

Microgrid Lab 100%

Testbed for the development of control algorithms for microgrids

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Objective: Real-life microgrid testbed

- Technology- und Research Centre (tfz) Wieselburg and the new firefighting department
- Existing technologies: two wood chip boilers, thermal storage devices, absorption chiller,...
- Newly installed technologies: photovoltaic system, battery, electrical vehicle - charging

➤ Technology- and Research Center (tfz)



direct use of PV-electricity



enough capacity for district heat



➤ New fire fighting department next to tfz



Why Microgrid Lab?

The project “Microgrid Lab 100%” enables a real application for the developments of following two ongoing basic research projects:

“OptEnGrid” (FFG 858815):
➤ **planning and optimization software tool for microgrids**

“Grundlagenforschung Smart- und Microgrid“
microgrid controller concepts:

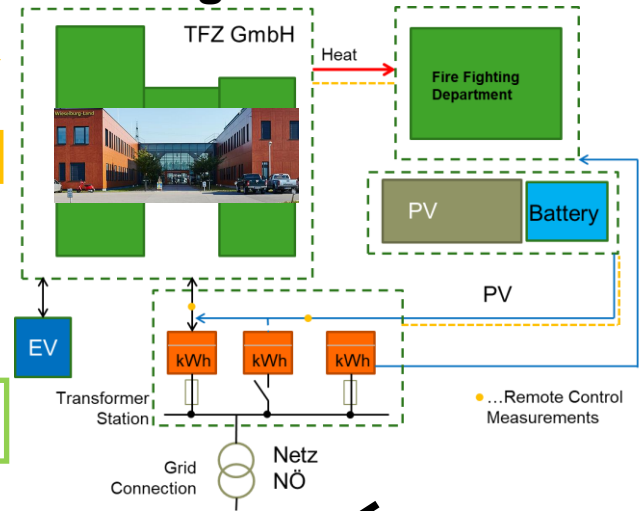
planning

improvement

testing

further development

Microgrid testbed:



development of control algorithms, technologies and services for microgrids



Project facts:

Title: MICROGRID LAB 100%

Costs: € 640.000.-

Start: 1.1.2019

Duration: 3 years

funded by the government of Lower Austria

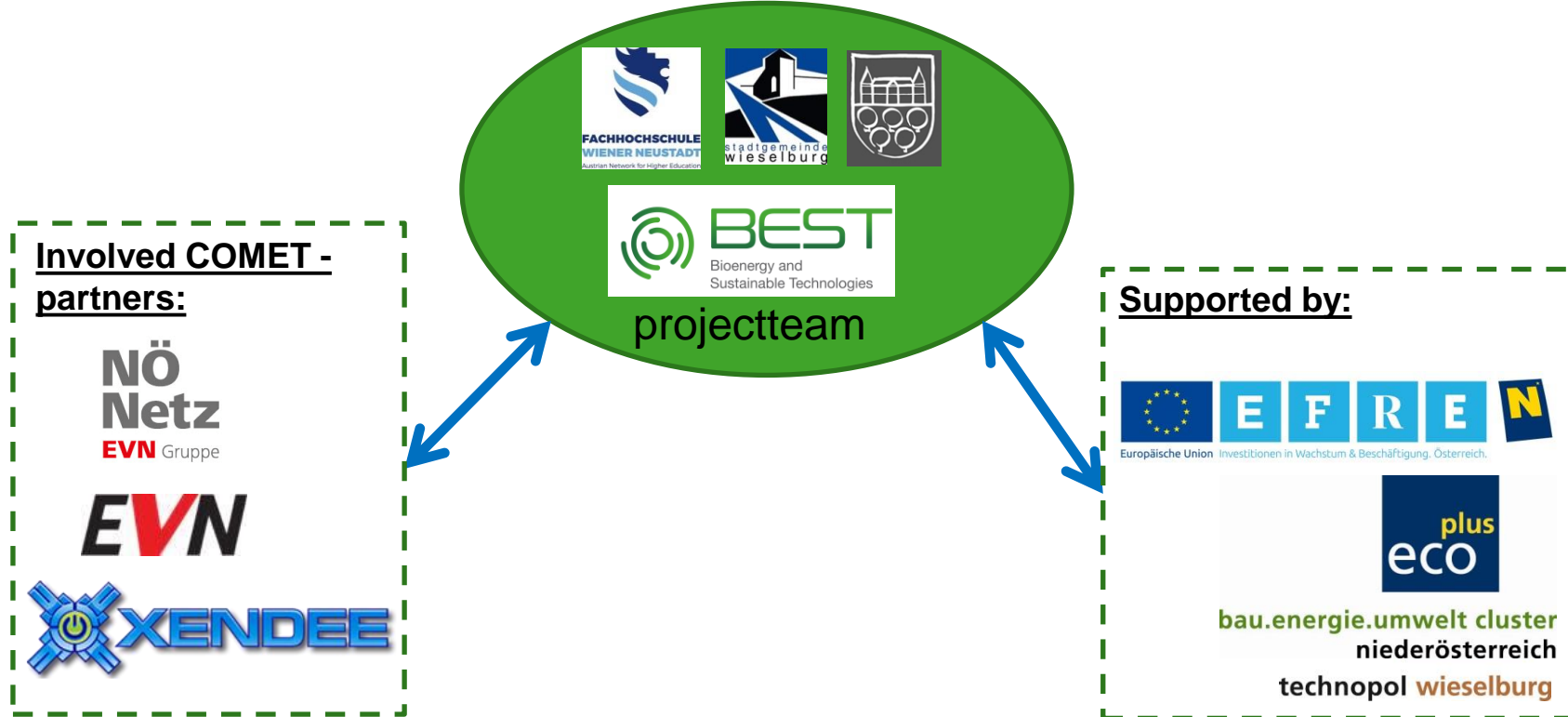
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Project Partners:

