

# Towards energy sufficient buildings and thermal comfort in the built environment

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WHAT Retrofitting existing building stock into low energy Buildings.







Energy performance gap = | Predicted energy consumption - Actual energy consumption |

#### Energy performance gap







How to integrate the Building Management System (BMS) requirements to optimize the energy performance and user satisfaction in retrofitted residential buildings?



## **Research sub-questions**

- What are the influential factors related to energy consumption?
- How should the project be organised with respect to these influential factors in order to achieve energy performance?
- What are the drivers and barriers for project managers for the BMS implementation to optimize the energy performance of retrofitted residential buildings?





### Steps towards energy sufficient buildings

Minimize energy consumption

Use of sustainable energy generation

Efficient use of fossil fuel

Trias Energetica strategy by Duijvestein (1996)



Building Management System (BMS) integration

## **BMS** implementation process



## Part 1. Defining the smart conceptual design

- Define ambitions
- Define conceptual design
- End-user journey map



### Part 2. Defining the technology needed

- Define general description of systems
- Define process scheme and function list
- Define smart application and data
- Define location of sensors

Process scheme and function list (based on the six categories of ISSO69)

Automatic controlling	<ul> <li>Windows (opening in %)</li> <li>Blinds open at night and close at day if temperature is too high</li> <li>Temperature control from systems, opening and closing</li> </ul>
Switching	<ul><li>HVAC off if windows or garden wall is open</li><li>Lights off if there's daylight</li></ul>
Guarding	<ul> <li>Deploying blinds and windows only during safe weather conditions.</li> </ul>
Optimizing	Cloud system to upgrade the house/systems
Manual controlling	<ul><li>Windows</li><li>Blinds</li><li>Lights</li></ul>
Managing	Energy consumption per appliance

## Part 3. Looking for product providers

- Define boundary conditions and constraints
- Define implementation typologies



Multi-criteria analysis

#### Systems description

Building controller (Based on Priva)









#### BMS implementation process: Actors



#### BMS implementation process: Barriers



Lack of strategic vision







Internal communication

Different set of priorities

Ensuring direct feedback



Data security

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Lack of knowledge

## BMS implementation process: Organizational strategy



#### Data analysis

The competition week started on 14 July at 21:00 and ended on 25 July at 06:00

- Temperature values/Energy consumption and user interaction
- Temperature values and user comfort
- Theoretical versus actual consumption

#### Temperature values/Energy consumption and user interaction



#### Temperature values and user interaction

Temperature values living room vs. Timestamp



#### Temperature values and user comfort

- Generally comfort level comfortable
- Hot: executed activities
- Cold: health status

Person	Time	Actual temperature	Activity	Level of comfort	Age	Gender	Nationality	Health state	Reason
1	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	25	male	Spain	good	-
2	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	21	male	Spain	good	-
3	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	24	male	Hungary	good	-
4	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	21	male	Hungary	good	-
5	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	23	male	Algeria	good	-
6	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	26	female	Algeria	good	-
7	16-07-19 21:00	24	Dinner party	3	25	male	Romania	good	-
8	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	3	22	female	Romania	good	-
9	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	3	24	male	Spain	good	-
10	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	5	27	male	Spain	not good	sick
11	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	3	22	male	Hungary	good	-
12	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	3	21	male	Hungary	good	-
13	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	1	25	female	Belgium	good	Host - cooking
14	22-07-19 21:00	26	Dinner party	2	23	female	Netherlands	good	Host

## Theoretical versus actual consumption

Predicted energy consumption	Actual energy consumption	
75.73KWh	68.75KWh	Ef (Appliances)*
76.70KWh	64.95KWh	Ev (HVAC + DHW)*
152.43KWh	133.7KWh	Total (Ef + Ev)

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Predicted produced energy	Actual produced energy
241.72 KWh	249.64 KWh

Self-sufficient building = | Energy production - Energy consumption |

= | 249.64 KWh - 133.7 KWh|

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Integrated design process





Iterative process

Communication

What are the drivers and barriers for project managers for the BMS implementation to optimize the energy performance of retrofitted residential buildings?

#### Barriers

- Different interest and expectations
- Different set of priorities
- Lack of knowledge in some aspects
- Decision making problems
- Lack of information sharing, transparency and trust
- Privacy constrains
- Data security

Drivers

- Same mission and vision (Energy efficient and circular built environment)
- New work environment and organization (Integrated and interdisciplinary)

How to integrate the BMS requirements to optimize the energy performance and user satisfaction in retrofitted residential buildings?

- Implementing the comprehensive Trias Energetica concepts (Reduce Reuse Produce)
- Following the BMS implementation process framework
- Understanding the energy performance aspects of the building
- Integration of end-users during design process

Case study

#### **Research relevance**



Policies and energy agreememts Energy performance paradox Future proof built environment

Conclusion

# Limitations & further recommendations

- Further research is needed in order to generalize and research on broader scale
- Further tests need to be done
- Feedforward: adaptive learning, not only measuring and feedback but also learn the behaviours through machine learning
- Process: agile way of working
- Policies must be more ambitious and triggering to adapt itself towards future needs

## Questions. Suggestions. Discussion.