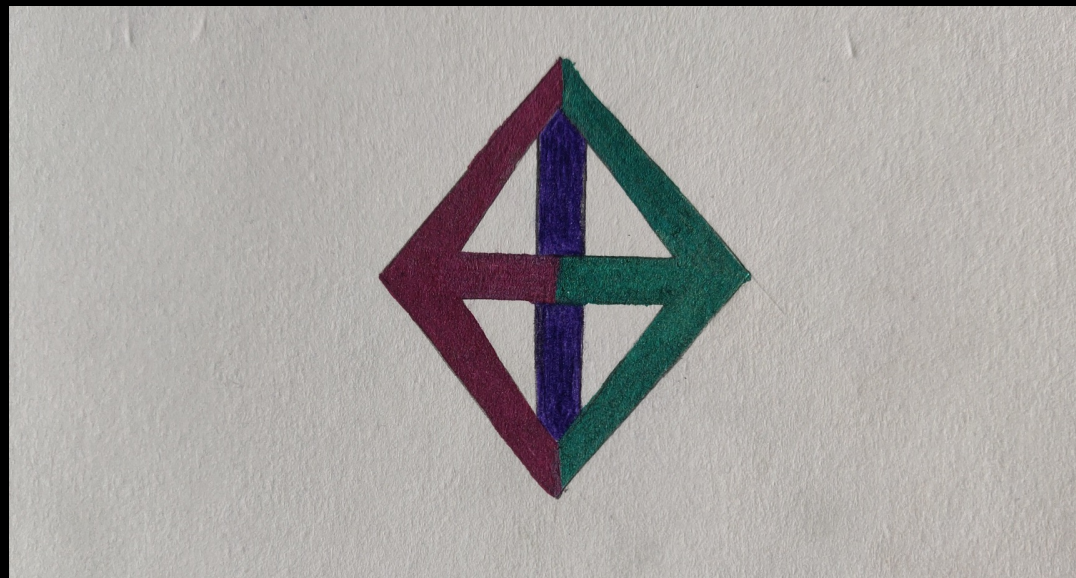


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02025 – Data Center Heat in Amsterdam Zuidoost

A little color and context!

In the coming years, Amsterdam Zuidoost will be transformed in the coming years, from a working area into a lively, green and ecological urban center.

My proposal is that as part of this area transformation we can unlock data center heating in Amsterdam.

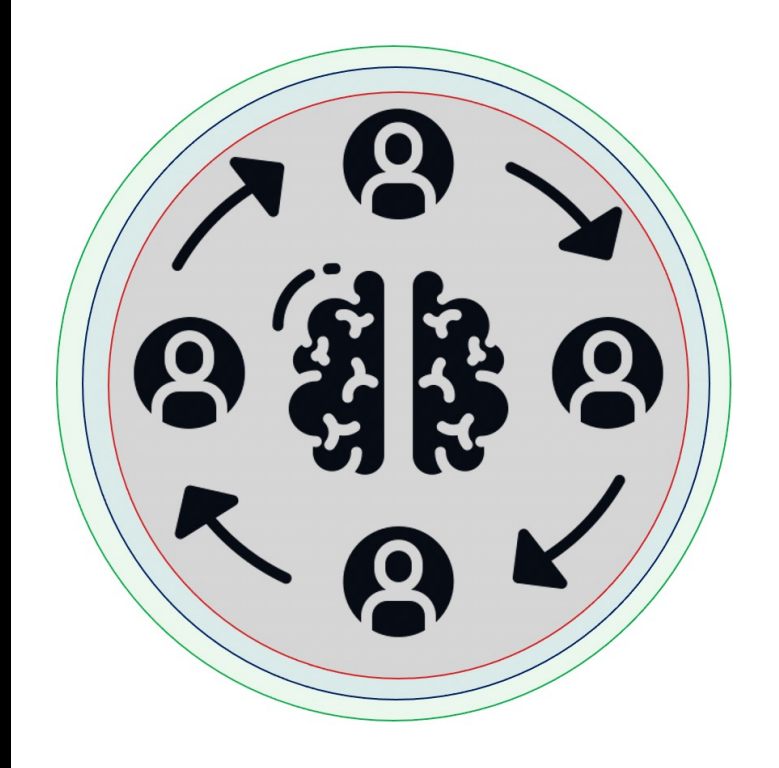
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Data Center Heat

