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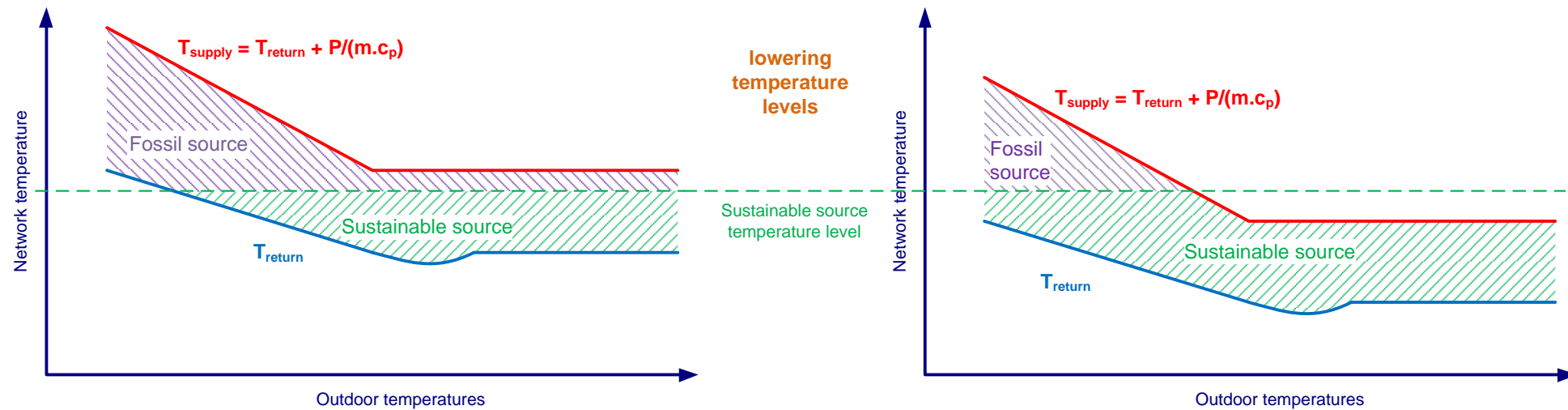


## TEMPO - Results of the first temperature reduction measures in the demo sites

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# Lower network temperatures



# Project Partners



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7	ENERPIPE GmbH	Enerpipe	Germany
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# Technological innovations