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New technologies for the Microgrid Lab



current situation:

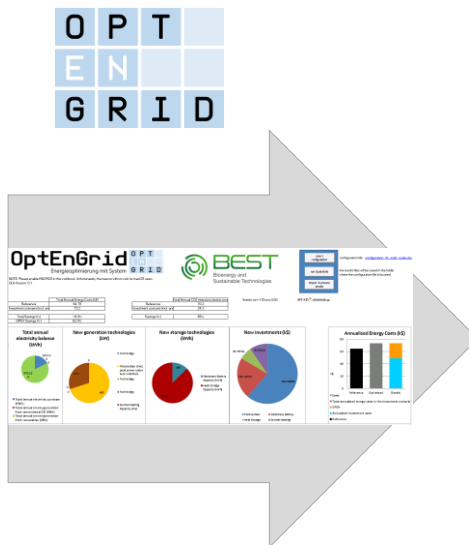


biomass boilers
2 x 220 kW



100% public
electricity grid

emissions: 90t CO₂/a
energy costs*: 78 000 €/a



**target function: CO₂
minimization****

Microgrid lab 100%:



biomass boilers
2 x 220 kW

optimised with new technologies:



74 kWp PV



60 kWh battery storage



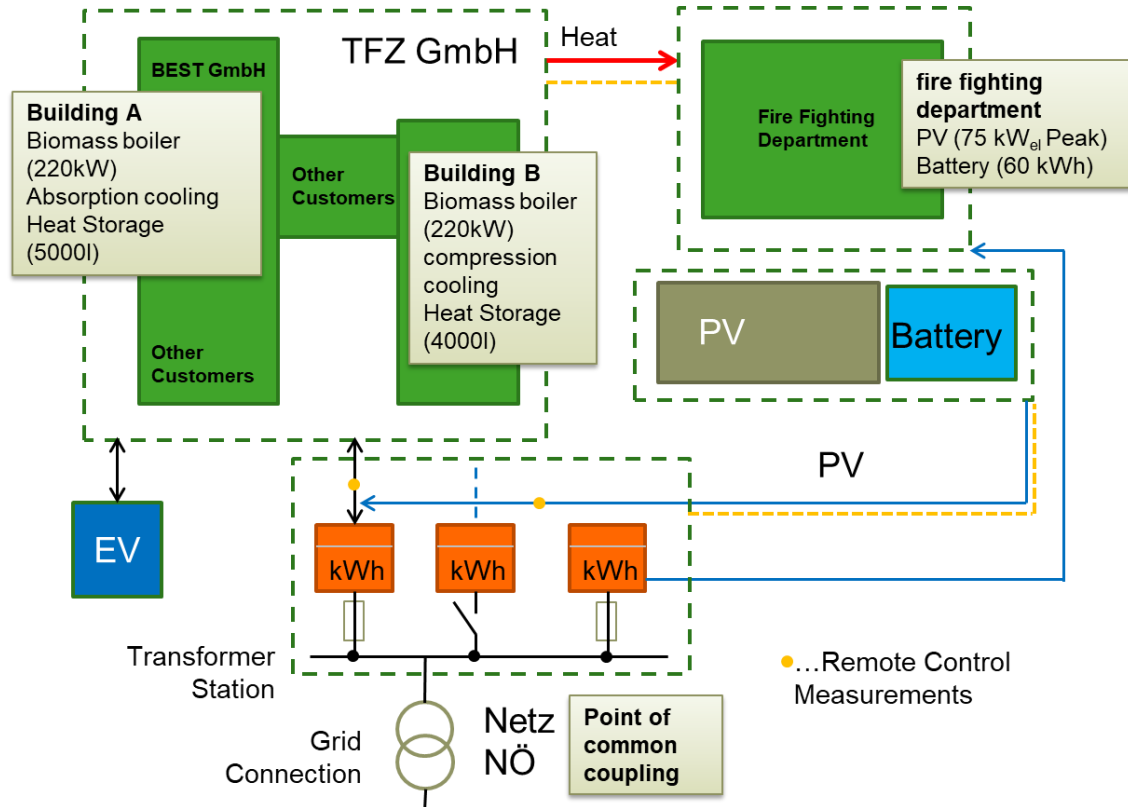
~75% public electricity grid

emissions : 74t CO₂/a **-18%**
energy costs*: 68 800€/a **-12%**

*including amortisation of investments
**limited to max. 500m² roof area



Planning the Microgrid Lab





Implementation of Microgrid Lab



installation of PV



battery



microgrid connection point



