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# **Energy Storage in a Smart Energy System**

## **- Policy and Planning Perspectives**

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# Summary 1/3

- ▶ Poul Norby (DTU):
  - ▶ Potential Li-battery cost decrease from 200 \$/kWh to 100 \$/kWh
  - ▶ New battery types: Li-Air, Zi-Air → Factor 10 weight decrease, factor 5 volume decrease
- ▶ Allan Schrøder Pedersen (DTU):
  - ▶ HT thermal storage in rock beds: 600 °C, experimental RT thermal efficiency up to 68%
  - ▶ 5 mio €/MW investment cost, 10 €/kWh heat production cost
  - ▶ Potential for district heating plants
- ▶ Brian Vad Mathiesen (AAU):
  - ▶ 60-70% of electric capacity in 2050 will be based on fluctuating RE → 20-25,000 MW
  - ▶ Problematic to try and solve this only by cross-country exchange of electricity
  - ▶ Storage and flexibility units like electrolysers will only be in operation for around 50% of the time → need for appropriate regulative framework



Image: Allan Schrøder Pedersen



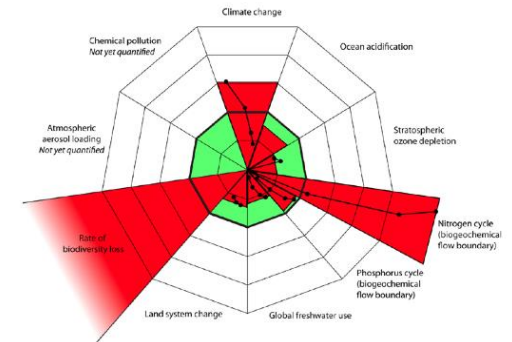
# Summary 2/3

## ► Iva Ridjan (AAU):

- Geographical analysis of electrolyser potentials based on CO<sub>2</sub> sources (biogas, industry) and possible grid connections (electricity, gas, district heating)
- With a model 50 GWh plant, feasible locations vary greatly depending on electrolyser technology and CO<sub>2</sub> source (between 50 and several thousand)

## ► Alexis Laurent (DTU):

- LCA of energy systems: relative vs. absolute sustainability
- Absolute: downscale planetary boundaries to product level
- Need for full integration of LCA into energy system models



Rockström et al. 2009





# Summary 3/3

- ▶ Guangling Zhao (DTU):
  - ▶ LCA of electrolysis: factor 20 difference in global warming potential between SOEC, PEM, AEC
  - ▶ Recycling can bring down GWP significantly
- ▶ Eirik Resch (NTNU/DTU):
  - ▶ Embodied emissions in building materials: steel factor 2,5 higher than concrete
  - ▶ Relatively high emissions from PV systems → challenge for ZEBs
  - ▶ My conclusion: better to install collective/neighbourhood PV systems



# Paradigmatic change



"Natural" storage infrastructure



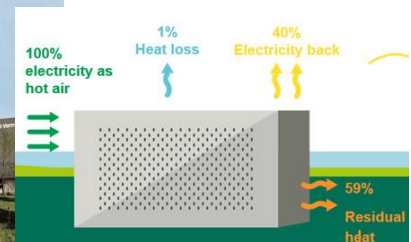
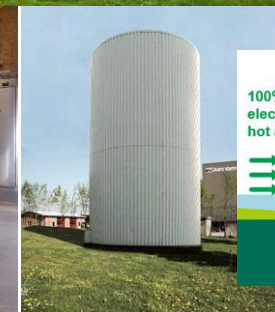
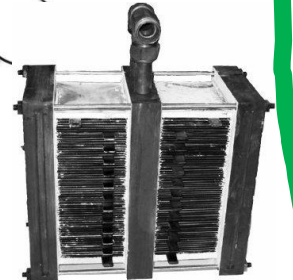
Fixed energy content + good storability



