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# The Energy Standard and Label MINERGIE®

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ZH-5000 Prime Tower, Zurich

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## Part 1: Overview of MINERGIE®

**Combines energy efficiency with  
better comfort and added value**

**MINERGIE®**

**MINERGIE-P®**

**MINERGIE-A®**

**MINERGIE-ECO®**



## **MINERGIE®** - History

**1997:** Registration of the brand **MINERGIE®**  
by the Cantons Zürich and Bern

### **MINERGIE-Standard**

**1998:** Constitution of the Association **MINERGIE®**

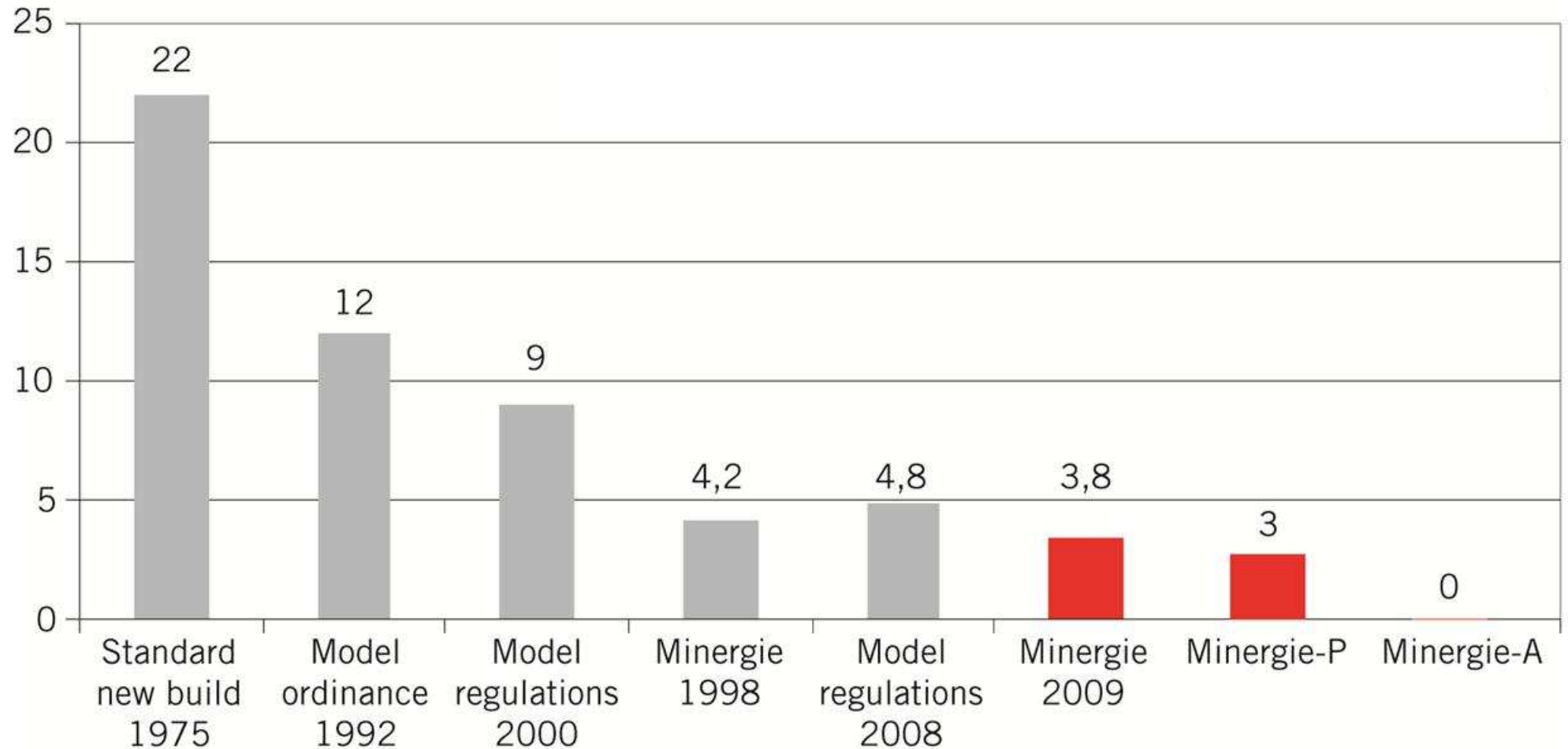
**2003:** **MINERGIE-P:** the Swiss equivalent to the Passivhaus

**2006:** **MINERGIE-ECO:** Aspects of healthy and ecological buildings

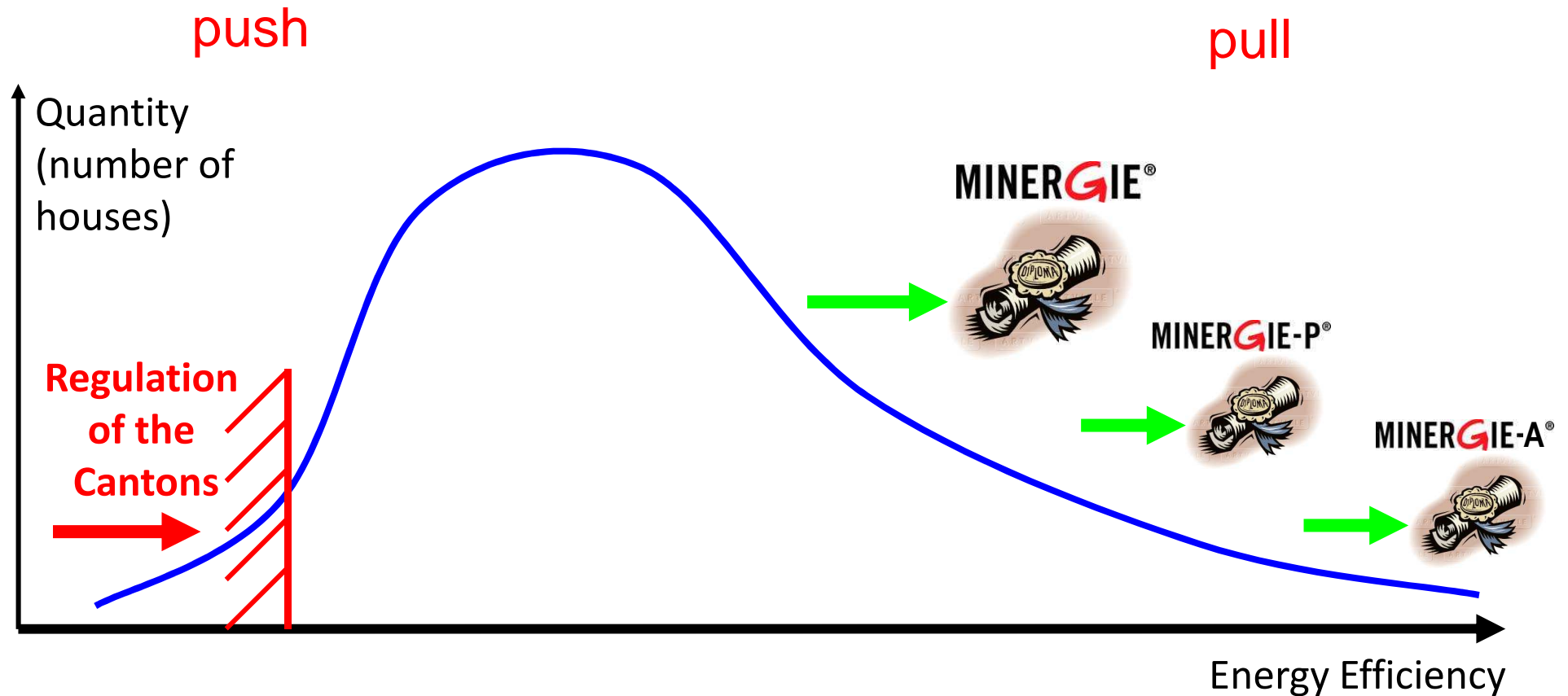
**2011:** **MINERGIE-A:** the Swiss standard for NZEB

## Weighted energy rating of new residential buildings for heating, domestic hot water and ventilation

Heating oil equivalent – litres per m<sup>2</sup> (1 liter = 10 kWh)



## Interaction between regulation and voluntary standards





## Requirements

Heating Energy Demand  
Swiss Standard SIA 380/1

Weighted Energy  
Demand kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

Embodied Energy

Air Tightness

Solar Protection

Ventilation

Auxiliary Energy

Lighting

Household Appliances

Combination with ECO

Renewable Energy

Thermal Insulation

Windows/Glassing

Heat Distr. / Low Temp.

Building Categories  
New Buildings / Refurbishing

**MINERGIE®**

90%  
SIA 380/1

38  
kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

Dwelling  
New

Heating Energy Demand  $\leq 90\%$  of the limit of  
the Swiss Standard SIA 380/1 (EN 13790)

Weighted Energy Demand for heating,  
domestic hot water and ventilation  
 $\leq 38 \text{ kWh/m}^2$

Solar protection and thermal mass

Ventilation System for good Indoor Air Quality

Usually Renewable Energy

Thickness of insulation usually  $\geq 20 \text{ cm}$

Usually triple glassing, U-value  $\leq 1.0 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

Usually floor heating, supply temp.  $\leq 35^\circ\text{C}$

## Common Practice

Renewable Energy

Thermal Insulation

Windows/Glassing

Heat Distr. / Low Temp.