district heating installations



new firefighting department



point of common coupling



Next steps and Outlook

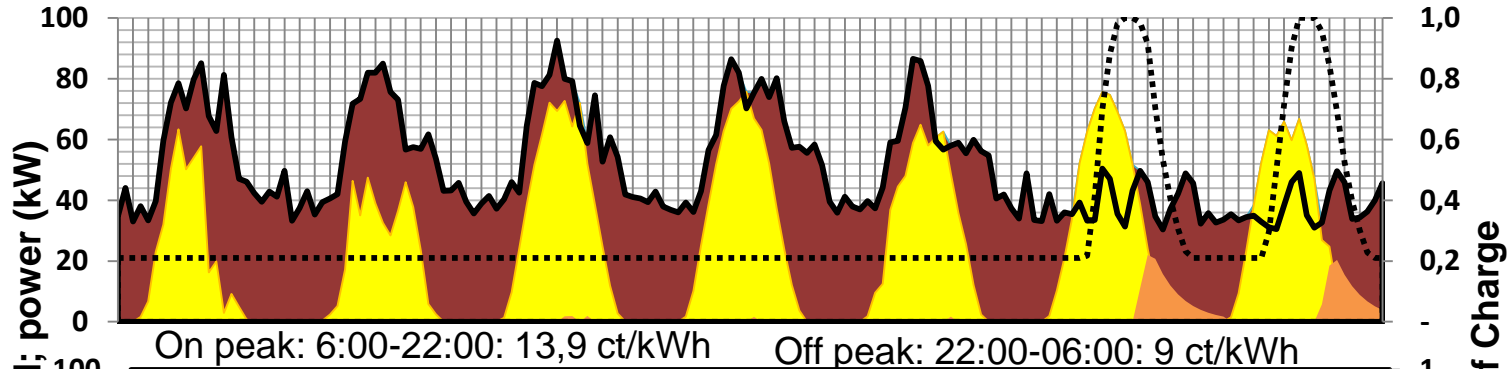
- Monitoring of electricity, heating and cooling demands; evaluation of user behaviors
- Verification and improvement of optimization software tool
- Implementation of developed microgrid controller algorithms
- Creating test cycles to evaluate the used technologies and for further development of microgrid controller strategies
- Workshop with interested companies and stakeholders to create concepts for business plans and product development of microgrid components or services

In future the Microgrid Lab will act as testbed for technology providers and manufactures as well as different energy suppliers and new emerging sectors.

