

SOLAR DISTRICT HEATING



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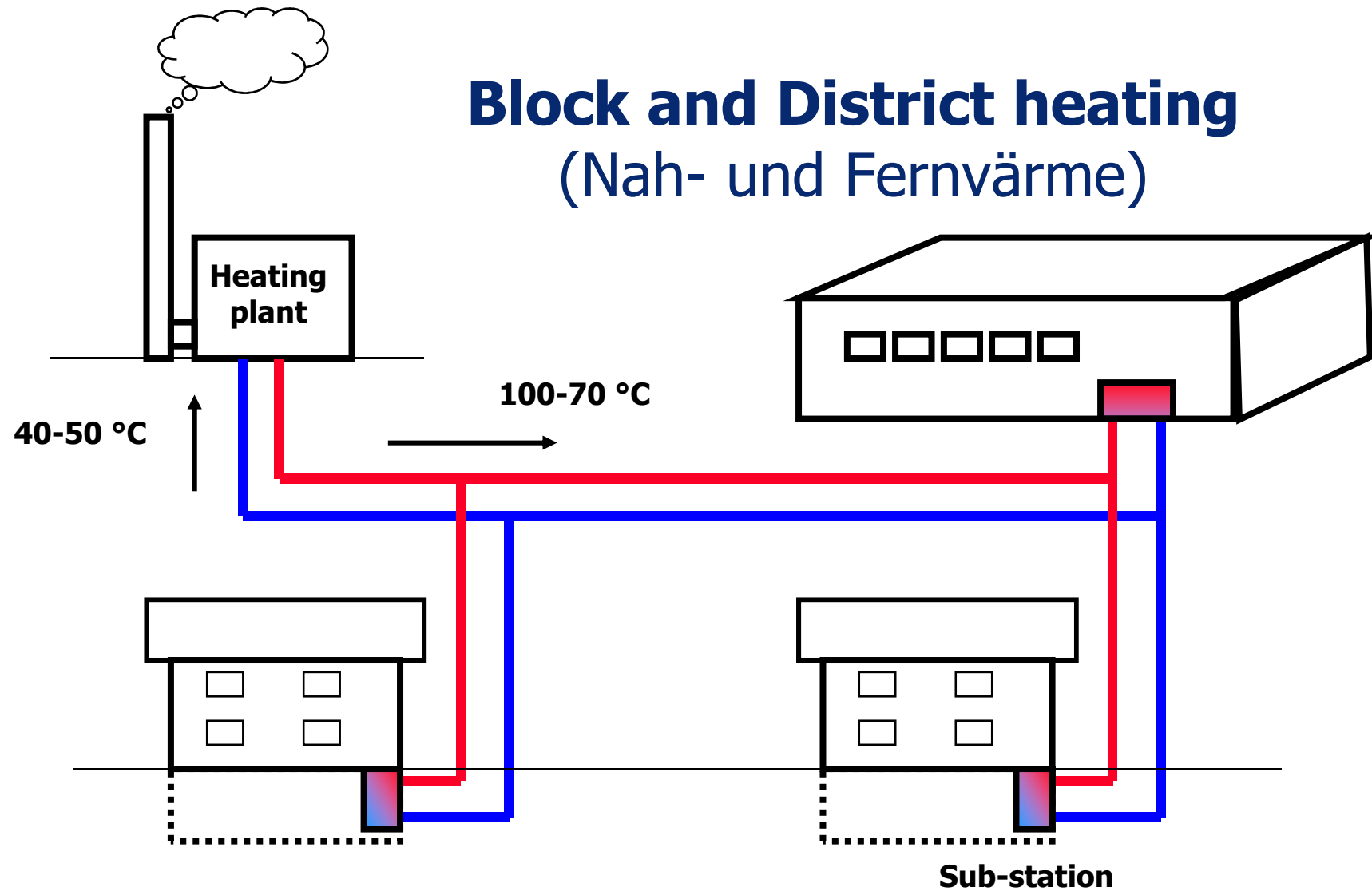
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DISTRICT HEATING

- **Dense building area, town or village**
- **Heating plant + distribution system**
- **Hot water 70-120 °C is supplied, cold water 30-60 °C is returned, and heated to be supplied again**

Block and District heating (Nah- und Fernwärme)

