



Energy Efficiency Recommendations for **Kye Beachfront Resort,** Lebanon

IKI Project: Accelerating 0-emission building sector ambitions in the MENA region (BUILD_ME)



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Introduction to the BUILD_ME project





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Introduction

Background, Objectives and Methodology

Introduction

BUILD_ME Project and the Objectives of Pilot Projects



Approach and Methodology

Steps Towards a Low Energy Building



- Initial timeline to be adjusted according to the demands and development of the pilot project.
- Remain in close exchange of data, information and concepts
- Field visits will be coordinated and executed by BUILD_ME National Partners and/or local experts.

Methodology

Cost Benefit Analysis



HIGHLIGHTS

- Besides classic CAPEX/ OPEX cost, it considers residual values
- Hourly based energy calculation
- Detailed local weather data is considered
- Energy price systematic and PV clearing adapted to local situation (Jordan)



ENERGY CALCULATION

- individual building geometries and windows (incl. orientation)
- Hourly based energy calculation using the international ISO 52016 norm
- Based on the energy demand calculation (useful demand) the HVAC systems are sized
- Five efficiency levels for each HVAC system can be selected individually
- Meteorology data base delivers detailed local weather input (hourly)



GLOBAL COST

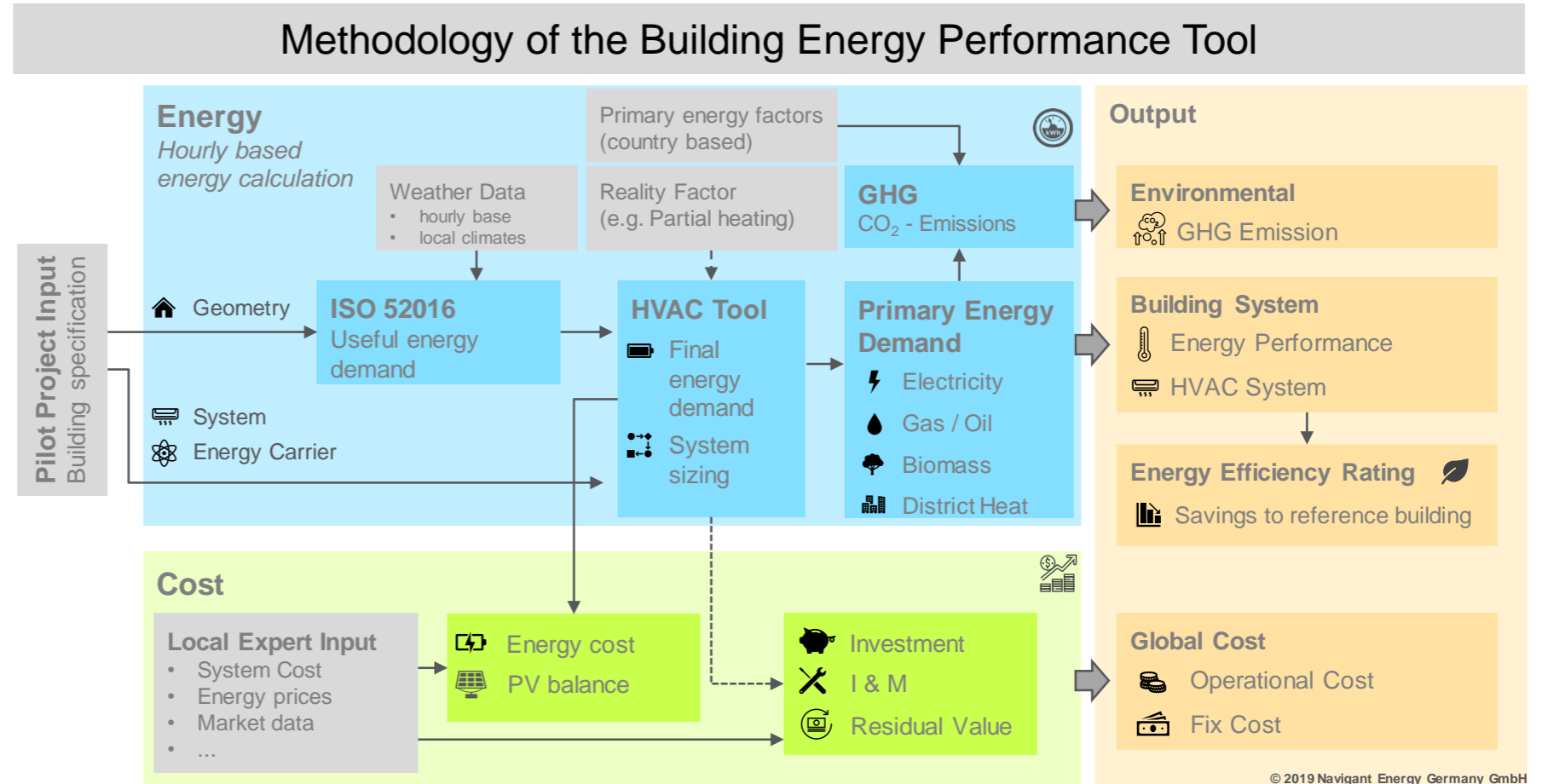
- Calculation of energy cost and investment cost of the systems, based on the HVAC system sized in the energy calculation
- Energy price systematic and PV clearing can be adapted to local situation (here: Jordan)
- Residual values at the end of the calculation period for the systems are considered

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Introduction

Kye Beachfront Resort

Boundary conditions



Kye Beachfront Resort

Aims

Creating a private gated community for residential and tourism purposes.

Target Groups

Units for middle and upper middle class.

Function

Multiapartment buildings with several amenities and facilities.

Size

34 buildings of 4 to 5 floors on 200,000 m². BUILD_ME will focus on one of the Sector A of the project.

Boundary conditions

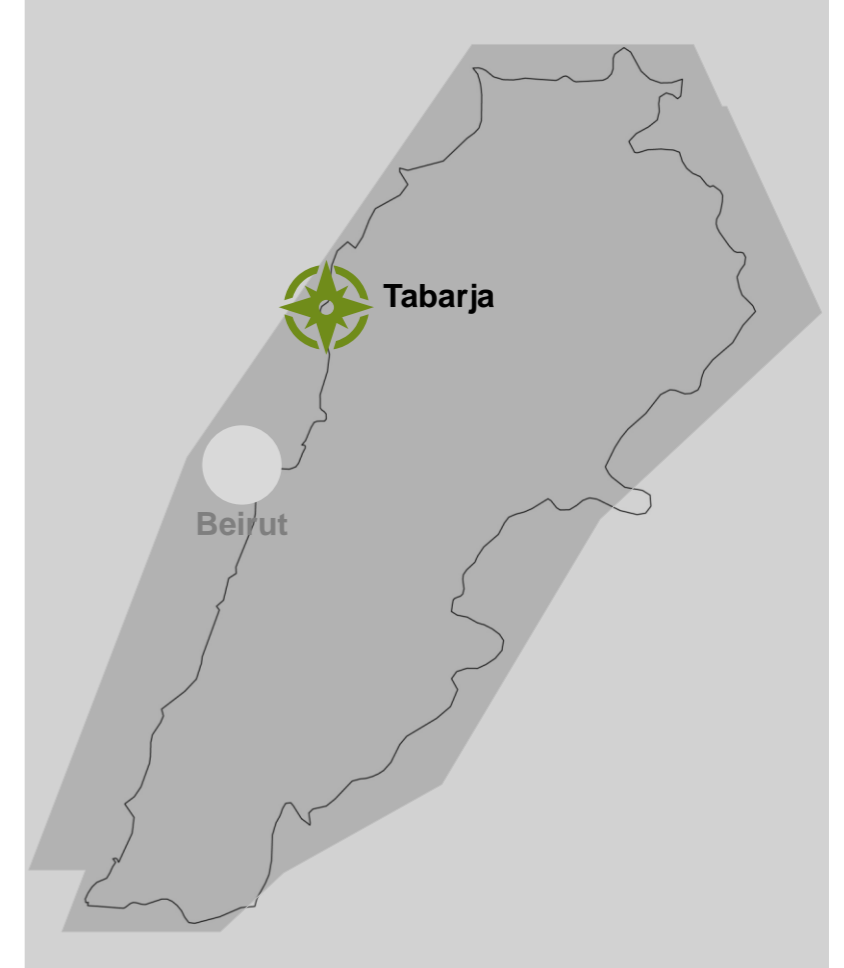
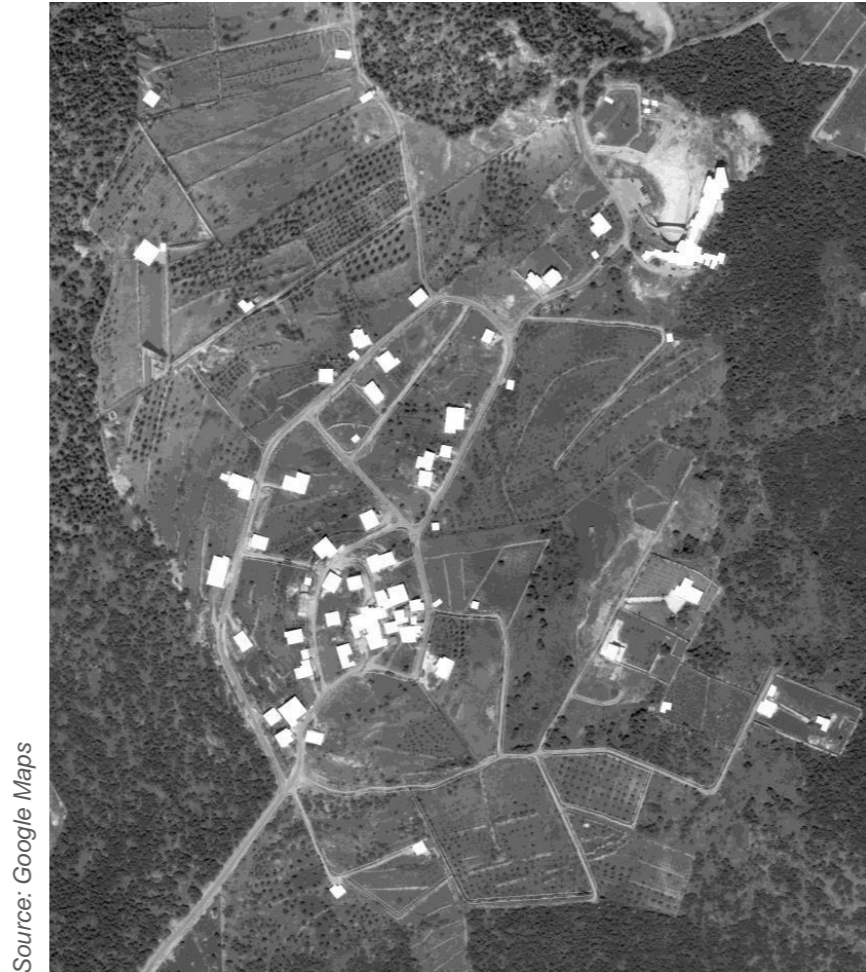
Site : Context matters

City : **Tabarja**

Location : 27 km north of Beirut

Context

The project located in the heart of the Tabarja directly on the coast. In terms of thermal comfort levels, the location provides potentials of summer sea breeze and high solar radiation but the high summer humidity will be a big challenge.



Boundary conditions I Climate Analysis

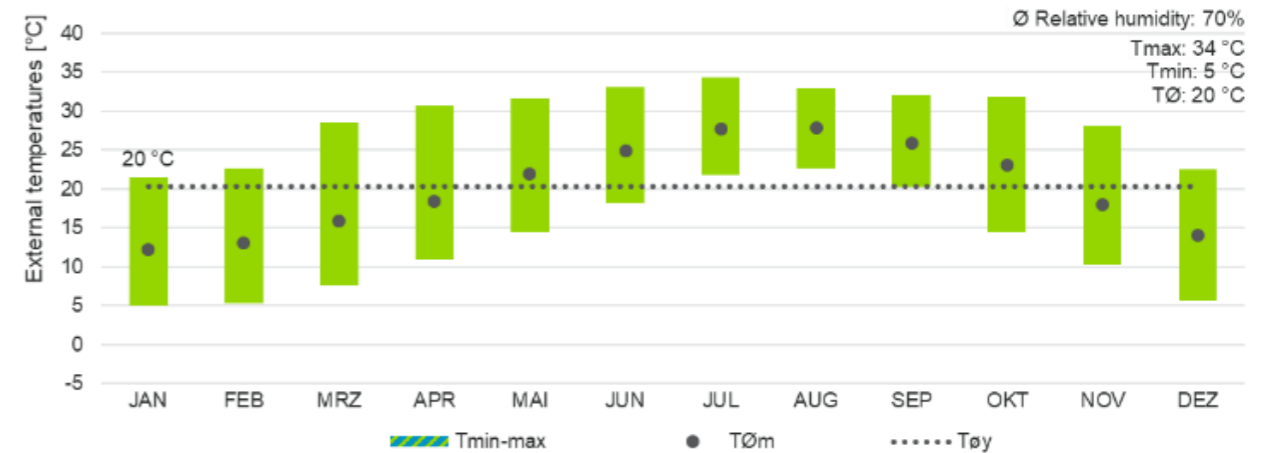
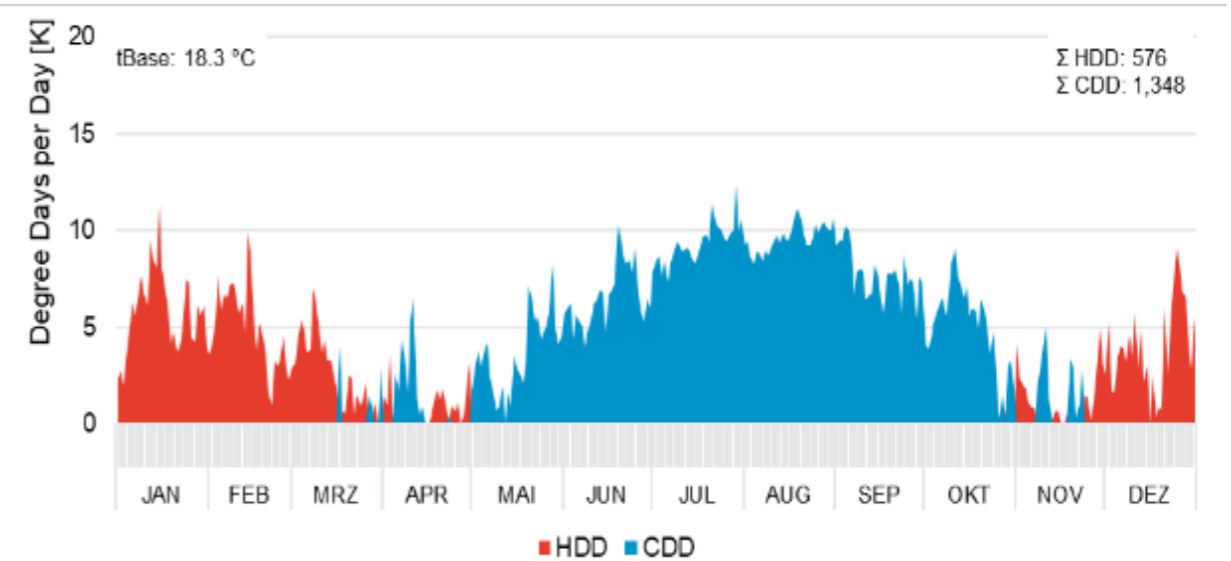
External temperatures and Relative Humidity *

Description

The climate at the project site primarily warm and humid. External temperatures range from 5°C above 0°C to 34°C, with average temperatures around 20°C

Challenges and Potentials

The demand for cooling prevails against heat demand as the high number of >1,300 CDDs. The cooling degree days are 2 times higher than the HDDs. The monthly average relative humidity is above 65% but may also reach >70% in the summer months.