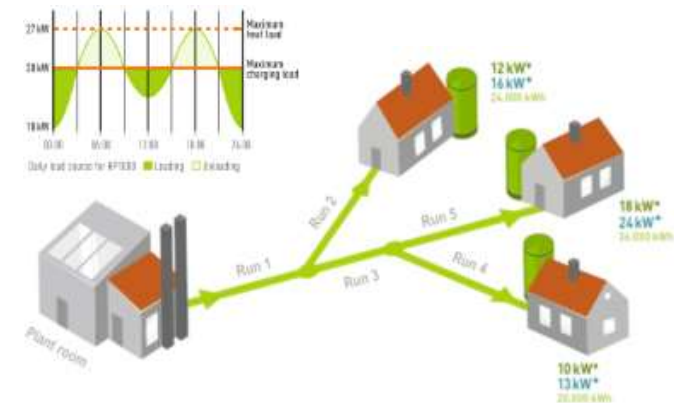
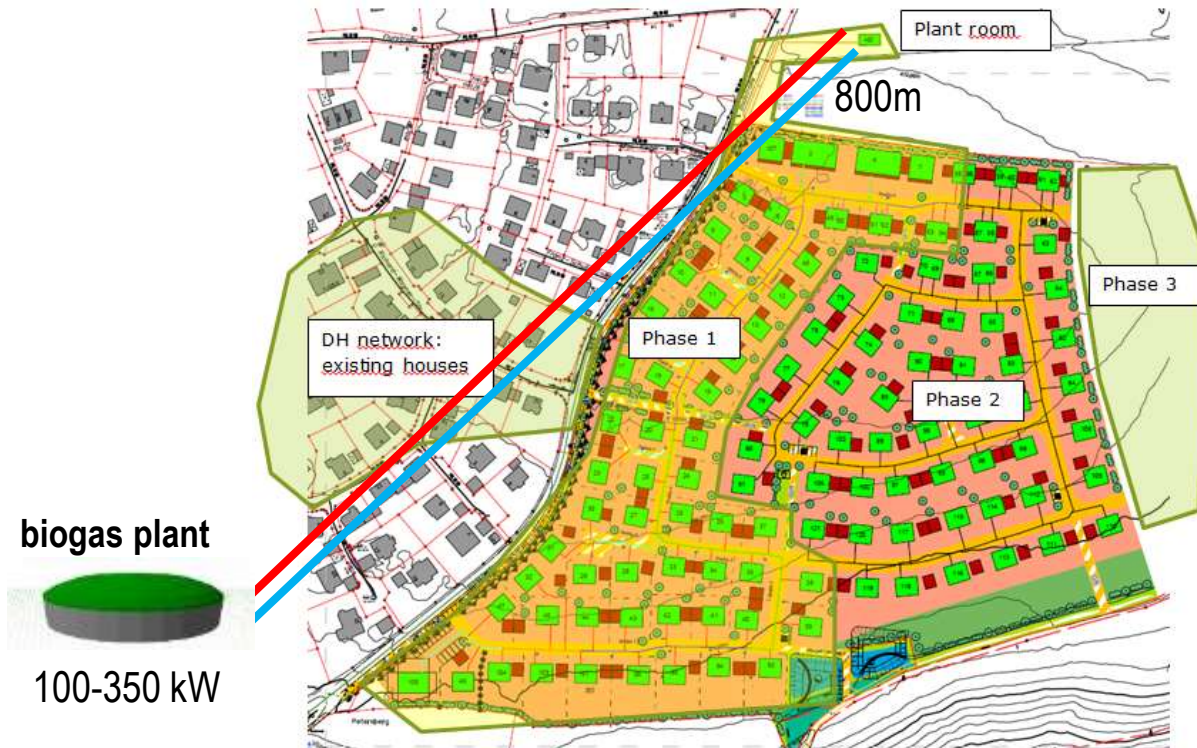


1. A supervision ICT platform for detection and diagnosis of faults in DH substations
2. Visualisation tools for expert and non-expert users
3. Smart DH network controller to balance supply and demand and minimise return temperature
4. Innovative piping system
5. Optimisation of the building installation
6. Decentralised buffers at the consumer side

# Demonstrator 1: new built LT network in rural area

- Operated by Enerpipe
- Windsbach, Germany

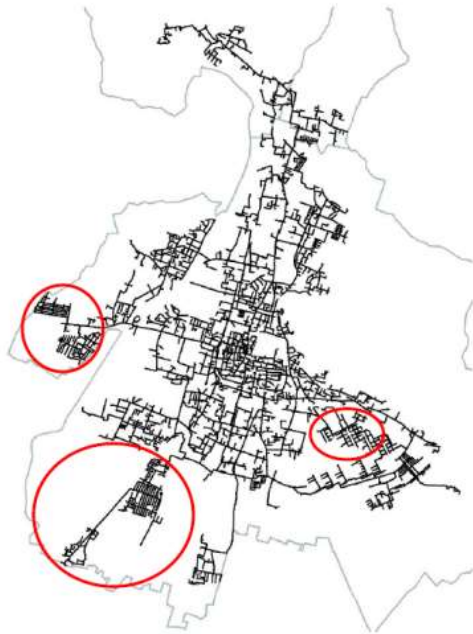
- New developing area for 100 homes, energy supply by DH network
- In phase 1: 50 houses are connected, phase 2: the remaining 50 houses
- TEMPO innovations:
  - Supervision ICT platform
  - Visualisation tools
  - Smart DHC controller
  - Decentralised buffers
  - Optimisation of building installation



