

Building systems and operations

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Introduce yourself !

Name, country, organisation

State one buildings policy or technology you think is the most promising for your region

State the most interesting thing you learned from the previous session or the site visit

Over the next 3 days:

Speak up and engage with others Ask questions, give answers

Net Zero Building SD4 NUS



How the session will work

- 1. Introduction to the subtopics
- 2. Setting the level of ambition: what are we trying to achieve?
- 3. Identifying Technology Gaps
- 4. Identifying Policy Gaps
- 5. Identifying the "Enablers"
- 6. Identifying the Key Actions

Fill in templates for:

- technology timeline
- policy timeline
- key actions



Current 8 strategic priority areas:

- 1. Urban planning: use urban planning policies to enable reduced energy demand, increased renewable energy capacity and improved infrastructure resilience.
- 2. New buildings: Increase uptake of new buildings with net-zero operating emissions.
- 3. Building retrofits: Increase the rate of building energy renovation and increase the level of sustainability in existing buildings.
- 4. Building operations: Reduce the operating energy and emissions through improved energy management tools and operational capacity building.
- 5. Systems: Reduce the energy and emissions needed for equipment, appliances, lighting and cooking.
- 6. Materials: Reduce the environmental impact of materials and products in buildings and construction by taking a life-cycle and circular economy approach.
- 7. **Resilience:** Reduce building risks related to climate change through building design, selection of materials and improving resilience to structural, water and heat risks.
- 8. Clean energy: Increase secure, affordable and sustainable energy and reduce the carbon footprint of energy demand in buildings.

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Building systems and operations

"Buildings don't use energy, people do" :

Building systems are **operated by people** to make people **comfortable**, and these systems use energy.

This module will cover measures to reduce the energy use of building systems during their operation.





Set targets for:

- Urban planning
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Building systems improvement for:

- Efficient and low carbon heating systems
- Efficient cooling systems
- Efficient lighting systems
- Efficient large appliances and cooking
- Efficient small appliance and electronics

Achieve these through:

- Minimum energy performance standards
- Product labelling
- Testing and evaluation
- Incentives
- Technology and knowledge transfer



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Existing building operations improvement:

- Improved energy management
- (Nearly) net zero operating emissions

Achieve these through:

- Energy reduction targets
- Occupant behaviour
- Energy management tools (e.g. ISO)
- Energy data collection/disclosure
- Building energy labelling and certification
- Building and system commissioning
- Building passports
- Technology and knowledge transfer

What systems are we talking about ?





For electricity consumption: prioritise water heating and appliances (residential) and lighting, cooling and appliances (non-residential). Note: AC ownership in households is growing.

What operations are we talking about?

- Building operations consists of the activities necessary to operate, maintain, and manage buildings. This includes maintaining the HVAC systems, plumbing, electrical, and building system configuration.
- Operation and management activities, methods, and approaches should enable energy savings while maintaining or enhancing indoor environmental quality and equipment reliability.
- Good operation and management practices will lead to the efficient operation of buildings rather than emphasising energy-efficient capital improvements or equipment-specific maintenance procedures. Can also lead to increased productivity of occupants, and a longer lifetime of the building and its components.
- Operation management Improvements focus on:
 - Management: goals, planning, accounting
 - Teamwork: staffing, training, outsourcing
 - Resources: documentation: tools, assessments
 - Energy-Efficient operation and maintenance: Tune-up, automated controls, scheduling, tracking, prevention

PECI, 2000

Implementing smart management



Asys smart management, 2019

2. Setting the level of ambition: what are we trying to achieve?



Drivers of building energy use: systems

Once energy needs have been reduced through passive measures, the principle factors become:



Evaluation: choosing the right metric



Index: 1990=1. Data for IEA18 (Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA). TC: Temperature Corrected.

The right energy performance metric is crucial to understanding & tracking progress over time.

Source: IEA energy efficiency indicators database

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- Residential
 - Energy per household
 - Energy for end-use (eg. Water heating, appliances) per household
 - Energy per floor area
 - Energy for end-use (eg heating, cooling, lighting) per floor area
 - Equipment energy use per floor area and type
- Commercial
 - Energy per floor area
 - Energy by building type per floor area
 - Energy for end-use by building type per floor area



• Let's try and think of all the **technologies** that are relevant to building systems and operations in your regions.

Residential		Non-residential		
Cooking & water heating	Space cooling	HVAC		
 More efficient fuels eg. Electricity or gas Heat pump Solar thermal District heating 	 Split systems Inverters Window units, portable ACs VRF, VRV 	 Central HVAC, pumps and fans, com Air cooled vs water cooled chillers Split systems, inverters, heat pumps District systems Evaporative cooling, heat recovery, for Temperature set point 	2	
Appliances & lighting	Ventilation	Lighting	Controls & Energy management	
 Efficient appliances with low standby power "Smart" devices LEDs Smart meters 	 Properly sized and positioned kitchen extract Fans 	 LED Dimming, daylight harvesting Appliances and other loads	 Variable speed drives Smart and connected sensors Building management systems Daylight control of lighting 	
		 Efficient data centres Efficient and low standby losses Elevators, escalators etc 	Audit tools, meteringMaintenance tools	

Think about: - which are available locally? Which are currently affordable? Expensive? Are specially skilled workers or tools required?

