



## Presentation of demo sites in Spain and Poland

**EINSTEIN PROJECT: EFFICIENT INTEGRATION OF SEASONAL THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS IN EXISTING BUILDINGS**

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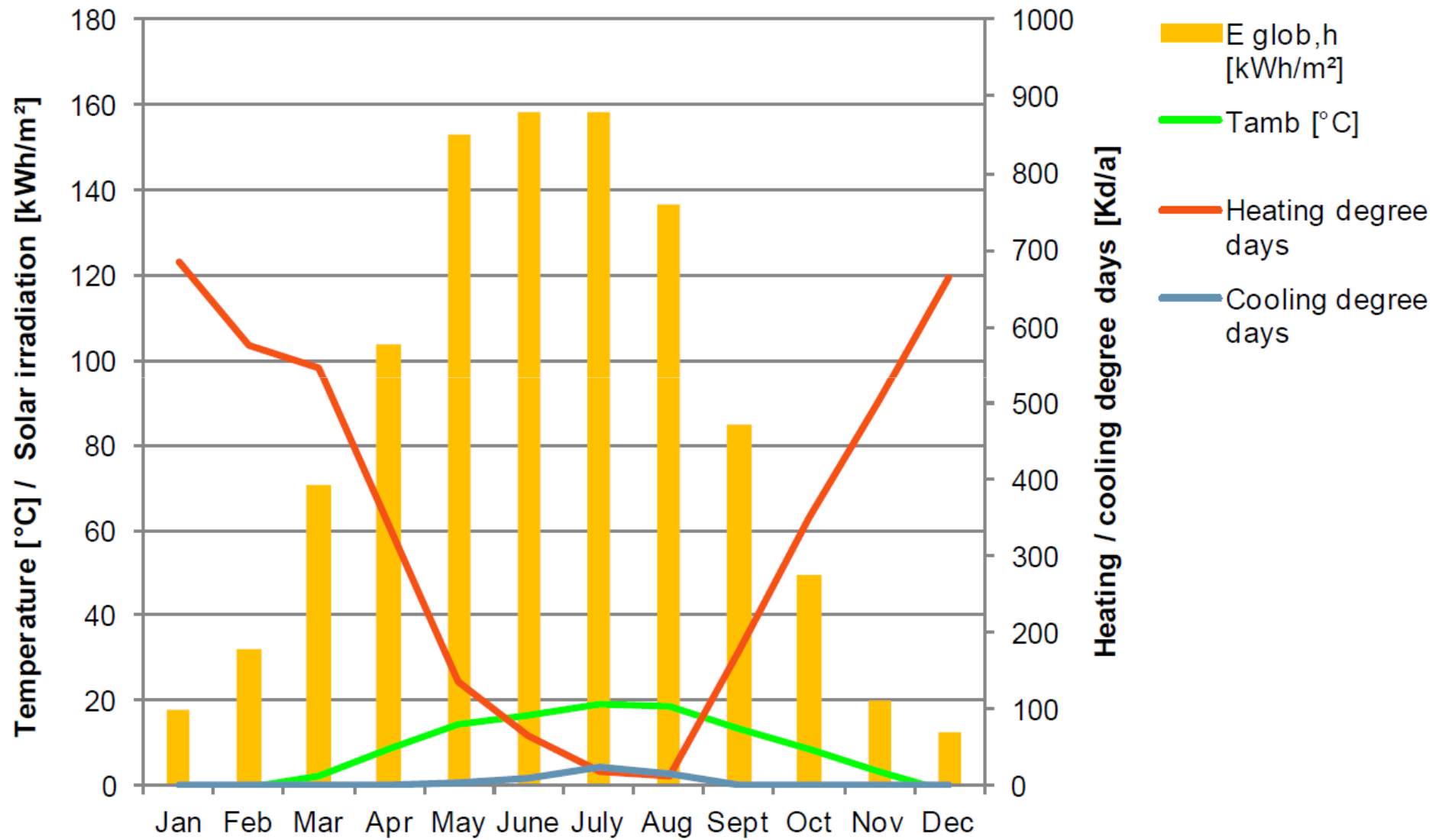


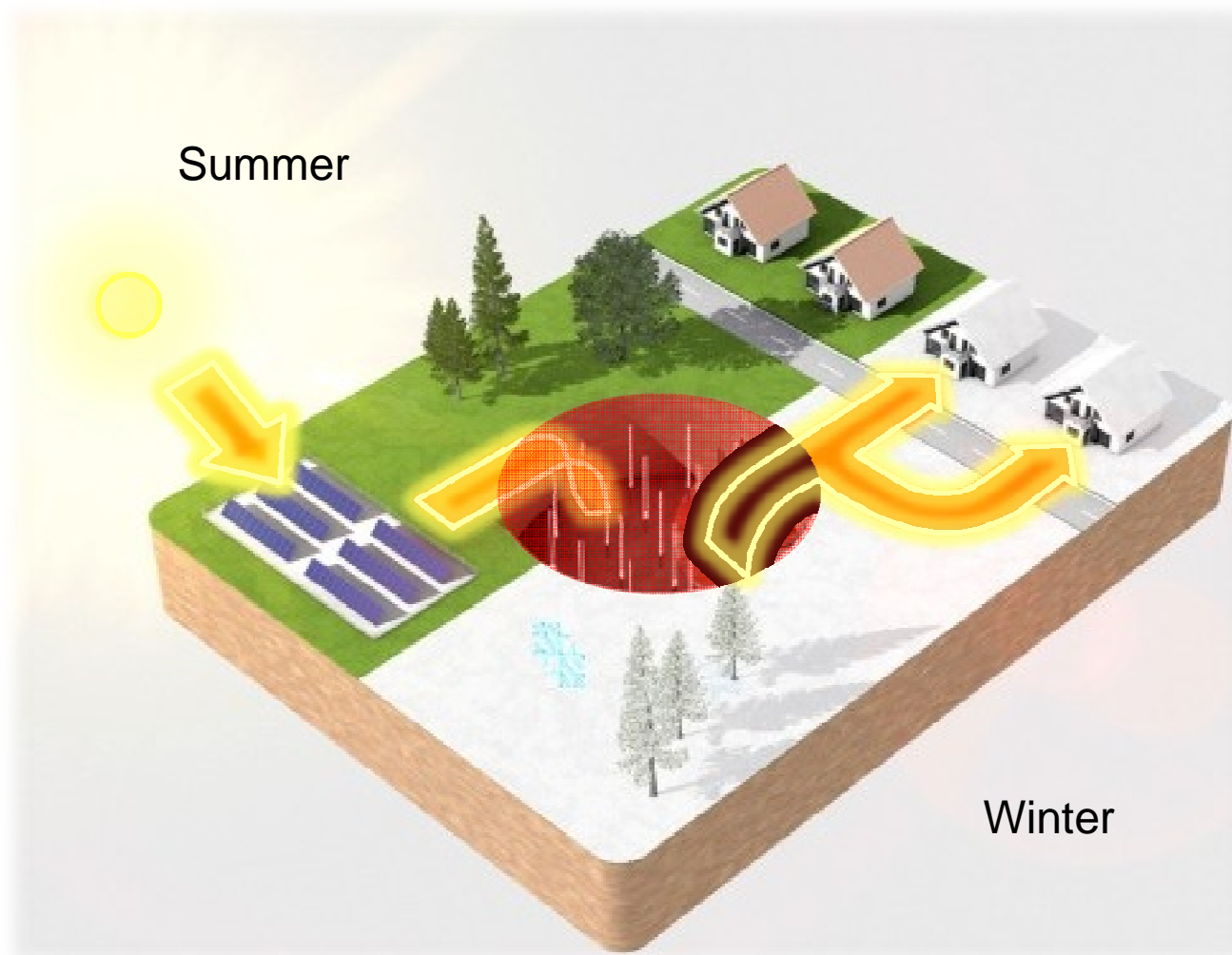


- General objectives of the EINSTEIN project
- Seasonal thermal energy storage basics
- Bilbao pilot plant
- Warsaw pilot plant



- Develop, evaluate and demonstrate low energy heating systems based on Seasonal Thermal Energy Storage systems (STES) concept combined with heat pumps in renovated buildings.
- Heat obtained from solar thermal collectors is stored in a water tank (up to 90°C) to be used in winter for space heating and domestic hot water use.
- This system can be used for at building level (Bilbao demo) or District level (Warsaw).