# Demonstrator 2: existing HT network



- Operated by A2A
- Brescia, Italy

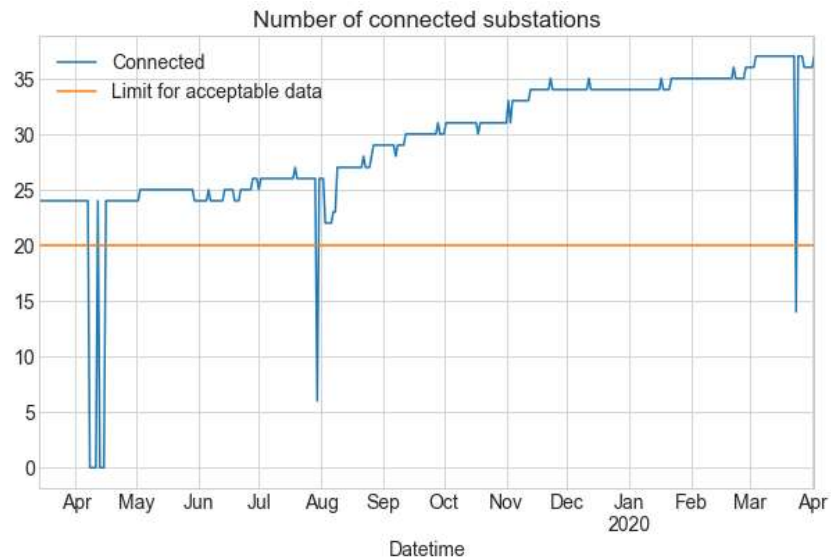


- Is it possible to decrease network temperatures in low heat density area's, through the TEMPO innovations?
- Main constraints: existing buildings, existing radiators/substations, small diameter house connection
- TEMPO innovations:
  - Supervision ICT platform
  - Visualisation tools
  - Smart DHC controller
  - Optimisation of building installation

