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## **CO<sub>2</sub> Heating Solution**

ECONORDIC first multiservice heat pump using a natural refrigerant

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**Founded in  
1943**

**17,000  
associates**  
including joint-ventures

**¥306,984 M  
€2.1 bn**  
annual sales

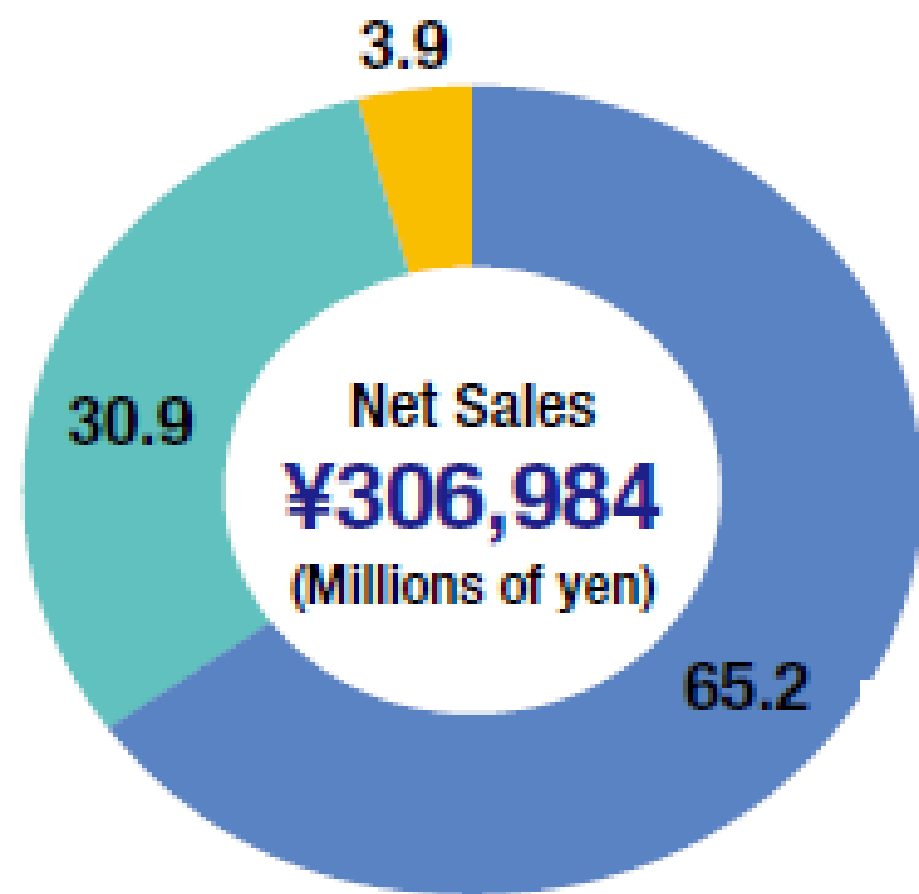
**54 locations  
23 countries**

**60%**  
share of sales outside of  
Japan

**Global No 2  
25% market share**  
automotive air-  
conditioning  
compressors

**Global No 1  
30% market share**  
in vending

**1 out of 7**  
most sustainable plants  
in the world  
recognized by OECD



CO<sub>2</sub> condensing units and heat pumps

- Automotive Systems Business Group
- Commercial Store Systems Business Group
- Eco Systems and Other Business Group

Founded in 1974  
(Finn Martinsen AS)  
Family owned  
company

260 employees

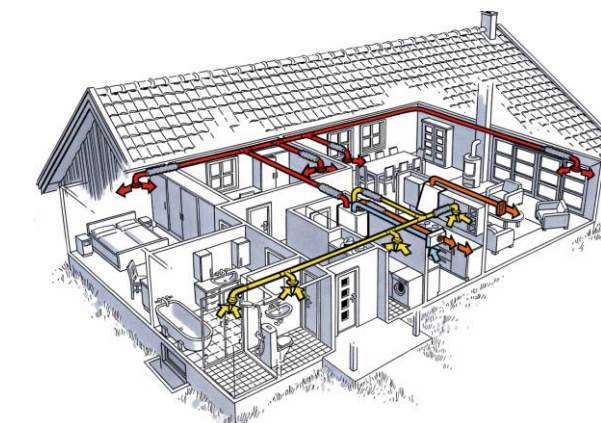
Turnover  
60 M€

Head office in Örje,  
Norway:

- Project design
- Product development
- Marketing
- Customer service NO
- Financial
- Warehouse (NO)
- Production (ducts)
- Technical service

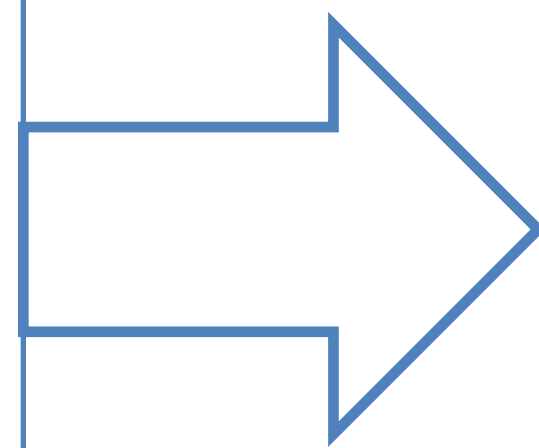
Töcksfors, Sweden:

- Production
- Warehouse (SE + Exp.)
- Product development
- Purchase
- Laboratory
- Show room
- Conference rooms
- Customer service SE



- **Primary market:** Norway, Sweden, Finland and Denmark
- **Export** through distributors in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Holland and Slovenia.

**The70's**  
Simple  
wall valves and  
natural  
ventilation



**2020**  
NZE houses

# Project Background

- More strict Thermal Regulations in Europe for high efficiency houses
- Space heating demand reduction in new building
- Domestic hot water becoming main energy consumer
- High Ventilation efficiency and heat recovery required
- Limitations of HFC refrigerants : F-Gas, Kigali, Taxes, etc.

**Example:** Climate zone Oslo, 2-floor passive house, 200m<sup>2</sup>. (Source Sintef)

Summed energy needs 1 yr [kWh]

Space heating (SH)	Ventilation heating (VH)	Domestic hot water (DHW)	Total
1902	413	8091	10406

