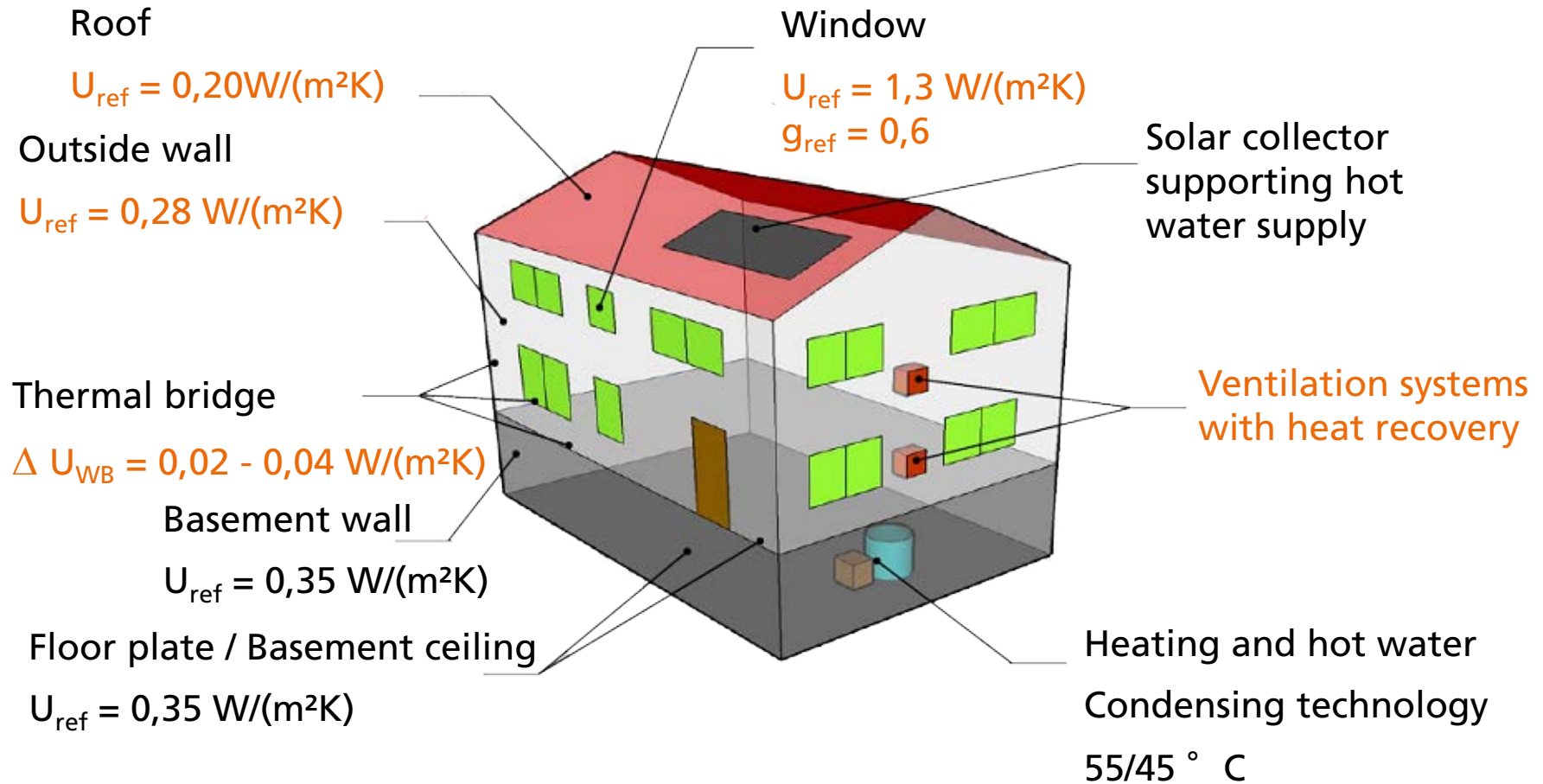
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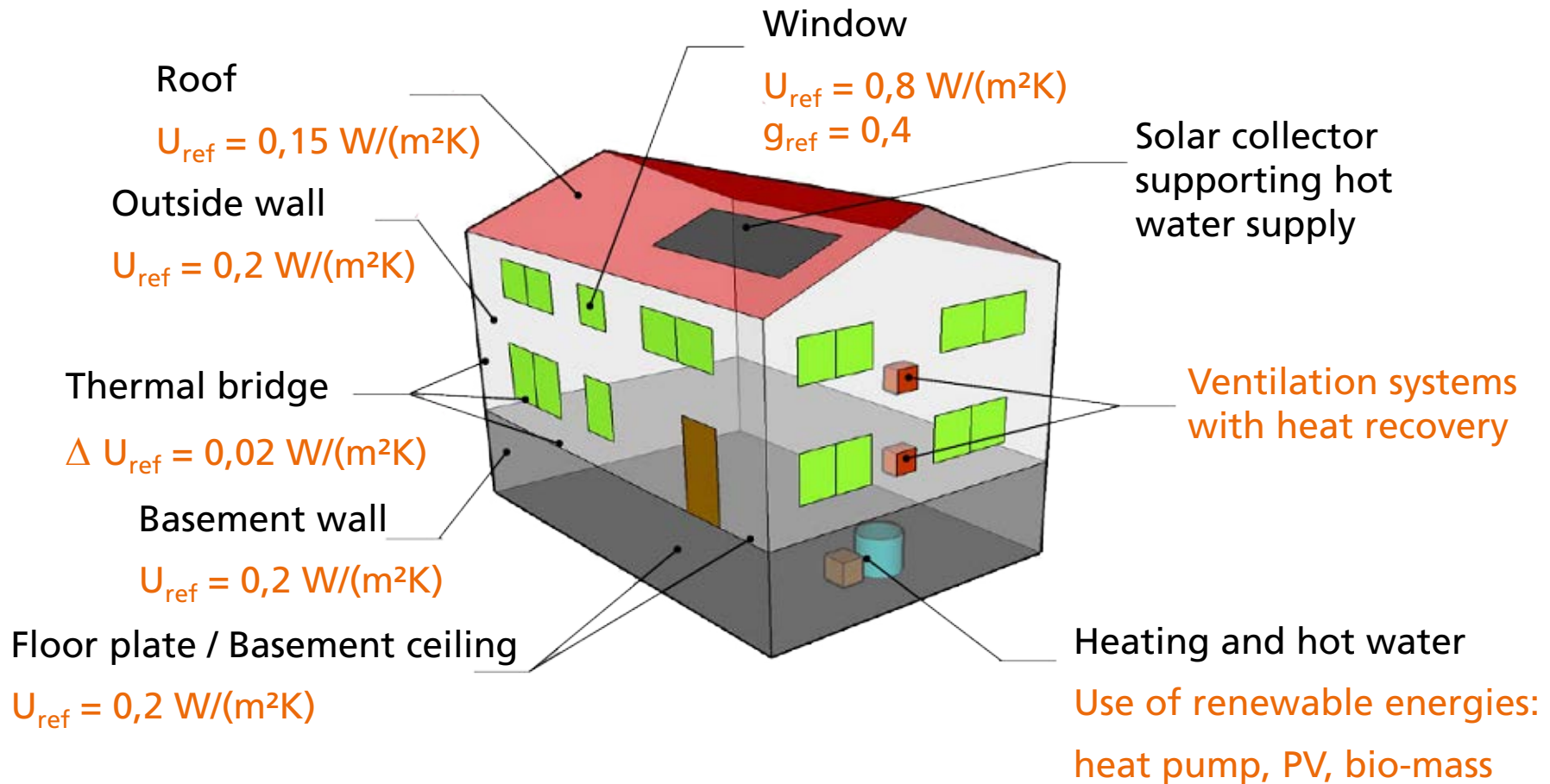
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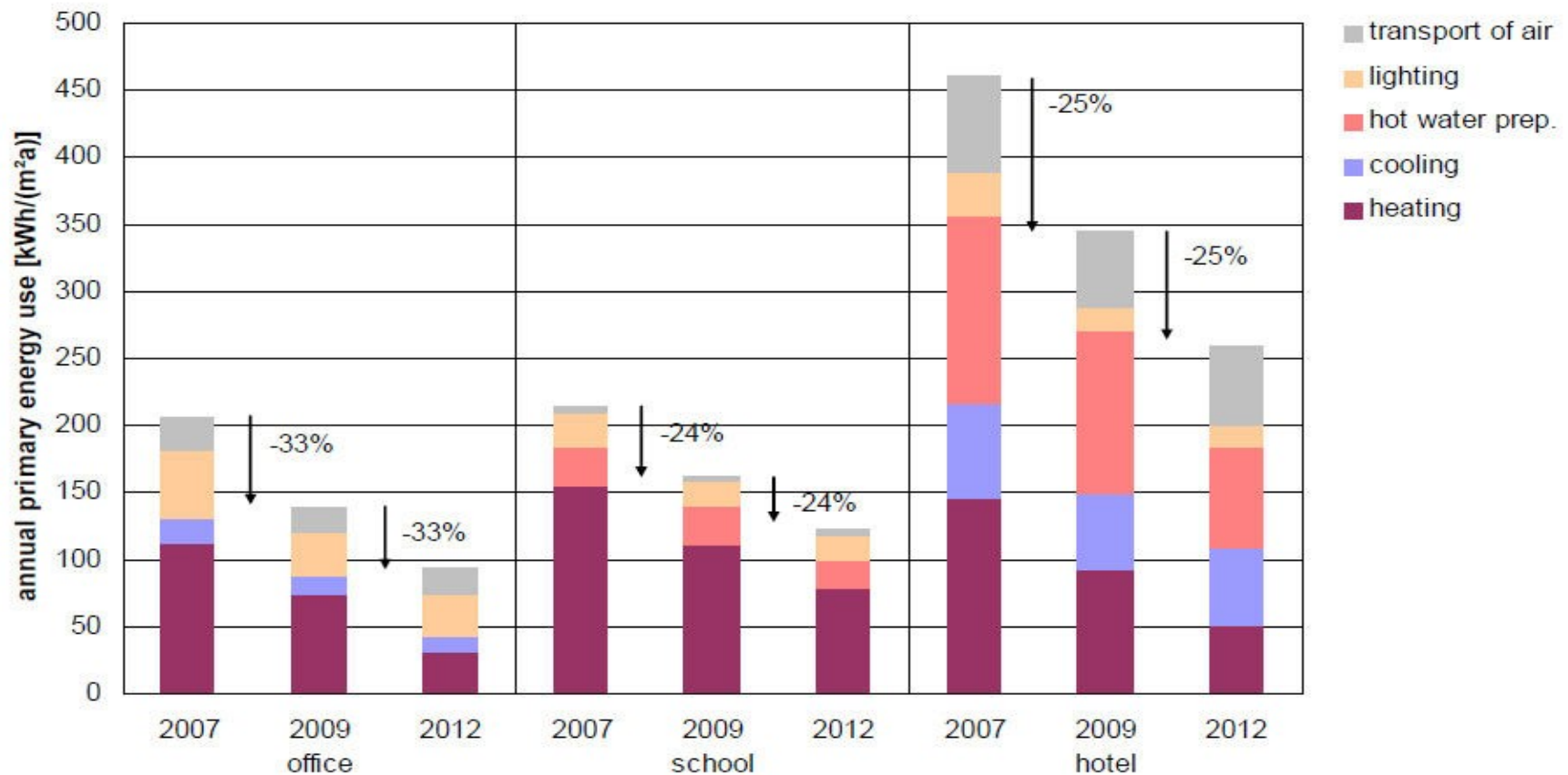
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Possible References for Components and Systems – Residential Buildings 2020



