



Ventilation products regulations based on Ecodesign directive

ongoing study Ecodesign ENTR Lot 6 (Tasks 1-5)

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Ecodesign Preparatory Study (Dir. 2009/125/EC)

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Key Questions for Preparatory Study

Is product group eligible for Ecodesign measures?

- Economically significant
- Environmental impact significant
- Saving potential, taking into account also existing other policies and avoidance of significant negative impacts

If eligible, what are appropriate, possible

- Requirements/ targets
- Test & calculation methods/standards for targets
- Implementation dates (timing)

and what are

- Future impacts expected from measures (economical, environmental, jobs, etc.; time frame 2020-2025)

Stakeholder Consultation

Project website : www.ecohvac.eu

- Since Jan. 2010
- Registration of stakeholders (>270 to date)

Stakeholder meetings

- 1st in June 2010
- 2 more to follow: summer 2011 and end 2011/beginning 2012

Draft reports

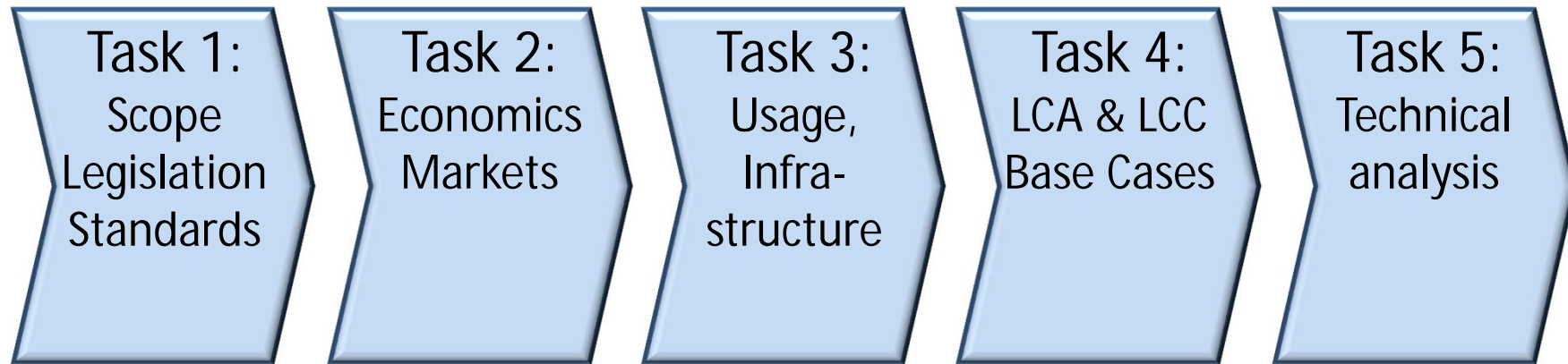
- Task 1-5 draft reports air conditioning part
- Task 1-5 draft reports ventilation system part (2.5.2011)

Written consultation

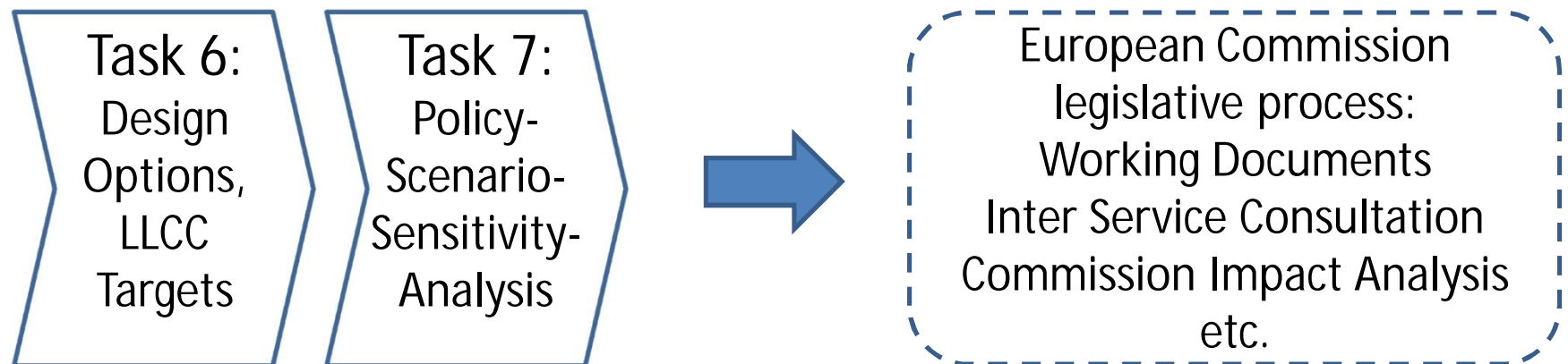
- Via feedback form on website stakeholders can deliver comments

Planning and Tasks

Start: Jan. 2010



End study: Dec. 2011 (estimate)



Task 1: Product Scope Ventilation Systems

Mechanical ventilation units with nominal electric power input per fan larger than 125 W:

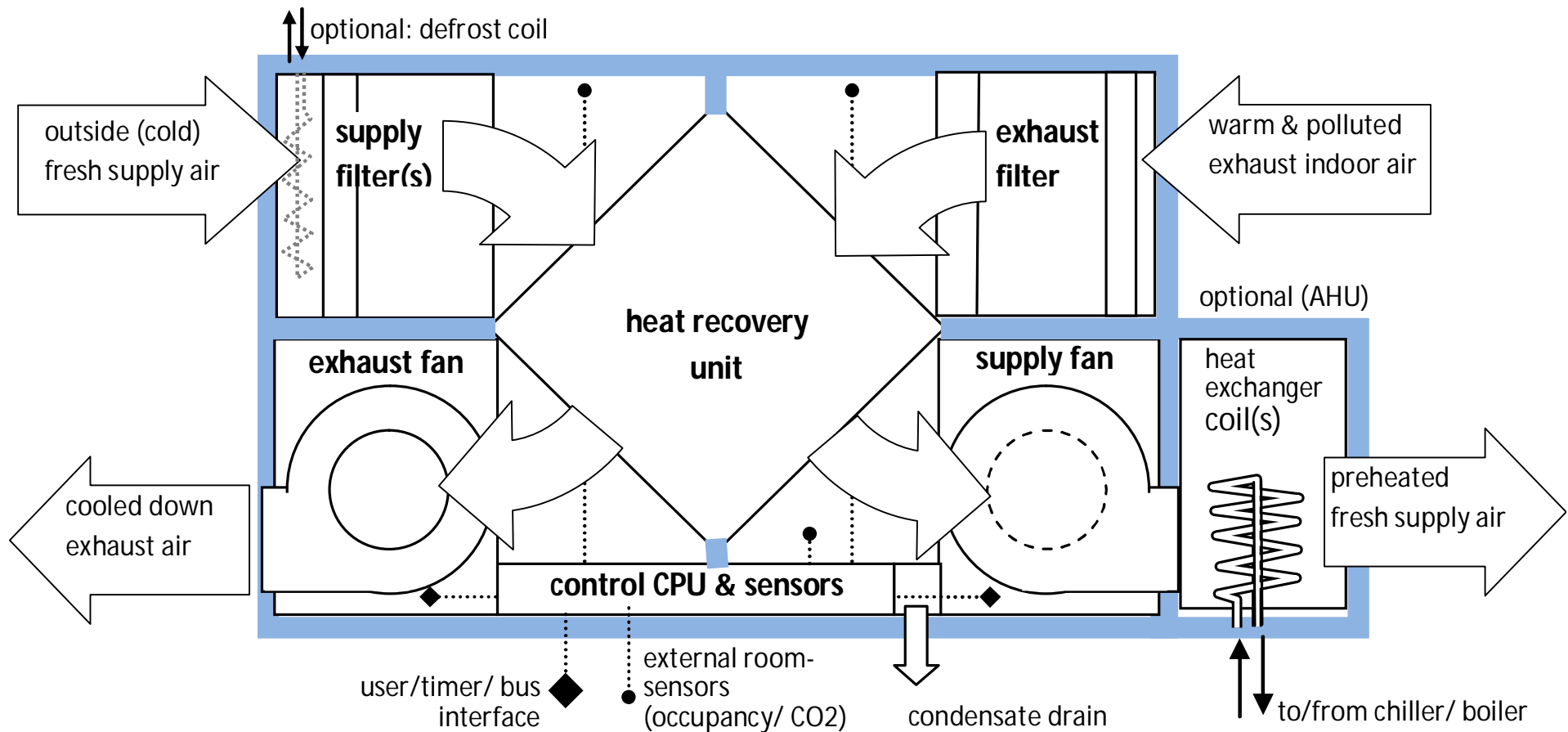
- single fan **exhaust** (or supply) units (CEXH)
- double-fan **balanced** units:
 - air handling units (AHU)
 - central **heat recovery units (CHRV)**

Included in analysis: fan(s), casing, controls, heat recovery, internal pressure drop (e.g. inlet, outlet, filter, coil)