* HDD: heating degree days; CDD: cooling degree days; according to ASHREA methodology

Boundary conditions | Climate

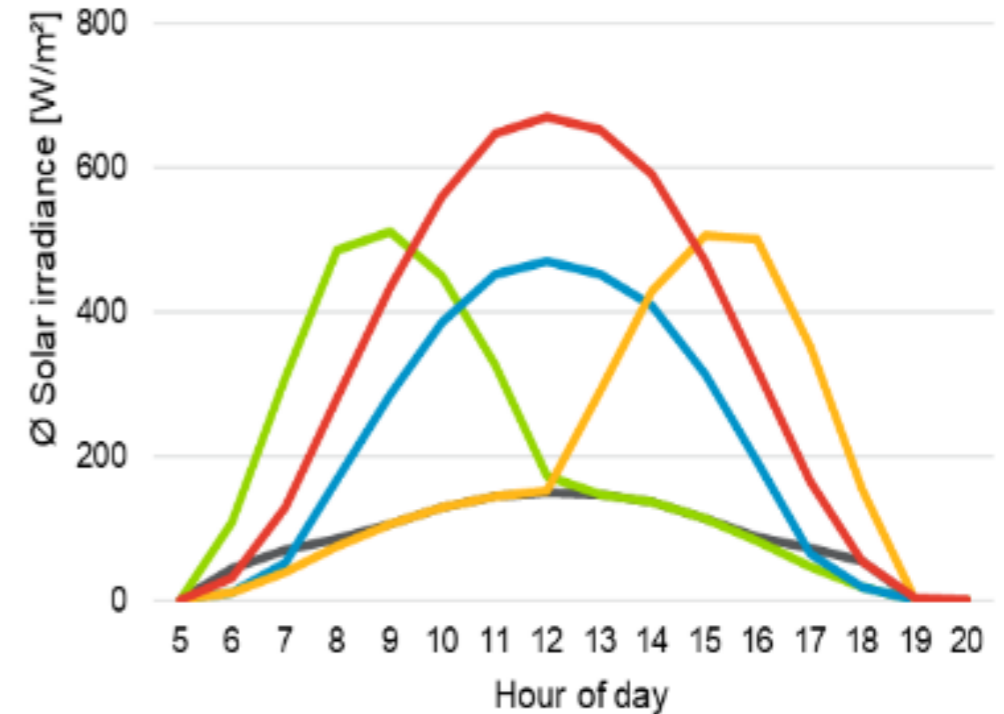
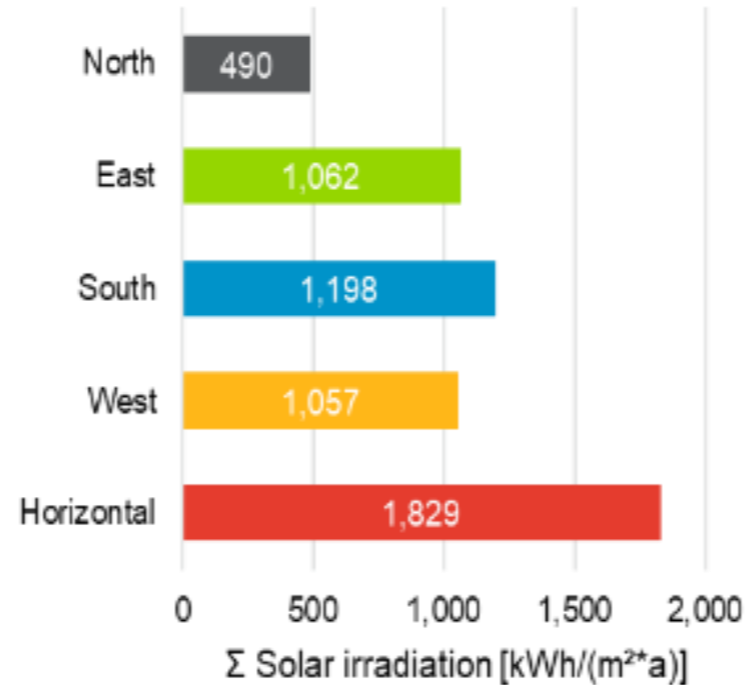
Solar Irradiation in Tabarja (Lebanon)

Description

The site experiences a horizontal irradiation of $>1,800$ kWh/(m²*a) and $>1,000$ kWh/(m²*a) for each East, South, and West orientations.

Challenges and Potentials

The horizontal solar radiation promises a high potential for the utilization of solar energy.



Boundary conditions | Economic and Emissions Inputs

Cost of Energy and Environmental impact

Energy price increases are assumed in the future and have been considered in the calculation as follows:

- Electricity price 0.175 Eur/kWh (depending on consumption of dwelling, incl. 9h generator)
- Price development of electricity = 10%/a,
- interest rate = 5%.

Energy prices and CO2 emissions		
Parameter	Unit	Electricity
Energy price	LBP/kWh	310
Energy price	EUR/kWh	0.175
Price development	%/year	10
CO2 emission factor	gCO ₂ /kWh	679
Economic parameters		
Interest rate (real)	%/year	5
Calculation period	years	20

• Exchange rate: 1 EUR = 1.3 JOD

Boundary Conditions I Building

Building Data

Status

Small Multi-Family houses in a modular construction

Specific Challenge

Located directly on the coast;

Seasonal pattern as it is used as a second home



Building Key Information

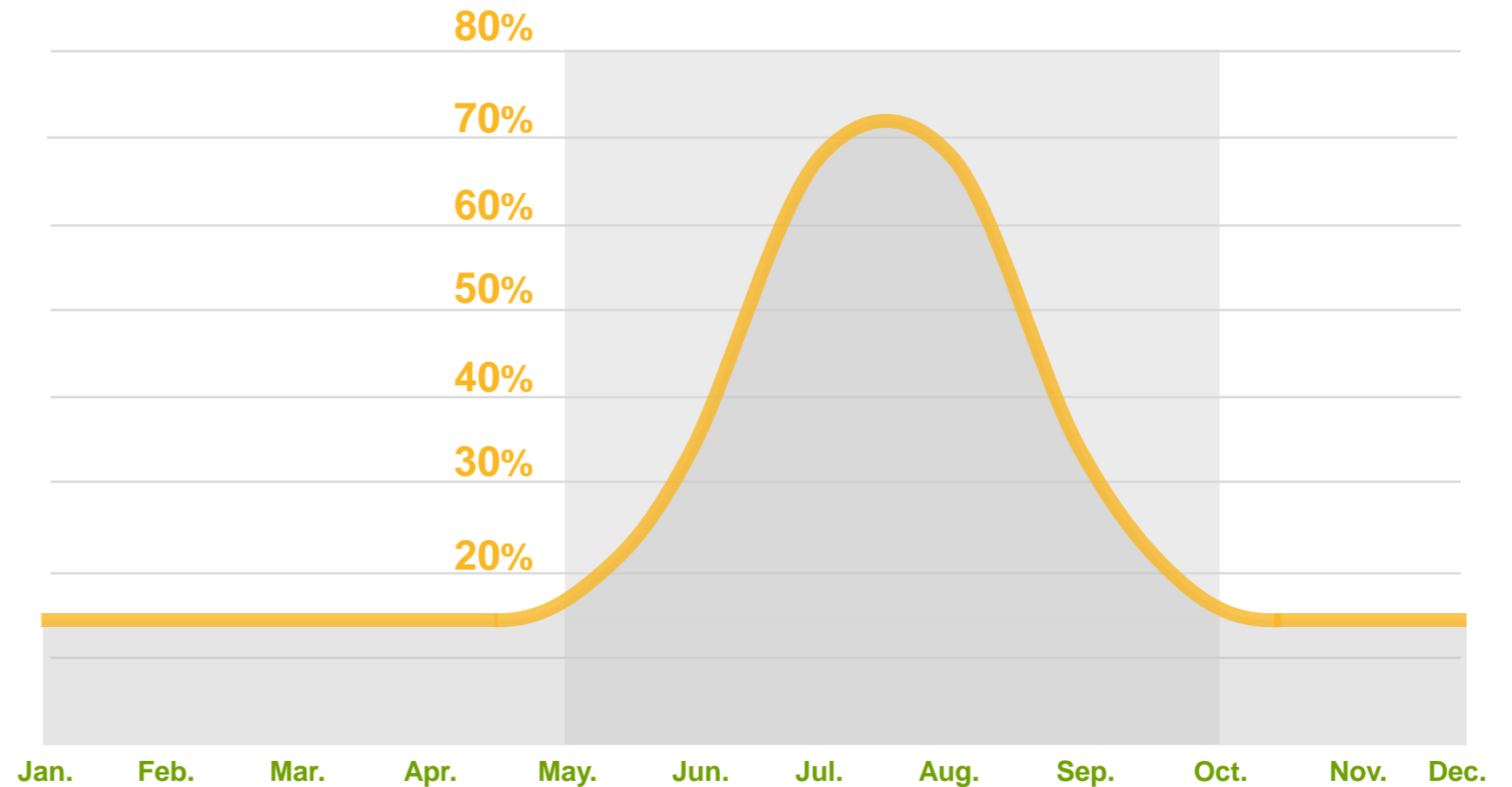
Data	Input
Latitude	34.028828
Longitude	35.623939
Elevation [m]	3
Utilization	MFH
Number of floors	4
Number of apartment	192
Conditioned floor area [m ²]	11,200
Clear room height [m]	3
Conditioned volume [m ³]	33,600
Number of inhabitants [#]	4 per Unit
Year of construction	2020/2021

Boundary Conditions I Buildings Use

Expected Occupancy Percentage

The occupancy percentages changes throughout the year reaching the peak in the summer months.

The building systems and energy efficient measures must be sized for a changing energy demand.



Analysis

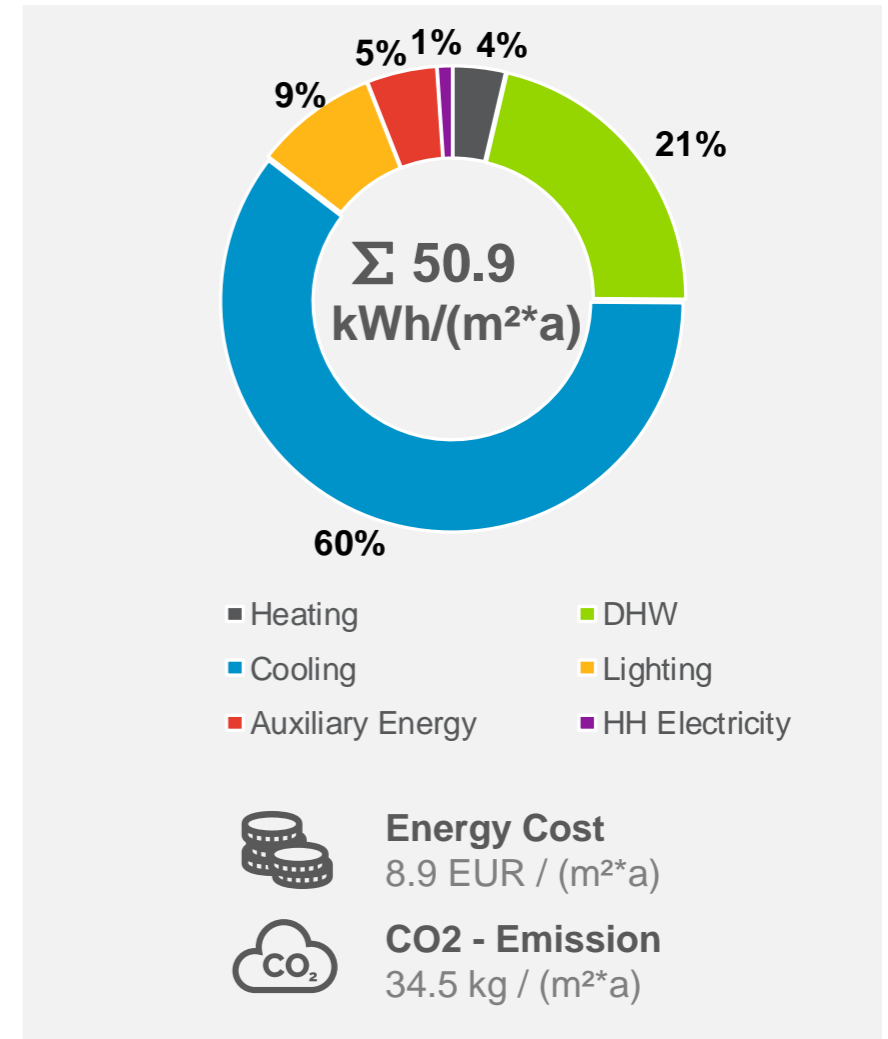
Starting Situation -
Baseline and Current
planning

Business as Usual

Building Characteristics as planned

The key components of the energy concept are illustrated in this table, it shows that the building envelope is in line with the thresholds of the current building code. While no special attention is given to use renewable energy sources.