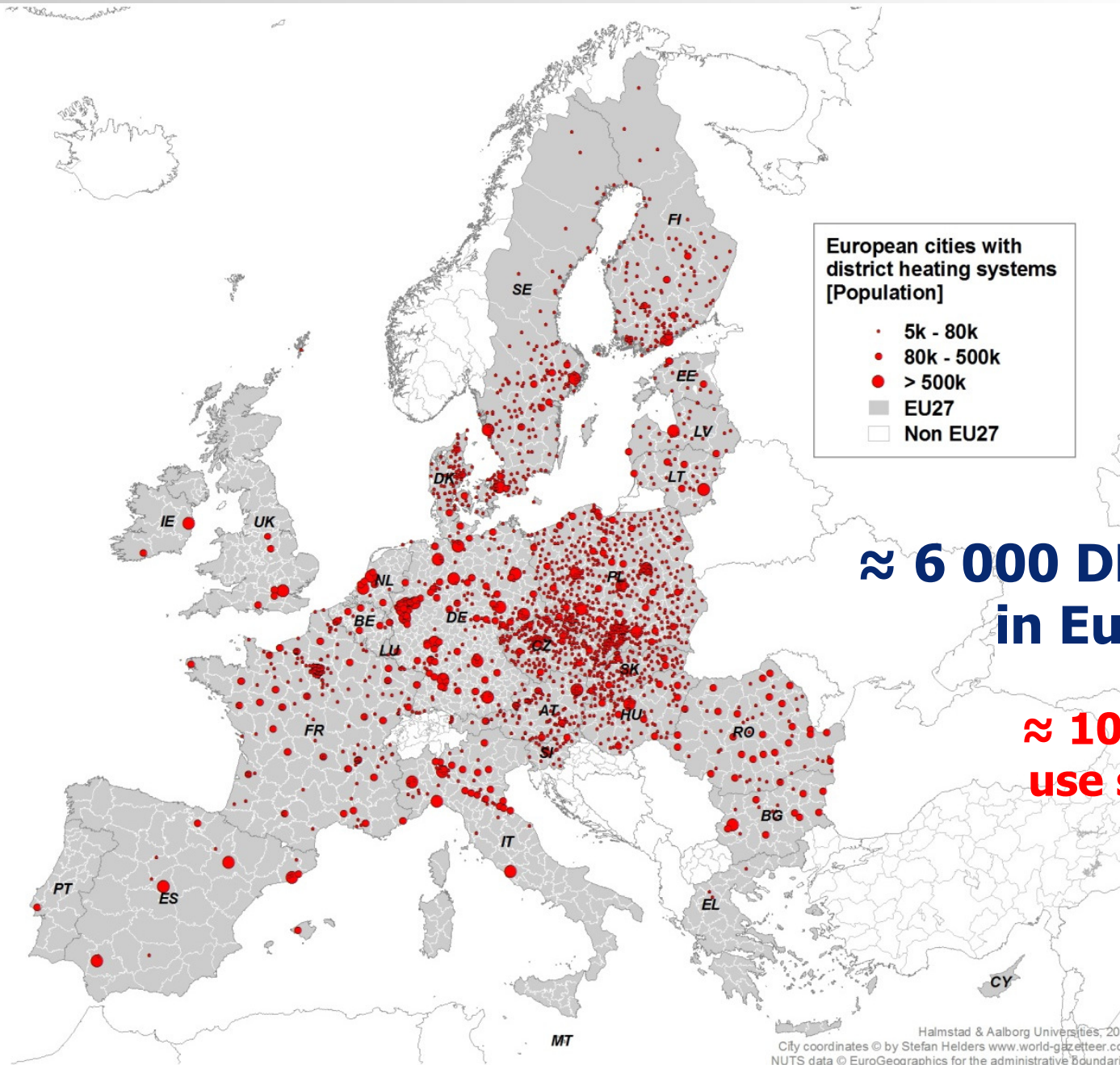


DISTRICT HEATING

- **Flexible to use different and change heat sources**
- **Combined heat & power (CHP)**
- **Heat only boilers (HOB)**
- **Waste heat from industries**
- **Waste incineration**
- **Large heat pumps, etc.**
- **Solar heat !?**

