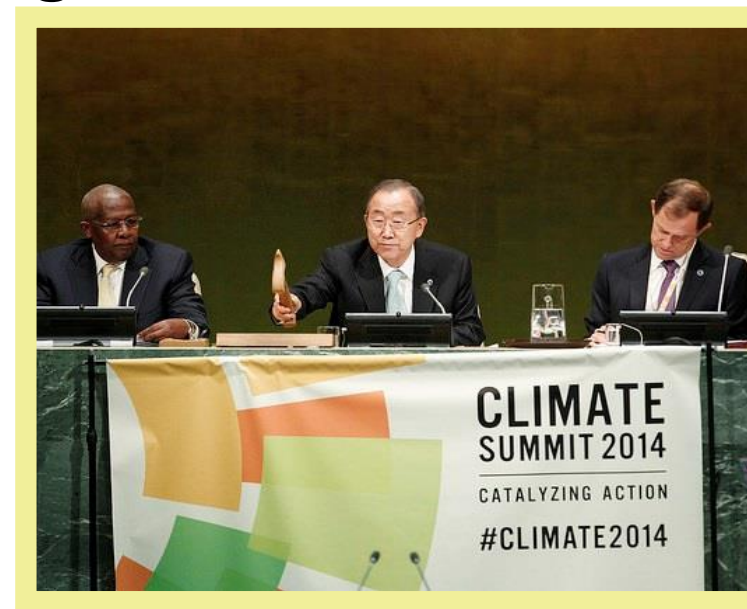
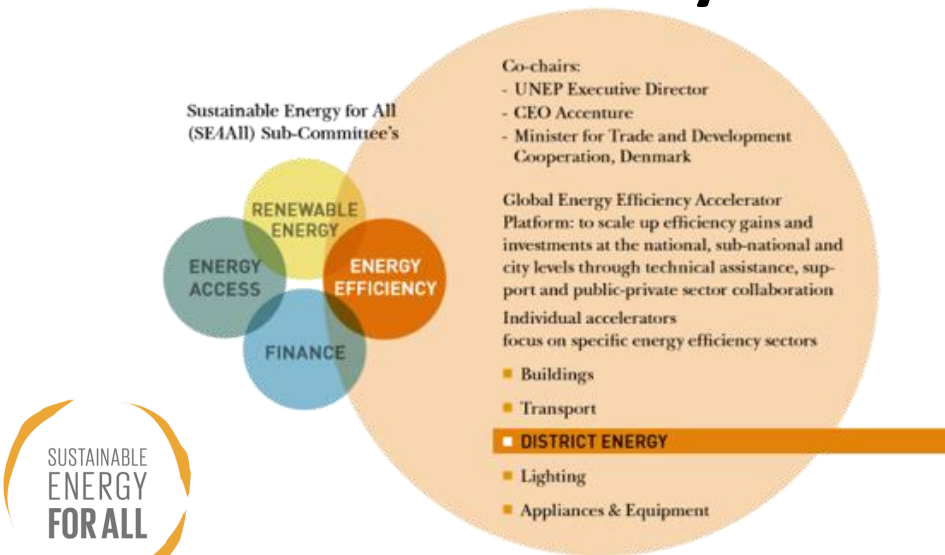


