

Energy

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• 1885: one of the first power plants in the world

• 1934: plans for a windpark of 5 machines with 5000-6000 kW to produce hydrogen

• 1938: Otto Hahn indentified the principles of nuclear fission



#### **R&D Investments and Economic Activity**



Average R&D rate in % of GDP p.a. (1981-1990)





# "Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously" 2 Corinthians 9,6





relevant for energy policy







#### 5. Programme 2005 - 08

4. Programme 1996 - 2005

3. Programme 1990 - 96

2. Programme 1980 - 90

1. Programme 1977 - 80

Framework Programme 1974 - 77

Nuclear Research Programme 1957



#### Six Steps to Develop Energy Research Programmes





#### A Simple Model of Germany's Energy Supply System (PJ)





#### A Simple Model of Germany's Energy Demand System (PJ)





Three Fundamental Objectives

Contribute to fulfilling targets in energy policy

(balanced energy mix, significant improvements in energy efficiency, growing share of renewable energies, reduction of  $CO_2$ -emissions).

 Improve the responsiveness and flexibility of Germany's energy system

(by maintaining and expanding the technological options).

 Boost innovation dynamics and help to achieve more competitiveness, economic growth and employment in Germany and Europe



#### Shared Responsibilities: The Process of Priority Setting







- Modern power plant technologies on the basis of coal and gas (including CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage)
- PV and wind energy (offshore)
- Fuel cells and hydrogen as secondary energy carrier and energy storage systems
- Technologies and processes for energy-optimized construction (the energy-efficient building of the future)
- Biomass



**Ongoing Research Activities** 

- Energy saving technologies in industry, commerce and services
- Other renewable technologies (solar heating, geothermal, hydropower)
- Nuclear safety and waste disposal
- Nuclear fusion
- System analysis
- Dissemination of information



Energy Research Budget (Mill. €)

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2003/08</u>
Energy Efficiency	106	120	14 %
Renewables	101	139	37 %
Nuclear safety	53	54	2 %
Fusion	115	115	+/- 0 %
Total	375	429	14 %



A New Priority: Energy Efficient Buildings



- More than one third of final energy consumption in Germany is accounted for by private households (mainly used for space heating)
- Far more than 80% of the energy used in this segment consists of fossil energy carriers, in particular oil and natural gas
- Almost 90% of the building stock in Germany was constructed before 1990
- Residential buildings have a lifetime of more than 100 years with a renovation cycle of about 30 to 60 years



#### Visible Progress: Specific Heating Energy Consumption of Rented Flats



1) Former West Germany, not corrected for outside temperature; Source: Techem AG, 2004; BMBF, 1996; ISI, 1999



#### **Future Activities**

- Implementation of the results of R&D in demonstration projects
- Continuation of R&D work on promising materials, components and systems
- Further development of the "distributed" supply of buildings with heating and cooling services from local heat and district heat
- Development and testing of promising techniques for short- and longerterm heat and cold storage systems
- Optimization of the associated measuring and control technology for efficient plant operation
- Transfer of suitable techniques to applications in the refurbishment of old buildings 16



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#### Challenge



### Meet the Maximum

## of the "Research-Euro"!