



# Green Buildings; Green Cities Why so long?

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#### Global warming < 1.5°C by 2050 based on pre industrial times

Built environment a major target for reducing CO2 emissions
 A major source of CO2 emissions

Climate change impact, especially vulnerable groups

#### LOW ENERGY TO ZERO CARBON

#### 1970' s

Low energy design: Passive design: Sustainable design:

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- Energy efficient design
- Thermal insulation
- Air tightness
- Efficient HVAC

- •Solar
- Daylight
- Natural ventilation
- Thermal mass
- Materials
- Renewable energy
- Community

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2018

- Reduce energy demand
- Renewable energy supply
- Appliance energy
- Low embodied energy

#### **Energy Positive design**

- Nearly zero energy demand
- Renewable energy supply
- Energy storage

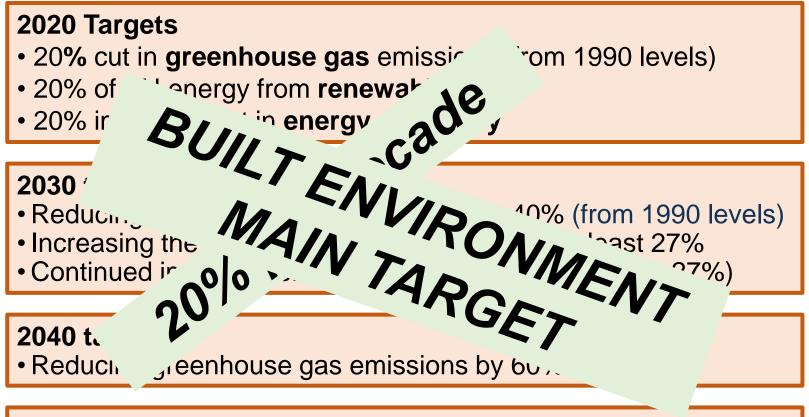
320ppm—409ppm

## Building New Build

# City Scale Retrofit

#### POLICY

#### EUROPE



#### 2050 targets:

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80%

#### POLICY

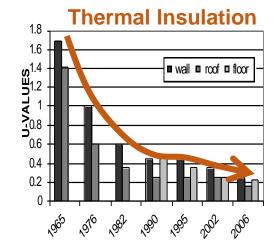
#### Nearly Zero Energy Buildings (NZEBs)

- The Energy Performance of Building Directive (EPBD)
  - new public buildings after December 31, 2018
  - all new buildings after December 31, 2020.
- A NZEB is a building that "has a very high energy performance with the nearly zero or very low amount of energy required covered to a very significant extent by energy from renewable sources, including energy from renewable sources produced on-site or nearby".
- Implemented through Building Regulations.

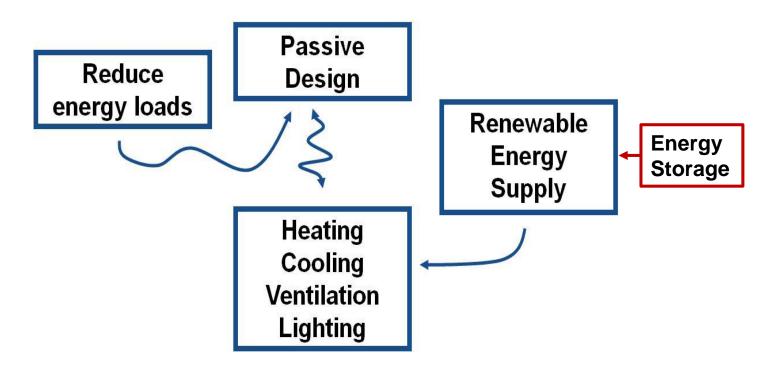
(D'Agostino et al., Synthesis Report on the National Plans for NZEBs; EUR 27804 EN; doi 10.2790/659611 )|

#### INCREMENTAL

#### ELEMENTAL



### **HOLISTIC APPROACH**



#### **TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN TOOLS**

We have the technologies,

and the **modelling** capabilities,

to design and construct buildings and cities by simulating **energy and environmental** performance.