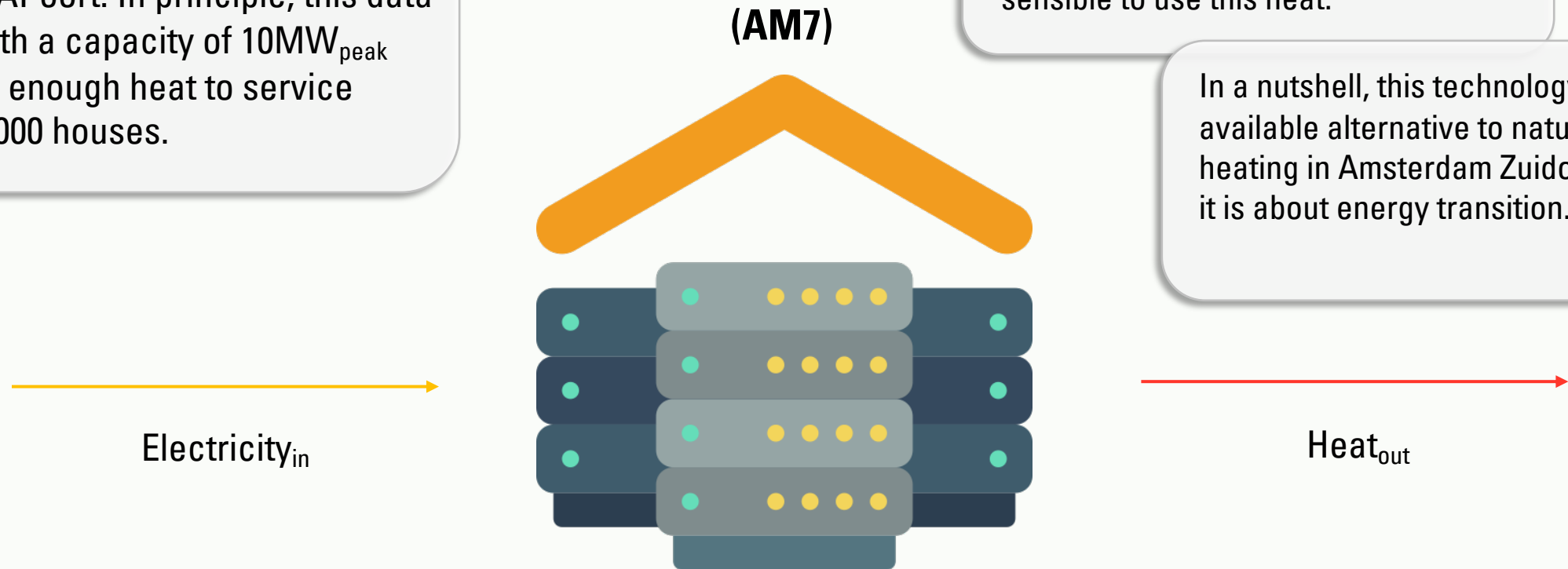


Economic case for data center heat in Amstel III en ArenAPoort

The research I did focussed on the existing data center AM7 in Amstel III and ArenAPoort. In principle, this data center with a capacity of $10\text{MW}_{\text{peak}}$ produces enough heat to service about 23.000 houses.

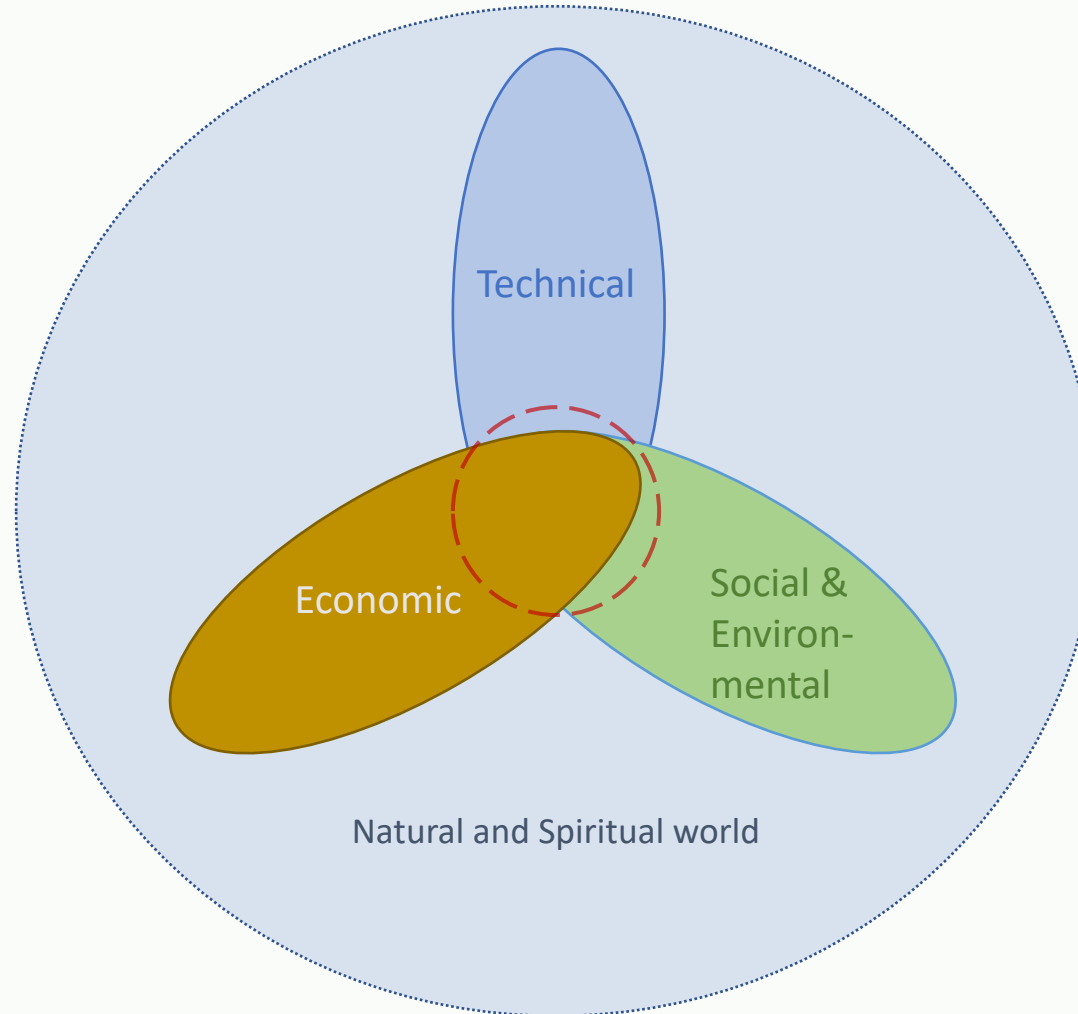
As the heat is generated either way when operating the data center, it is economically and environmentally sensible to use this heat.

