

CASE STUDY: THE GROWSMARTER PROJECT 2015-19

Creating a Market for 12 Smart Solutions



A large, diverse crowd of people walking in a city street, viewed from behind. The people are wearing various colorful jackets and coats, suggesting a cool climate. The crowd is dense and fills the entire frame, creating a sense of a busy, populated urban environment. The text "Cities face the same challenges.." is overlaid in the center in a white, sans-serif font.

Cities face the same
challenges..

GrowSmarter shows 12 smart solutions!

- **Low energy districts: 4**
- **Integrated infrastructure: 4**
- **Sustainable mobility: 4**



More than 120.000 m2 retrofitted!

Low Energy Districts



Building energy retrofitting



Home automation tools and energy surveillance platforms



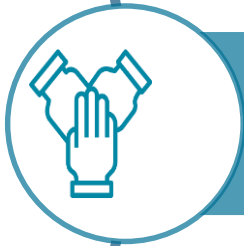
Local energy generation



Evaluation and Research



Impact on energy savings of a specific measure



Possible business models



Municipal and National regulations

Stockholm



- 356 dwellings
- Offices
- Cultural centre

Results

- Up to 79% energy savings in building from 1960:ies (last 10-15% are high investments)
- 14% savings in new condominium by better control
- 47 % energy savings in old industrial building

Cologne

687 dwellings

Results

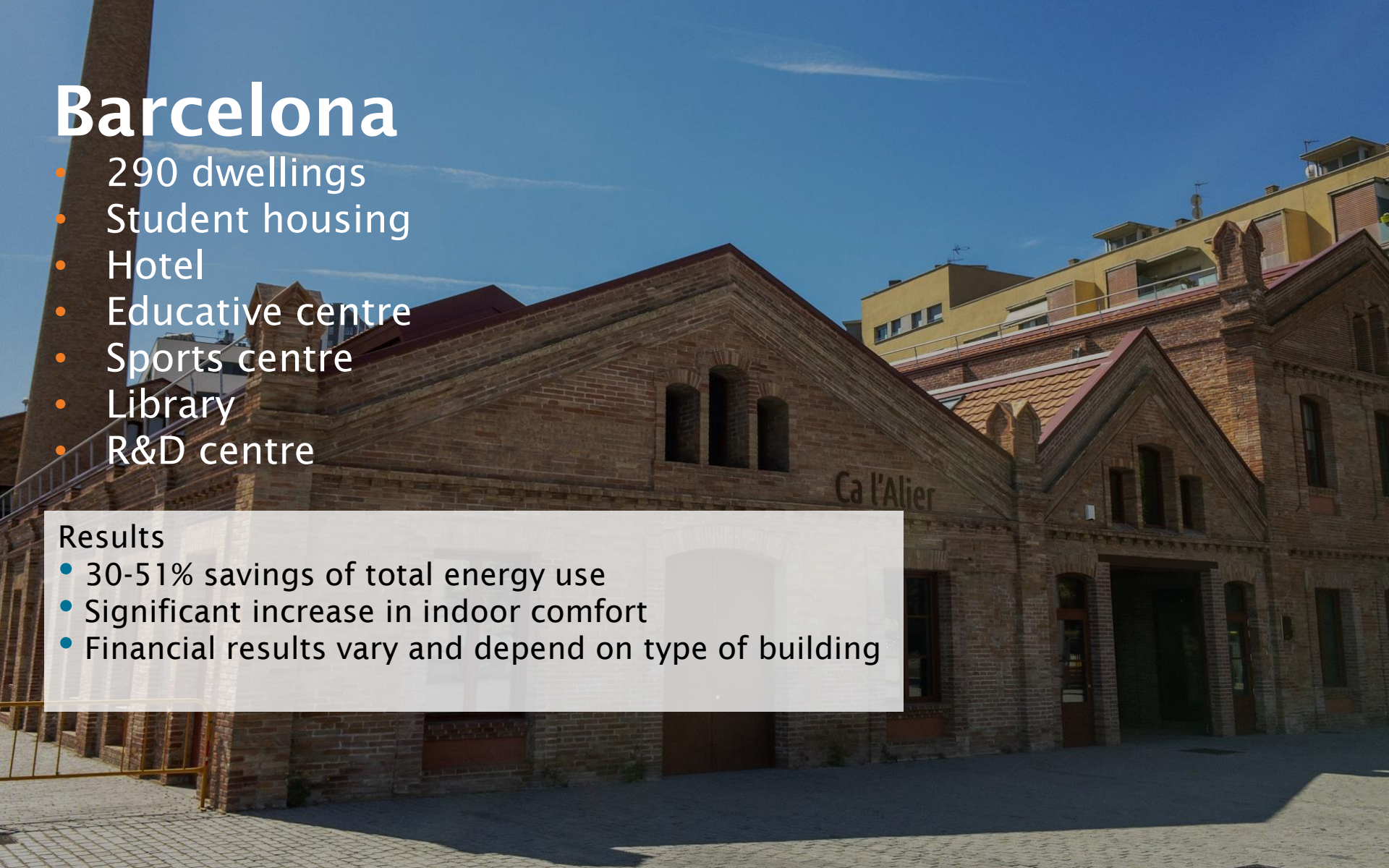
- 8-45% total energy savings in buildings much depending upon thickness of insulation
- Energy savings are sufficient to pay investment, however savings are captured by tenants