**MINERGIE® Building Standards**

Comparison for new Single and Multifamily Houses / Refurbishing and other Building Categories are possible.

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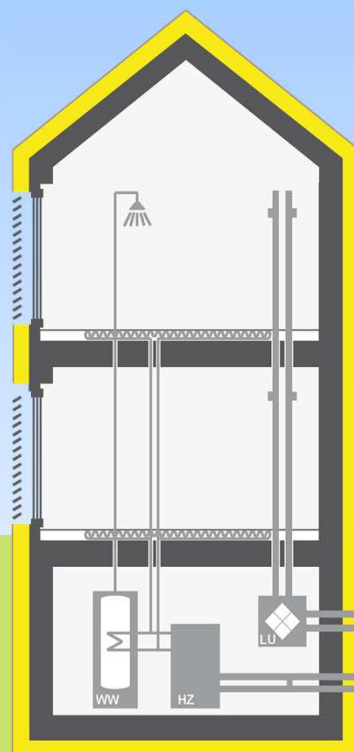
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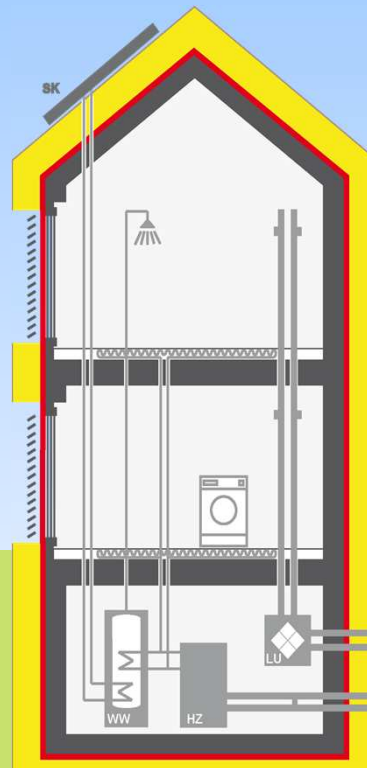


Dwelling  
New

**MINERGIE-P®**

**60%**  
SIA 380/1

**30**  
kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

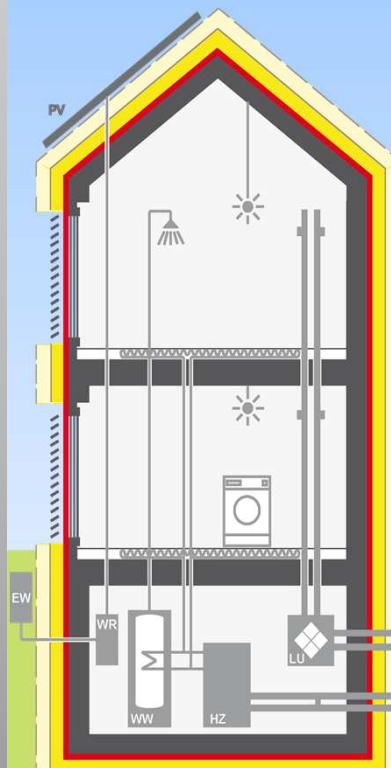


Dwelling  
New

**MINERGIE-A®**

**90%**  
SIA 380/1

**0/15**  
kWh/m<sup>2</sup>



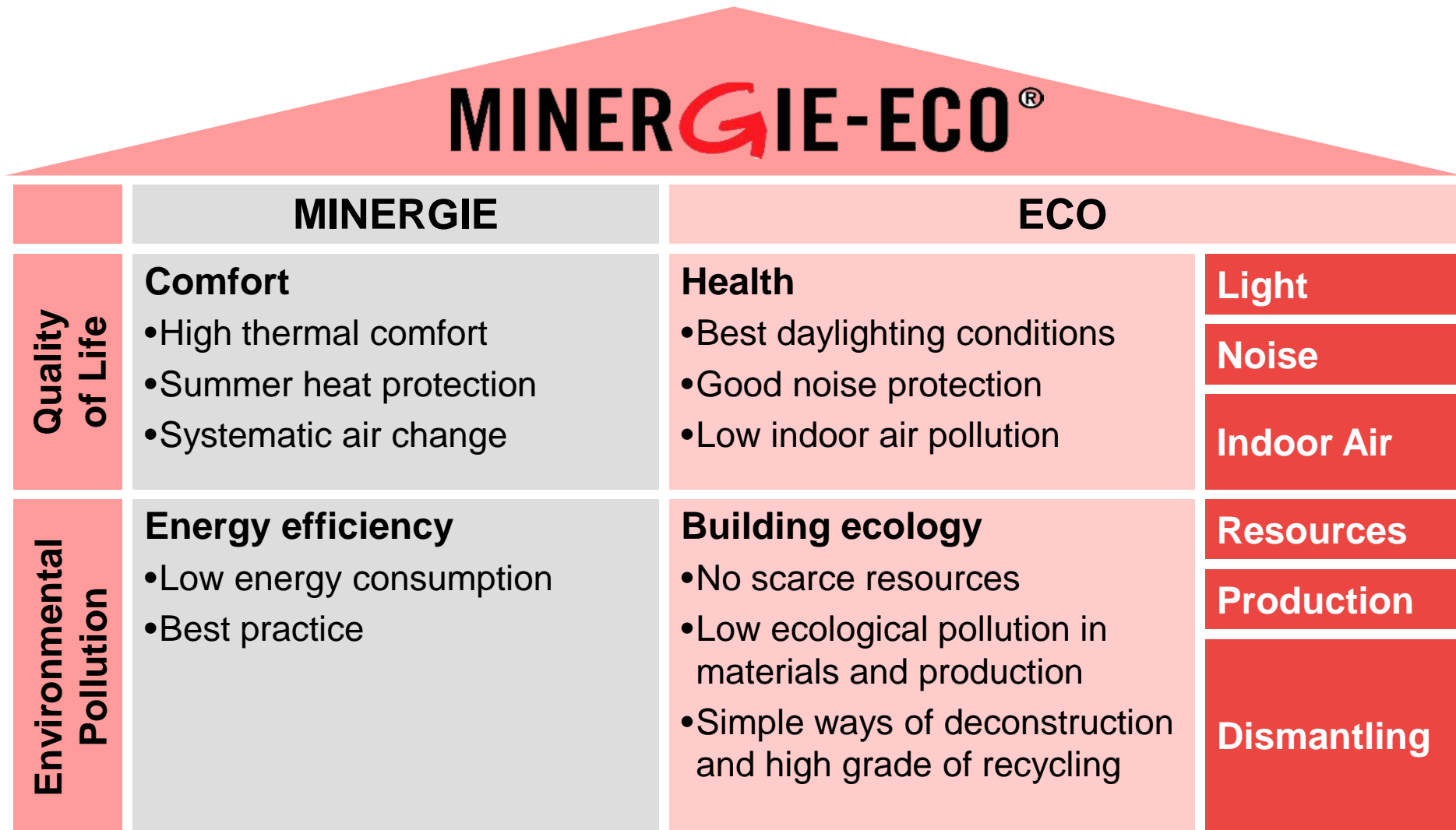
Dwelling  
New

**MINERGIE® Building Standards**

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# Under one Roof: Moor Quality of Life, Eco-Friendliness of Buildings