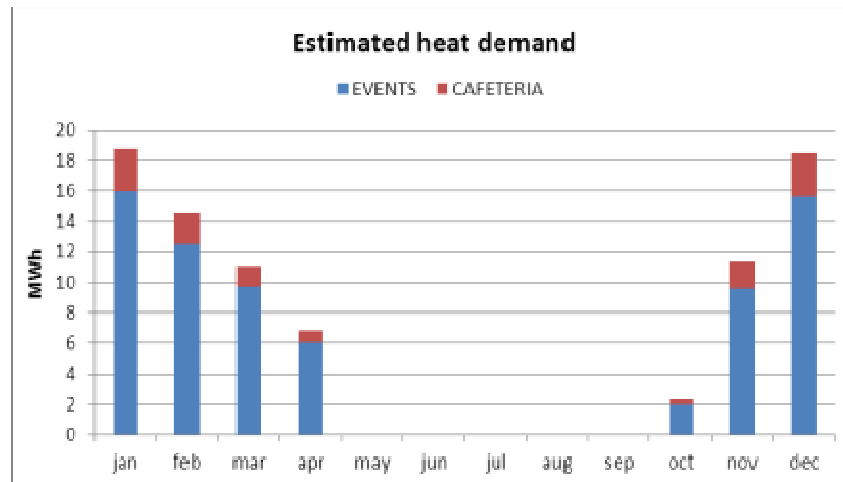


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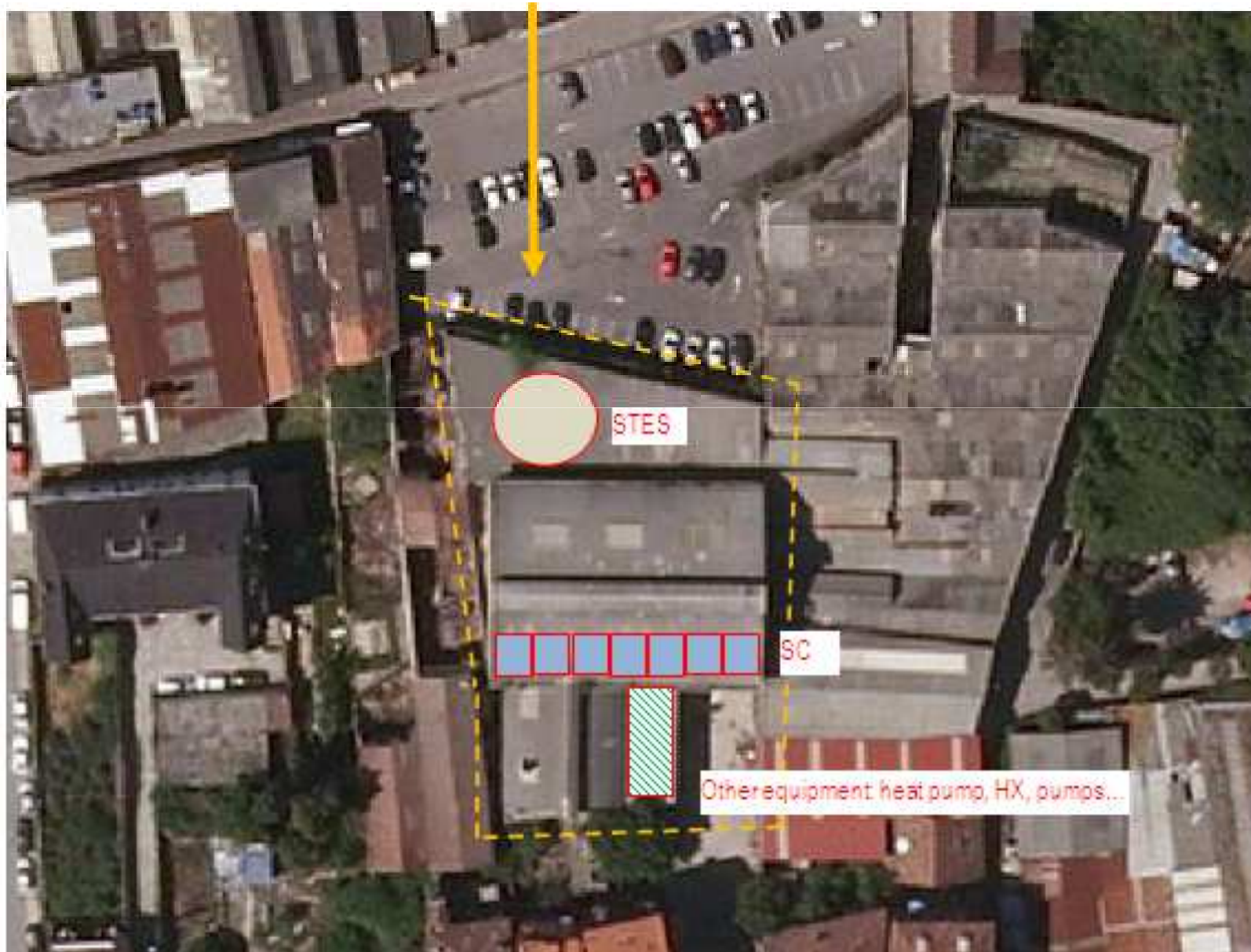
# ***Bilbao pilot plant***

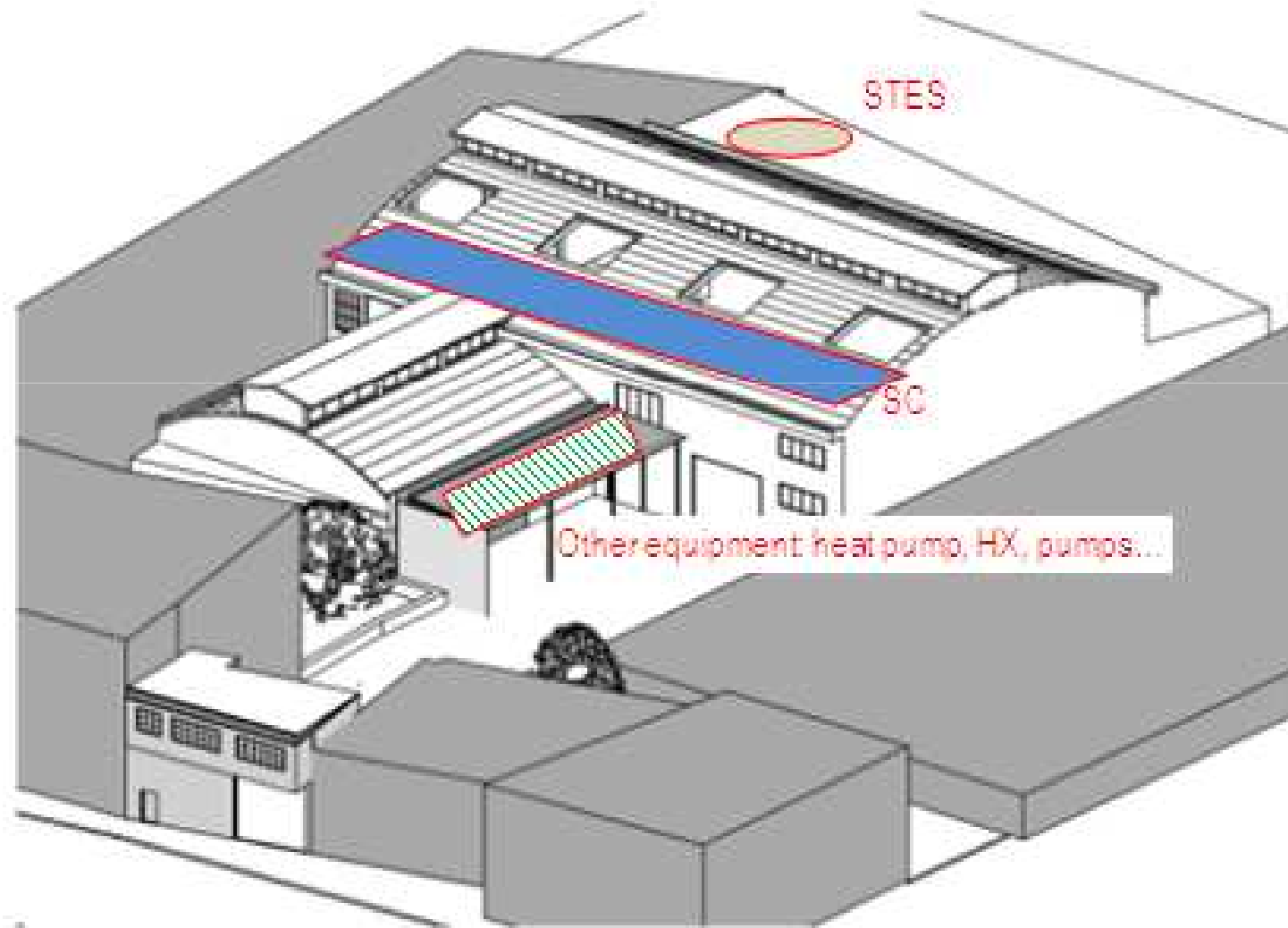
## Site description

- In total  $\approx 1.050\text{m}^2$ ; (max. capacity 400 people) divided into two areas:
  - Area 1:  $\approx 250\text{m}^2$  (cafeteria). Use: Exposition events (art expositions)
  - Area 2:  $\approx 800\text{m}^2$ . Use: cultural events will be organized.
- Heat demand has been estimated (only space heating, no DHW): 83 MWh/a.



	kWh/year	kWh/m <sup>2</sup> ·year
Events area	71.300 kWh	88,5 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>
Cafeteria	11.970 kWh	47,0 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Total</b>	<b>83.270 kWh</b>	<b>78,5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup></b>





