



# End-to-end solution to achieve the green transition





### ELECTRIFICATION



### **GLOBAL MEGA-TRENDS**

transforming our world









# ACCELERATE **THE GREEN** TRANSITION

#### **Danfoss Climate Solutions**

provides integrated, energyefficient heating and cooling solutions to enable sustainable development in buildings, cold chains, industrial applications, and infrastructure.

With end-to-end application expertise and a broad product portfolio, we're leading the way to a greener future and helping you do more with less.





## **The CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral city** starts with district energy

A study from Aalborg University shows that European decarbonization goals can be reached by 2050 by combining energy efficiency with the smart integration of renewable energy through sector coupling.

 $https://vbn.aau.dk/ws/portalfiles/portal/316535596/Towards\_a\_decarbonised\_H\_C\_sector\_in\_EU\_Final\_Report.p~df$ 

#### FIVE KEY TAKEAWAYS 70 bn EUR 30% **REDUCTION IN TOTAL ENERGY REDUCTION OF SPACE-**SYSTEM COSTS PER YEAR HEATING DEMANDS Smart integrated A system approach systems are more ensures optimal use cost-efficient of investment and resources Decarbonizing the European heating and cooling sector by 2050 120 TWh Up to 40% ADDITIONAL ANNUAL PRIMARY ENERGY SAVINGS ENERGY SAVINGS Modern low-Significant potential in moving from a temperature district heating supply to a 16,500 will substantially demand-driven increase system with NEW DISTRICT HEATING SYSTEMS efficiency TO BE BUILT BEFORE 2035 automatic controls The enabling framework must be established now



# Tap into the **potential of district energy**





## Trends driving the district energy evolution





# Key challenges in district energy





## Discover holistic heating optimization. From production to people.

Heat production accounts for a staggering 25% of the world's  $\mbox{CO}_2$  emissions.

With countless solutions on the market focused on siloed changes, heating utilities, building owners, and public stakeholders are left without a holistic solution.

Danfoss Leanheat<sup>®</sup> offers innovatitve end-to-end software systems and services for the control and optimization of district energy systems - from production to distribution.

By unlocking the potential of connectivity, our optimization tools make it possible for utilities and service providers to effectively meet demands for energy efficiency while improving business operations and costs.

### Lean on us™





## Discover holistic heating optimization. From production to people.



#### Modular

Tailored to the need and scale of your application.



#### Comprehensive

A one-stop-shop for hardware and software optimization solutions.



#### Open

Third-party hardware is supported.



#### Secure

Data is backed by secure APIs.

Lean on us™

#### Trusted

Verified results with a wide and growing customer base.

#### Expertise





#### Partnership

We connect people and ease work processes.

#### Leading change

We empower you to accelerate the green transition in district energy.













# **Danfoss Leanheat**<sup>®</sup> Software Suite & Services enables an end-to-end optimization of district heating

systems







### Danfoss Leanheat® software suite and services

## End-to-end energy optimization solutions







# Danfoss Leanheat<sup>®</sup> is **leading** the green energy transformation

A complete portfolio of products, components, and software for end-to-end optimization.





## Increase operational efficiences and reduce costs with smart, **endto-end optimization**

Danfoss Leanheat® is an innovative suite of end-to-end optimization solutions that harness the power of digitalization to help users in the entire district energy network increase operational efficiencies, decrease costs, and accelerate the green transition.





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# Production

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### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Production Leverage data to maximize energy efficiency.

Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Production is an advanced software tool for forecasting, planning, and optimizing district energy production and distribution. The future-proof software helps adjust, reduce, and optimize energy consumption.

- Load forecasting predicts exact in-network heat consumption
- **Production optimization** saves between 1 3% on fuel ٠ costs annually
- **Temperature optimization** reduces heat loss by 5 10% ٠
- Low ROI between 0-5 2 years



Improved reliability, uptime, service life







## Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Production

### Forecasts

### Optimization



Localy optimized weather forecast

### Load Forecast

Heat demand forecasting

### **Production Optimization**

Optimal electricity production

Peak boiler optimization

Heat storage optimization

### Temperature Optimization

Data Driven Temperature Optimization

Reducing the temperature in the supply pipe to minimize the cost of producing and transporting energy

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## Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Production Achieve more with optimization and planning

Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Production supports the operation staff in the daily operation to:







### Leanheat® Production optimization

### CONCEPT

### **PRODUCTION OPTIMIZATION**

#### means

#### Heat production scheduling

(Calculate the most economical heat schedule while securing heat supply)

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#### **Electricity production scheduling**

(Electricity market planning and reporting)

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### Combined optimization of heat and electricity production





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# Network





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Plan, visualize, and optimize a sustainable network operation.

Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network is a thermo-hydraulic modeling tool developed specifically for use in district energy systems to support the planning, design, and operational processes.