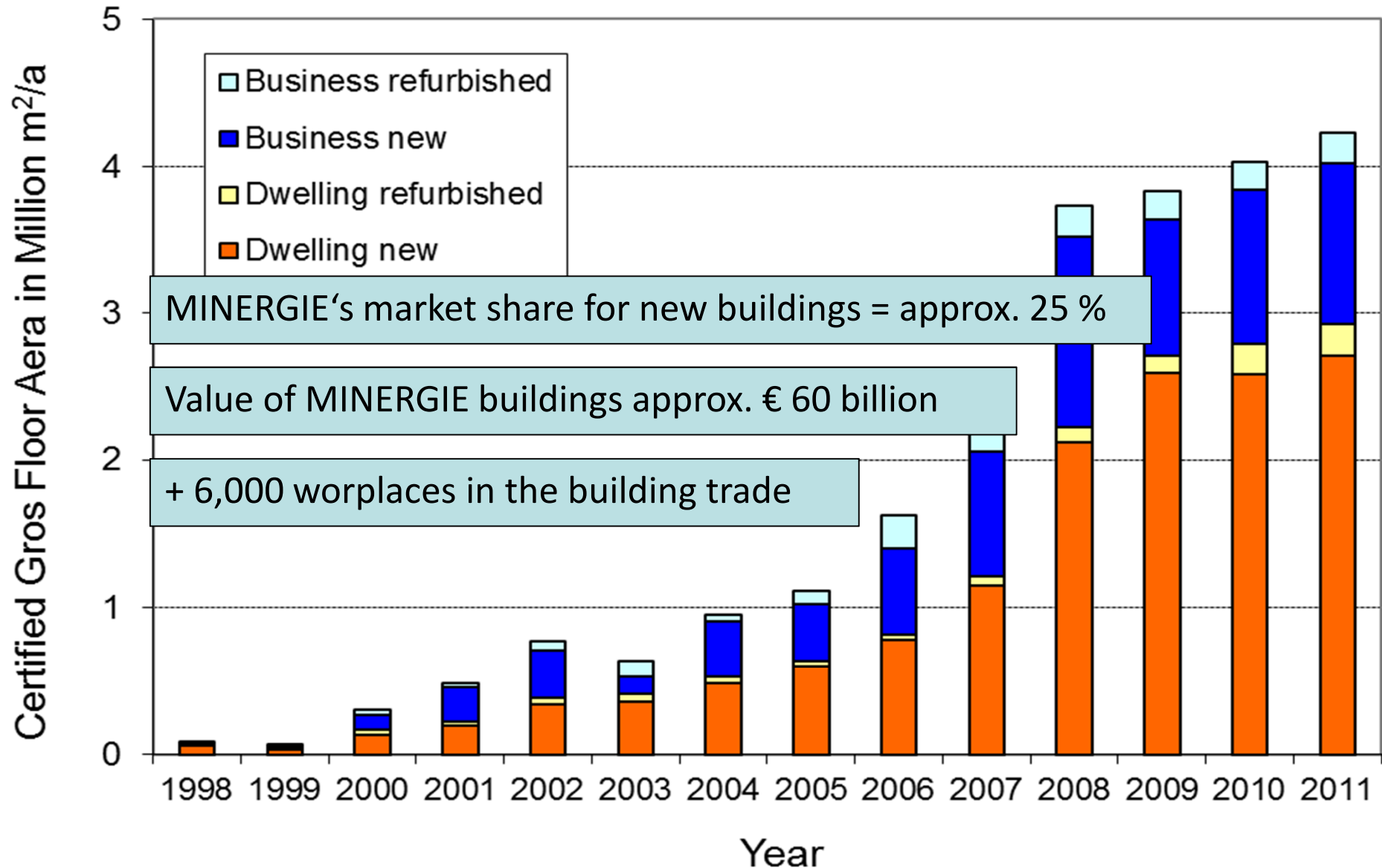


# MINERGIE® - Facts and Figures

state Feb 2012

	ca <b>400</b> Members: Cantons, Federation, Associations, Companies, Universities
	ca <b>1500</b> Professional Partners: Firms in planning and implementation
	ca <b>100</b> Courses for further education ca <b>2000</b> participants
	<b>9</b> Categories (fabric and technical device) ca <b>1100</b> Certified products
	<b>23'000 + 230</b> Buildings
	<b>1'250 + 320</b> Buildings
	<b>7 + 9</b> Buildings
<b>Area over all</b>	certified gross floor area <b>25 Mio m<sup>2</sup></b>

## Development of MINERGIE-Buildings (certified gross floor area in m<sup>2</sup>/a)



## Economic Impact of MINERGIE: Studies from the Cantonal Bank of Zurich

The sale prices of MINERGIE buildings are higher than from conventional new buildings:

- Single family houses                      7 %
- Multiy family houses                      3.5 %



The additional construction costs for are in the range of:

	MINERGIE	MINERGIE-P
- Single family houses	3 ... 7 %	6 ... 12 %
- Multiy family houses	1 ... 3 %	3 ... 7 %





ZH-036-P,

There is a great variety of  
MINERGIE-P houses.  
Single family houses...



VD-011-P,



## Multi family houses...



BL-035-P



AG-037-P



## Office and School Buildings



ZH-036-P



ZG-003-P

## Leisure- and Shopping-Center WESTside Bern-Brünnen Architect Daniel Libeskind



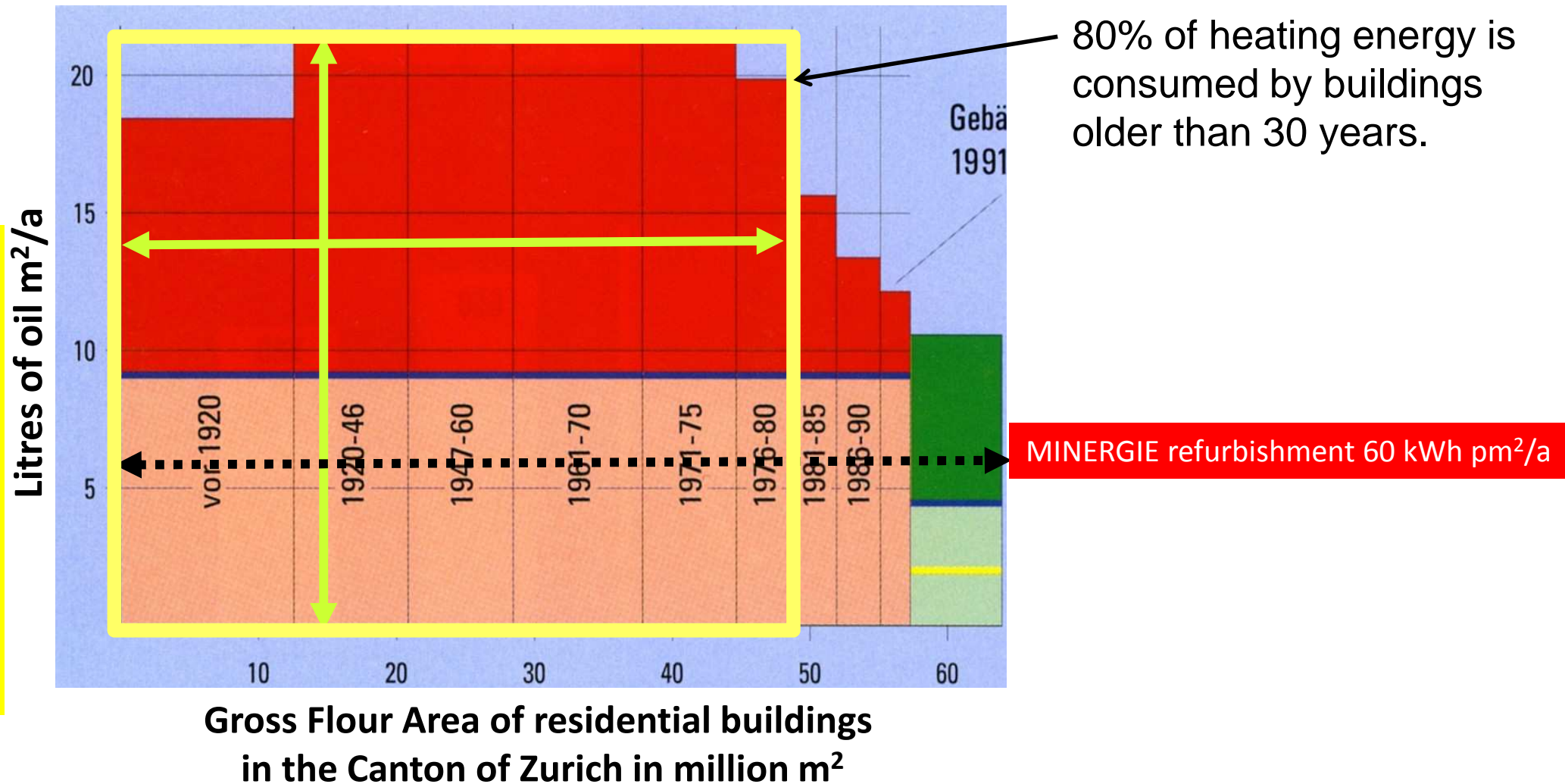
BE-700



...up to the alpine guest house pilot project



## Existing buildings are the problem





BE-026





## Renovation on MINERGIE-P-Level



NW-001-P, Multifamily buildg, Stansstaad



## MINERGIE Renovation in Cities



ZH-736



BE-819



BS-009



SG-270

All 25'000 certified buildings are shown on the list of buildings.