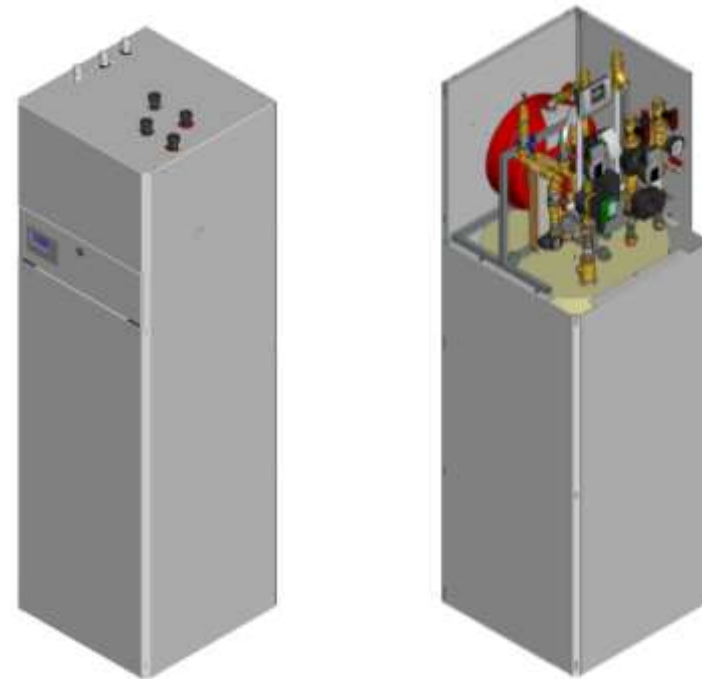
# Status of the Enerpipe demo



- Steady increase of the number of connections



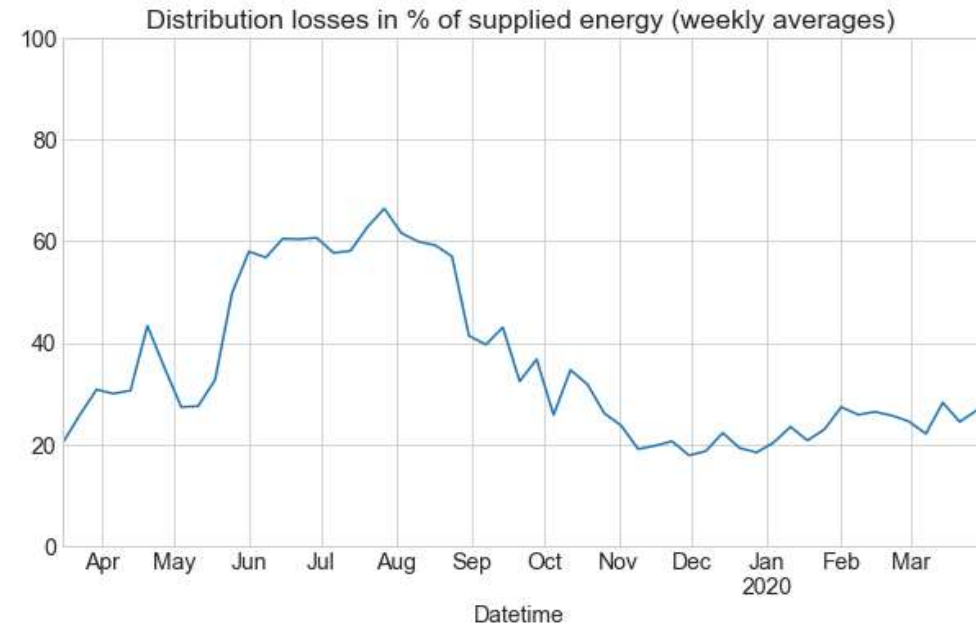
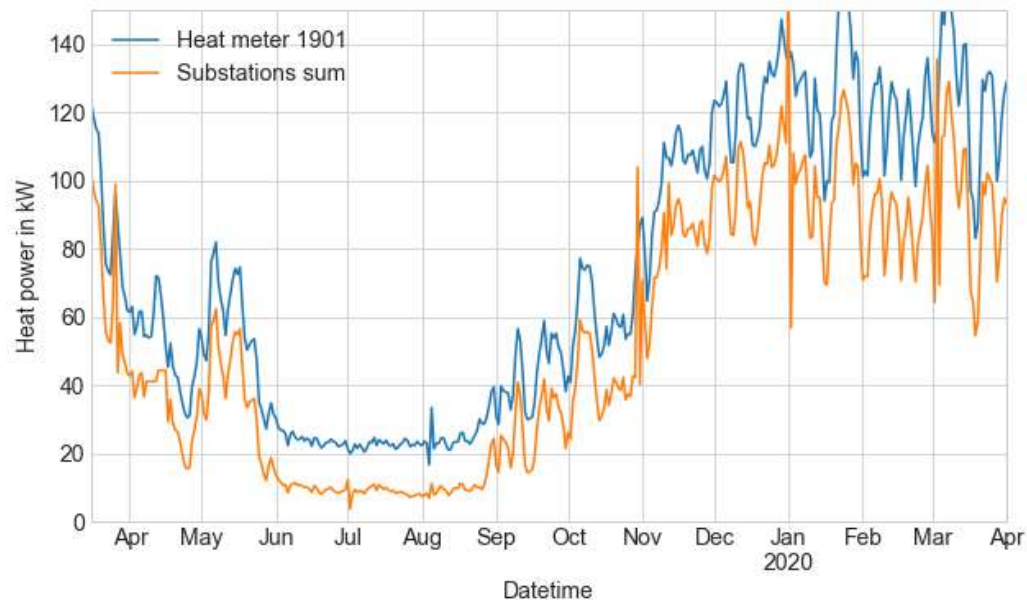
- Installation of redesigned decentralized buffers