View of the 800 m<sup>2</sup> surface heated with underfloor heating system

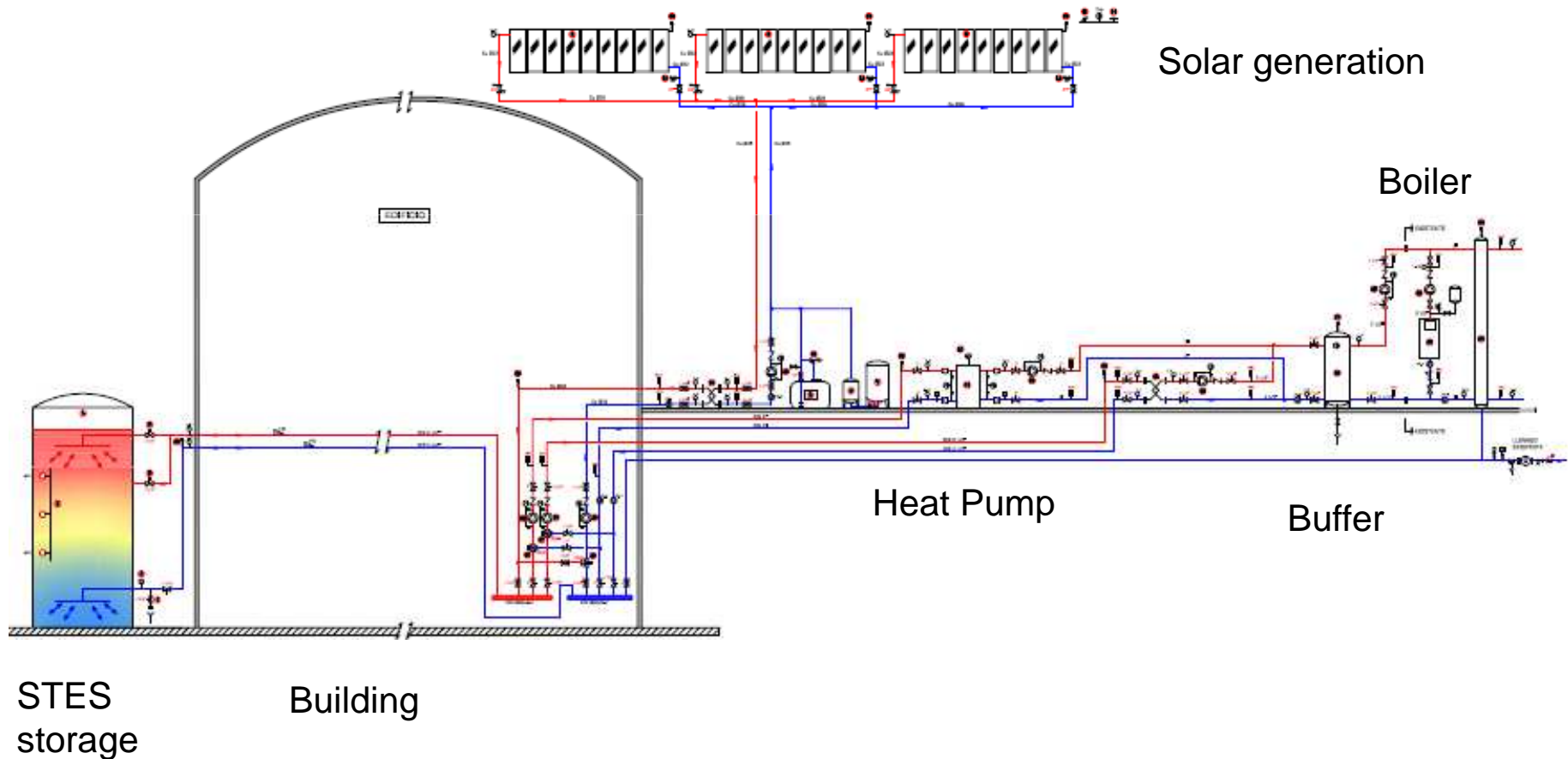


View of the 250 m<sup>2</sup> surface heated with underfloor heating (cafeteria)





# Hydraulic scheme



## Hydraulic installation

- Size of installation has been calculated by means of TRNSYS simulations.
- Solar collectors, 62 m<sup>2</sup> (primary circuit: glycol)
- Standard HP, 69 kW (thermal)
- STES, 180 m<sup>3</sup>
- Pumps, pipelines, HX
- Pipelines isolation
- Buffer, 2 m<sup>3</sup>

- *Solar collectors, 62 m<sup>2</sup>*



- **Standard heat pump (69 kWth)**
- It is used when temperature of STES water is between 40 - 10 C. Can heat water up to 55 °C



- *Pumps, pipelines, HX, buffer tank*



Heat exchanger  
primary/secondary  
circuits



Buffer tank, 2 m<sup>3</sup>



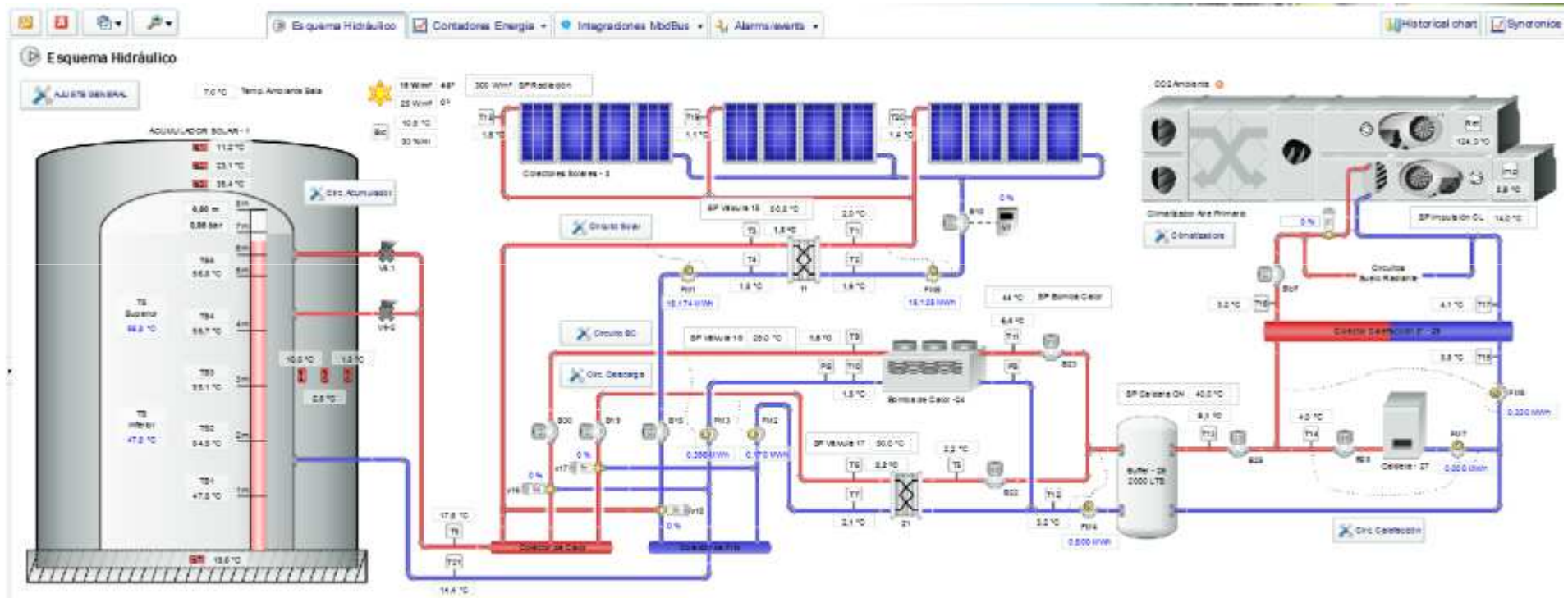
Secondary circuit,  
hydraulic collectors



## **Control and monitoring elements**

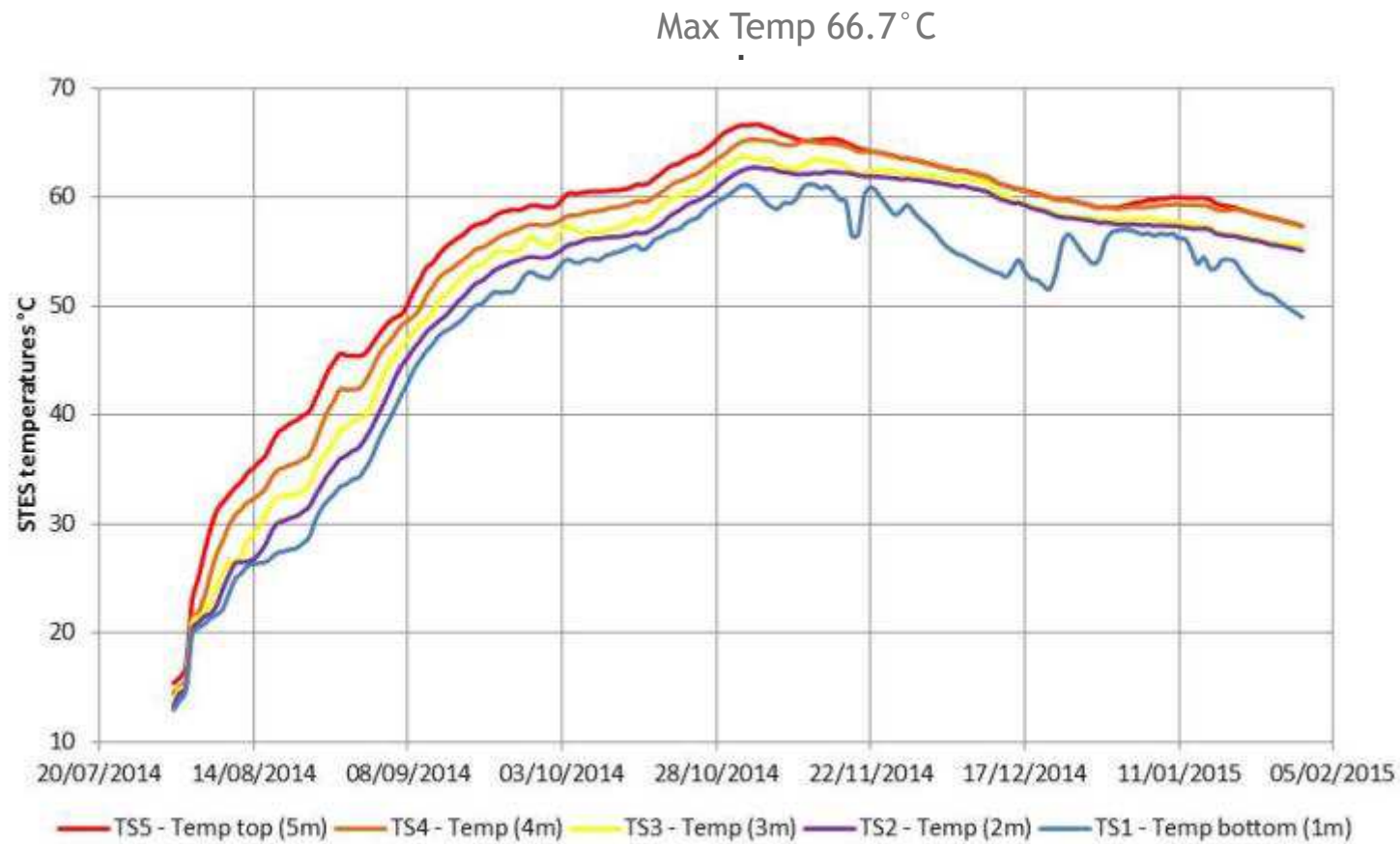
- Thermocouples (Pt-100/Pt-1000)
- Solar radiation probe
- Heat meters (water flow and temperature)
- Control level (pressure) in the STES tank
- Exo-Scada base
- Data acquisition (remote control)

