
COWI

District Energy

- Let's decarbonize together

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Agenda



- Introduction to COWI and Energy International
- Our services and capabilities in relation to net zero heating networks
- District Heating in Denmark
- Overview of heat sources (energy sources)
- Questions

Who am I?

Nikolaj Clement, Civil engineer within Strategic Energy Planning and Management

- A. Business Development Director

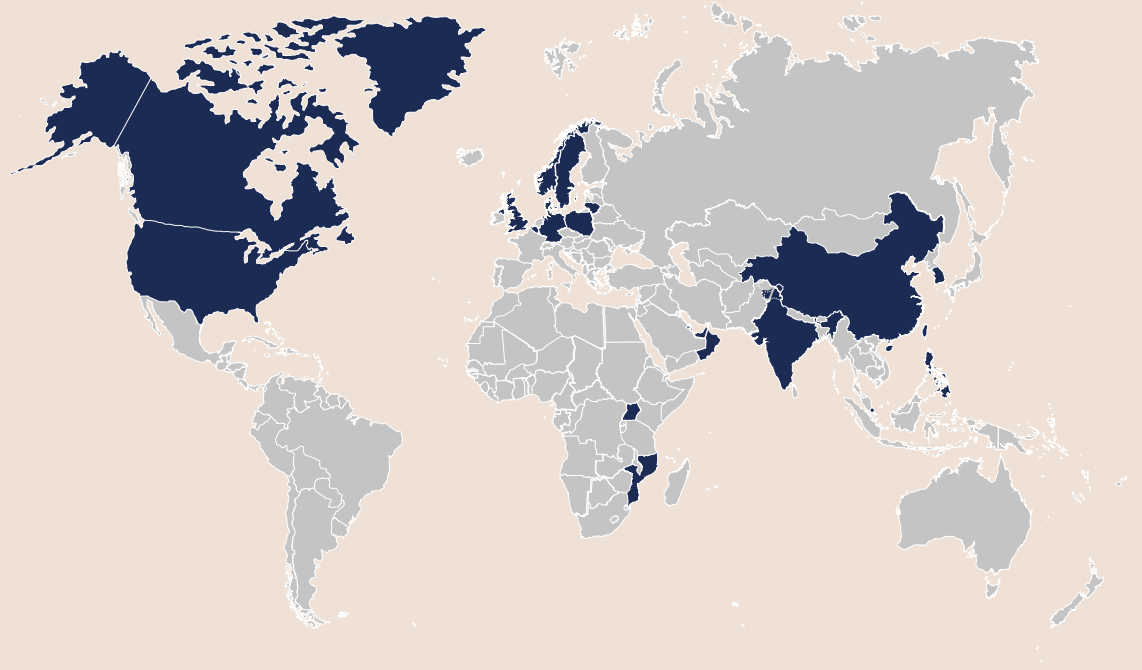
Employment record at COWI:

- 2018 – Project Engineer
- 2019 – Project Manager
- 2021 – Project Manager and Business Development Specialist
- 2022 – Associate Business Development Director



World-class knowledge combined with worldwide presence

BAHRAIN 1 office	LITHUANIA 1 office	SWEDEN 19 offices
BELGIUM 1 office	MOZAMBIQUE 1 office	SINGAPORE 1 office
CANADA 3 offices	NORWAY 24 offices	TAIWAN 1 office
CHINA 1 office	OMAN 1 office	UAE 2 offices
DENMARK 10 offices	POLAND 3 offices	UGANDA 1 office
GERMANY 1 office	PHILIPPINES 1 office	UNITED KINGDOM 6 offices
GREENLAND 1 office	QATAR 1 office	USA 6 offices
INDIA 3 offices	SOUTH KOREA 1 office	



