

OPTIONS FOR DECARBONIZATION OF THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR

SUSTAINABLE HIGH-TEMPERATURE PROCESS HEAT AS KEY TECHNOLOGY

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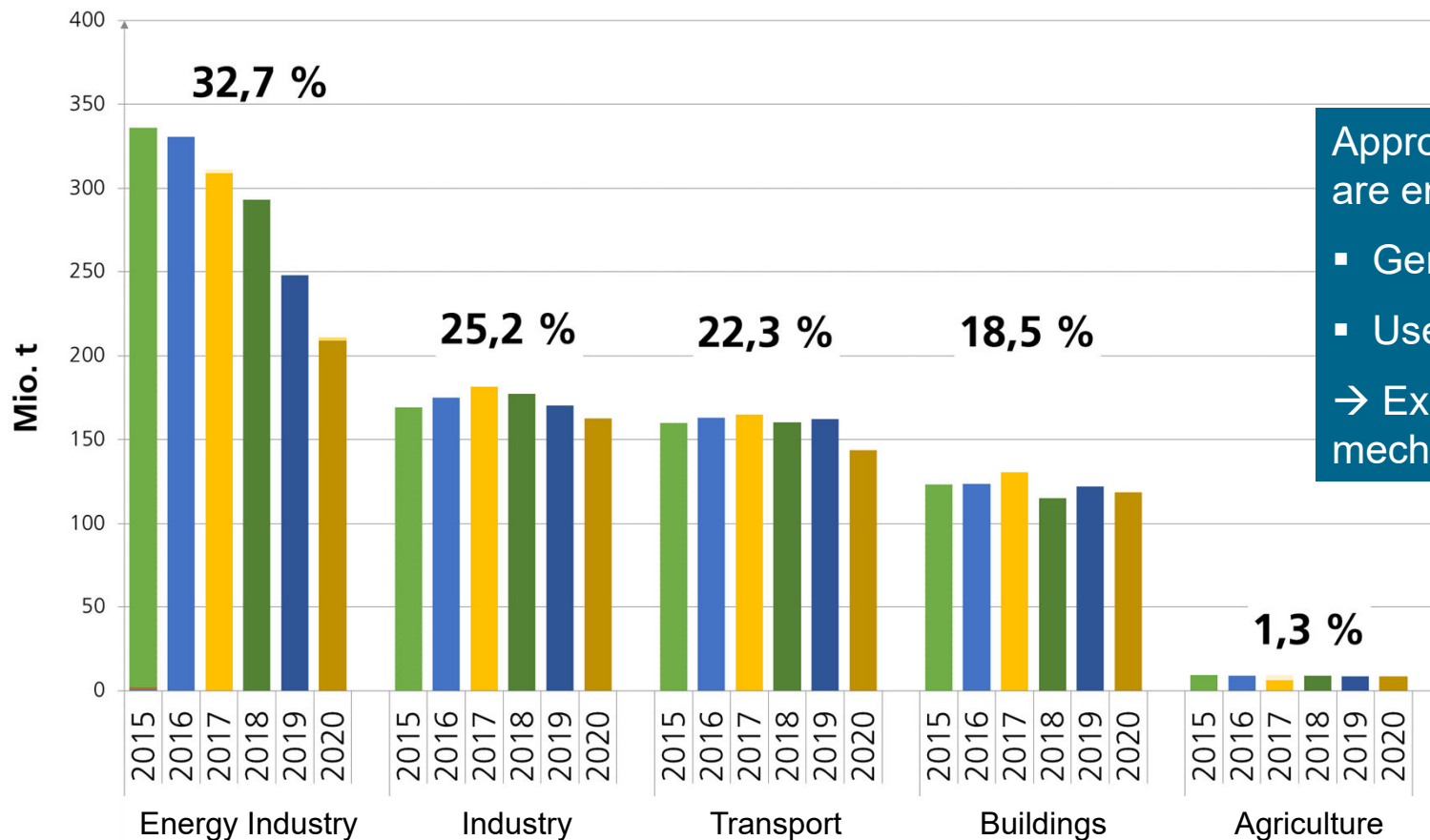
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CO₂ - Emissions from 2015 to 2020 in Germany