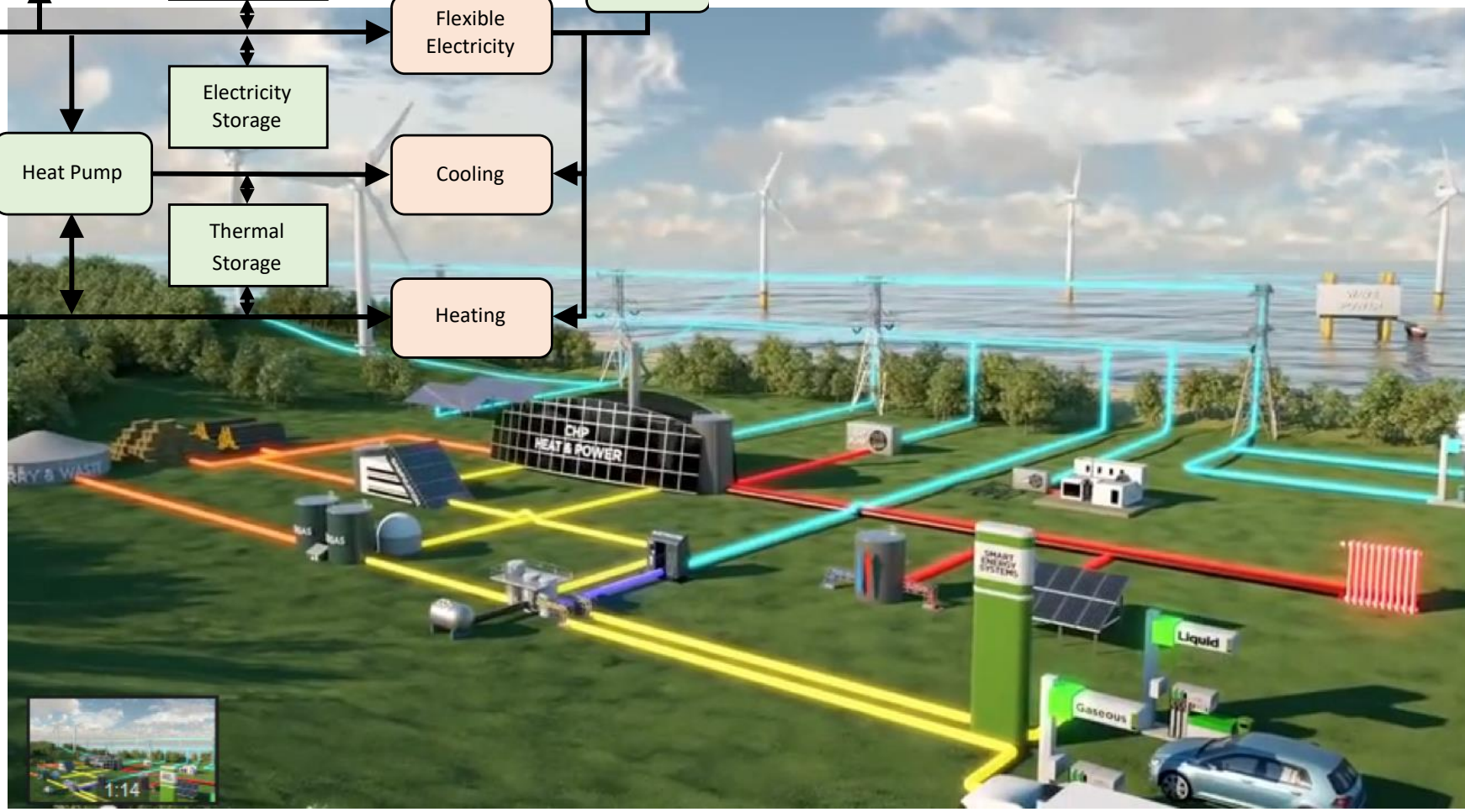
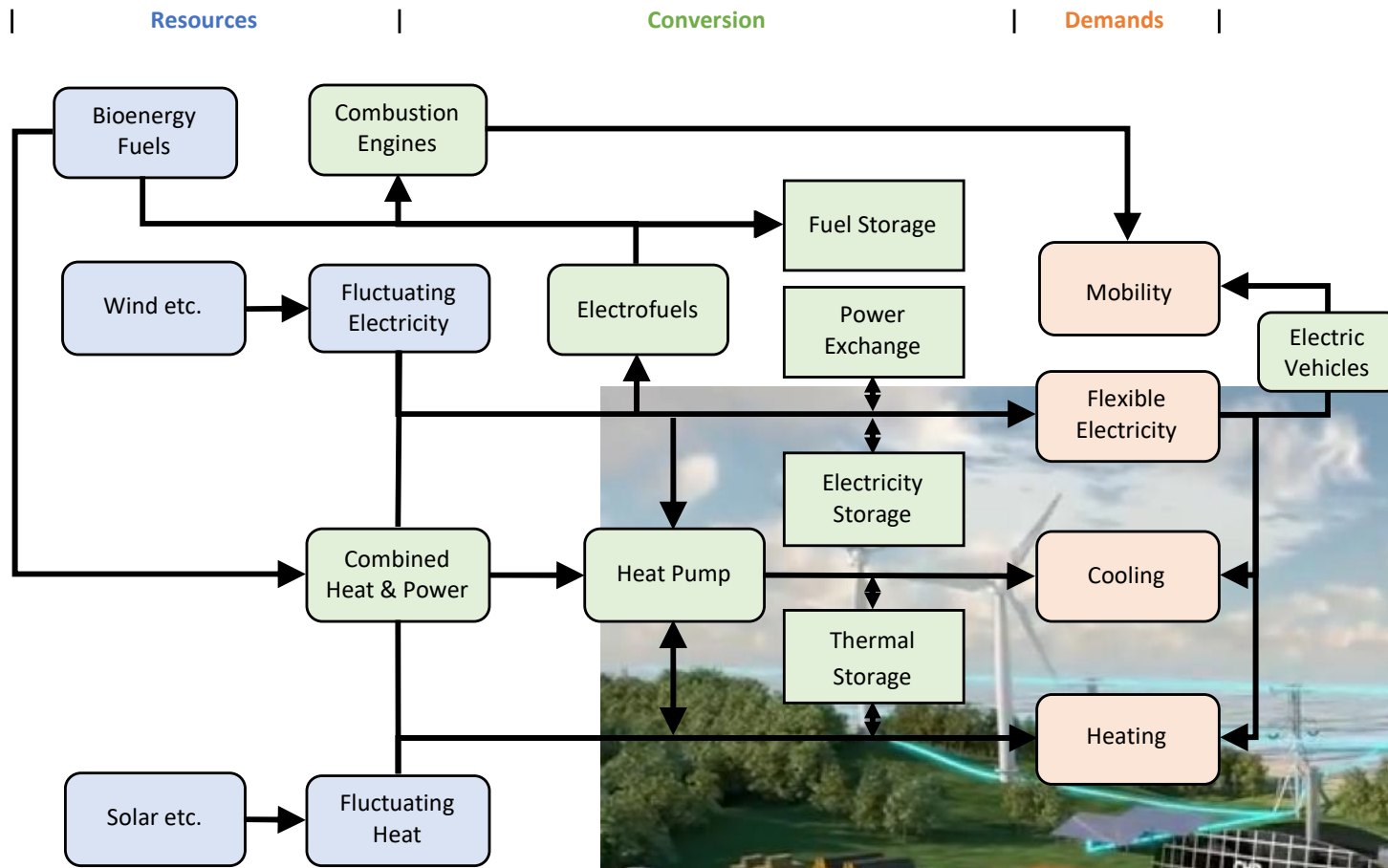
Variable energy content