District cooling for higher energy efficiency in regional level

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ENSURING
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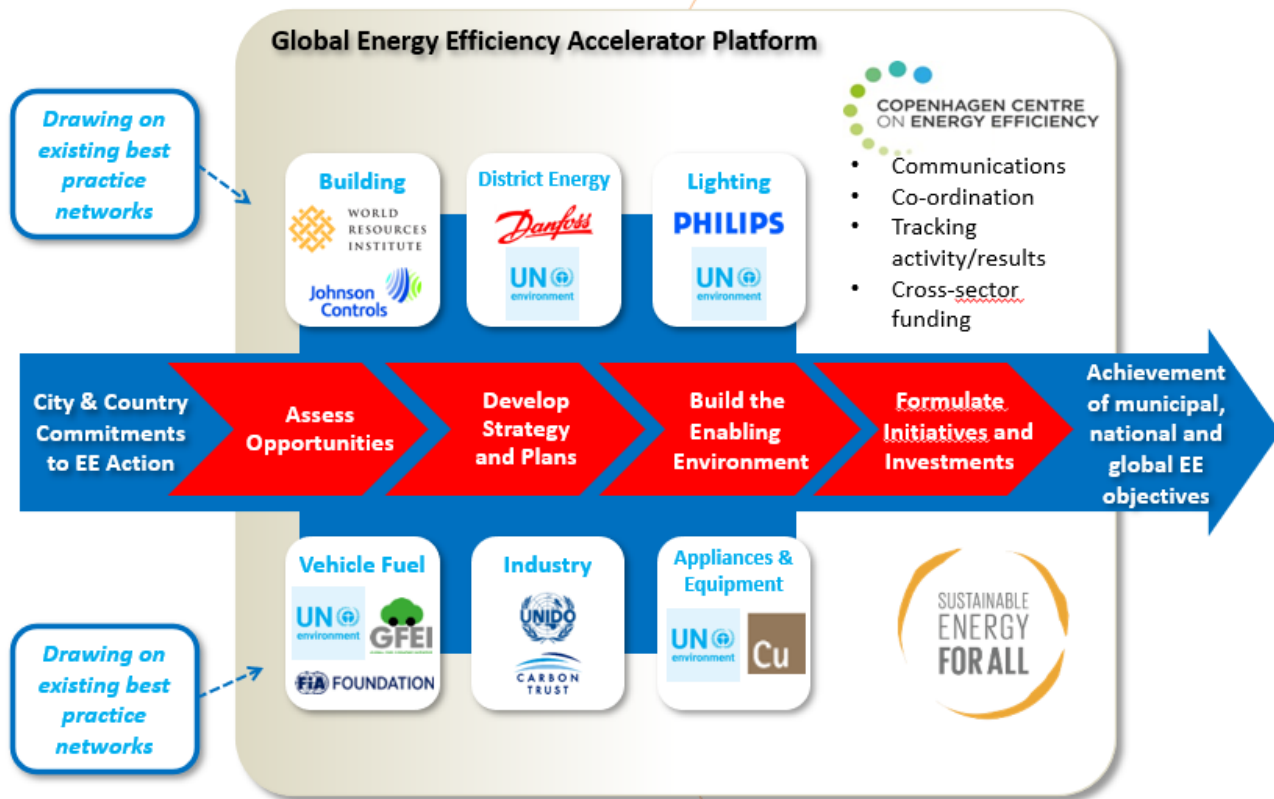
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What are the challenges for efficient cooling?