In a nutshell, this technology offers a available alternative to natural gas heating in Amsterdam Zuidoost - thus it is about energy transition.



Technology in a nutshell: 'Data center heat' as alternative energy source to natural gas (in Amsterdam Zuidoost)

The analysis I do



Data Center Heat in Amstel III en ArenAPoort [1]

AM7 Data Center Heat: ~35 °C

Vs.

Existing High Temperature District Heating
Network: ~120 °C

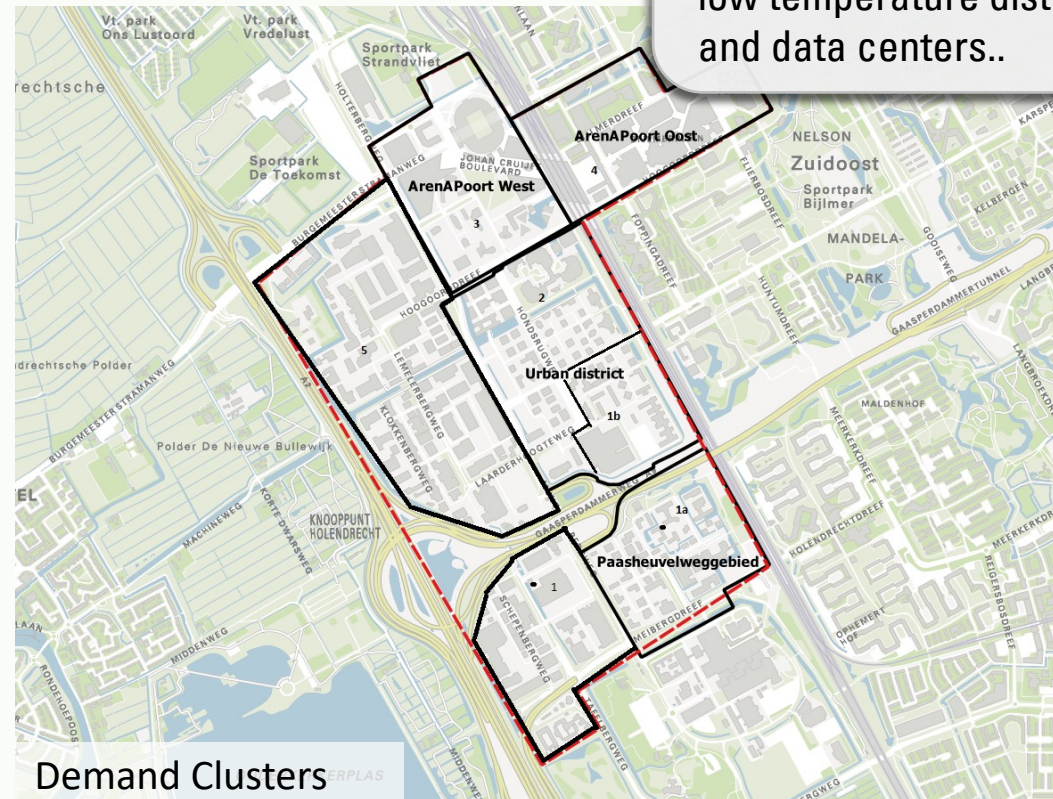
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Low temperature district heating network

(ca. 2100 m):

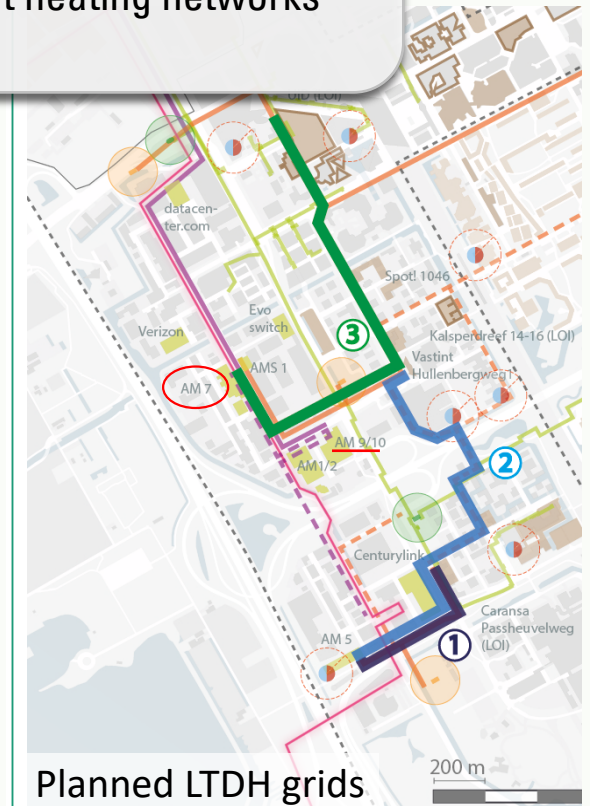
“Trace 3” (green line)

as “5th Generation District Heating and
Cooling (5DHC) Network”



Demand Clusters

Below, you can see the project overview.
To the left, the demand clusters in the area
are displayed. And to the right, the planned
low temperature district heating networks
and data centers..