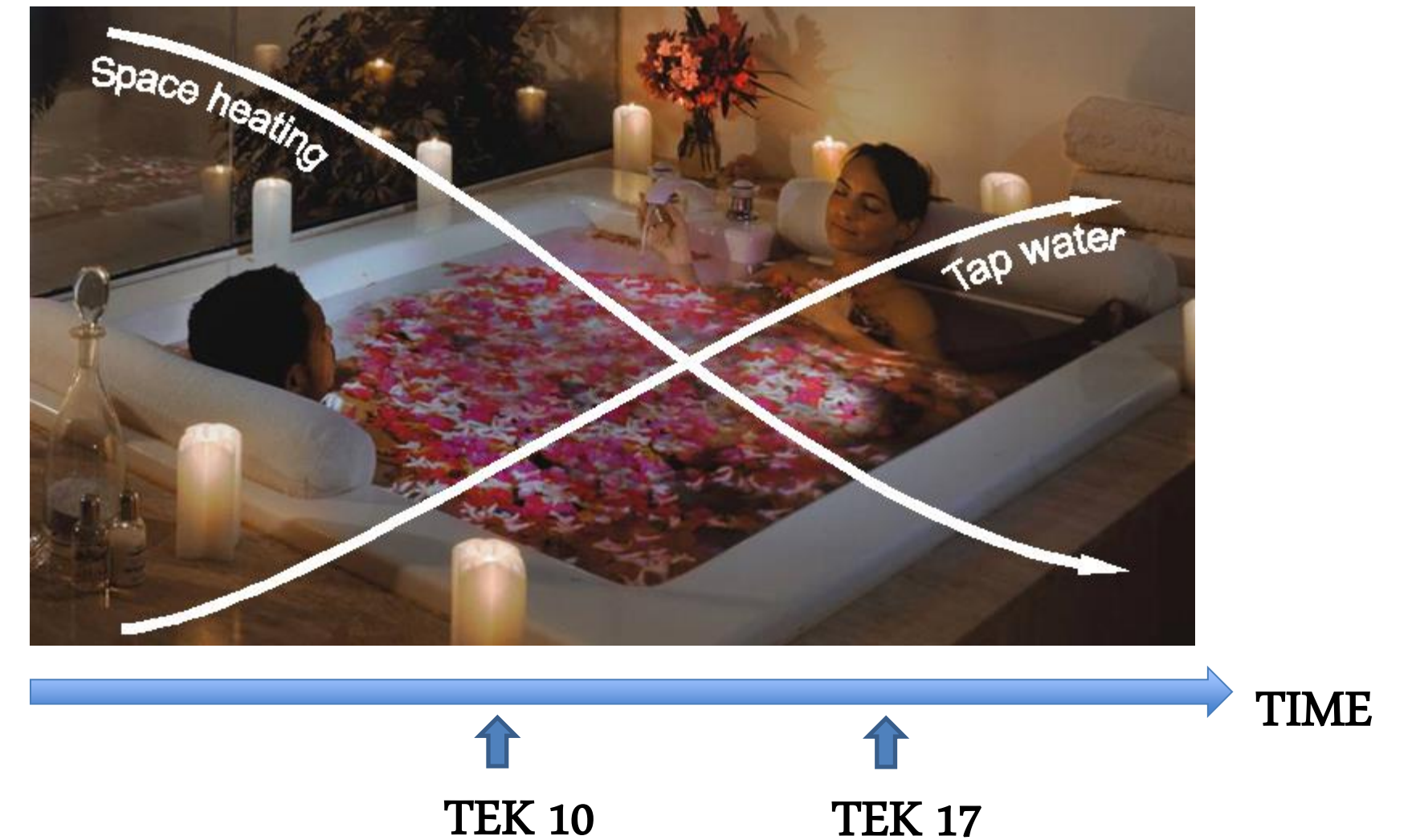
Simultaneity / operating modes [h]

	Space heating	Ventilation heating	Domestic hot water	
Standby				3302
SH	26			26
VH		963		963
DHW			1851	1851
SH+VH	1330	1330		1330
VH+DHW		352	352	352
SH+DHW	9		9	9
SH+VH+DHW	927	927	927	927
	2292	3572	3139	8760

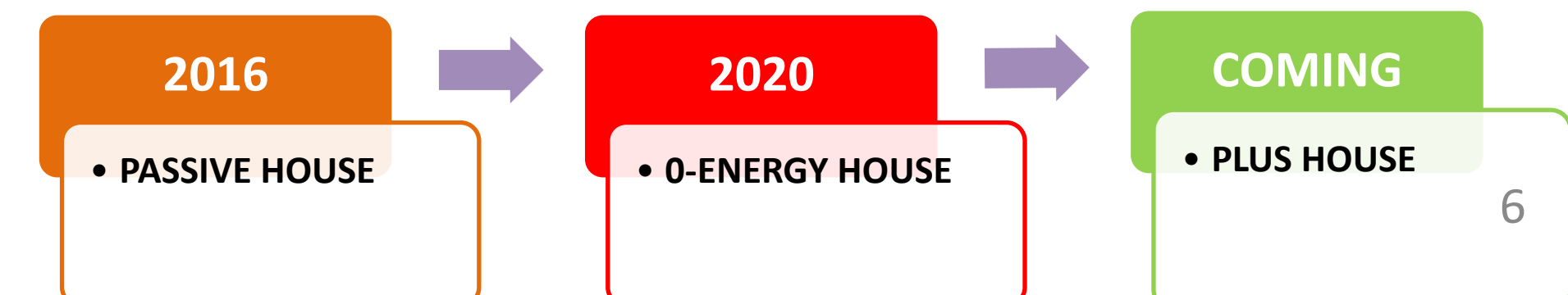
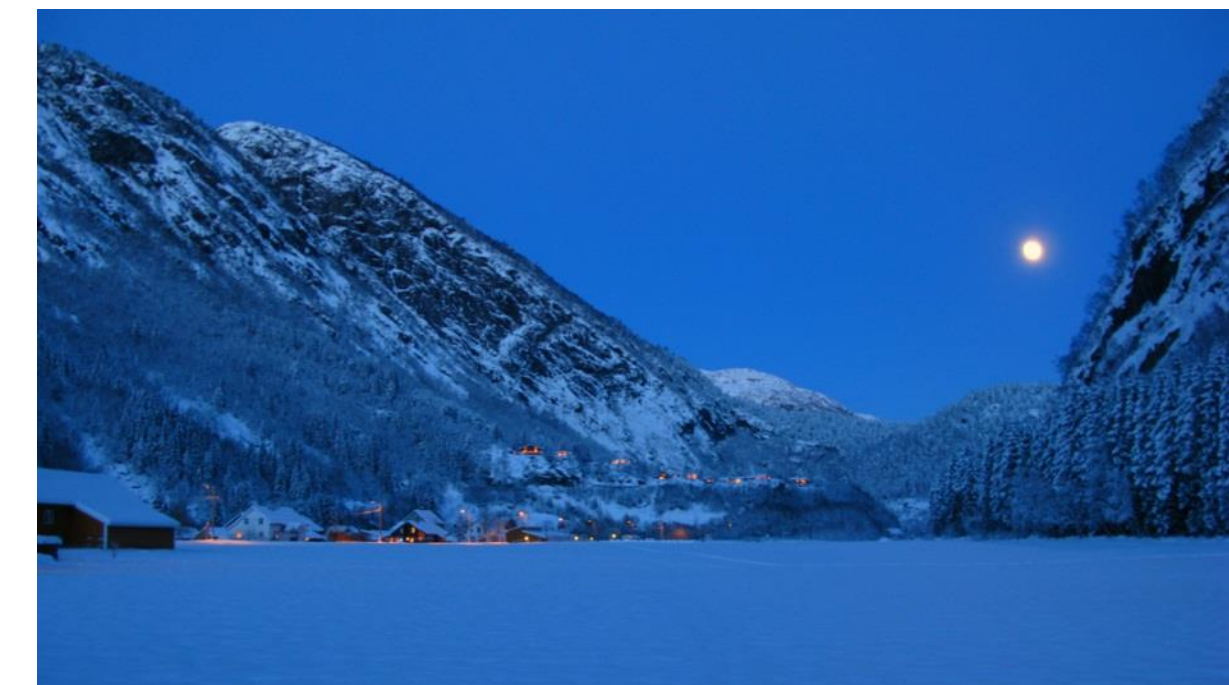
Peak power [W]

