Integrative energy planning of urban areas: Collective learning for improved governance









- Starting point
- Project agenda
- Findings & lessons learnt



Who are we ,URBAN LEARNERS'?

- 8 cities, mainly capitals
 - urban planning departments
 - energy (planning) departments
- partly with facilitating agencies

■ 11 partners, 33 months, 1.8 mio €

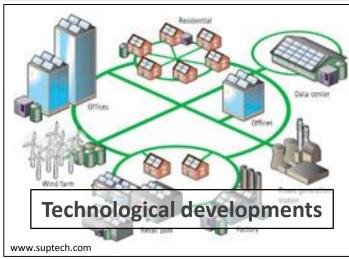




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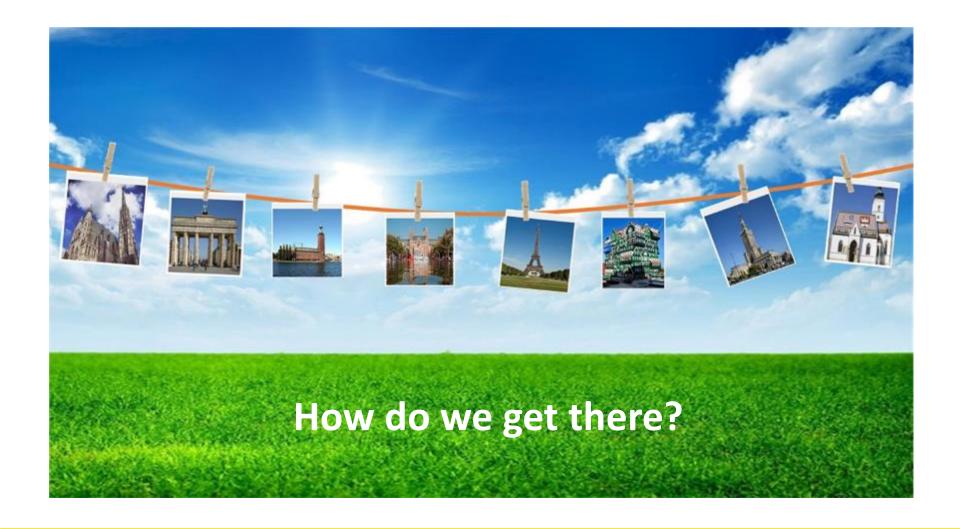






Need for integration of energy and urban (spatial) planning





URBAN LEARNING: approach & elements

- A local working group for exchange and learning
 - between departments, with utilities & other stakeholders
- In-depth analysis of the current urban planning processes and related framework conditions ("governance")
 - Instruments and tools in use
 - Actors involved
 - + Low-carbon supply options available
- Proposals for upgrading the planning processes and frameworks to better include energy aspects
- Exchange between participating cities
- Share gained insights with other cities

The local working groups

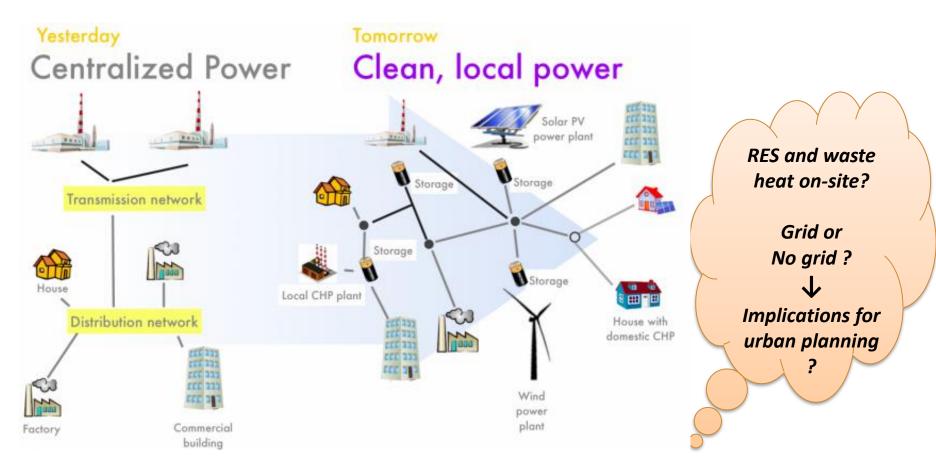


Local Working Group Vienna on the picture: 5 Departments from 3 Administrative Groups