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Windows (U-Value; G-Value)	5.7 W/m ² K; 0.85
Window fraction	Ø 40%
Shading	no
Air infiltration through leakages	0.25 1/h
Heat supply	centralised multi-split unit - COP 4.0
Cold supply	centralised multi-split unit - COP 4.0
Hot water	electric instantaneous
Ventilation system	natural ventilation
Lighting system	LED
Renewable energy	No
Set temperature cooling/heating	23°C / 21°C



Current situation, Kye Beachfront Resort

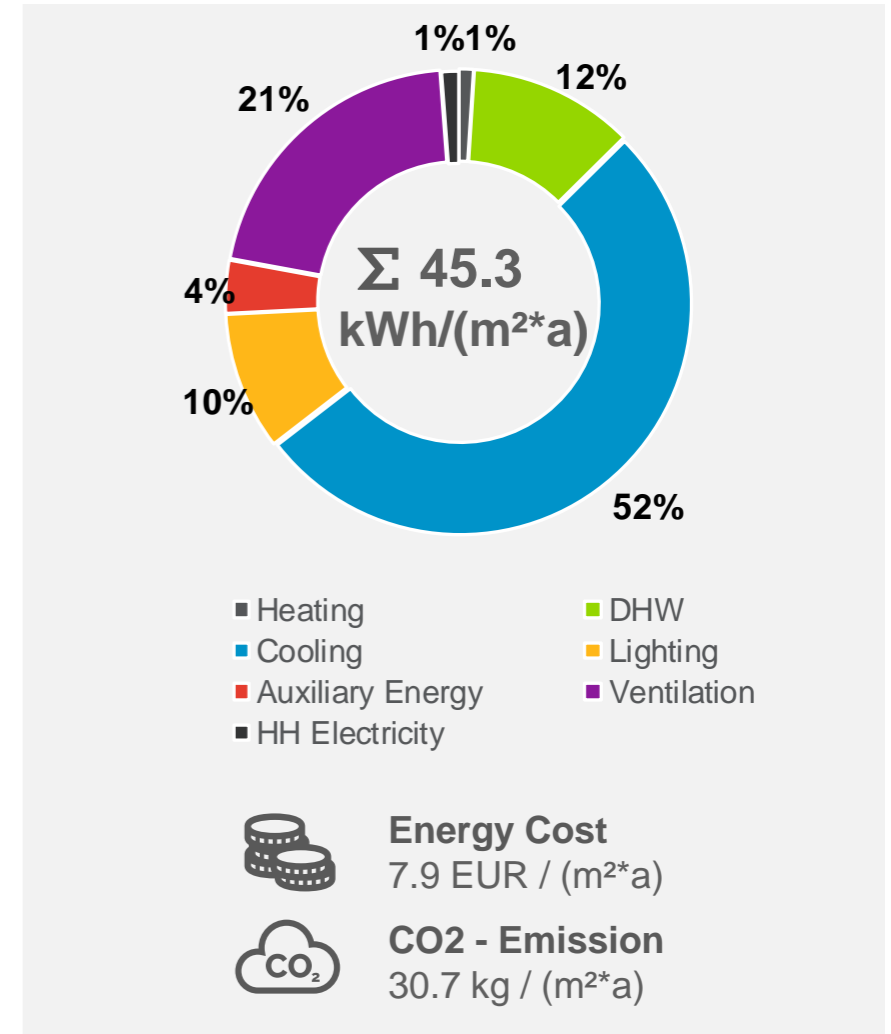
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Lighting system	LED
Renewable energy	Solar thermal
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Current situation (project developer)

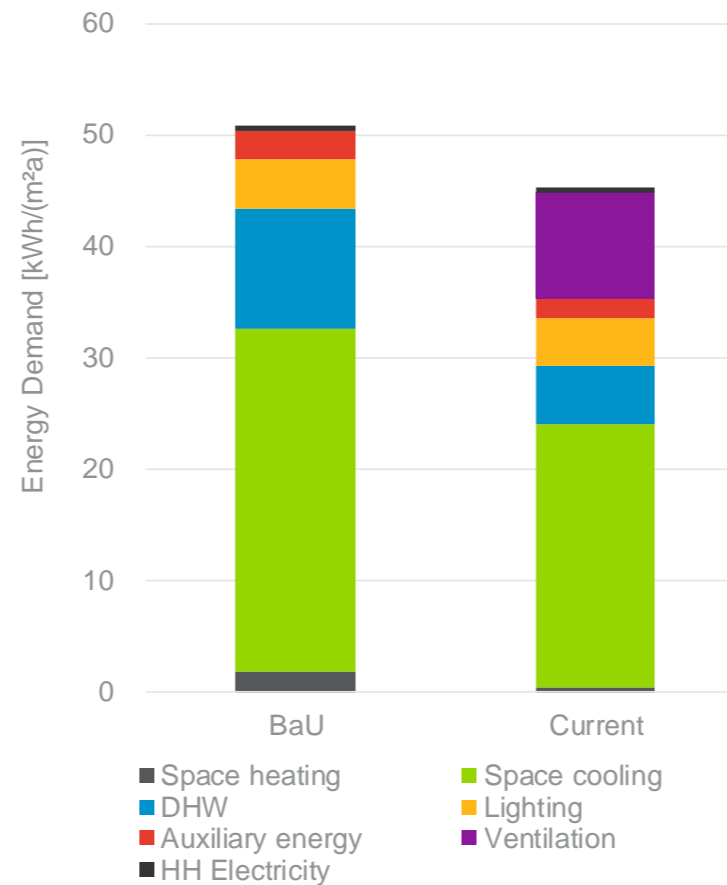
Results VS. BaU

The proposed design is significantly more energy efficient in comparison to the BAU cases.

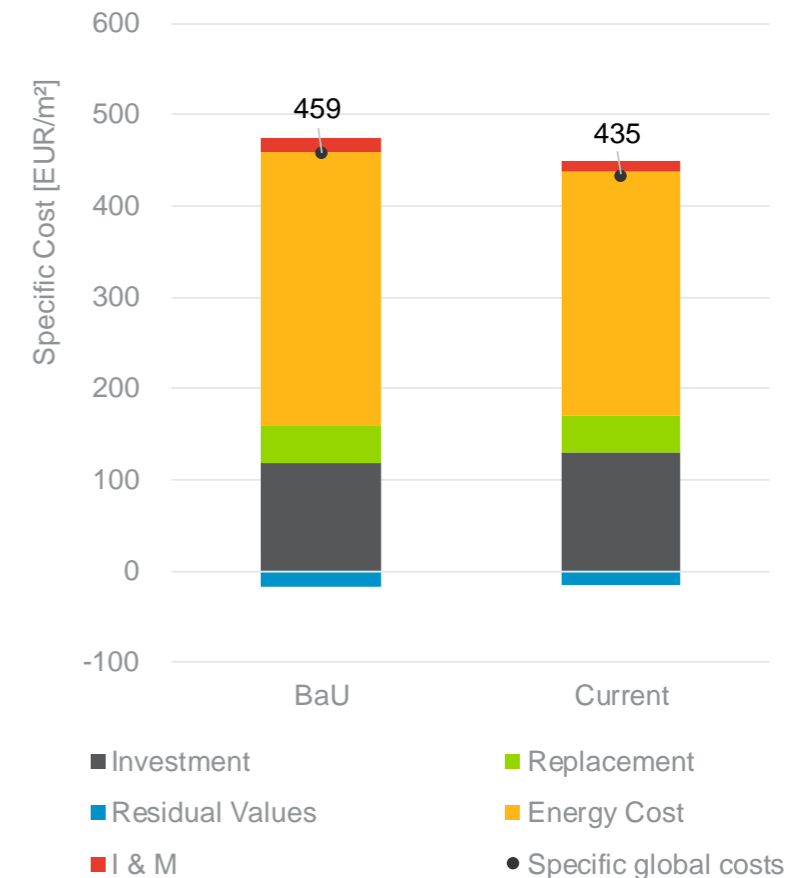
Although the energy cost decrease, the proposed measures will result in a cost increase due to the high investment cost.

The proposed measures seem not to hit the cost optimal point for optimization

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Analysis

Investigation of Possible Measures

Overview of Analyzed Measures

Scope of Measures

Envelope



Roof insulation and color

External wall insulation

Windows (U, g, window fraction)

Shading

Air tightness

Systems



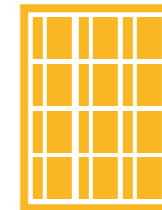
Heating

Cooling

Ventilation systems

Operational temperatures

Renewable



PV

Solar Thermal

Building Envelope | External wall

Thermal insulation

BaU

U-Value = 2.0 W/m²K

Current

U-Value = 0.7 W/m²K (no insulation)

Var 1

U-Value = 0.5 W/m²K (4 cm insulation)

Var 2

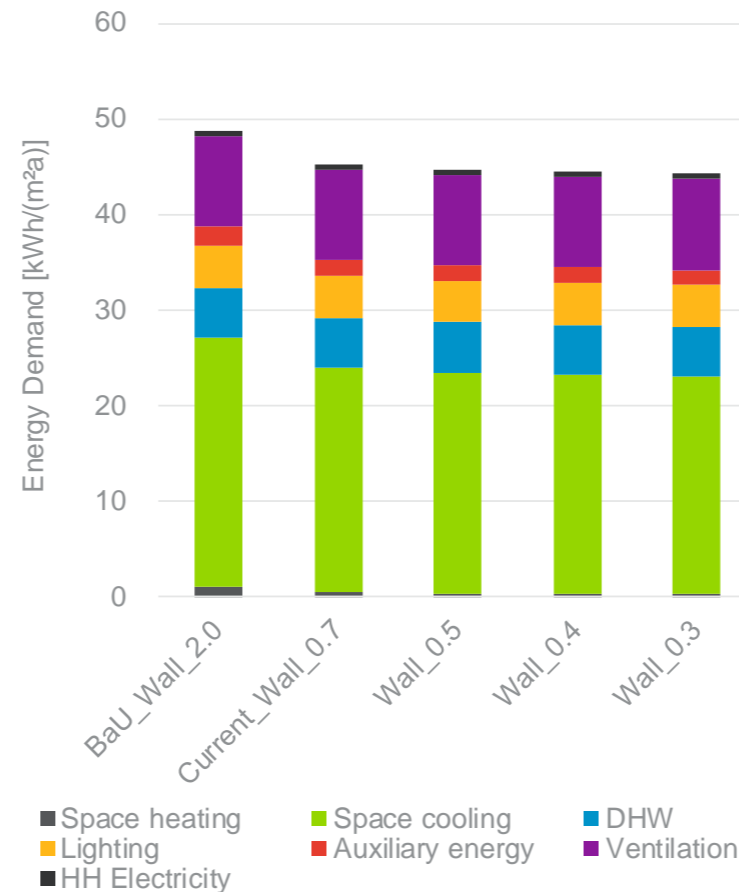
U-Value = 0.4 W/m²K (6 cm insulation)

Var 3

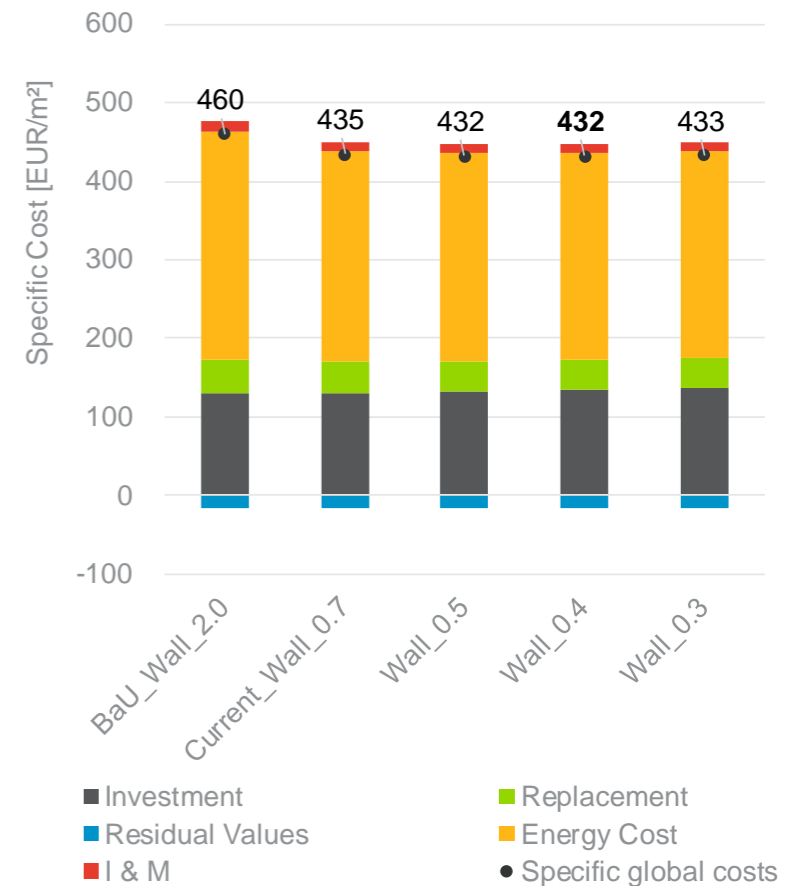
U-Value = 0.3 W/m²K (10 cm insulation)

Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Building Envelope | Roof

Thermal insulation

BaU / Current

U-Value = 0.6 W/m²K (5 cm insulation)

Var 1

U-Value = 0.5 W/m²K (6 cm insulation)

Var 2

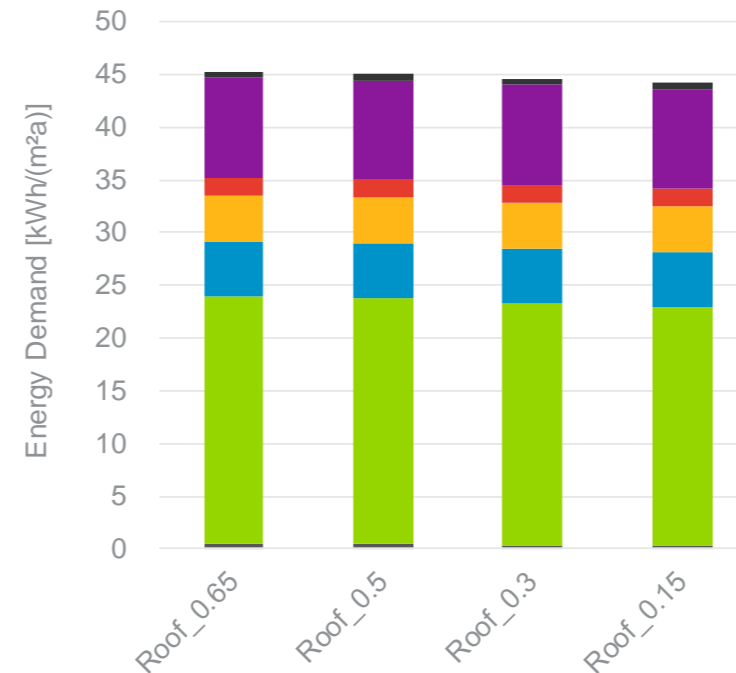
U-Value = 0.3 W/m²K (12 cm insulation)