Planned LTDH grids

Here, the large temperature difference is also highlighted (in green).
Therefore, also the reasoning for a low temperature network.

Data Center Heat in Amstel III and ArenAPoort [1]

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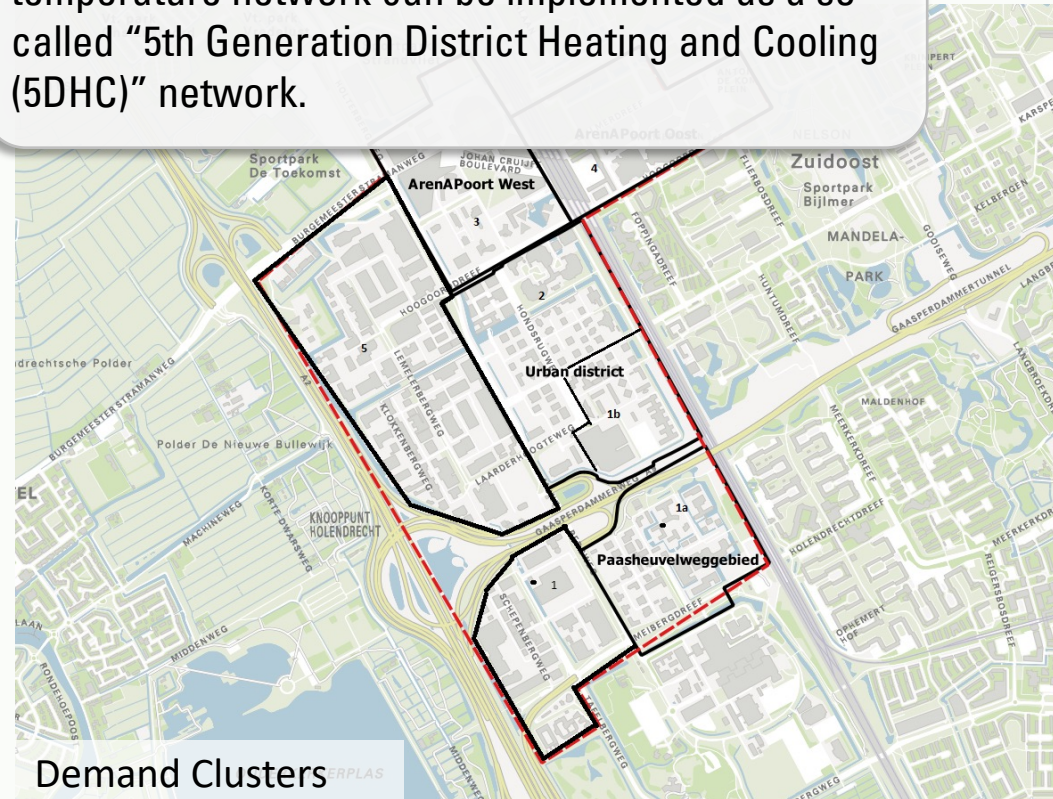
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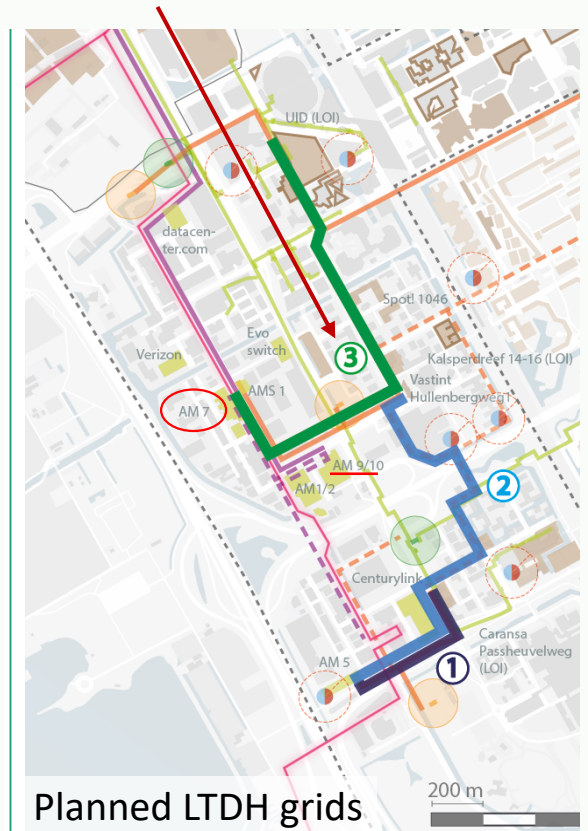
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The proposal I am explicitly making is that this low temperature network can be implemented as a so-called "5th Generation District Heating and Cooling (5DHC)" network.