## Lay-out





## Charging of STES tank



## STES Volume 180 m<sup>3</sup> Innovative design

Double independent tank. Modular construction.

- Inner tank: Ø 6 m ; Height 6.45 m wet (6.70 total)
- Outer tank: Ø 7.10 m; Height 8,05 m
- less thermal bridges due to absence of supports

Innovative insulation.

Bottom insulation over the ground:

- 0.45 m Expanded clay granulates.
- Regular distribution of charges over the ground (not increased in perimeter)

Lateral and upperside: new PUR recycled granules.

- Lateral side 0.55 m; upper side 0.87m
- Blowable type insulating material.



## Site preparation



Original status

Final state



**Foundation slab**



Foundation slab

Metallic structure



**Tank assembly**



Modular building



## Insulation

Bottom Expanded Clay



Upper PU sandwich panels



Granular PU between tanks  
(lateral and upside)

## Hydraulic Details



Spillway



Upper access closing



Drain manhole



Stratification devices

## Monitoring inside the tank details



Conductions for under tank temperature and pressure sensors.

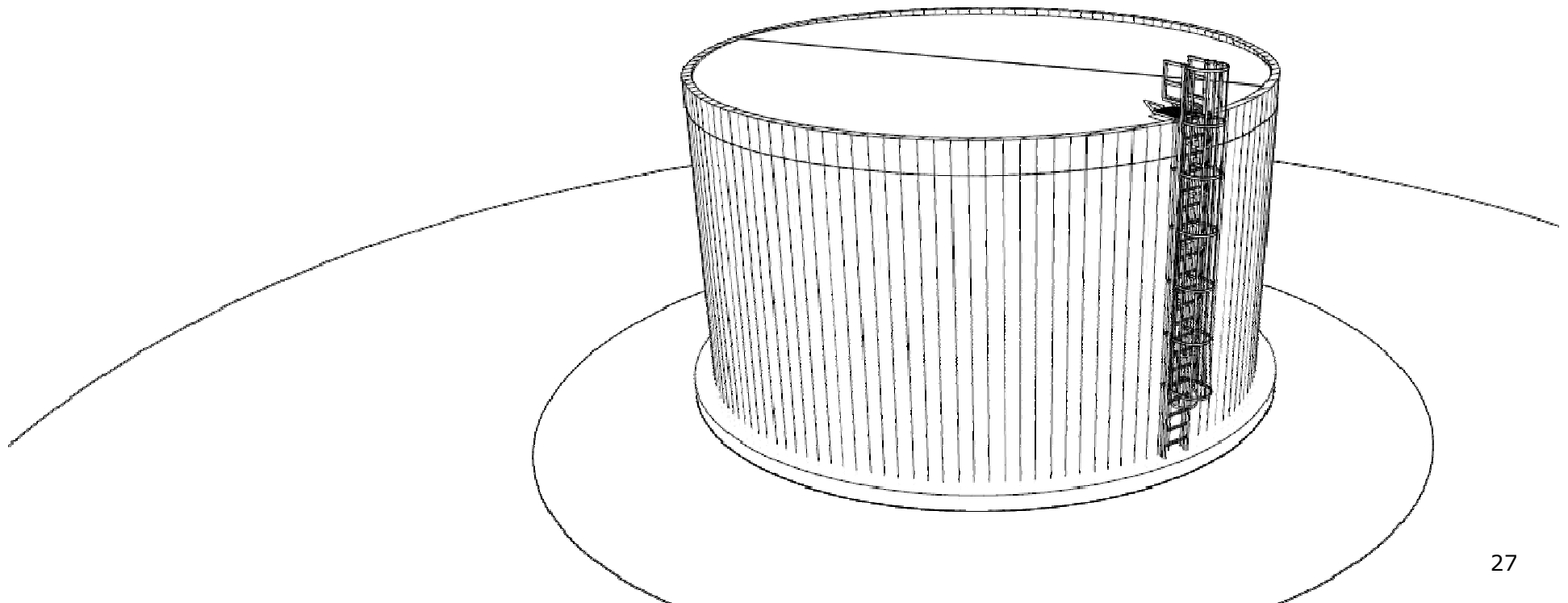


Monitoring of tank temperatures



Extracting inner tank temperature sensors

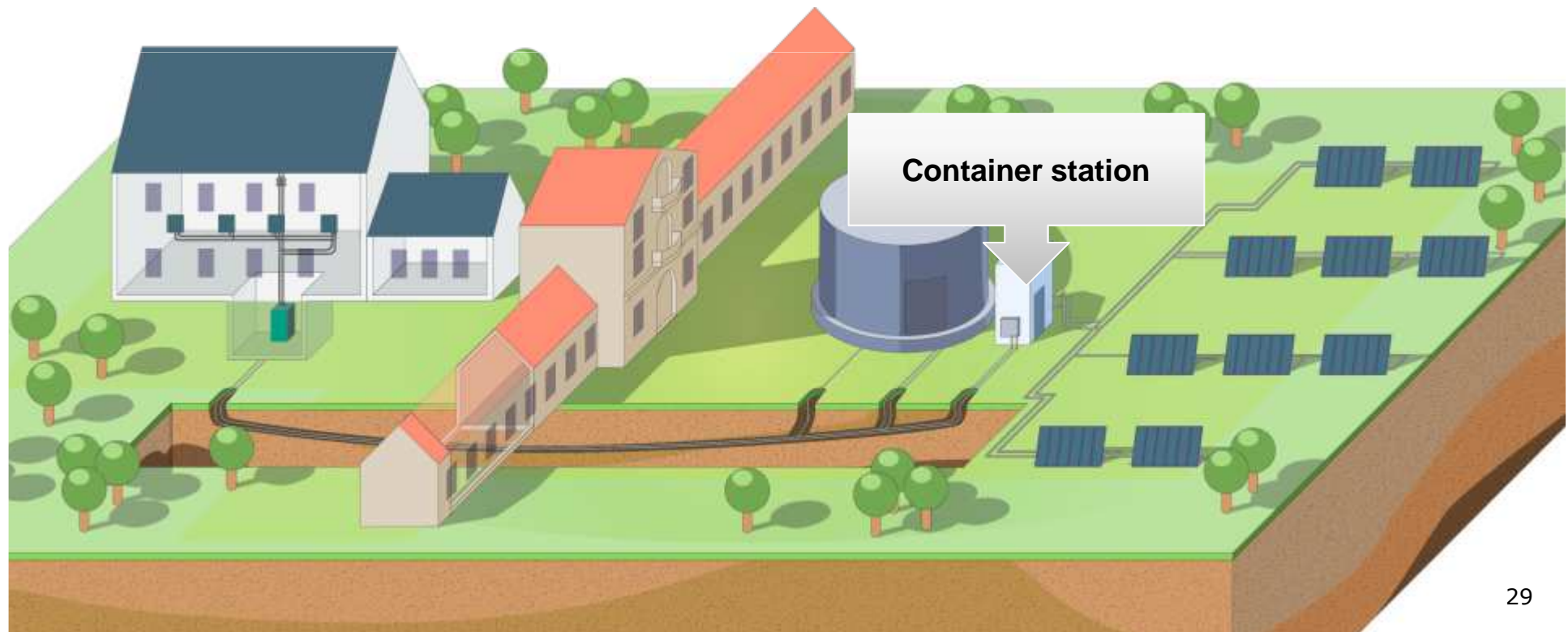
## *Polish pilot plant*



- 150 m<sup>2</sup> (netto) of flat solar collectors
- 78% maximum efficiency
- 40° collectors installation angle
- Facing south
- Glycol as a working fluid
- Temperature measurements