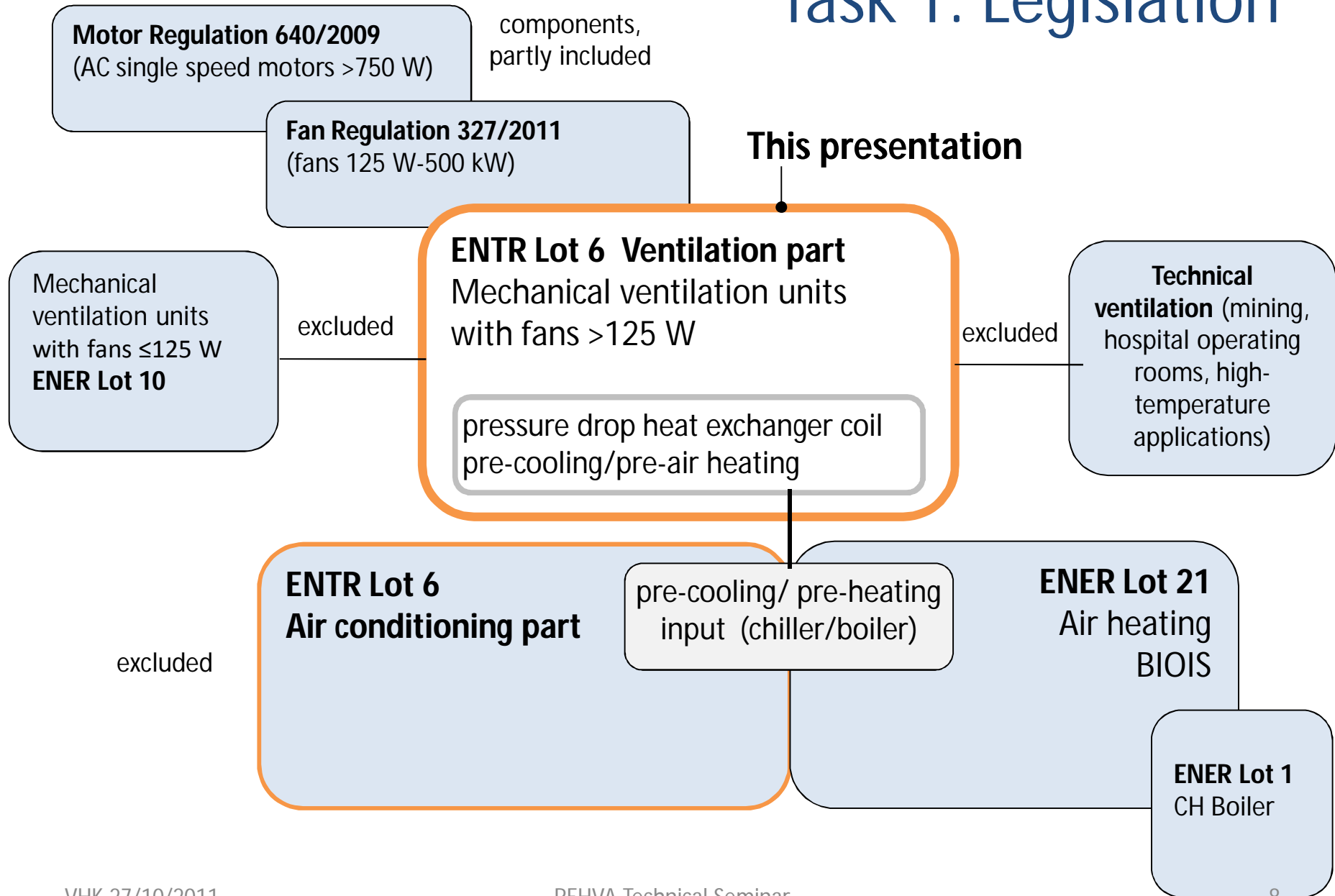
Excluded: ducts, dividers, terminal units. (de)humidifier functionality [new item]

Task 1: Product Scope c'td

Example balanced HR units



Task 1: Legislation



Task 1: Test standards, Key Requirements

The ideal performance test method for use in Ecodesign legislation:

- Comprehensive & fair (compares 'apples with apples' and not 'apples with pears'; level playing field for competition)
- Realistic (reflects real-life operation as much as possible)
- Accurate & reproducible results (robust for legal ends)
- Limited costs & feasible surveillance (for industry and MS)
- Consistent with adjacent product categories (e.g. ventilation units with fans <125 W in ENER 10)

Task 1: Test Standard Issues [1]

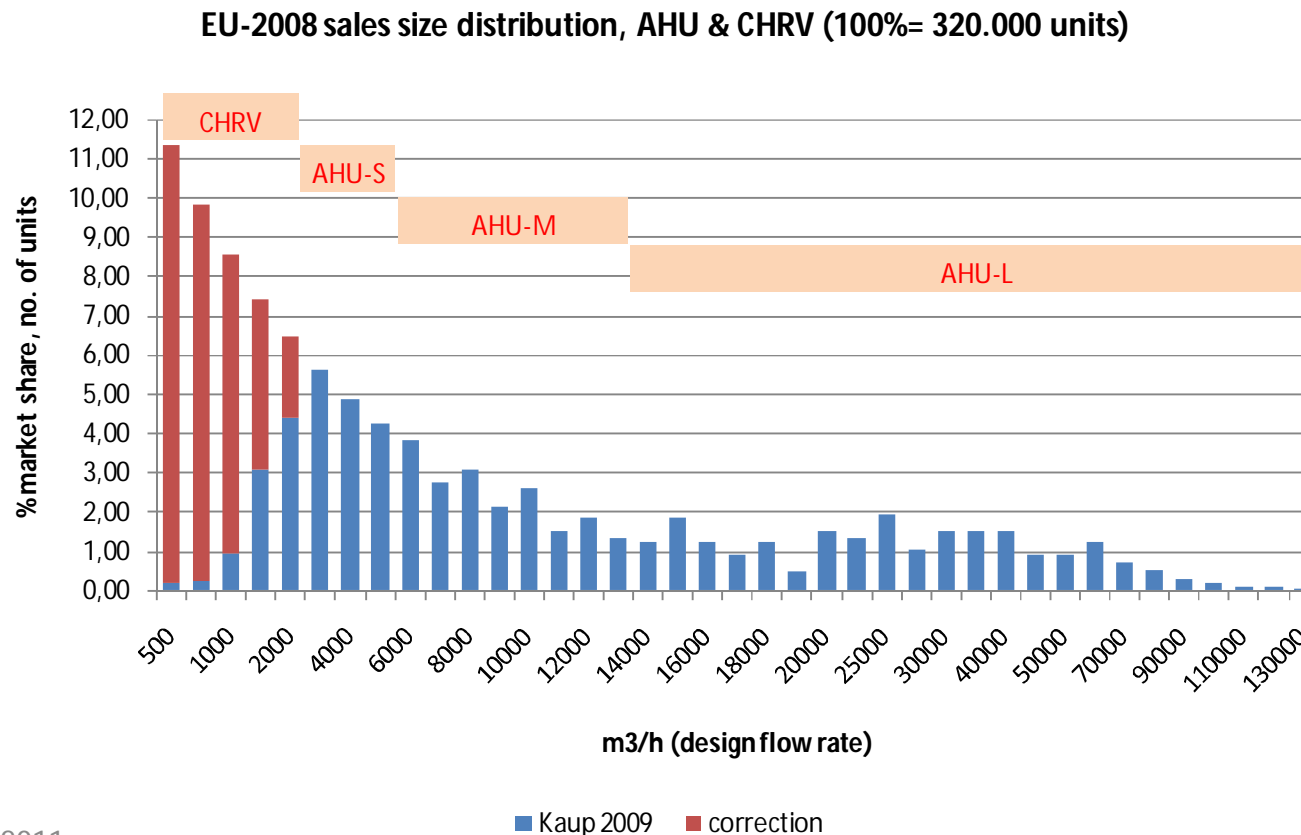
- Product scope is **both non-residential and (collective) residential** ventilation → both give relevant standards
- Residential (prEN 13142, EN 13141-x etc.) and non-residential ventilation (EN 13053, EN 13779, etc.) have **different sets of test standards** for often the same issues. They overlap and are not always compatible/consistent.
- **Specific Power Input SPI** (residential) and **Specific Fan Power SFP** (non-residential) are both not complete. SPI is inexact as regards external pressure drop. SFP does not take into account differences in internal pressure drop and does not cover auxiliary energy.

Task 1: Test Standard Issues [2]

- **Heat recovery residential:** thermal efficiency (based on temperature differences in/outputs)
- **Heat recovery non-residential:** overall energy efficiency (thermal efficiency minus electricity consumption to overcome the heat exchanger pressure drop)
- **Testing units from small volume production:** Testing in lab vs. testing on-site. How and when?
- **Load** pattern (realistic) vs. single point test?
- **Filter** test and evaluation, problems testing electrostatic filters?
- **Sound:** In duct and/or casing radiated sound power
- Etc.