#### **Renewable Energy**

#### **Energy Generating Building Envelopes**



# Cost

Energy: KWh 800.0	Monthly energy supply, PV power storage and exportation						
700.0							
600.0							
500.0							
400.0							

#### **Before retrofit**











After retrofit









#### RETROFIT

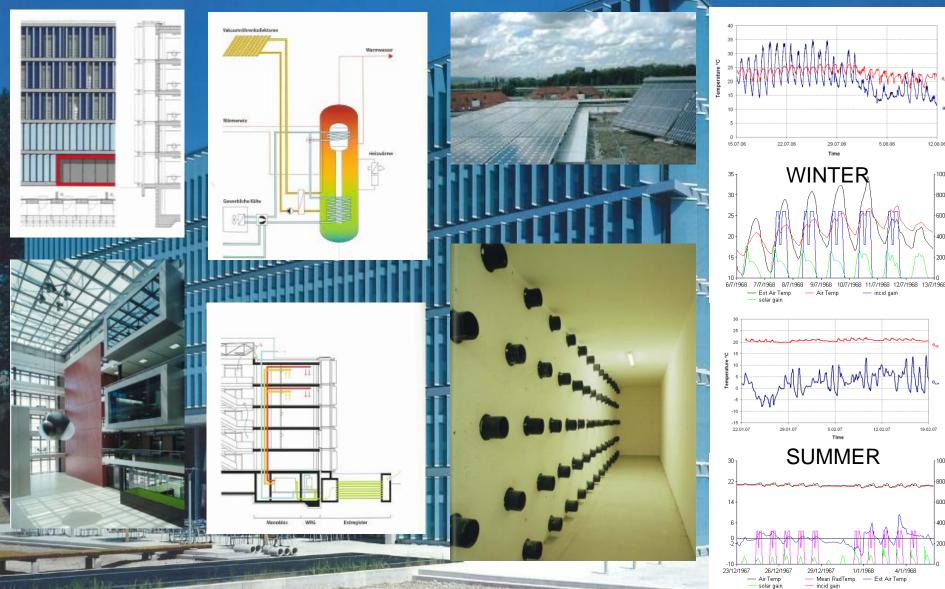






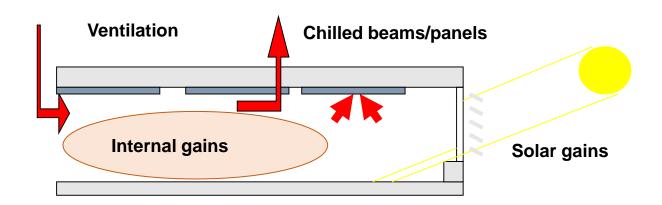
#### **EMPA near-zero carbon office, Zurich**