Delivering 360° solutions

Energy

- > Energy storage and transmission
- > District heating and cooling
- > Heat Pumps
- > Biomass and waste-to-energy
- > Green fuels, power-to-x
- > Wind energy
- > Solar photovoltaic energy
- > Carbon capture, storage and utilization
- > Oil and gas (not anymore)
- > Climate change

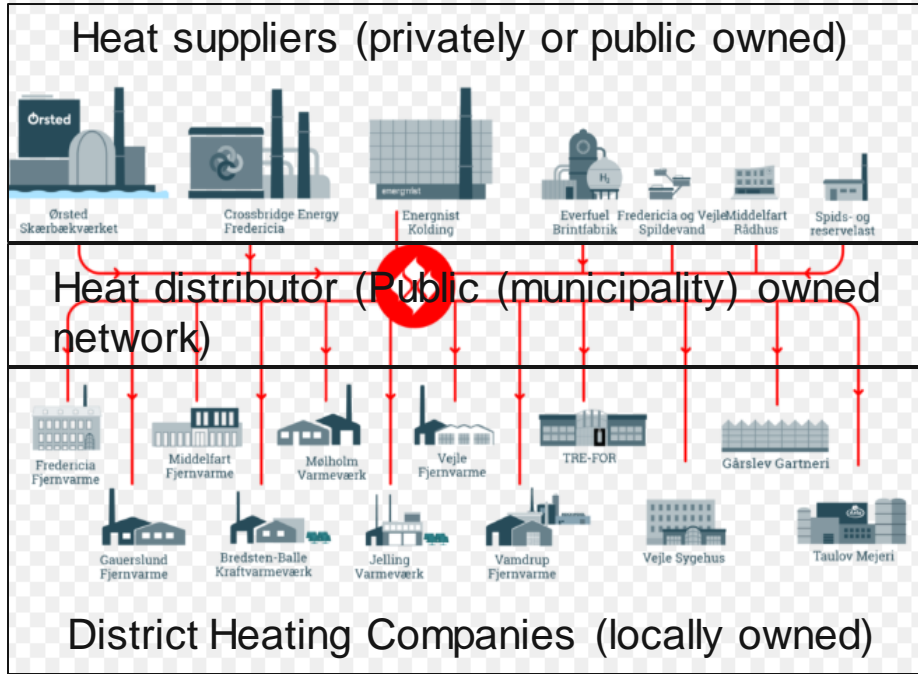


District Energy in Denmark – regulation and framework

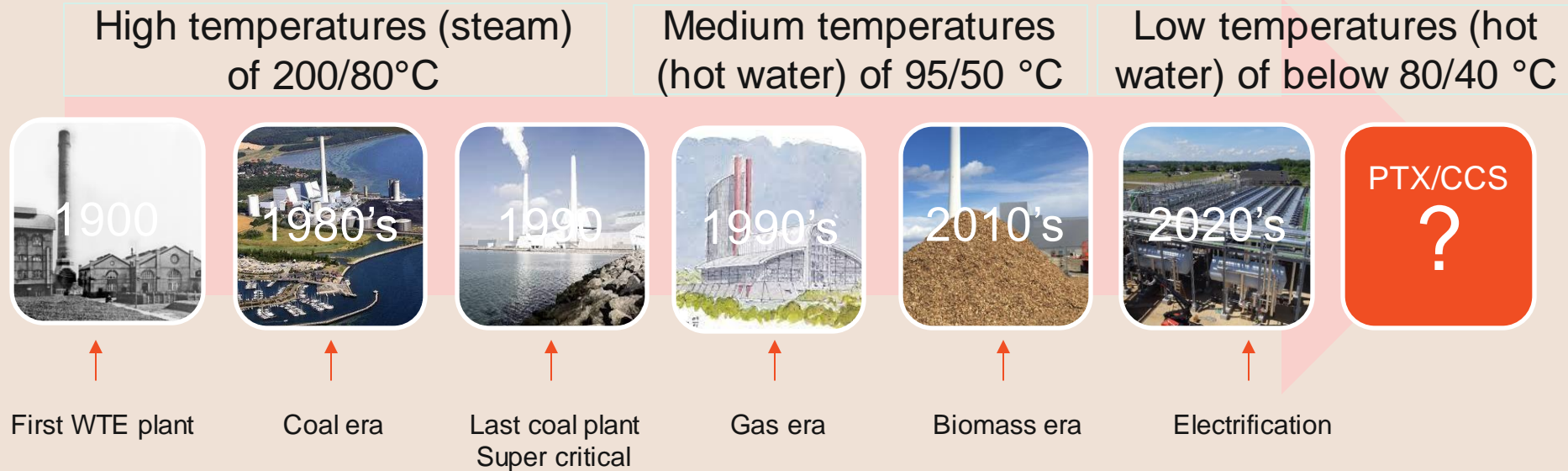
Ownership models

- Heat Supply Act ensures that District Energy Companies is a non-profit organization