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External flexibility/storage



# Smart Energy System



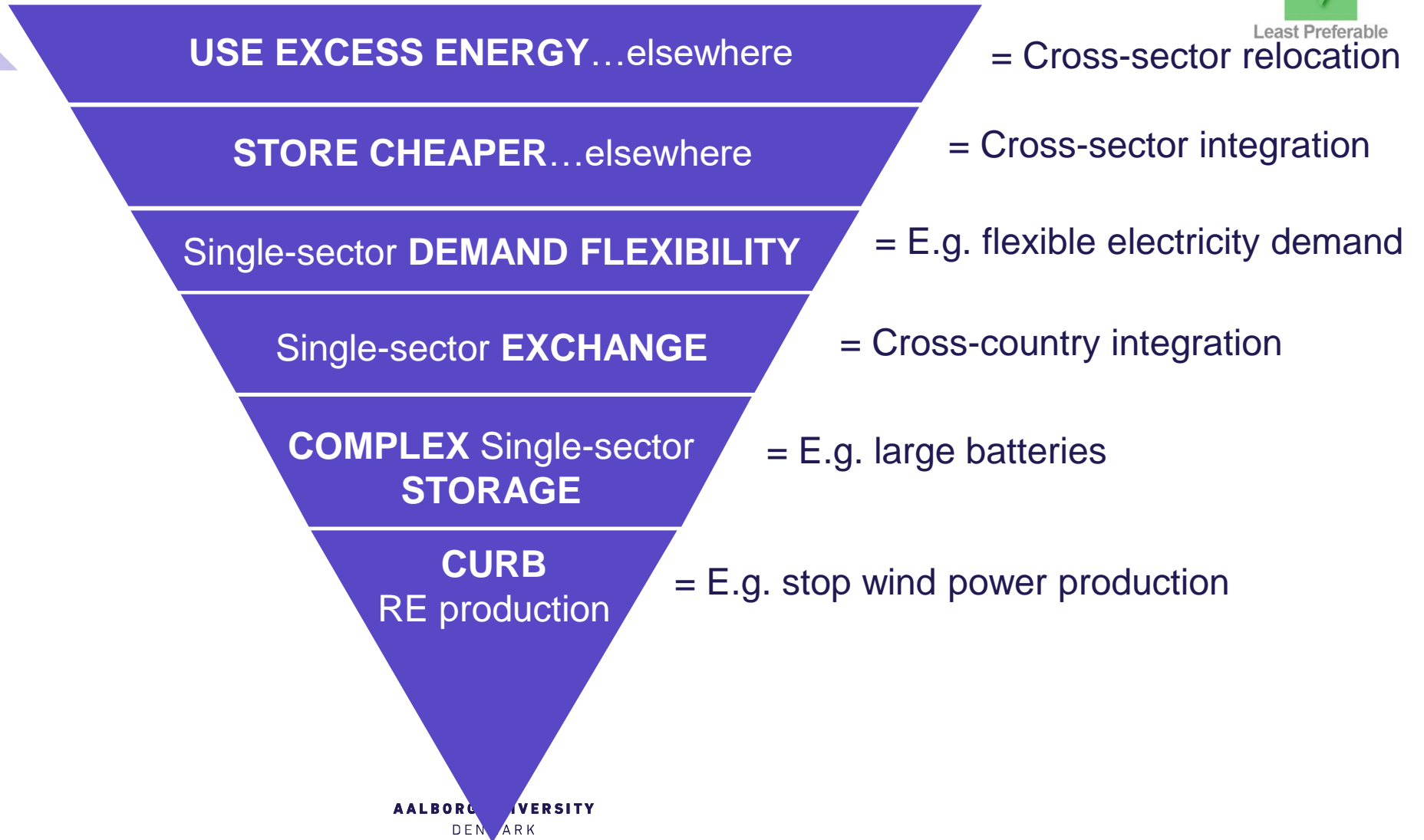
# Energy storage pyramid

Most Preferable