Barcelona

- 290 dwellings
- Student housing
- Hotel
- Educative centre
- Sports centre
- Library
- R&D centre

Results

- 30-51% savings of total energy use
- Significant increase in indoor comfort
- Financial results vary and depend on type of building



Home automation tools and energy surveillance platforms

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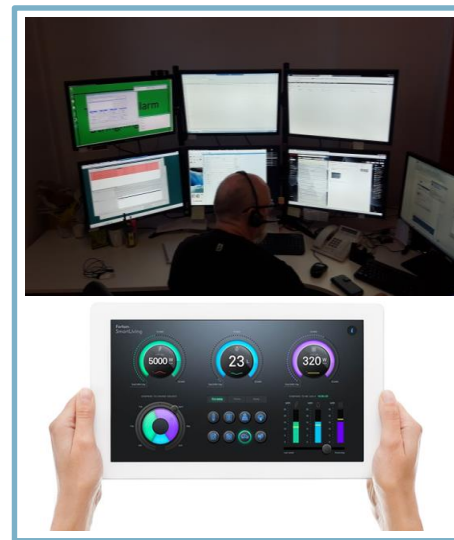
- Energy Saving Center
- Active House

COLOGNE

- SmartHome

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- HEMS
- Resource Advisor
- Virtual Energy Advisor



Local energy generation and smart management

STOCKHOLM

- EnergyHUB
- OpenDH

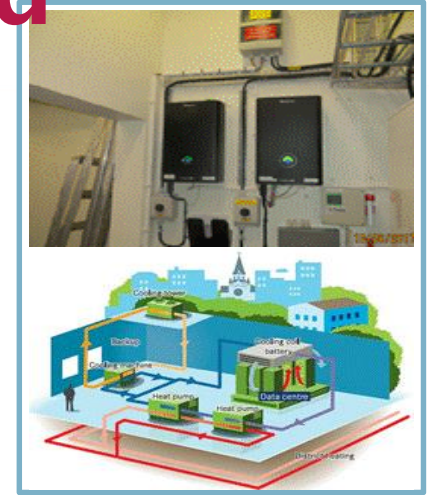


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- Virtual Power Plant

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- Smart management of PV+ESS systems
- Connection to local DHC



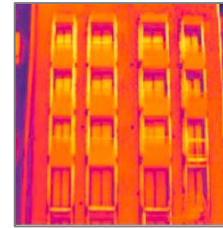
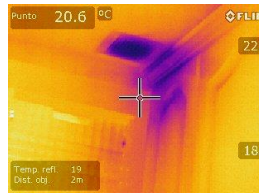
Technical feasibility - achievements

60% energy savings are feasible in cold climates

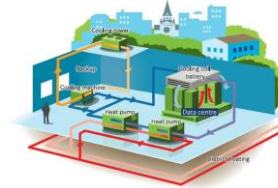
- (1) Upgrade of thermal envelope
- (2) Active solutions
- (3) On-site PV generation



Ensuring the quality of works in energy retrofitting



Waste heat integration with support of DH networks



Smart control of local energy generation in buildings



Economic feasibility

Residential buildings

- Colder/warmer climates
- different rent models including/discluding energy
- Economies of scale

Tertiary buildings

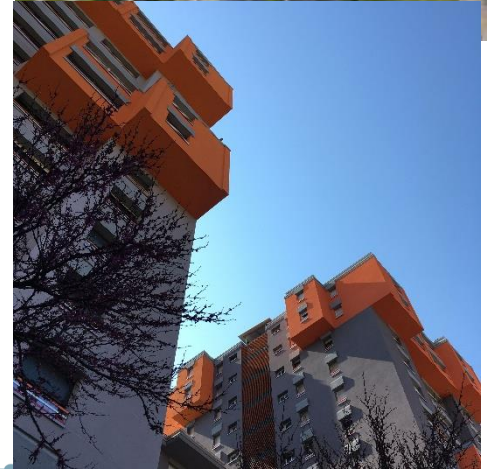
- Financial results vary from building to building due to income structure

Energy management systems

- have weak financial sustainability due to the low interest from users to pay for the investments. Scale of use may change this.

Other conclusions

- Include energy efficiency when retrofitting!
- Consider externalities such as improved indoor climate/better heat distribution
- Guaranteed energy savings contracts/Design Build Operate (DBO) contracts
- Guarantee quality of measures
- Consider increased value of asset in financial assessment
- Consider interest rates for energy efficiency measures



Influence of local and national regulation

Heritage preservation regulation

Lack of regulation for reconciling energy efficiency and heritage conservation concerns



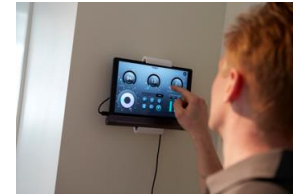
Local urban planning regulation for the installation of PVs

New ordinances to promote the use of rooftops for renewable energy generation



Exploitation of data from official smart meters

Influence on the scalability of Home Energy Management Systems



National regulation on energy trade

To broaden functionalities for Smart control
Local energy communities

Involvement of building users and social relevance

Engagement campaigns aimed at private owners

Occupancy use of the building: educate on good practices

Information about the increase of thermal and noise comfort

Use energy efficient public buildings as showcases

HEMS: Focus on gamification to keep users engaged and involved





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