- **Industry** the second-largest CO₂-emitter in Germany after **Energy Sector**
- Decrease of CO₂-emissions too low




Approx. 75 % of industrial emissions are energy-related CO₂-emissions


- Generation of the electricity used
- Use of fuels to provide energy

→ Example: process heat, steam, mechanical work

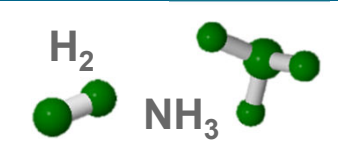
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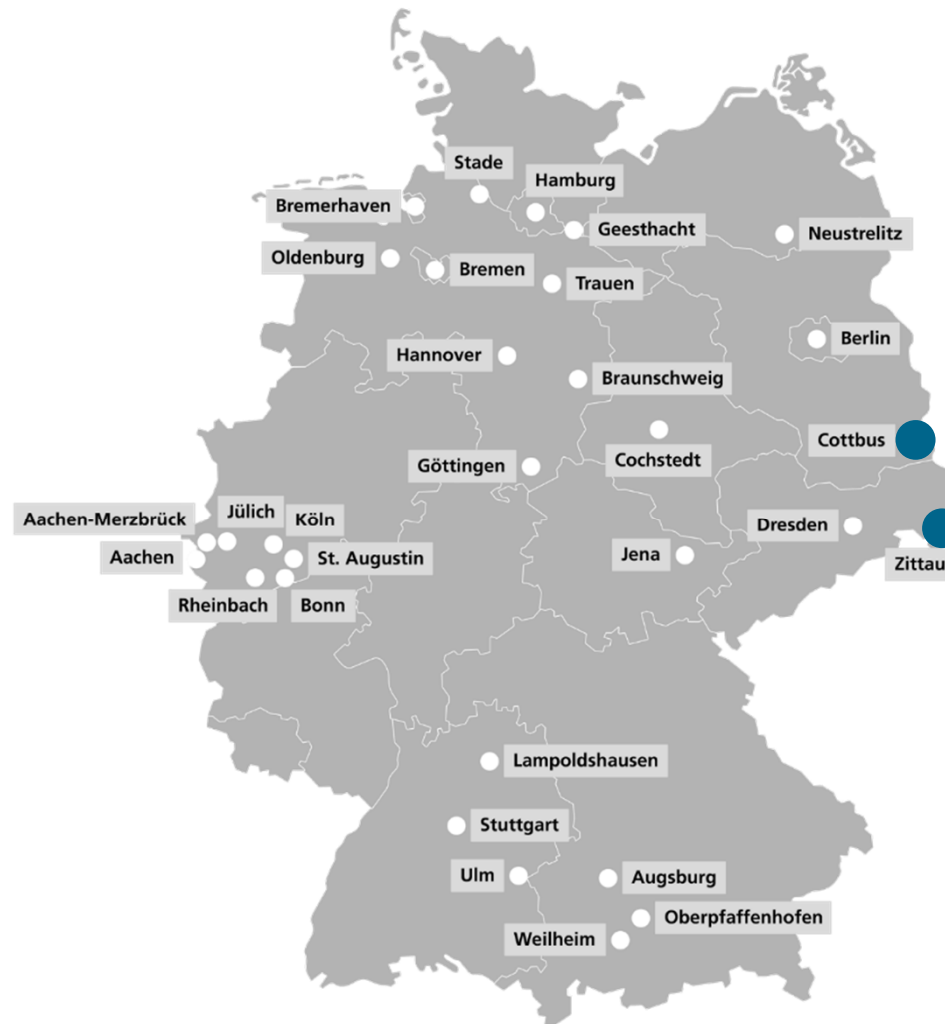
High-Temperature Heat Pumps