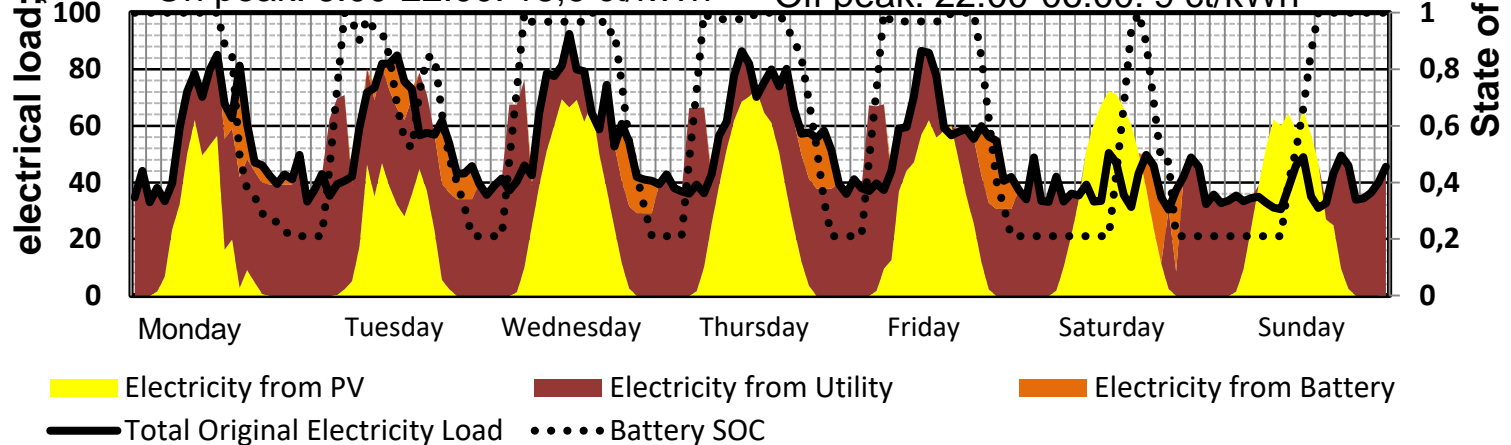
Outlook: development of advanced controller



1)
standard
load
controller



2)
example:
advanced
microgrid
controller



Electricity from PV
 Electricity from Utility
 Electricity from Battery
 Total Original Electricity Load
 Battery SOC