[www.minergie.ch](http://www.minergie.ch)

ZH-261
Beteiligte



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8070 Zürich

**Planer**  
Getec Zürich AG  
Weck  
Hofwiesenstrasse 370  
8050 Zürich

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<b>Name</b>	Geschäftshaus Leonardo		
<b>Standort</b>	Thurgauerstr. 80 8050 Zürich		<a href="#">Karte</a>
<b>Zertifizierung</b>	Label Minergie, 07.07.2002		
<b>Heizung</b>	100% Gasfeuerung		
<b>Warmwasser</b>	70% Wärmepumpe nicht zuweisbar 30% Gasfeuerung		
<b>Neubau</b>	Verwaltung (47738m <sup>2</sup> )		
<b>Energiebezugsfläche</b>	Neubau: 47738m <sup>2</sup> Total: 47738m <sup>2</sup>		



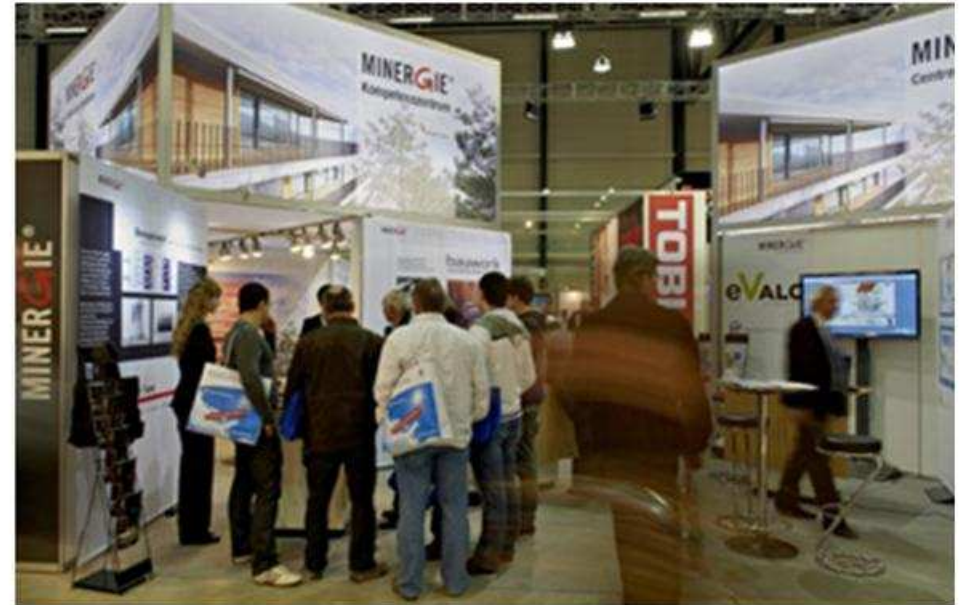
## To most important part for success: Communication



Events with building owners



Education for professional partners



MINERGIE Exhibition Lucerne 2011



MINERGIE Congress Lucerne 2011



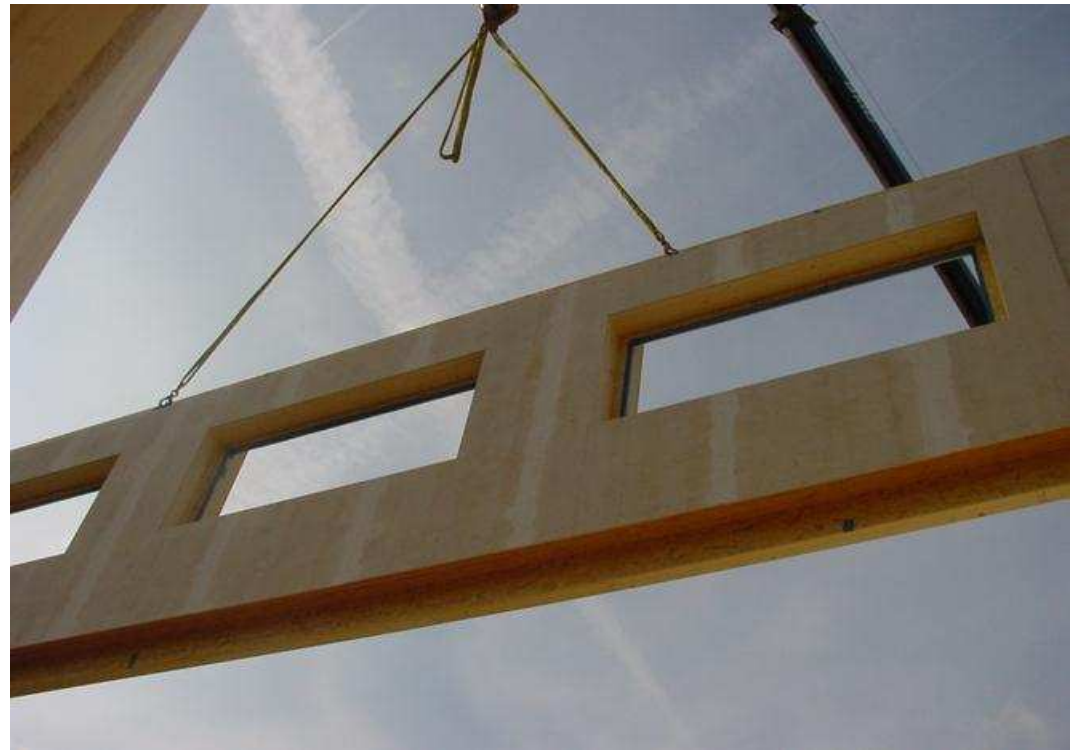
## Open days: Show your skills



## Part 2: Technics and MINERGIE-A®

### Building Technology

**MINERGIE-A: The first label for  
Nearly Zero Energy Buildings**





## Heating and domestic hot water

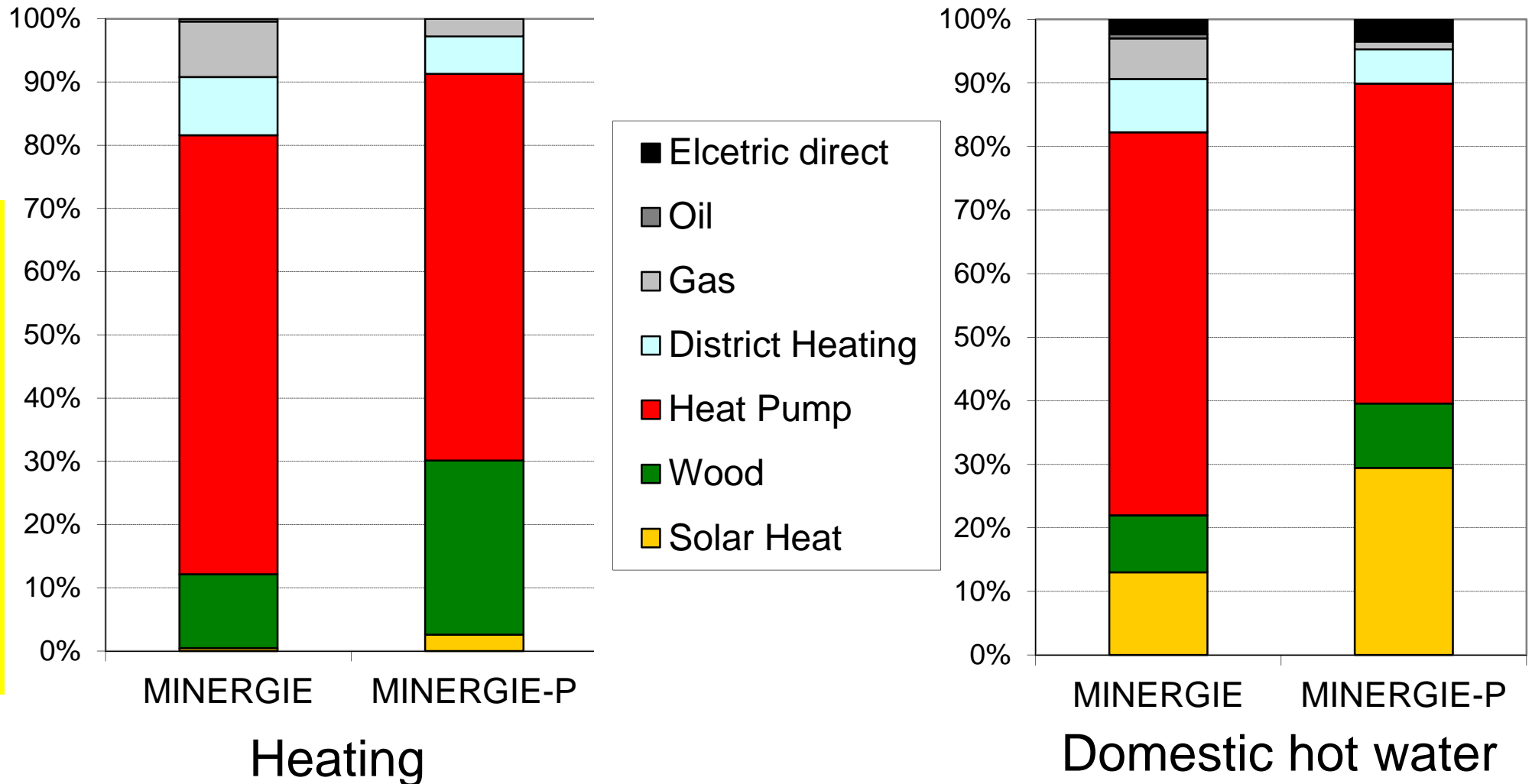
MINERGIE allows all heating systems, except electric heating, but ...