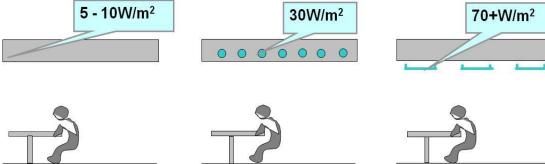
#### **TECHNOLOGIES**



TOOLS

#### **COMFORT IN GREEN BUILDING ?** Surface heating and cooling





thermal mass

chilled ceilings

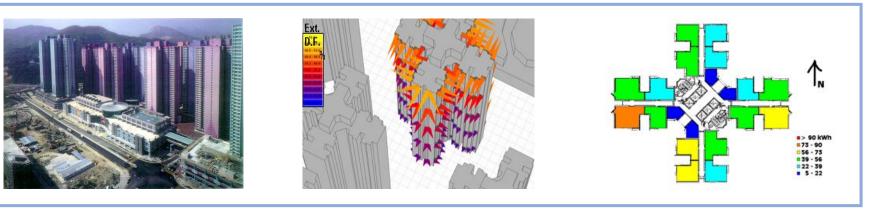
chilled beams

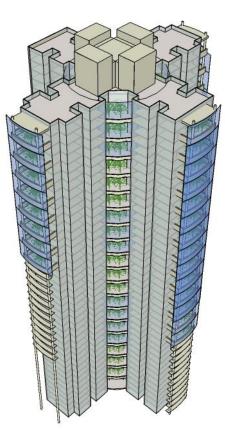


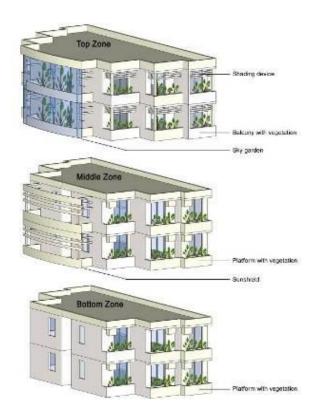




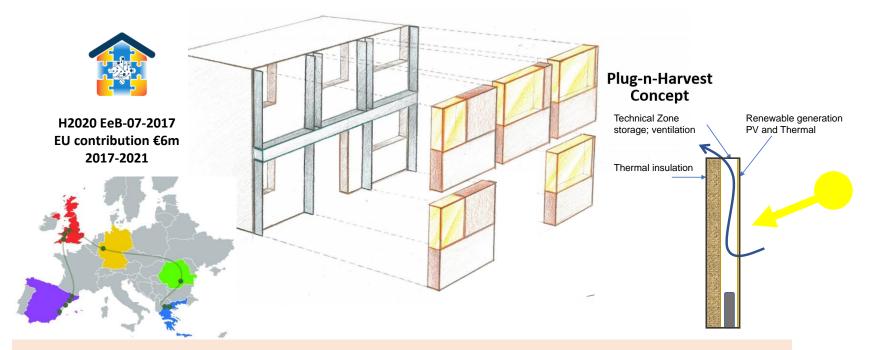
#### Façade design







#### **Plug-n-Harvest**



#### **OPTIONS:**

Thermal insulation; PV generation; battery storage; solar thermal air heating; mechanical ventilation;



# **URBAN SCALE**

#### **URBAN SCALE TOOLS**



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Existing condition

Option1





Option2

Option3

Air Ventilation Analysis:

**AKLFlowDesigner** 

#### Daylighting Analysis:

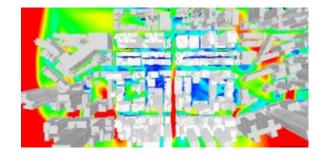


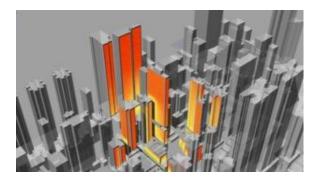
**Building Energy:** 



Thermal comfort:

CityComfort+

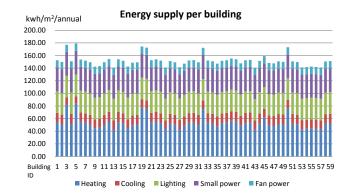


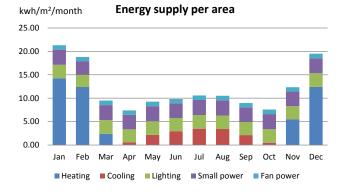




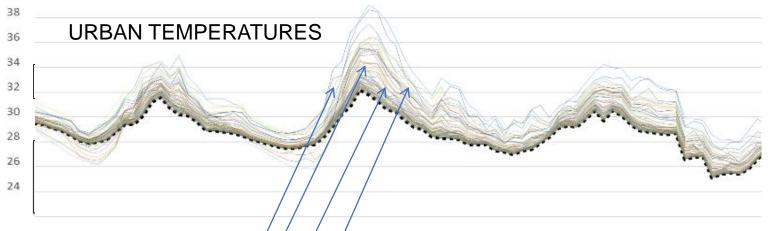
#### Large Scale low carbon Urban Developments