Simulation and Virtual Design



Low Carbon Reducing Agents



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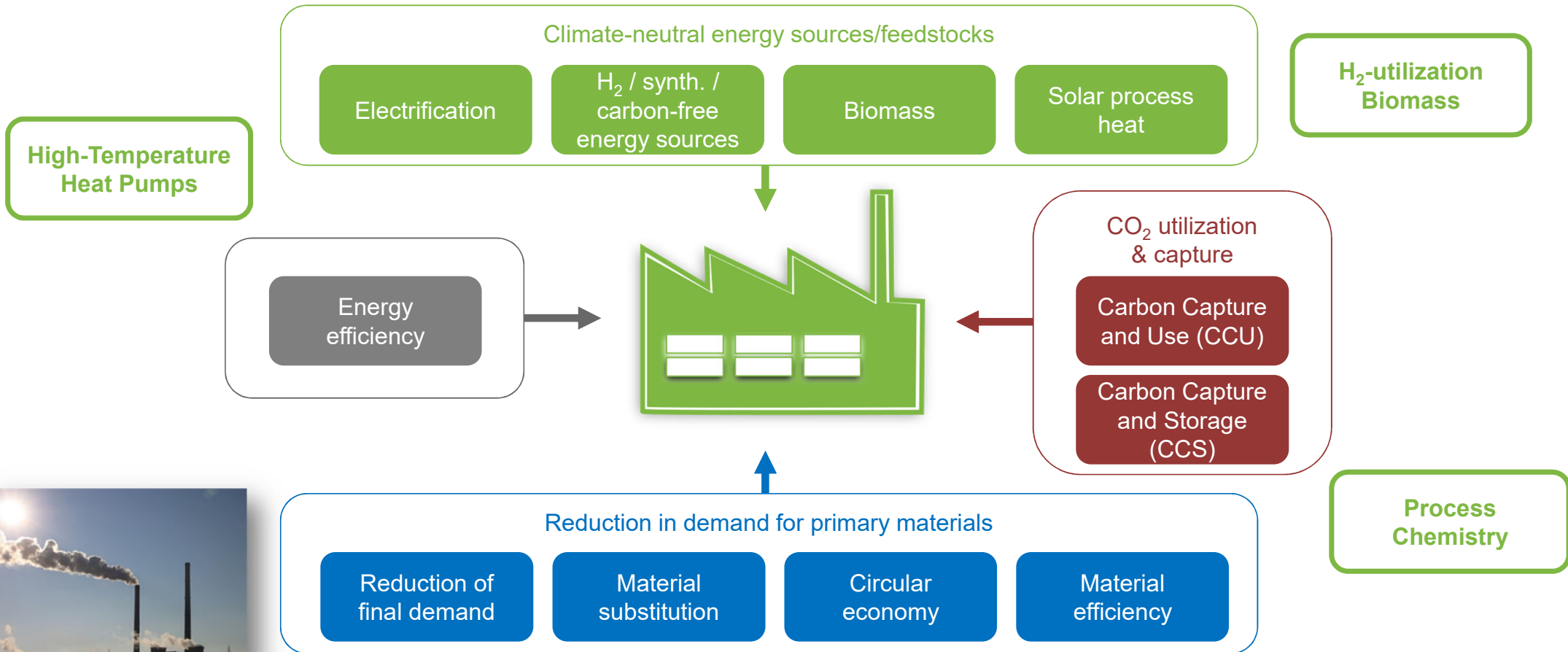
Reduce CO₂- and pollutant emissions from industrial processes and power plants