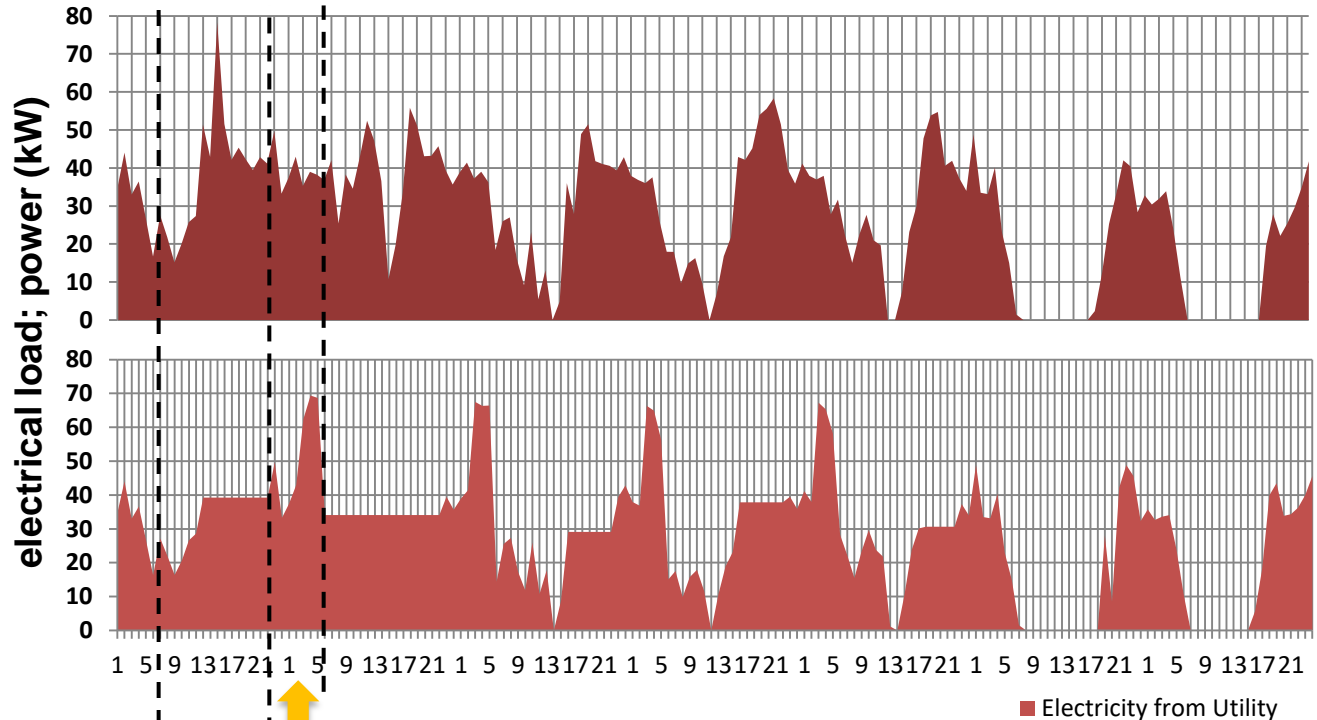
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load controller
€672.-/week

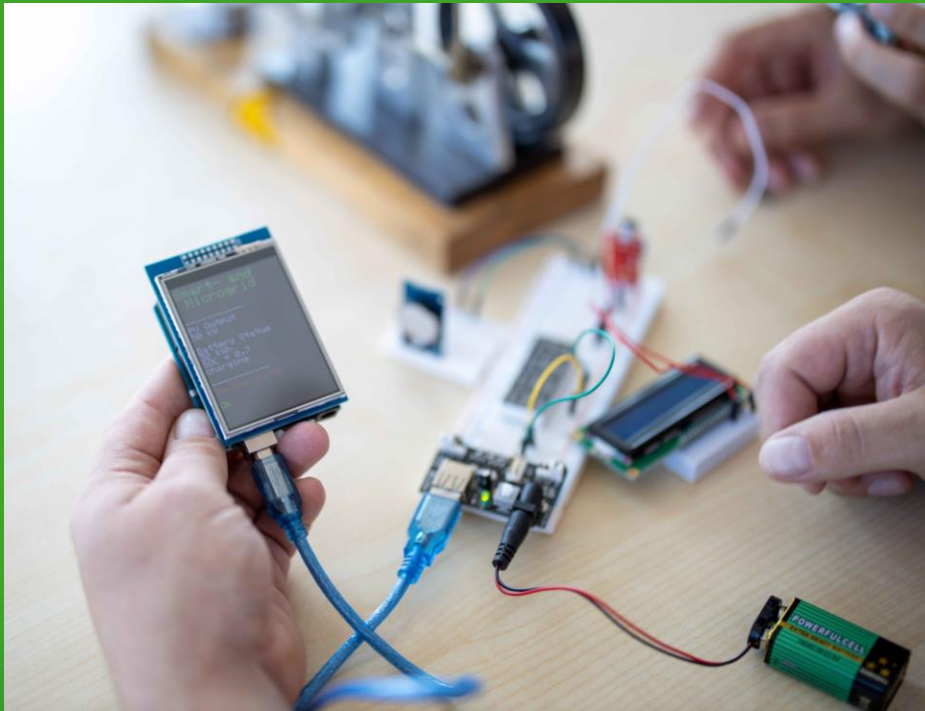
2) example:
advanced micro-
grid controller
€592.-/week

**-12 % cost
reduction**



Off peak: 22:00-06:00; energy costs: 9 ct/kwh

On peak: 6:00-22:00; energy costs: 13,9 ct/kwh



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