Proposal: **"Trace 3"** as
5DHC network

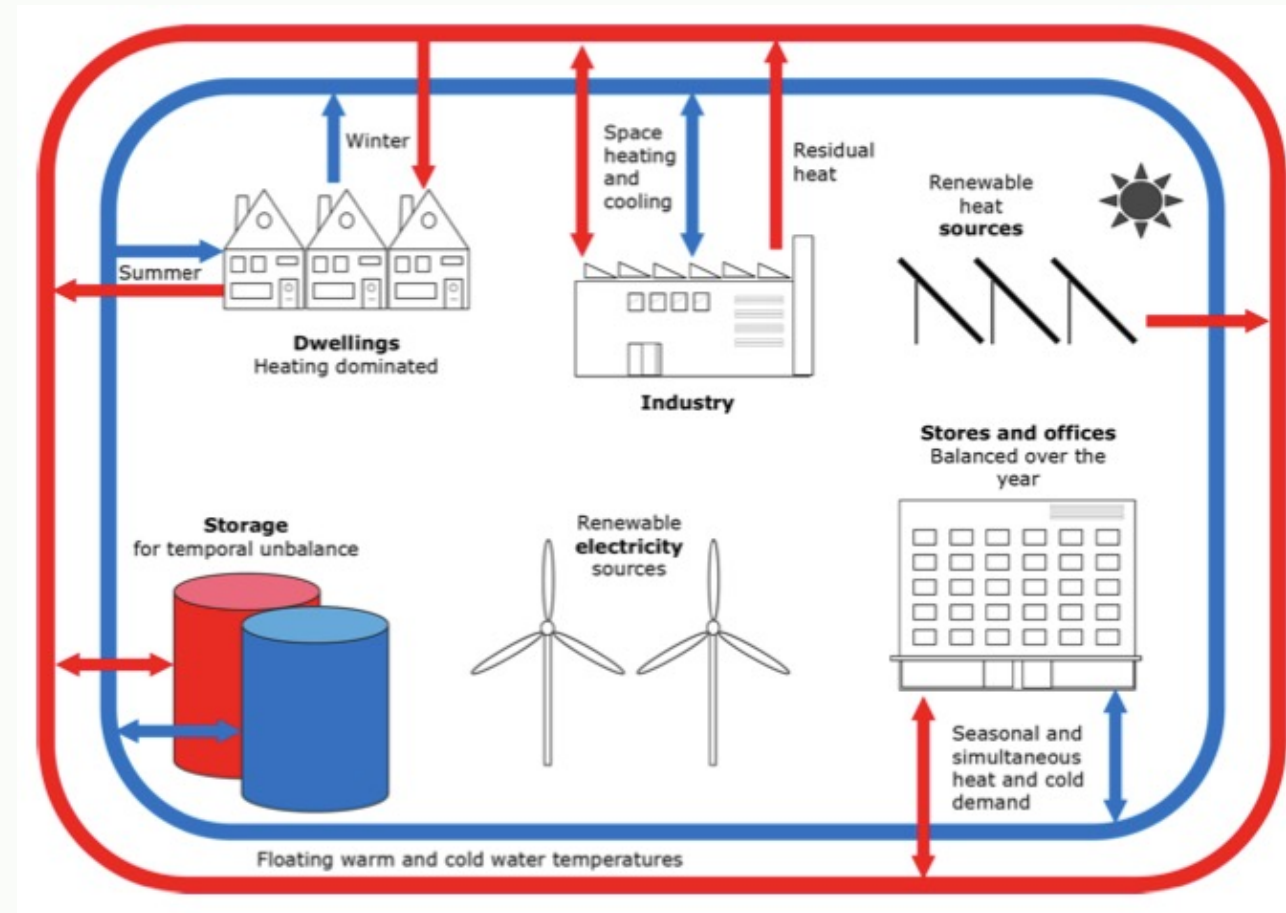


Alternative heating: 5th Generation District Heating and Cooling (5DHC) - Key Characteristics [2; 3; 4]

- 5DHC consists of a backbone with a warm and a cold pipe, and makes it possible for buildings to exchange energy with each other.
- Integration of heat sources in the city.
- Integration of renewable energy sources.
- Minimal energy losses due to operating temperatures close to the ground
- **Prosuming** across the network