Sample: City of Stockholm, Sweden





**≈ 6 000 DH systems
in Europe**

**≈ 100 systems
use solar heat**

Halmstad & Aalborg Universities, 2013
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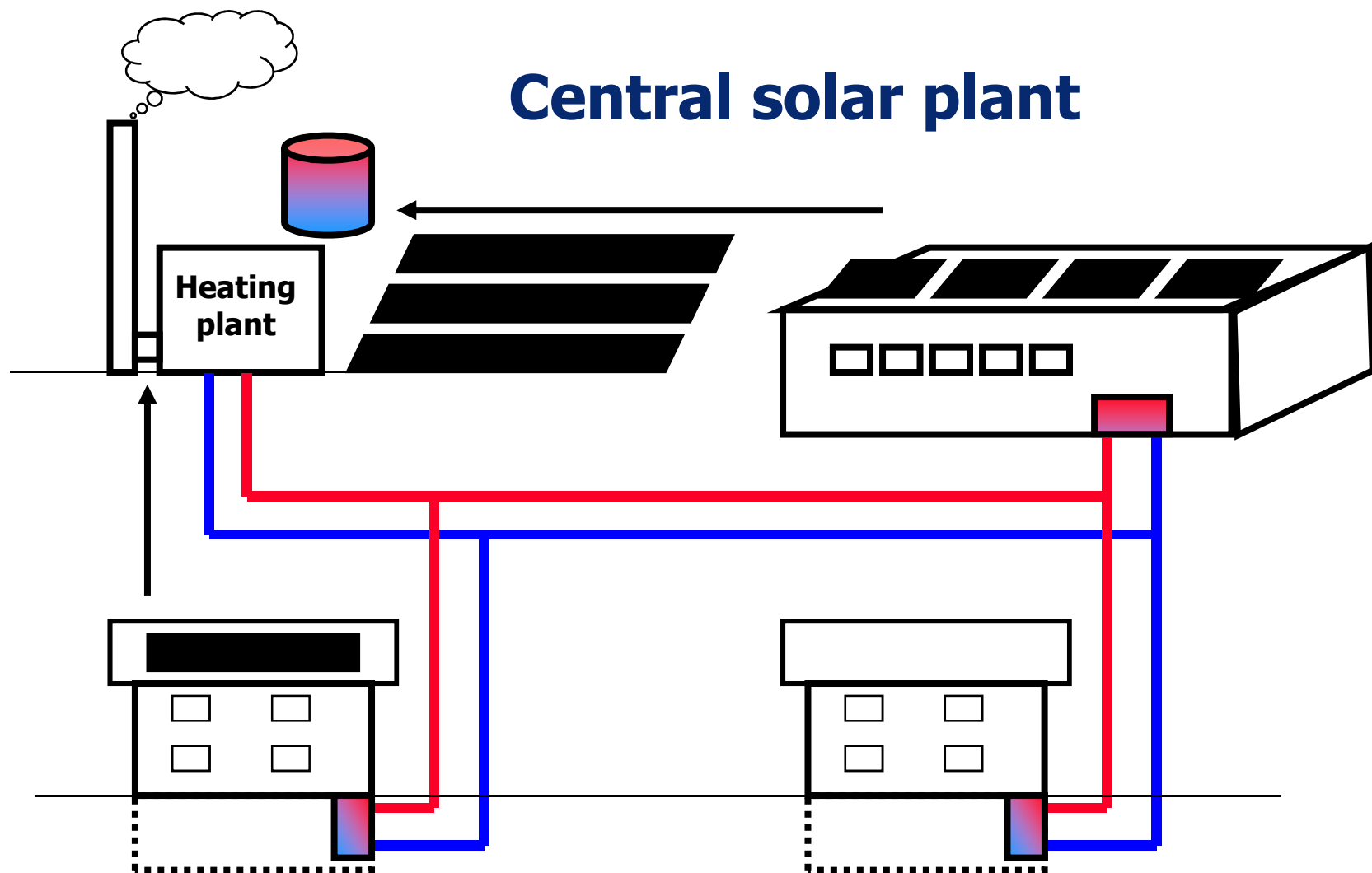