Space heating	Ventilation heating	Domestic hot water
4275	477	3500

## Decreased SH needs



## Future buildings will require lower energy need

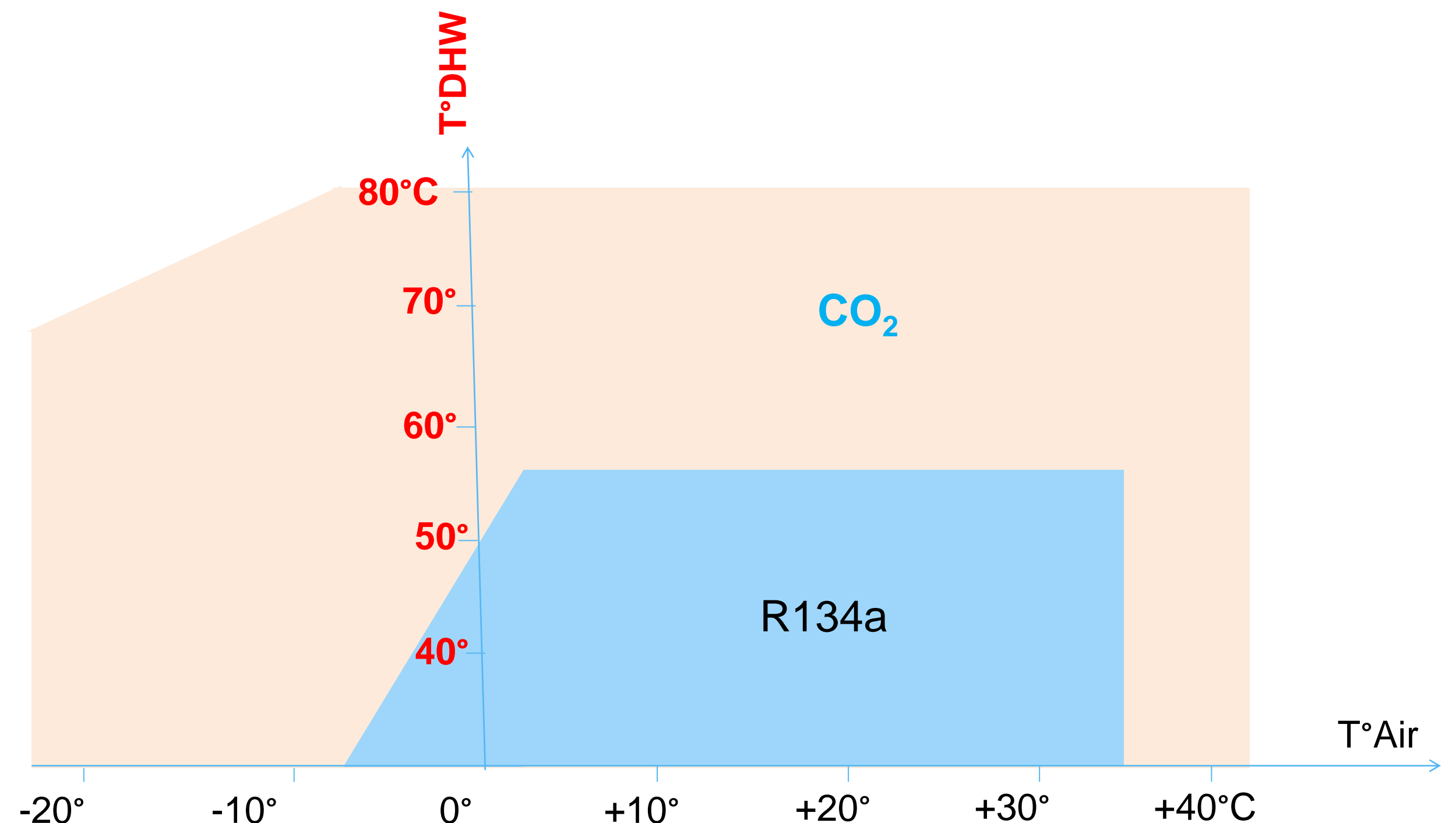


# Project Background

- FLEXIT strategy : A new product with integrated ventilation, domestic hot water and space heating for domestic houses and villas
- The focus: passive & low energy domestic houses below 200m<sup>2</sup>
- CO<sub>2</sub> Heat Pumps have the highest efficiency for DHW preparation in wide range of conditions
- Project partners: FLEXIT as a ventilation leader and SANDEN as CO<sub>2</sub> technology provider


## Strong points of CO<sub>2</sub> in DHW production

- High water temperature
- Quick availability of DHW
- Large operating range without electrical heater
- Compactness (CO<sub>2</sub> has higher density enabling smaller size of components)
- Quick defrosting
- Impressive high COP for DHW



# Project Background

## Benefits of adopting CO<sub>2</sub> refrigerant

	R-410A	R-407C	Hydrocarbons (eg. R290)	CO <sub>2</sub> (R744)
<b>Type</b>	☹️ <b>HFC</b> (synthetic)	☹️ <b>HFC</b> (synthetic)	Natural	Natural
<b>ODP</b> Ozone depleting potential	0	0	0	0
<b>GWP</b> Global warming potential	☹️ <b>2100</b>	☹️ <b>1800</b>	3	1
<b>Toxicity</b>	Non toxic	Non toxic	Non toxic	Non toxic
<b>Flammability</b>	Non flammable	Non flammable	☹️ <b>Flammable</b>	Non flammable
<b>Regulation</b>	☹️ <b>Being phased-out</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kigali agreement plans progressive phase-out</li> <li>• Europe F-Gas regulation</li> </ul>		☹️ <b>Safety restrictions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charge limit</li> <li>• Not accepted in some applications</li> </ul>	Always compliant  