Task 2: Economics & Markets [1]

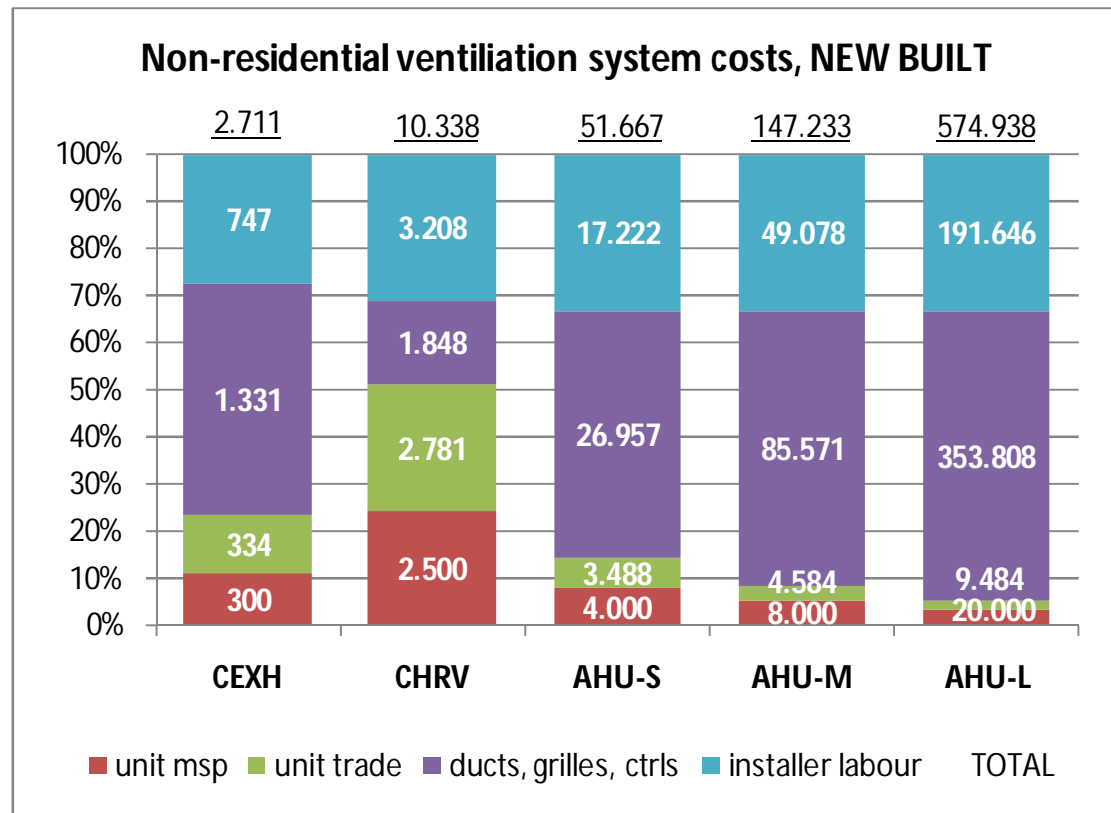
- Annual unit **EU-27 sales**: 1,1 mln. exhaust units and 0,32 mln. balanced (AHU& CHRV) units. **EU 27-stock**: 19 mln. units total.



Task 2: Economics & Markets [2]

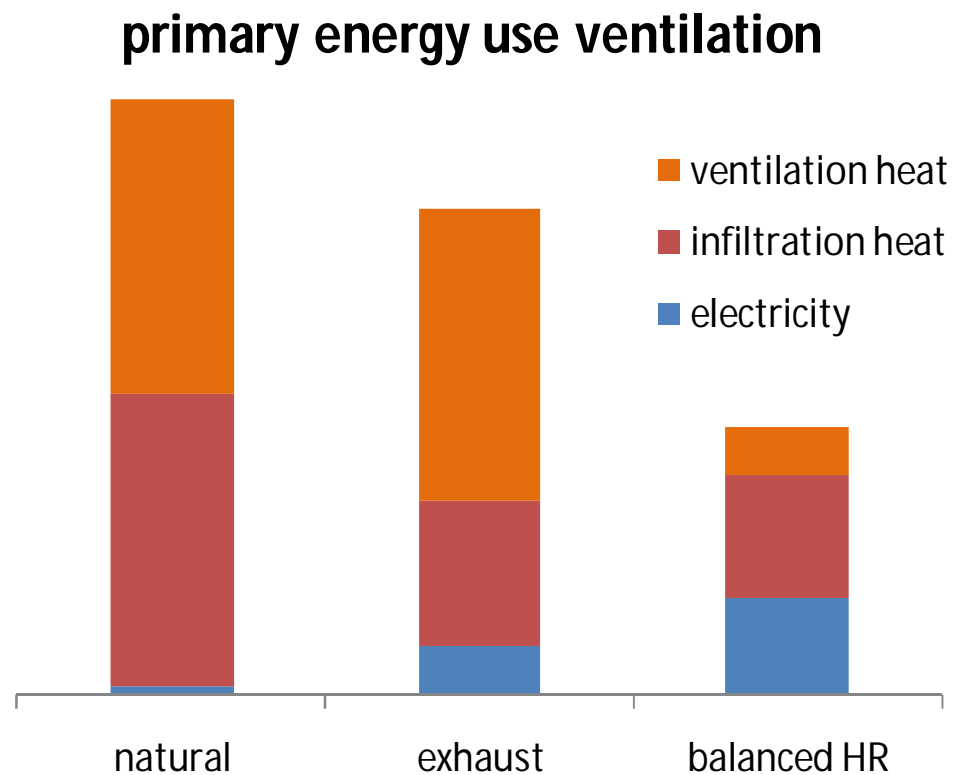
- EU-27 industry revenue on ventilation units: € 2,7 bln./a
- EU-27 revenue on related installation products and services: > € 37 bln./a.
- Ex-EU imports ca. 15%
- Ex-EU exports ca. 15%

Strong EU sector



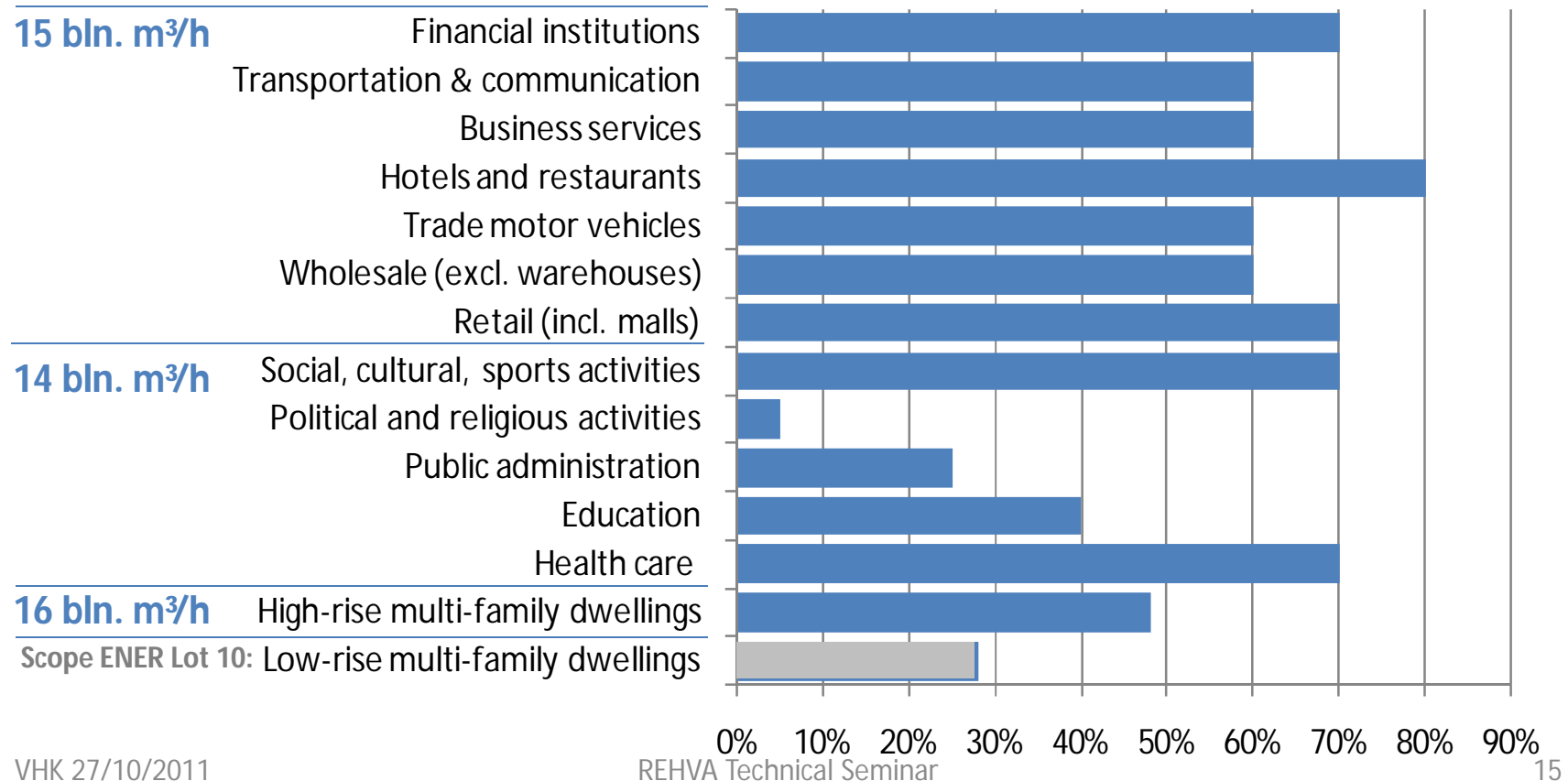
Task 3: Usage, Key Message

- Mechanical ventilation indispensable in new efficient buildings (health)
- It costs electricity but can save up to 4 times as much primary energy in space heating (and cooling)