Mission

Research and development for a successful energy transition in industry



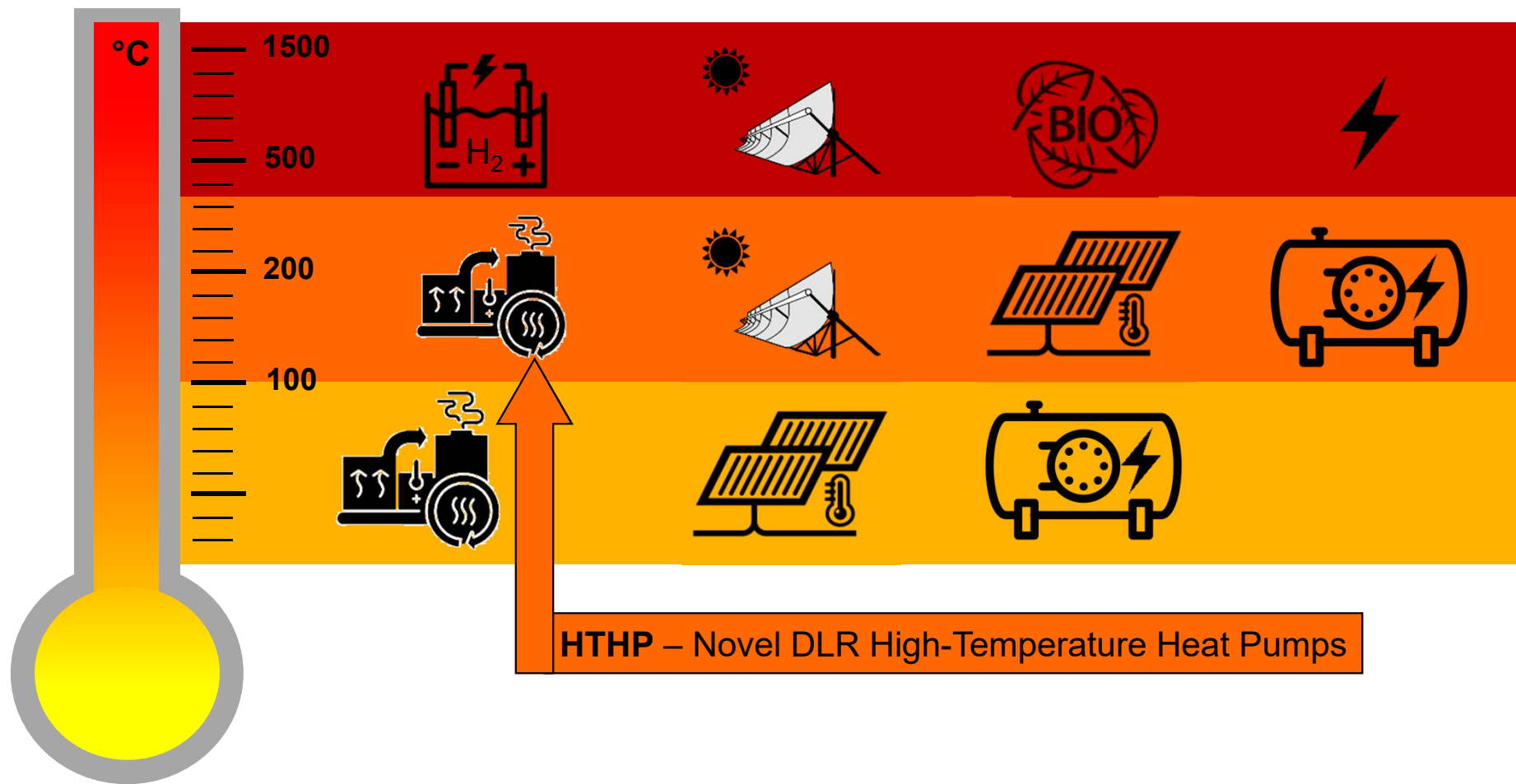
CO₂-Reduction Options for Industry



Nach Leipprand et al., DLR, FVEE-Tagung 2020

Sustainable Process Heat

Classification of technologies – based on temperature range



HTHP – Novel DLR High-Temperature Heat Pumps

Sustainable Process Heat

Availability of technologies



up to ~100 °C

Well established technologies available

Applications

- Food industry
- Paper ...

Tech

- District heating
- Heat Pumps
- Solar-thermal ...

R&D

- System integration and optimization

up to ~500 °C

New product development required

Applications

- Industrial heating networks
- Drying processes
- Rubber

R&D (**Low TRL, high risk**)

- High-Temp. Heat Pumps
- Concentrated solar-thermal
- Storage technologies
- Hybrid approaches
- System integration and optimization

> 500 °C

Established technologies available

Applications

- Metals
- Cement ...