- District Heating Systems can be either locally owned (consumer owned) or public owned (municipality)
- The municipalities are the central players in the collective heating supply
 - They carry out heating planning
 - Are responsible for ensuring that the extension of DH
 - And changes in the DH system are in line with the heating supply law.
 - Supports large investments through attractive interest loans.

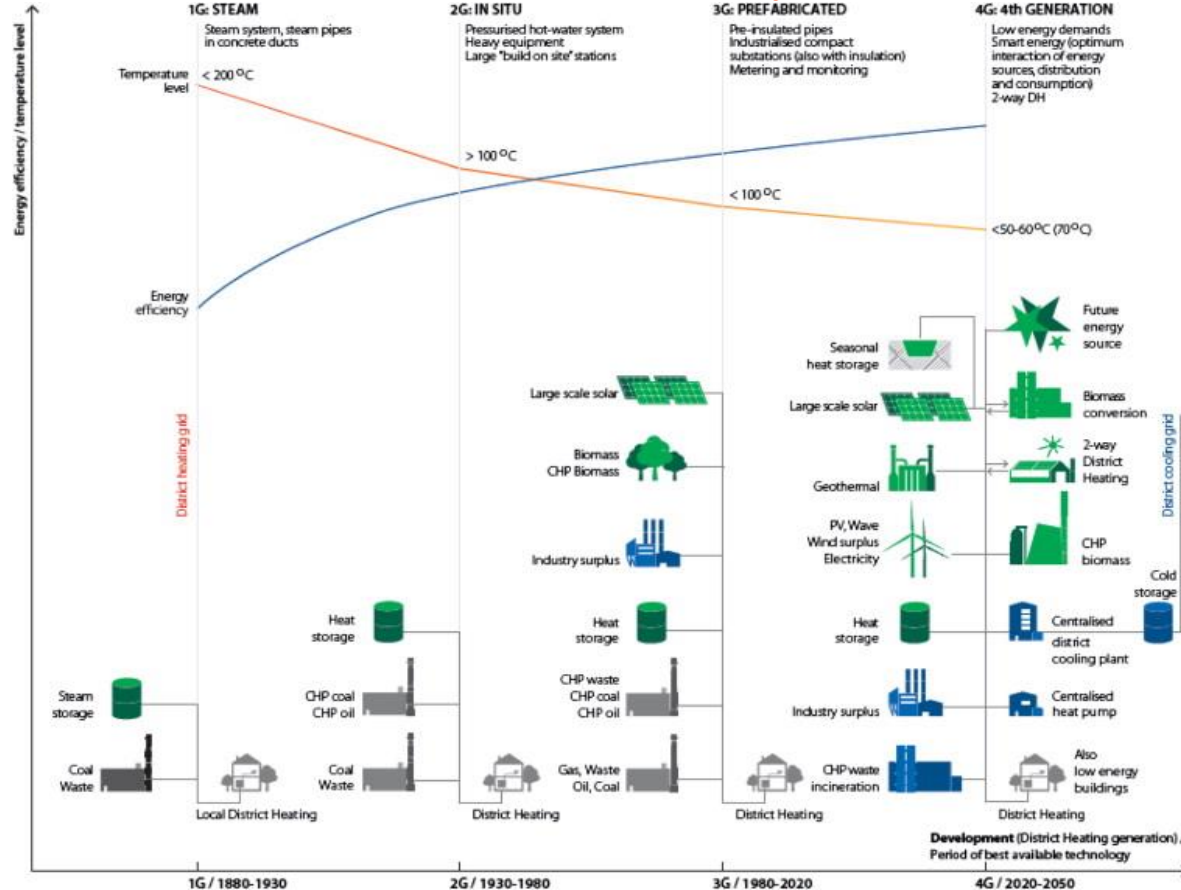
An example of an ownership model in Denmark for a large District Heating System



