

Factsheet

Heat recovery transformer station UW Mitte



PROFILE

Name and Administration building IKB address Salurner Straße 11 6020 Innsbruck Austria Map Source: Google Maps Within the project "heat recovery transformer station UW Mitte", Type of the waste heat from a transformer of the substation UW Mitte is installation used together with the energetic potential of the environment as the primary source for a heat pump process. For peak load coverage, a gas boiler system was installed as a backup. It is expected that an average of 75 percent of the annual heat demand will be covered by the installed heat pump system. **Ownership** Innsbrucker Kommunalbetriebe AG **Capacity** Heat pumps: 87,3 kW_{th}

Natural gas hot water boiler: 96 - 300 kW_{th}

Heat storage tanks: 4,000 litres

THE CONCEPT

Detailed characteristics of the device / infrastructure / service	The project "Heat recovery transformer station UW Mitte" includes the following major components: • heat pumps, • natural gas hot water boiler, • heat storage tanks	
Concept	The figure shows a simplified schematic representation of the project: Heat pump Usable energy IKB SALURNER STRASSE	
Energy solutions	The energy supply of an administration building by an air-water heat pump system is a common solution on the market. The project receives innovative content from the additional use of waste heat from the transformer substation, which was previously unused. This leads to an increase in the efficiency of the heat pump. In addition, there is another positive effect. The use of the heat pump results in an active cooling of the transformer substation, whereby a longer life is expected.	
Technologies considered in the design	Heat pumps:	

	The renewable heat is generated by two air-water heat pumps (with 34.9 kW and 52.4 kW) with five outdoor units, which are situated on the ceiling above the transformer substation. The regulation of the heat pumps is weather-related with a sliding operating mode. Natural gas hot water boiler: Two new hot water boilers (with 48-150 kW) were installed to cover the peak load. Heat storage tanks: To store the generated heat, two heat storage tanks with a capacity of 2,000 litres each were implemented. This results in the possibility of compensating an irregular operation of the transformer substation.
Performance targets	 expected amount of produced heat (heat pumps): 300 MWh/a expected amount of produced heat (gas boiler): 200 MWh/a expected amount of reduced CO₂: 71 t/a
Financing model	Direct investment of IKB: 85%, national grant: 10 % and EC grant: 5%

IMPLEMENTATION

Contracting authority	IKB Innsbrucker Kommunalbetriebe AG
Project manager	Sophia Neuner (IKB)
Manufacturer / supplier	E. Rainalter GmbH
Other involved companies	
Cost breakdown	The total investment costs are in order of 0.21 Mio. €, Estimated payback time is 10yrs



Implementation planning	
1 - Design	01/2016
Description of step:	Planning and preparation of engineering
2 - Construction	08/2016
Description of step:	Start of the construction phase
3 – Completion	02/2017
Description of step:	Hand over to operator

Work progress

Milestones



Figure 1: indoor unit of the air-water heat pumps

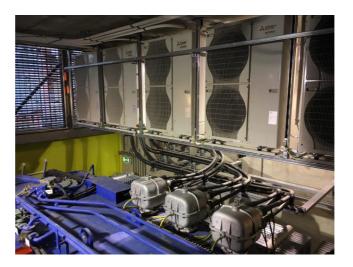


Figure 2: outdoor units of the air-water heat pumps



Figure 3: two heat storage tanks with 4,000 litres capacity



Figure 4: natural gas hot water boiler for peak load coverage

MONITORING

Monitoring System	The entire system has a modern process control system, which connects all components with each other. All measured values required for operation are recorded in the system. In order to assess the performance of the individual components, KPIs are calculated.
Monitored variables and figures	 The following data is recorded for the Sinfonia project: energy input and output [kWh_{el}, kWh_{th}] reduction of CO₂ [t/a]

LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS

Estimated lifetime	Heat pumps: 20 yrs
	Hot water boiler: 20 yrs
	Heat storage tanks: 20 yrs
	Pipe systems: 20 yrs