

# SMART DISTRICT HEATING FROM FINLAND

The Coldest Country in Europe

The Best Country of District Heating

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# Internationalization Programme of Finnish DH

#### Cluster

#### **Background of Finnish Supply Potential:**

- Finland: the coldest country in Europe
- > Optimal DH & CHP system: low tariffs, high quality and availability
- World best experience in usage of renewable fuels
- Industrial and municipal co-operation is well-established
- Good examples in district cooling already
- Reliable reputation and high-quality products

#### Internationalization Programme of Finnish DH Cluster:

- Finnish Ministry of Employment and Economy has decided to finance internationalization programme of Finnish DH cluster through Finpro
- Fourteen Finnish companies are participating in the programme

#### **Programme Objectives:**

- > To cluster Finnish offering of DH, CHP and renewable fuels
- > To promote the Finnish expertise and know-how in CEE, CIS countries and China
- To establish strategic co-operation between the Finnish and local companies as well as high-level authorities

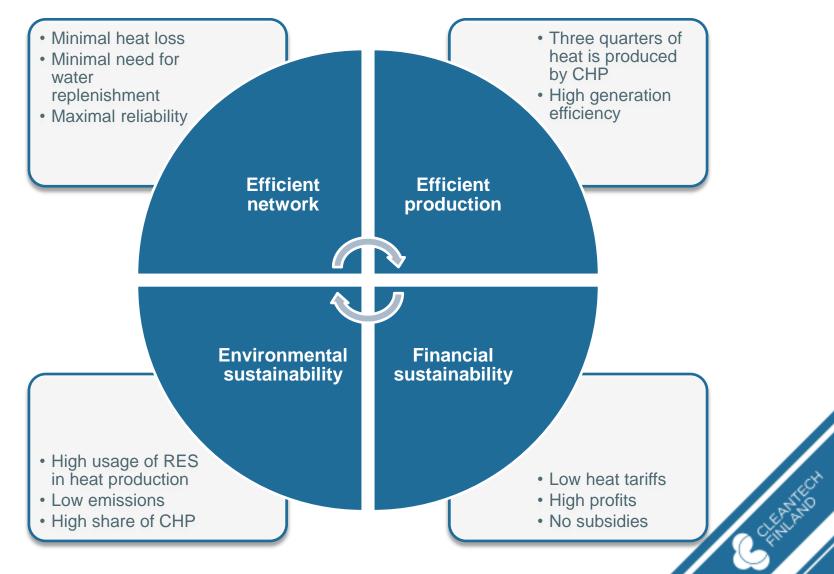
Finnish District Heating know-how is unique!



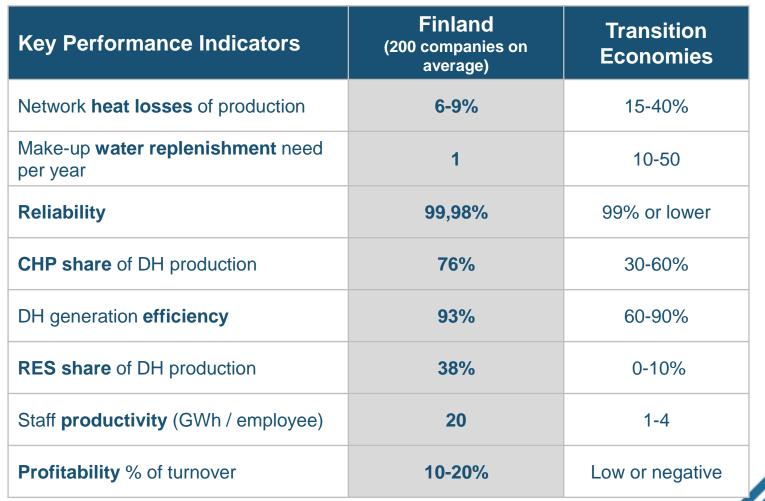
### WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE



#### THE WORLD BEST DHC SYSTEM?



# WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A DHC SYSTEM WITH **EXCELLENT KEY PERFORMANCE** INDICATORS?







# Highly **efficient** and **reliable** Finnish DHC Networks



- FINPRO
- DH is available for customers 99,98% of the time (breaks are less than 2 hours per year, including planned breaks)
- Frequency of network damages is 0,1 damages/km, compared to 1-2 damage/km in transition economies
- Due to preventive maintenance practices, damages are minimized and if occurs, repaired immediately
- The efficiency of the DH networks is on average over 91%, in some cities reaching even 94%
- Network water replenishment rate is only once a year compared with 10-50 times in transition economies;
- Finnish DH pipelines are designed to last minimum 50 years and **expected to operate 100 years or even longer**.