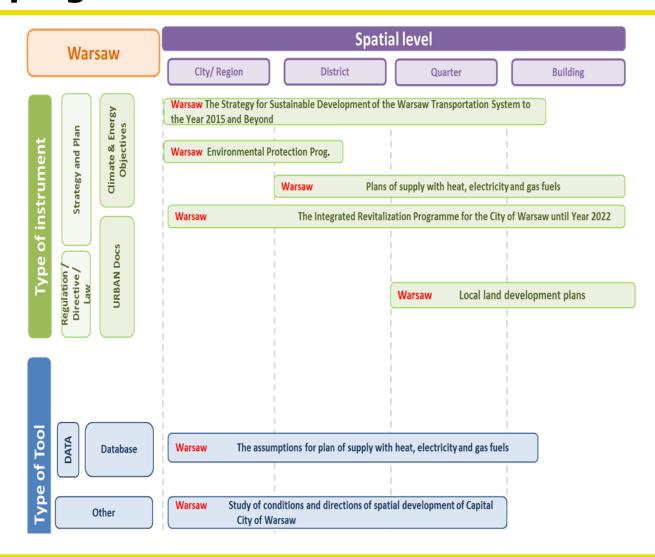
New low-carbon supply options



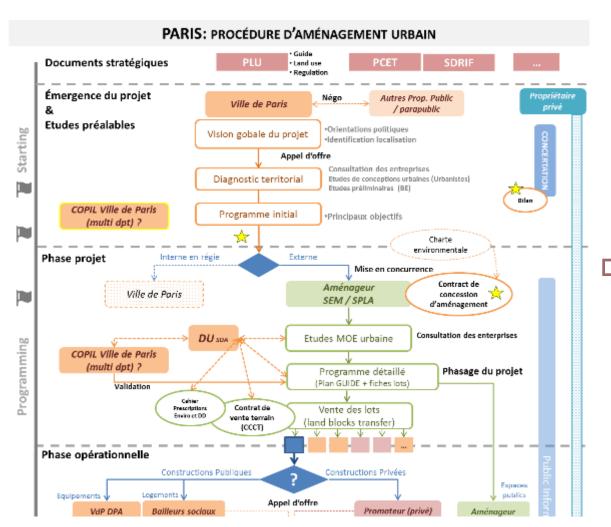
Picture from cleantechnica.com



Mapping instruments and tools



Analysis of urban planning processes



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STRATEGIE

 Élaborer une stratégie à l'échelle de la ville pour le développement des réseaux d'énergies

COMITE ENERGIE



 Mettre en place et maintenir actif un comité spécial pour débattre des questions d'énergie

CONTRAT

3. Travailler sur l'engagement et les objectifs dans le contrat de concession d'aménagement

EVALUATION SUIVI

4. Travailler sur les retours des quartiers labellisés Ecoquartiers pour fixer des critères / données / processus d'évaluation



Learning from each other



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Site visits & Study tours







Key findings

- 1. Context counts (immensely)
 - without a clear legal base for energy planning as such and as part of urban/spatial planning the integration of energy and urban planning does not work
 - a long-term decarbonisation strategy is big supporter
 - clear responsibilities + resources for energy planning are key
- 2. We need data for sound long-term (spatial) energy planning (GIS).
- The early planning phase is crucial for energy (supply) planning of urban areas.
- 4. The quarter level lacks actors and instruments.
- 5. Qualities get lost throughout the planning process.
- 6. Monitoring is often not important but should be.

Key findings

- 7. More awareness is required about need for public energy planning competences (in city administrations and beyond)
- 8. Good understanding of planning processes and its framework is crucial but not trivial
- 9. Energy as cross-sector topic needs interdepartmental collaboration within administrations
 - Local working groups as pioneers
- 10. Dialogue is key between city and energy system operators, energy suppliers, developers and planners, ...



Good practice examples

<u>Legal framework:</u>

- Berlin: Energiewendegesetz
- Paris: Energy transition law with requirement for energy planning

Strategic framework:

- Amsterdam: No Gas Strategy
- Fossil-free Stockholm

Organisation:

Vienna: Department for energy planning

Planning process:

- Paris: stringent follow-up through process
- Stockholm: monitoring requirements
- Zaanstad: urban contracts with energy requirements
- Amsterdam: heating plan, energy atlas

Deliverables



Governance processes

- Scheme and analysis per city
- City comparison
- Simplified scheme
- Proposed upgraded processes& implementation plans per city

Instruments & tools used

- Mapped and assesed per city
- City comparison
- Good practice collection

Innovative supply systems

- Examples from each city
- Reports from study tours



Implementation started



Discussing the findings of URBAN LEARNING with Vienna's Vice-Mayor Maria Vassilakou

Next steps



- Sharpen our findings and messages
- Continue to initiate implementation in our cities
- Share findings with other cities
- Final event in Vienna on 17 October 2017

Thank you!



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