Energy transition in Denmark – a flexible system



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Political goals and framework conditions



What is District Energy in Denmark today?

Many District Energy Utilities used to focus on delivering electricity now – these areas are key:

Heat production

- Geothermal Energy
- Biomass boilers
- Heat pumps for combined heat and cooling (air source, Industrial water, sewage, sea water)
- Solar collectors
- Electric boilers (to balance the electricity market – fast regulation)
- Natural gas boilers for peak load

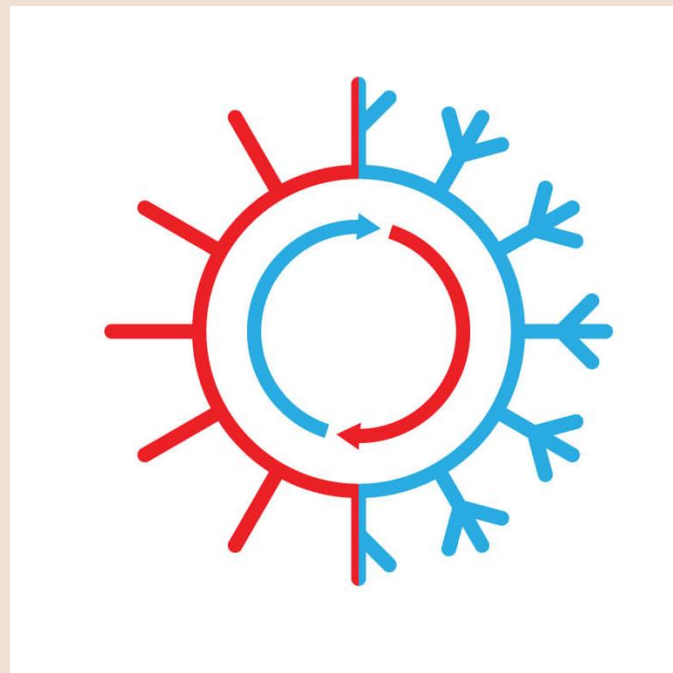
Electricity production to produce cheap heat

- Wind turbines and photovoltaic panels
- Biomass combined heat and power production (CHP)
- Waste to Energy (CHP)
- Natural gas CHP motors and turbines