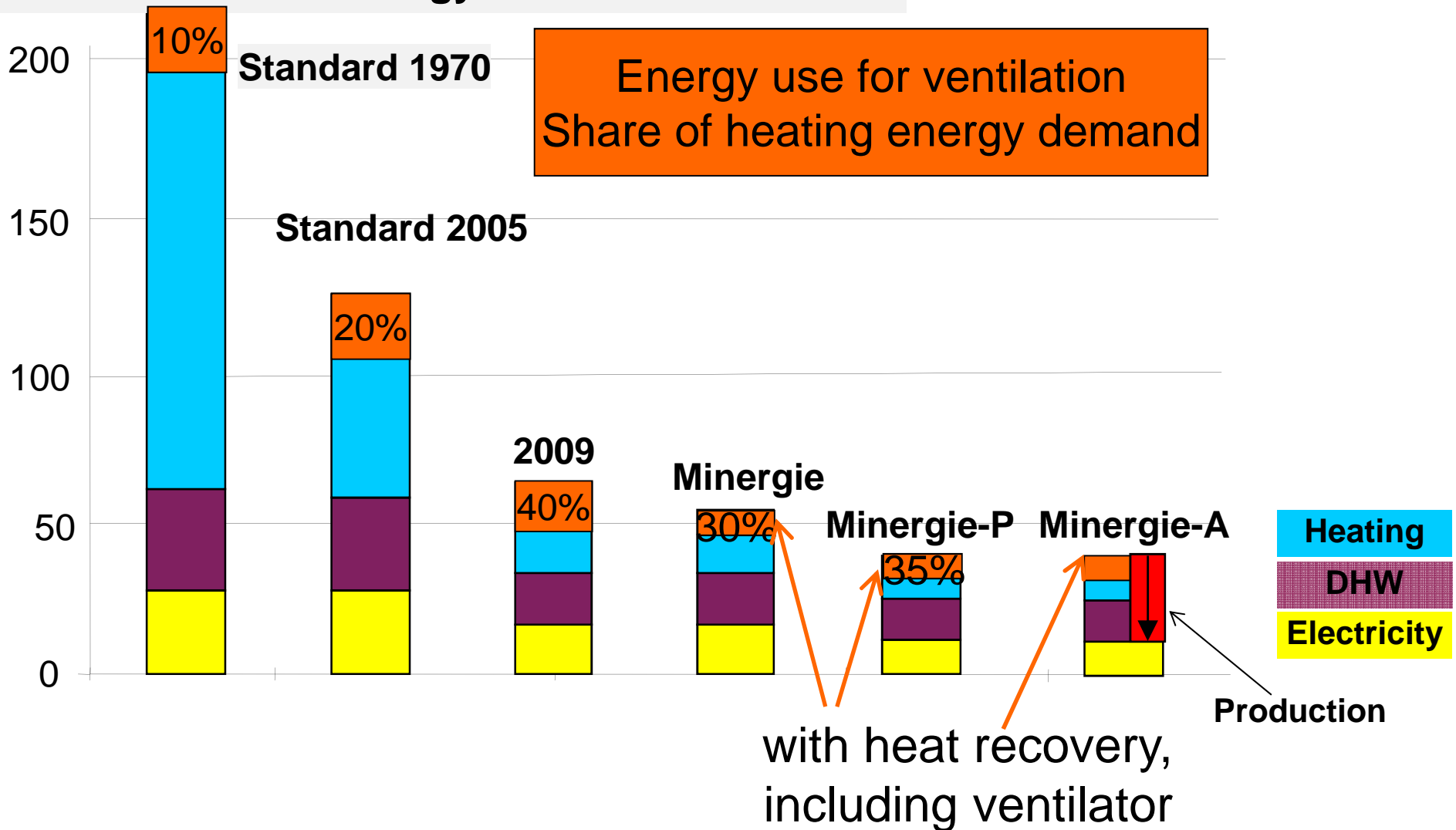
# Heating and domestic hot water

Heat production for new residential buildings in 2010



# Ventilation

## Annual End Use Energy Demand in kWh/m<sup>2</sup>



## Additional reasons for mechanical ventilation:

### Allergies in Switzerland

- 15% to pollen
- 5% to house dust mites

A mechanical ventilation systems filters the outdoor air and controls the humidity.

Allergy sufferers relax better and need less remedies.

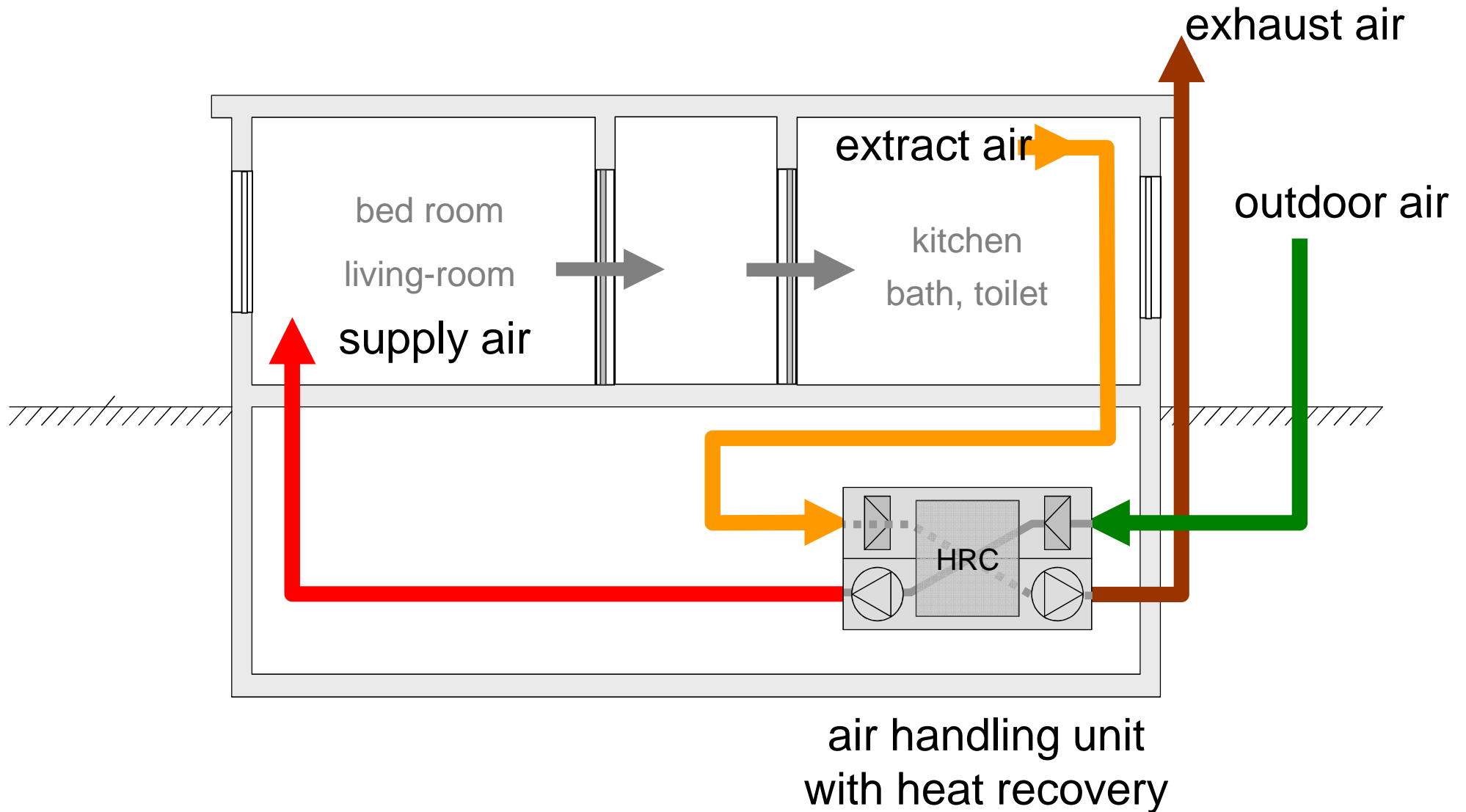




60 % of the Swiss population  
lives in areas with disturbing or  
unhealthy outdoor noise



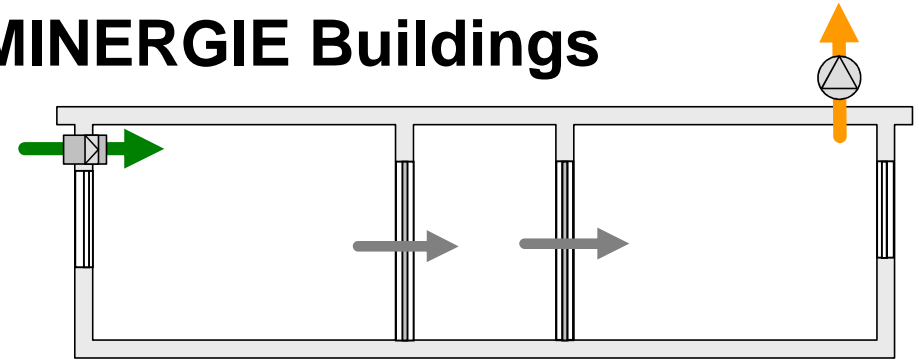
## Favoured System: ‚Comfort Ventilation‘



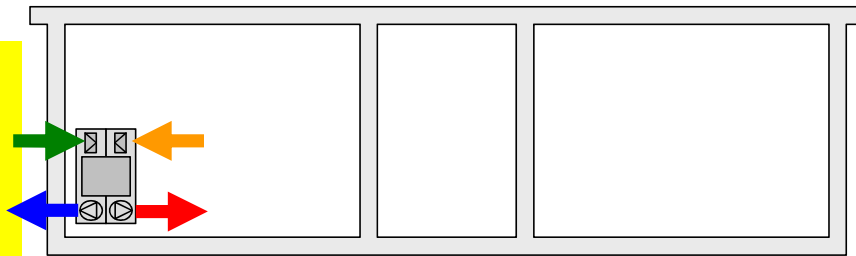
## Ventilation Systems for MINERGIE Buildings