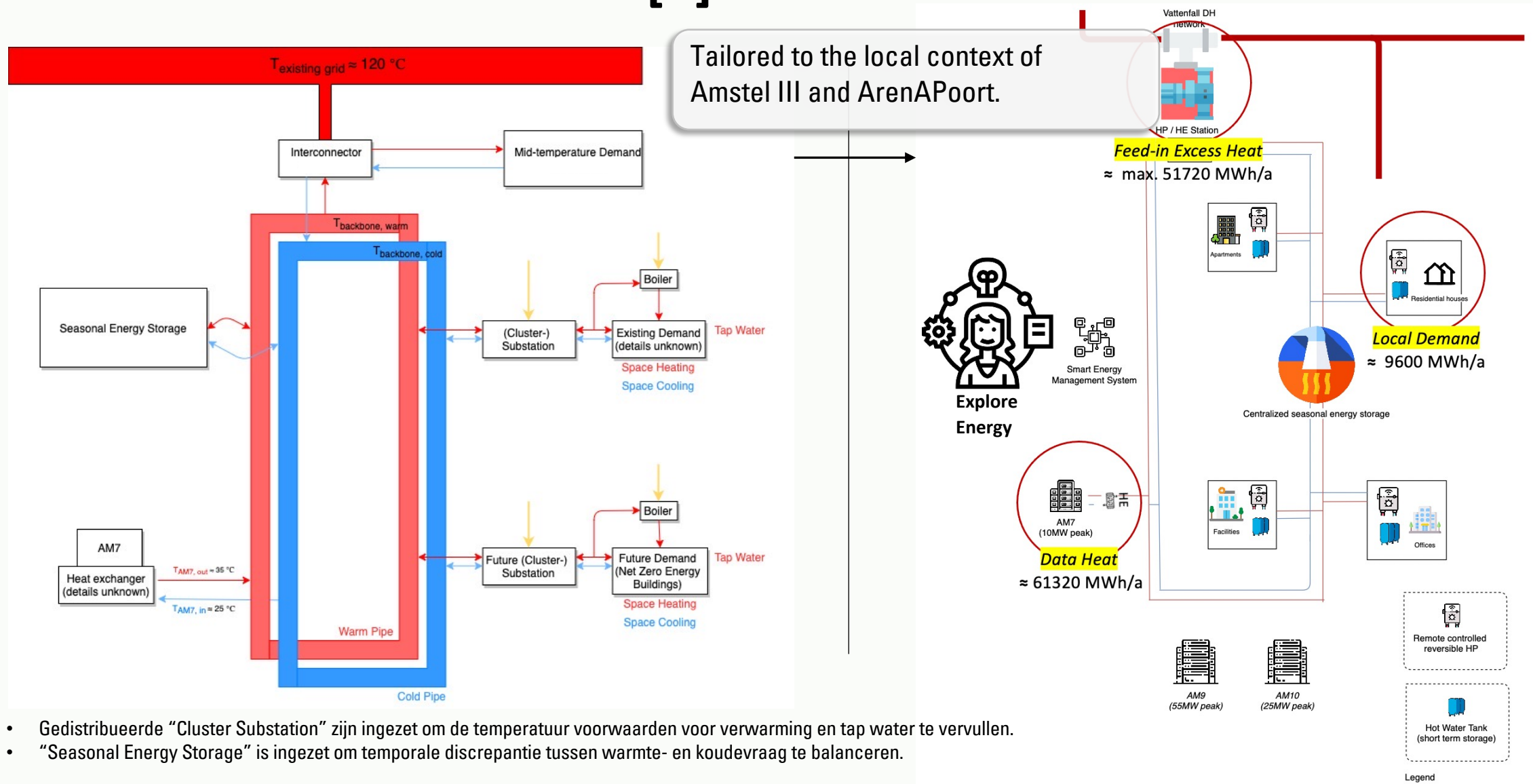
Heat out = Cold in

Example 5DHC in Herleen, The Netherlands:
<https://www.mijnwater.com>



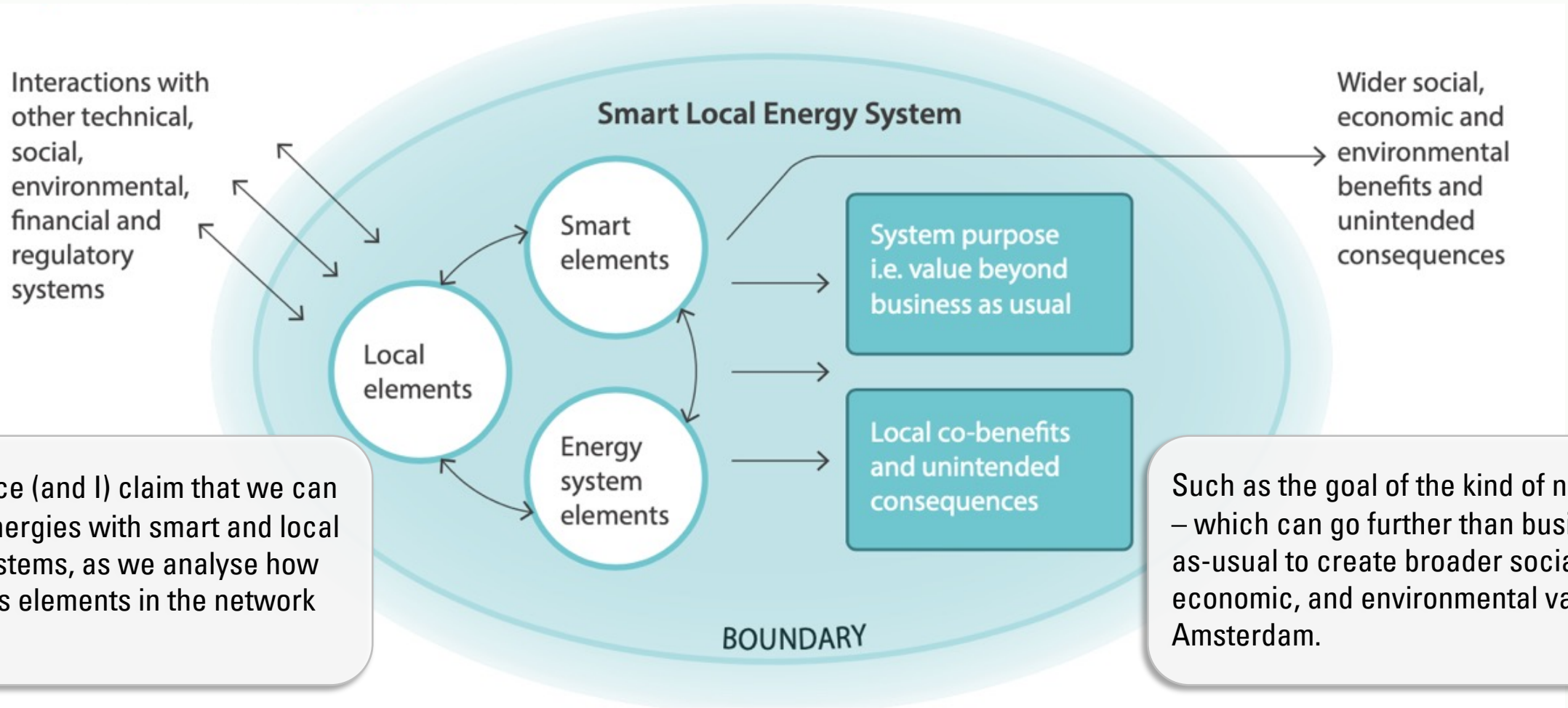
Picture source: Boesten et al. (2019) - 5th Generation District Heating and Cooling as a solution for renewable urban energy supply [2]