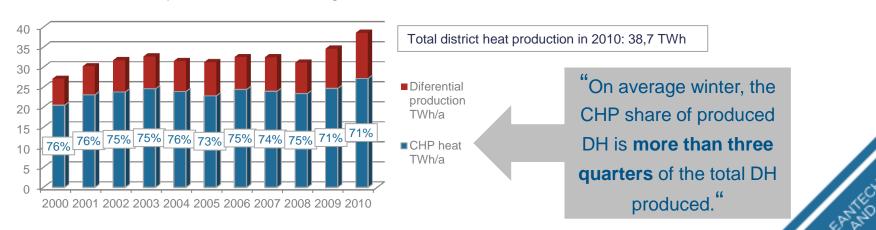
Finnish DH systems are characterized by **reliability** and **ease of use**. Heat supply breaks are rare and the DH network requires **minimal maintenance**.

## Finland: The World Leader in CHP / DH



#### CHP in District Heating is the Best Choice:

- Combined Heat and Power (CHP) is the **most efficient way** to produce heat and power from any fuel.
- CHP is largely used in both industry and district heating.
- In Finland, more than 70% of all district heating is generated by CHP whereas in many cities the share is more than 90%.
- In 2010, 20% of all electricity produced in Finland was based on CHP.
- Customers benefit from low heat prices in Finland.
- The reason to low prices lies on the optimized structure and size of the Finnish DH systems.
- Large scale use of CHP provides synergy benefits to DH as well.
- DH at low prices is competitive to any other heating modes.

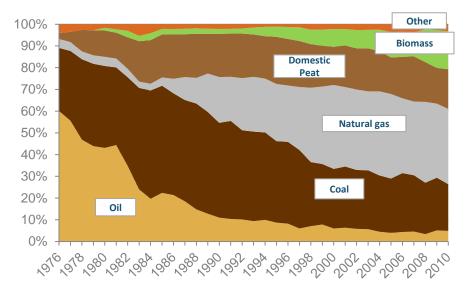


Finnish District Heat production and the share of Cogenerated Heat

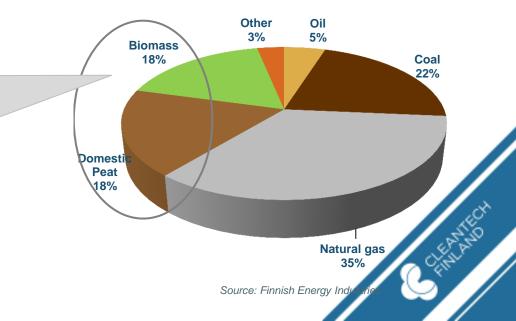
### Leading Expertise in Usage of RES



- Finnish companies have decades of experience and strong position in exporting bio energy technology
- 36% of DH production is based on biomass and domestic peat
- 31% of electricity production is based on RES.
- DH in Finland has its roots in the CHP of the wood processing industry
- The increase of biomass use is even higher in CHP than in separate heat production
- The national target is to have DH and CHP free from fossil fuels by 2050



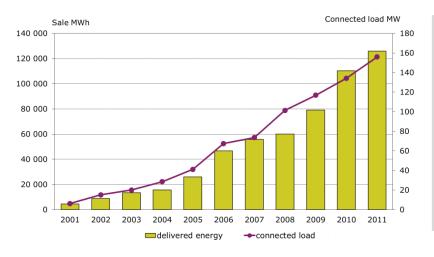
" The price of district heating has increased moderately compared to rising prices of oil and gas, because alternative fuels - such as coal, domestic peat, waste wood, municipal and industrial waste have been used instead."



# Finland: among the Leading Countries on District Cooling in Europe



- In Helsinki, despite of the cold climate, a high demand for cooling prevails.
- In 2008, Helsinki had the third largest and most rapidly growing cooling system in Europe. (90 MW).
- The growth is based on customers' own willingness to connect district cooling in the free market.
- Sea water, conventional heat pumps and absorption chillers, covering 1/3 each, are used as sources for cooling.
- More than 80 % of the district cooling production is based on resources that otherwise would be wasted.
- The share of renewable sources amounts to 60%.



#### **District Cooling Key Figures in Finland, 2011**

- Total DC sales: 120 MWh
- DC trench length for transport and distribution network (one way): 76 km
- Available DC storage: 38.6 MW
- Cities offering DC: Helsinki, Turku, Heinola, Lahti
- Tampere is planning to offer DC
- DC is competitive in densely built areas where high demand for cooling exists.

Integration of district heating and cooling provides synergy in CHP operation and in overall energy efficiency.

# Finnish DHC: The Benchmark worldwide!



#### Finnish DHC in 2012

Heat sales (incl. taxes)	2,250 mill €
Sold heat energy	33.6 TWh
Average price of DH (incl. taxes and domestic hot water )	67 €/MWh
Inhabitants in DH apartments	2.7 mill
Market share of district heat	47%
Sold district cooling energy	124 GWh

#### Finnish DHC business and expertise is provided by:

- Both private and public DH companies that independently operate in the non-regulated market, which drives them for high operational efficiency and financial sustainability
- Investments made based on the long-term least cost solution
- Several world-class energy consulting companies
- Full range of equipment manufacturers both for energy production and distribution
- Several universities, research institutes and energy companies who invest in R&D activities for CHP and DHC.

The International Energy Agency (IEA 2009) has stated that **Finland is the 'model for the world' in CHP and DHC** with high efficiency and environmental performance.