# Status of the Enerpipe demo



- Achieved temperature levels of 75/45°C





# Preliminary results of the Enerpipe demo



- Only one heating season, no physical reference
- Heat losses can be evaluated, based on simulation and measurements:
  - Ref case: substation + hot water storage
  - TEMPO case

	Concept	Distribution losses	
		Power in kW	Yearly energy in MWh/a
Calculation	Decentralised buffer	27.2	238.3
	Substation + hot water storage	29.3	256.9
Measurements	Decentralised buffer	20.7	193.4

# Preliminary results of the Enerpipe demo



- Conclusion:
  - TEMPO concept 7.2% less distribution losses than reference
  - 5% savings in investment costs
  - Monitored losses significantly lower than the calculated heat losses (19%)
    - But: not yet fully operational
  - But distribution losses still rather high (~30%)
    - Necessity of lower temperature levels

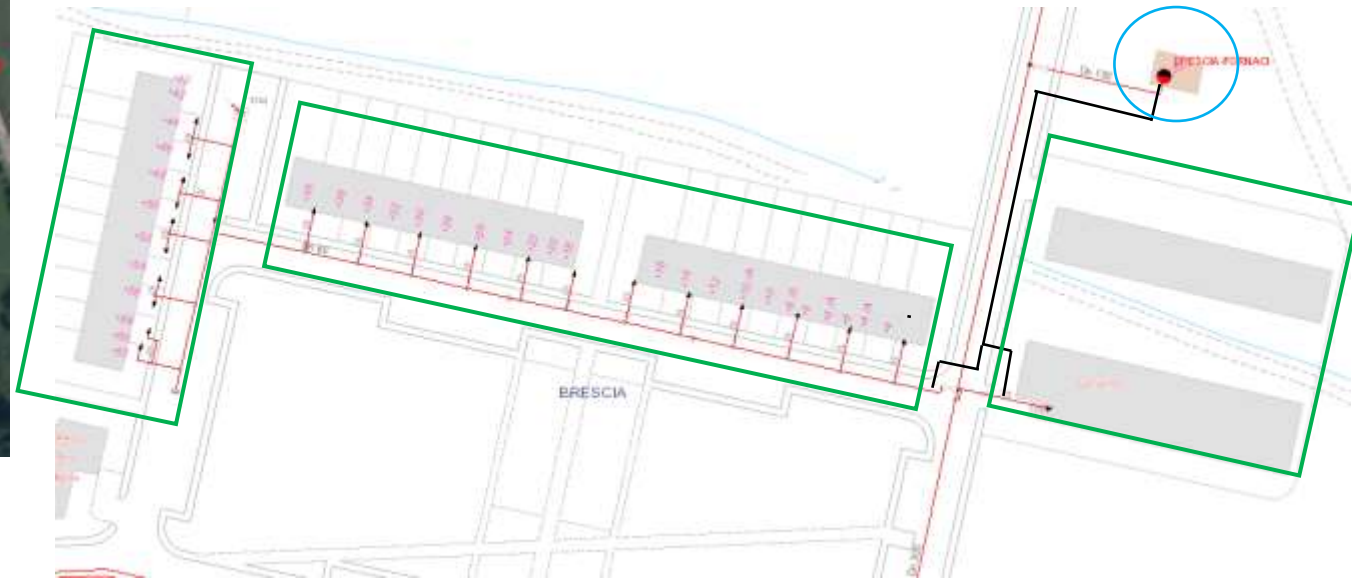
# Status of the A2A network



**Demo site: 1 MFH (with 43 flats) + 34 SFH**



- New pipes
- Existing pipes
- Consumer involved



# Status of the A2A network

- Installation of a mixing station, mixing fresh supply water with return water

- Original heating curve

- $T_{\text{outside}}: 0^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow T_{\text{supply}}: 115^{\circ}\text{C}$
- $T_{\text{outside}}: 15^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow T_{\text{supply}}: 100^{\circ}\text{C}$