• For the roadmap, we will set targets for the key technologies in this format:



• List the key barriers and enablers for achieving this timeline.

Technology refresher - keeping buildings cool

- Step 1: building envelope and design
 - ✓ Module 1

• Step 2: lower heat gains through efficient appliances

- More efficient lights and appliances reduce the heat transfer to the space

Step 3: assisted ventilation

- Efficient ceiling fans with high performance brushless DC motors and improved blade designs
 - Can bring down the perceived temperature down by 2-4°C

Step 4: energy-efficient air conditioning

- Raised set point
- High EER, seasonal efficiency, label rating
- Water based systems



Decrease transport energy



Increase the efficiency of the cooling production



- ✓ VFD for pump and fans for adaptation to the demand
- Chilled Water systems instead of air systems
- ✓ Free cooling
 ✓ Evaporative cooling
- ✓ Evaporative cooling
 ✓ Enthalpy recovery
- ✓ Gliding temperature for the chilled water production
- ✓ Select chillers on part load performance with VFDs on fans and pumps
- ✓ Run chillers on optimum point





Technology refresher – energy management



• Example: energy monitoring equipment at Aranya Bhawan Office Building, Jaipur, India













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Energy monitoring results – Aranya Bhawan





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Coffee break

4. Policy gaps

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To remove inefficient products off the market	To increase the demand for efficient products:		
- MEPS - Phase-out	 Building certification Information and awareness Incentives Bulk or EE procurement 		
	To increase the efficiency of products		
To promote low energy consumption of buildings			

- Some things to think about:
 - Mandatory or voluntary policies ? How stringent should they be? Does the resource and capacity for enforcement exist?

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- Stock of ACs in ASEAN is growing, and could be 10 times as high at is today in 2050.
- Almost all homes will have on average 2 ACs.
- Efficiency of small ACs needs to improve drastically to avoid catastrophic impacts on the grid capacity, security and air pollution.

Efficiency of ACs in ASEAN



- If ACs are already available that are much more efficient than the current MEPS, should the MEPS be revised?
- MEPS and labelling are important mechanisms to increase the average efficiency of ACs on the market.
- MEPS and labels should use appropriate metrics. EER, SEER or CSPF?

• Example: mandatory disclosure for commercial buildings in Australia - NABERS

Commercial Buildings using NABERS have reported energy efficiency improvements of almost 10%. In addition to that, surveys conducted in the program framework show that **lessors and sellers can obtain up to a 9% green premium on the building value**, depending on their score. Accordingly, buildings with BEEC have considerably increased their ratings in the first years of the program (2010 to 2014), but now have shown steady and even slightly decreasing scores due to: increased difficulty due to higher improvements marginal costs, and the reduction of the floor area threshold in 2017-2018, leading to more and smaller, poorer performing buildings participating in the program than the previous years.

• Example: mandatory disclosure for large buildings in New York City – Energy Star

By the beginning of 2020, the Department of Buildings will assign a grade to each building, which will have to be placed near each building entrance within 30 days after receiving the score. The benchmarking and disclosure program are part of the city's efforts to reach the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80% in 2050.



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• Some "enabling" strategies

Capacity Building

- Government training
- Professional training
- Educational training
- Awareness and information
- Institutional coordination

Finance

- Urban development funds
- Infrastructure funds
- Dedicated credit lines
- Guarantees
- Green bonds
- Preferential tax, grants and rebates
- EPCs
- Procurement purchase
 or lease
- On-bill/ tax repayment

Multiple benefits

- Emissions savings, air quality
- Energy savings, energy security, energy prices
- Economic, productivity, employment, asset value
- Poverty alleviation, health and wellbeing, safety and security



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	Baseline status	Short-term	Medium-term	Long-term
	(2019)	(2030)	(2040)	(2050)
Systems	Less-efficient	Achieve: X% MEPS	Achieve: X% MEPS	<u>Achieve</u> : X% MEPS
	lighting,	coverage	coverage	coverage
	appliances and	Aspire: X% of current	Aspire: X% of current	<u>Aspire</u> : X% of current
	equipment	BAT	BAT	BAT

Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEPS). Develop, enforce and improve standards that set product quality and performance requirements.

Enable investment in clean systems. Enable increasing use of sustainable products by increasing access to and use of finance to enable private investment.

Governments lead by example. Develop policies that ensure all government buildings invest in low-emission and efficient systems.

Energy management systems. Train on energy management systems and use energy management processes in all buildings, particularly non-residential buildings.

Human resources: Hire and support the capacity building of sustainability and energy managers.

Smart controls. Deploy temperature, lighting and ventilation systems controls, sensors and energy metering.

Information. Provide data and information that will improve the decision making for building operators and occupants.

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Thank you!

