

# SUN COUPLED INNOVATIVE HEAT PUMP



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## PROJECT SCOPE AND VISION





## Context

*help reducing technical and market barriers by providing robust data to evaluate performance in market segment*



## Goals

*Reducing system costs and improving performance*



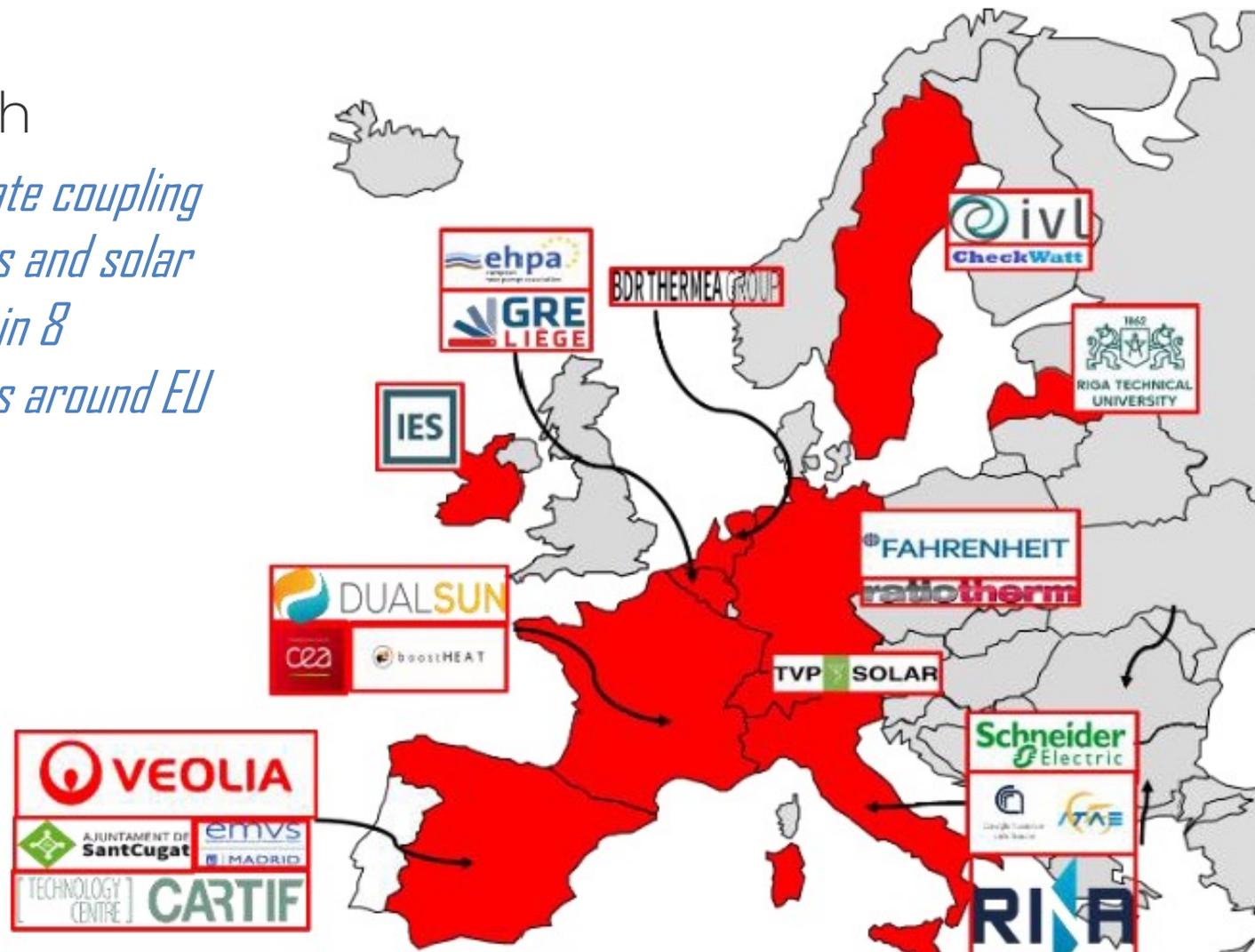
## Approach

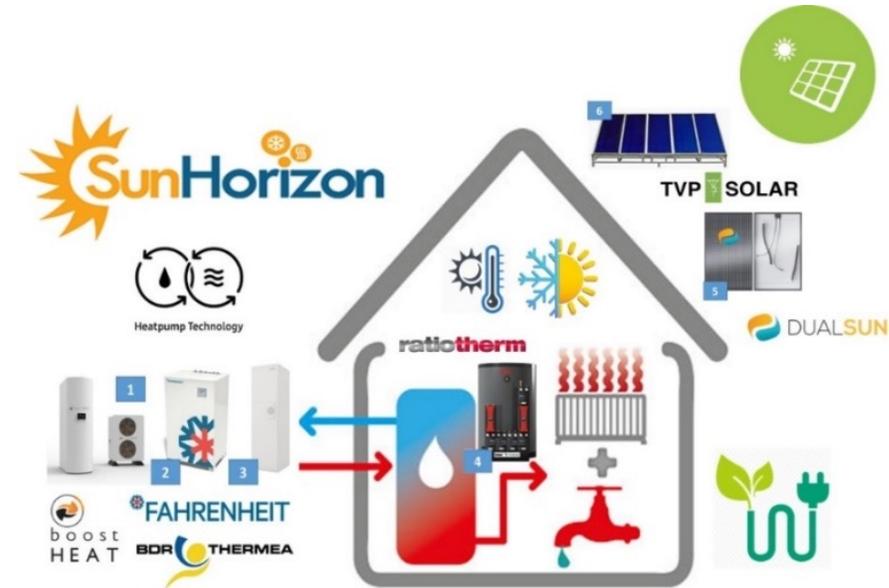
*To demonstrate coupling of heat pumps and solar technologies in 8 different sites around EU*