Requirements in Germany According to the Energy Regulations



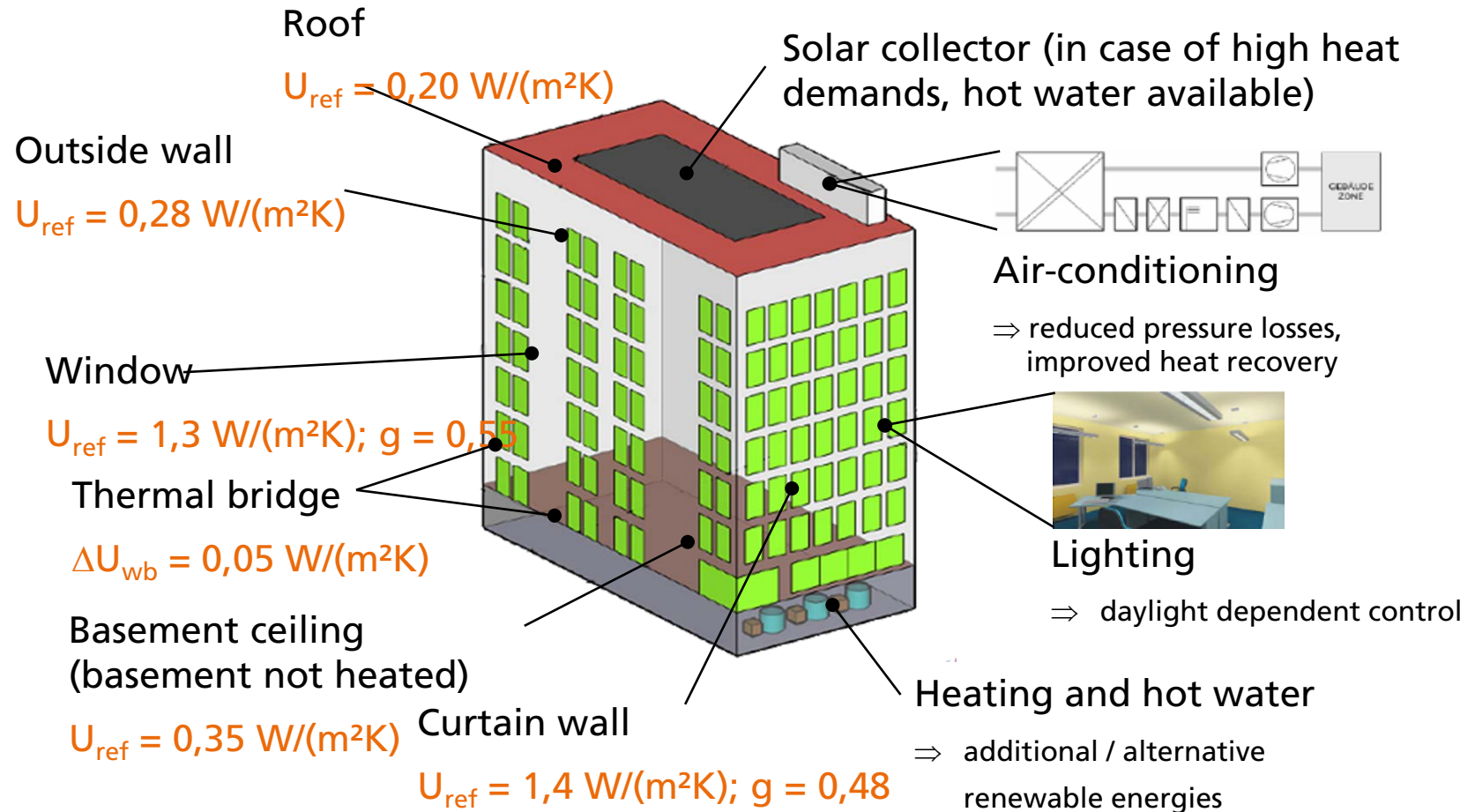
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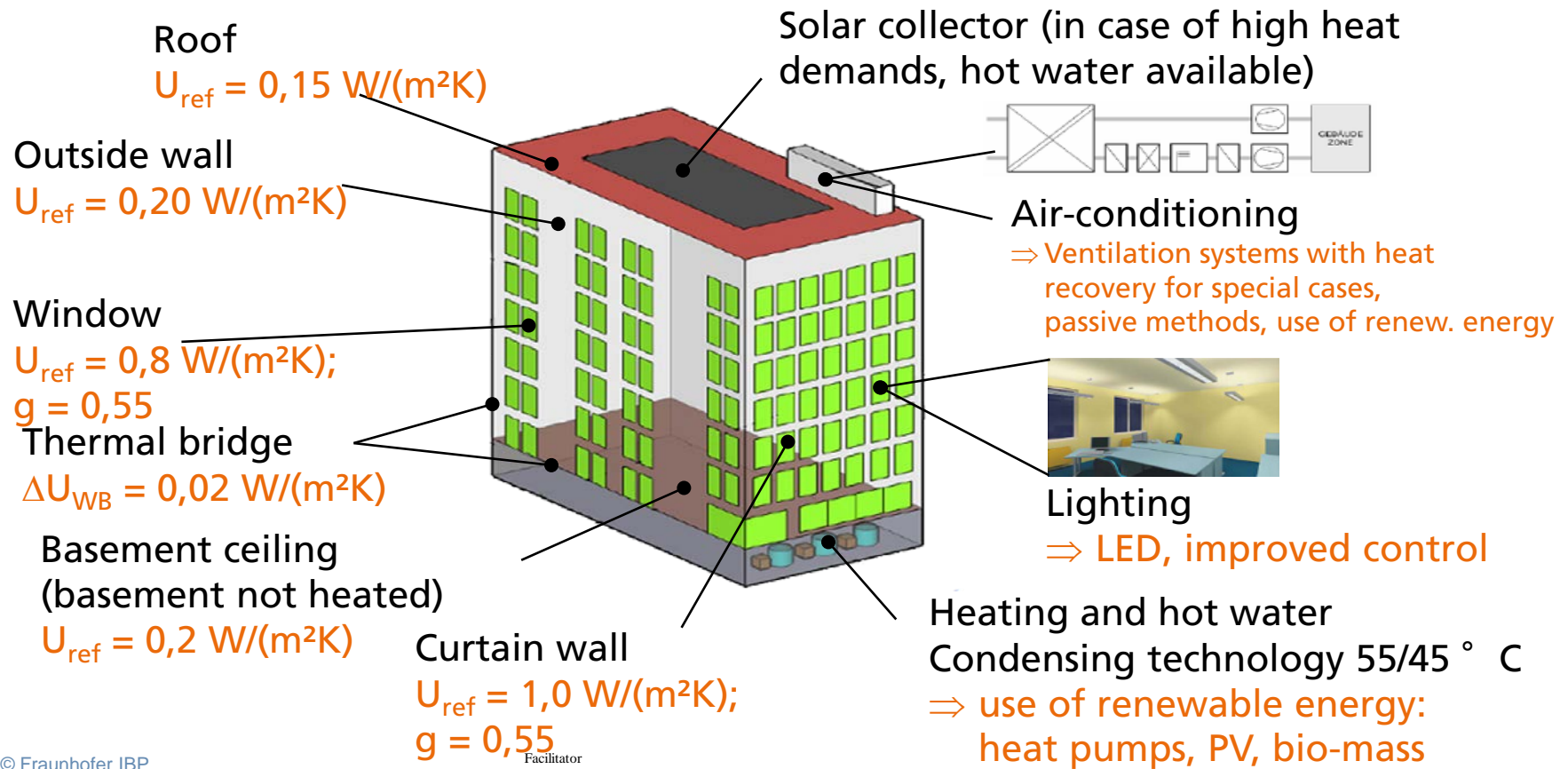
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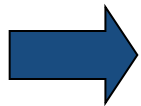
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Energy Concept 2050<