(Blueprint) Design for 5DHC Energy Network in Amstel III and ArenAPoort [1]



- Gedistribueerde "Cluster Substation" zijn ingezet om de temperatuur voorwaarden voor verwarming en tap water te vervullen.
- "Seasonal Energy Storage" is ingezet om temporale discrepantie tussen warmte- en koudevraag te balanceren.

Socio-technical interests + objectives



Equinix Data center

[Source](#)

By example we can achieve this through sharing knowledge in all of Amsterdam and in this way support data center heating in Amsterdam.

We can develop projects in parallel for a required acceleration of the Energy Transition in Amsterdam and contribute to the protection of Mother Earth.

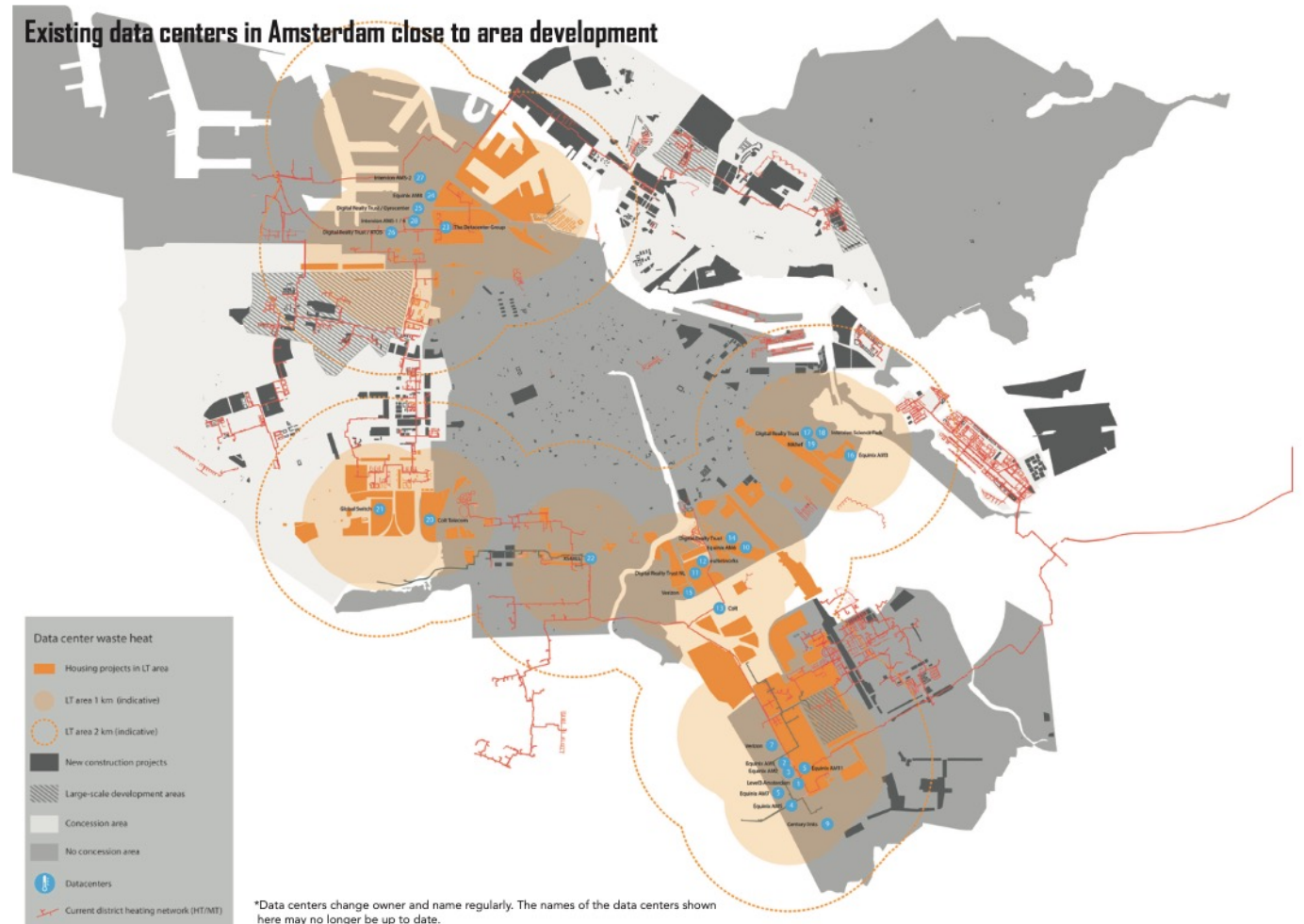


Significant Potential for Data Center Heat in Amsterdam [6]

Existing research demonstrates that there is a significant potential for data center heat in Amsterdam, and we can unlock this potential as we work together.