## Team

*21 partners*



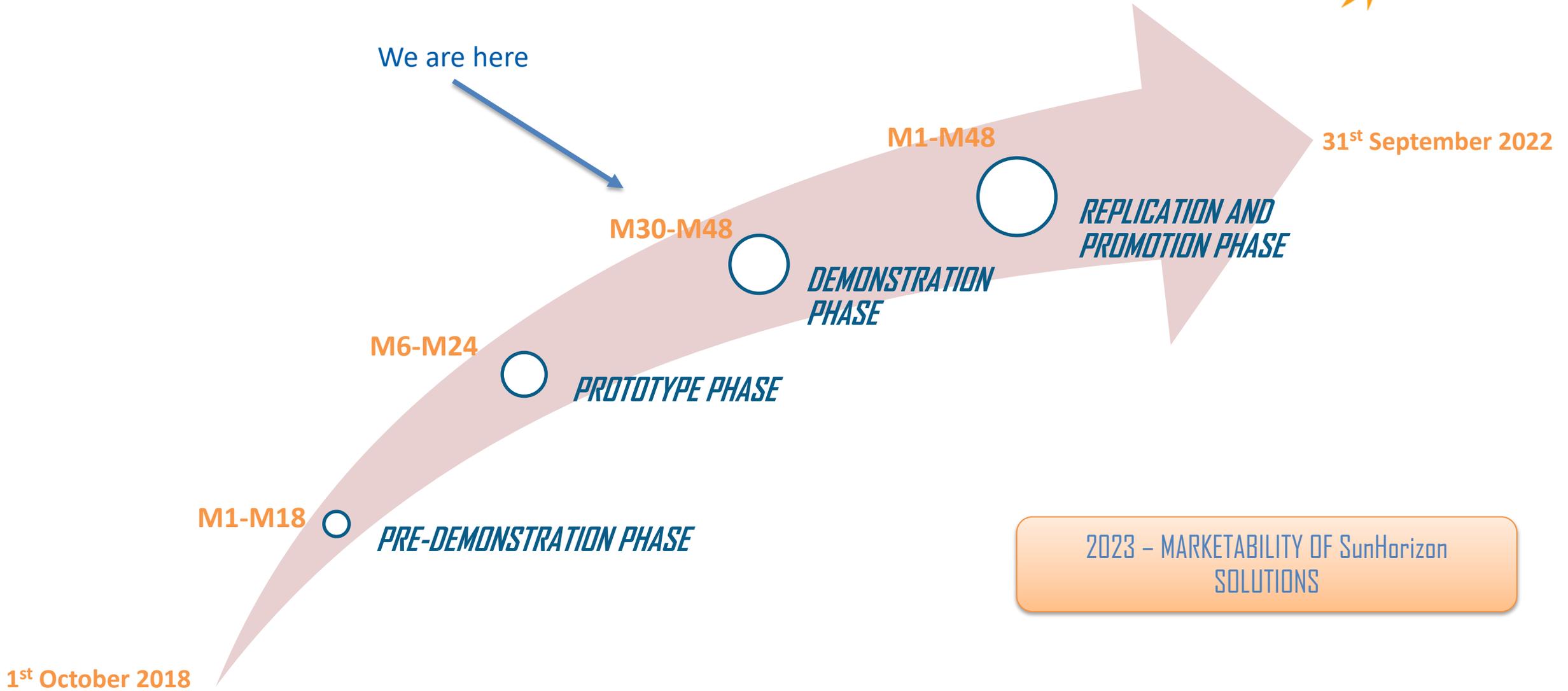


**TRL 7 – Sun and HP as baseload of EU H&C systems**  
**6 Technologies to be integrated – 5 Technology Packages – 8 Demos**  
**3 Research Pillars based on Functional Monitoring Data exploitation**

**DESIGN – MANUFACTURE - CONTROL**

## PROJECT TIMELINE AND RESULTS TO DATE







**January 2020 (M15)**

## **Technology specification**

The technology packages have been simulated, with ranges from 30% until 76% energy saving, and up to 84% cost saving. Self consumption ratio until 95%.

**September 2021 (M36)**

## **Technologies delivered**

All the technologies have been shipped to the demo sites between June and September 2021. 3 demosites have completed the installation.

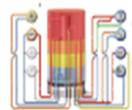
**April 2022 (M43)**

## **Installation completed**

All demosites will have completed the installation. One year extension is on the planning.

## TECHNOLOGIES AND DEMOSITES



	<i>Hybrid PV/T panels</i>	<i>DUALSUN</i>		<i>Hybrid adsorption Compressor cascade chiller</i>	<i>FAHRENETT</i>
	<i>Hybridation of HP, solar thermal and PV</i>	<i>BDR THERMEA</i>		<i>Thermal Compression HP</i>	<i>BOOSTHEAT</i>
