

# **EcoSMR Business Review**

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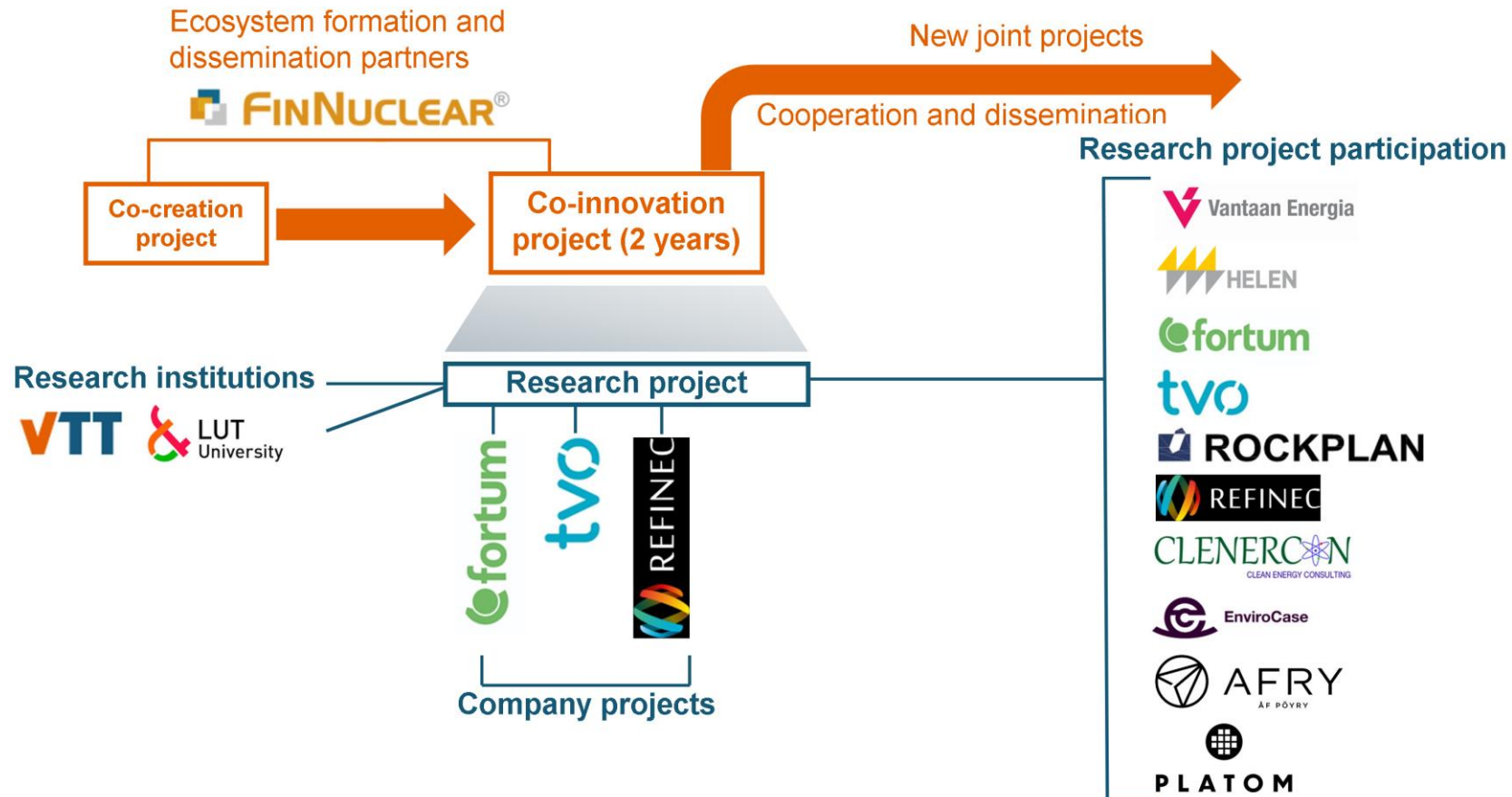
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# Presentation Content