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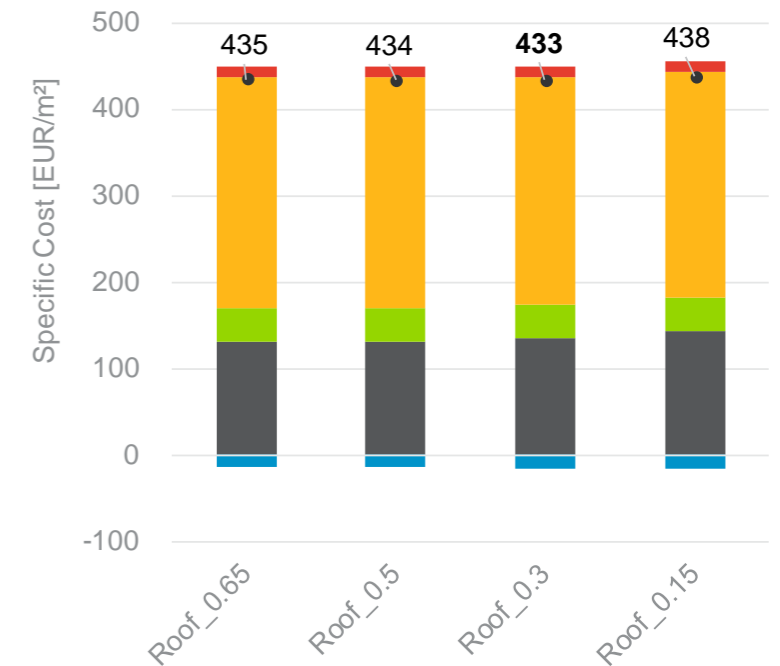
U-Value = 0.15 W/m²K (25 cm insulation)

Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Building Envelope | Roof

Appropriate Color - Absorption factor

BaU / Current

Dark color (0.9)

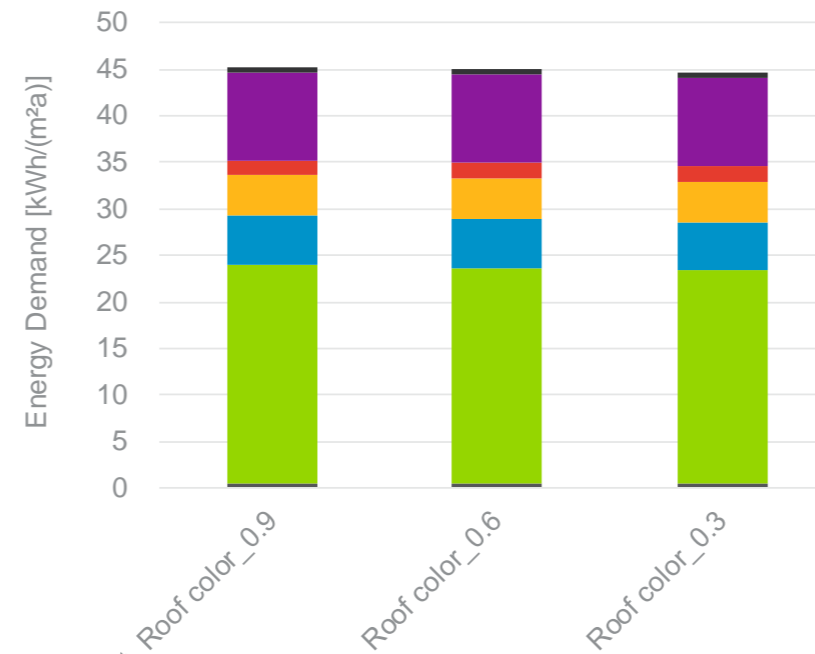
Var 1

Intermediate (0.6)

Var 2

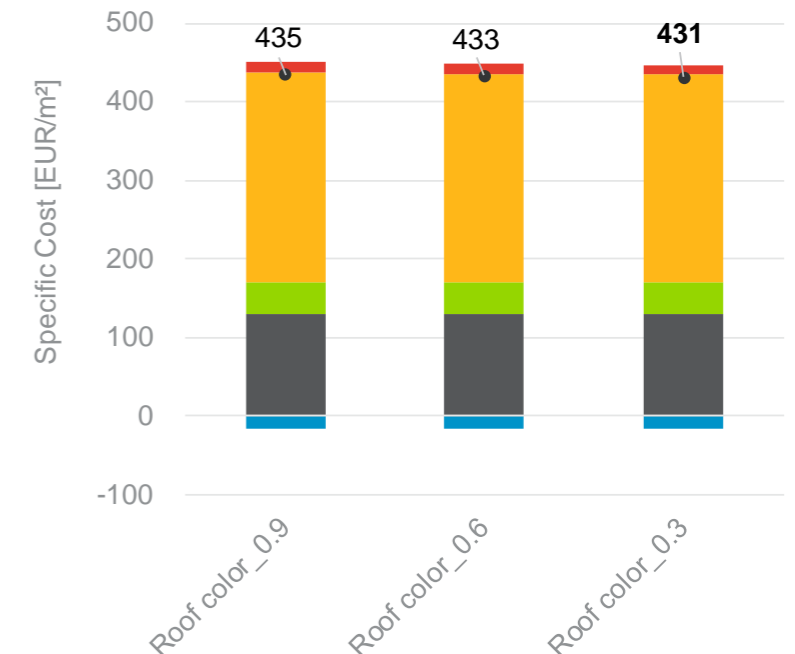
Light color (0.3)

Final Energy Demand



■ Space heating ■ Space cooling ■ DHW
 ■ Lighting ■ Auxiliary energy ■ Ventilation
 ■ HH Electricity

Global Cost



■ Investment ■ Replacement
 ■ Residual Values ■ Energy Cost
 ■ I & M ● Specific global costs

Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

Building Envelope I Windows

U-Value

Single glazing (BaU)

U value 5.7 W/m²K, G-Value 0,85

Double glazing (Current)

U value 2.8 W/m²K, G-Value 0,54

Double glazing – low E (Var 1)

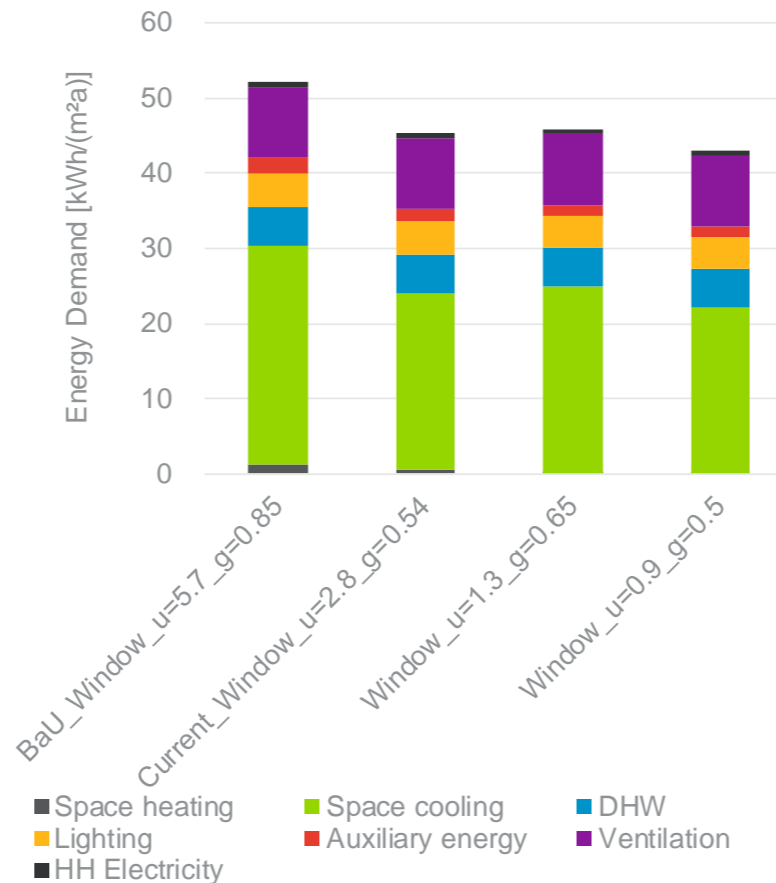
U value 1.3 W/m²K, G-Value 0,65

Triple Glazing (Var 2)

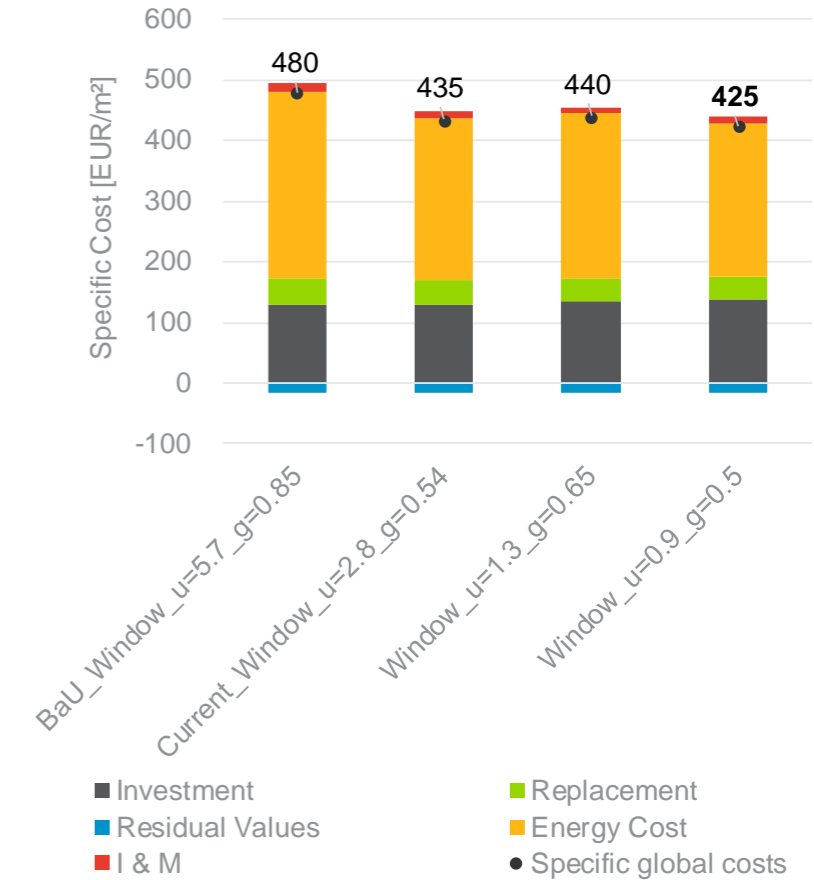
U value 0.9 W/m²K, G-Value 0,5

Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

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Building Envelope I Window

Window fraction

BaU / Current

40 %

Var 1

30 %

Var 2

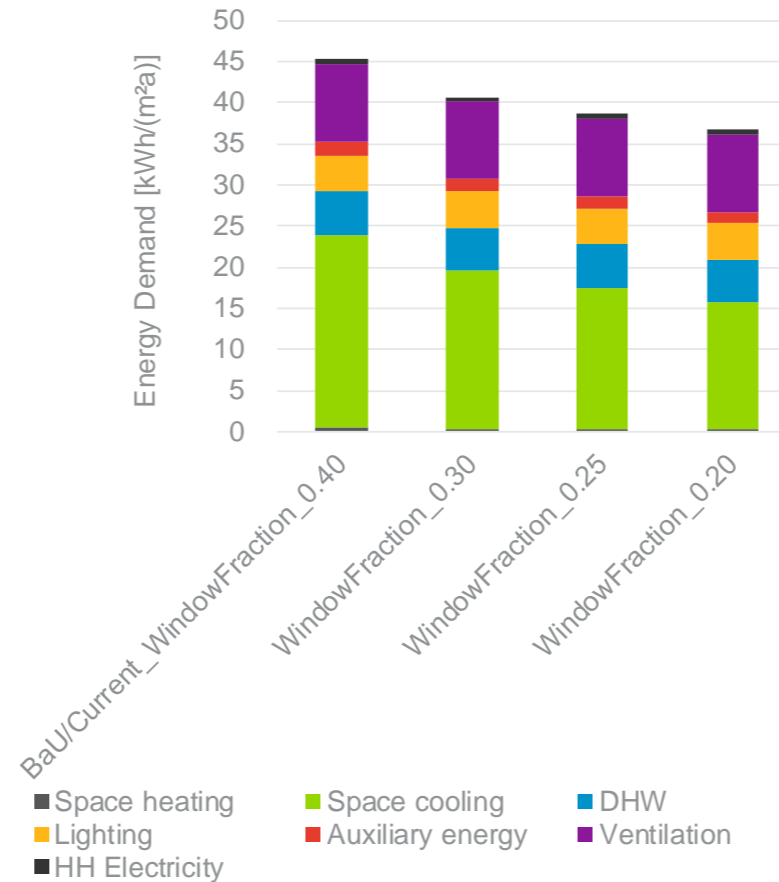
25 %

Var 3

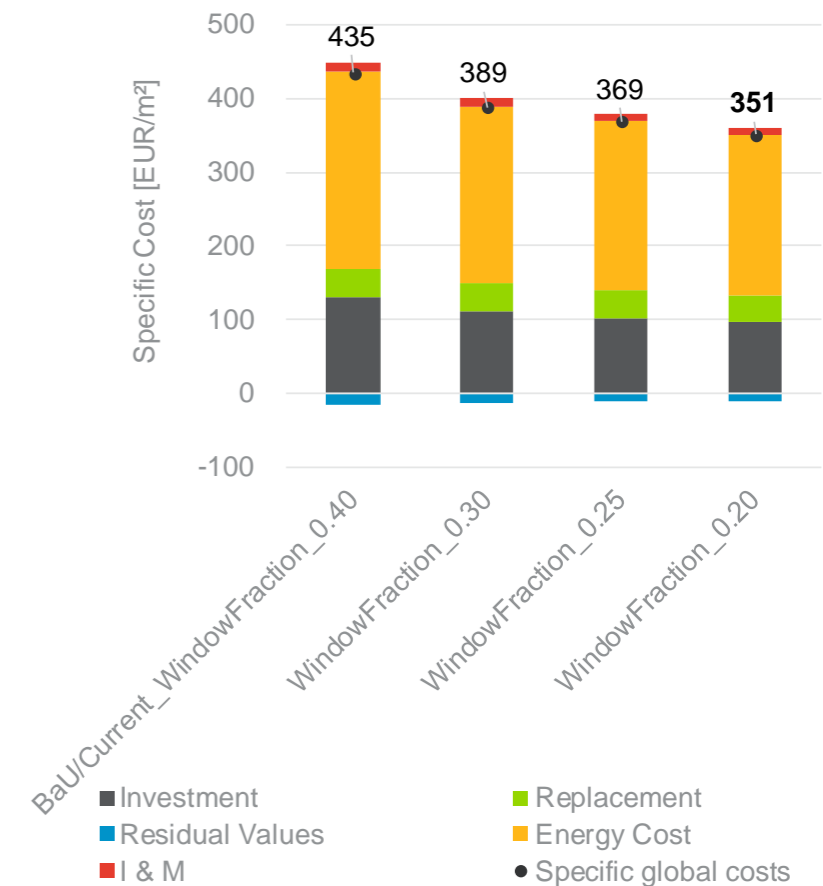
20 %

Result: Var 3 is the most cost effective measure

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Air Tightness

What is the effect of air tightness?