Target: reduction of energy consumption of buildings
2050: by approximately 80 %

increased usage of renewable energies in buildings



increasing the energetic renovation rate from 1 % to **2 %**

implementation by:

- **market incentive program (Marktanreizprogramm)**
- **financial stimulation (KfW-Förderung)**
- **tax stimulus**

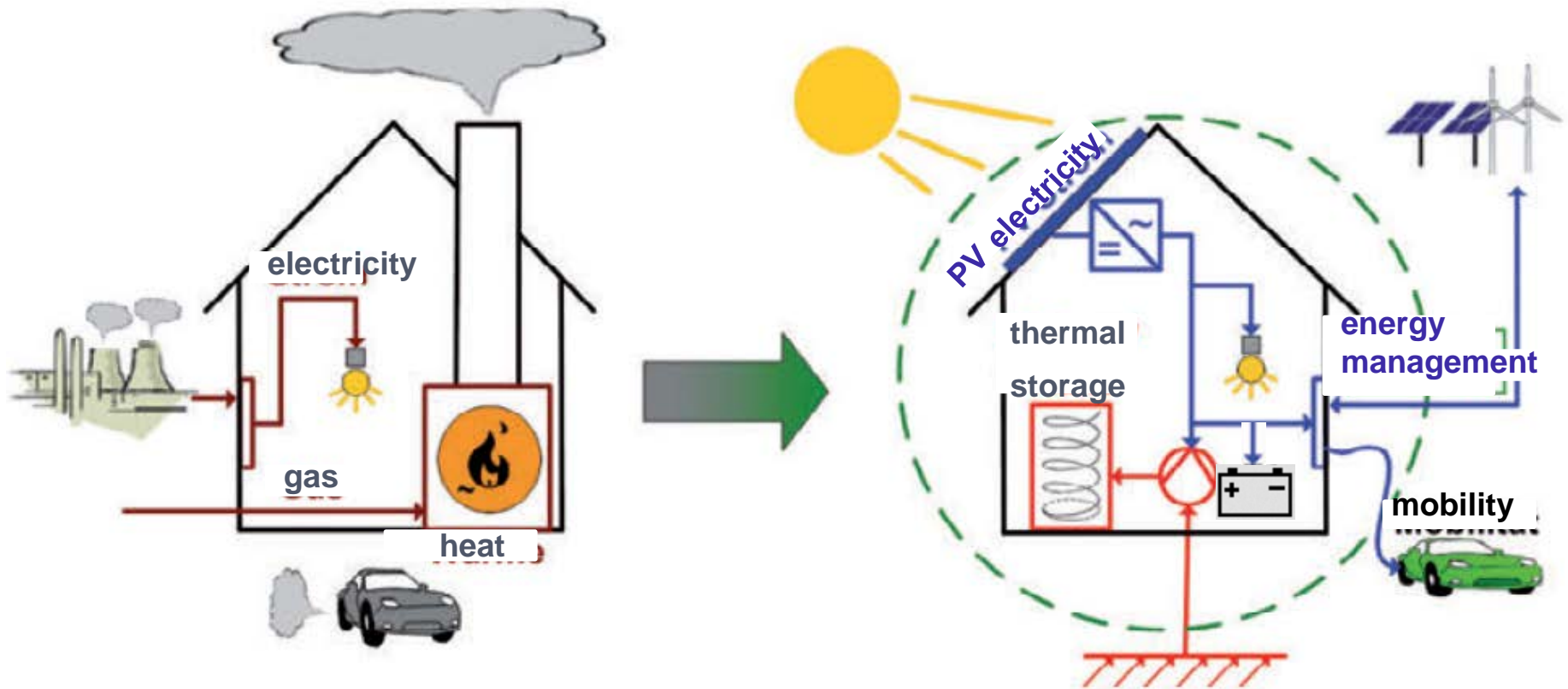
Prediction

**From 2020 onwards,
all new residential buildings in
Europe
will be more or less
plus energy buildings!**

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mini-power-stations!