Task 3: Potential Mechanical Ventilation

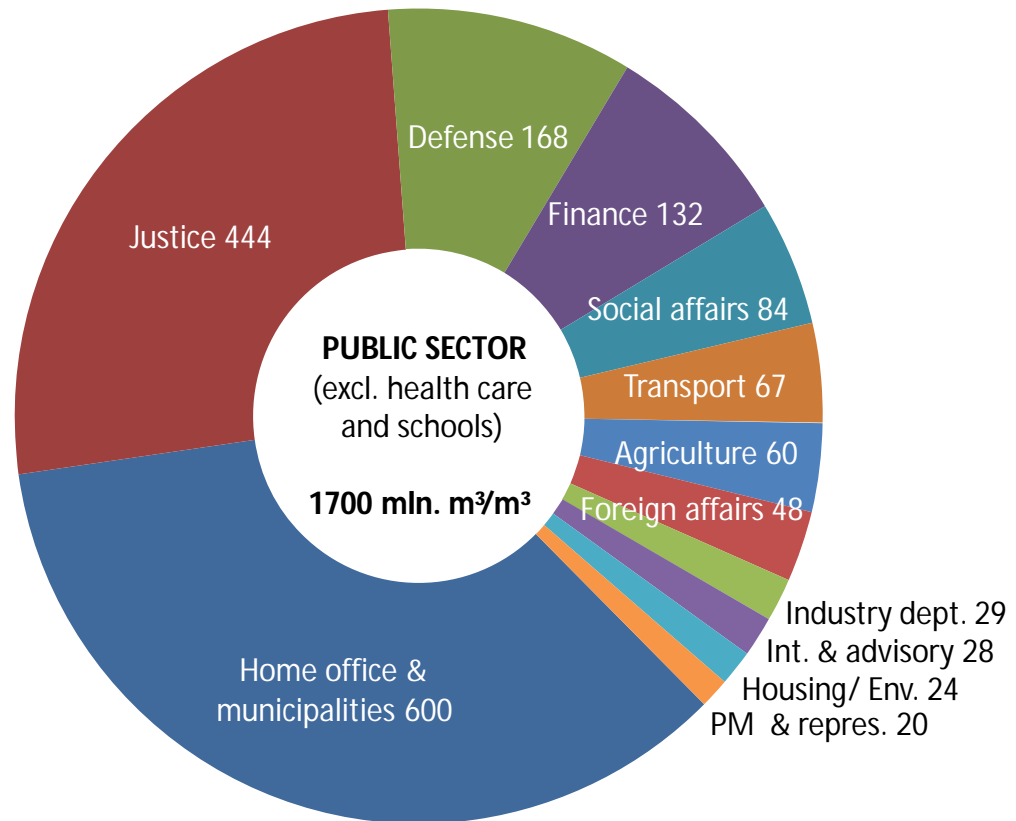
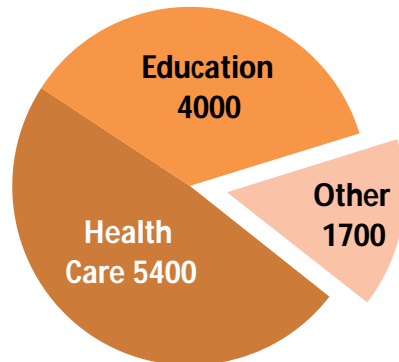
- Total 68 bln. m³/h ventilation demand in scope, in EU-27 (incl. industry 23)
- Large growth potential mechanical ventilation (figure %=penetration rate)



Task 3: Potential Efficient Ventilation

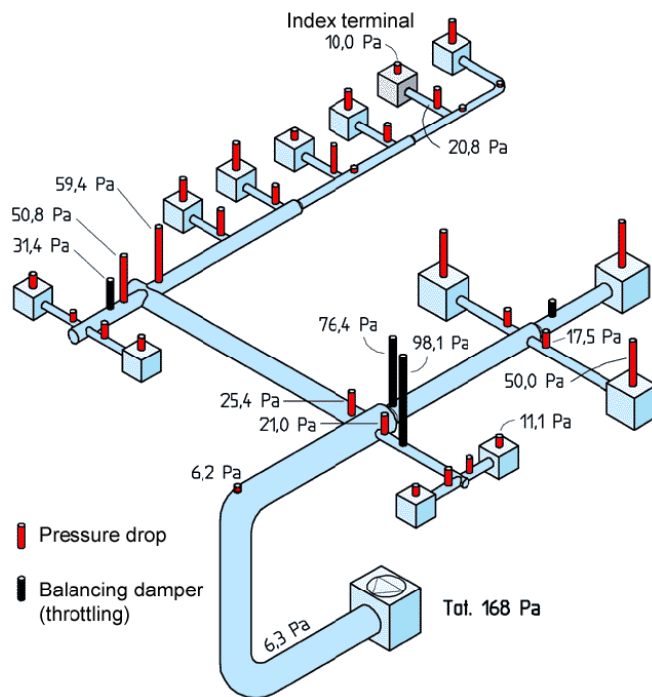
- **Balanced heat recovery ventilation still only 7% of total (5 bln. m³/h)**
- **Public sector buildings largest potential for efficient mech. ventilation**

**Public sector, health care & education:
ventilation in m³/m³.h**

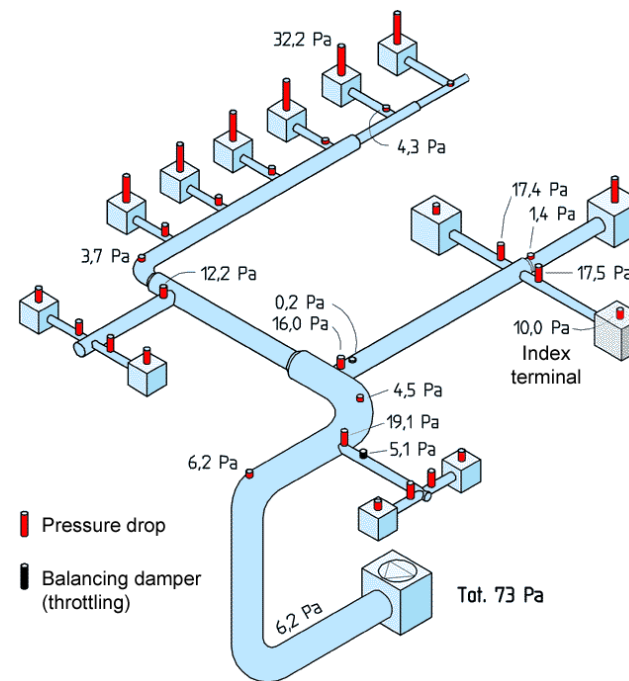


Task 3: Infra-structure

- Ductwork and terminal units outside current scope of study, but large saving potential in reducing (external) pressure drop and fighting leakage



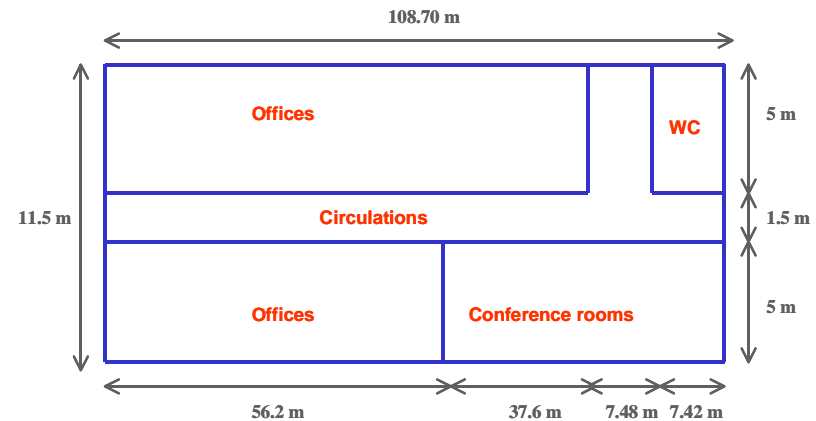
Poor design pressure drop **168 Pa**
(source: SINTEF)



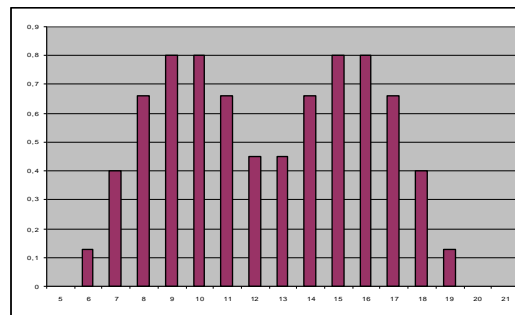
Good design pressure drop **73 Pa**
(source: SINTEF)

Task 3: Occupancy: Case Studies

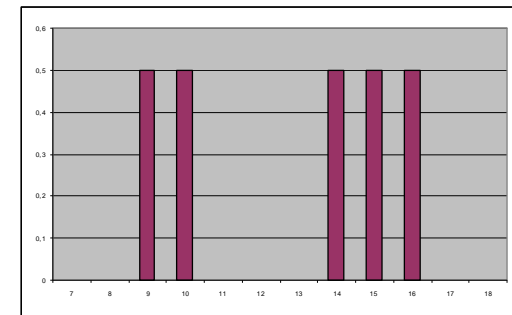
- Large office buildings (type 1)
- Medium-sized office building (type 2)
- Small office building (type 3)
- Hospital
- Retirement home
- Hotel
- Shopping mall
- Hypermarket