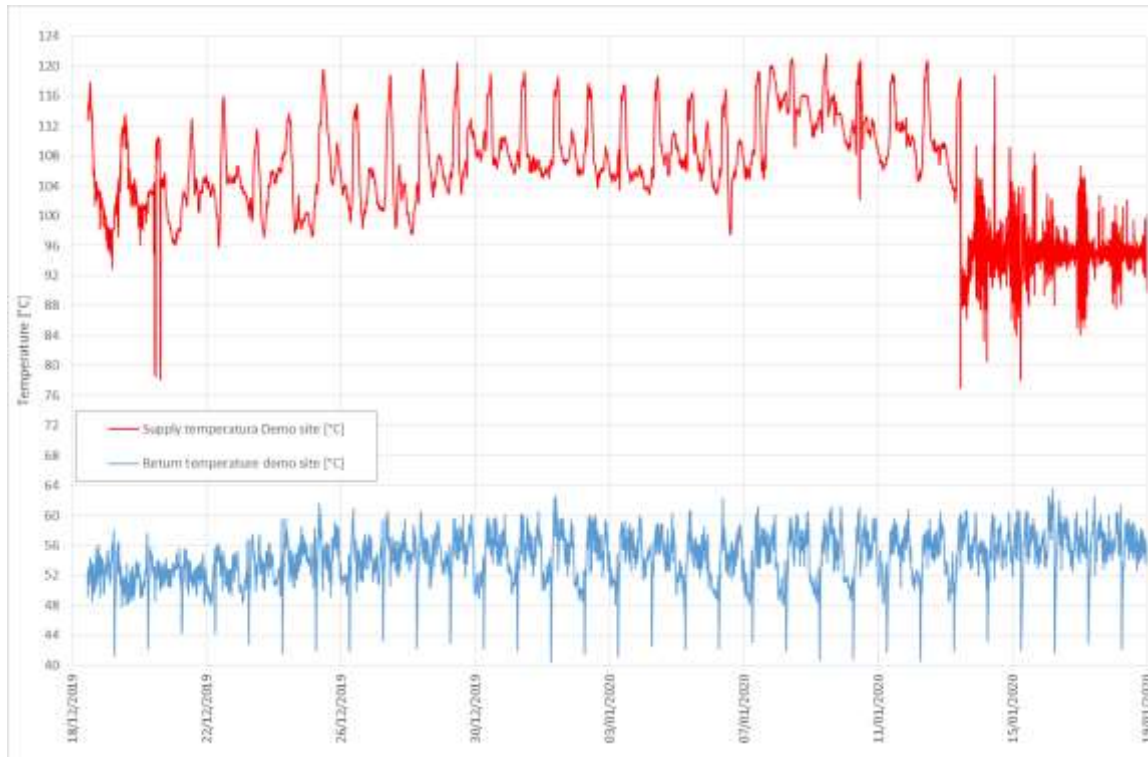


- Stepwise reduction of the supply temperature

# Preliminary results of the A2A network

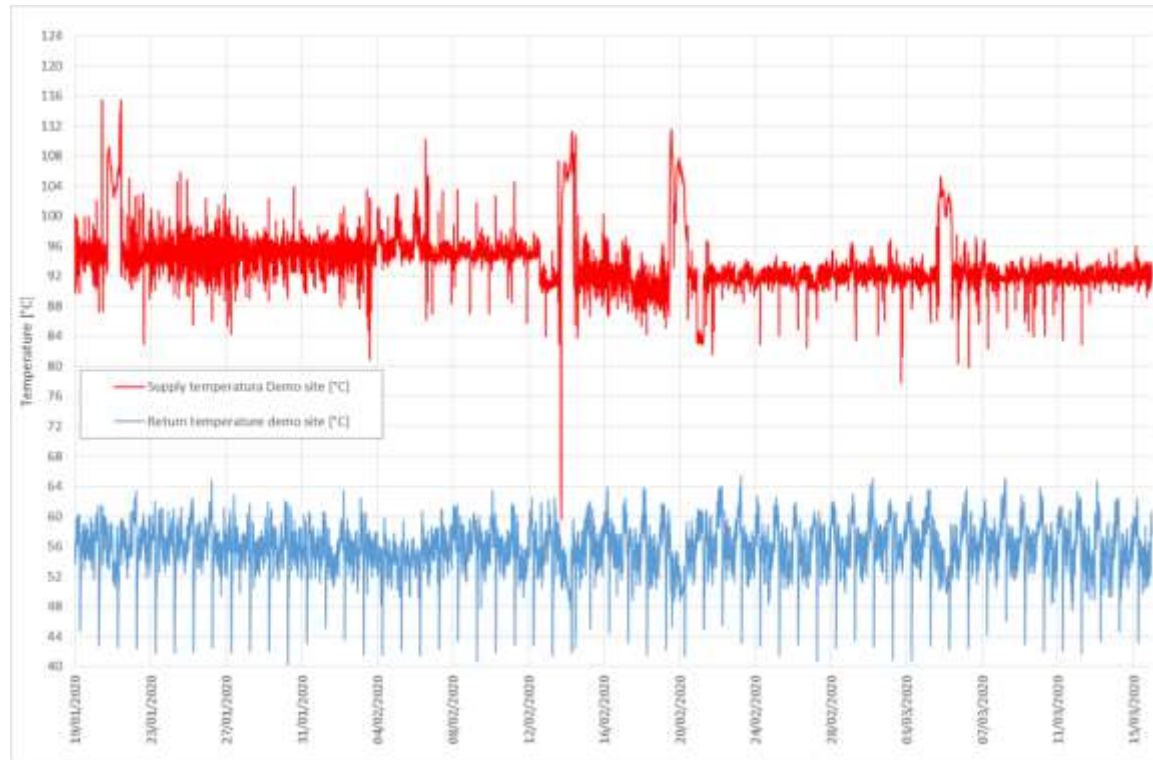


- Step 1: Temperature reduction  $110^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 