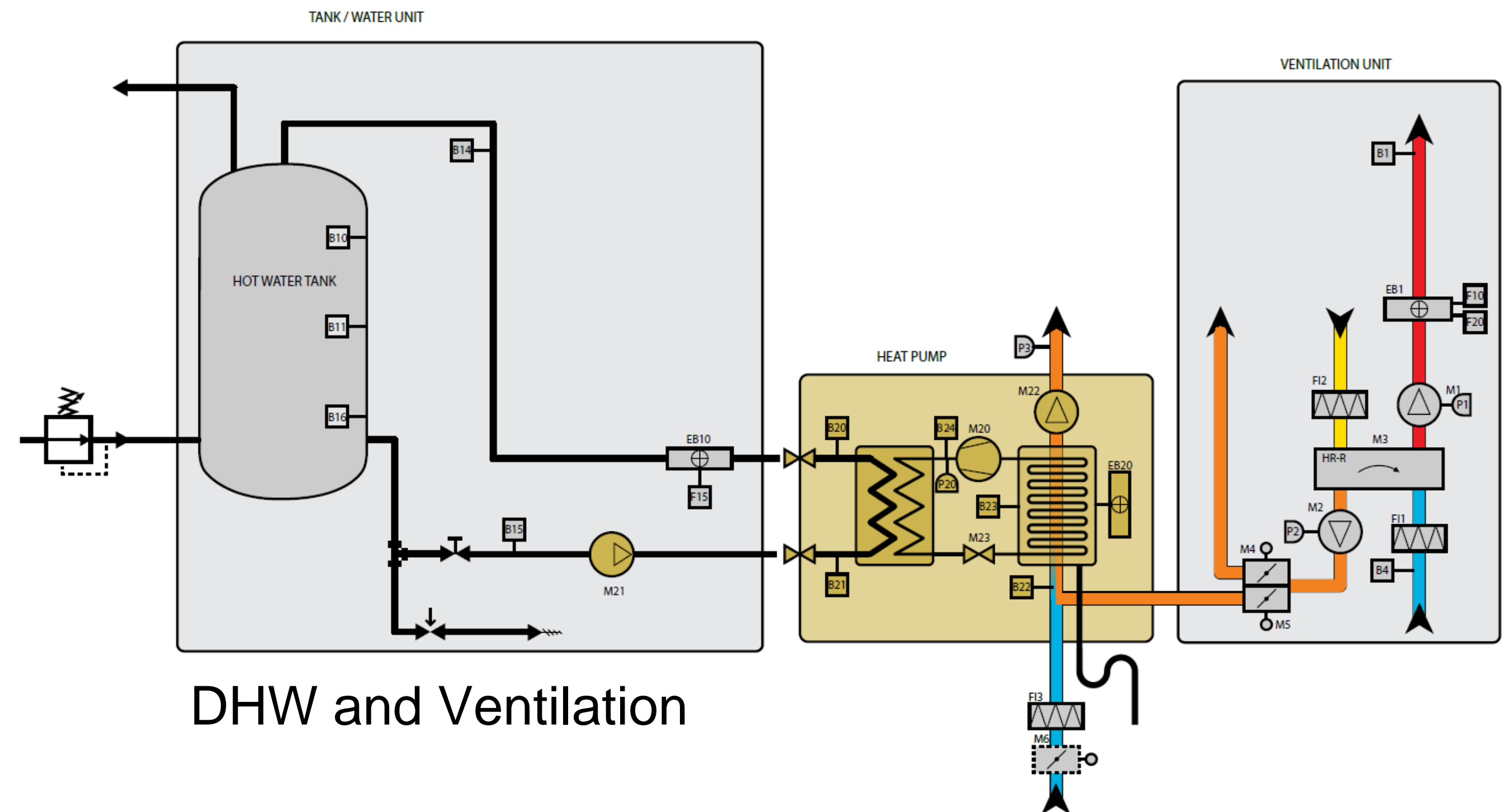
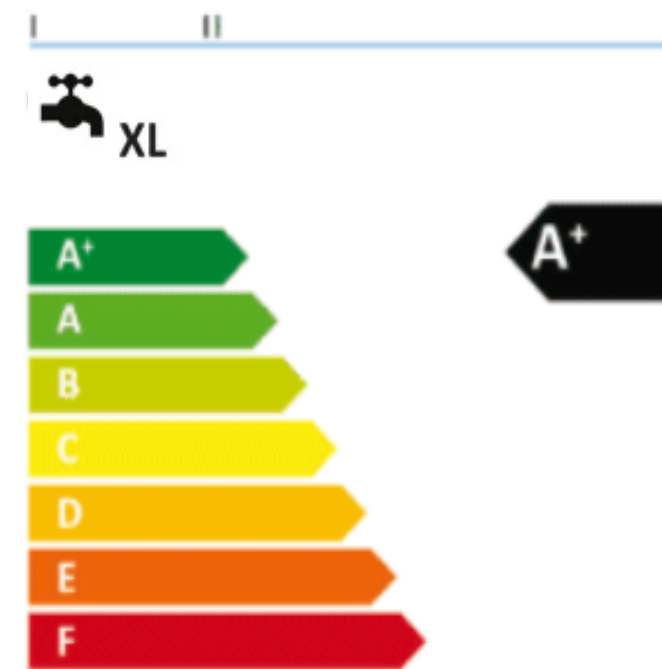
Reduce your carbon footprint with CO<sub>2</sub> technology and save energy.  
Ensure safety of staff and customers.



# ECORNORDIC Product Specifications

## COMPLETE ECONORDIC UNIT

- 60 cm standard width modules
- Modular for easier transport and installation
- Fully integrated control system
- Producing all needs simultaneously
- 2 different variants: DHW/Ventilation or DHW/SH/Ventilation
- Silent operation (below 50dBA)
- Short payback period 3 to 7 years in case of refurbishment

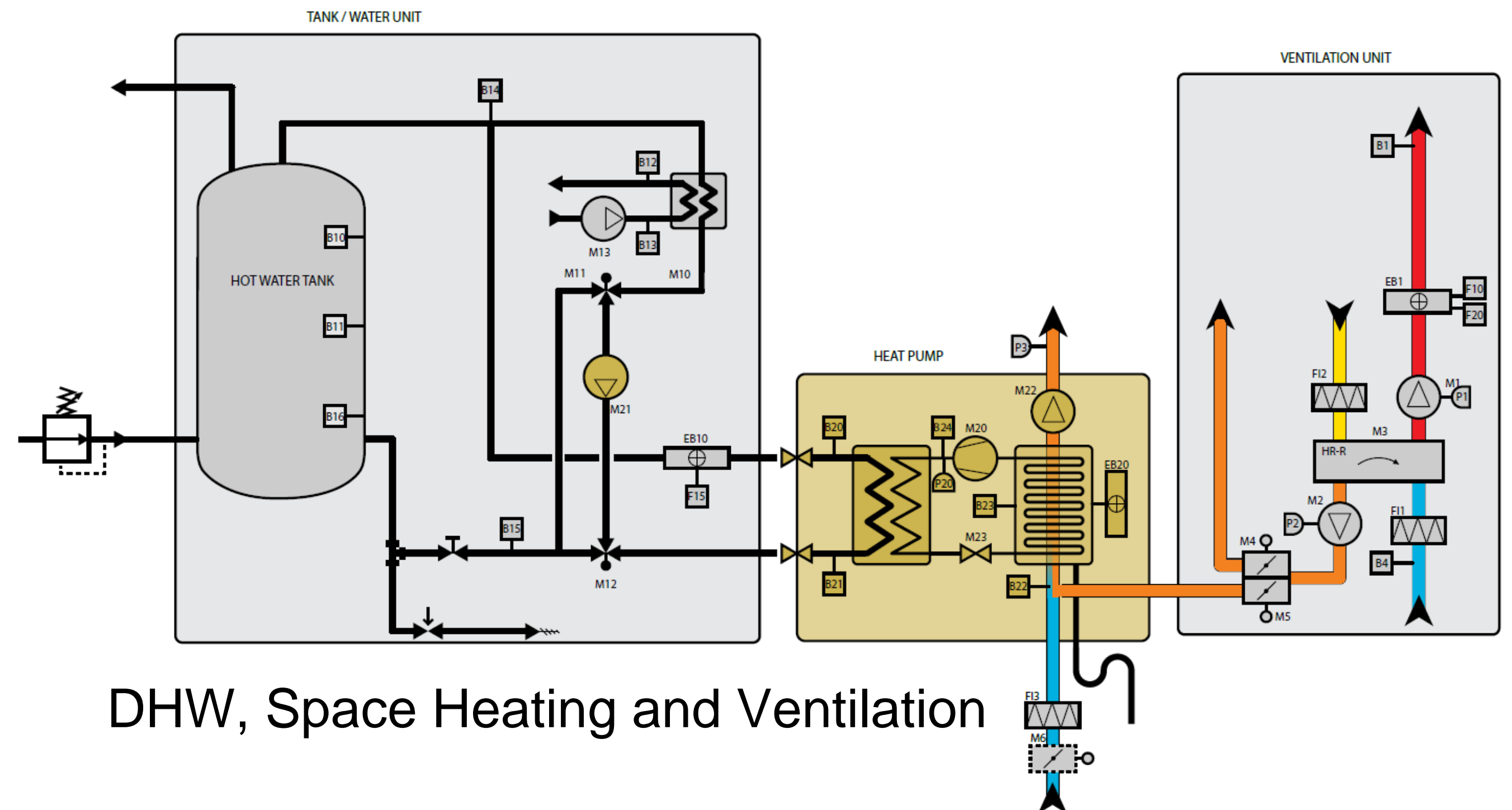
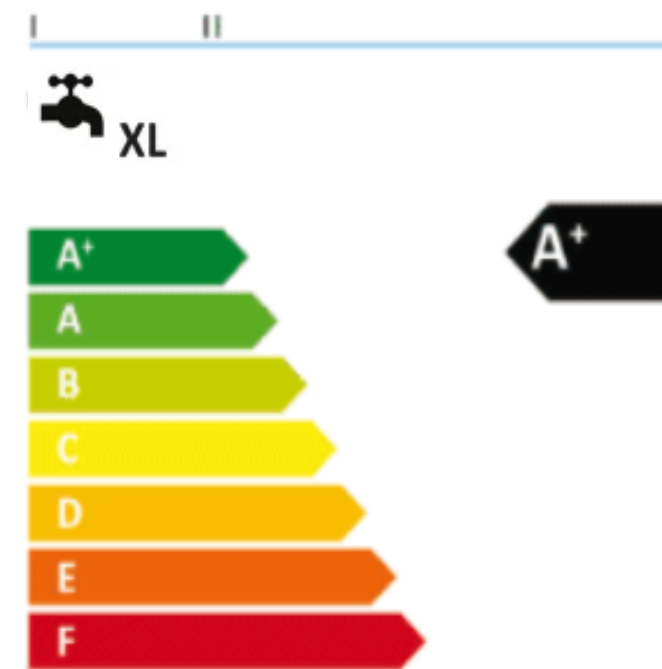