Overview Large office building




Occupancy Offices



Occupancy Conference Rooms

(data source: ARMINES)

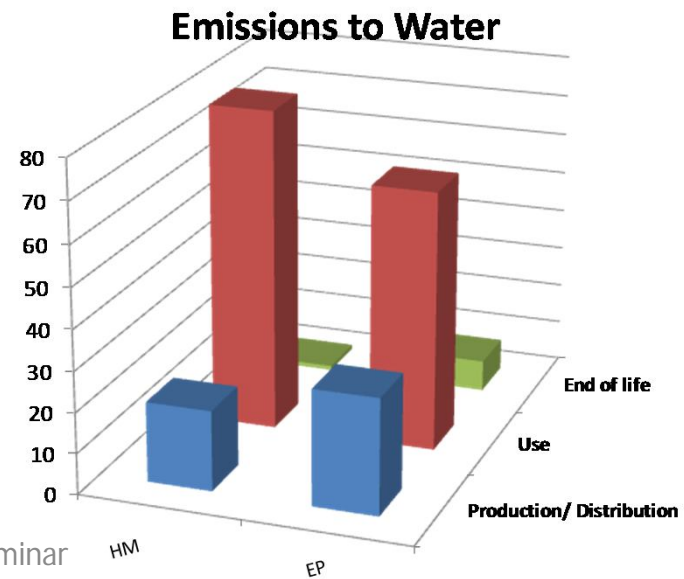
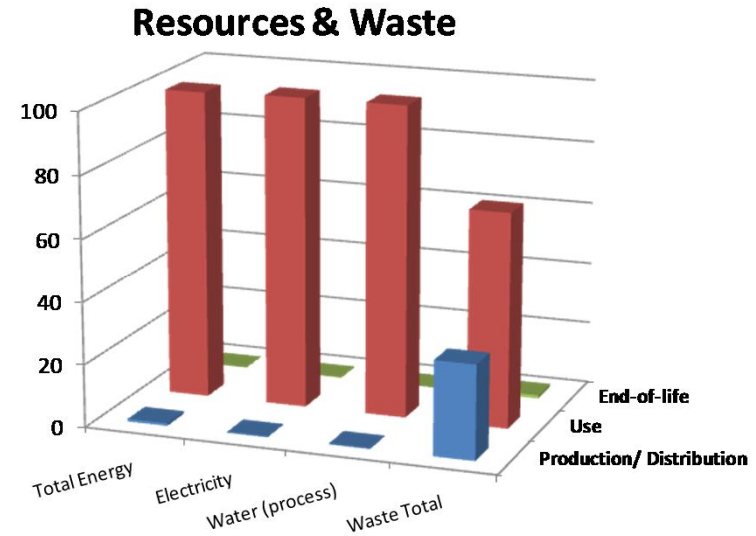
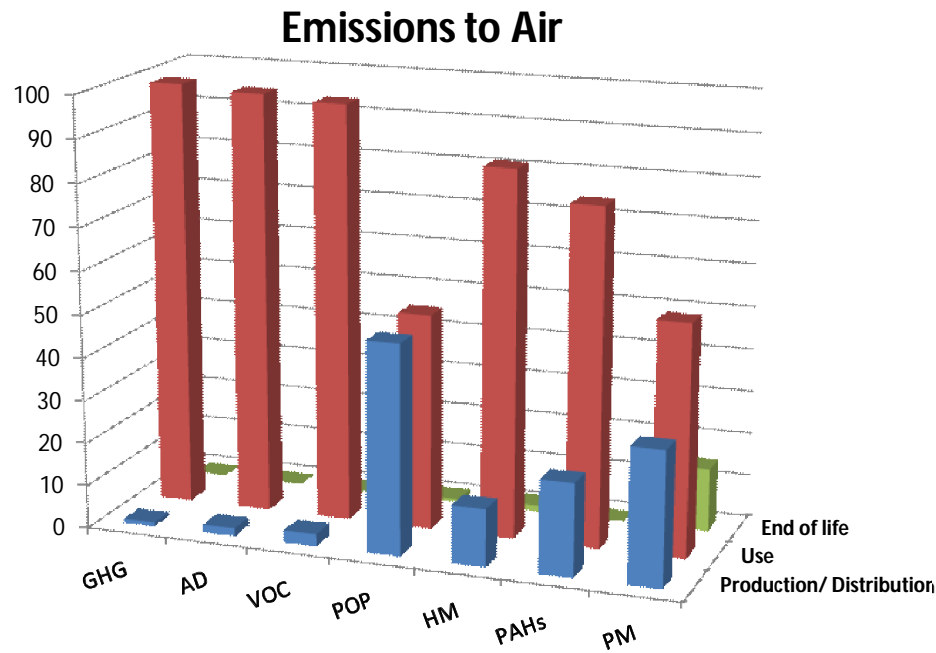
Task 3: Occupancy & Control Strategy

Avg. flow rate in 1000 m³/h 

	Office L	Office M	Office S	Hospital	Retirement home	Hotel	Shopping mall	Hypermarket
Design - fixed (technical)	0	0	0	155	2	0	0	0
Design - max. occupancy (ex pp/m ²)	46	15	3	25	6	17	145	33
Total design flow (nominal)	46	15	3	180	8	17	147	28
Building best occupancy control (on-off)	19	6	1	145	7	17	79	14
Zone best occupancy control (on-off)	19	6	1	145	5	10	62	12
Zone best occupancy rate control (var.)	10	3	0,6	131	3	3	14	2
% of design flow	22%	22%	22%	73%	41%	19%	10%	6%

Task 4: Life Cycle Assessment (environmental)

- Use phase dominant

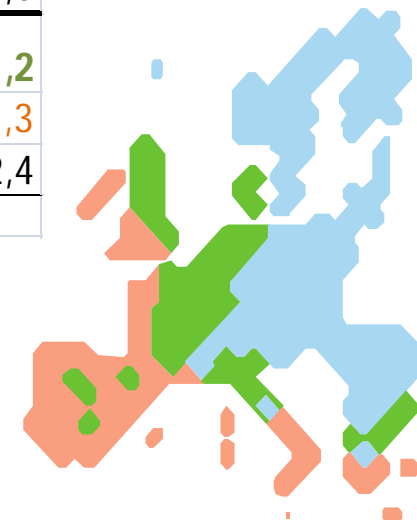


Task 4: Unit Running Costs 2010

(monetary, climate dependent)

- Cost of electricity & maintenance and savings on heating fuel

Unit Running Cost in 1000 EURO/a	CEXH	CHRV	AHU-S	AHU-M	AHU-L
Costs electricity	0,2	0,5	0,8	2,6	10,9
Maintenance	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,4	1,6
Heating fuel, Average climate	-0,7	-3,0	-2,6	-6,5	-22,8
Heating fuel, Warmer climate	-0,3	-1,4	-1,2	-3,0	-10,3
Heating fuel, Colder climate	-1,4	-5,6	-5,0	-12,6	-44,0
Total Average climate	-0,5	-2,4	-1,8	-3,8	-11,2
Total Warmer climate	-0,1	-0,8	-0,4	-0,2	1,3
Total Colder climate	-1,2	-5,1	-4,2	-9,8	-32,4



Task 4: Total EU27 –Expenditure 2010 (monetary)

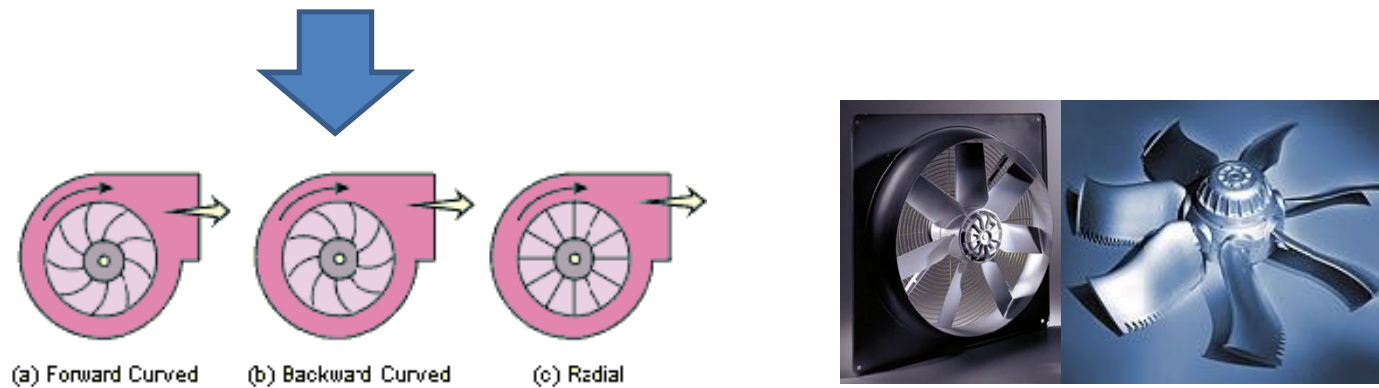
- Acquisition costs of systems sold 2010 + Running costs stock 2010

EU-27 expenditure 2010 in billion EURO/a	CEXH	CHRV	AHU-S	AHU-M	AHU-L	Total
Industry price (msp)	0,3	0,4	0,2	0,5	1,4	2,7
Installation & trade margins*	2,1	0,8	1,6	6,4	26,7	37,5
Electricity & maintenance	3,8	0,5	0,2	1,9	8,7	15,0
Heating fuel saved	-10,7	-2,6	-0,6	-4,2	-16,4	-34,6
Total	-4,6	-1,0	1,4	4,6	20,3	20,7

*=includes installation materials: ducts, terminal units, etc.