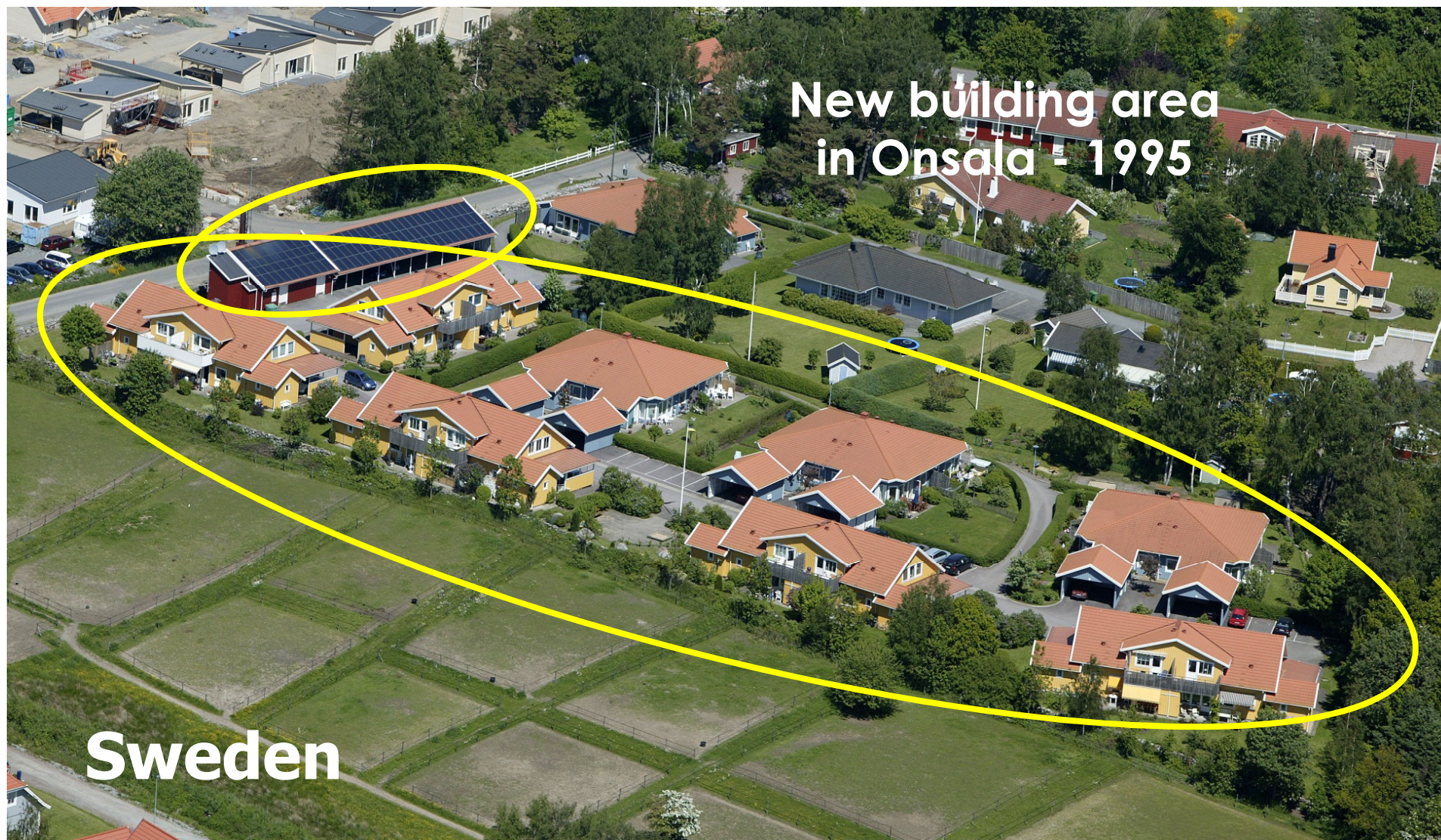
DISTRICT HEATING

- **Denmark - 60% of heat demand**
- **Sweden - 50% of heat demand**
- **About 12% of heat demands in Germany and Austria**
- **About 12% of heat demands in Europe**
- **Common in Russia and China, called DISTRICT ENERGY in US**

SOLAR DISTRICT HEATING

- **(Large) solar collector array(s)**
- **Connected in the heating plant**
- **Or to the heat distribution system**
- **Combined with a storage to increase the use of solar heat**