Unlock Data Center Heat in Amsterdam !

- Create learnings for similar projects
- Share success stories
- Replicate & Scale



Thank you for your attention.
Time for questions!

Exchange knowledge? Collaborate?

I am delighted to come in touch:

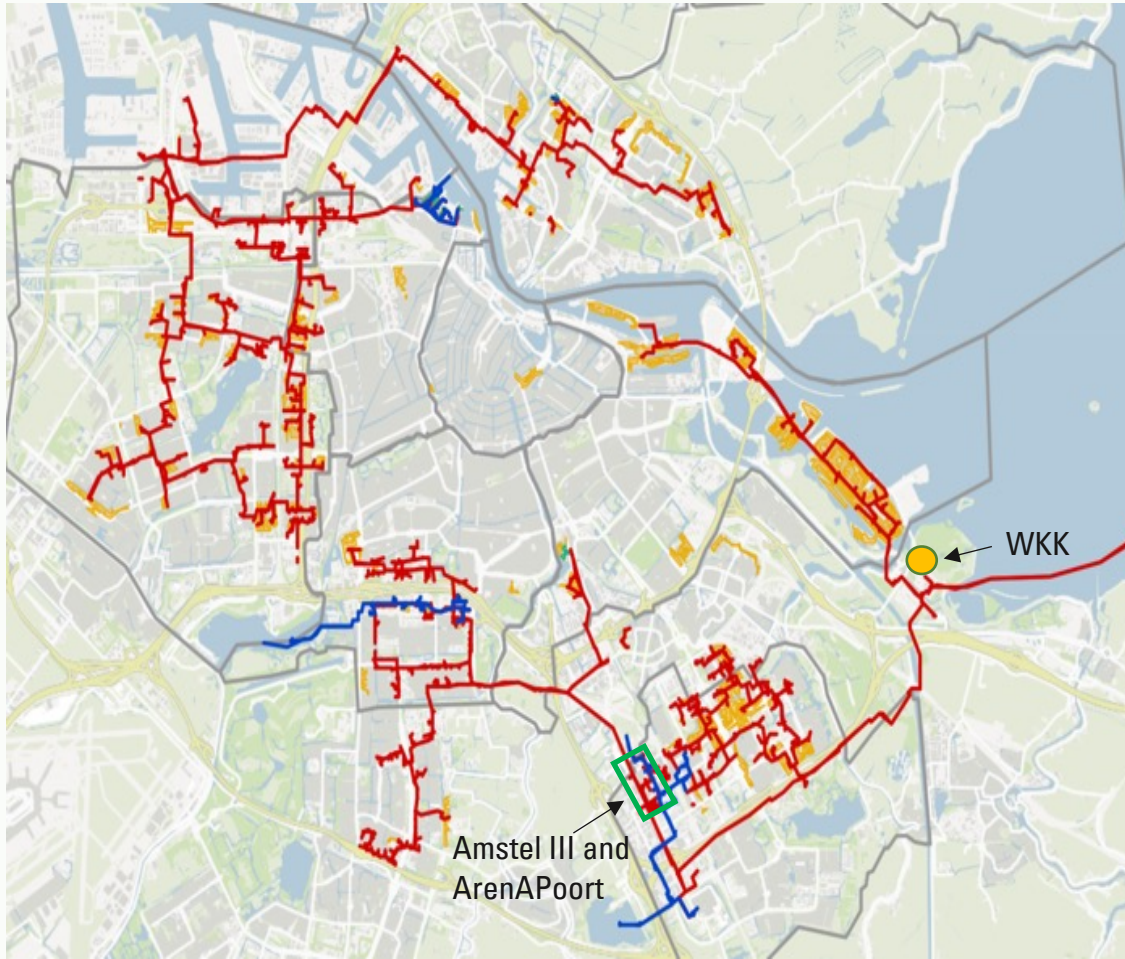
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District Heating in Amsterdam [1]



Picture source: <https://maps.amsterdam.nl/stadswarmtekoude/?LANG=en>

District heating in Amsterdam [7]:

Comparison: AM 7 = 10 MW_{piek}

- Combined Heat and Power (CHP) on natural gas, operated by Vattenfall
 - Diemercentrale 33 and 34 266 MW_e + 180 MW_{th}
 - Hemwegcentrale 9 435 MW_e + 260 MW_{th}
- The existing district heating networks in Amsterdam operates at high operating temperatures (~120 °C). High heat losses and high emission factors [6].
- Data Center AM7 as alternative heat source to natural gas in Amstel III and ArenAPoort.
- Moving beyond business-as-usual, and establish a novel Energy Company ("Explore Energy") to service the area with data center heat.
- Build trust with resident through active inclusion in decisions and collaboration.
- **Creating incentives to participate.**

Potential for Value
Creation beyond
Amsterdam [1]

Data Center
Hubs in
Europe

(FLAP - cities)

Frankfurt
London
Amsterdam
Paris