- Network design to build and maintain models
- **Simulate** hydraulic and thermal conditions in district heating network
- **Optimize** network supply temperatures and pressure conditions
- **Predict** and interpret future consumptions on your network using AI





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network







# **Basic elements** for building a hydraulic network model?





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Designer offline tool

LEANHEAT® NETWORK

DESIGN OF DH NETWORKS

HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS

# Leanheat® Network as a development support tool

- Optimization of expansions, refurbishments and new connections
- Analysis of impact of expansion, refurbishments and new connections on the rest of the network
- Development of contingency plans
- Database of knowledge about network





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Designer offline tool

LEANHEAT® NETWORK

**DESIGN OF DH NETWORKS** 

HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS

- Creation of new networks and make extensions of existing networks
- Easy to create hydraulic models from imported GIS data
- Simple and flexible built-in calibration module
- Automized generation of network layouts easy for feasibility studies



### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Designer offline tool

LEANHEAT® NETWORK

DESIGN OF DH NETWORKS

#### **HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS**

- What-if analysis
  - What happens if we add a new area?
  - Do we have any violation of design conditions?
  - Do we have bottlenecks in system?
  - Will a pump solve the problem?
- Hydraulic and thermal simulations of state (pressure, flow and temperature) in district heating/cooling networks





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Achieve improved and sustainable network operation

Leanheat® Network as an online support tool





### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Temperature Optimization

#### **TEMPERATURE OPTIMIZATION**

### What is Temperature Optimization?

- Optimization of the supply temperature
- Reduction of the network heat loss

### What does TO offer?

- Ability to predict the heat demand up to 5 days head
- Possibility to optimize the thermo-hydraulic balance of the distribution network
- Minimizing pressure fluctuations hence extending the lifetime of the network
- Considerable savings and reduction of carbon emissions



HEAT LOSS REDUCTION



### Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Network Temperature Optimization

#### TEMPERATURE OPTIMIZATION

### **HEAT LOSS REDUCTION**

- Reduce the annual supply temperature by app. 6 to 8°C
- Reduce existing pipeline network loss by app. 8 to 10%
- Reduce the production cost up to 2%
- Minimize pressure and temperature fluctuations in the network
- Considerable energy savings. Minimize carbon emission and protect environment
- Reduce maintenance and support of pipeline
  network





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# Monitor







- Danfoss software solution for monitoring and control of District energy systems
- Cloud based software application hosted in Microsoft AZURE
- Comparing with traditional Visualisation (SCADA) systems, LHM is designed and optimized for District energy systems
- Interaction with Danfoss controllers is very easy and automized as much as possible









Open, connected and transparent

 Easy integration with business intelligence and optimization solutions

API

 Connect with any device using standard communication



 Part of Danfoss district energy optimization suit





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 Always up-to-date – the latest version automatically available for your use



- Access from anywhere and from any device (mobile, desktop compatible)
- Trusted security mechanisms for safe and secured data storage



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 Improve your work efficiency • with functions like autocommissioning, group setting,



- **Improve** your network **control and management** with actionable information insights, predefined report templates and alarms, ...
- Easy integration of new devices



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- Lower your total cost of ownership and improve return on investment
- Unlocking your resources to focus on your primary business
- Reduced IT investments and maintenance costs using Software as a Service



Lower investment and predictable operation costs



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# Building

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### Customer as a part of district heating network control





# Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Building

Leanheat control differencies compared to traditional heating control

### TRADITIONAL HEATING CONTROL

### LEANHEAT-CONTROL

Manual control based on:

Outside temperature

Inaccurate

Wasted energy

- Experience
- ...



Automatic control based on:

- Indoor temperature ٠
- Weather forecasts •
- **Building thermodynamics**
- **Residents** behavior ٠
- Forecasting
- Self learning and updating
- Fully automated
- Even indoor conditions
- Optimized energy efficiency
- Possibility to peak shaving and demand response



### Example of Leanheat AI control in action







# Leanheat saves 5-10 % of energy in apartment buildings while maintaining indoor comfort





**Peak shaving**  $\rightarrow$  20% lower peak power

### 24H TOTAL POWER NEED TRADITIONAL HEATING CONTROL

24H TOTAL POWER NEED LEANHEAT CONTROL







### Demand Side Management starts by engaging end customers

### 1. Demand side energy optimization

- Reduce average consumption immediately by 5-10 %
- 2. Start utilizing the built-in thermal flexibility of buildings
  - Reduce peak loads by 20 % on average

## 3. Connect demand side to production & network optimization

Expose all connected buildings as virtual heat storage







### End-to-end optimization: real-life case of district heating utility Vatajankoski, Finland



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# Electricity transmission, district heating and cooling

2019 turnover was 30,3 million euros and profit 2,6 million euros

- Energy services
- Construction and maintenance services for networks and industry
- Main businesses:

• An innovative local energy company at Kankaanpää (Finland) originally built around local hydro power.

### Vatajankoski has combined heating demand response to production optimization with Danfoss Leanheat®



## Business challenges

- Danfoss' partner for building heating optimization service since 2018 with significant share of Kankaanpää multi-family houses on their service
- 2021: new waste heat plant and large conventional heat storage → Need for optimizing the production
  - In addition to new investments Vatajankoski has a bio-CHP plant and gas and oil boilers.
- Extend partnership to production optimization





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## Solution

- Preliminary modelling and analysis for the production optimization benefits compared to baseline situation
- Demand side management

### Goals:

- Precise load forecast
- Robust optimization
- Demand flexibility is integrated to production optimization





## Building and implementing the solution

- Working group to specify and deploy commercial process, automation and integrations
- Key topics: value outcome, daily process and modelling quality
- Based on experience integration to automation systems is most critical technical part, but it was tackled with close collaboration with automation vendor
- In addition to automation, integrations to weather service, prices and Leanheat<sup>®</sup> Building were established



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## Building and **implementing** the solution #2

- As a lesson learned even more focus could have been put on daily process especially when earlier there was no experience on production optimization.
- In the beginning we put effort to think about testing, when in this case we had possibility to run solution aside current operations to get familiar with it and tune it.
- When replacing existing solution focus would be more on optimization results and fit to existing environment



# Business **benefits** and outcomes

- Solution is now used by Vatajankoski operations and schedules through automation views by their control room
- Provided schedules have been robust
  and consistent
- Clear value can be shown compared to baseline operation without optimization
- Set project goals were achieved except direct dispatching through automation has not yet been implemented







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