BaU / Current

0.25

Var 1

0.20

Var 2

0.15

Var 3

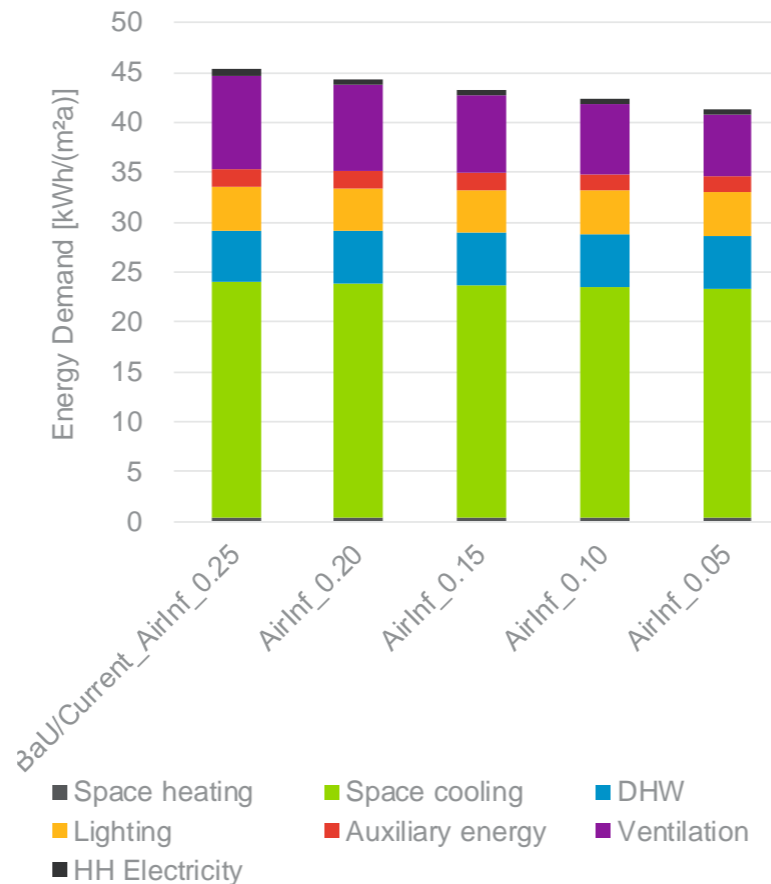
0.1

Var 4

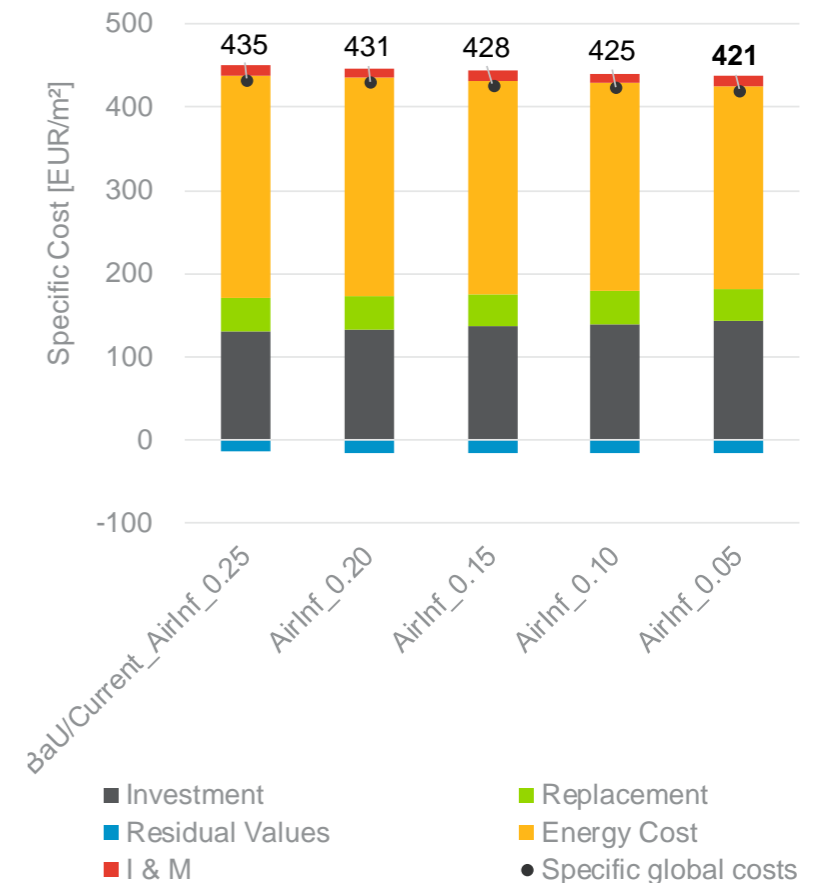
0.05

Result: Var 4 is the most cost effective measure

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Shading concept Analysis

BaU / Current

No shading

Var 1

Fixed Overhangs

Var 2

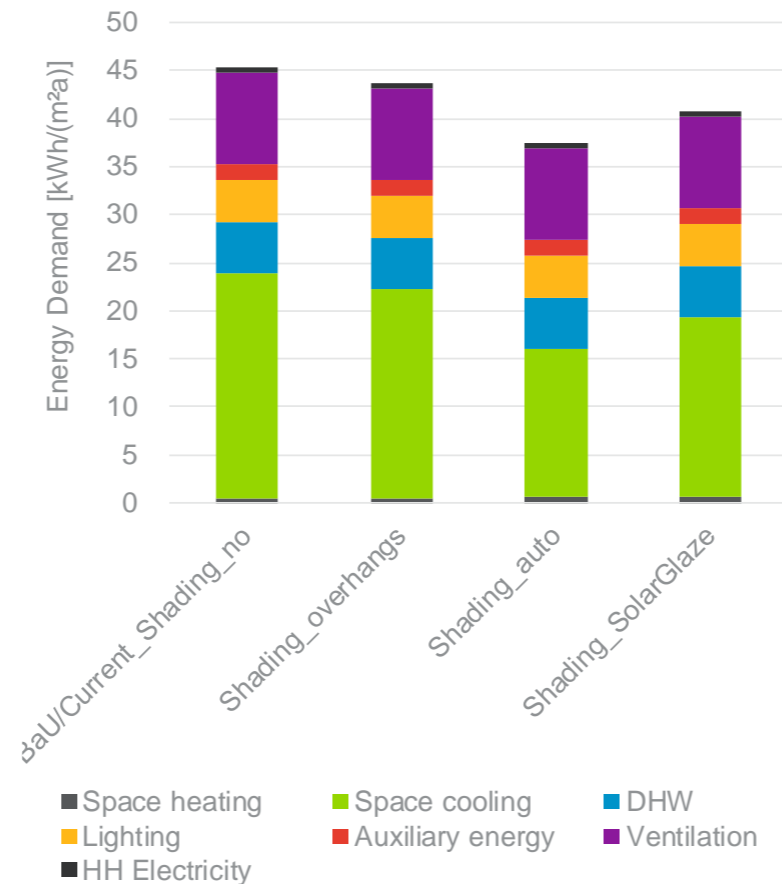
Automatic Shading

Var 3

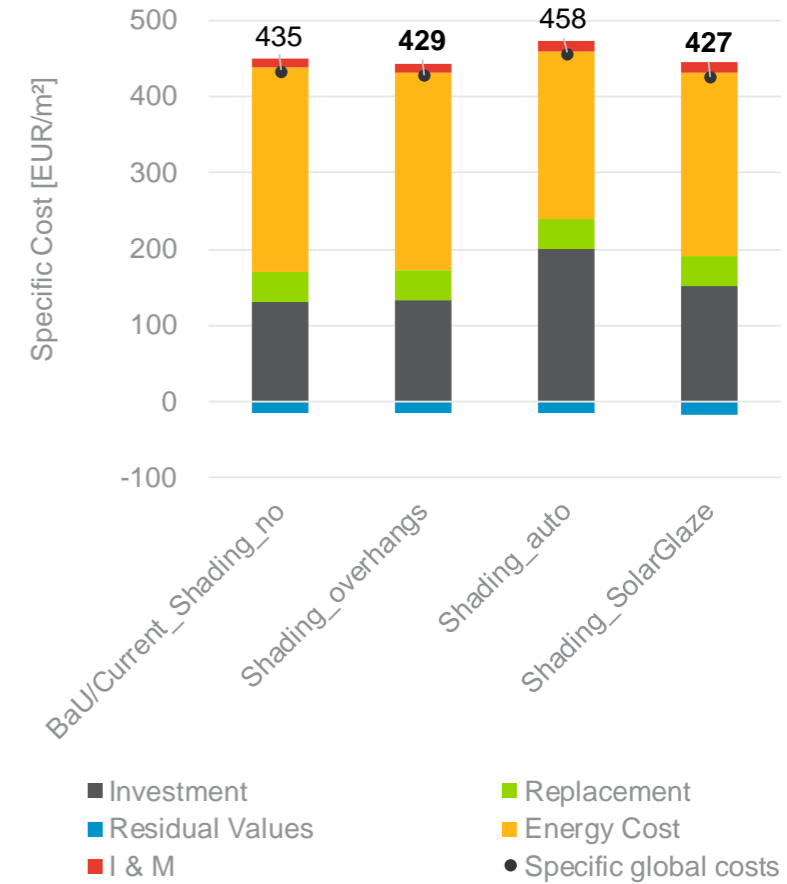
Solar Glazing

Result: Var 1 and 3 are the most cost effective measures

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



HVAC | Cooling Analysis

BaU / Current

Centralised multi-split system (Heating COP 4 | Cooling COP 4)

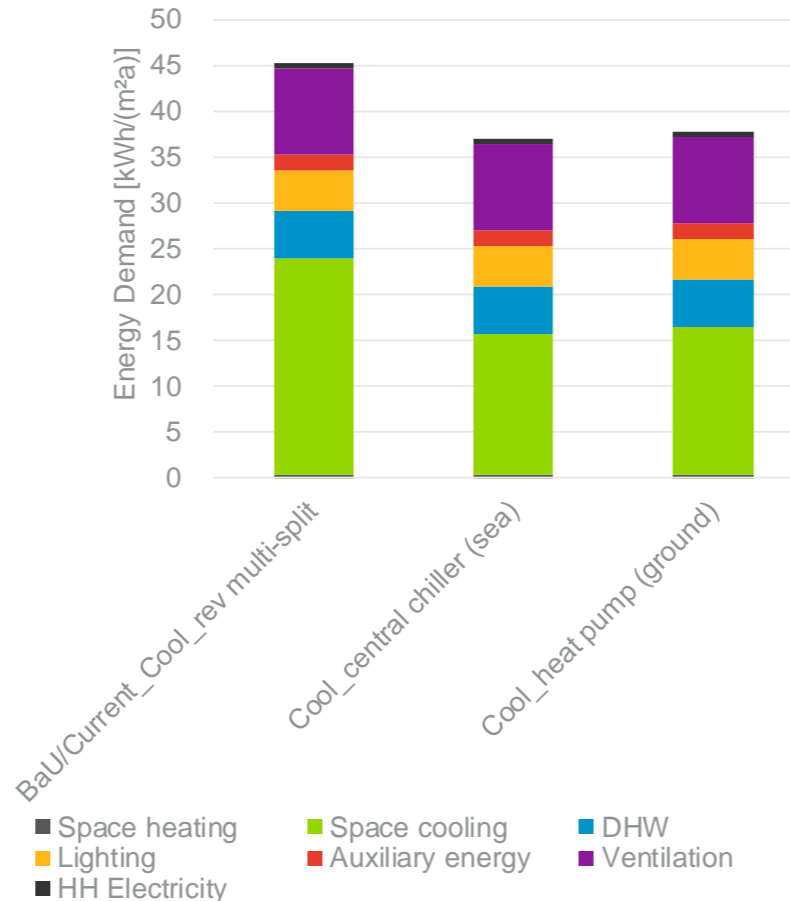
Var 1

Central chiller (Sea Water)

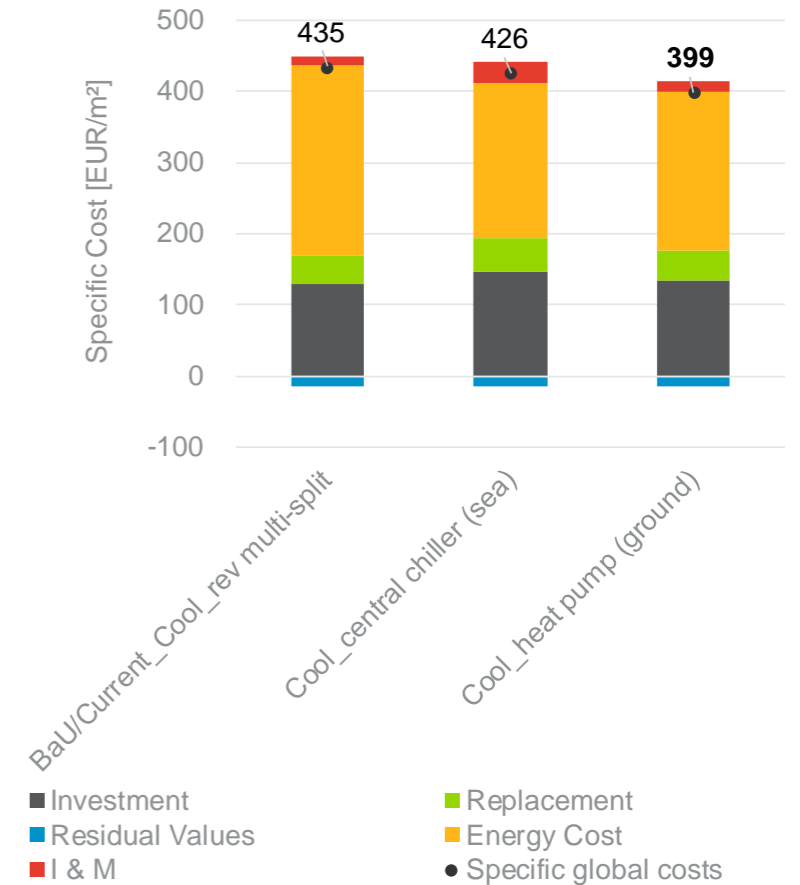
Var 2

Heat pump (Ground Source)