#### Integrated Model: Urban Microclimate (UMM) + Energy (HTB2)



#### Improve external comfort Reduce building energy demand





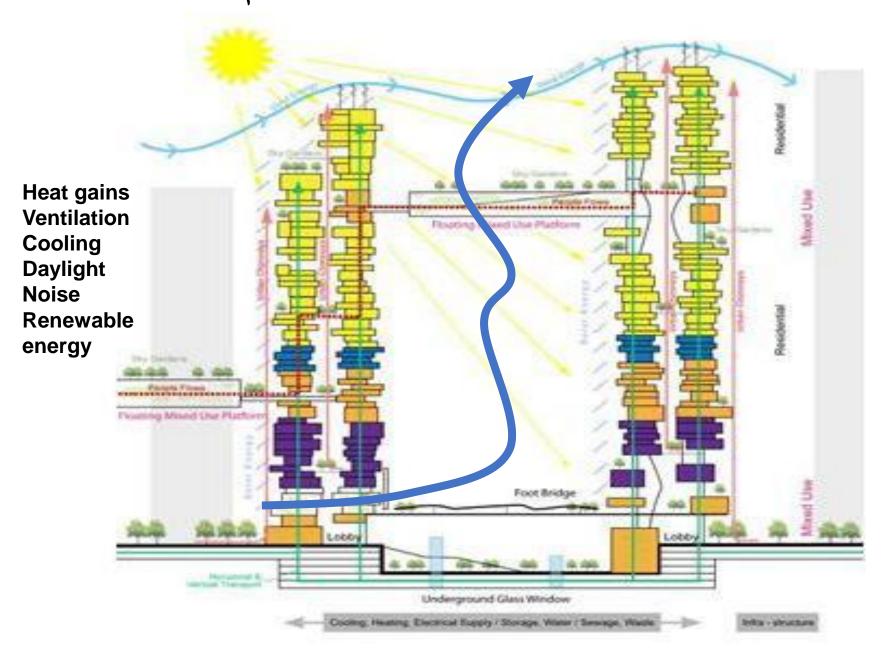
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	M2	19.2	0.92	14.0	
	M3	19.8	0.92	14.0	
•	M4	19.6	0.92	14.0	

#### Model Testing on a Scale Concrete City (Guangzhou)



A zonal model for assessing street canyon air temperature of high-density cities, Weihui Liang, Jianxiang Huang, Phil Jones, Qun Wang, Jian Hang, Building and Environment Vol 132, 15 March 2018, Pages 160-169

#### CITY AS A BUILDING



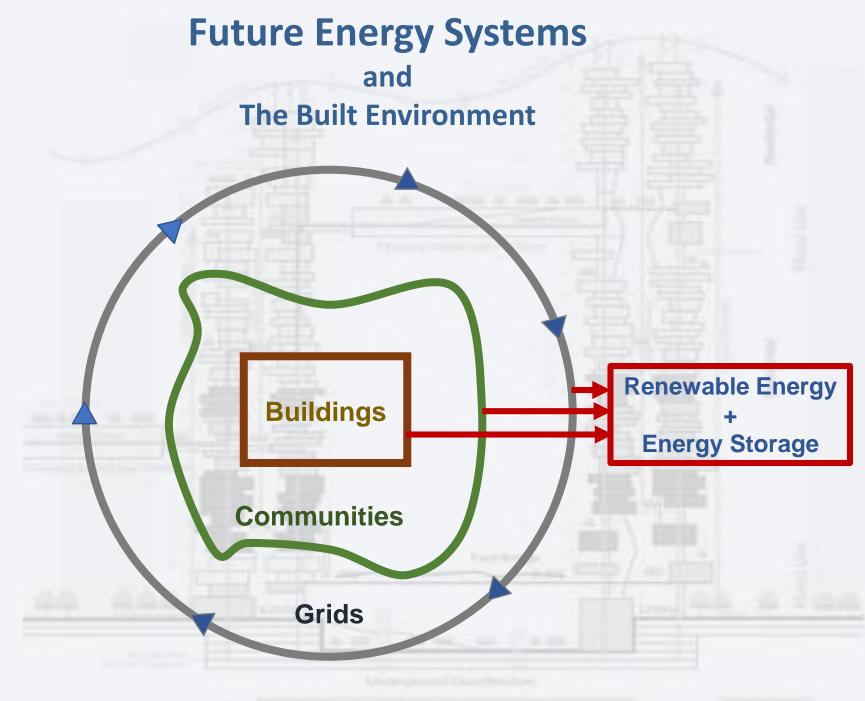
#### **BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

**NEW BUILD** 

RETROFIT

URBAN SCALE





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#### **BARRIERS AND BENEFITS**

#### WHY SO LONG?

- Lack awareness
- Industry resists change
- Government does not push
- Procurement lock-in
- Uncertainties: costs / performance
- Who owns it architect, engineer, building physicist?

#### **BENEFITS (MULTIPLE)**

#### **Building / Community**

- Energy cost savings
- Comfort, health and well-being
- Productivity increase
- Increase asset and rental value
- Less pollution
  National / Global
- Carbon emissions reduction.
- Reduced use of resources.
- Security of energy supply.
- Reduced environmental damage
- Public health savings

# Thank You



Chinese Vice Premier Liu Yandong visits the SOLCER House