**Integrate fluctuating renewable energy**

Least Preferable





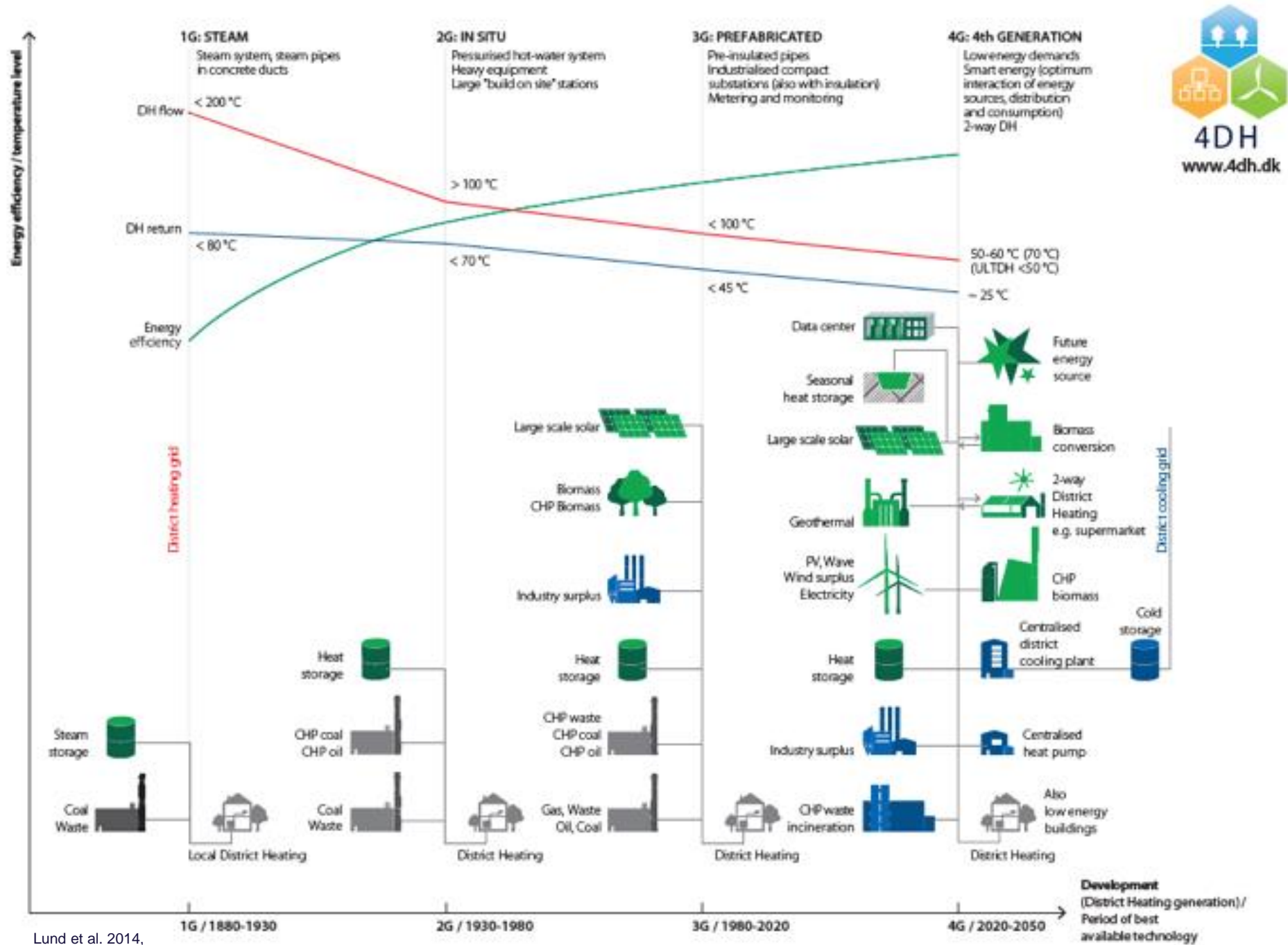
# Smart energy storage challenges

- ▶ Timing & Coordination
- ▶ Removal of barriers at the bottom of the storage pyramid

