ANALYZING THE IMPACT OF ECO-DESIGN REQUIREMENTS ON HEATING SYSTEM - A EUROPEAN CASE STUDY -

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Introduction

Improving energy efficiency

Key pillar in transforming the energy system

Residential heating systems

High efficiency potential (21.5% of overall European energy demand)

EU implemented the Eco-Design Directive

- Lot 1: Space heaters and combination heaters (Sep. 2013)
- Lot 2: Water heaters and hot water storage tanks (Sep. 2013)
- Lot 15: Solid fuel boilers (still in process)
- Lot 20: Local space heaters (still in process)
- Shortage of impact assessment in preparatory studies
 - Period of analysis rather short (partially less then lifetime of heating systems)
 - Interdependencies of heating systems are considered to a limited extend
- Aim of this study
 - Technology-based impact assessment of all four Lots addressing heating systems in combination with a detailed modelling of the building stock of EU27 up to 2050.



Methodological approach

- Characteristics, structural model framework and drivers

Characteristics of FORECAST-Residential:

- Bottom-up-model / Vintage stock design
- Simulation / Investment decision based on a myopic approach





- Scenario definition and Eco-Design modelling

Explorative scenario set:

- Reference scenario (REF-S): Eco-Design requirements are not considered
- Eco-Design scenario I (ECO_I-S): Implementation of Lot 1,2,15,20 without amendment
- Eco-Design scenario II (ECO_II-S): build upon ECO_I-S with amendment
- **Coverage**: EU 27 for the time horizon 2008-2050





- Useful energy demand for heating purposes

- Space heating (SH) decreases by 1,985 PJ (-27.2%) by 2050 due to
 - demolition of old buildings with low thermal efficiency and
 - refurbishment of existing buildings.
- Sanitary hot water (SHW) increases by 322 PJ (+25.1%) by 2050 due to
 - changes in the building stock
- Relative share of SHW increases: from 15.0% (1,284 PJ) to 23.3% (1,607 PJ).





- Final energy demand for heating purposes

- <u>REF-S</u>: -1,719 PJ (-17.8 %) by 2050
- ECO I-S: additional -879 PJ (-9.1 %) by 2050
 - 2030: additional savings are mainly due to gas boilers (-267 PJ)
 - 2030 vs. 2050: dynamic potential improvement stagnates prior to 2030.
- ECO II-S: additional -497 PJ (5.2 %) by 2050
 - 2050: additional savings are mainly due to gas boilers (-257 PJ)
 - Renewable energies: share increases up to 25.4 % in 2050





- Saving potential of the Lots

- Lot 1: replacement by condensing boilers and strong heat pump diffusion
- Lot 20: phasing out of electricity-based heaters
- Lot 15 & Lot 2:
 - Strong diffusion of solar thermal
 - Replacing instantaneous water heaters by hot water storage systems





Conclusions and outlook

Conclusions

- Reduction of final energy demand by an additional 1,376 PJ by 2050 (-17.4 %) compared to the reference scenario
- Largest saving potential:
 - replacement of constant and low temperature boilers by condensing boilers and
 - due to strong diffusion of heat pumps.
- Methodological issues:
 - Combined analysis of heating system and building stock modelling
 - Analysis avoids neglecting changes to long-lived heating systems
 - Consideration of infrastructure related restrictions
- Outlook
 - Strong enforcement is assumed \rightarrow not the case in reality
 - \geq Analysing the impact on non-compliance (approx. 20-30%).
 - Inclusion of micro CHP in the analysis



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