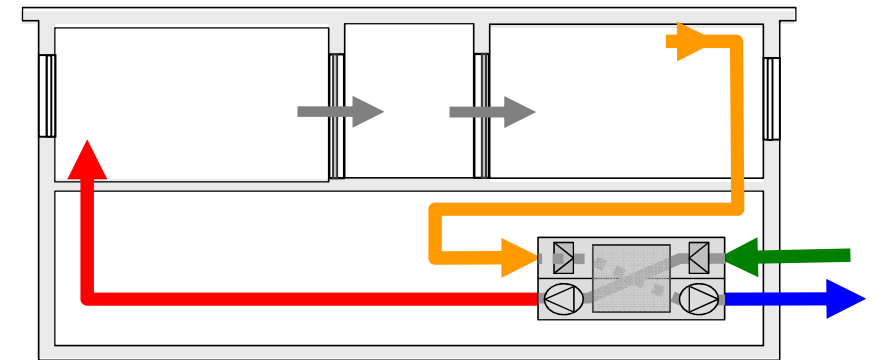
automatic window ventilation **0.01%**



(only) extract air **3%**



single room ventilation units **0.02%**



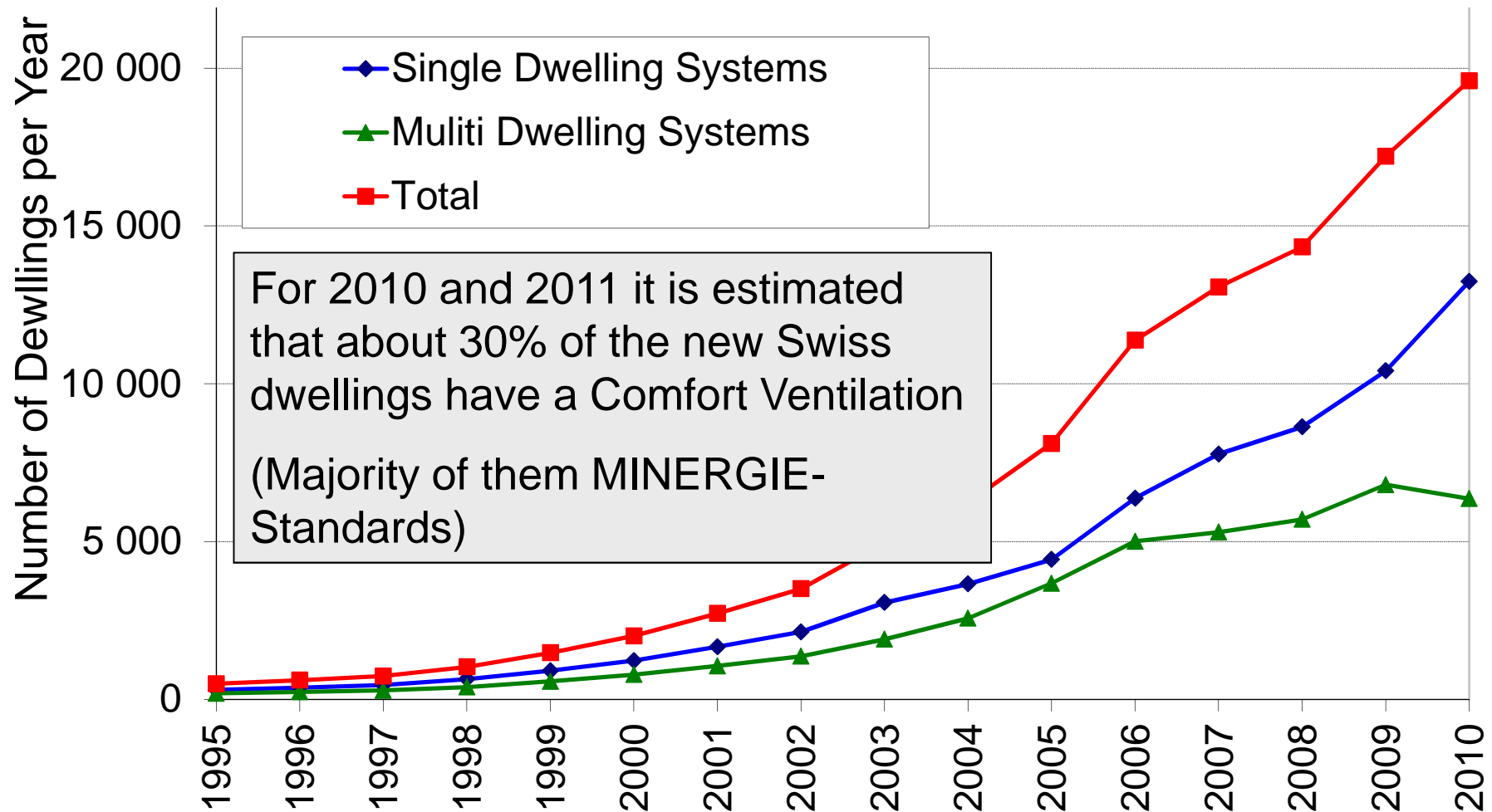
Comfort Ventilation **97%**

The Comfort Ventilation system provides the most advantages

- best thermal comfort and best Indoor Air Quality
- best energy efficiency
- best noise protection (e.g. traffic noise)
- satisfaction for customers and residents



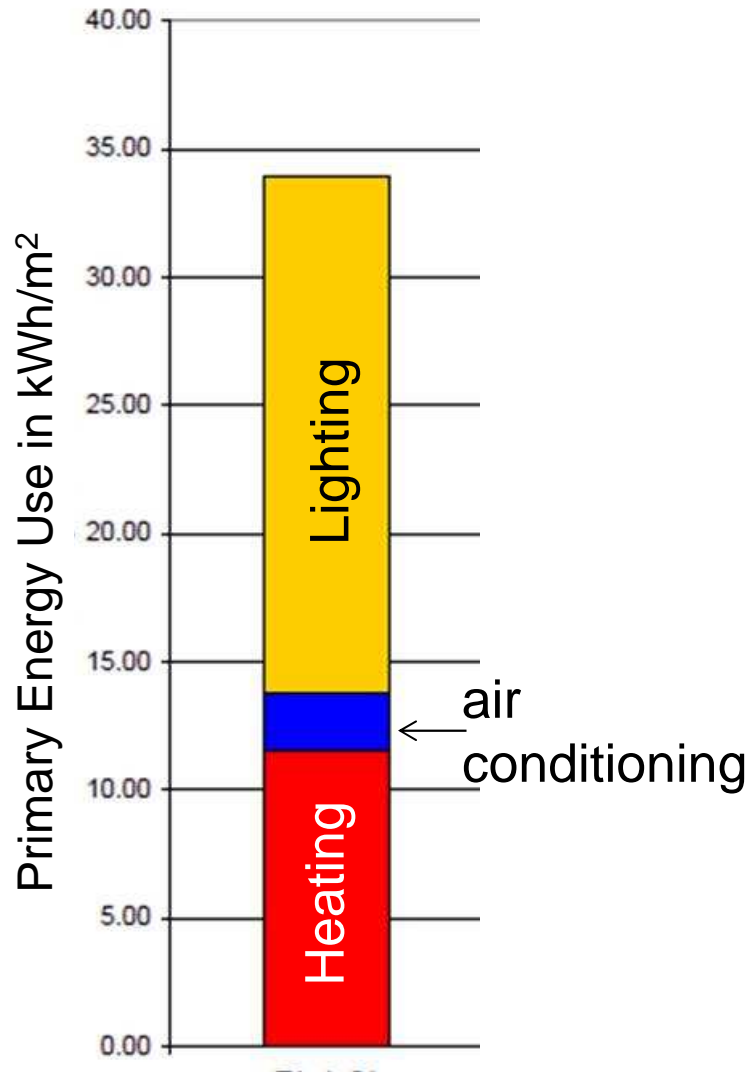
## Installed Comfort Ventilations per Year in Switzerland (number of dwellings)



# Lighting

**MINERGIE**  
**Office building**  
**Helvetia Insurance**  
**Architects:**  
**Herzog & De Meuron**





In new office buildings lighting uses more primary energy than heating and air conditioning.



# Energy Policy of the Swiss Cantons

[www.endk.ch](http://www.endk.ch)



The screenshot shows the website of the EnDK (Konferenz Kantonaler Energiedirektoren / Konferenz Kantonaler Energiefachstellen). The header includes the EnDK logo and navigation links for DE, FR, IT, Impressum, Intranet, and Startseite. A red navigation bar contains links for Energiepolitik, Allgemeine Infos, Fachleute, Medien, and Energiefachstellen. The main content area features a headline: "Energiedirektoren setzen konkrete energiepolitische Akzente". Below this is a paragraph stating that new buildings should be self-sufficient in energy from 2020, and existing buildings should be renovated with renewable energy. The text mentions a unanimous decision at the general assembly on September 2, 2011, in Zurich. A link is provided to download the press release as a PDF (179.4 kB).