Task 5: BAT ventilation fan: B-wheel

- High efficiency backward-curved 'air foil' centrifugal fans



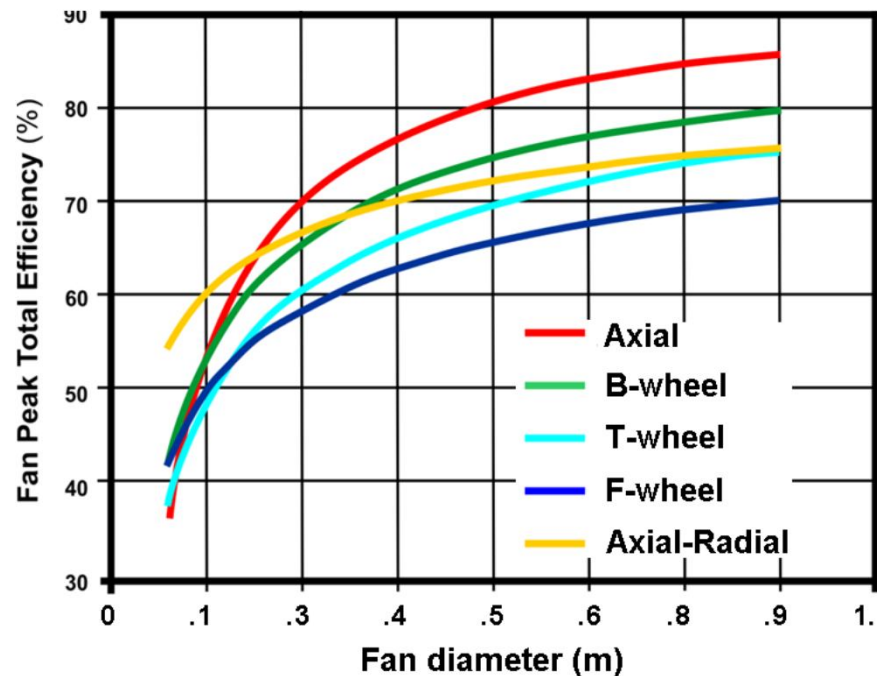
Based on AIVC TN 65



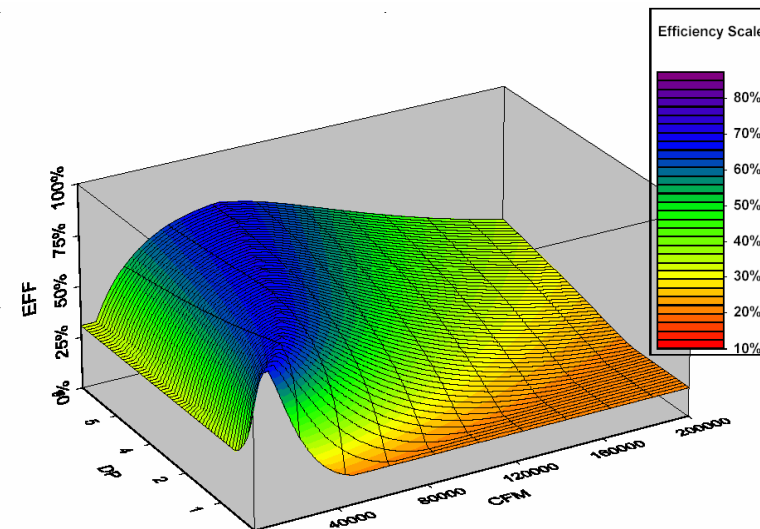
Task 5: BAT fan size and operation

Low rpm, large impeller fans

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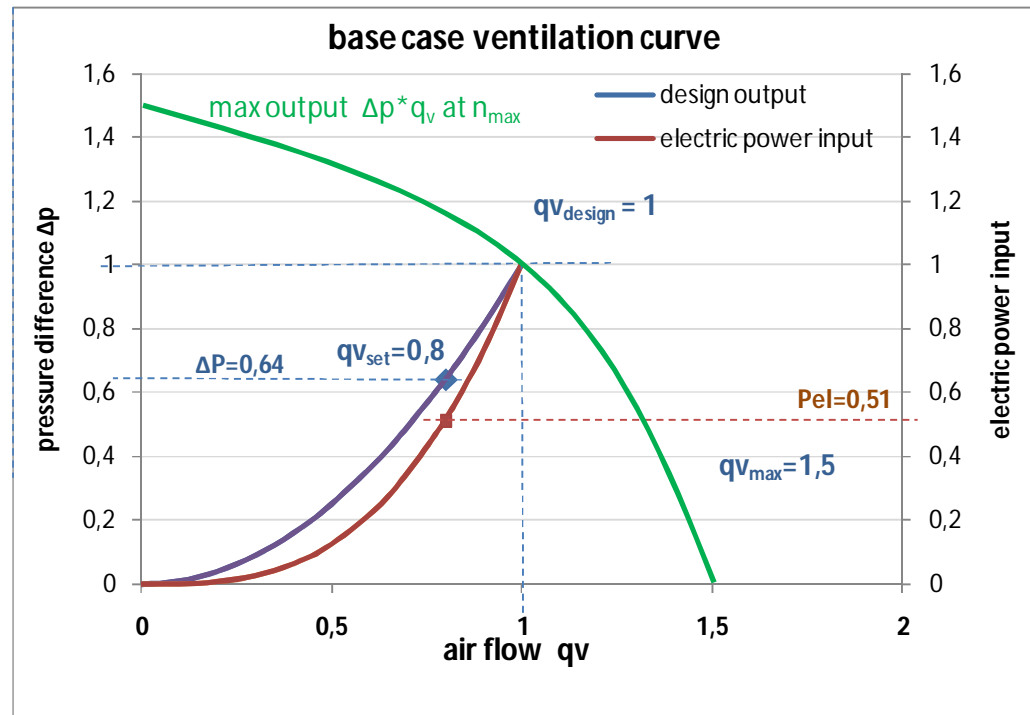
Fan peak efficiency curves. [Source: Engineering & Manufacturing Corp]



3D curve of pressure (DP), air flow (CFM) and efficiency (EFF) for a 49" housed airfoil fan (Hydeman et al.)

Task 5: BAT fan size and operation

Variable speed drives



Fan laws: **20%** decrease of the speed leads linearly to a 20% reduction in air flow, 36% in pressure difference and almost **50%** decrease ($1-0,8^3$) in absorbed power.

Task 5: BAT transmission

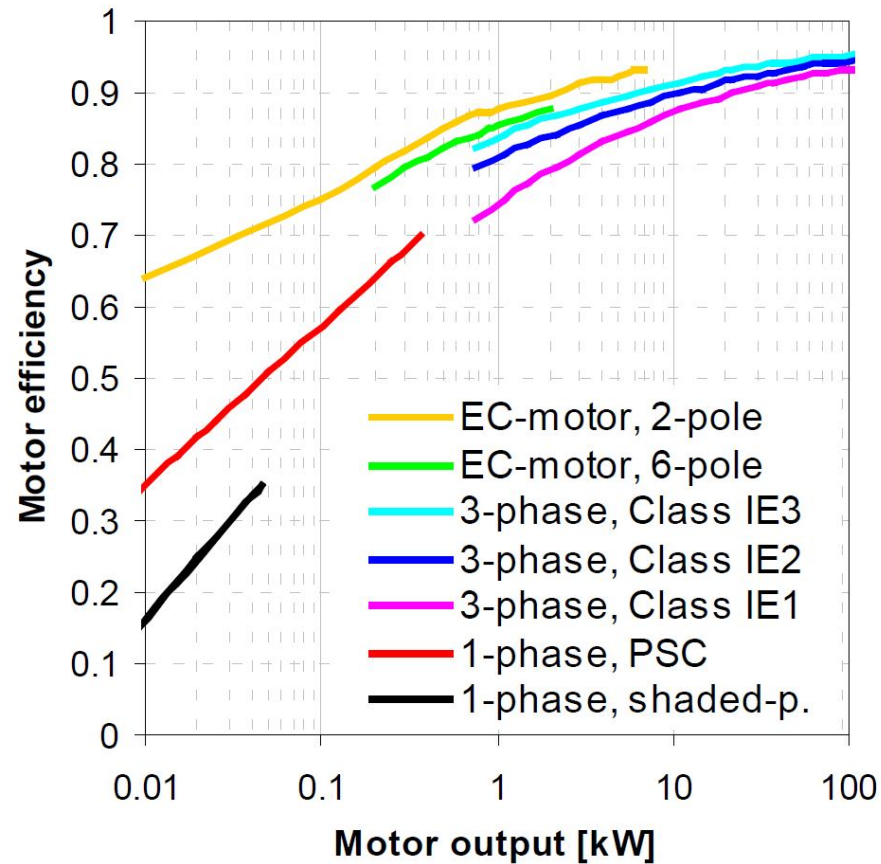
Direct transmission (no belt drive)