District Cooling – Fast rising market

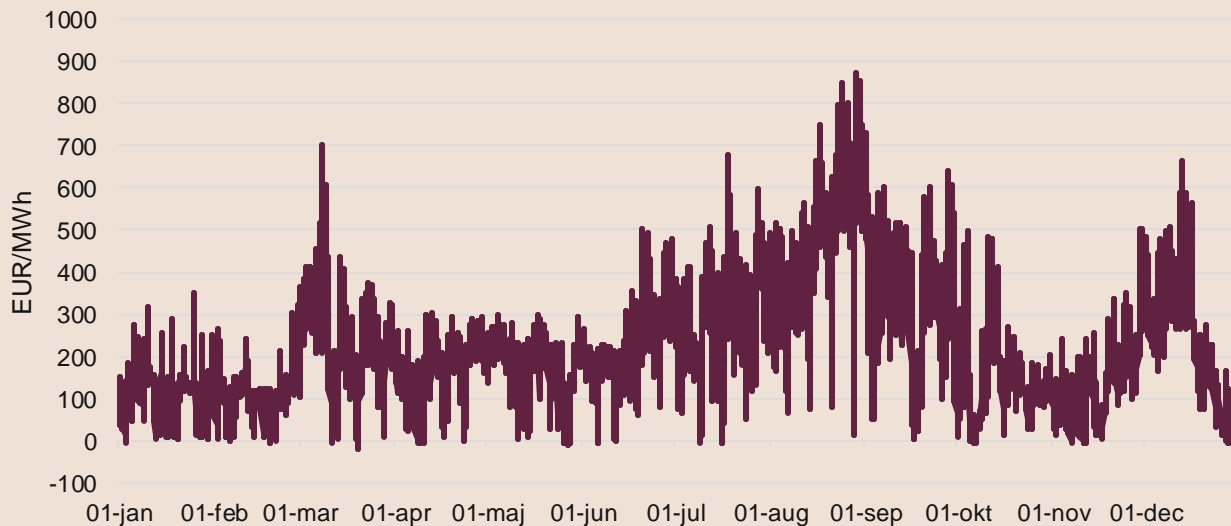
- Large public buildings (hospitals, schools, airports etc)
- Private companies
- Excess heat companies (Datacenter, biogas producers, industrial purposes)

**Accumulation
Storages are key!**



Flexibility is key for stable energy prices

Electricity prices on hourly basis in 2022, North Pool Spot market



— SpotPriceEUR

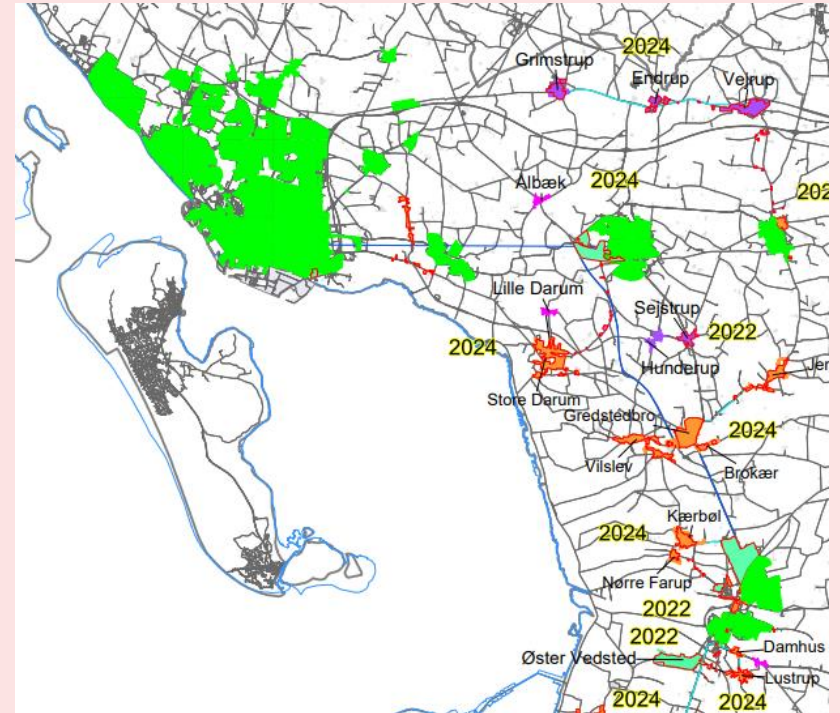


Idiom: Don't put all your eggs in one basket!

MEANING: Having all your resources or efforts in just one possibility is very risky.