	<i>Vacuum solar thermal panels</i>	<i>TVP SOLAR</i>		<i>Stratified thermal storage tank</i>	<i>RATIO THERM</i>

The demosite needs, are supplied with 5 different technology combinations, that combines the following technologies:

## Heat pumps



**FAHRENHEIT**  
Cooling Innovation.



**BDR THERMEA GROUP**



**BOOSTHEAT**  
ENERGY UNITES PEOPLE

## Solar technologies



**BDR THERMEA GROUP**



**DUALSUN**

## Storage



**ratiotherm**



**BDR THERMEA GROUP**

## Needs

Space cooling

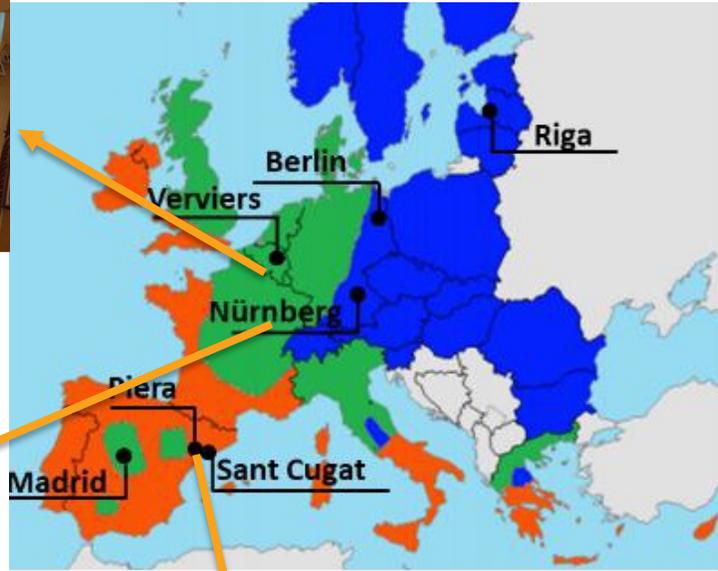
Space heating

Pool heating

DHW

5 technology packages





No	Location	Climate	Building type	SunHorizon TP
1	Berlin (Germany)	Cold	Small residential	TP1: TVP+BH
2	Nürnberg (Germany)	Cold	Large residential	TP2: DS+BH
3	Saint Cugat (Spain)	Warm	Tertiary (Civic centre)	TP3: TVP+FAHR
4	Madrid (Spain)	Average	Large residential	TP4: DS+BDR
5	Piera (Spain)	Warm	Small residential	TP4: BDR + PV
6	Verviers (Belgium)	Average	Tertiary (Sport Centre)	TP1: TVP+BH
7	Verviers (Belgium)	Average	Tertiary (Swim. pool)	TP2: DS+BH
8	Riga (Latvia)	Cold	Small residential	TP2: DS+BH