95^{\circ}\text{C}$



# Preliminary results of the A2A network

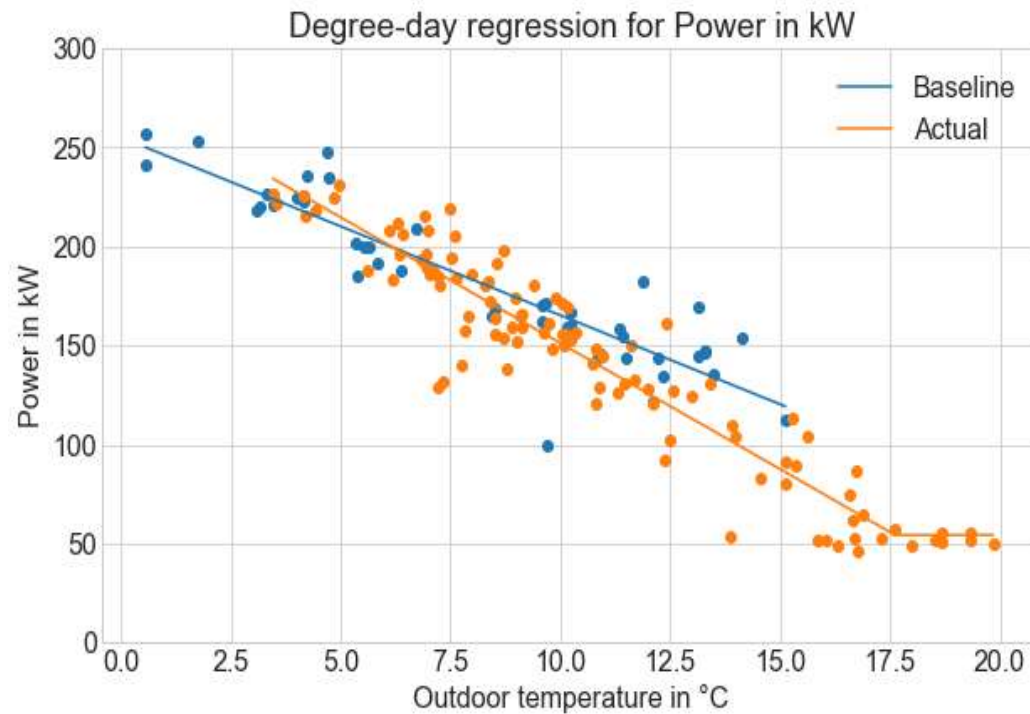
- Step 2: Temperature reduction  $95^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 92^{\circ}\text{C}$