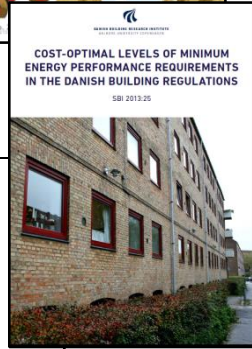
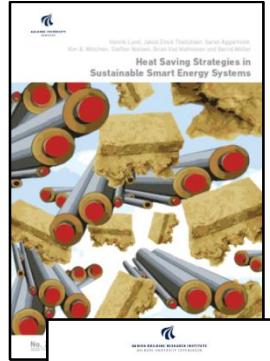
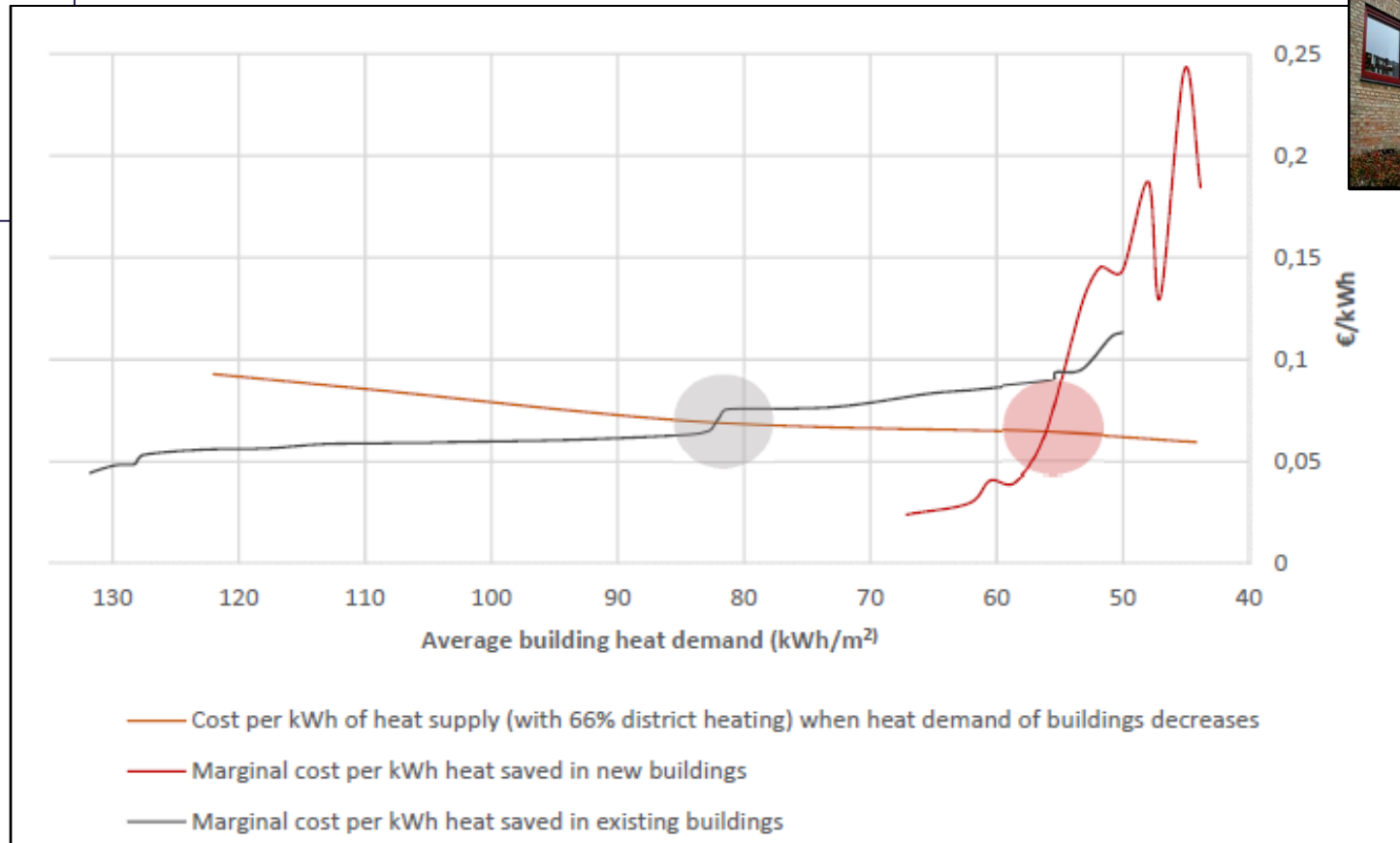
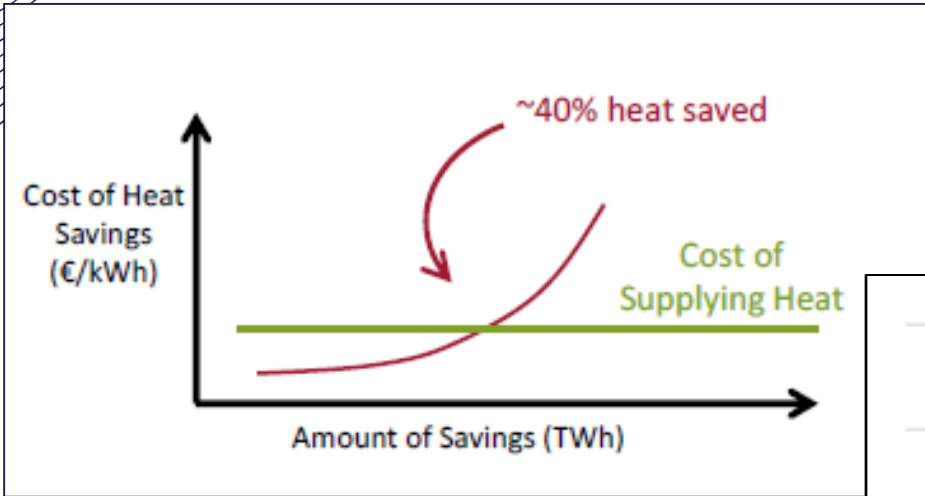




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# The top 10 technologies that require additional investment in the 100% renewable energy system in 2050

## - From Electricity markets to Smart Energy System Markets?

	Technology	Required additional investment from today to 2050 (Billion €)
1	Energy renovations of the existing building stock	29.9
2	Offshore wind	28.4
3	Individual heat pumps	14.7
4	District heating grid expansion	5.5
5	Electrofuel production	4.4
6	Photovoltaic	2.6
7	Individual solar thermal	2.6
8	Biogas plants	2.6
9	Charging stations	2.2
10	Large-scale heat pumps	2.0



# Types of policies needed

▶ Demand reduction policies

▶ Policies for cross-sector relocation and integration



# Demand reduction policies: Heat

## ► In District Heating Areas:

- Neighbourhood refurbishment programmes
- 100% variable DH tariffs based on future DH price → test zones (?)
- Coordination between DH companies, industry, housing associations
- No tax on (green, low-temp) net-excess heat (after internal use and demand reduction)



## ► In all heated buildings:

- Free energy audits
- Guaranteed, long-term, low interest loans
- 20-30% refurbishment subsidy (for target groups, single-family houses)



# Cross-sector policies: bottom of the pyramid

## ▶ General principle:

- ▶ Make it easy to use excess electricity in other sectors where it is otherwise expensive to replace fossil fuels (heating, transport, gas)

- ▶ Dynamic taxes and tariffs on e.g. electricity for heating/electrolysis, depending on:

- ▶ Renewable electricity share/pollution

- ▶ System benefits (e.g. avoided transmission cost)