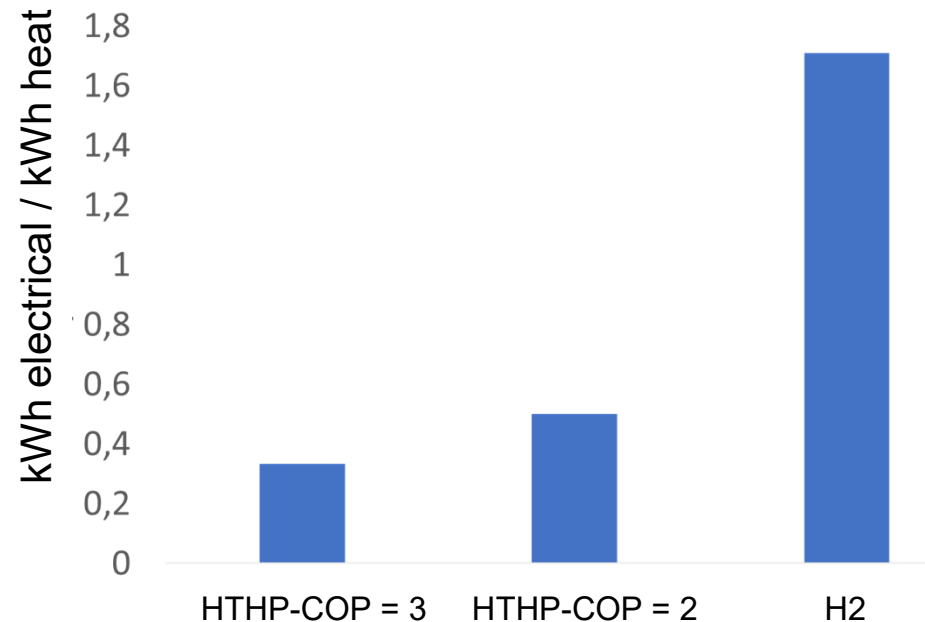
Tech

- Electrical energy, hydrogen or synthetic fuels
- Maximum efficiency required

R&D

- System integration and optimization

Hydrogen / Biomass in medium-temperature range



Not covered here, but...

- Green hydrogen is one of the most expensive energy carriers
- Biomass is a limited resource

Medium-temperature range

- High-Temperature heat pumps can help save hydrogen and biomass in this temperature range

Technology assessment based on ...

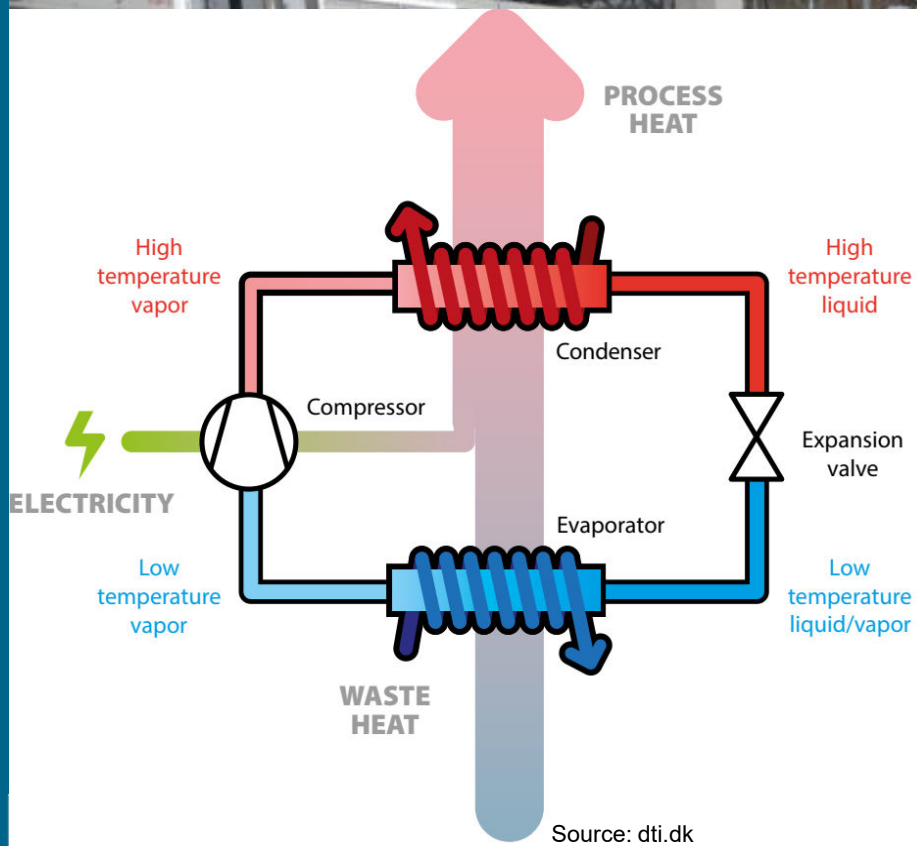


- Technological boundary conditions
- Process requirements
- Political and legal matters
- Economic viability
- Skilled labor shortage
- Social acceptance