Lack of local capacity



Lack of data



Design investable or bankable projects



Bridging the gap between the regulatory level and ground level



Long-term support to local authorities

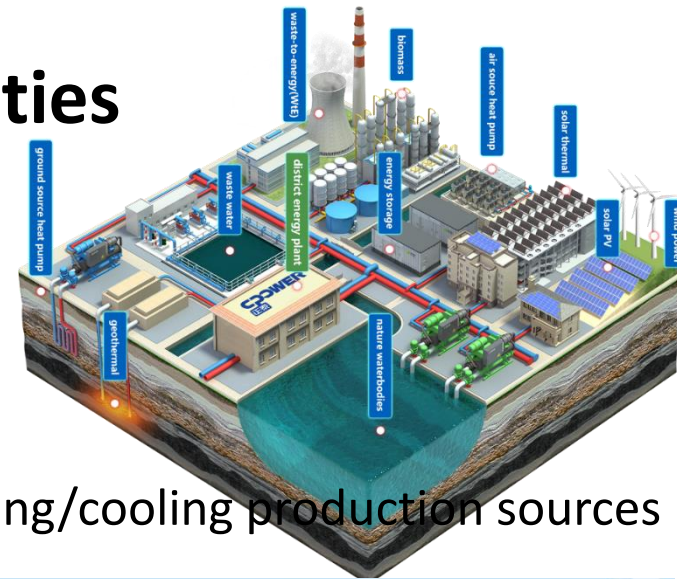
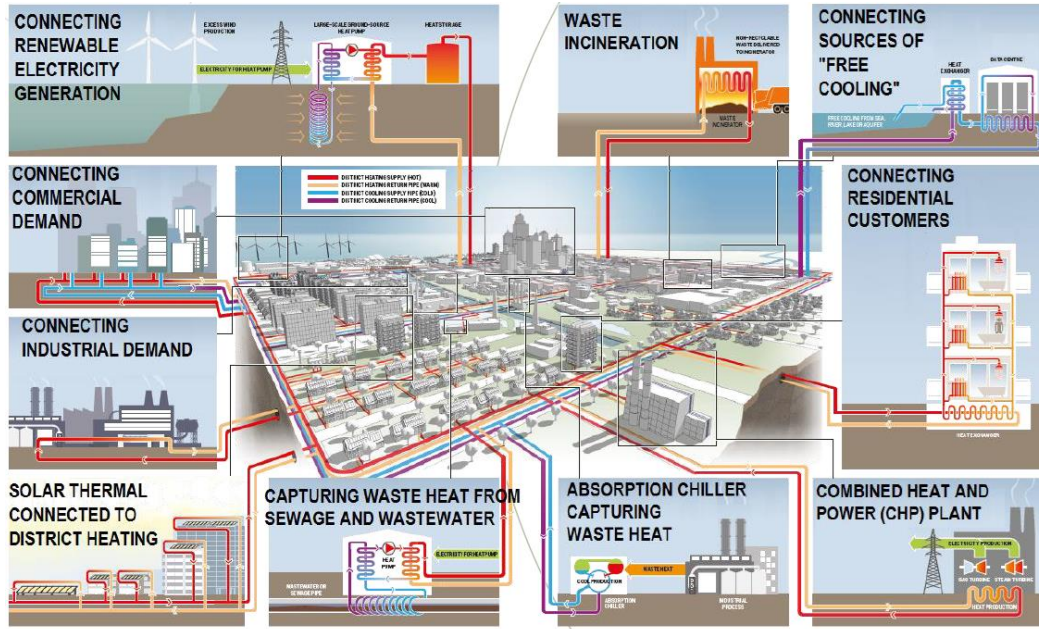