From energy consumer to energy producer

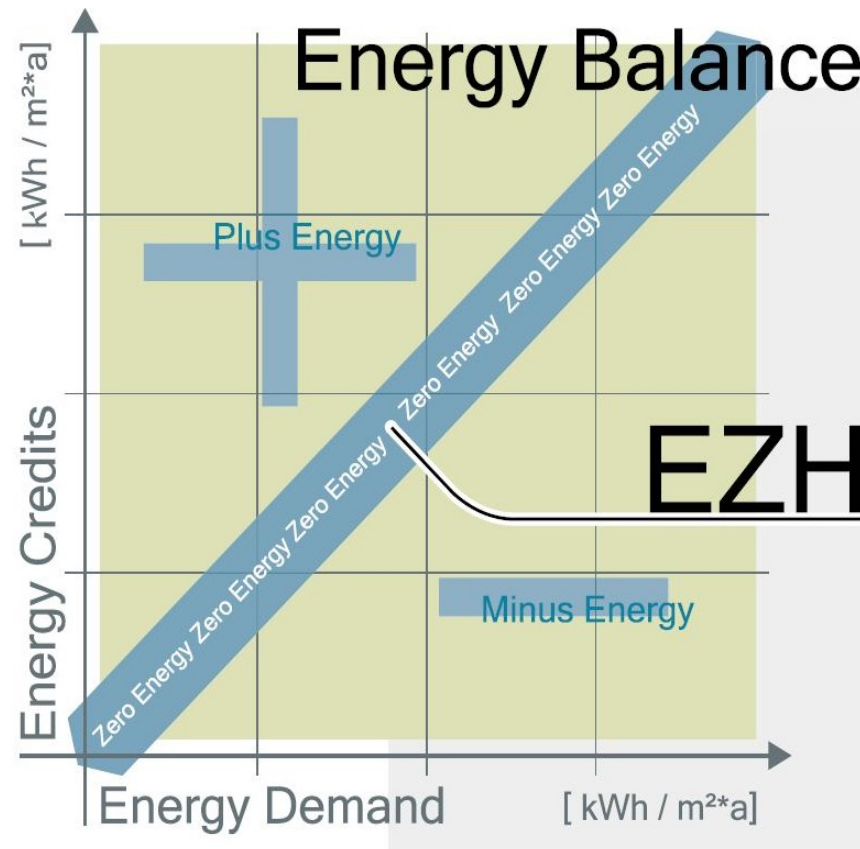


Plus Energy – what is that?

Balance of
total energy demand

Equals

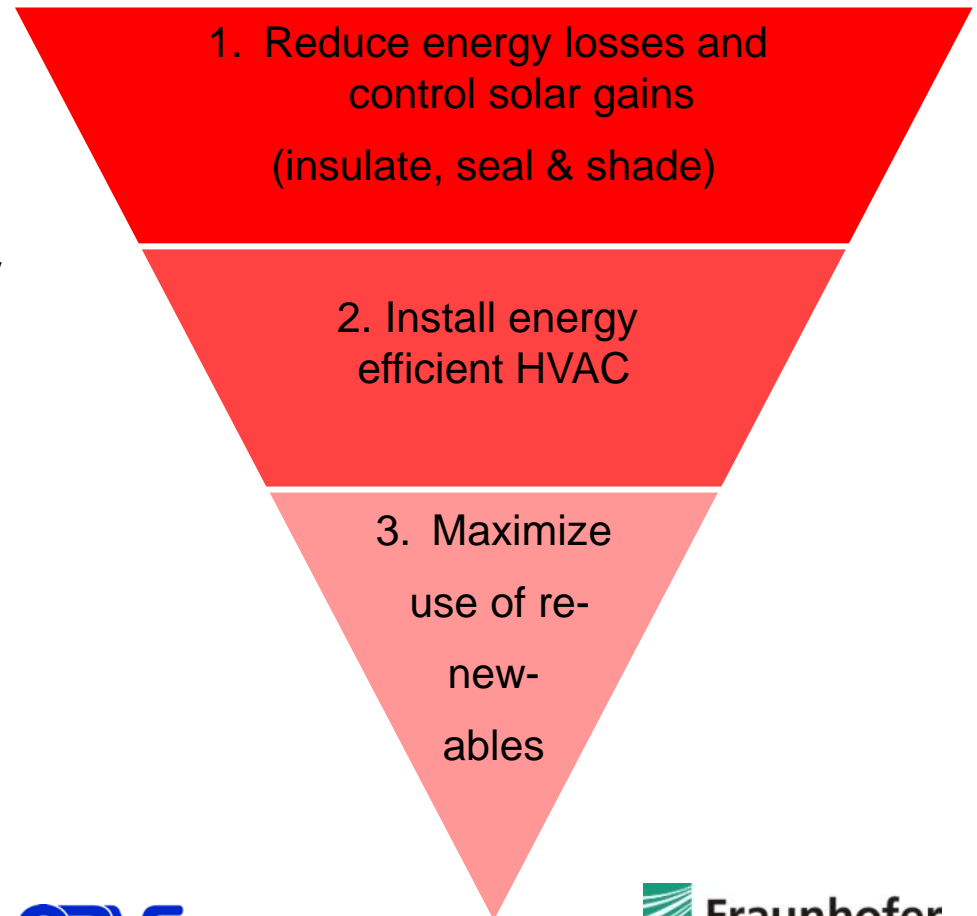
Renewable energy
generation



Plus Energy – how to get there?

Three steps:

- **Radical reduction of energy demand for heating, cooling, lighting and ventilation compared to conventional design**
- **Use of renewable sources to cover the remaining energy demand**



Winner of the Solar Decathlon 2007

exterior wall

$$U_{AW} = 0,10 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$$

facade (north)

$$U_W = 0,32 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$$
$$g = 0,37$$

roof

$$U_D = 0,10 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$$

facade (south)

$$U_W = 0,56 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$$
$$g = 0,51$$

ground slab

$$U_G = 0,40 / 0,10 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K})$$

Ventilation system with heat recovery and heat pump

PV with 15 / 11,4 kW_p

Flat plate collector

Winner of the Solar Decathlon 2009



Solar Decathlon Europe 2010 building of University of Applied Sciences of Rosenheim



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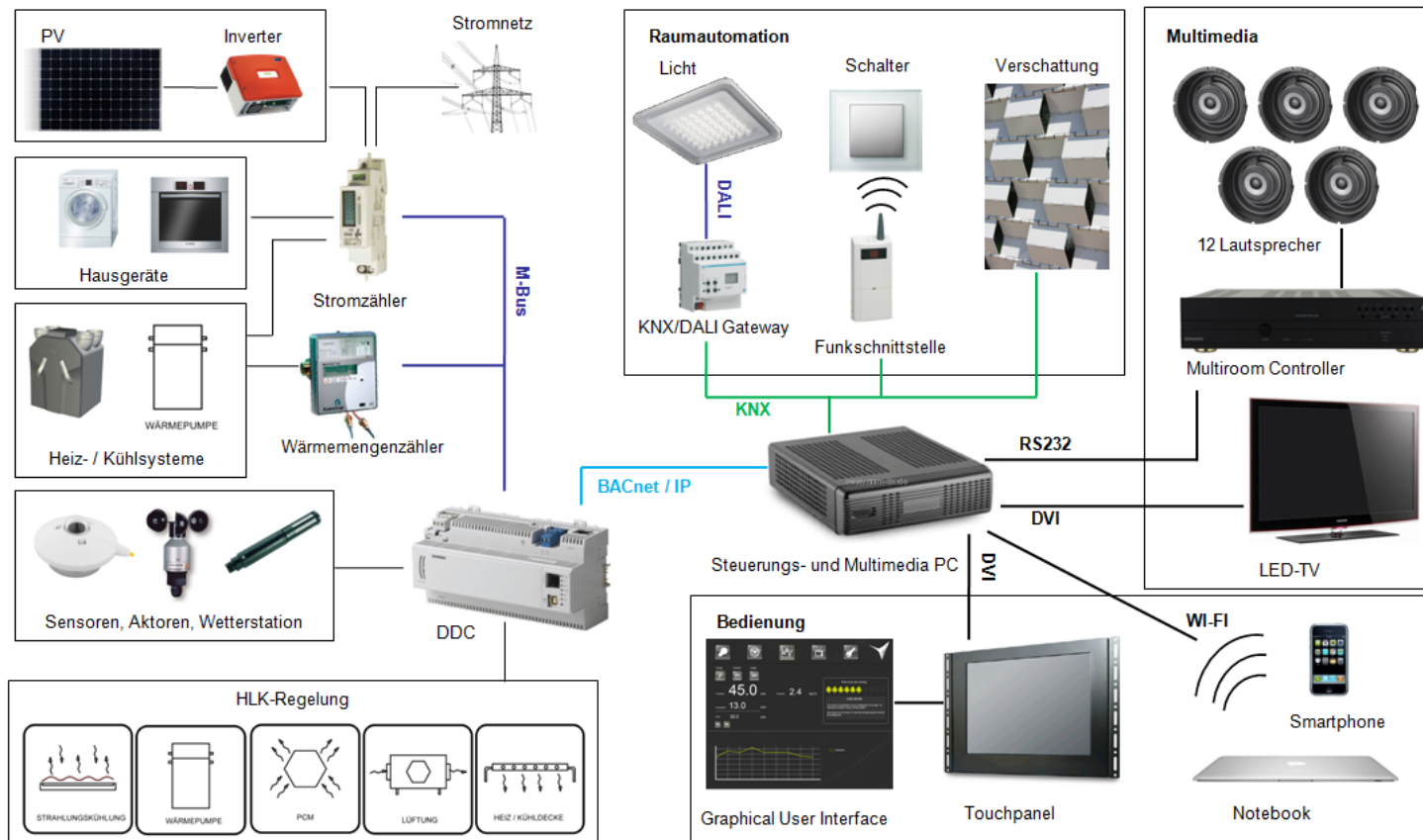