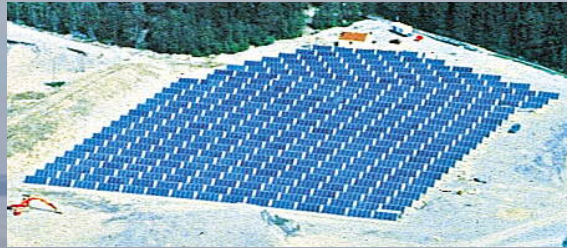






New building area in
Neckarsulm - 1997

Germany



SE - Lyckebo 1983

2013
Marstal District Heating
33 000 m² – 23 MW_{th}

75 000 m³ water pit storage

≈ 17 000 m² – 1996-2003

≈ 15 000 m² - 2013

Denmark

2015: Vojens 70 000 m² 2016: Silkesborg 150 000 m²

**2014
Dronninglund District Heating
35 500 m² – 26 MW_{th}**

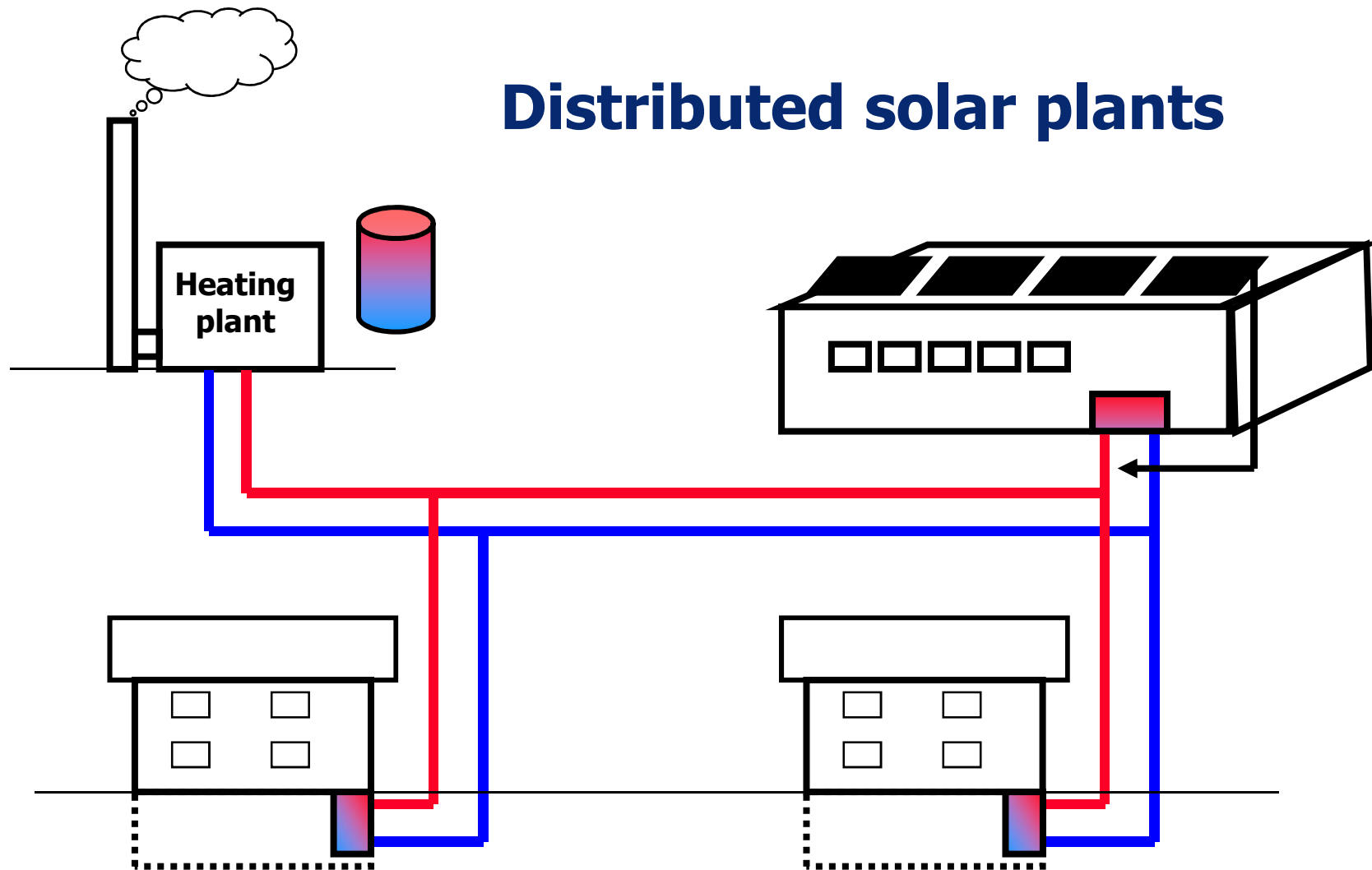


60 000 m³ water pit storage

City →

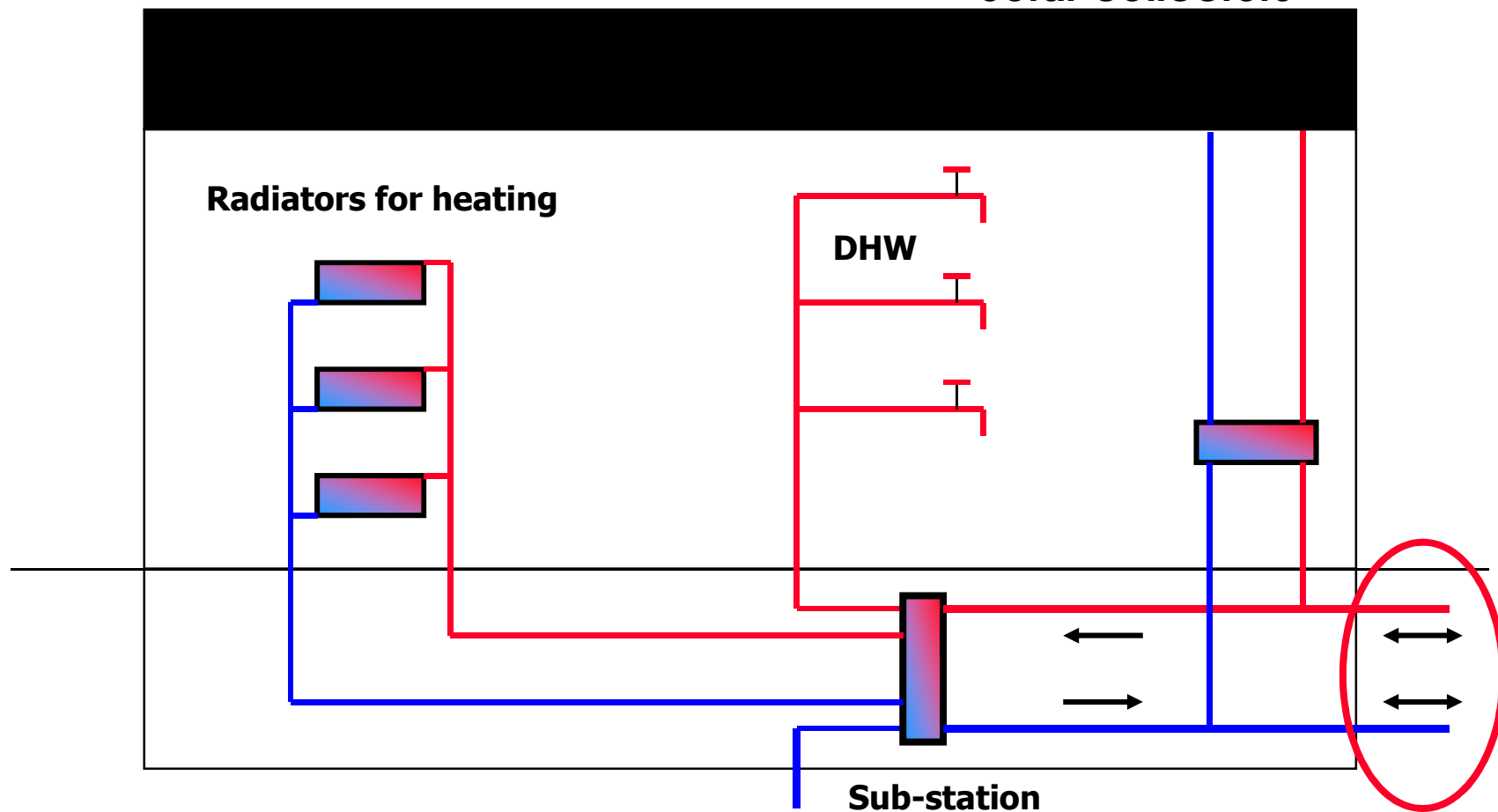
Denmark

Distributed solar plants



Distributed plant (Feed-in)