Communication and awareness raising



Standardisation and transferability

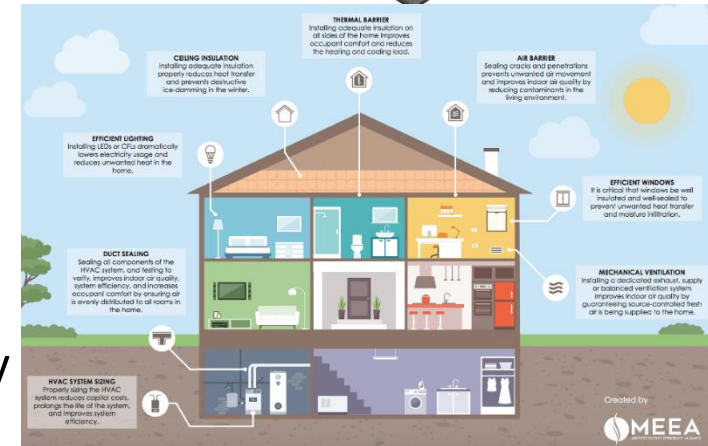
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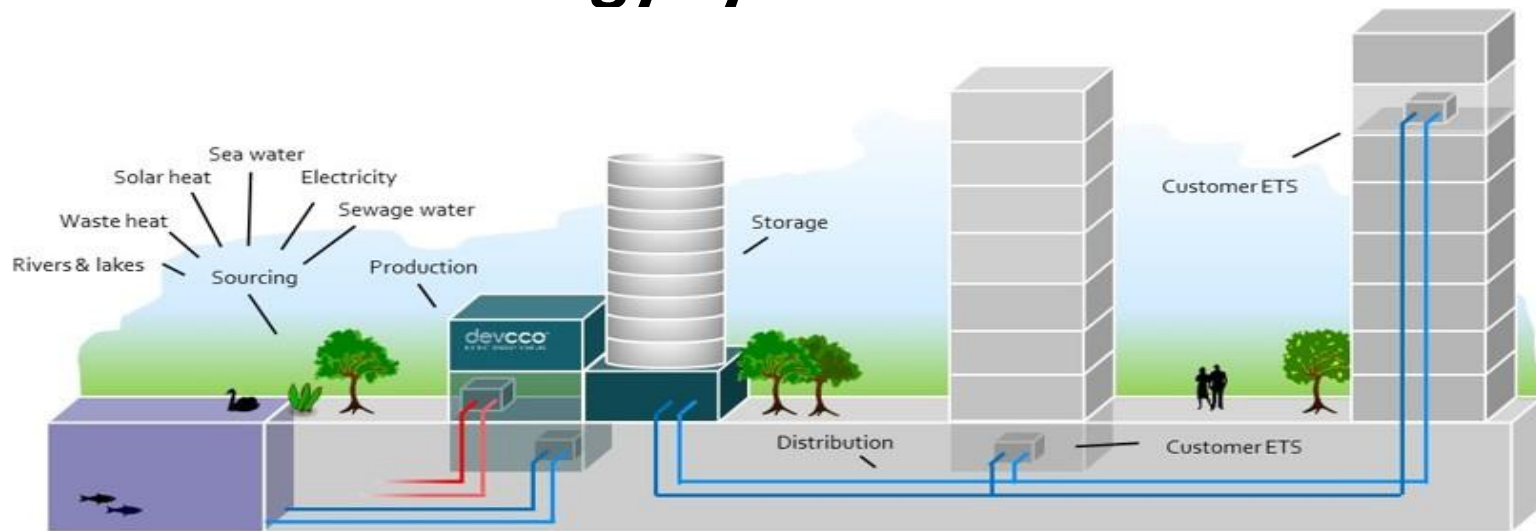
Heating/cooling production sources

District energy systems for heating & cooling

Building energy system



Introduction: Energy systems in cities



District energy aims to use local energy sources that otherwise would be wasted or not used, in order to offer for the local market a competitive and high-energy-efficient alternative to the traditional heating and/or cooling solutions.

District heating and cooling projects implementation

- Working in over 62 cities of 25 developing countries and emerging economics since 2016.
- The purpose of our work is to unlock investments from private sector for district energy systems through pilot projects/demonstrations.