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- EcoSMR
- Energy Transition Market in EU
- District Heat Market Dynamics
- Company activation and networking
  - Potential Business and Collaboration Models
  - Next steps – SMR HUB, R&D&I
- Information to actors, higher level of knowledge
- New nuclear -> New business
  - National and International
  - Decarbonization of renewing energy system
  - Opportunities for industrial investments

# EcoSMR Consortium



# Scale of Energy Transition

## ⚡ Electricity

**1600 TWh/y**

EU Low carbon electricity production to be deployed by 2040

**80 GW**

European Nuclear capacity to be replaced by 2050

## ⚡ District heat

**~500 TWh<sub>th</sub>/y**

Current district heat demand in EU26

➤ **2/3 fossil-fueled**

Assets to be retired and replaced in the coming two decades

## 🔥 Industrial heat

**~1250 TWh<sub>th</sub>/y**

Iron – Steel, Non-metallic minerals and chemicals heat demand in EU26

**> 45 % market**

Heat below 400°C

## 🔴 Hydrogen

**>20 Mt H<sub>2</sub>/y GW**

REPowerEU Market Estimate for 2030

**1000 TWh/y**

Equivalent additional clean electricity demand

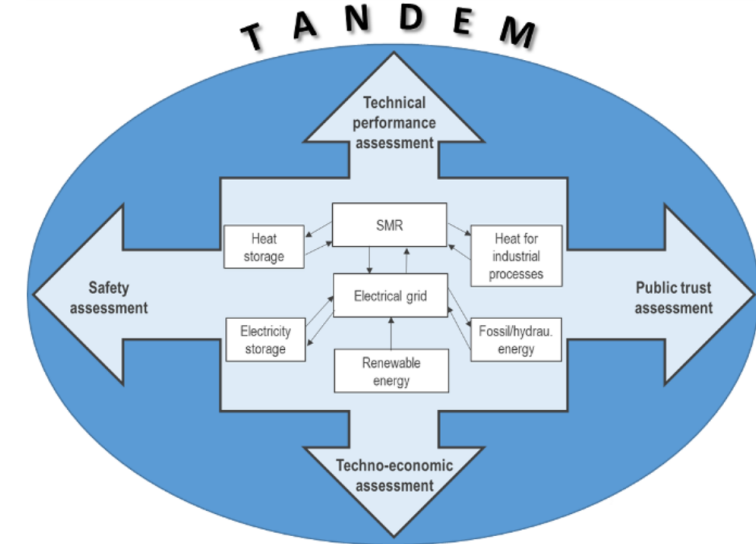
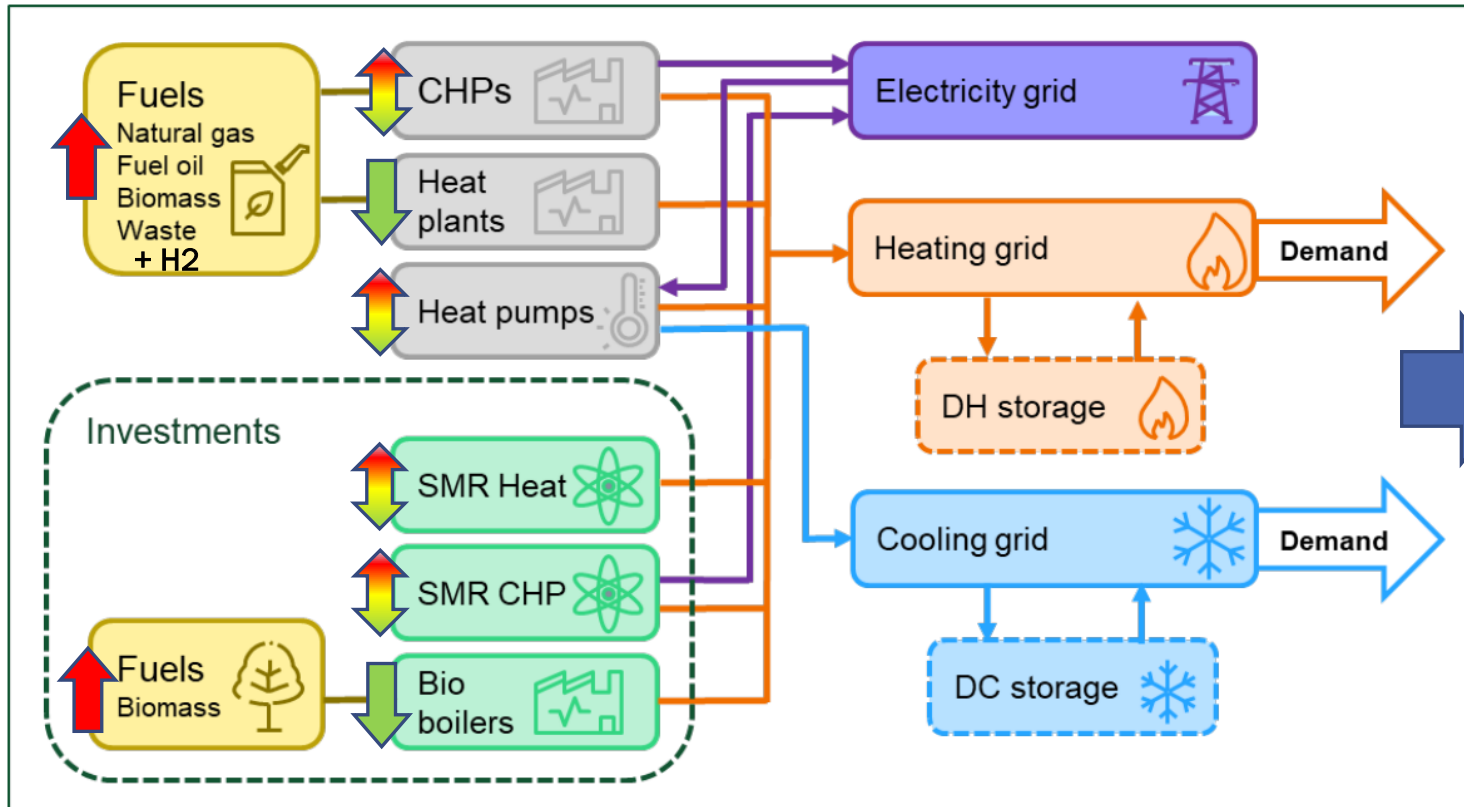
**>120 GW**