Table 5- 2 .Examples efficiency for specific components in central air system (EN 13799, Annex D, Table D.1)

Component	Efficiency in %		
	Low		High
Belt drive < 1.1 kW η^{Drive}	70	75	80
Belt drive < 3.0 kW η^{Drive}	75	80	85
Belt drive < 7.5 kW η^{Drive}	80	85	90
Belt drive > 7.5 kW η^{Drive}	85	90	95
Flat belt η^{Drive}	90	93	97
Direct drive	100	100	100

Task 5: BAT motor efficiency

Brushless DC/ EC (<10 kW, 'IE4') or 'IE3' level AC (> 10 kW)
(95% efficient)



Based on AIVC TN 65

Task 5: BAT face velocity

Low face velocity (<0,5 m/s for small units ; <1,5 m/s for largest AHUs), through large filter sections, large heat recovery faces, large and aerodynamically optimal fan- and outlets;

Unit sizes:

Operating time 24 hours per day, 7 days per week:

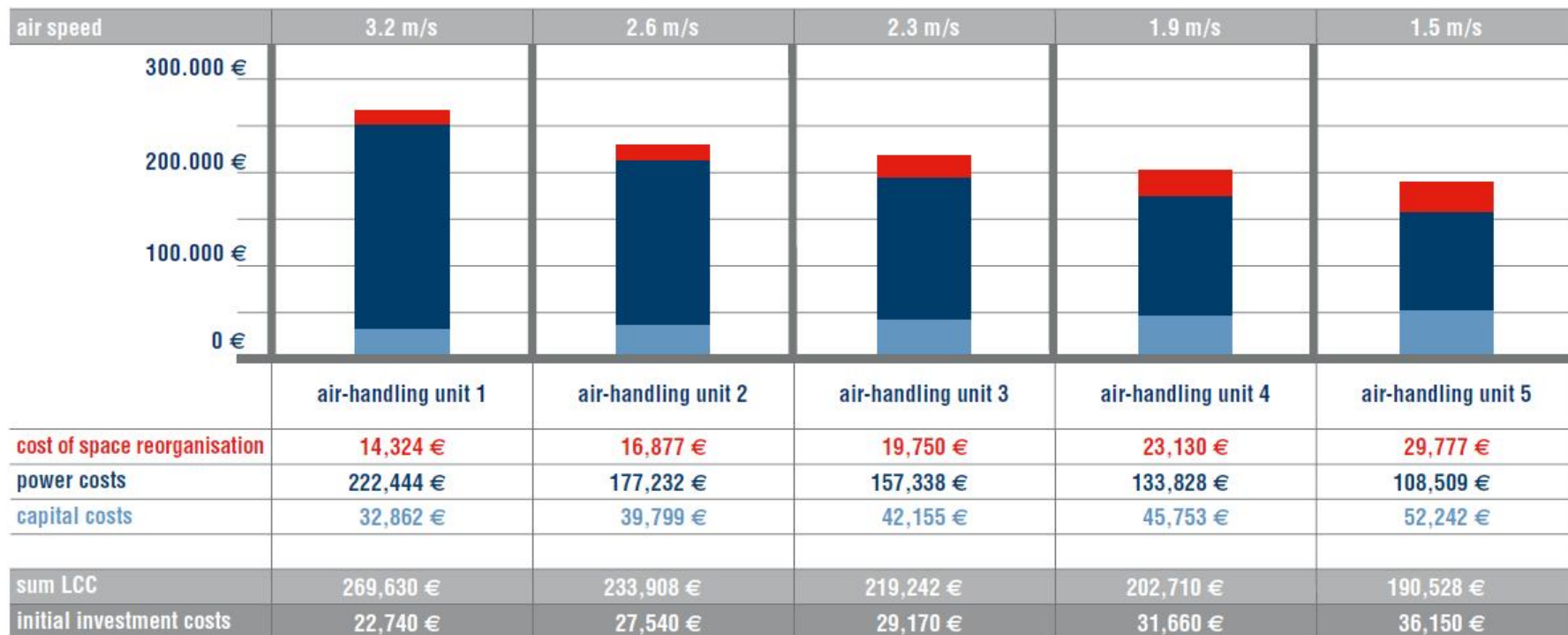
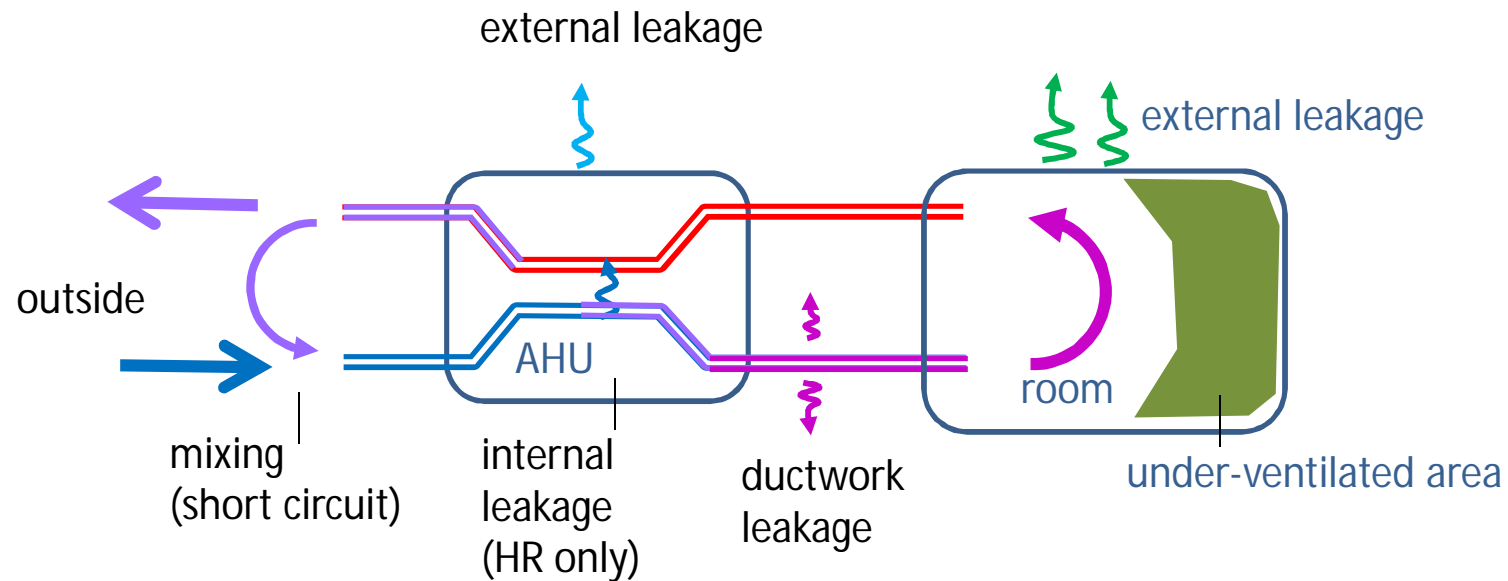


Figure 5-15. EXAMPLE: Costs and savings of lowering face velocity [source: AL-KO]

Task 5: BAT leakage rates

Low leakage rates & minimal short-circuiting



Task 5: BAT filters

Low resistance filters

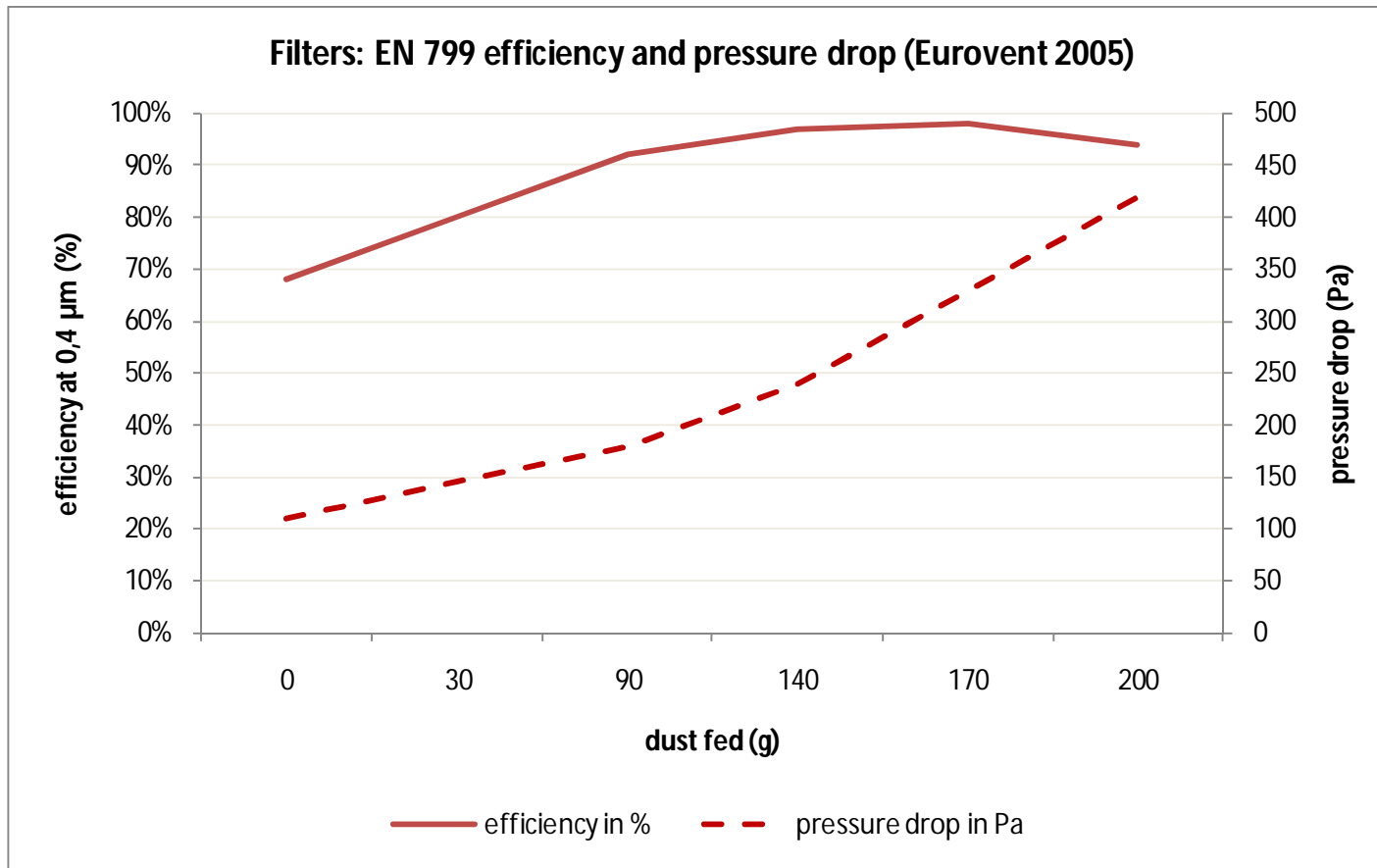
Table 5-9. Examples for filter pressure drops