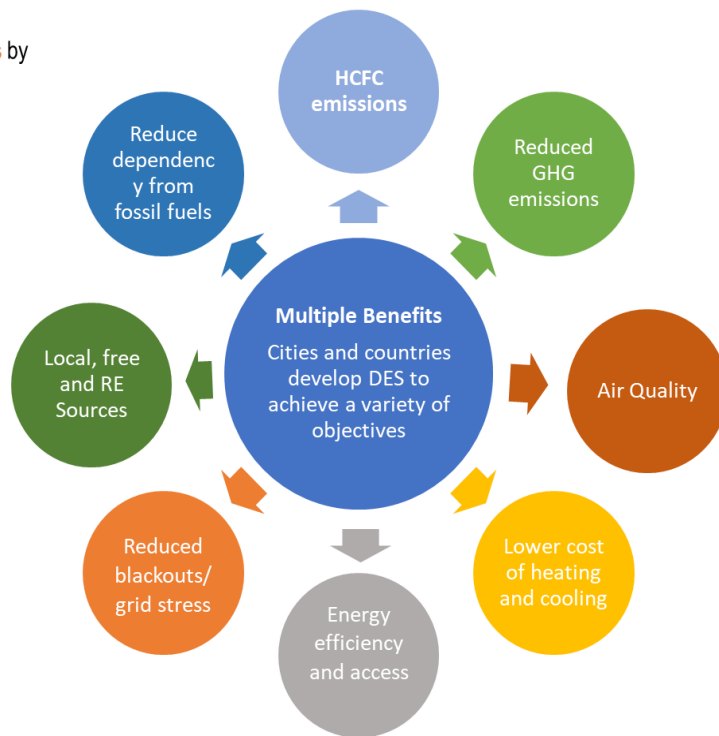


Multiple benefits of district cooling for cities

DH can help **reduce gas imports** by switching to readily available sources: heat pumps, surplus energy, biomass, solar....

Cities like **Toronto** or **Paris** use free cooling from rivers and lakes for cooling supply

Dubai, UAE shifts peak electricity demand with cold storage lowering power transmission investment



Denmark, has achieved a 20% reduction in CO₂ through district energy that integrates renewables

Improving cities air quality and reducing PM_{2.5} emissions is the main driver for district energy in **Chile**

Qatar, to produce 1 TR hour DC consumes 55% less electricity than individual window units and 47% less than air-cooled chillers (source: Kahramaa)

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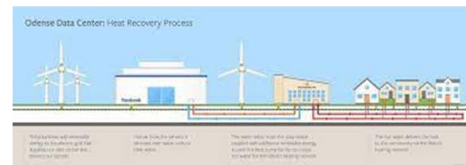
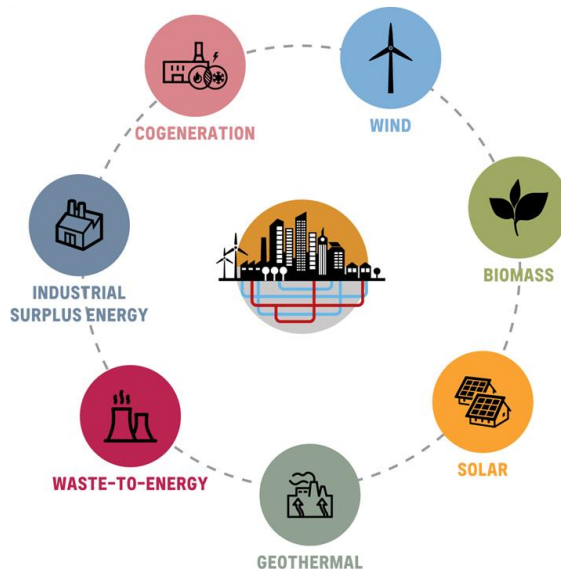
District energy systems are an important part of heating and cooling sector decarbonisation, as they allow for the integration of flexible and clean energy sources into the energy mix, which could be challenging at the individual building level in urban dense areas.



Toronto Deep Lake District Cooling(Canada)



Waste to energy Issy les Moulineaux(France)



Waste Heat recovery from Facebook Data Center in Odensee (Denmark)



Geothermal DH plant Gentilly(France)