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

HVAC | Ventilation Analysis

BaU

Natural ventilation

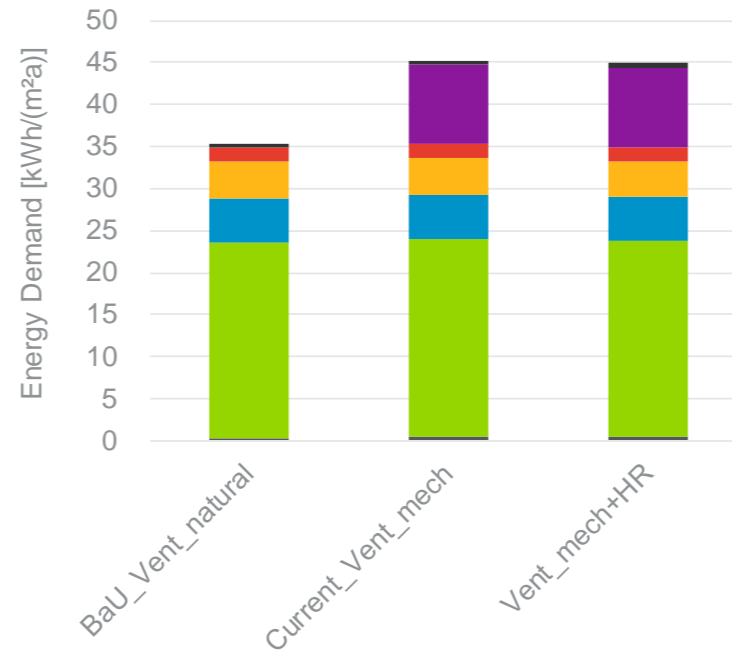
Current

Mech. Ventilation (1 floor)

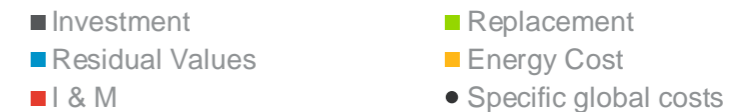
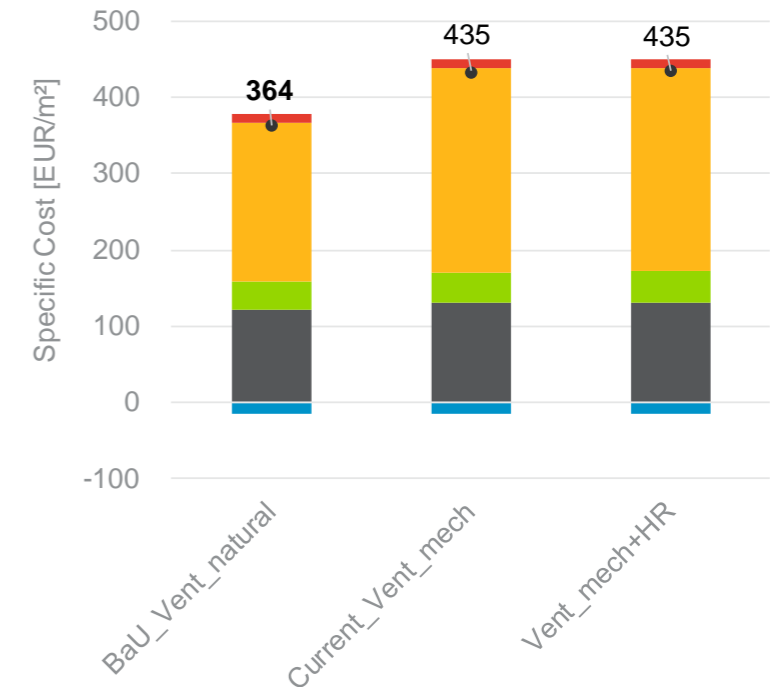
Var 1

Mech. Ventilation with heat recovery (1 floor)

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Result: BaU has the most cost effective measure

Operational Temperatures Analysis

BaU / Current

Cooling Temperature: 23°C
Heating Temperature: 21°C

Var 1

Cooling Temperature: 26°C

Var 2

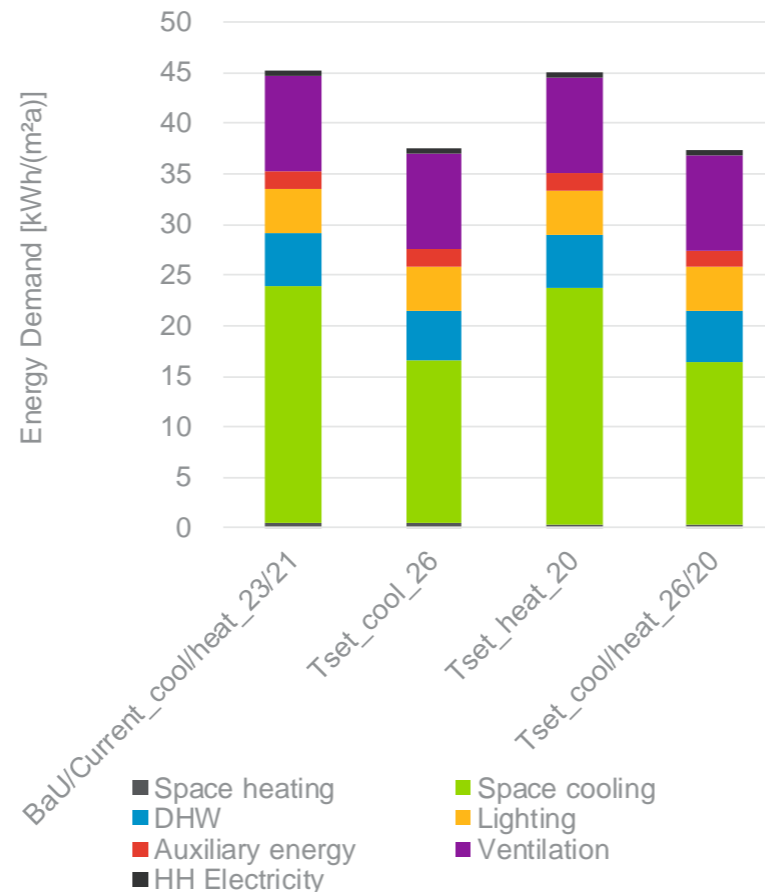
Heating Temperature: 20°C

Var 3

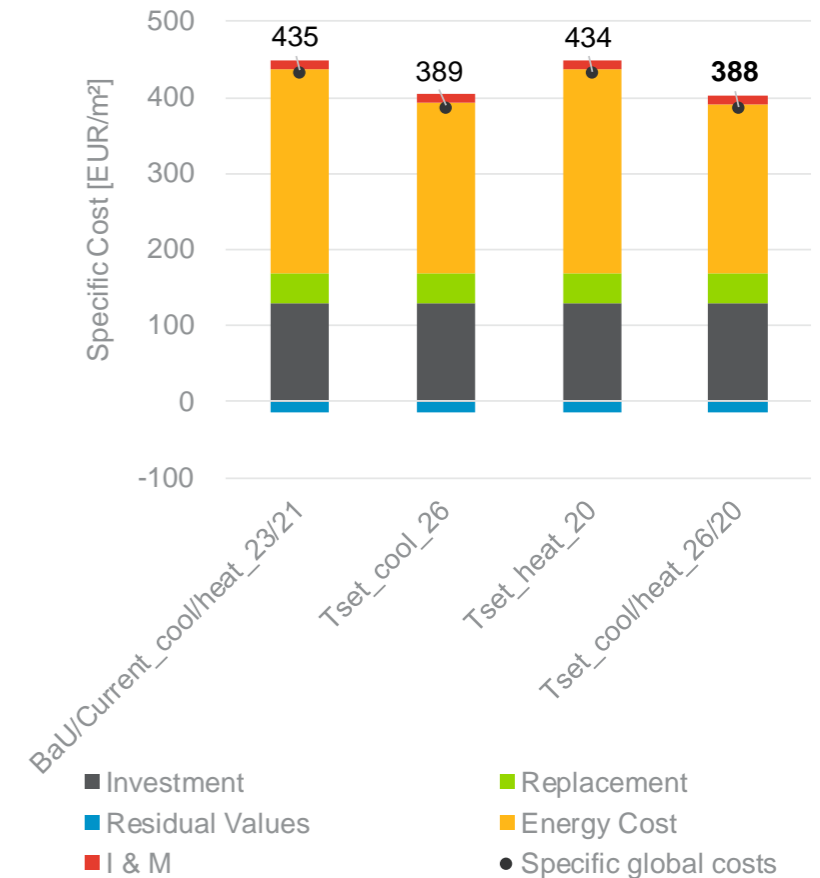
Cooling Temperature: 26°C
Heating Temperature: 20°C

Result: This measure is very effective and not related to any cost. **Variant 3** is the most cost effective variant.

Final Energy Demand



Global Cost



Renewables I Solar Thermal

Analysis

BaU

no ST = electrical inst. heater

Current

ST – max roof exploitation
(10% of total roof area)

Var 1

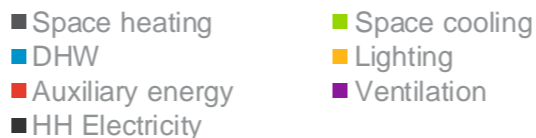
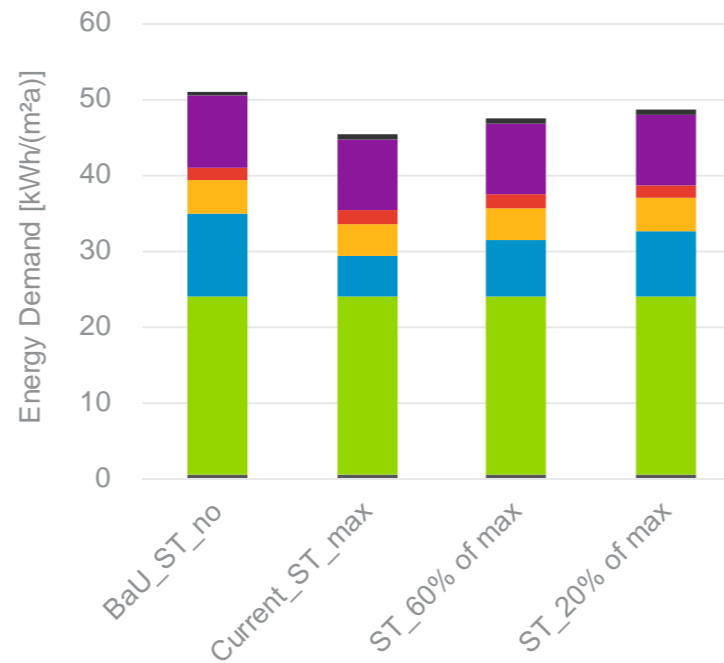
ST – 60% of max

