## REDUCTION OF CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS WITH ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES

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#### INTRODUCTION

- The largest energy-saving potential lies in the building sector since nearly 40% of the final energy consumption in Europe is in buildings
- The 2010 Energy Performance of Buildings Directive and the 2012 Energy Efficiency Directive are the EU's main legislation dedicated to reducing the energy consumption of buildings
- New regulations on energy efficiency and building certification in Serbia were adopted and have been in use since October 2012.

#### INTRODUCTION

- The average annual energy consumption in residential buildings in Serbia exceeds 150 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>, while in developed European countries it is approximately 50 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>
- Buildings retrofitting or refurbishment has been considered as one of the main approaches to achieve reduced building energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions
- Given that heating and cooling account for over a third of global energy consumption in the buildings sector, optimizing building envelope design should be a key part of any long-term energy reduction strategy

#### ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

- The analyzed family residential building with 4 separate flats is located in Novi Sad
- The building is built as a stand-alone facility consisted of basement, ground floor, first floor and loft
- The total area of the residential part of the building is 465.26 m<sup>2</sup>
- Natural gas is used as the heating fuel

### BUILDING THERMAL PERFORMANCES IMPROVEMENT

• Relevant values that indicate the energy consumption of current and improved state of the building

	Current	Improved
Lower heating value of natural gas	33.000 kJ/m <sup>3</sup>	33.000 kJ/m <sup>3</sup>
Coefficient of performance of boiler	0,85	0,85
Price of natural gas by 1m <sup>3</sup>	43,4 din/m <sup>3</sup>	43,4 din/m <sup>3</sup>
Annual hours of space heating	2548 h	2548 h
Annual energy consumption of the building	193.052 kWh/a	82.695 kWh/a
Energy consumption of the building by 1m <sup>2</sup>	415 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>	178 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>
Energy in kWh, from 1m <sup>3</sup> of natural gas	7,8 kWh/m <sup>3</sup>	7,8 kWh/m <sup>3</sup>
Annual consumption of natural gas	24.750 m <sup>3</sup> /a	10.602 m <sup>3</sup> /a
Annual consumption of natural gas in RSD	1.074.150 rsd/a	460.123 rsd/a
Annual CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	38.610 kg/a	16.539 kg/a

# HEAT PUMP FOR SPACE HEATING OF THE BUILDING

• Relevant values that indicate the energy consumption for space heating after installation of heat pumps

Coefficient of performance of heat pump	4
Annual hours of space heating	2548 h
Annual energy needs of the building	82.695 kWh/a
Energy needs of the building by 1m <sup>2</sup>	178 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>
Annual consumption of electricity	20.674 kWh/a
Energy consumption of the building by 1m <sup>2</sup>	44 kWh/m <sup>2</sup>
Monthly consumption of electricity	3.446 kWh/m
Monthly consumption of electricity in RSD	38.850 rsd/m
Annual consumption of electricity in RSD	233.100 rsd/a
Annual CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	10.957 kg/a

# HEAT PUMP FOR SPACE HEATING OF THE BUILDING

- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions were 16.539 kg/a before installation of heat pumps and 10.957 kg/a after installation of heat pumps
- Substitution of natural gas boilers with heat pumps resulted with reduction of expenses for space heating of the building



#### COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT MEASURES

Proposed measure	Thermal insulation	Heat pumps
Investment	1.273.435 rsd	848.700 rsd
Annual savings in energy consumption	110.357 kWh/a	62.021 kWh/a
Annual reduction of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	22.071 kg/a	5.582 kg/a
Annual savings in monetary units	614.027 rsd/a	227.000 rsd/a
Payback period	2,1 year	3,7 year

### CONCLUSION

- Unnecessary energy losses are causing large amount of expenses and environmental pollution
- There is a great potential for reduction of energy consumption in buildings by applying energy efficiency measures
- In order to achieve sustainable development it is very important to switch from fossil fuels to renewable energy
- Investments in energy efficiency measures bring multiple benefits to the society as a whole, in economic, energetic and environmental field of the development.