District cooling VS. other cooling technologies

- Higher energy efficiency than conventional cooling technologies

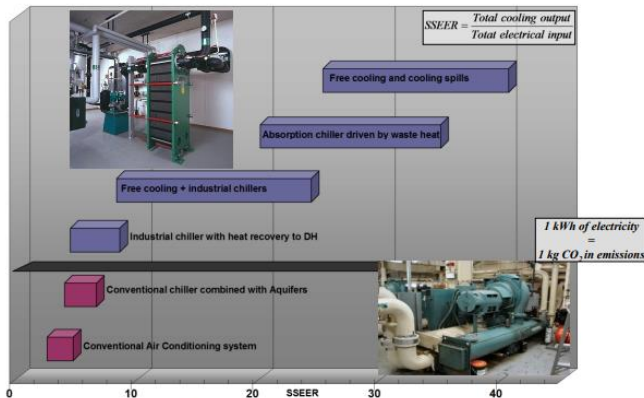


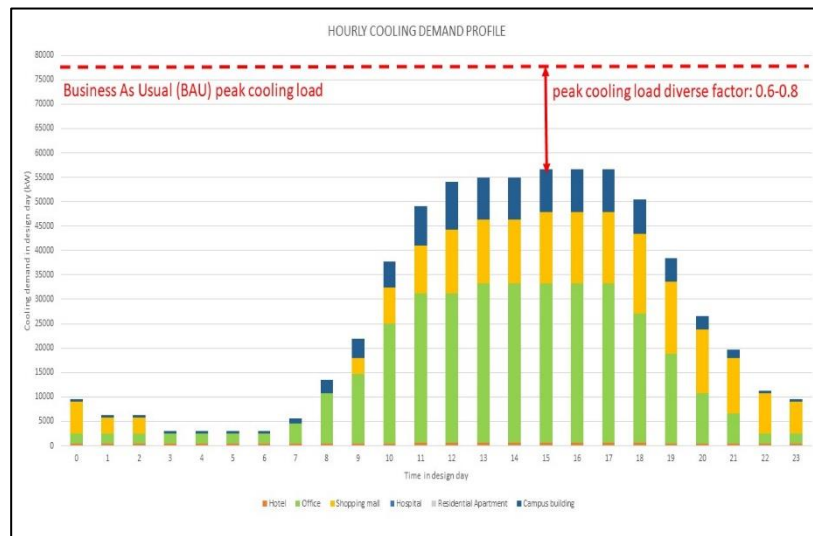
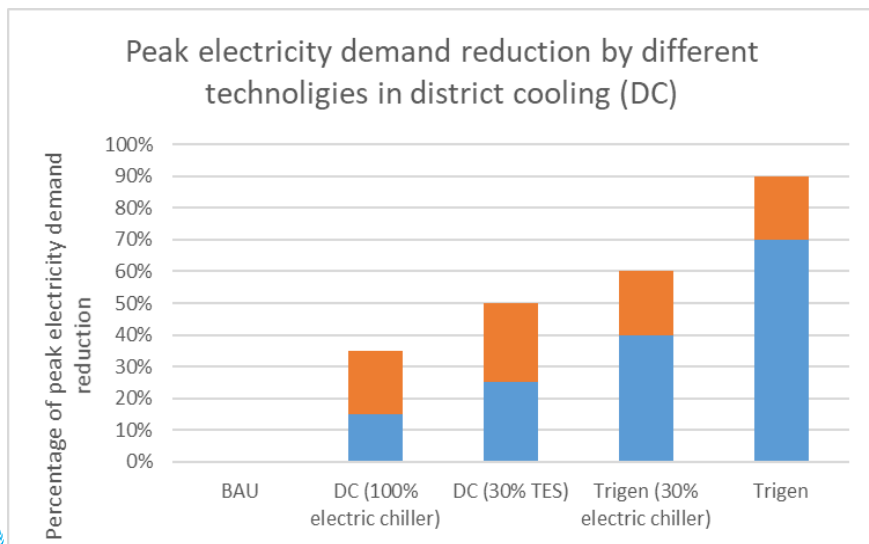
Figure: Comparison in COP for various production systems

Cooling system type	Primary Energy Efficiency	Peak load shifting factor-Electricity
Split AC, VRF/VRV	25%-30%	0
Conventional Central (water-cooled elec. chiller+ FC/AHU)	20%-30%	10%-15%
Conventional Central (air-cooled elec. chiller+ FC/AHU)	15%-30%	10%-15%
District cooling (all elec. chiller)	25%-30%	15%-25%
District cooling (free cooling+elec. chiller)	30%-60%	30%-50%
Tri generation (electricity, district heating, district cooling, domestic hot water)	60%-80%	30%-50%
Tri generation (30%TES)	55%-75%	40%-60%