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Elements of plus energy buildings

– Buildingautomation

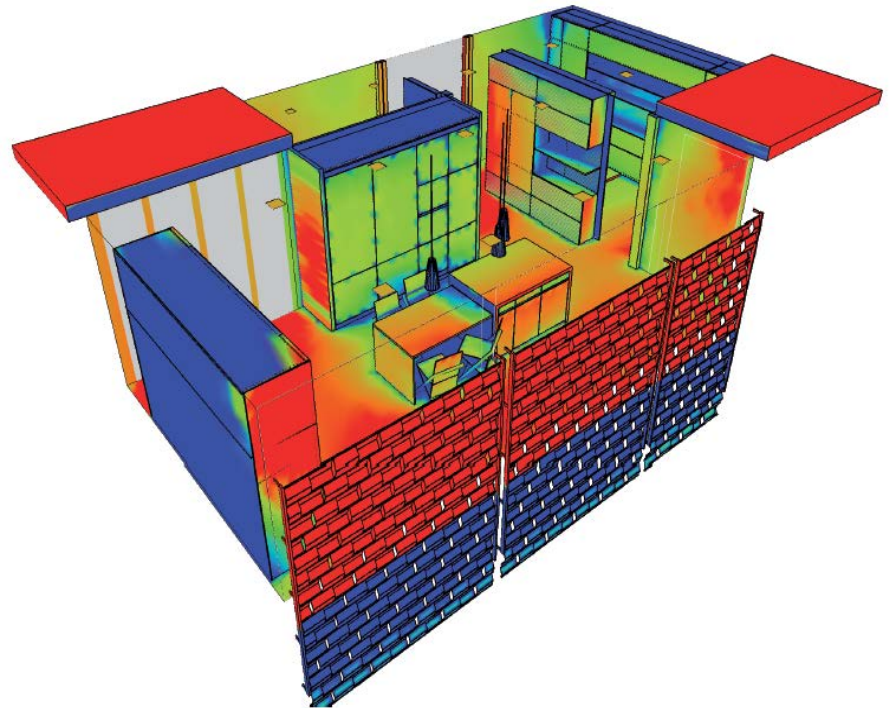
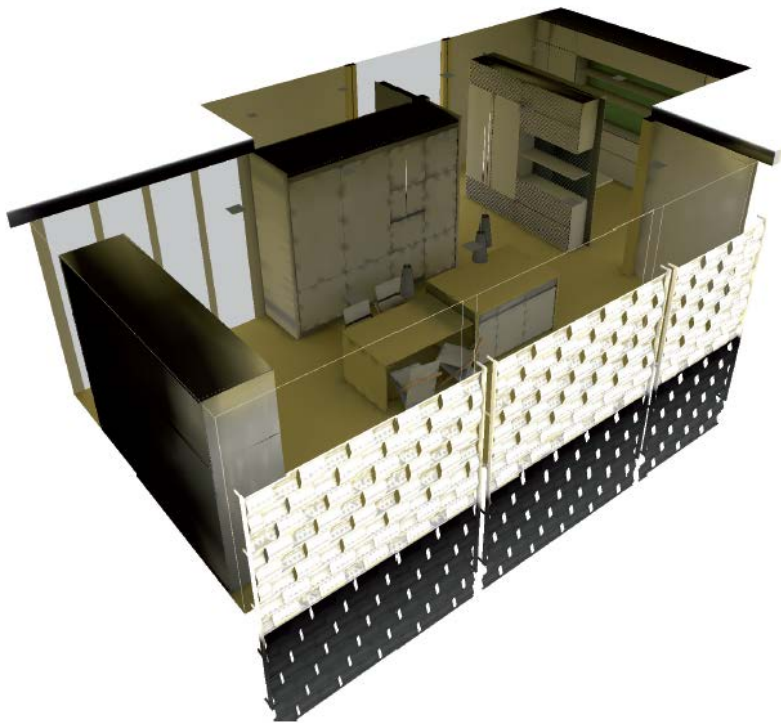


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Elements of plus energy buildings

– Daylight



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Elements of plus energy buildings

– Facade



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Plus Energy Building & E-Mobility



To enforce the use in
large quantities
the
**German Federal
Ministry of Transport,
Building and Urban
Affairs**
launched a
competition on a
**marketable
Plusenergy one-
family house.**

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Plus Energy Building & E-Mobility



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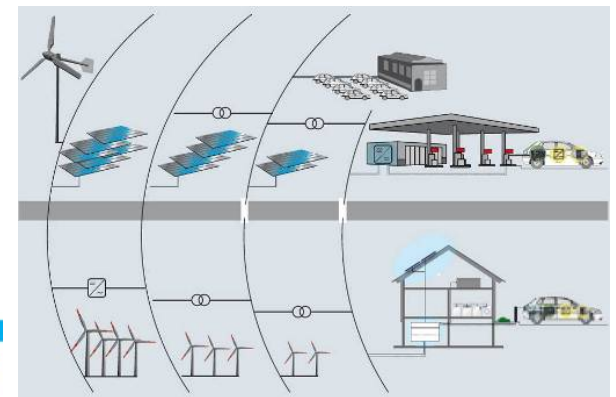


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Plus Energy Building & E-Mobility

- Increase the marketability of Plus Energy buildings
- Interface between building and mobility
- Decentralization of power generation
- Electric cars and smart grids for temporary storage of energy
- Intelligent network planning and network use
- Realization of this model building in Berlin-Mitte was on December 6th 2011



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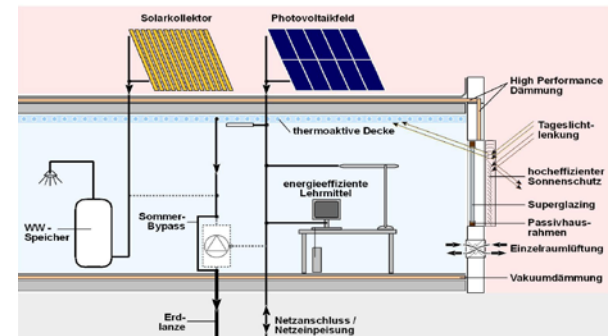
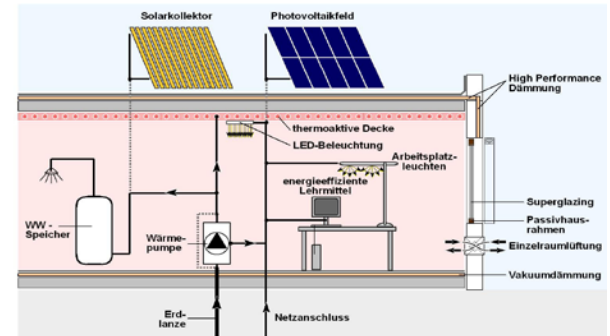
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Energy Active High Rise Building in Germany