# SunHorizon Technology Packages (TP)



TP1



TP2



SunHorizon TP		Solar-HP integration concept	Description
TP1	TVP+BH	Parallel integration	TVP for space heating and DHW; BH to cover non-solar periods
TP2	DS+BH	Mixed solar-assisted/ parallel integration	BH for space heating and DHW support; DS PV-T thermal output to assist BH evaporator and cover preheating of demand; + electricity for appliances
TP3	TVP+FAHR	Solar-driven HP for cooling	TVP for space heating + DHW in winter + activation of the thermal compressor of the adsorption chiller (FAHR) for space cooling
TP4	DS+BDR	Parallel integration	DS PVT thermal output to cover part of space heating + DHW demand + electricity production to cover reversible heat pump electricity consumption
TP5	TVP+BH+FAHR	Mixed solar-driven/ parallel integration	TVP for space heating + DHW; BH to cover non solar periods; FAHR adsorption chiller activated only by BH or also by TVP

TP3



TP4



## SIMULATIONS AND TESTING



# Results from simulations



SunHorizon TP	Solar-HP integration concept	Results from (TRNSYS dynamic) simulations:
TP1	TVP+BH Parallel integration	In Berlin: 43% of primary energy savings, and 37% of costs savings for the user In Verviers: ~30% of primary energy and costs savings.
TP2	DS+BH Mixed solar-assisted/ parallel integration	In Nurnberg: ~ 33% of primary energy and costs savings, 80% of el. Self consumption ratio (SCR). In Verviers: ~25% of primary energy and costs savings. 95.1% of SCR In Riga: : ~37% of primary energy and costs savings. 43% of SCR
TP3	TVP+FA HR Solar-driven HP for cooling	In Sant Cugat ~35% of primary energy and costs savings**
TP4	BDR + DS Mixed solar-assisted/ parallel integration	In Madrid ~76% of primary energy and 84% of costs savings, and 37% of SCR In Piera ~59% of primary energy and 53% of costs savings, and 47% of SCR
TP5	TVP+BH + FAHR Mixed solar-driven/ parallel integration	TP only tested in simulation, in 3 locations and 2 types of buildings (tertiary and apartment building)

**Test bench simulation just completed in May '21**



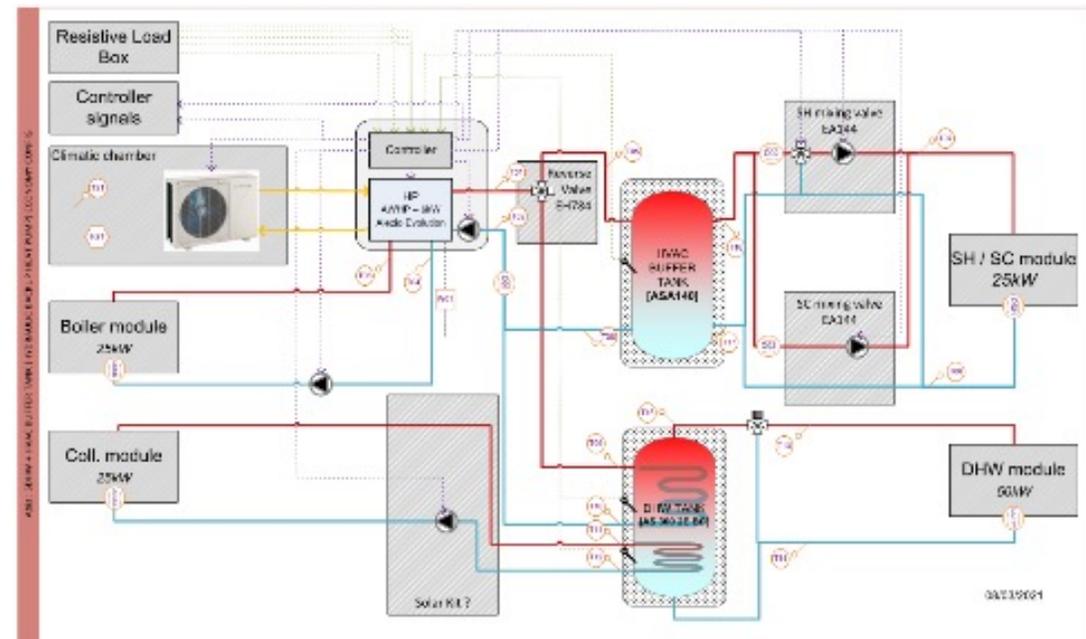
# TP4-BDR system test principles and real hardware running in semi-virtual lab



The semi-virtual lab test of TP4 from BDR for residential heating, cooling and DHW application was performed in March-April, in T3.3, following a custom **8-days test sequence** developed by CEA for Piera demo site in Spain.