Component	Pressure losses in [Pa]		
	<i>Low</i>		<i>High</i>
Air filter F5 – F7 per section ²⁾	100	150	250
Air filter F8 – F9 per section ²⁾	150	250	400
HEPA filter	400	500	700
Gas filter	100	150	250

(extract from acc. table A.8 of EN13779, copy of Task 1, Table 1-33)

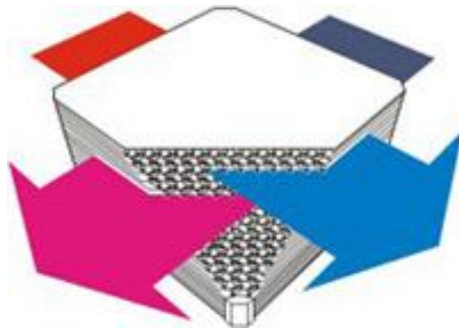
Task 5: BAT filter operation

More frequent filter change , Δp sensor or timer



Task 5: BAT heat recovery HE

High-efficiency heat recovery



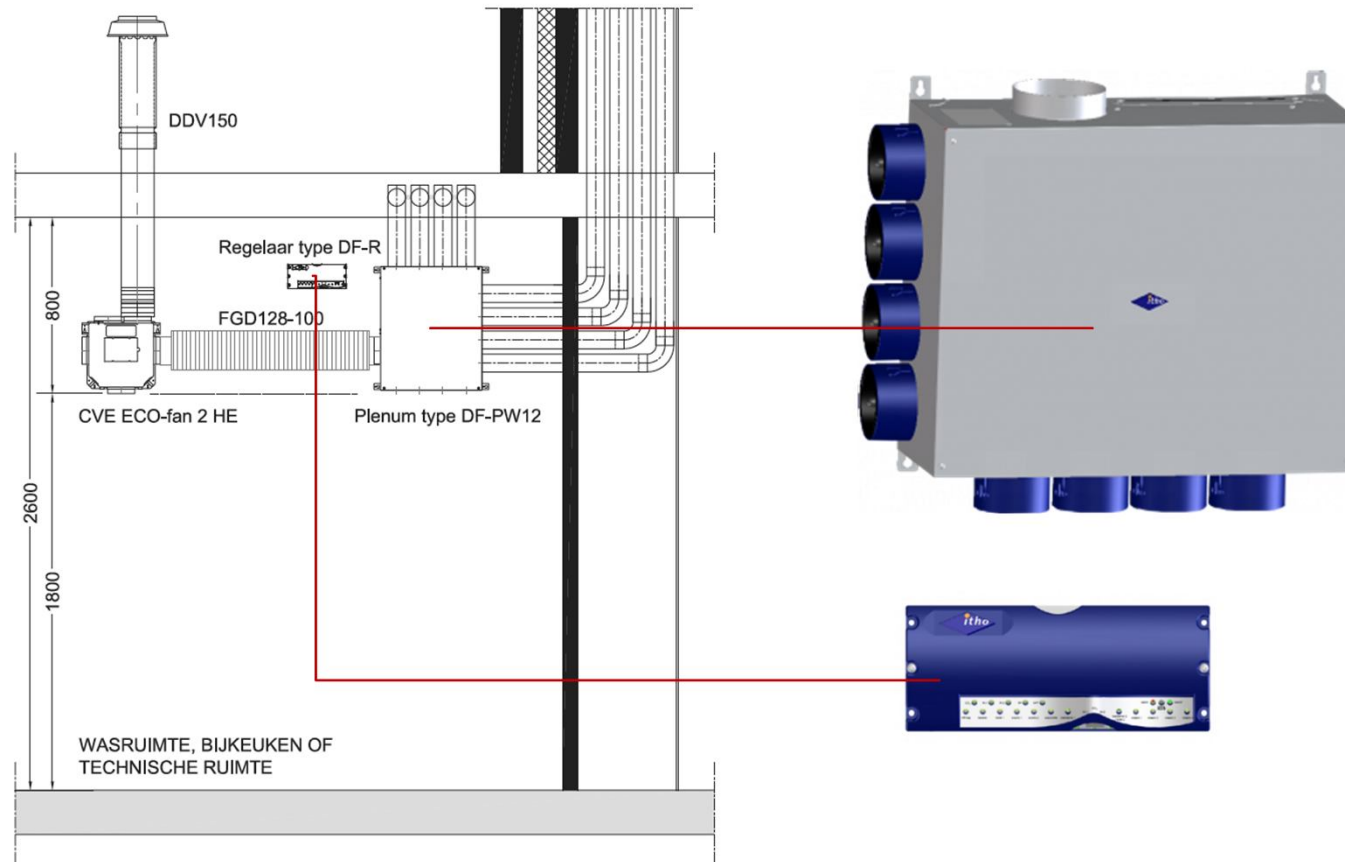
$$\eta_e = \eta_t \cdot (1 - 1 / \epsilon)$$

Table 5- 13. Heat Recovery energy efficiency EN 13503 classes

EN 13503 Class	Energy efficiency η_e (in %)	η_t (in %)	Δp_{HRS} in Pa	ϵ
H1	71	75	2 x 280	19,5
H2	64	67	2 x 230	21,2
H3	55	57	2 x 170	24,2
H4	45	47	2 x 125	27,3
H5	36	37	2 x 100	26,9
H6	No requirement	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Task 5: BAT controls

Occupancy rate sensors per zone



Task 5: Technical: Best Available Technology

- High efficiency backward-curved 'air foil' centrifugal fans
- Low rpm, large impeller fans
- Variable speed drives
- Direct transmission (no belt drive)
- Brushless DC (<10 kW) or 'IE3' level AC (> 10 kW) (95% efficient)
- Low face velocity (<0,5 m/s for small units ; <1,5 m/s for largest AHUs)
through large filter sections, large heat recovery faces, large and aerodynamically optimal fan- and outlets;
- Low leakage rates & minimal short-circuiting
- Low resistance (electrostatic?) filters
- More frequent filter change , Δp sensor or timer
- High-efficiency heat recovery
- Free cooling bypass (see airco part of study)
- Occupancy rate sensors per zone
- Static Pressure Reset air-side control (if in scope)

Also based on AIVC TN 65

Overview

Task 5: BNAT

- Larger brushless DC/EC motors up to 100 kW (currently only in electric cars)
- Downsize single ventilation system, smart balance large and small units;
- More increase fan impeller diameter and decrease of fan speed;
- Smart 'hybrid' solutions, probably also more slow-moving axial fans;
- Minimal ductwork, optimal use of atriums, staircases, halls, double façade, full air-tight building shell, remaining ductwork with very large face sections;
- Renovation: through the wall solutions, integration with façade renewal;
- Local VSD ventilation solutions to replace local VAV-box;
- Trends to continue: Ventilation and 'air conditioning' (space cooling and/or heating) will be more and more separate systems.
- Envisaged up to 10% energy saving over BAT

10% better than BAT

Outlook (preliminary estimates for tasks 6 and 7)

Today:

- electricity consumption 127 TWh/a (457 PJ primary energy) → 50 Mt CO₂
- saving on heating fuel 2065 PJ primary energy → 120 Mt CO₂ avoided
- Today's balance: ca. 1600 PJ and 70 Mt CO₂ avoided

Potential :

- Electricity at same total level (at much higher market penetration)
- Extra saving: **4000 PJ** and ca. **150-200 Mt CO₂** extra avoided.
- Improved Indoor Air Quality

Saving 25-30% on EU space heating

Thank you