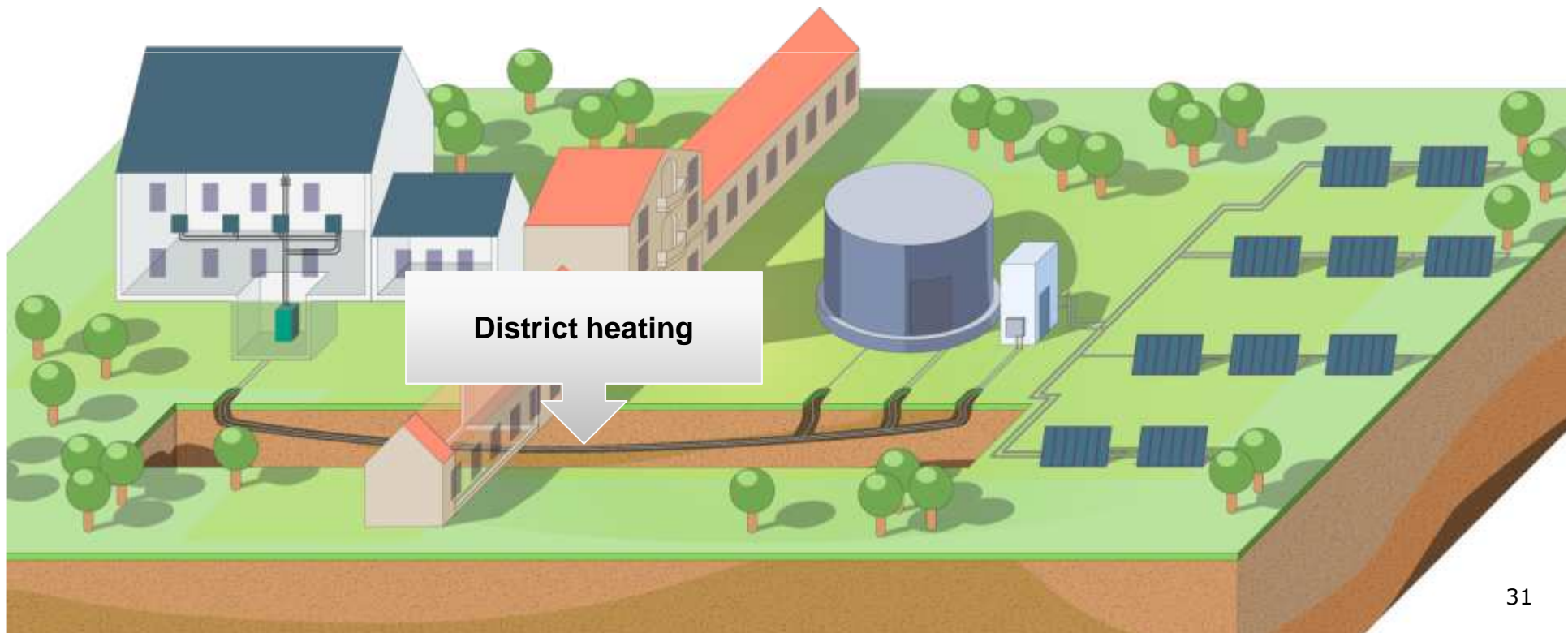
- Insulated container station
- Glycol/water heat exchanger
- Flow measurements
- Temperature measurements
- Pressure measurements
- Safety equipment



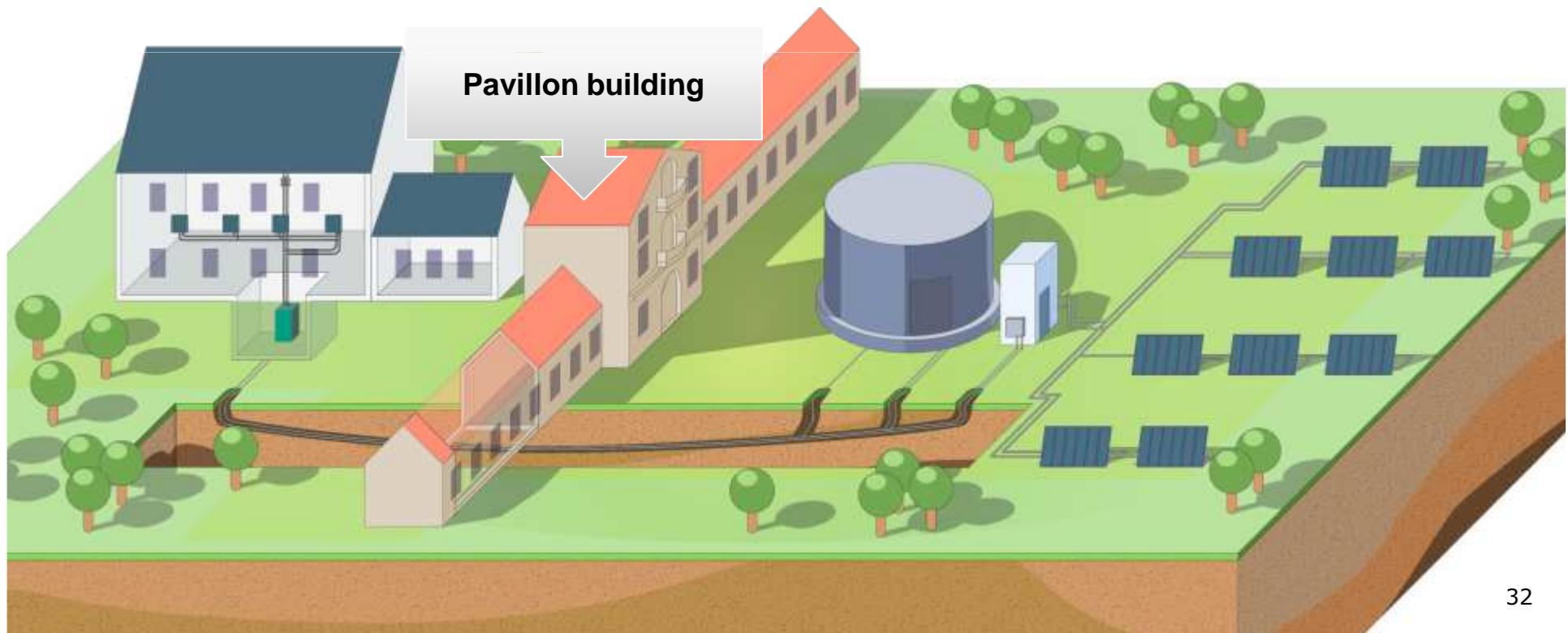
- 800 m<sup>3</sup> water volume
- Heavily insulated
- Equipped with stratification device
- Temperature measurements
- Pressure measurements
- Safety equipment



- ~150 m district heating
- 2x De65 flexible, preinsulated polibutylene pipes in PEHD casing
- Integrated fiber-optic cable
- Horizontal directional drilling under Pavillon building
- Pavillon building structure measurements during drilling



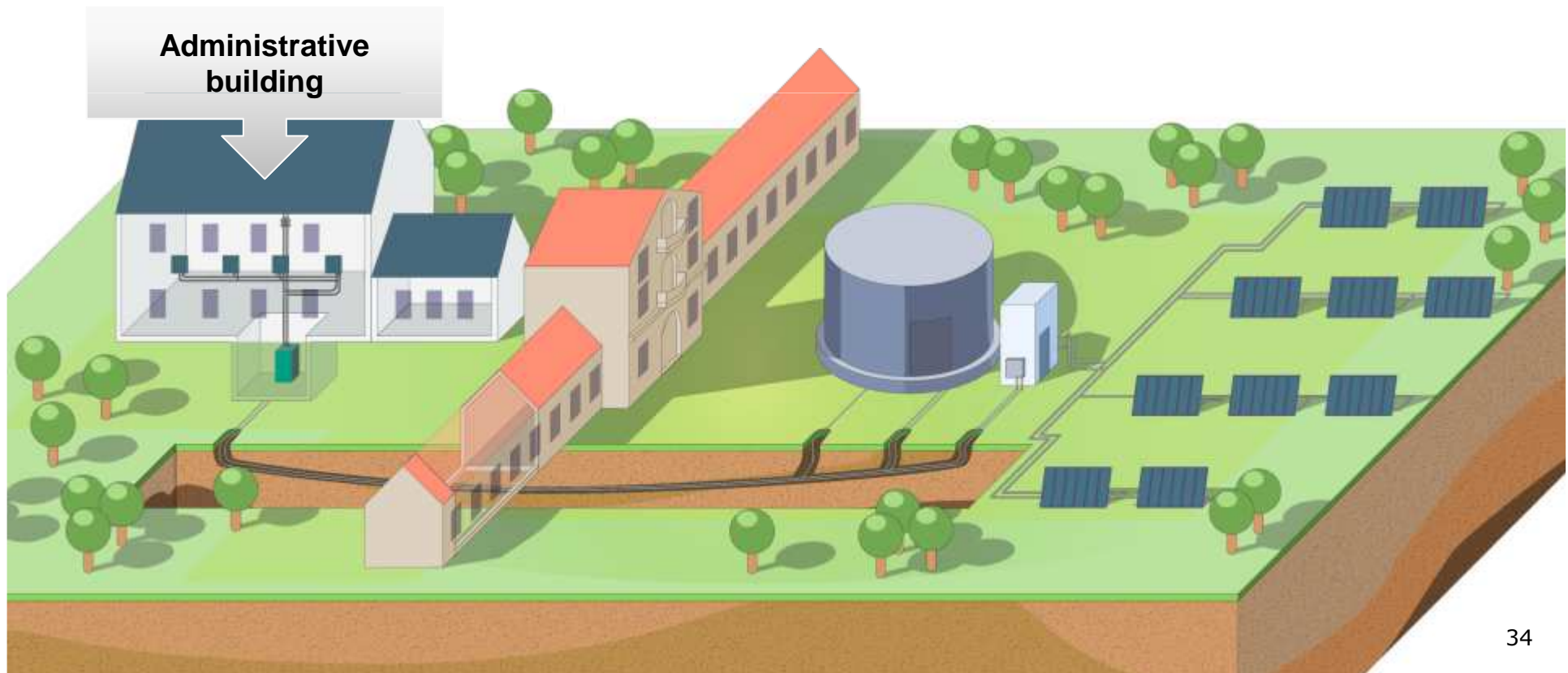
- Pre-war building structure
- Under protection of the conservator of monuments