- ▶ Integration priorities



# Energy Storage

## Pump Hydro Storage 175 €/kWh

(Source: Electricity Energy Storage Technology Options: A White Paper Primer on Applications, Costs, and Benefits. Electric Power Research Institute, 2010)

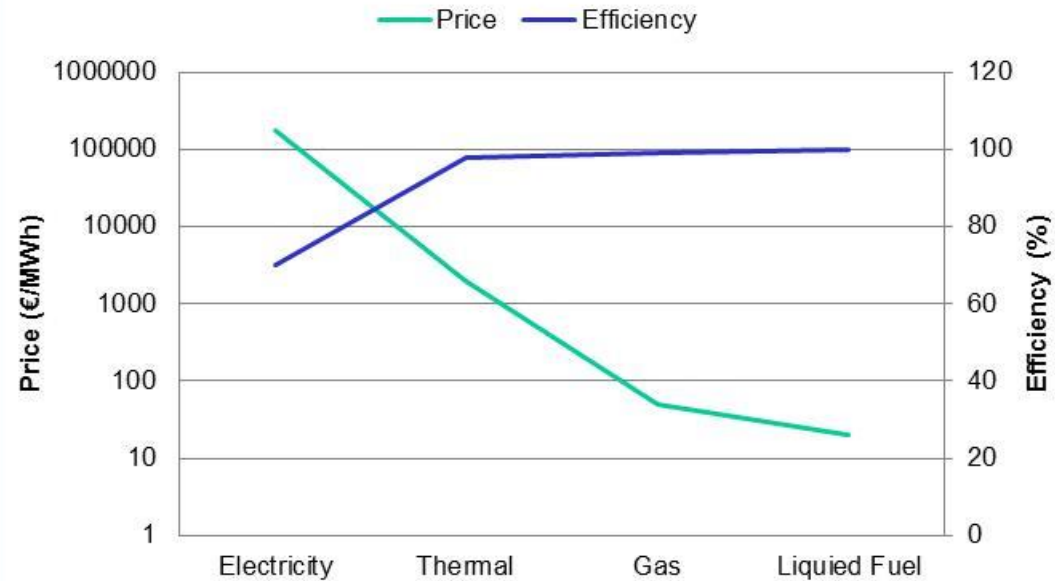


## Thermal Storage 1-4 €/kWh

(Source: Danish Technology Catalogue, 2012)



## Energy storage: Price and Efficiency



## Oil Tank 0.02 €/kWh

(Source: Dahl KH, Oil tanking Copenhagen A/S, 2013: Oil Storage Tank. 2013)



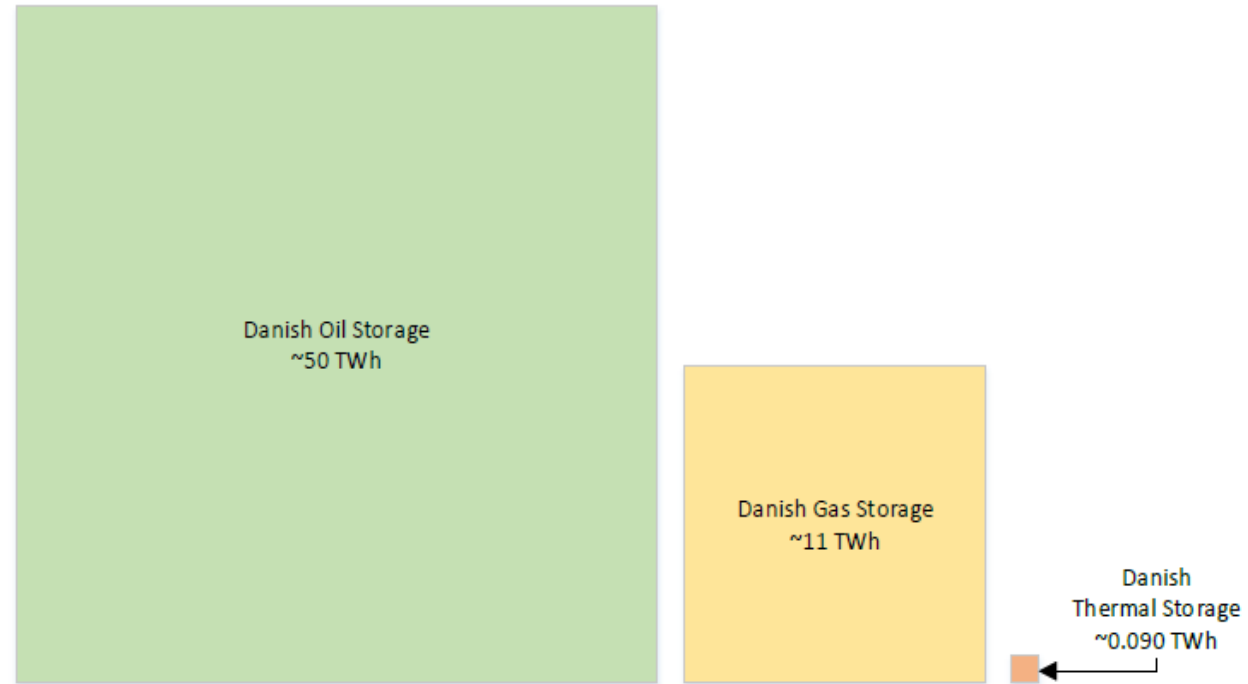
## Natural Gas Underground Storage 0.05 €/kWh