DHW and Ventilation

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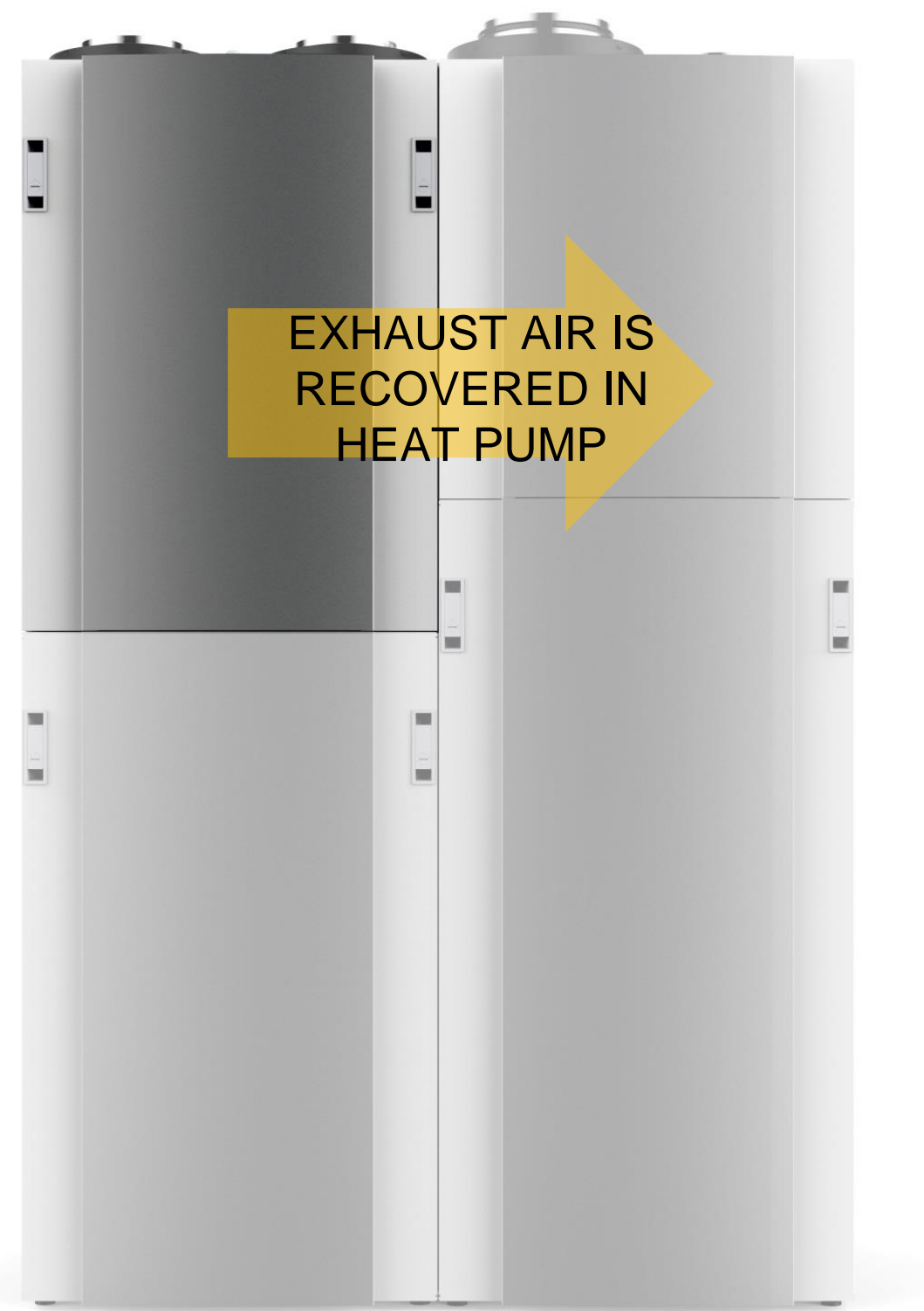
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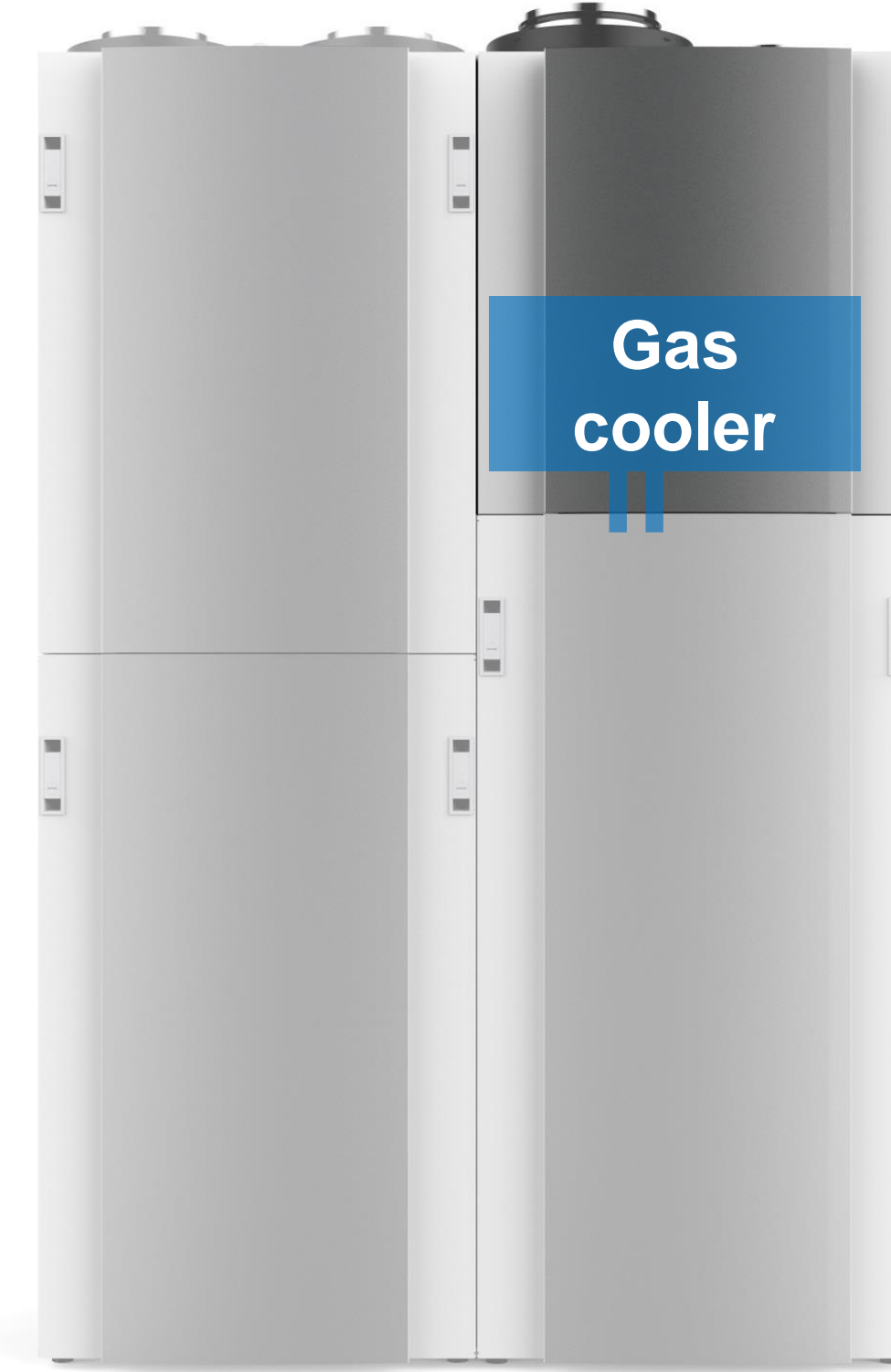
## VENTILATION MODULE