Var 2

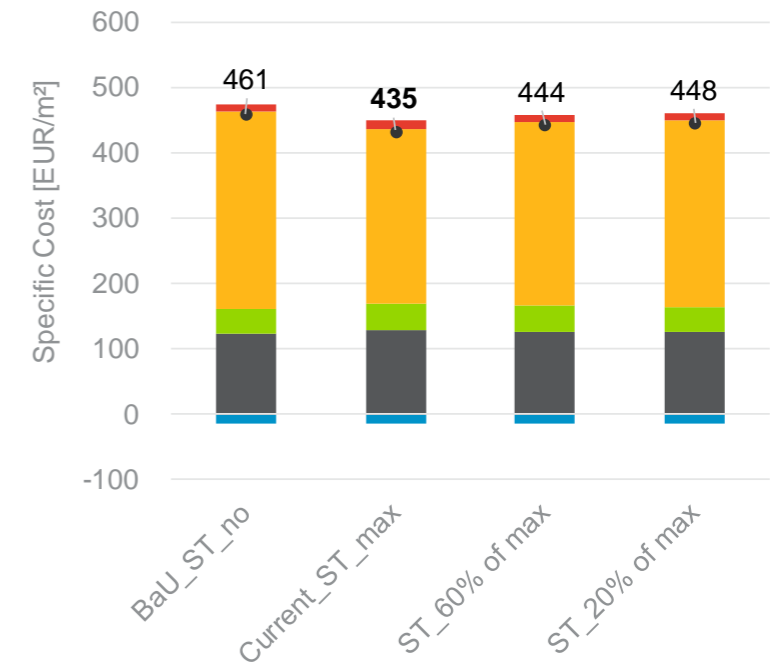
ST – 20% of max

Result: Var 2 is the most cost effective measure

Final Energy Demand



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Renewables | PV Analysis

BaU/Current

no PV

Var 1

PV – max. exploitation of roof surface

Var 2

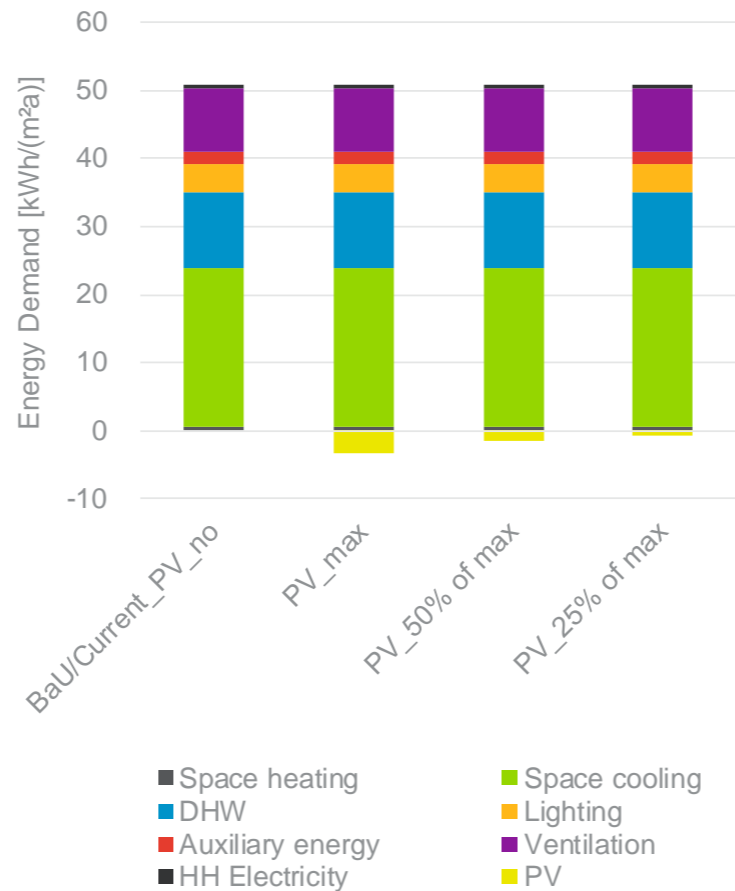
PV – 50% of max

Var 3

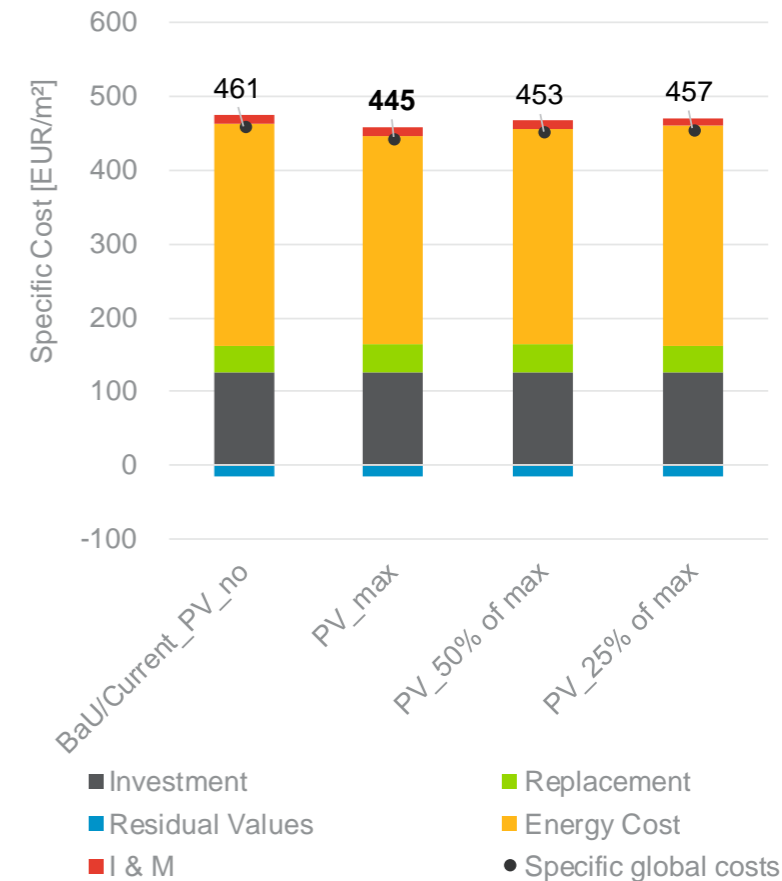
PV – 25% of max

Result: Var 1 is the most cost effective measure

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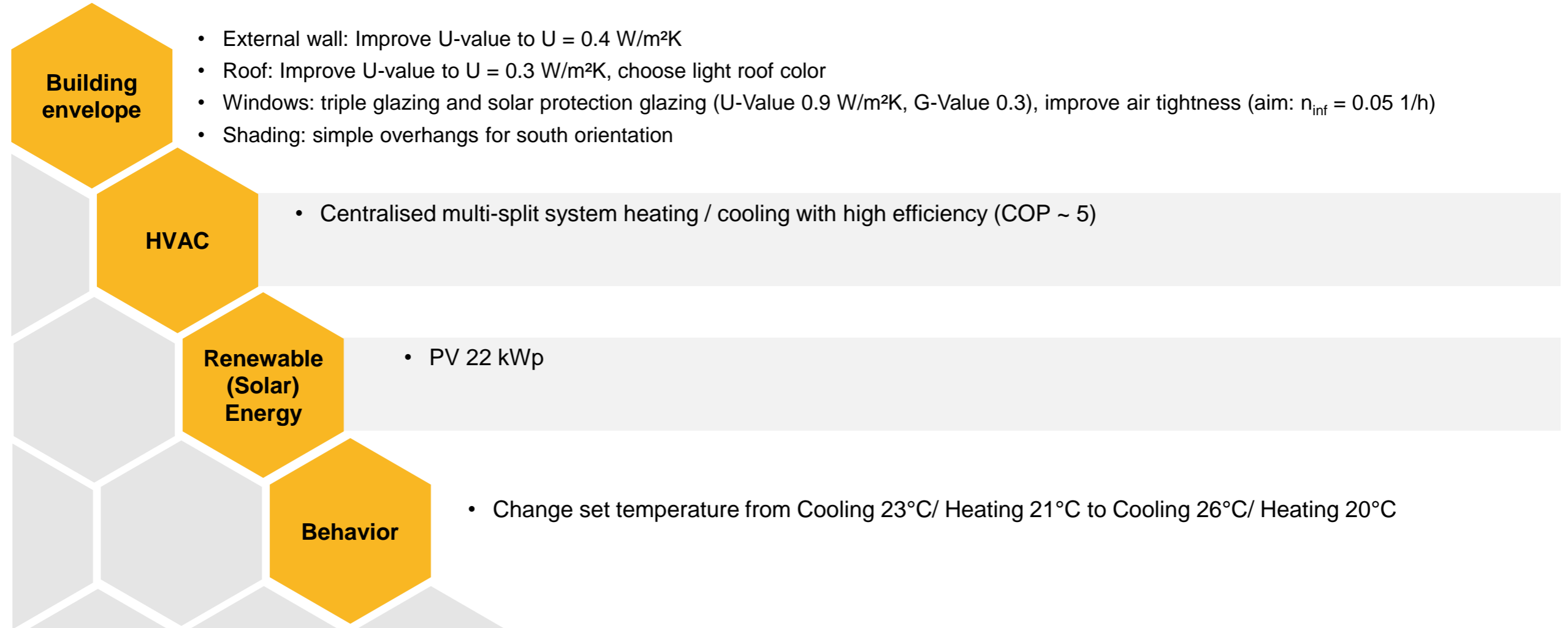
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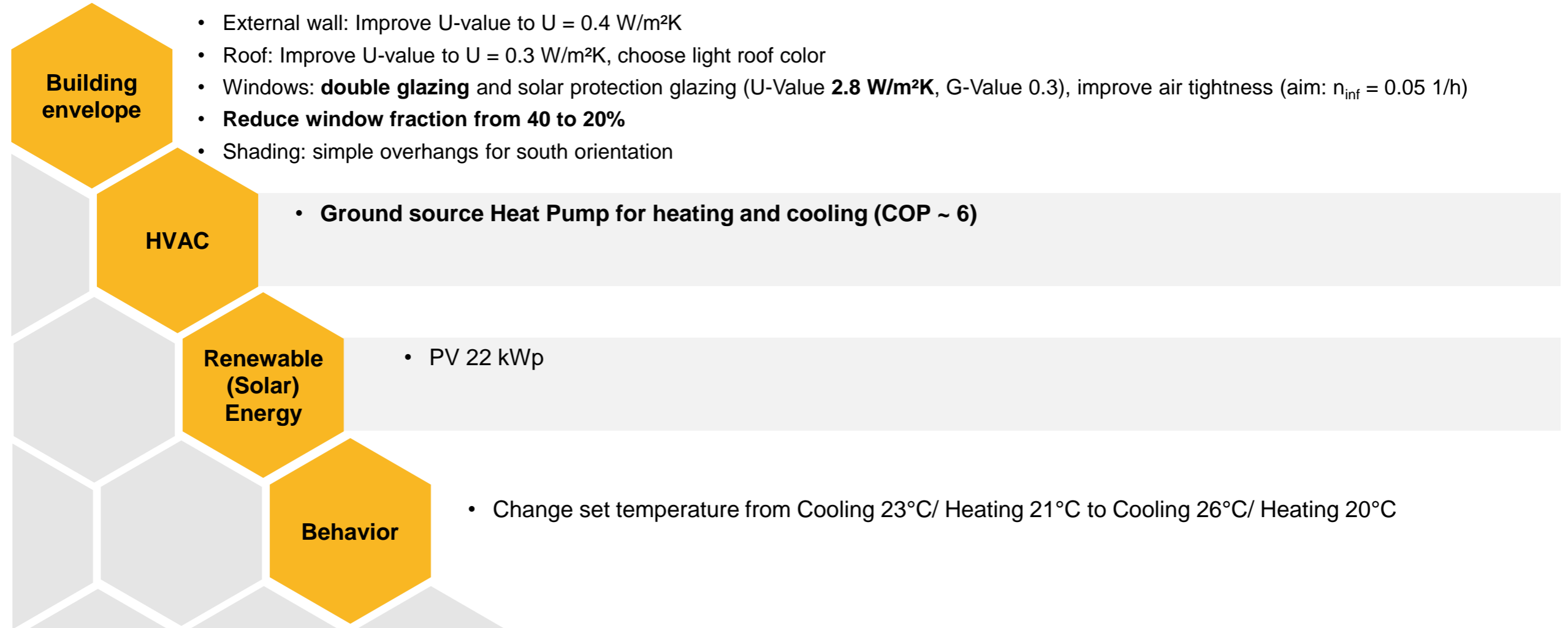
Overview of recommended measures (for ongoing sectors)

Four steps to reduce energy demand significantly



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Optimized Solution (ongoing sectors)

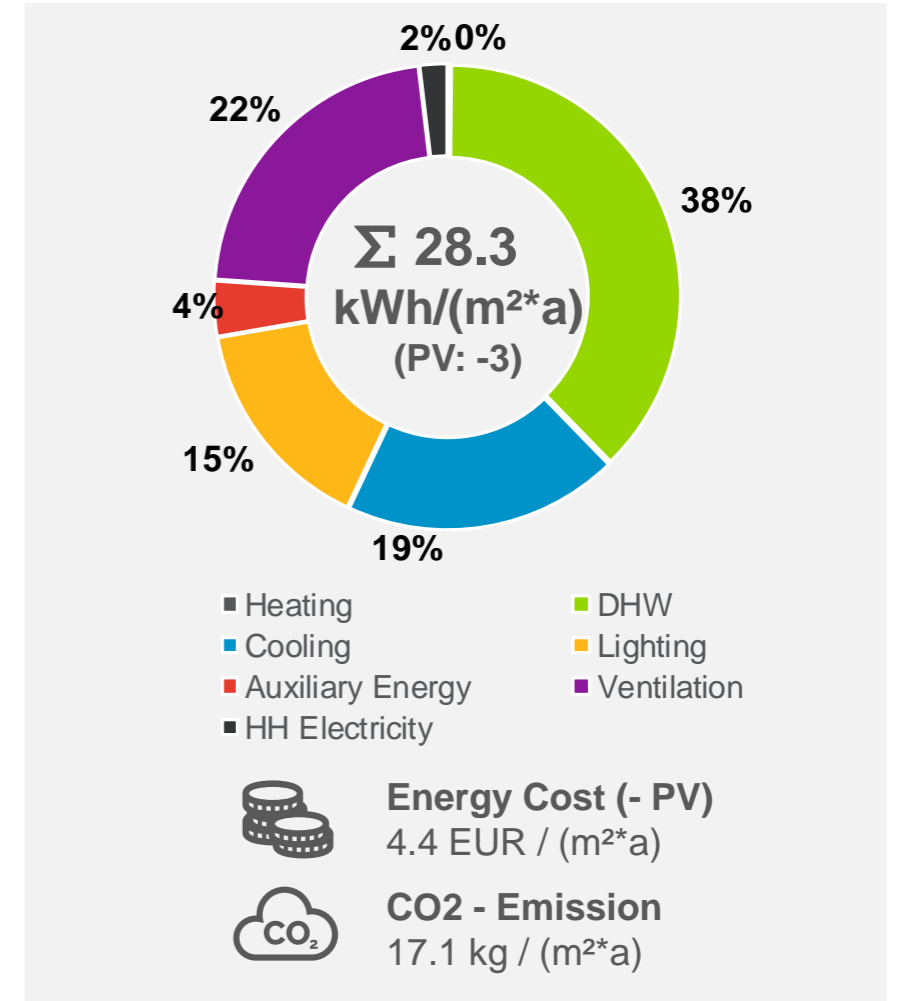
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Cold supply	centralised multi-split unit - COP 5
Hot water	electric instantaneous
Ventilation systems	mechanical ventilation
Lighting systems	LED
Renewable energy	22 kWp (PV)
Set temperature cooling/heating	26°C / 20°C



Optimized Solution (planned sectors)

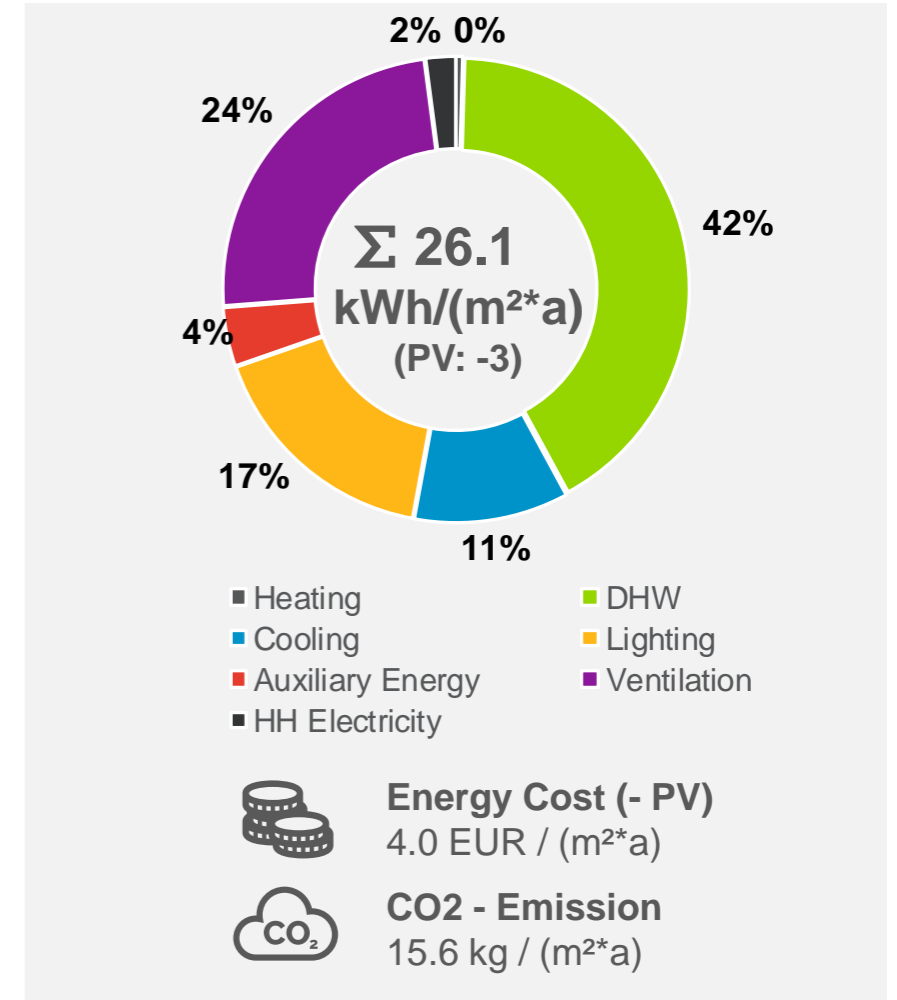
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Air infiltration through leakages	0.05 1/h
Heat supply	ground source HP - COP 6
Cold supply	ground source HP - COP 6
Hot water	electric instantaneous
Ventilation systems	mechanical ventilation
Lighting systems	LED
Renewable energy	22 kWp (PV)
Set temperature cooling/heating	26°C / 20°C