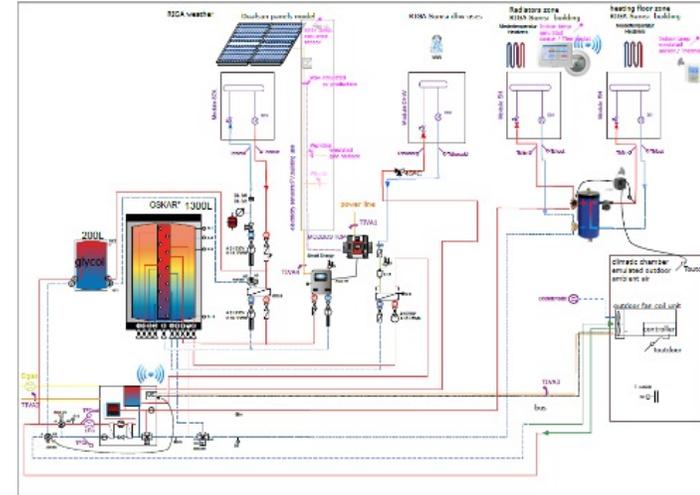
**BDR developed TP4 new concept** for maximising the overall system emissions savings and the PV electricity self-consumption through BDR 6kW reversible air source heat pump and 440L water storage, 4m<sup>2</sup> thermal and 10m<sup>2</sup> PV flat solar panels (virtually emulated) with homogeneous tilted roof integration.

The analysis of the results is under work, it is already demonstrating nearly **60% annual primary energy savings** and **45% renewable energy ratio** of the real controller and hardware, very close to the estimated values by dynamic TRNSYS simulation.



# TP2 system test principles and outlook of real hardware integration during

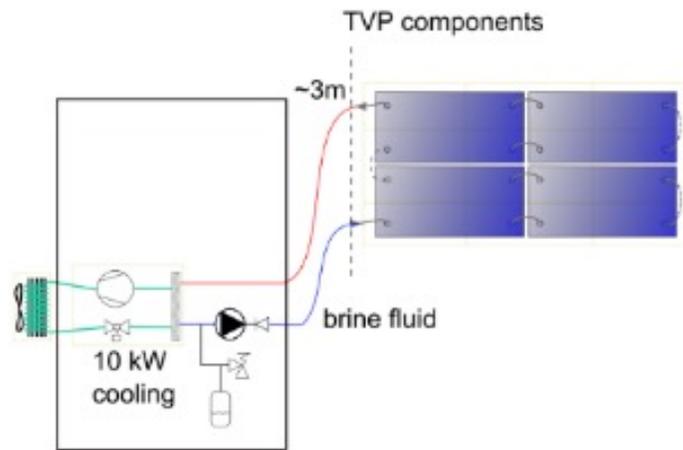
The test of TP2 involves **Ratiotherm** (solar heat distribution and 1.3 m<sup>3</sup> stratified thermal storage, controller with electricity self-consumption strategy) and **Boostheat** (20kW thermal compression gas fired CO<sub>2</sub> heat pump) as real hardware components while 50m<sup>2</sup> Dualsun solar **PVT panels** are **virtually emulated**, as well as the building and user heat and electricity demand.



The TP2 installation in CEA INES semi-virtual lab is finished. A custom 9-days test sequence was developed by CEA to assess TP2 performance, mainly regarding gas and electricity consumptions in Riga Sunisi demo site in Latvia. **The test setup already allows gaining experience for fail proof connections and wiring recommendations of Ratiotherm and Boostheat** altogether, and validating the proper operation of controllers.



# LT power high vacuum flat solar thermal panels testing



The Sunhorizon demo pilots of **TP3** in Sant Cugat, **TPI** in Verviers and Berlin are relying on **TVP solar LT power high vacuum flat solar thermal panels**.