- Balanced ventilation up to 390 m<sup>3</sup>/h (max)
- Rotor heat exchanger for Nordic climate
- SFP 1.2
- F7 filter in/ out



## HEAT PUMP MODULE from SANDEN

- Natural refrigerant CO<sub>2</sub>
- Compressor – Inverter Scroll
- 65 °C without Electric backup
- Variable heat capacity: 2 to 4 kW
- Outdoor conditions for HP operation: -25°C to +43°C



# ECORNORDIC Product Specifications

## TANK MODULE

- Tank volume approx. 200 liters.
- Stainless steel
- Tap cycle XL
- Fresh water circuit
- Electric backup heater 3 kW
- Service friendly



## INSTALLATION MODULE

Free space for installations

Ex.

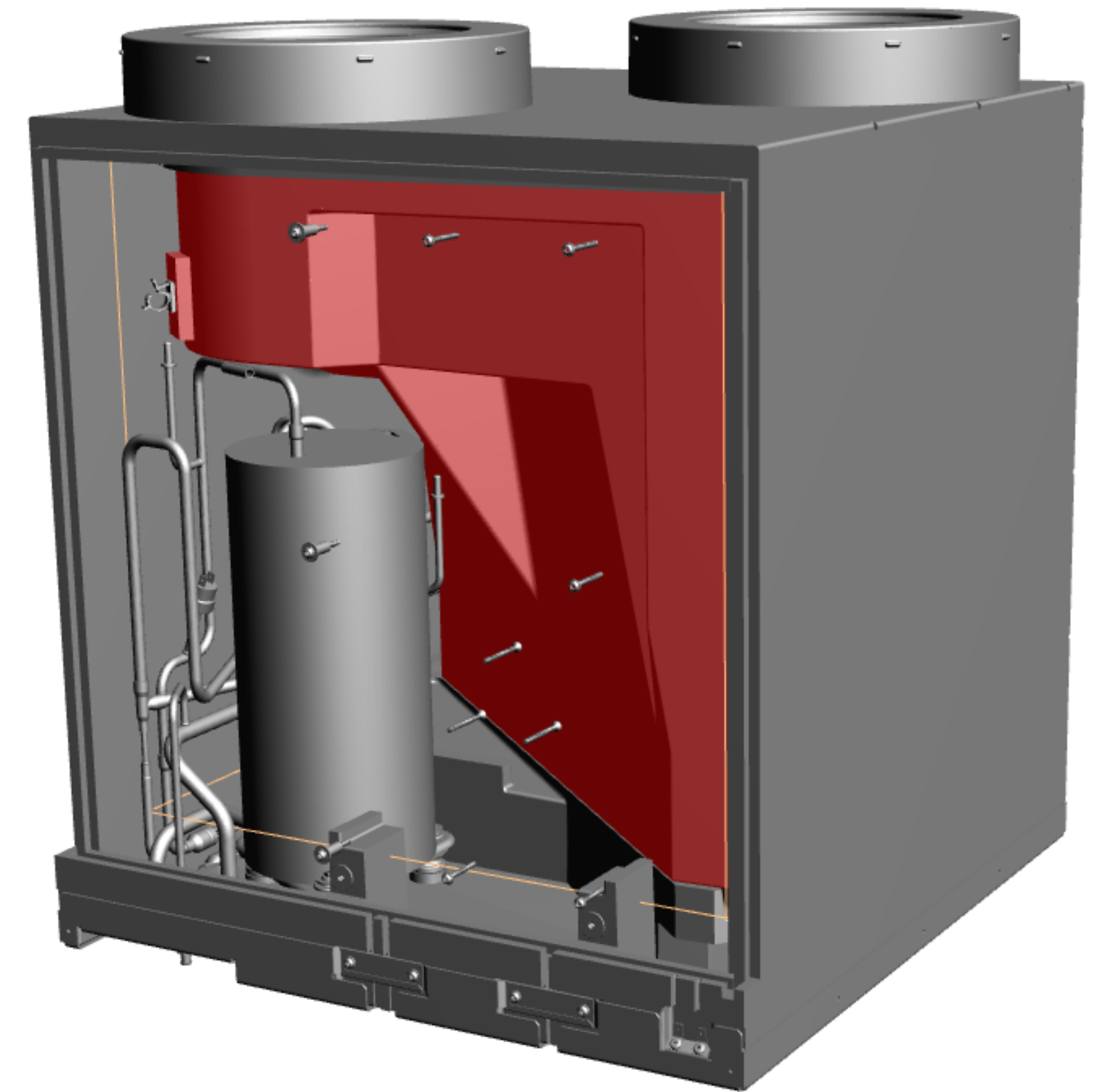
- Space heating distribution
- Expansion vessel
- Water inlet/outlet
- Accessories