- 90kW gas boiler with 2-stage burner
- Temperature control according to external weather conditions (heating curve)
- Heat exchanger & prototype high temperature heat pump (connected in parallel)
- 1 m<sup>3</sup> heat pump buffer
- Flow measurements
- Temperature measurements
- Pressure measurements



- 793,7 m<sup>2</sup> of usable area of the building
- 4842,6 m<sup>3</sup> of building space
- 75 kW of peak heat demand
- Not insulated, old windows with low U value
- High temperature heating installation

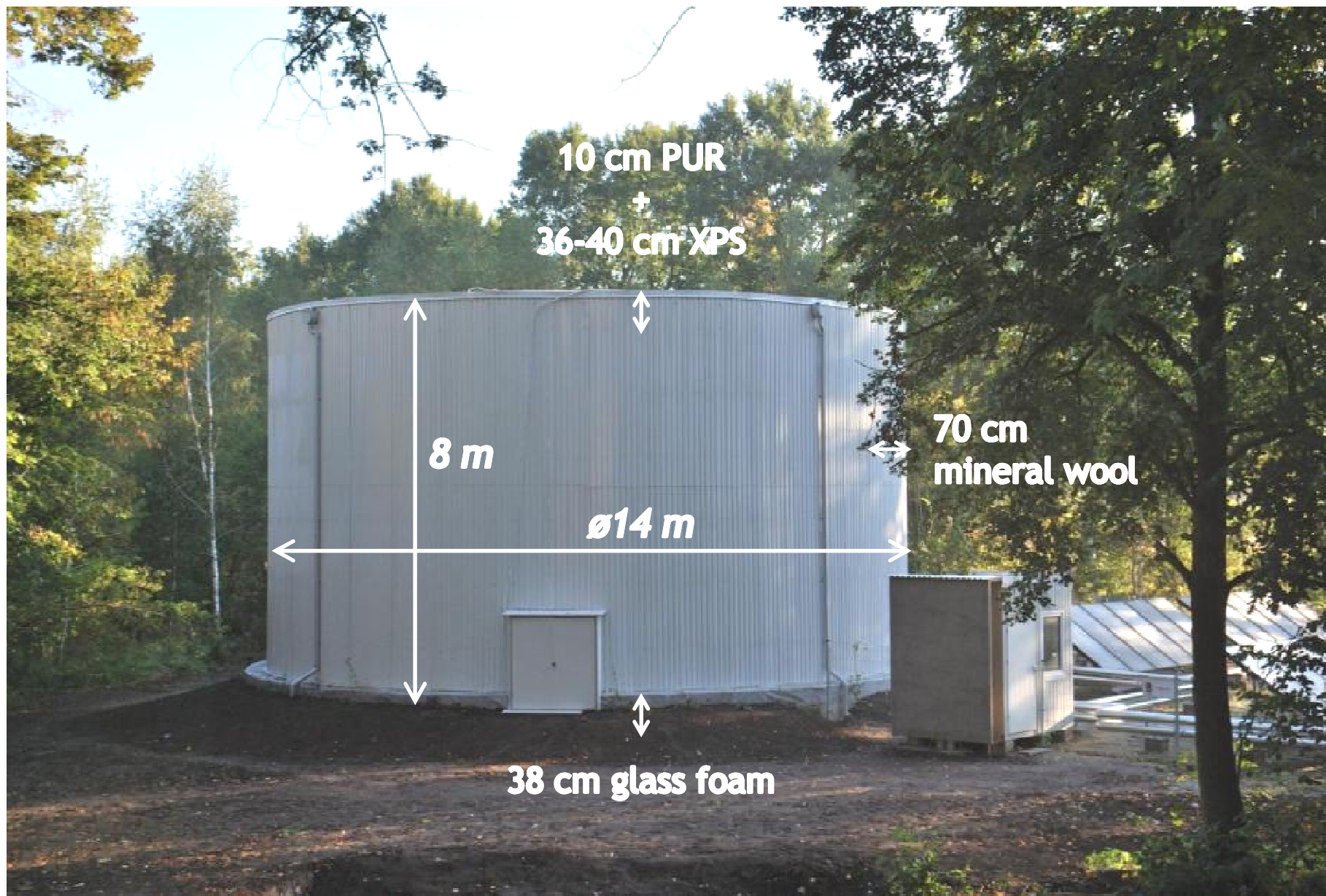




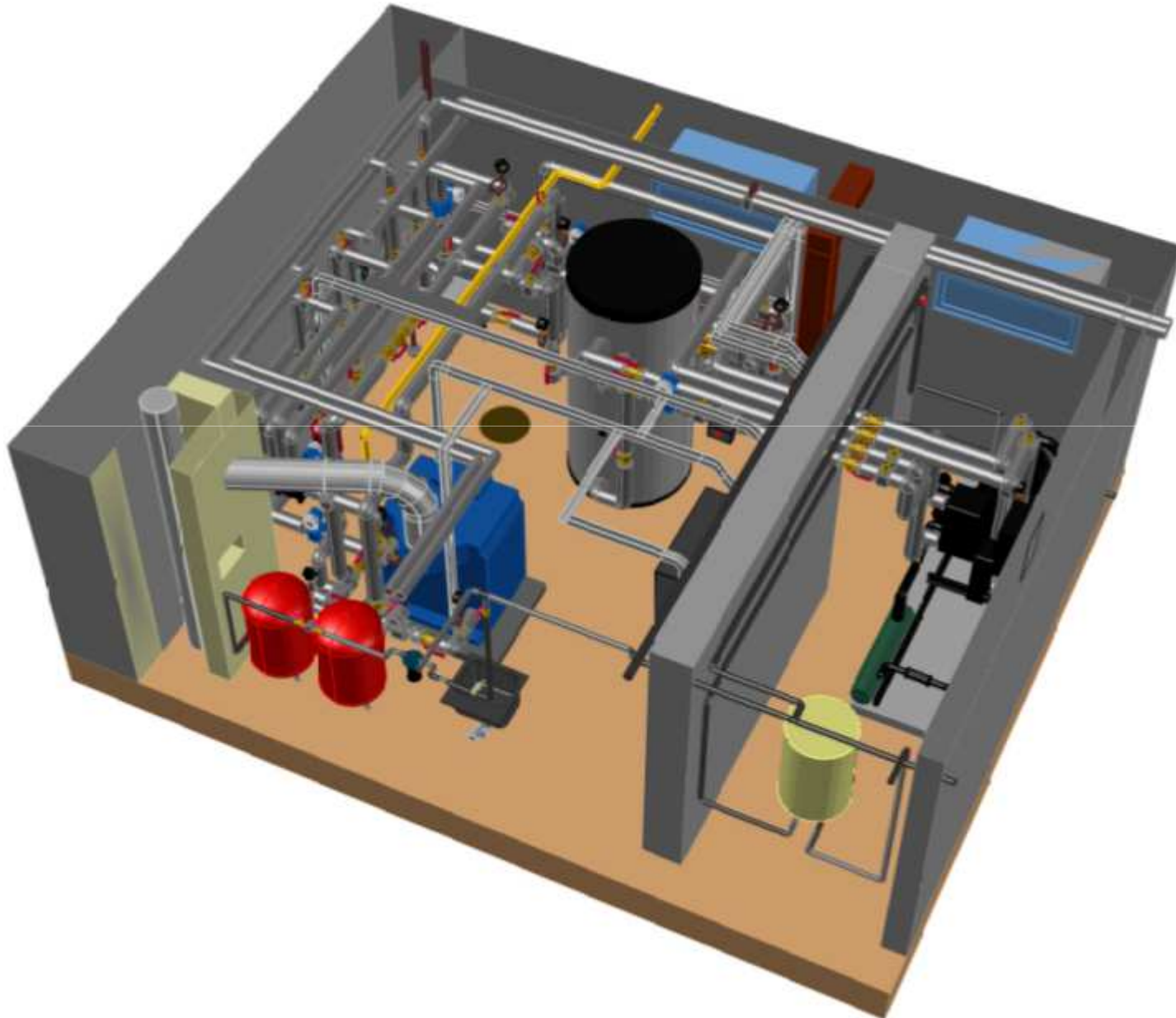
*Solar collectors field*

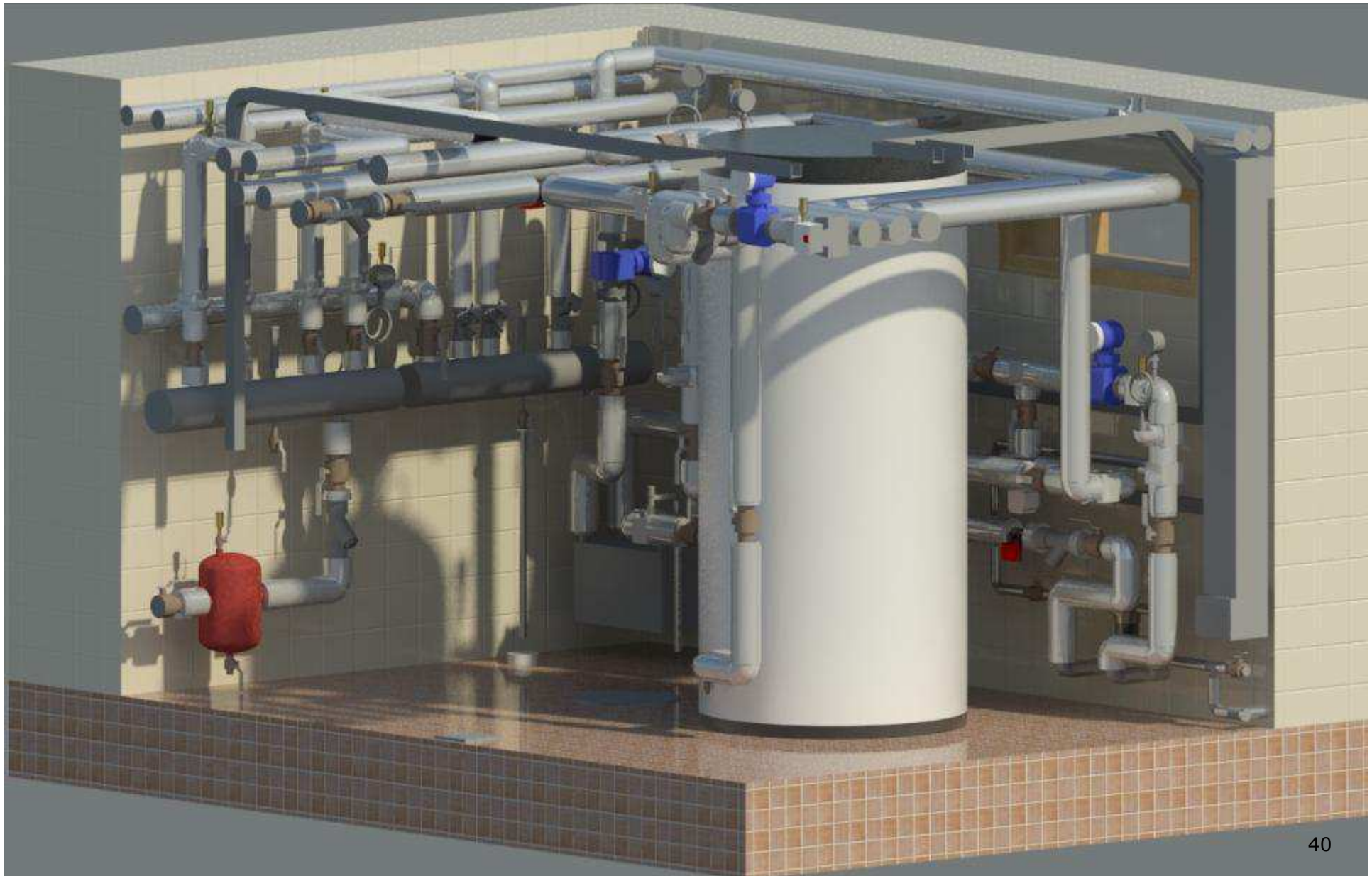


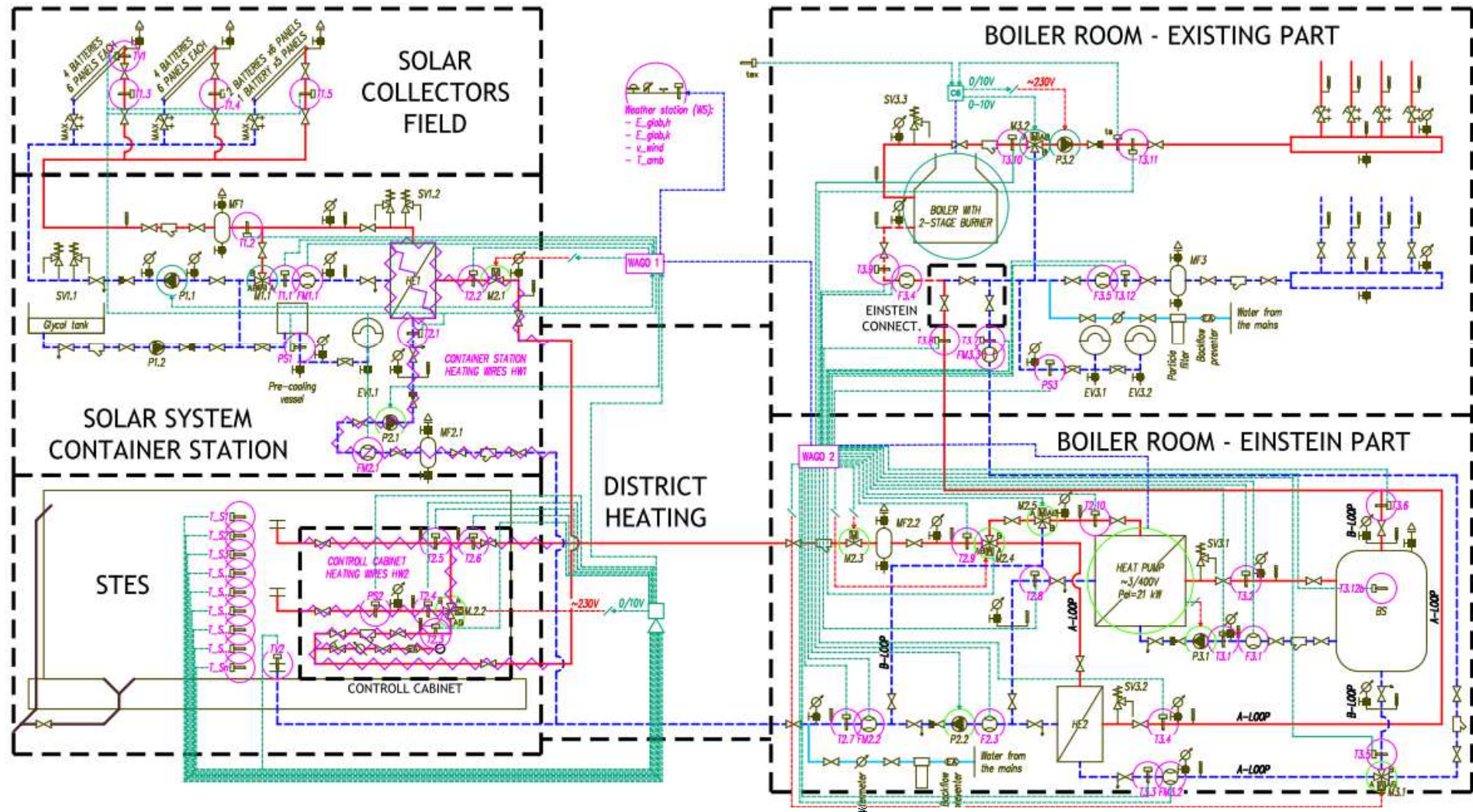












## Pilot Plant in Zabki, Poland, EINSTEIN Project



Solar radiation:  
Solar power collected:

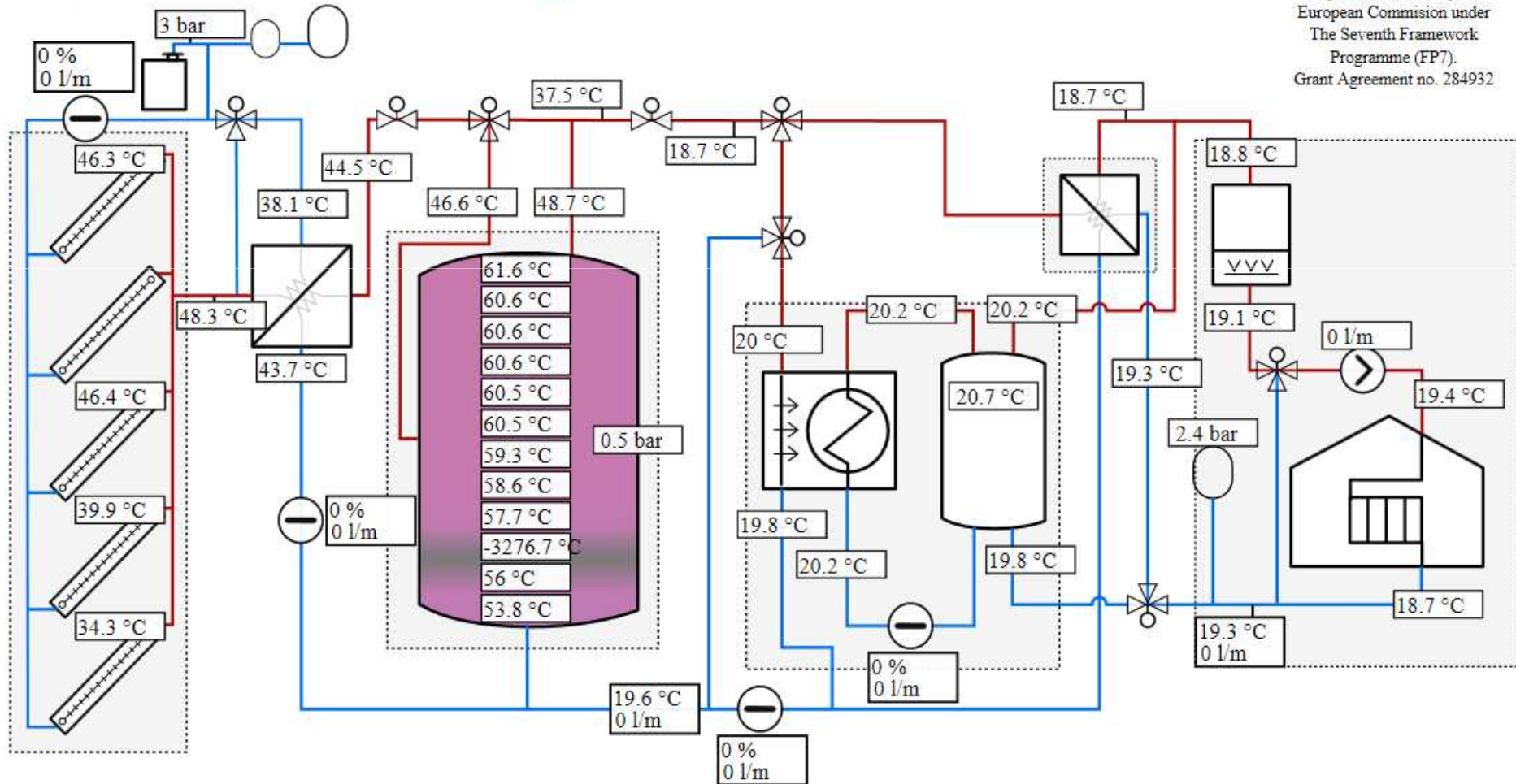
70.4 W/m<sup>2</sup>  
0 kW



Outdoor temperature: 17.2 °C

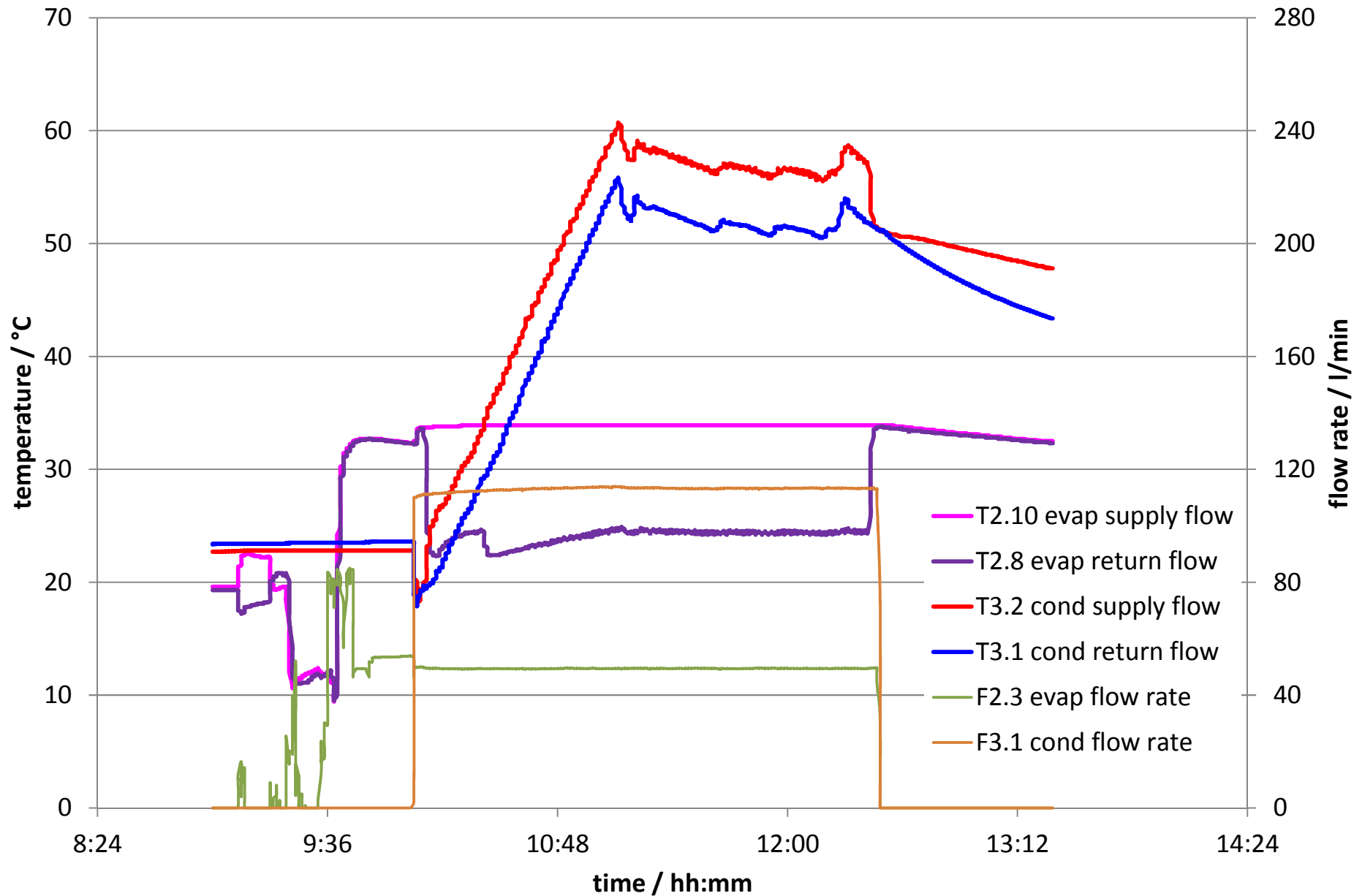


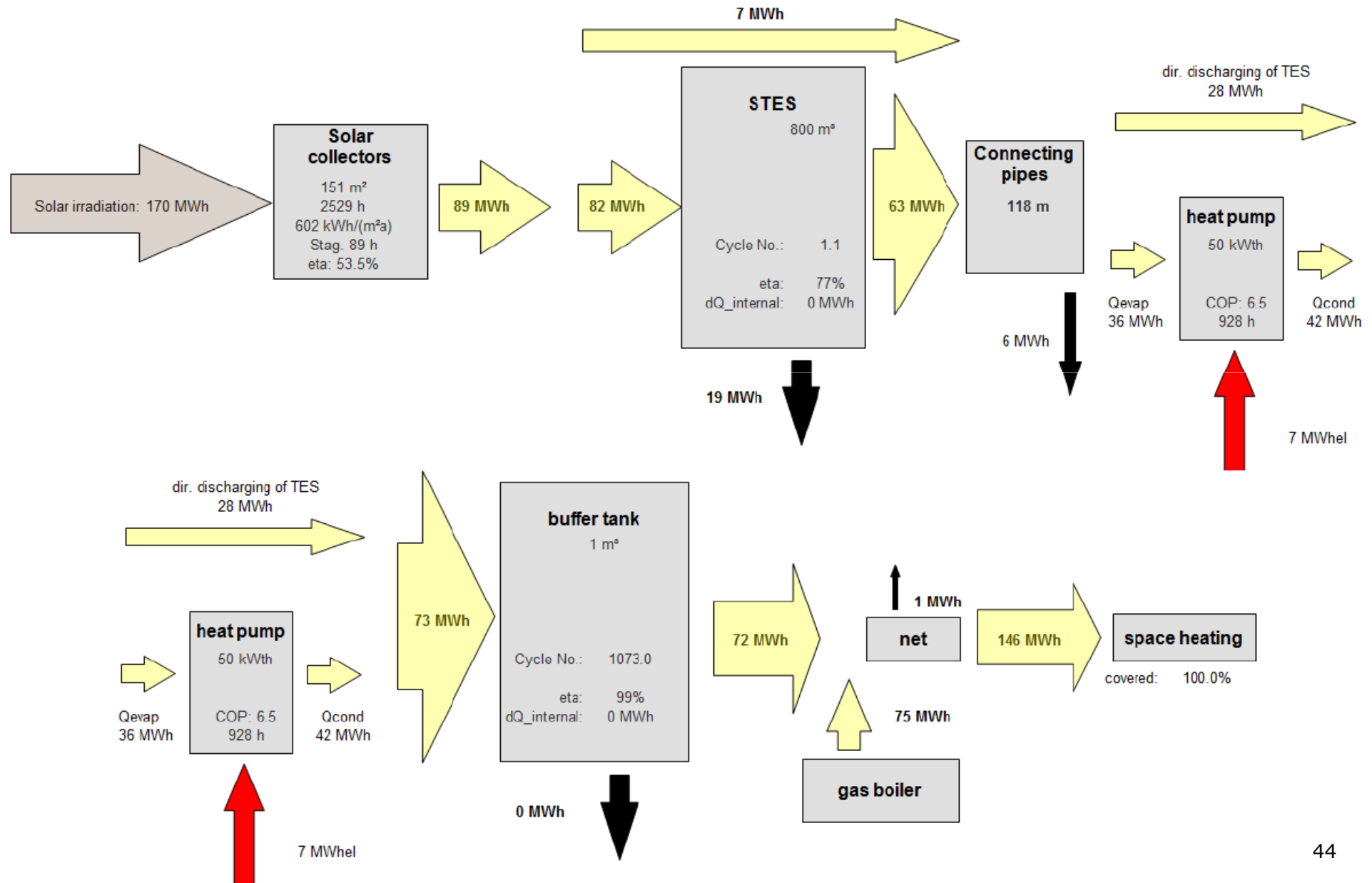
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Sample graph chart from DAQ system of Polish pilot plant





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