*Assumption: Grid electricity PEF=35%, cooling factor=0.15, heating factor=0.2, electricity=0.5, all equipment reaches A-level under Energy Star or ASHRAE/ASME

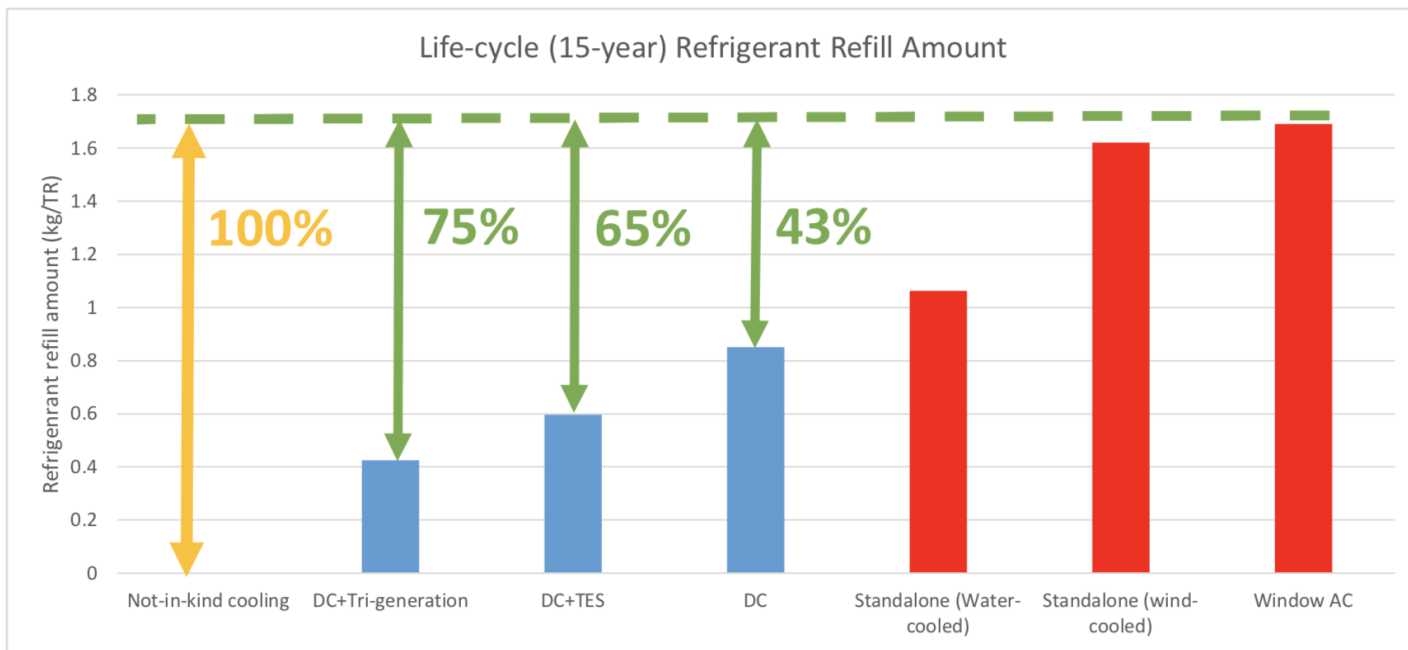
District cooling VS. other cooling technologies

- Peak electricity load shifting
- Cooling load reduction to save total investment in the district



District cooling VS. other cooling technologies

- Refrigeration phasing out



District cooling VS. other cooling technologies

- Better indoor environment and air quality

		DC+Central End (FC, AHU)	Conventional Central (FC, AHU)	Split AC	VRF/VRV
Indoor Environment Parameters	Temperature				
	Humidity			Not humidify, but dehumidify	
	Wind speed				
	Fresh Air ratio				
Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)	VOC (CO, CO2)				
	PM10, PM2.5				



Thank you very much!

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