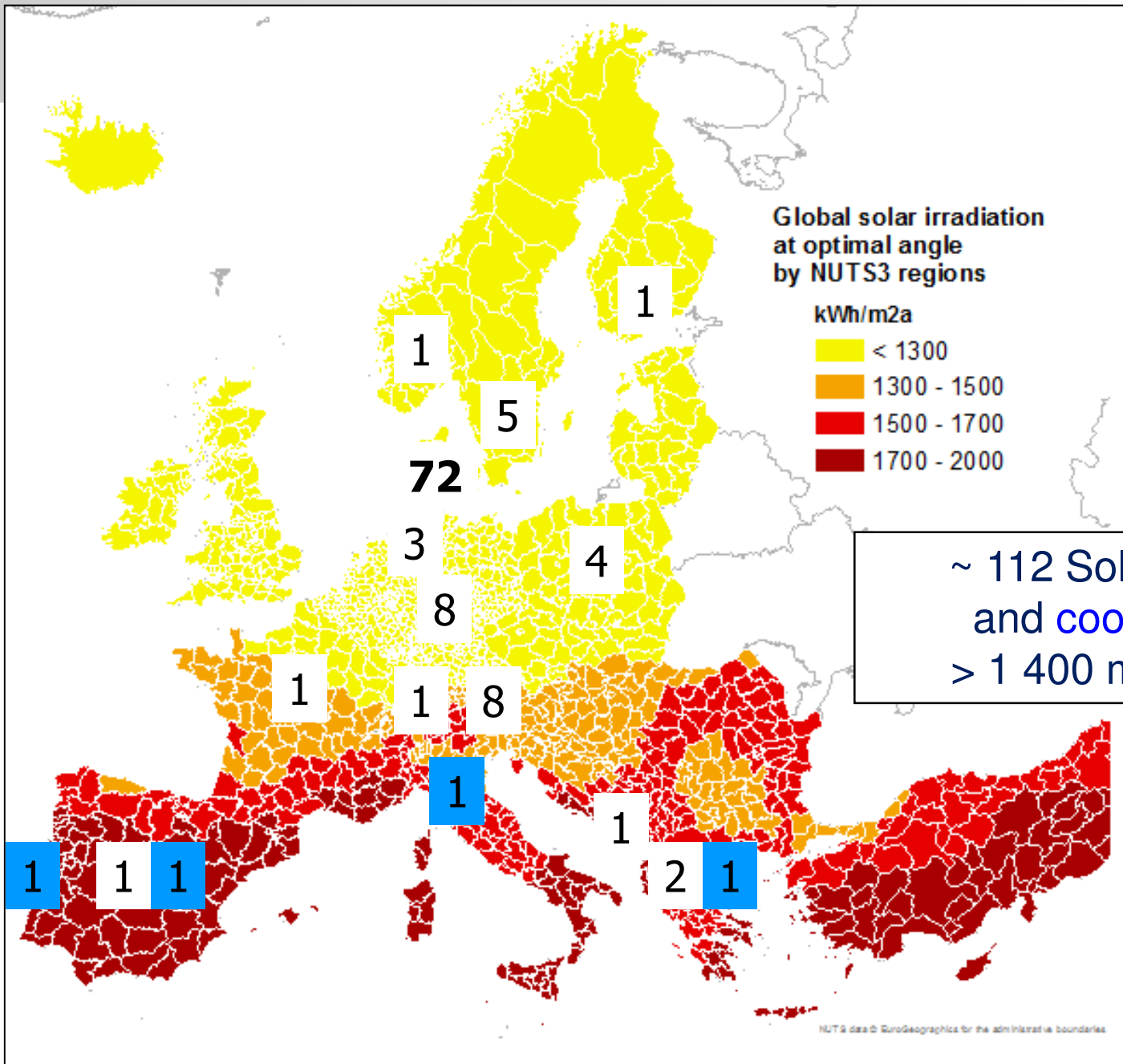
Solar collectors



Austria

**AEVG
Graz**

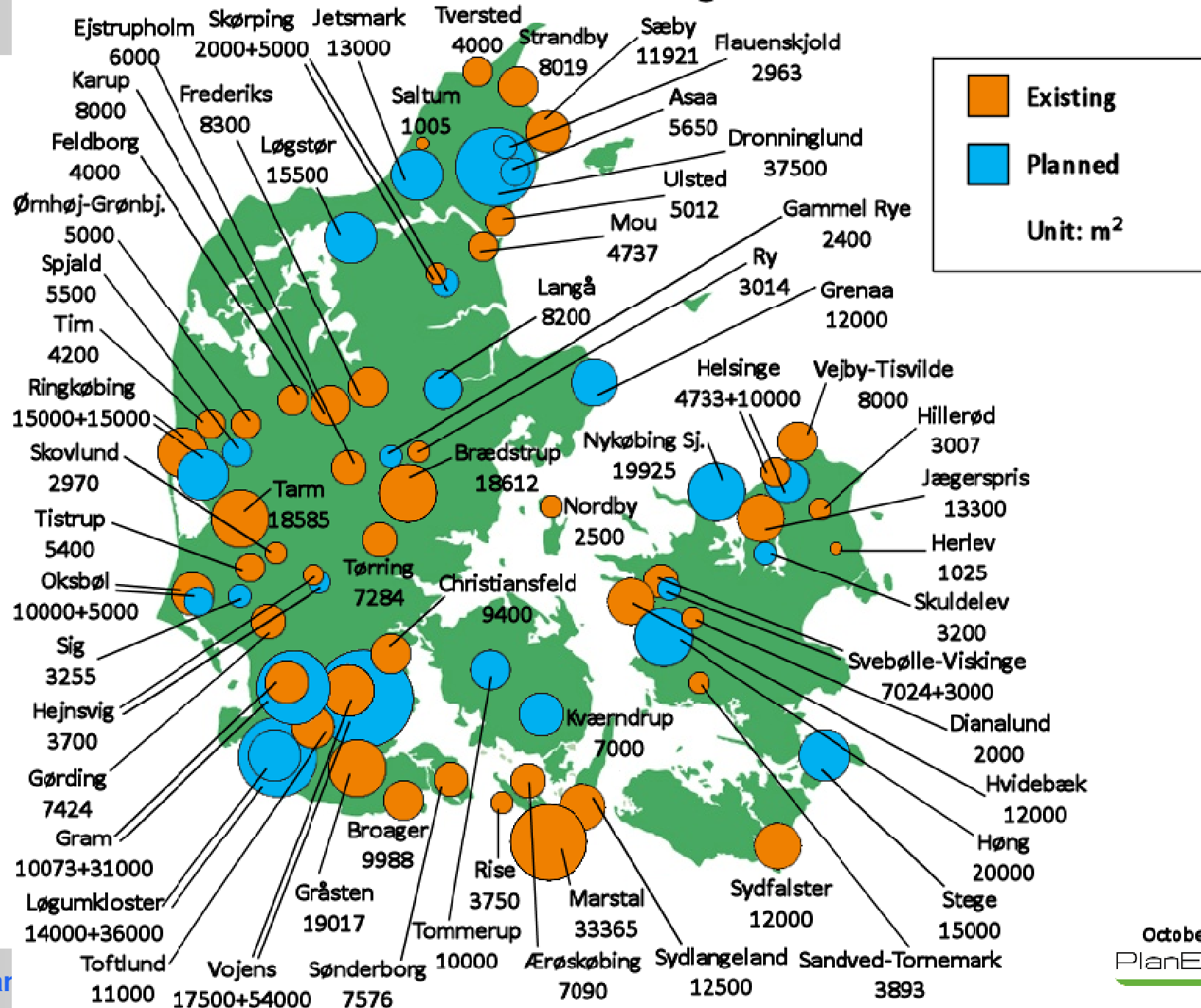




~ 112 Solar heating and cooling plants
> 1 400 m² / 1 MW_{th}



Solar district heating in Denmark



WHY DENMARK ?

- **Large share wind power**
- **Variable electricity prices**
- **District heating is common and can be used to balance prices**
- **CHP, heat pumps, storage**
- **High tax on natural gas**
- **Solar district heating is feasible !**

RENEWABLE ENERGY

- **Small and large**
 - **Bioenergy, hydro power, wind power, PV power, CSP plants**
- **Small solar heating systems**
- **We need to develop large solar heating systems, i.e. SDH ..**
- **If we want to utilize the potential !**

SDH - SWOT

- **S: Renewable heat ... everywhere ...**
(Fixed heat cost .. !)
- **W: Low energy density (& utilization time) ..**
(Bio fuels 30-50 times the land area !!)
- **O: RE district heat in villages and cities**
New business opportunities to sell heat ...
RE district cooling ...
- **T: Lack of incentives, interest and knowledge**
(Policy, desision makers, utilities, etc.)
Gas networks ... waste heat ...

**Biofuels to heat/electr./fuels:
~ 40 - 1 MWh/ha.yr**

**Solar radiation to heat/electr.:
~ 2 000 - 500 MWh/ha.yr
Latitude 55-60°**

Ulsted, DK

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Mature and operational technology !**
- **EU and city planners can (should) consider DH and SDH ..**
- **DH developers can (should) use solar heat as driver / complement ..**
- **Solar heating developers can (should) increase their market by developing DH applications .. !**

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- **Lack of policy - Needs R&D on system integration**
- **Well adapted collector arrays - Needs further development**
- **Storage a key factor - Needs R&D on technologies and integration**
- **Come and listen to the latest SDH developments !**

QUESTIONS ?

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