From Planning to Execution

Esbjerg Municipality – Heating plan



Switzerland

Geneva Master planning

PERIOD: 2019-2021

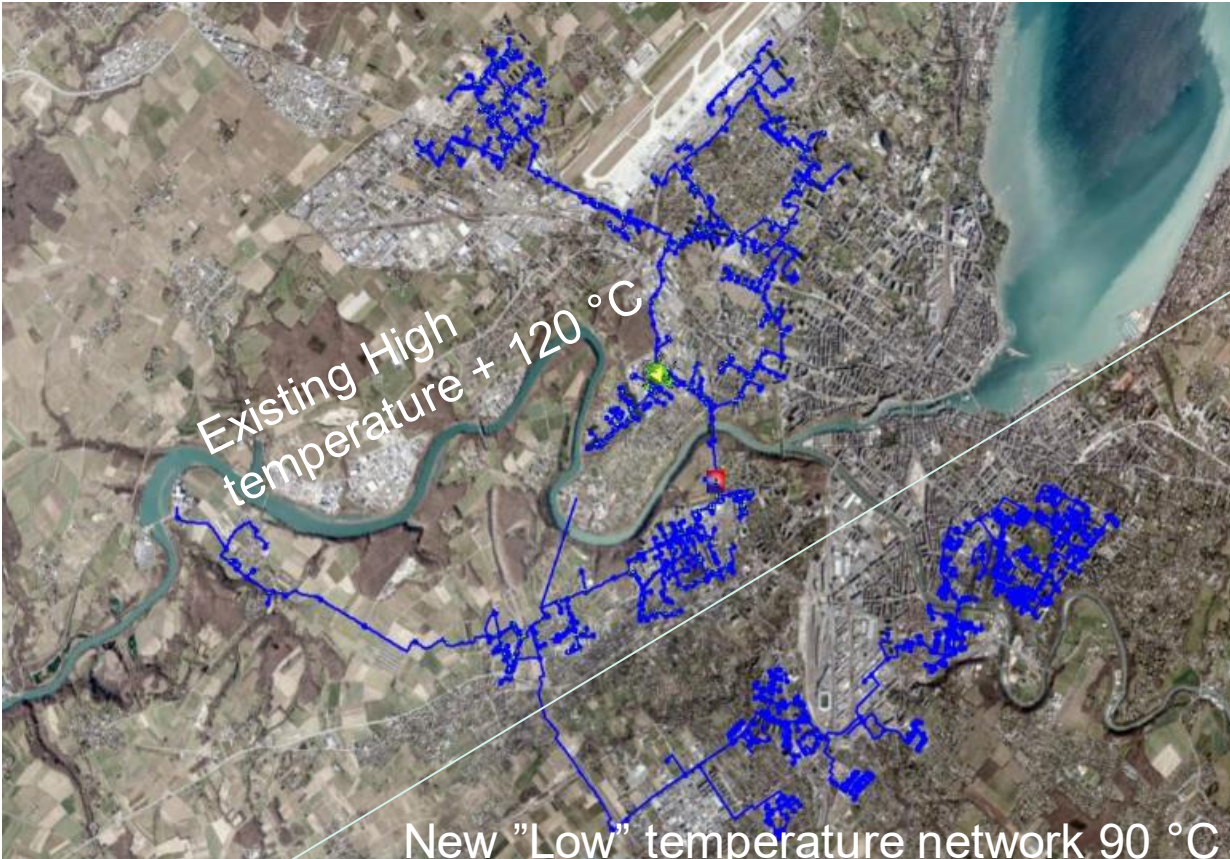
CLIENT: SIG - Services industriels de Genève

THE PROJECT:

Connecting networks and preparing for the future:
Move towards a sustainable and connected society.

COWI'S SERVICES:

- District Heating Planning and Project Design
- Termis Hydraulic Simulations
- Real-time Modelling & Optimizations
- Pipe Network Design
- District Cooling (from Lake Geneva)
- Energy Production



Questions?

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