(Source: Current State Of and Issues Concerning Underground Natural Gas Storage. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 2004)





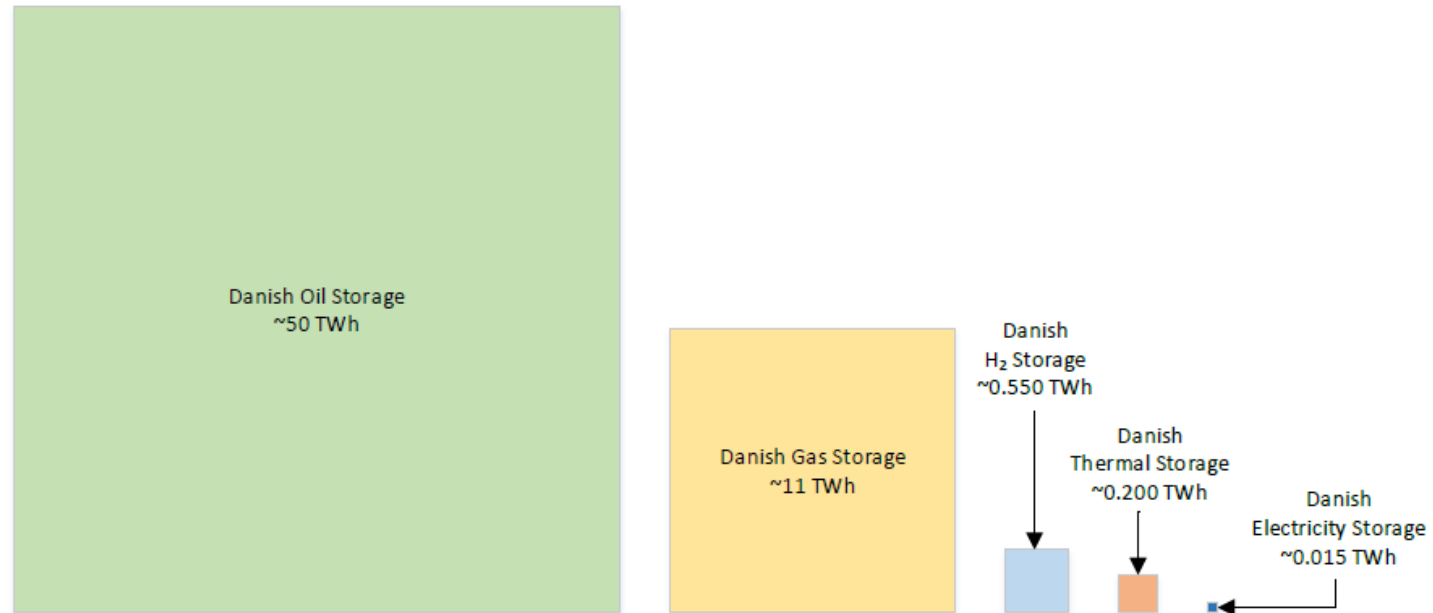
## Energy Storage Capacities in Denmark



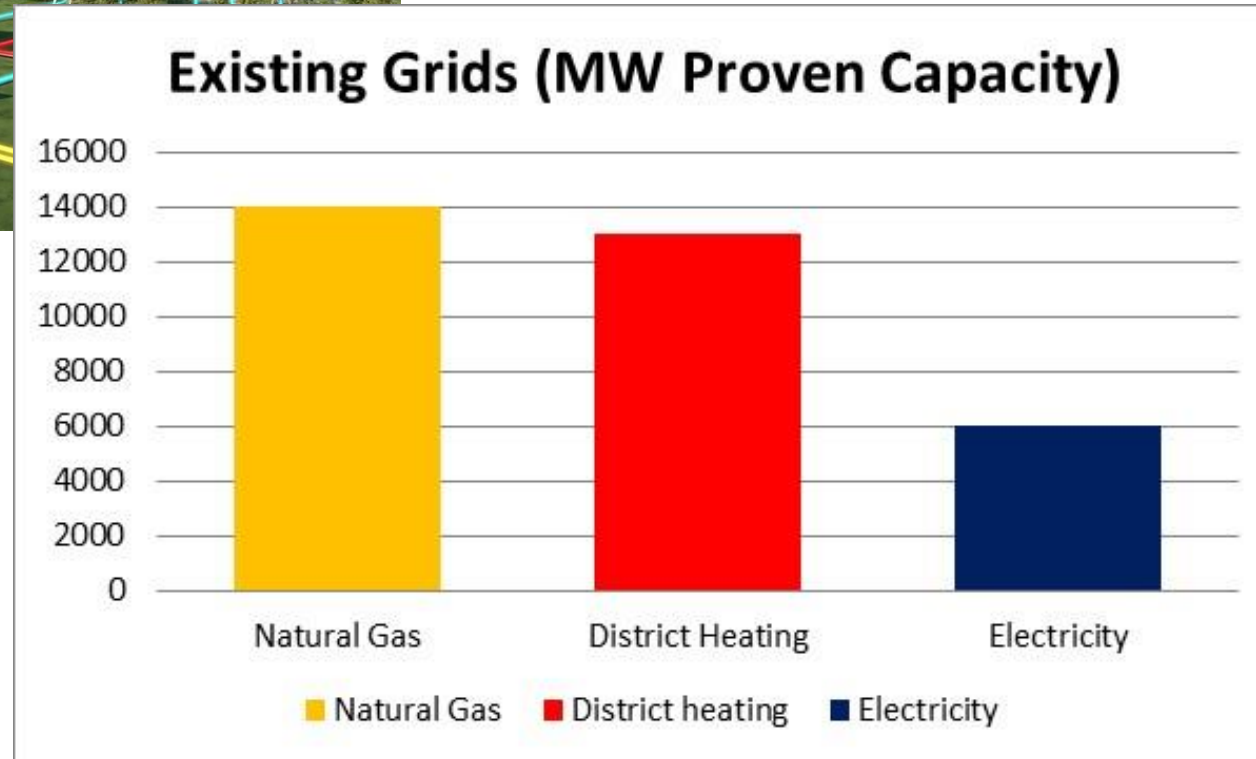
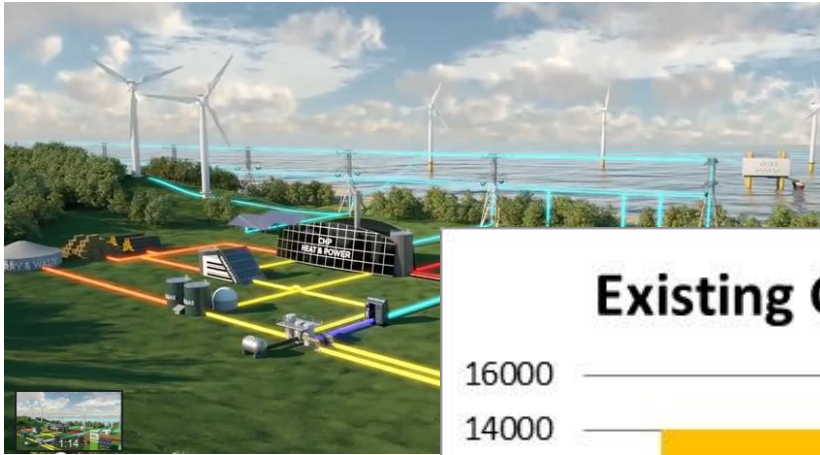