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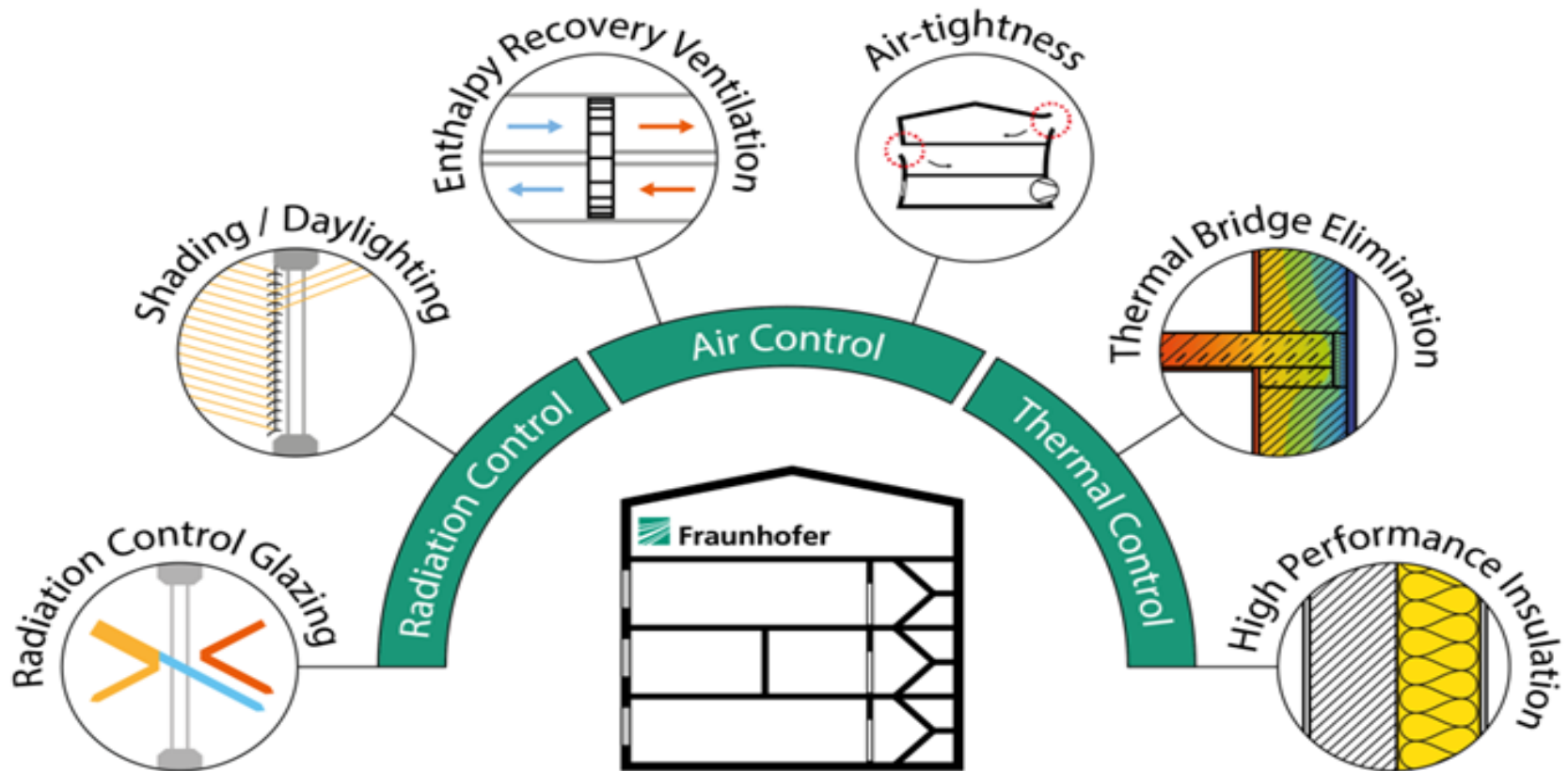


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Passive Design Principles for Energy Efficient Buildings



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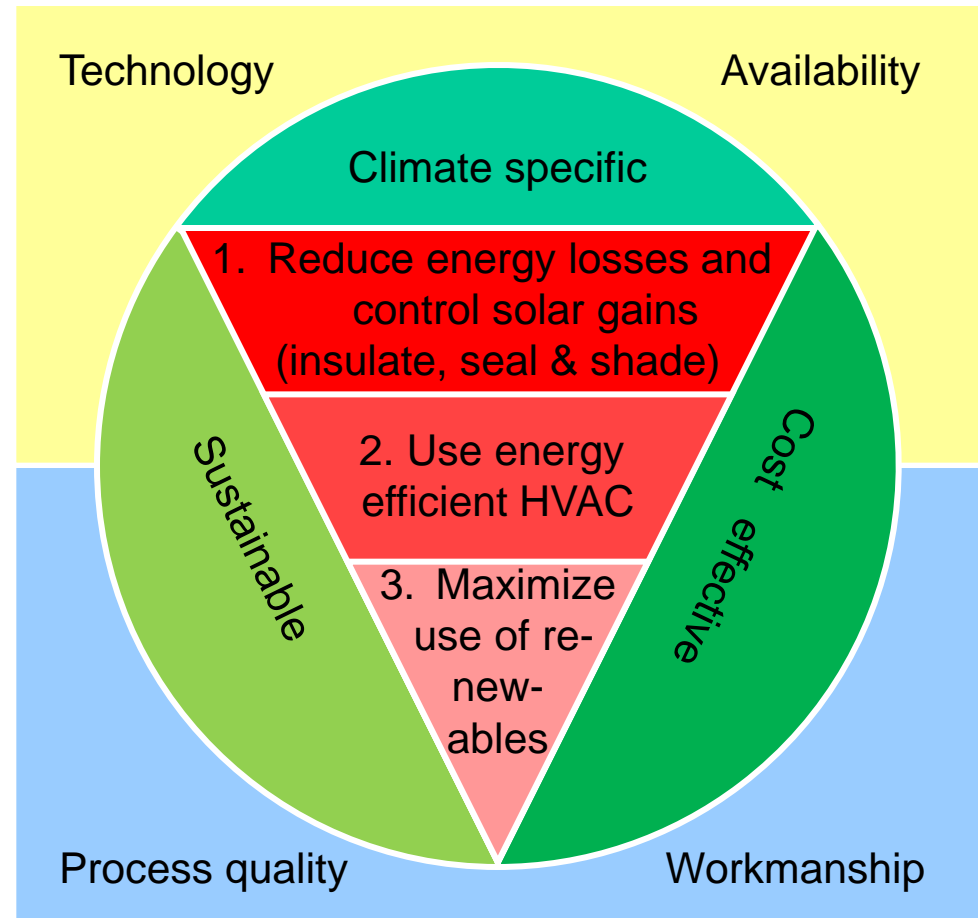
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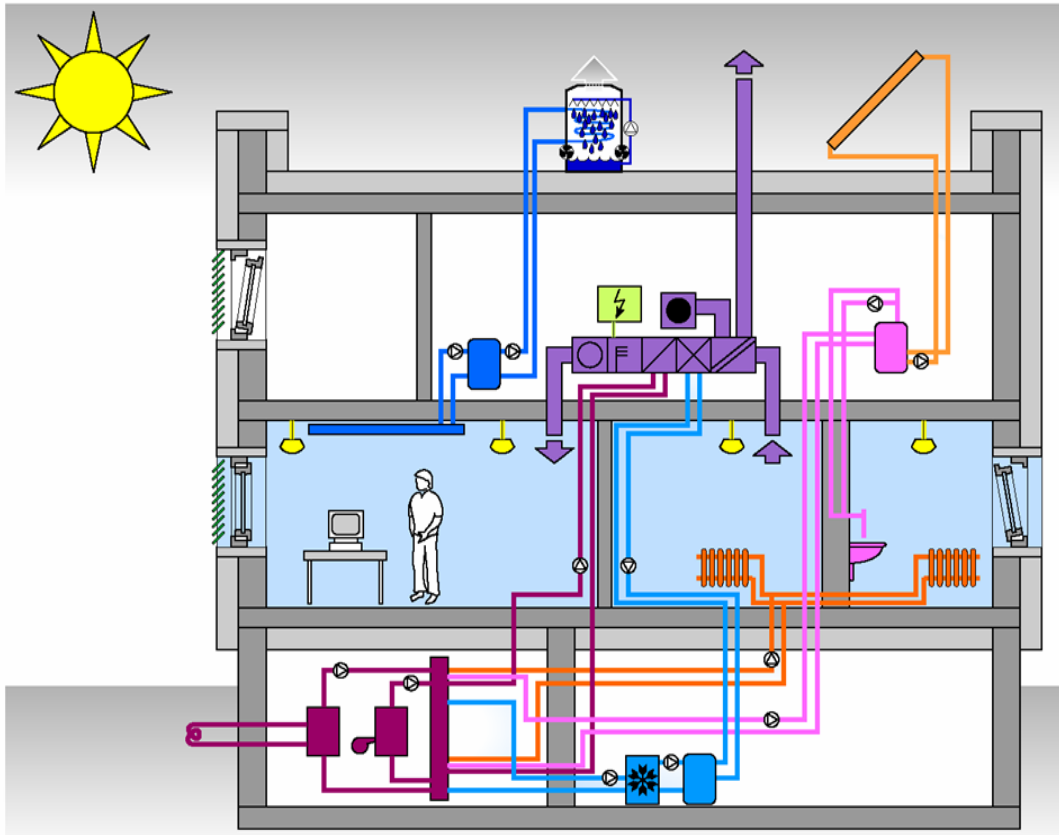
Designing Energy Efficient Buildings