# ECORNORDIC Tests Results

## Product Specifications main targets

- COP DHW 10/65°C @ +7°C (air) > 3,4
- Total heat recovery over 90 % (reuse exhaust air from AHU to HP)
  
- Heating capacity=3kW @ -25°C
- Heat capacity= 4kW @ -7°C
- HP Noise @ 1m = 46 dBA
- Air tightness checked

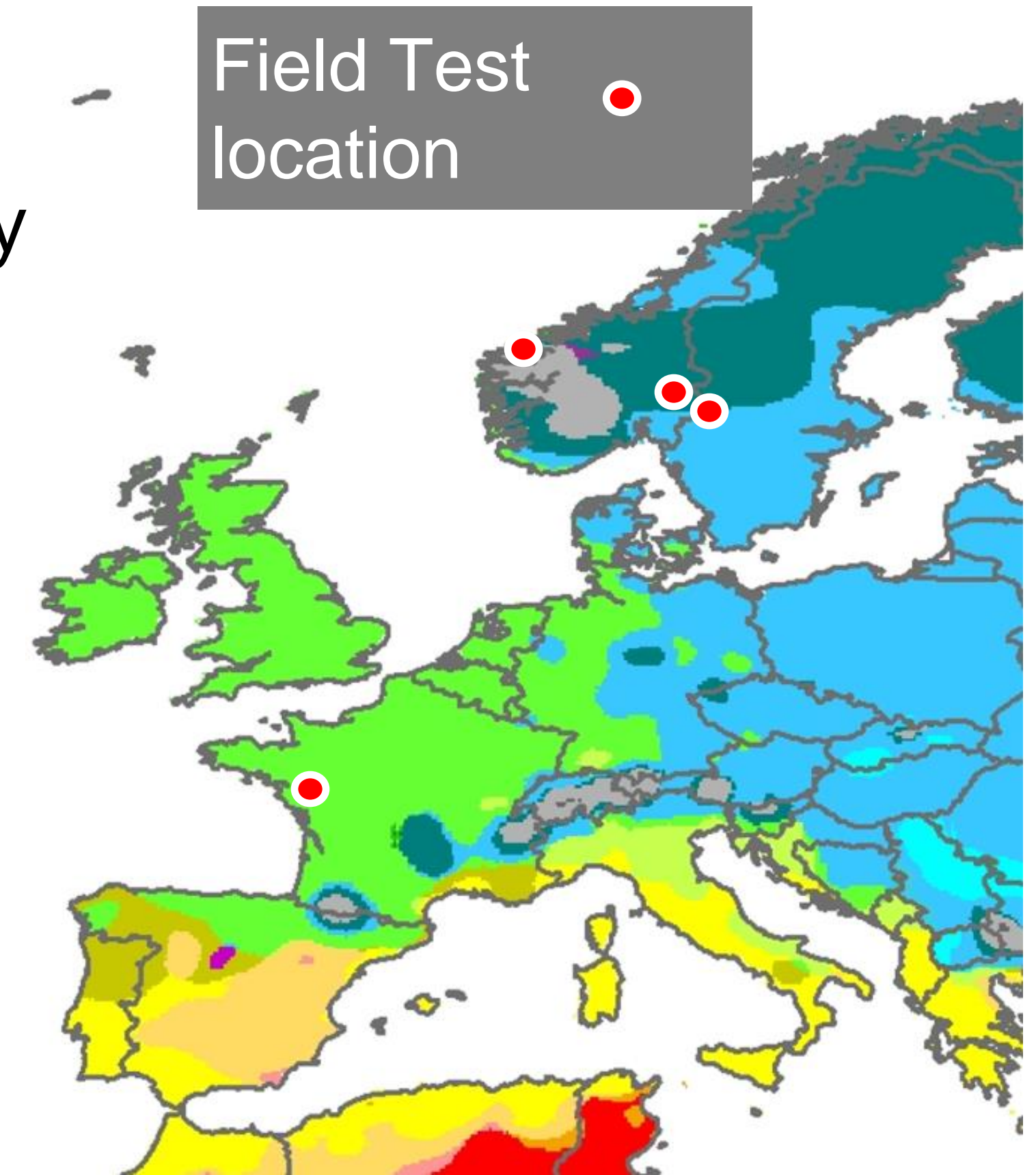


**The Heat Pump unit**

# First Installations and Field Tests

## FIELD TESTS

- Located in Norway, Sweden & France
- 3 units installed since 2014 (AquaEco 2) in Sweden and Norway
- 4 Econordic installed this year in field
- **More Econordics will be installed in field during this year**



Location	Min temp	Max temp	Average yearly temperature
Töcksfors (SE)	-19.0°C	26.1°C	6,5°C
Mysen (NO)	-24.7°C	27,6°C	5.9°C
Ålesund (NO)	-7°C	25.0°C	7.2°C
Nantes (FR)	2.3°C	27.0°C	11.7°C

