Heat Plan Denmark

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Heat Plan Denmark a small study with a significant impact

- Bottom-up R&D study financed by the district heating consumers
- Prepared by an independent team of experts from
 - Rambøll Denmark and
 - Aalborg University/Henrik Lund, Brian Vad Mathiesen, Bernd Möller
- The first study in Denmark, really to integrate the energy and building sectors to combine the supply and the demand side
- An eye-opener for the Danish politicians
- A model for other countries



We focus on the overall energy policy objective in the European Union

• The main objective is to reduce the fossil fuel consumption and the CO₂ emission in a cost effective way



- Important EU directives to implement this objective
 - Strategic environmental assessment
 - Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
 - Energy performance of buildings
 - Renewable energy



Most important objectives in the energy policy in Denmark since 1976

- Objectives since 1976
 - Develop the most economic heat supply projects for the society of Denmark
 - Reduce the dependency on oil
 - Promote CHP and renewable energy



- New additional objectives
 - National obligation to reduce CO_2 emissions outside the CO_2 emission trading scheme
 - Reduce CO₂ emissions for the whole society
 - To be independent of fossil fuels in the long run !



Important Danish legislation to implement the policy

- Electricity supply act from 1976
 - all new power capacity since 1976 has been CHP
- Heat supply act from 1979
 - municipal supply heat planning with development of a new natural gas infrastructure and a substantial increase of district heating
 - optimal zoning of district heating and natural gas networks based on overall economic evaluation for the society of Denmark
 - district heating shifts from fossil fuel boilers to CHP and renewable energy
- This legislation ensures unique least cost integration of power, heat, gas and waste sectors in Denmark
- However, the building sector is not yet fully co-ordinated with the other sectors



Heat plan Denmark focus on the heating sector

- The plan shows how the Danish heating sector has reduced CO_2 emissions from 25 to 10 kg/m² since 1980
- The plan shows that this progressive development can continue
 - to achieve a further **50%** reduction before 2020 and
 - to achieve an **almost CO₂ neutral** society before 2030
- The plan is based on an integrated approach, combining
 - optimal end-user heat demand reductions additional 25% or more?
 - a lower return temperature from building installations <35°C
 - more district heating (DH) from 46% up to 63-70% of the market
 - energy efficient use of renewable energy in district heating
 - individual heat pumps, solar heating and wood pellets



How to supply new buildings? individual heating or district heating (DH)?

- EU directive
 - DH should be considered an option for new buildings to reduce the CO₂ emission in **a cost-effective way**
- The current Danish building regulations
 - factor 2,5 on electricity, ok
 - factor 1,0 on oil, gas and thermal energy in DH !?
 - an average factor of 0,5 on DH would be more fair
- New building regulations
 - can include renewable energy in block heating from 2010, ok
 - can include a factor 0.8 on DH, but only from 2015 !?
- Our estimates in the plan
 - DH is the least cost solution in all new **planned** urban districts
 - 70% of all new buildings will be supplied with DH



How to produce the heat? CHP and surplus wind energy via heat pumps combined with large heat accumulators

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District heating which combines

- •Large and small CHP
- •Electric boilers
- •Heat pumps and
- Heat accumulators

Is a precondition for integration of large share of wind energy in Europe

In Denmark the share of wind is growing from 20% towards 70%





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How to produce the heat? Waste to energy with flue gas condensation





How to produce the heat? Biogas CHP





How to produce the heat? Geothermal energy boosted by biomass





How to produce the heat? Large scale solar thermal plants





How to produce the heat? Straw





How to produce the heat? Surplus wood chip with flue gas condensation



1000 times more environmental friendly than wood stoves – and twice as efficient



Heat Plan Denmark statistics from 1980–forecast to 2050

- Statistics from 1980–2006
 - Danish Energy Authority
 - More specific information from 430 district heating companies
- Forecast 2006-2050 based on bottom-up analysis for all 420 DH companies grouped in 10 clusters, which reflects the average
 - DH from 46% to 63% in 2020
 - DH up to 70% before 2050
 - 25% heat demand reduction
 - return temperature down to 35 °C in 2030



Heated floor area and population grows



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Heat demand in total and heat demand in kWh/m²



Heat demand divided on heat sources





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District heating demand and market share



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District heating heat sources





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Fuel consumption per unit of district heating delivered to end-user and share of CHP





CO₂ emission in million tonnes for all heating and in kg/m² floor area





Primary Ressource Factor (EuroHeat methode) for 420 district heating systems





Heat plan Denmark - Statements

- It is important to focus on **integrated solutions**, including building envelope, building installations, district heating and power system
- **District heating** is a natural part of the urban infrastructure in modern cities
- District heating is a **precondition** for efficient, flexible and costeffective use of renewable energy and CHP for urban heating
- **District cooling** is a natural part of the urban infrastructure in districts with sufficient cooling load
- A stable energy policy since 1976, municipal planning and a tradition for co-operation in the society have been important preconditions for CO₂ emission reductions in Denmark



Heat Plan Denmark Message to COP 15 in Copenhagen

- Do not worry about signing the Copenhagen Climate Agreement
- It is not a problem to develop a zero carbon heating sector
- You just have to co-operate at all levels in the society
 - a stable and strong national energy policy
 - municipalities take responsibility for the infrastructure
 - well functioning co-operatives in the housing and heating sectors
- Even Danes can do it
- Come to Copenhagen and have a look your self



Thank you for your attention! See you in Copenhagen



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