– A Holistic Task

- A holistic building energy concept addresses comfort, hygiene, and durability
- Passive measures are indispensable and may be supported by efficient HVAC system and renewable energies
- Climate-specific and economical solutions require individual design
- Availability of technology to be considered
- Workmanship quality to be carefully planned and supervised



Modern building design requires appropriate tools



Accounting for interaction of building envelope, HVAC systems, weather conditions and occupants behavior requires powerful building simulation tools

Moisture control issues may require hygrothermal simulations (WUFI®Plus)

Moisture Control



Visible mold caused by high surface humidity

High indoor humidity provokes mold growth on thermal bridges in cold climates. In hot and humid climates unconditioned spaces are at risk

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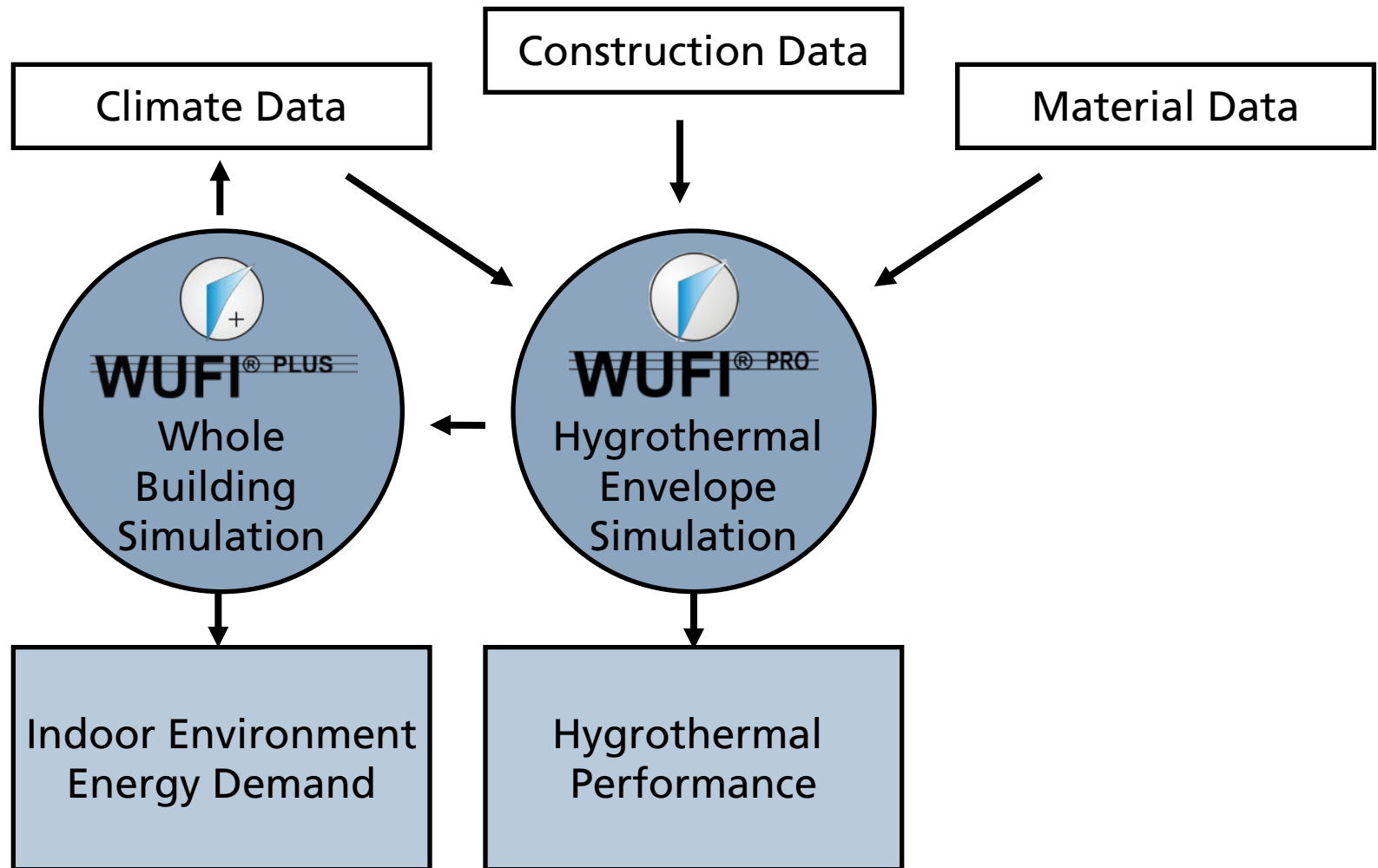
Moisture control



Invisible mold due to high humidity within the building envelope

Mold caused by vapor diffusion from hot to cold

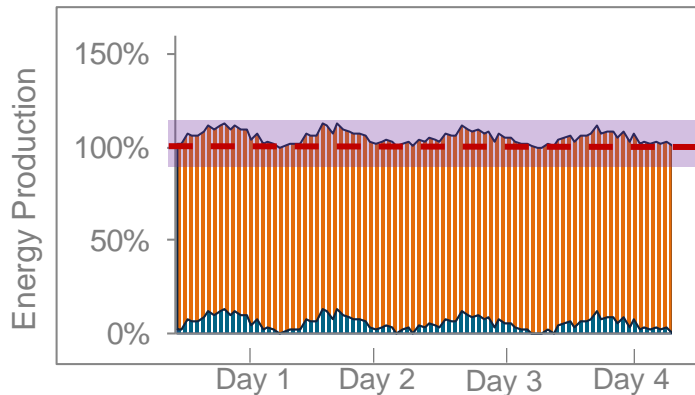
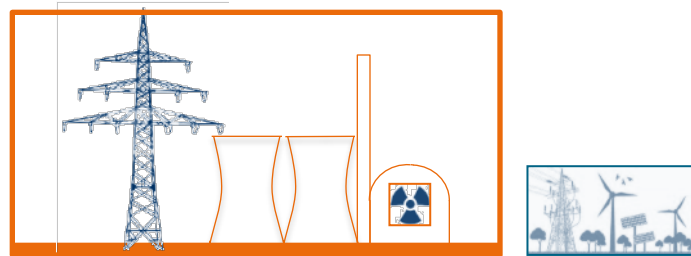
Hygrothermal Whole Building Simulation



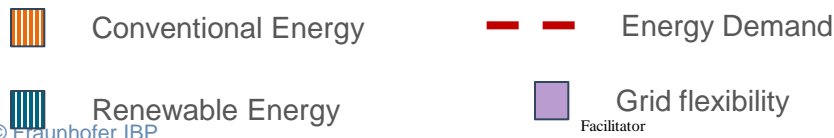
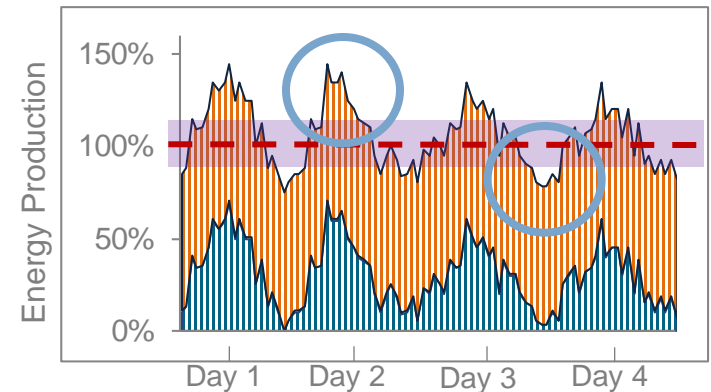
Energy supply of tomorrow

Increasing amount of renewables leads to fluctuating supply

Year 2000
Renewables: 6 %



Year 2020
Renewables: 35 %



Energy Management for buildings:
Save energy in times of low energy supply
– consume and store when supply is high

Innovation necessary

Improved energy storage and management systems



“Thanks to progress in technology, buildings of the future will adapt automatically both to weather conditions and to comfort requirements of the inhabitants.”