*Temperature data for years 2016/2017*

# First Installations and Field Tests

## Example:

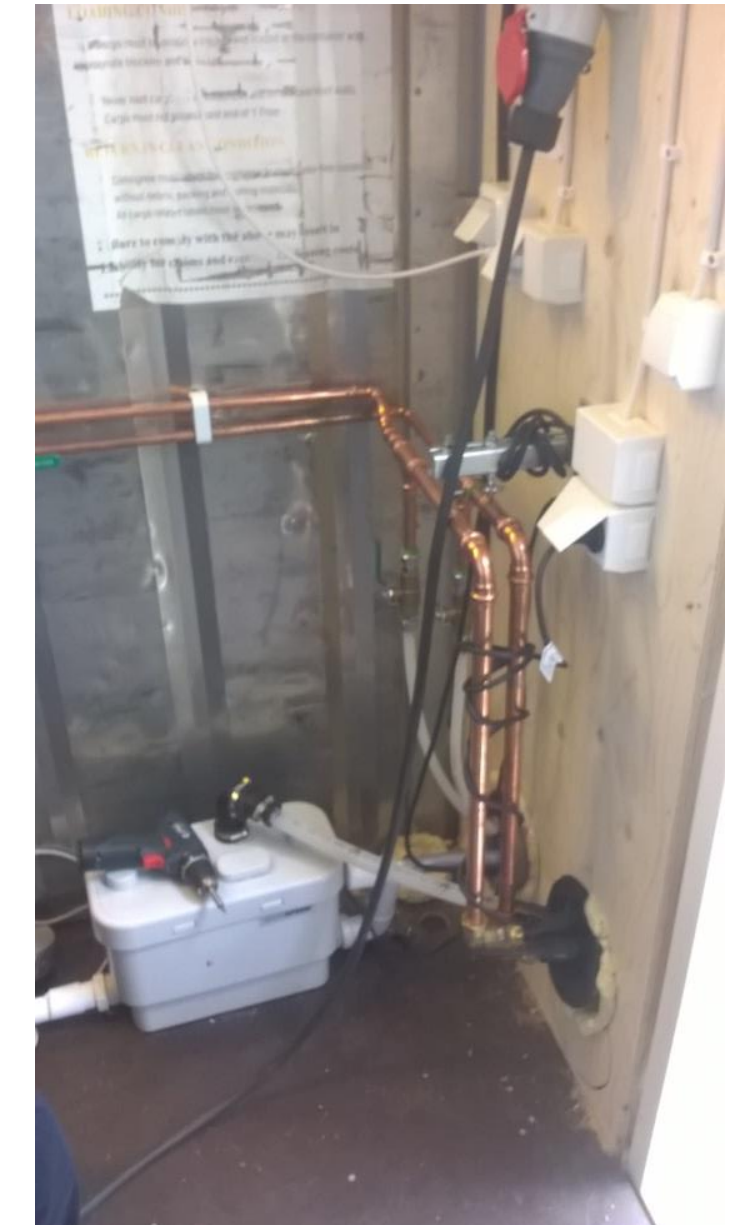
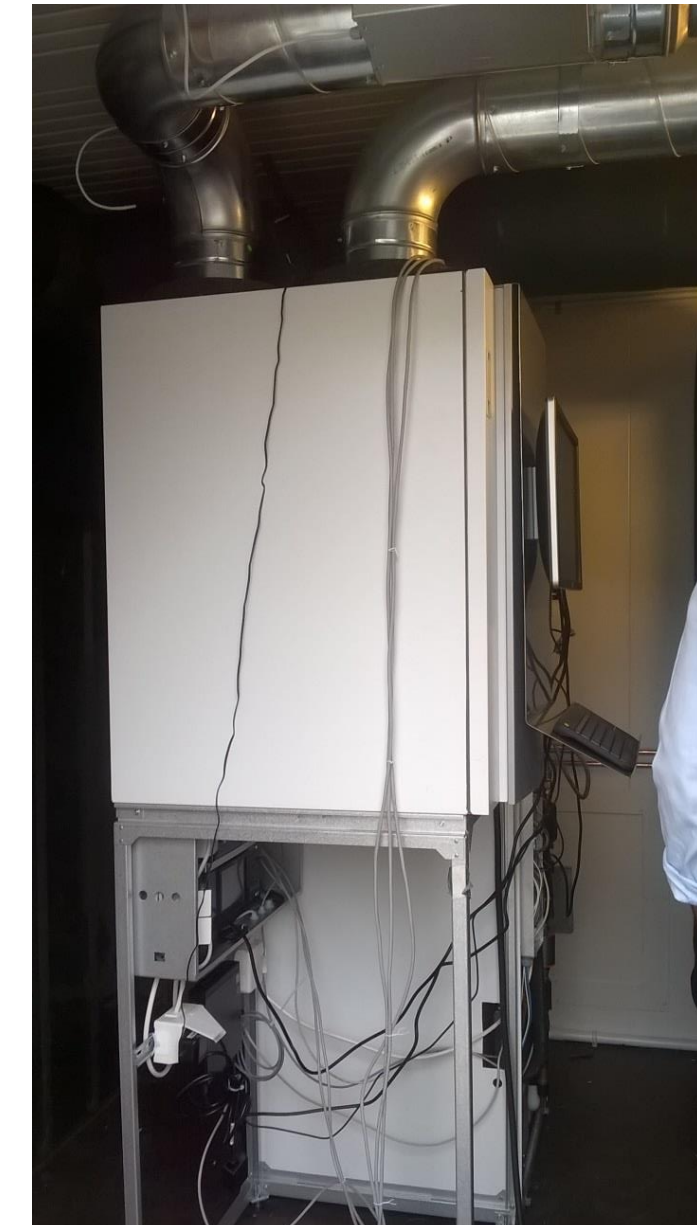
- Field Test installed in Mysen (Norway) since April 2017
- House 145m<sup>2</sup> (dual house)
- System installed in separated technical room (without frost)
- Flexit developed “Combi box” option to manage simply air inlet & outlet for the HP



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## Two containers installed to simulate extreme winter conditions

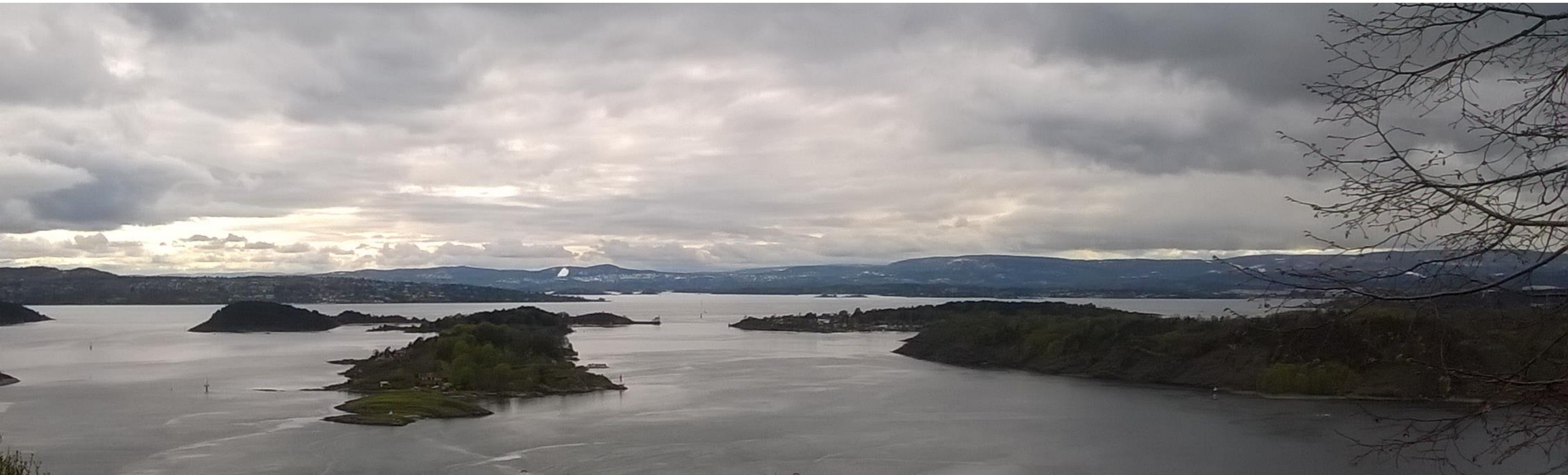
- Inside and outside temperatures
- Water pipes & air ducts network installed
- Outside temperature down to  $-30^{\circ}\text{C}$
- 2 Econordic installed inside





# Conclusions

- ECONORDIC is a green solution with integrated ventilation, hot water and space heating
- It uses CO<sub>2</sub> which is the only A1 natural refrigerant for such application.
- CO<sub>2</sub> Heat Pump is adapted to new houses where DHW is the main Energy consumption
- Field tests and first installations showing positive feedback in Norway, Sweden and France: Air Quality, Thermal Comfort, Quiet & Simple Operation
- Development is at final validation step & Product to be launched early 2018 !





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**Thank you very much!**