Comparative overview

Baseline vs. Current vs. Optimized (ongoing and planned sectors)

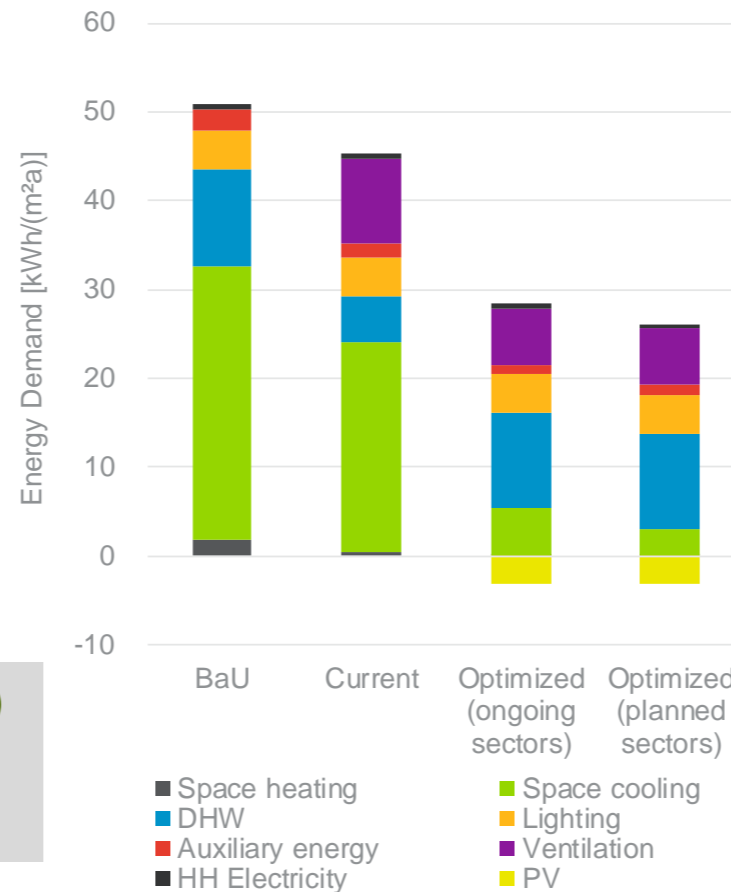
Conclusion

- The suggested measures and the current situation lead to a **significant decrease in energy demand**
- The optimized solution, detected **the most cost effective efficiency measures**

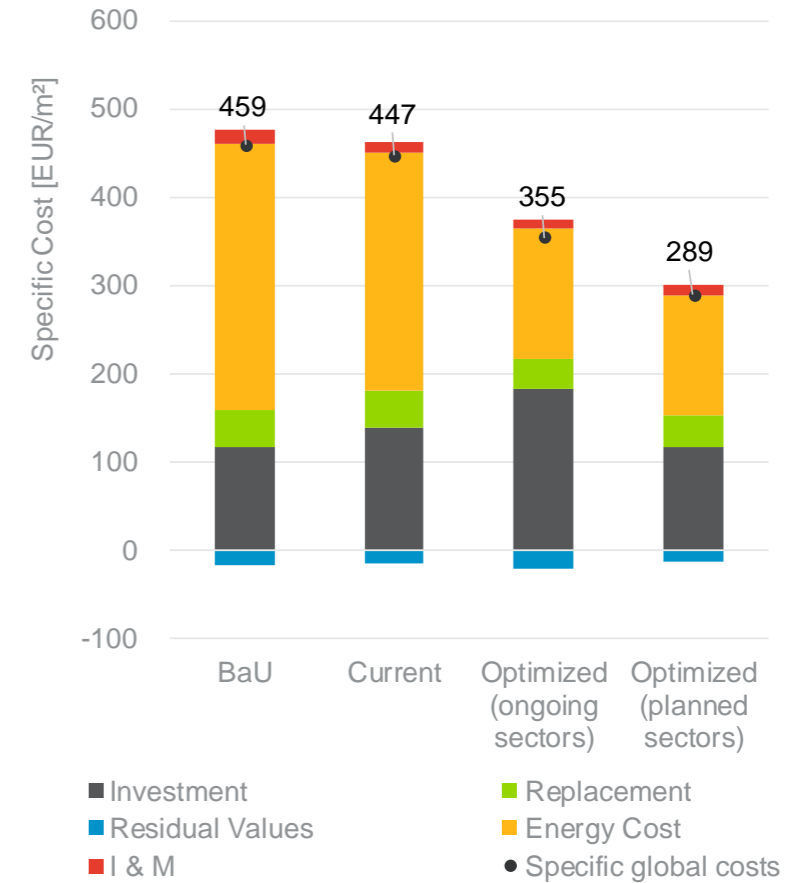
Savings BaU to Optimized (incl. PV)

- Energy: **51 => 23 kWh/m²a**
- Energy Cost: **8.9 => 4.0 EUR/m²a**

Final Energy Demand

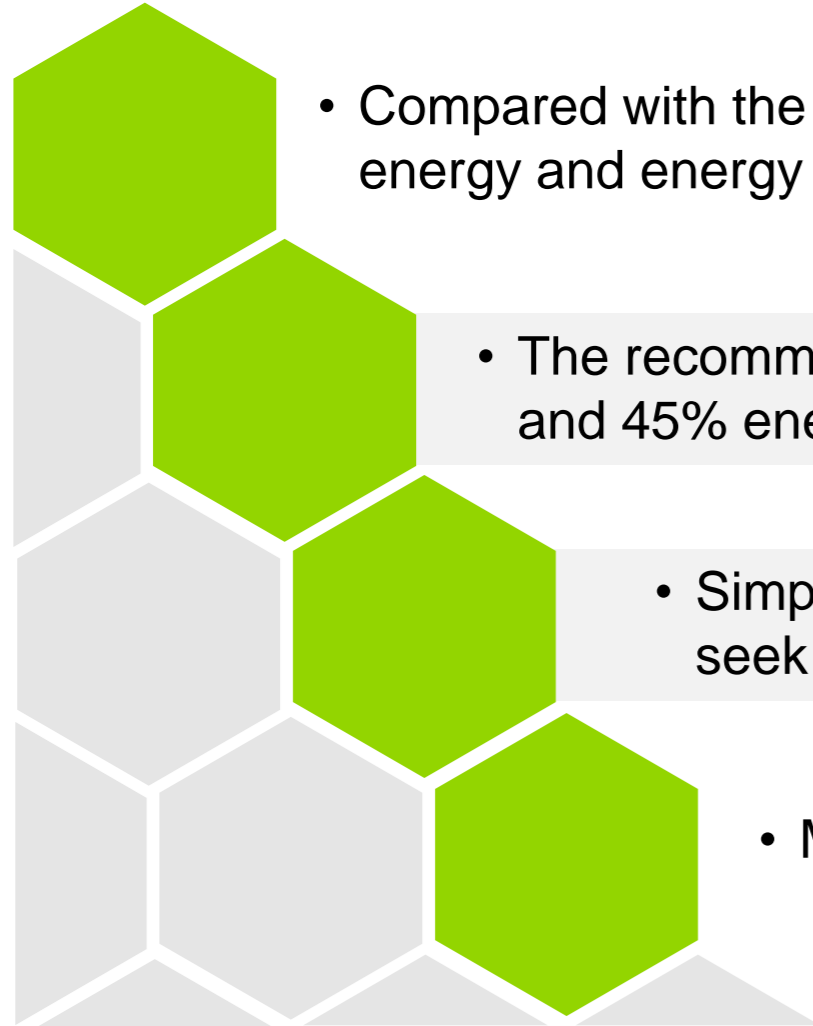


Global Cost



Key conclusion

Main take aways for the Kye Project (ongoing sectors)



- Compared with the baseline you will save with the current approach approx. 10 % energy and energy costs when paying comparable invest cost

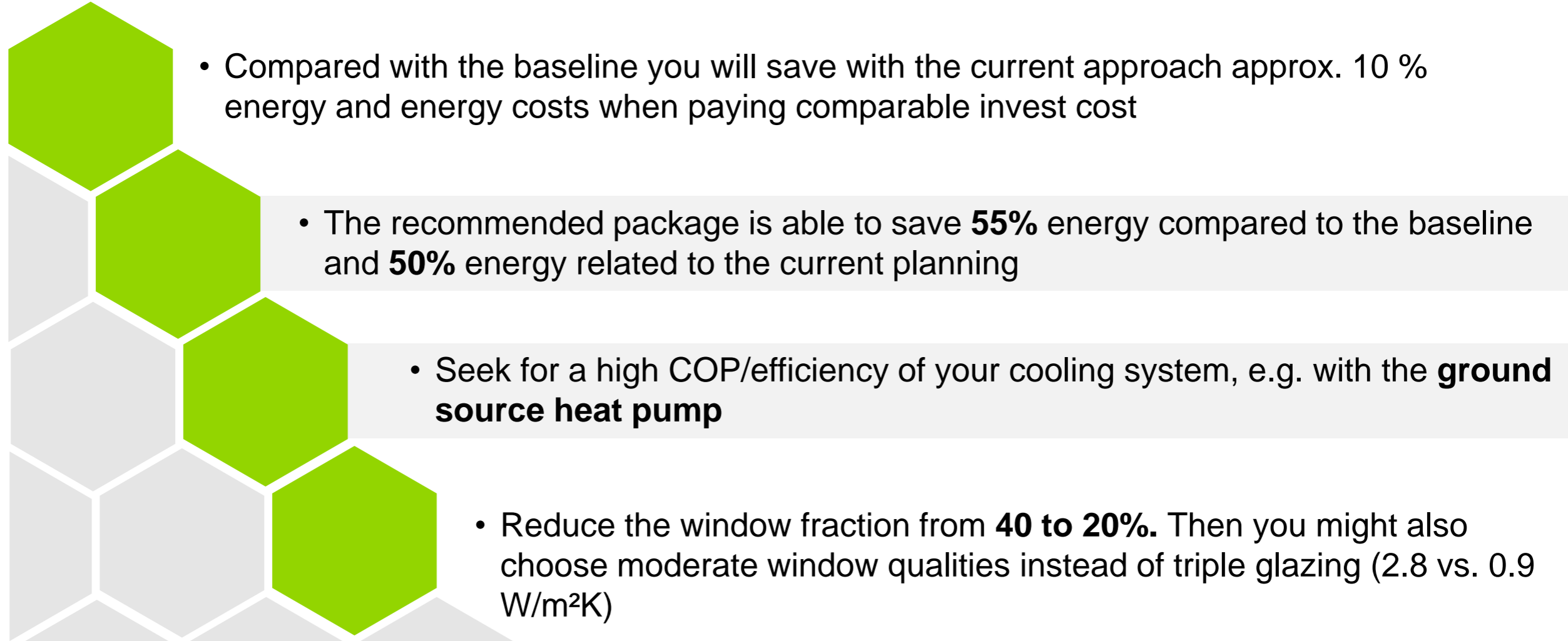
- The recommended package is able to save 50% energy compared to the baseline and 45% energy related to the current planning

- Simplify the cooling concept to ensure manageable operation, at the same seek for a high COP/efficiency

- Maximise the use of PV

Key conclusion

Main take aways for the Kye Project (planned sectors)



Optimized vs. current

Payback of single measures and whole package (**bold** = planned sectors)

Parameters	Optimized	Investment (optimized-current) [EUR]	Energy cost savings* [EUR / year]	Payback [years]	Lifetime [year]
Roof insulation (U-Value)	0.3 W/m ² K	51,000	-1,400	35	40
Wall insulation (U-Value)	0.4 W/m ² K	54,600	-1,600	35	40
Windows (U-Value; G-Value)	Ongoing: 0.9 W/m ² K; 0.50 (Planned: 2.8 W/m²K; 0.55)	148,300	-4,600	33	30
Window fraction	Planned: 20% (Ongoing: 40%)	-331,700	-16,800	immediately	30
Shading	Solar glazing	248,100	-15,400	28	30
Air infiltration through leakages	0.05 1/h	155,100	-7,700	20	-
Heat/Cold supply	(Ongoing: centralised multi-split - COP 5) Planned: Ground source HP - COP 6	28,100	-15,200	2	20
Renewable energy	PV: 22 kWp (maximum) (ST: 157 m ² (maximum))	18,200 (59,200)	-6,300 (-11,000)	3 (5)	20
Set temperature cooling/heating	26°C / 20°C	0	-15,300	immediately	-
Total (current to optimized)**		Ongoing: 588,425 (+5 to +10%)*** Planned: -139,465 (-1 to -2%)****	-33,200 (-37%) -37,500 (-42%)	18 immediately	

* Remark: The energy cost savings have been calculated conservatively based on the current electricity starting price (appr. 17.5 Cent/kWh, incl. 9h of diesel generator outage time).

** Remark: Investment and savings of single measure savings cannot be summed up due to synergies between the measures (e.g. lower window fraction leads to lower cooling supply costs).

*** Remark: Compared to costs of current case and overall construction costs assumptions of 500 or 1000 Euro/m² (10 or 5 % additional costs).

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