Equivalent nuclear capacity

⊕ = 377 TWh primary energy of which 86,8 TWh electricity

Total Additional EU Demand for clean energy by 2040: 9000 TWh/y

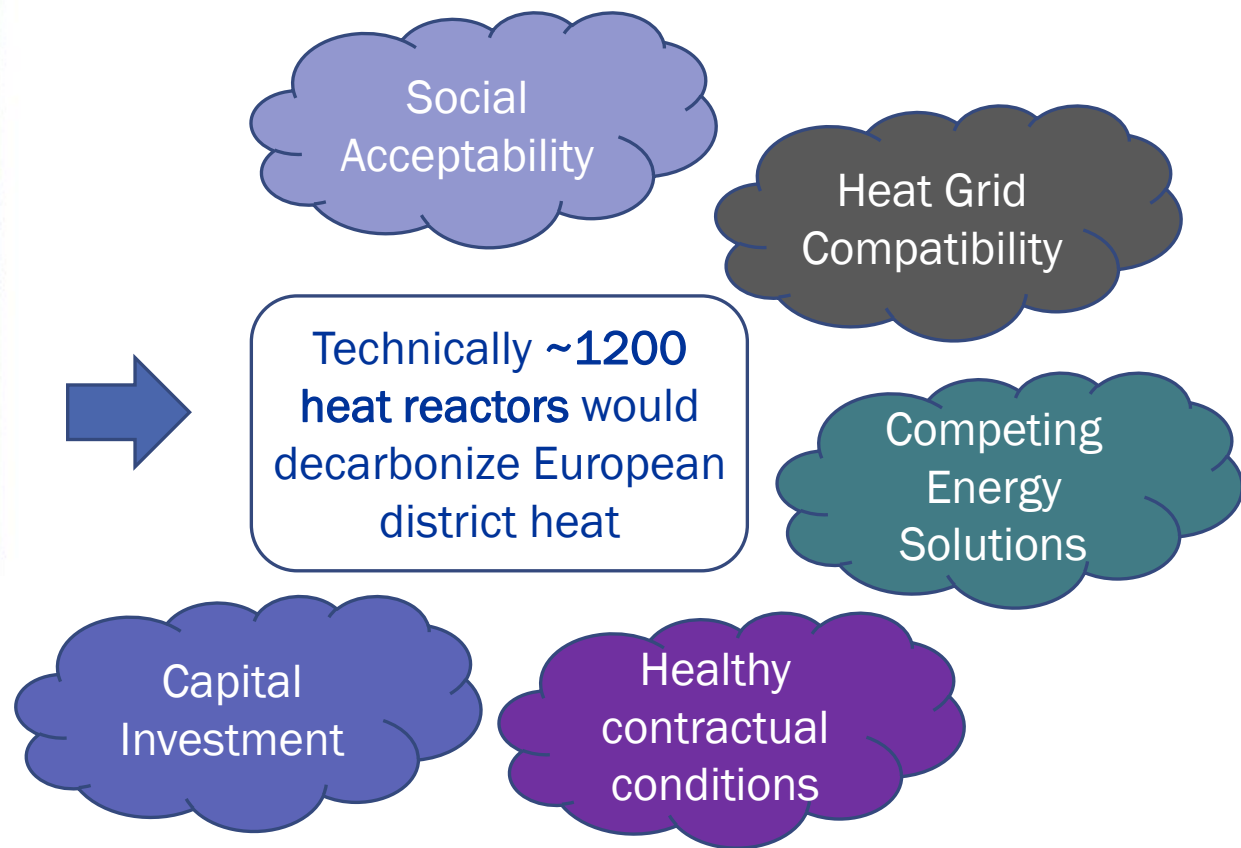
# System Dynamics



# Market for District Heating Reactor?



50 MW plant  
Capacity factor = 60%  
→ 0,26 TWh/a





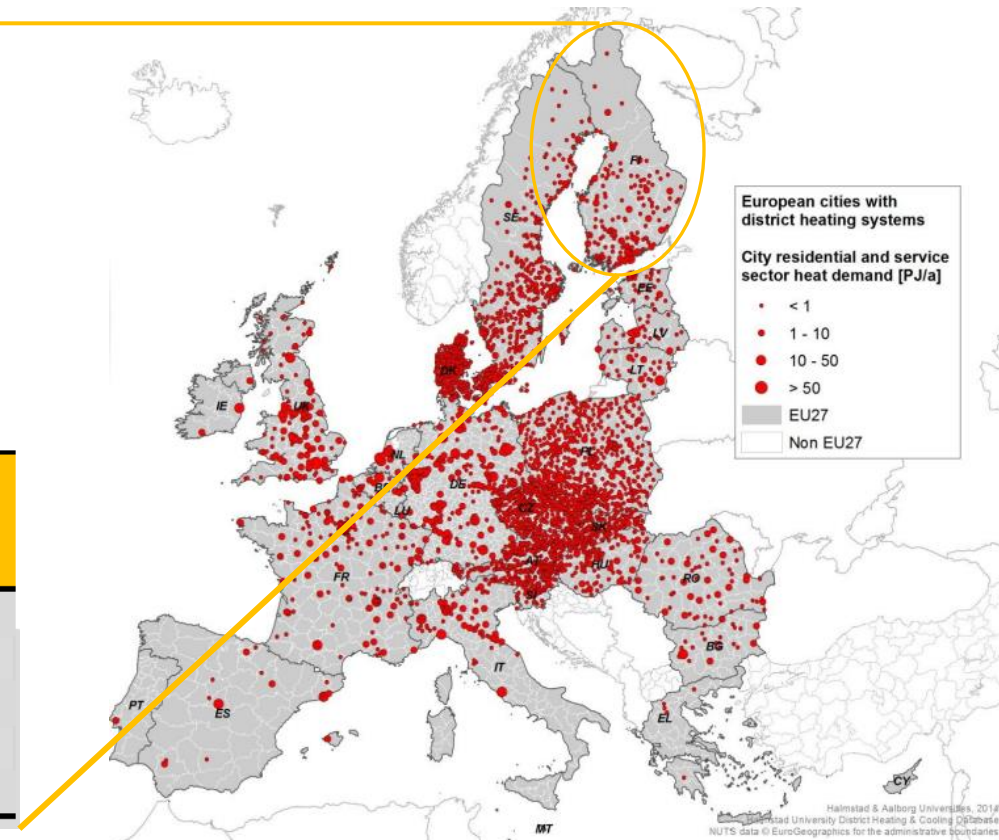
# European District Heat Market

Potential number of District Heating Reactors in Finland

Käyttöaika- vaatimus / laitoskoko	4000 h	5000 h	6000 h	7000 h	8000 h
400 MW_DH	4	3	1	1	1
200 MW_DH	7	7	4	1	1
100 MW_DH	19	14	9	6	3
50 MW_DH	26	23	19	12	7
25 MW_DH	47	41	31	23	15

Short term potential considering current investments

Käyttöaika- vaatimus / laitoskoko	4000 h	5000 h	6000 h	7000 h	8000 h
400 MW_DH	1	1	1	0	0
200 MW_DH	4	3	1	1	0
100 MW_DH	8	6	2	1	1
50 MW_DH	14	11	5	2	1
25 MW_DH	21	17	8	3	1



# Interview Results

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## 2 years ago

- Opportunities identified in electricity and heat production; co-ownership; operation; service provision; emission reduction
- Identified challenges in financing models, public acceptability, international harmonization of licensing,

## Now

- Economic conditions for business cases have improved
- Promising development in local & international SMR interest and collaboration
- Lack of concrete local SMR projects and heat reactor vendor



# Round Table Results : Deployment

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**Economic rationale** for a **concrete project case** on a chosen **site**

Backwards engineered timeline for FOAK with a clear **scheduled goals** set

Established or new founded, **fundable champion company** to lead the deployment

# Round Table Results : Licensing

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**Positive signal** on the will to deploy SMR in Finland and **public monetary support**

Acceleration of the **renewal of nuclear legislation** and auditory requirements

Ensure development **resources of the regulator**

**Better distinction of terminology** to accurately define the size and nature of discussed solutions

# Way Forward

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## Developing the Network including vendors and end users

- Active exchange of knowledge and information in Finland
- Networking Finnish actors internationally

## Support the initiation of New Programmes and Projects

- Launching the SMR HUB activities
- Advancing the Finnish Heating Reactor

## Understanding Business Models

- Technoeconomical modeling and analysis
- Clarifying roles and revenue models of actors
- Multidisciplinary Advisory through Round Tables

## Dissemination

- As a collaborative effort to renew and develop the nuclear energy industry

*Nuclear and especially New Nuclear is moving fast –*

*we need to move now before decision windows are closed*

# bey<sup>0</sup>nd the obvious

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