“Buildings will not only act as energy producers. They will also respond to grid fluctuations by smart energy management (energy consumption and storage control).”



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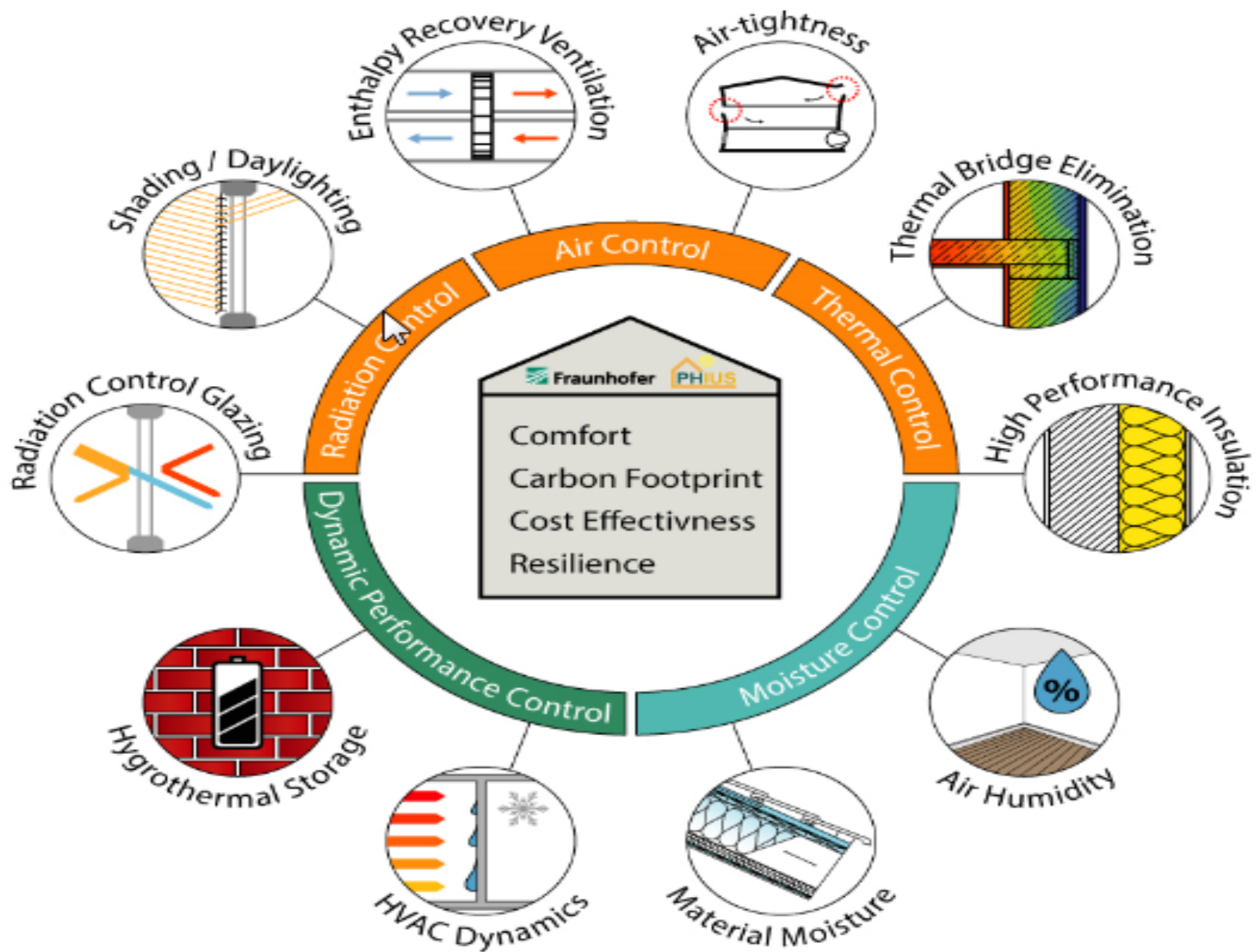


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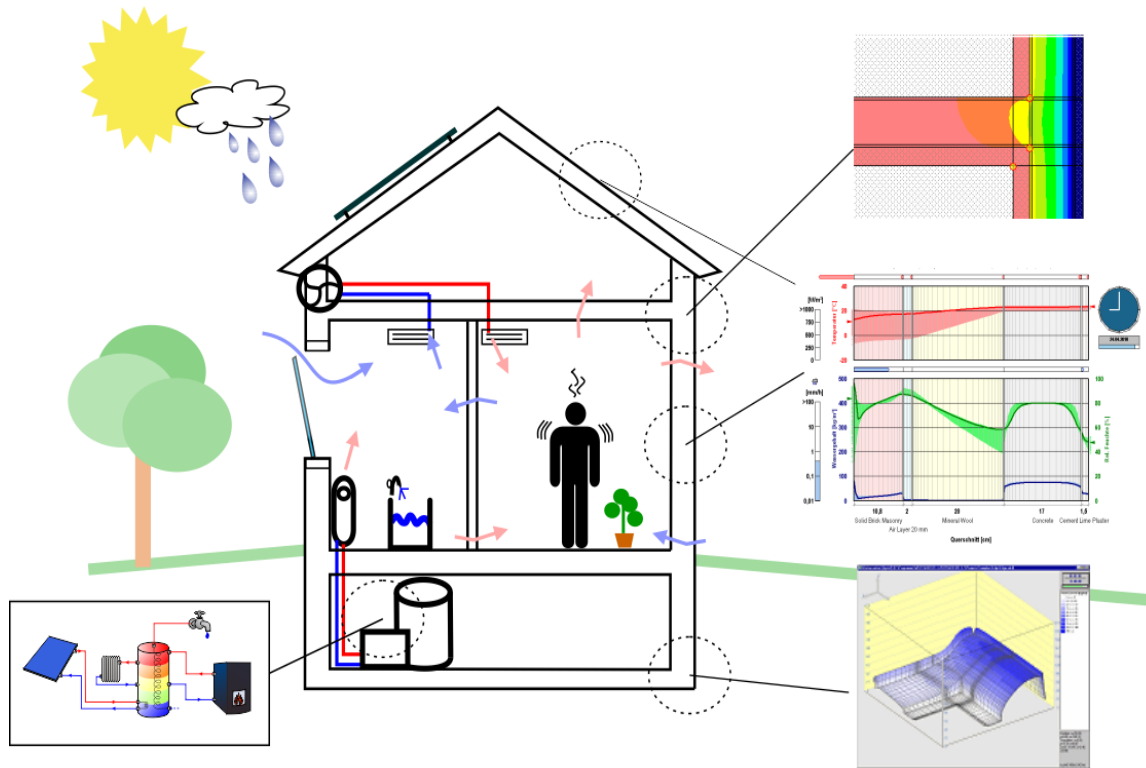




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Hygrothermal whole building analysis



Hygrothermal models (e.g. WUFI® Plus) include all heat and moisture exchange processes between the interior spaces and the building envelope, furniture, etc.

Conclusions

Energy efficient building operation and indoor comfort depend on appropriate passive measures and HVAC design

Moisture and indoor humidity control are important parameters for building envelope durability and healthy indoor conditions

Dynamic temperature & humidity conditions in buildings or building assemblies can be reliably predicted by hygrothermal simulation

Conclusions – cont.

Standard building energy simulation tools do not adequately account for the moisture exchange processes

Validated hygrothermal building simulation tools reproduce moisture transfer & storage correctly and therefore help to assess e.g.

- effect of moisture buffering interior lining materials
- appropriate strategies to remove moisture
- mold prevention methods in intermittently operated spaces

Challenge: designing buildings that are **energy efficient**, **healthy** and **durable** at the designated location (climate specific)



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