## Energy Storage Capacities in 100 % RES Denmark 2050 (IDA)



# Existing distribution grids

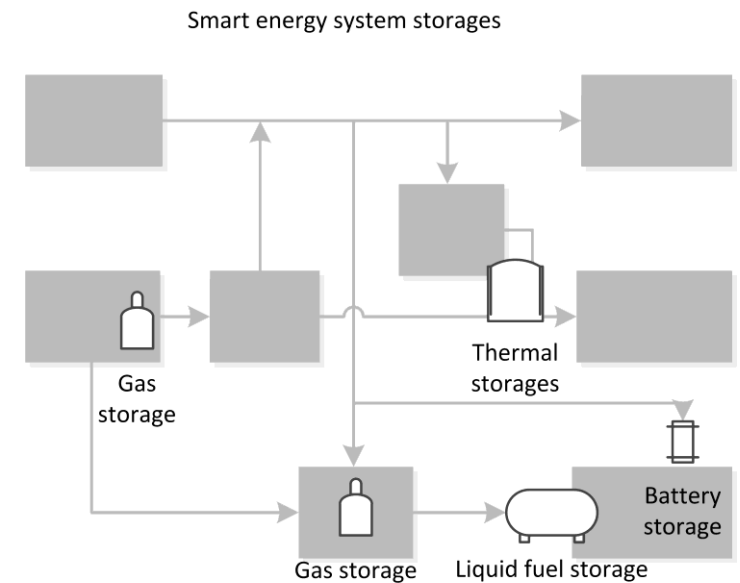
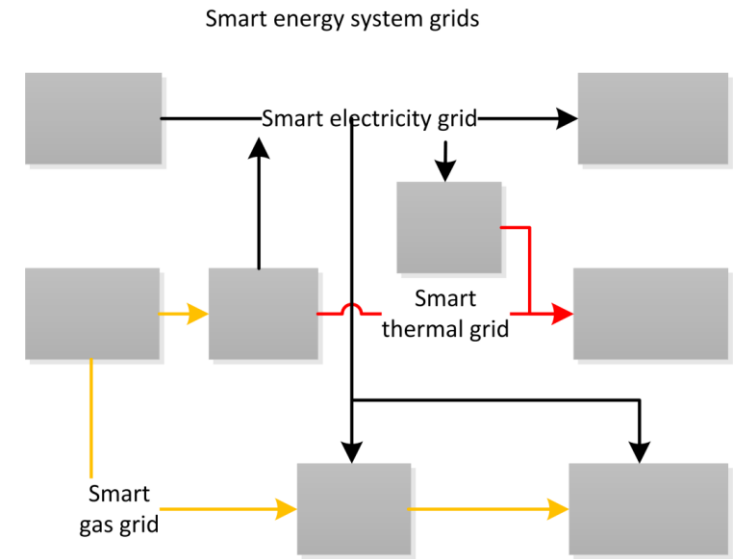


# HOW TO USE STORAGES LONG TERM.. (IN SMART ENERGY MARKETS)

## Three crucial grids in Smart Energy Systems

- Smart electricity grids
- Smart thermal grids
- Smart gas grids

- High capacity electrolyzers (Power-to-gas)
- More district heating and district cooling
- Large heat pumps with high capacity (Power-to-heat)
- CHP, solar thermal, etc.
- Electricity storage in transport (batteries and electrofuels)
- Production of green gasses and synthetic fuels





# Thank you.

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