**Energiedirektoren setzen konkrete energiepolitische Akzente**

Neue Gebäude sollen sich ab dem Jahr 2020 möglichst selbst mit Energie versorgen, die Sanierung von bestehenden Bauten ist zu verstärken und der Einsatz von erneuerbaren Energien soll vereinfacht werden. Die Konferenz Kantonaler Energiedirektoren (EnDK) hat an ihrer heutigen Generalversammlung einstimmig ein entsprechendes Positionspapier verabschiedet.

Zürich, 2. September 2011

 [Pressemitteilung als PDF \(179,4 kB\)](#)

**Declaration of the Energy Ministers:**  
«As from 2020 new buildings shall provide themselves with energy ...»

-> Same targets as EU with EPBD

# Energy Efficient Building? Zero Energy Building? What is included?

- Heating
- Domestic Hot Water
- Ventilation,  
Air Conditioning
- Auxiliary Energy
- Appliances
- Lighting
- Embodied Energy
- On-site Production



**MINERGIE®**

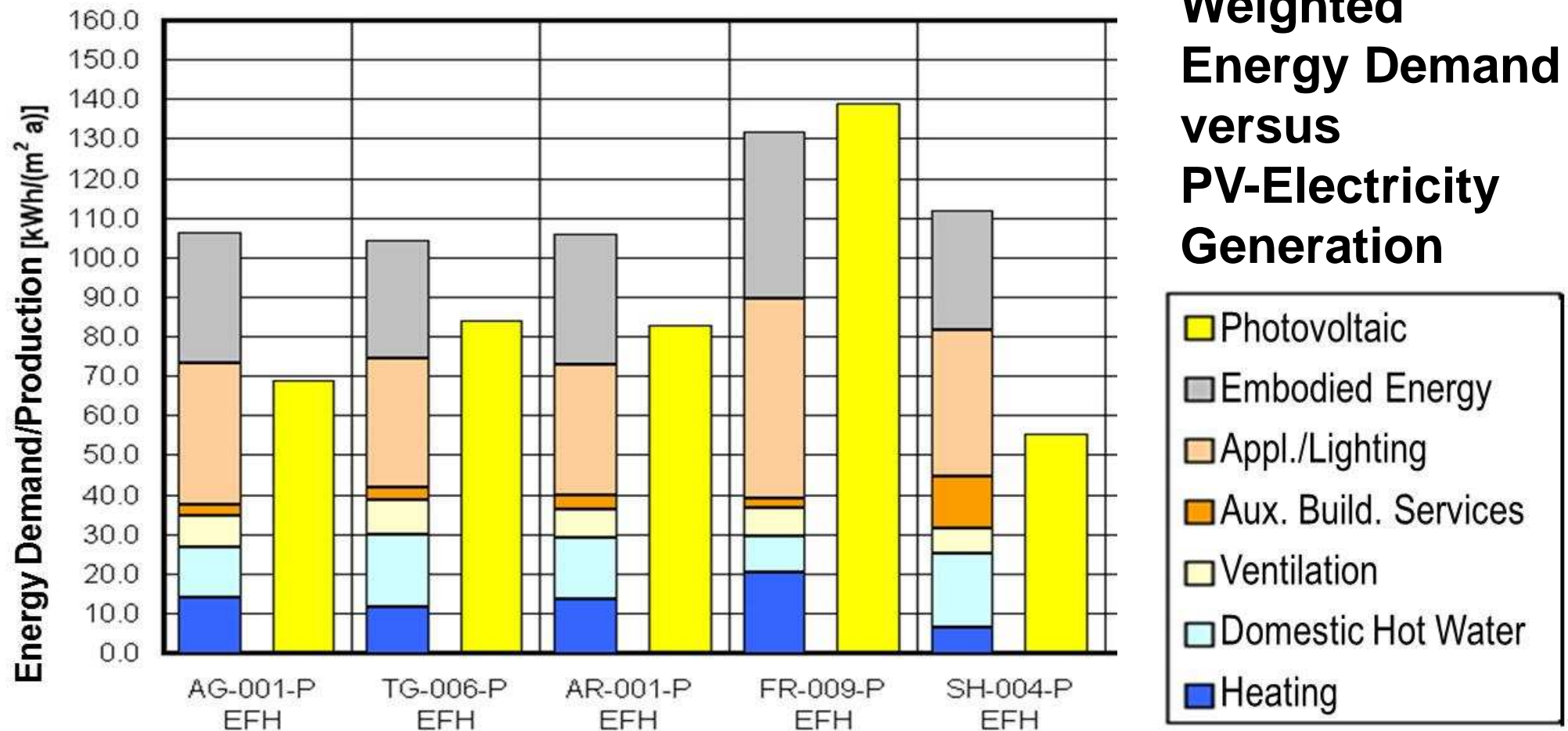
1997

**MINERGIE-P®**

2003

**MINERGIE-A®**

2011





# Concept of MINERGIE-A

3 similar parts of  
energy demand:

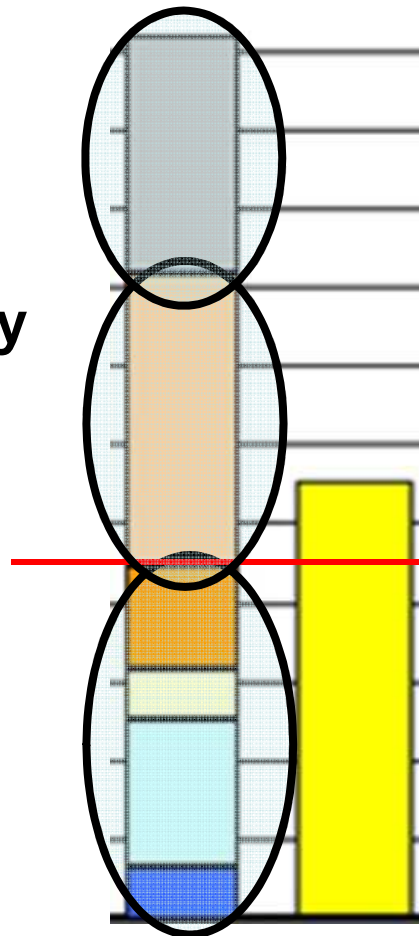
**Emodied Energy**

**Household Electricity**

- Appliances
- Lighting

**HVAC:**

- Auxiliary Energy
- Ventilation
- Domestic hot water
- Heating

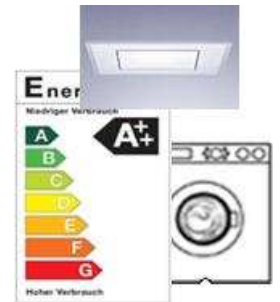


Requirements:

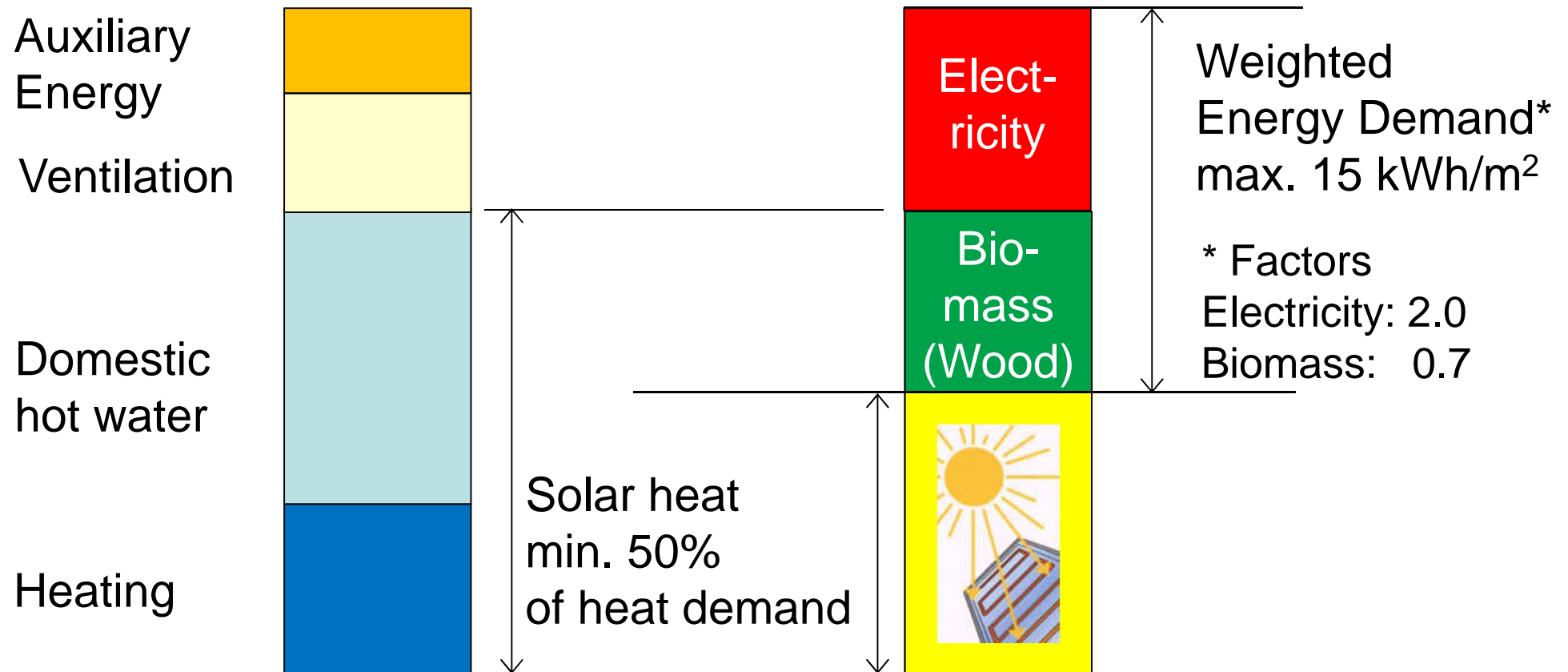
**Limit Value**  
of 50 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