Before being demonstrated also in INES PFE professional training platform in summer 2021, CEA is about installing 8m<sup>2</sup> LT power panels on its **sun tracking outdoor solar test bench** to get preliminary experimental performance assessment.

Tests will happen during a **few days in June** with appropriate weather conditions, in Chambéry, France. The resulting LTpower performance test datasets and numerical model are to be used in forthcoming TPI semi-virtual test or further TVP solar sizing tools and performance simulations.

## WHAT'S NEXT





# Beyond SunHorizon – Key Exploitable Results



#	Results	Main partners
1	Vacuum Solar Thermal Panels	TVP SOLAR
2	Hybrid PV/T panels	DS - DUALSUN
3	Hybrid adsorption/Compressor cascade chiller	FAHR, ITAE
4	Thermal compression HP	BH - BOOSTHEAT
5	Hybridation of HP, solar thermal and PV	BDR THERMEA
6	Stratified thermal storage tank	RATIO THERM
A	Self-Learning and In advance controller	CARTIF, CEA, <b>RINA-C</b> , RATIO, SE, CW, IES
B	Smart End User Interface	SE, CW
C	SunHorizon Tool Suite and Cloud Database	SE, CEA, CARTIF, IES, <b>RINA-C</b> , EXE, H&C manuf.

Solar Panel

Heat Pump

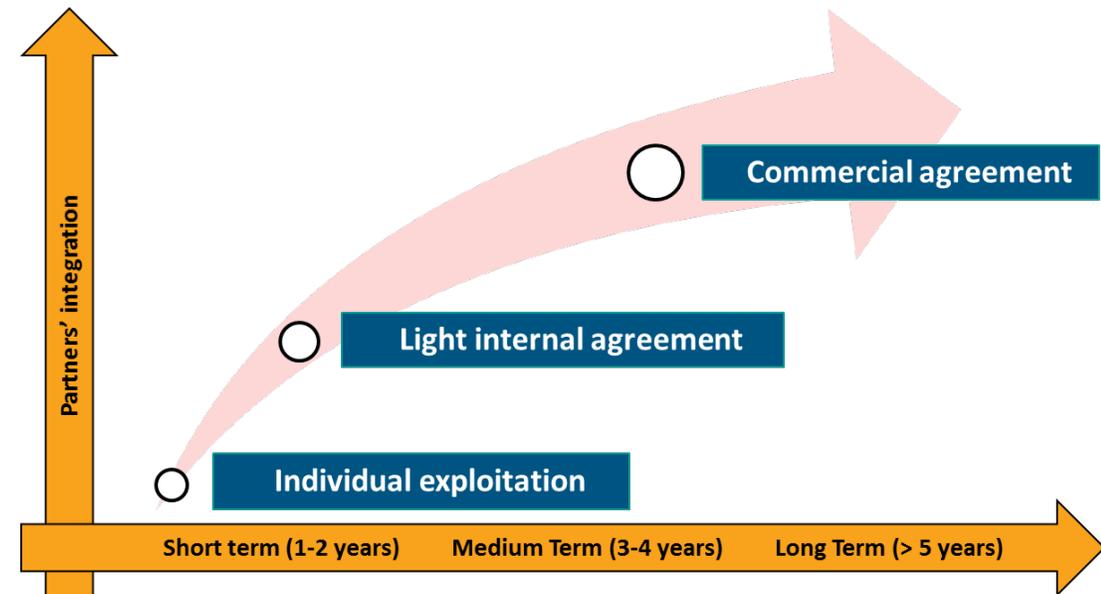
Storage



## Screening of potential BM patterns after the end of the project

<p>Exploitation strategies at partner level</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Exploitation Model</li> </ul>
<p>Exploitation strategies at project level (technology package driven logic)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Internal Agreement among technology providers</li> <li>✓ Roles of partners towards clients' engagement</li> <li>✓ Pricing and revenue models</li> </ul>

## Roadmap towards the commercialization of the SUNHORIZON technologies



## BARRIERS AND CHALLENGES



### **Barrier 01.**

Technologies do not always fit the (residential) owners requirements.

### **Challenge 01.**

Lack of an “integrator” partner, both for design and for post-project.

### **Barrier 02.**

COVID-19 consequences on the construction industry, prices and times for execution.

### **Challenge 02.**

Budget for installation defined in proposal phase.

# ...QUESTIONS?

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