# Preliminary results of the A2A network



- Thermal energy consumed by the network



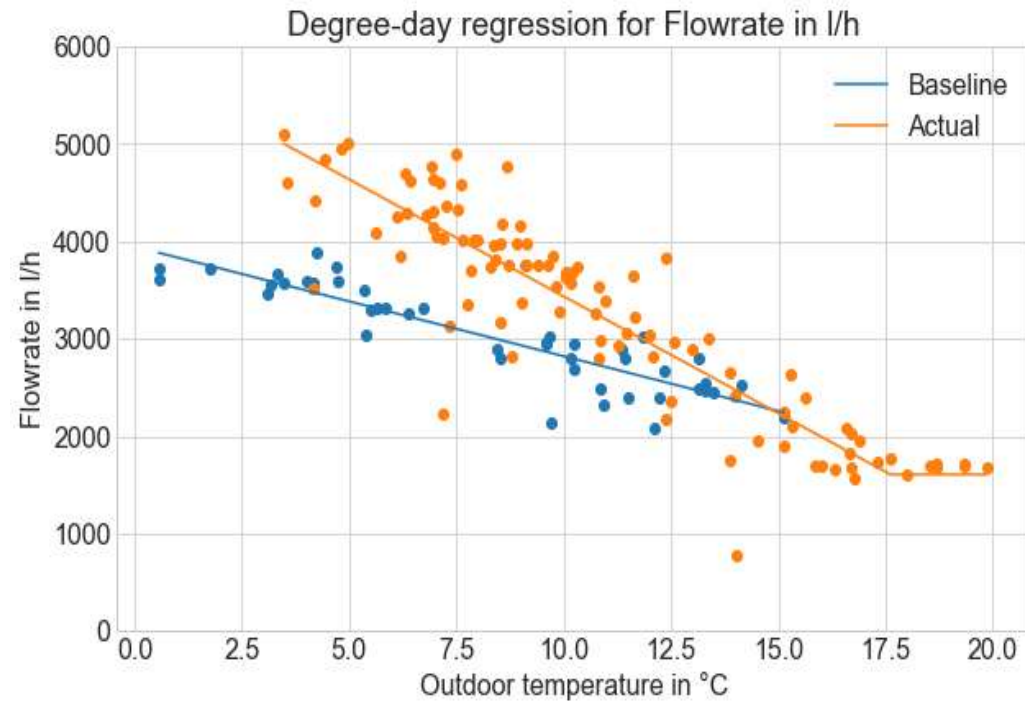
Preliminary results suggest less network power consumption, most likely due to reduction in distribution heat losses.

Disclaimer: limited amount of test data

# Preliminary results of the A2A network



- Flowrate in the network



Higher flowrate because of smaller dT



# Preliminary results of the A2A network



- Primary energy consumption

	Recalculated actual period		Recalculated year	
Baseline	122.0	MWh	392.5	MWh/a
Actual	109.3	MWh	330.8	MWh/a
Relative (actual to baseline) difference	-10.4%		-15.7%	

# Preliminary results of the A2A demo



- Conclusion:
  - Supply temperature reduction led to a lower energy demand demand of the network, translated into a lower significant reduction in primary energy demand (15.7% on annual basis)
  - Slight increase the return temperature
  - Increase in flowrate due to smaller dT



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