

Case Studies

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Flexibility by
implementation of heat
pumps in multi-vector
energy systems and
thermal networks

Waste-to-energy CHP plant, Stuttgart-Münster, Germany

“Large-scale heat pumps in district heating networks – installation, operation, monitoring and system integration”

KEY FACTS

Type of heat pump:
river heat pump

Energy distribution System:
184 MW_{el}, 447 MW_{th},
20,5 MW_{th} heat pump

Energy Storage:
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**Control for the flexible heat
pump operation:**
Heuristic control: optimization
for minute reserve on the
electricity market

General description:
20,5 MW_{th} heat pump

Heat Source:
river water, electricity, waste,
hard coal

Project:
Place: Stuttgart / Germany
Time Frame: 4/2021 - 3/2026
Owner/leader: EnBW Energie
Baden-Württemberg AG
R&D-project partners:
AGFW; Fraunhofer ISE; IER
Stuttgart

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Summary of the project:

The waste-to-energy CHP plant generates electricity and heat in 3 coal-fired and 3 waste-fired boilers. The heat is distributed through a nearly 275 km long network around the city. The network reaches supply temperatures up to 130°C and provides for about 17 % of Stuttgart's households.

The newly installed heat pump is a first step towards climate neutrality. The river heat pump uses the cooling water of the waste-to-heat CHP and thus the waste heat to provide district heating water up to a temperature of 90°C. The LHP has a nominal thermal power of 20,5 MW_{th}, uses a four-stage turbo compressor with an intercooler and operates with the refrigerant R-1234ze(E). In the Real-World Laboratory the integration of the LHP in den district heating network and the optimal application regarding grid friendliness and economic efficiency is being investigated.

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