**Equipment**  
Best Energy Labels  
Best Practice

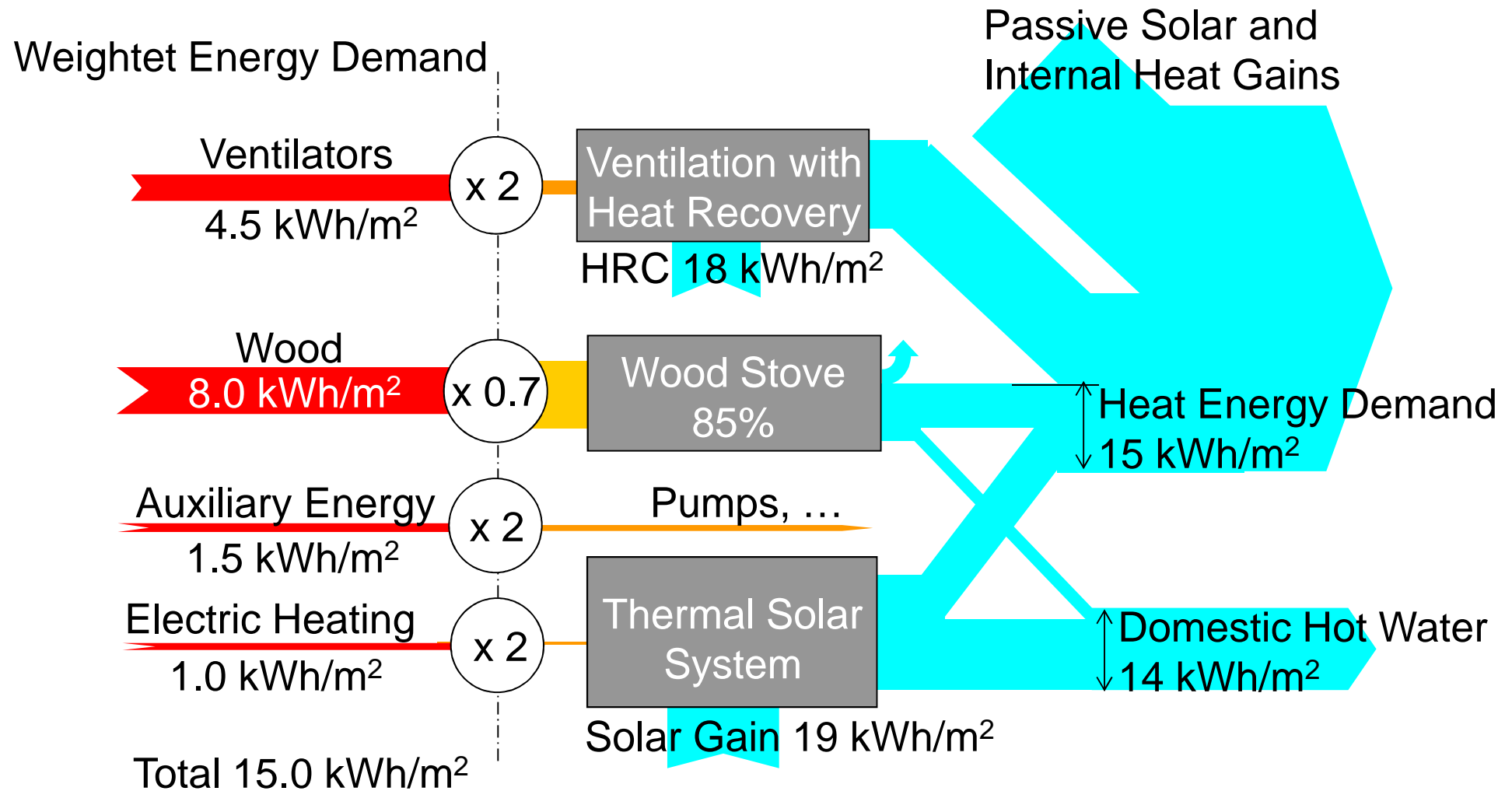
**Energy Production (PV)**  
as high as demand  
for HVAC



## Concept of MINERGIE-A: Variant with Biomass and thermal Solar Energy



## Exemple of a MINERIGE-A Single Family House with Wood Stove and Thermal Solar Energy





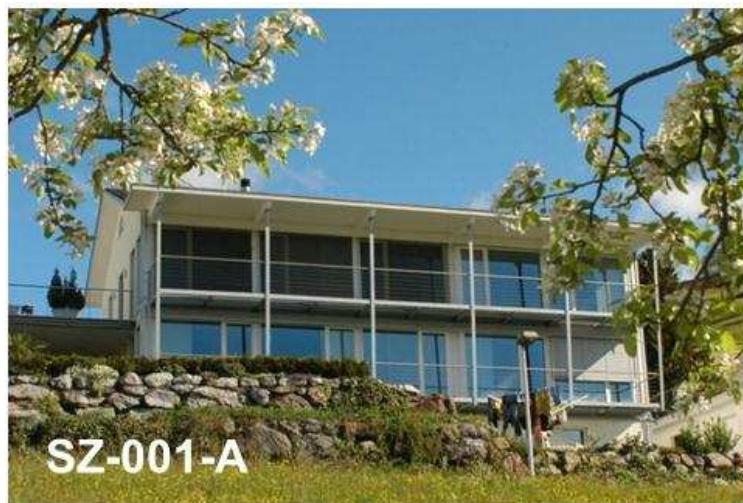
## MINERGIE-A - the Swiss way for Nearly Zero Energy Buildings

- Launched 10 March 2011
- First certificate 3 June 2011
- Certificates end of 2011:  
MINERGIE-A           7 buildings  
MINERGIE-A-ECO   8 buildings
- February 2012: More than 100  
applications in progress

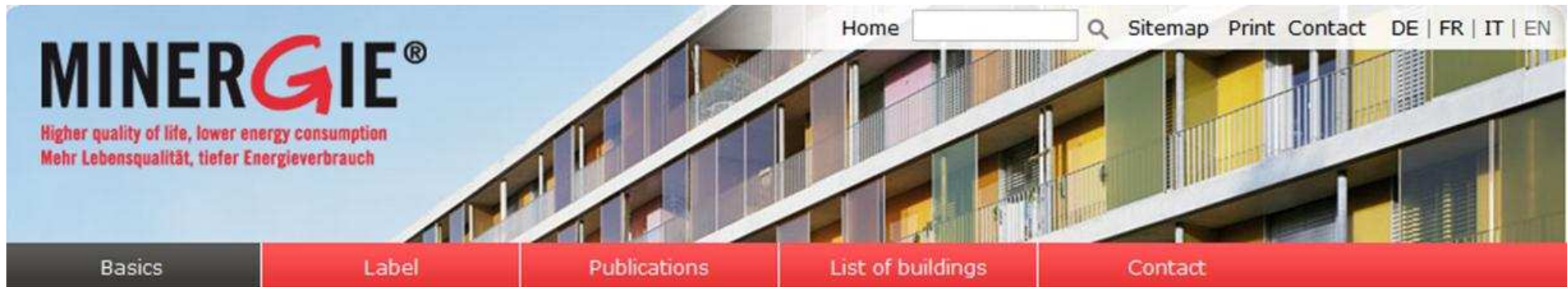




## Impressions of MINERGIE-A Buildings (source: [www.minergie.ch](http://www.minergie.ch))



**For more Information: [www.minergie.ch](http://www.minergie.ch)**



Basics

### **MINERGIE® in a nutshell**

MINERGIE® is a sustainability brand for new and refurbished buildings. It is mutually supported by the Swiss Confederation, the Swiss Cantons along with Trade and Industry and is registered in Switzerland

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their choice of internal and external building structures.

In the meantime, the building sector has developed a wide range of products and services for MINERGIE® buildings. Suppliers include architects and engineers as well as manufacturers of materials, components and systems. The diversity and competition of this market furthers quality and lowers costs.

**Thank you for your interest and attention.**

**Questions and discussion ...**