- Very dynamic environment
- It's crucial that decisions don't lead to stranded assets

Medium-temperature range: High-Temperature Heat Pumps



Research goal of DLR:

- Provision of CO₂-neutral high-temperature process heat of relevant scale for industry
- Sink-temperature: > 300 °C (up to 500 °C), power: Megawatt range
- Development of the HTHP-system and the main components

Pilot plant „CoBra“ (Cottbus Brayton)



„First of its kind“ – pilot plant

- Performance data:
 - 280 °C
 - 180 kW_{th}
 - Working medium Air
- Also unique:
 - Cooling @ – 40 °C
 - Cooling capacity 60 kW



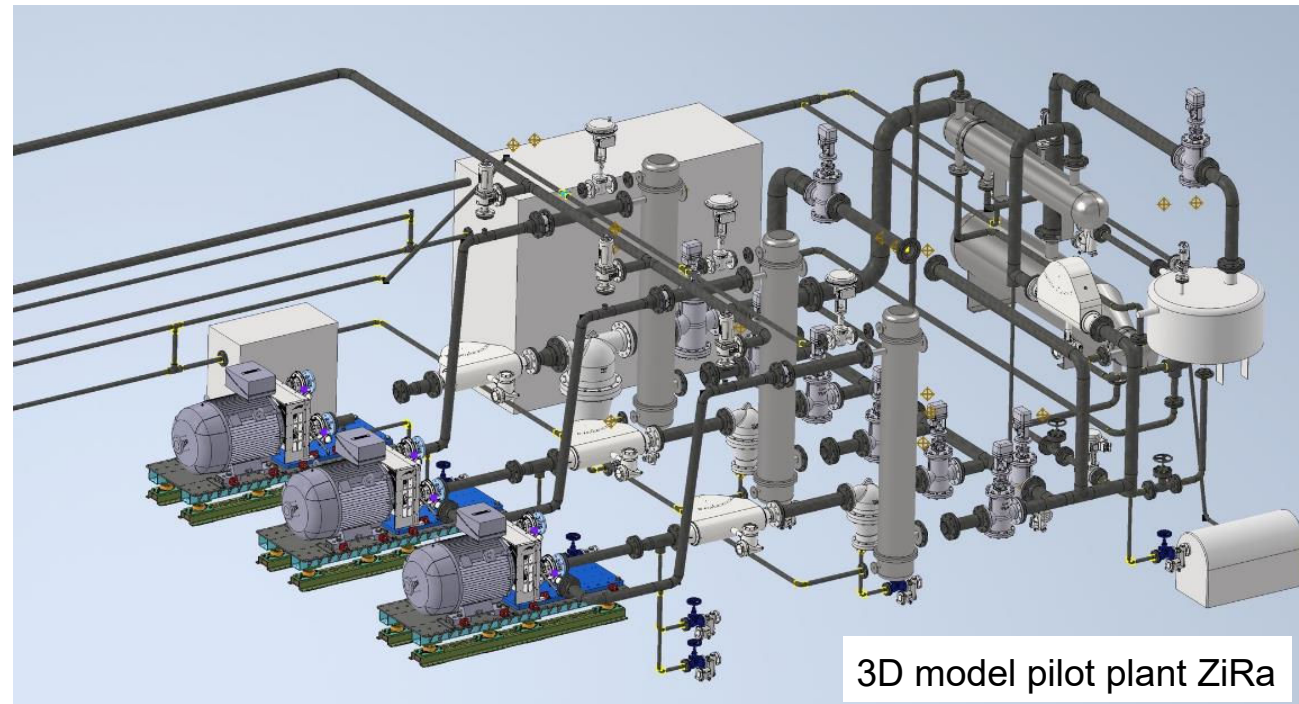
First operation in May 2023

Pilot plant „ZiRa“ (Zittau Rankine)



„First of its kind“ – pilot plant

- Performance data:
 - 200 °C
 - 860 kW_{th}
 - COP = 3.5
 - Working medium water steam



3D model pilot plant ZiRa

First operation in 2024

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Thank you!



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