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Case Study of an Energy-efficient Metropolitan Commercial Building



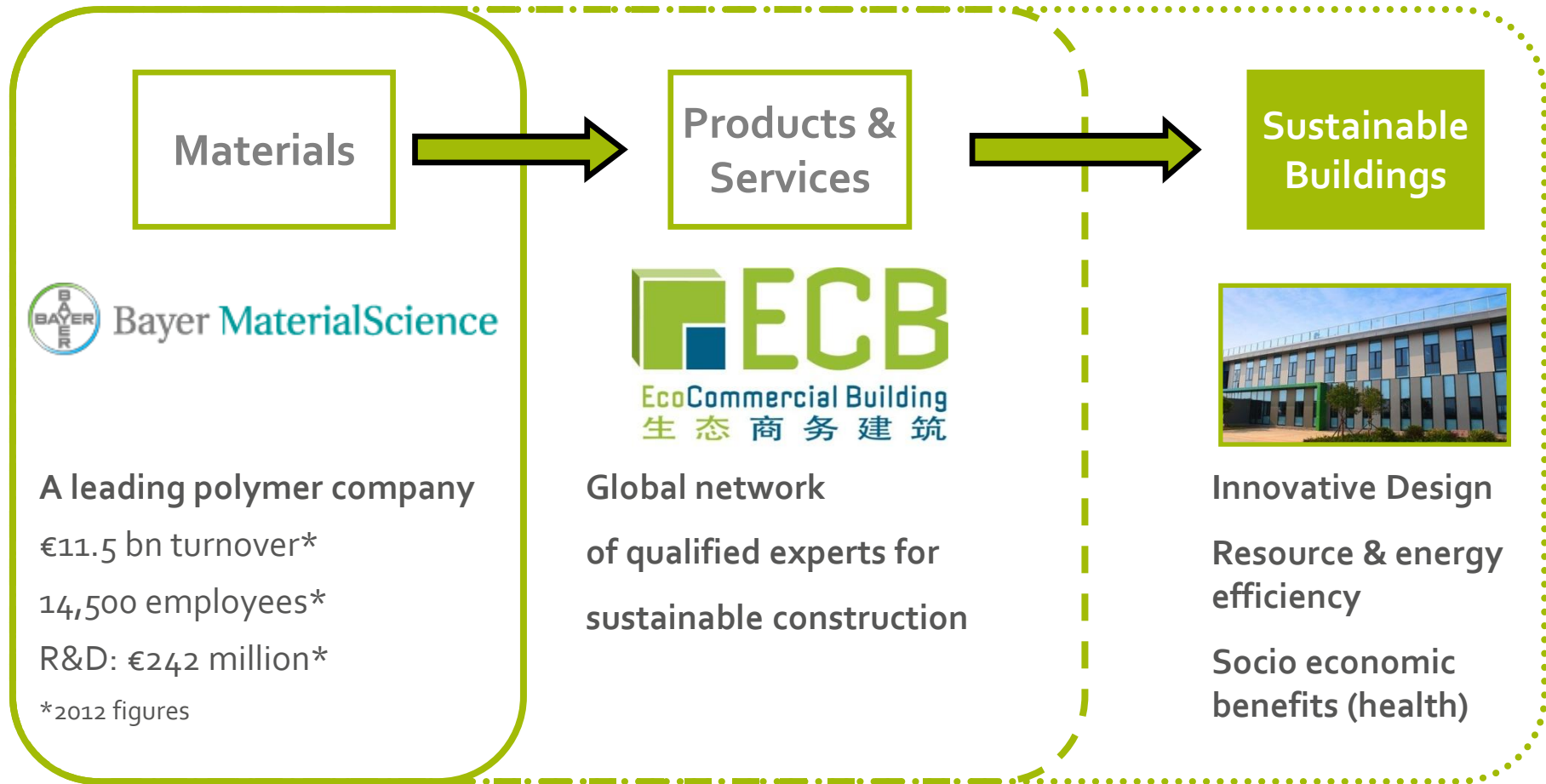
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Powered by:



- ECB Introduction
- General concept
- Metropolitan Features
- QD lighthouse

Sustainable Buildings are the Smallest Building Blocks of a Green City



The EcoCommercial Building Program in a Nutshell

Vision

Net Zero through integrated building (design) concepts and sustainable technologies.

Mission

To collaborate with our stakeholders and leverage the resultant synergies to provide innovative custom solutions.

Scope

- Manage the collaboration platform of building and construction industry stakeholders
- Build the bridge between building decision makers and solution providers
- Scout and push for tangible sustainable building projects
- Promote verifiable building performance through lighthouse projects
- Support the Chinese government to meet its energy saving targets

Characteristics of Office Building Located in Central Business Districts and Downtown Areas



- Cramped and narrow lots
- High rise buildings
- Limited options for onsite energy generation



- Seldom single-owned or one-tenant-buildings
- Mostly multiple party user and tenant structure
- Difficulty to implement harmonized energy saving measures



- Average area of office space per person (Japan):
- Leased: 6 m²
- Single Owner: 10 m²

Source: office book published by Syokokusha 01/02/2011



- Selection for case study:
- High-density area in the Aoyama ward, Tokyo

Key Technological Elements Being Considered in the Metropolitan Office Study

◆ Improve passive (energy) performance of the building

◆ Equipment + Structure
 ◆ Dynamic control of structural temperature

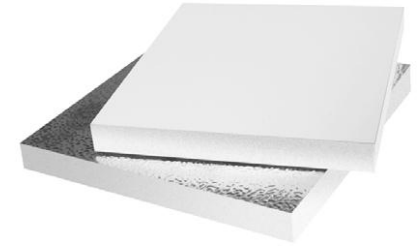
◆ Energy saving and efficiency gains

◆ Utilization of renewable power sources

- Effective insulation of building envelope
- Solar chimney for natural ventilation and day-lighting
- Optimization of apertures
- Radiation heating & cooling by hot & cold column
- Radiation heating & cooling by personal heat-storage partition
- Optimization of use of lighting, equipment and appliances
- Photovoltaic power generation & leaf façade
- Ground-source heat pump

Improve Passive Performance of the Building

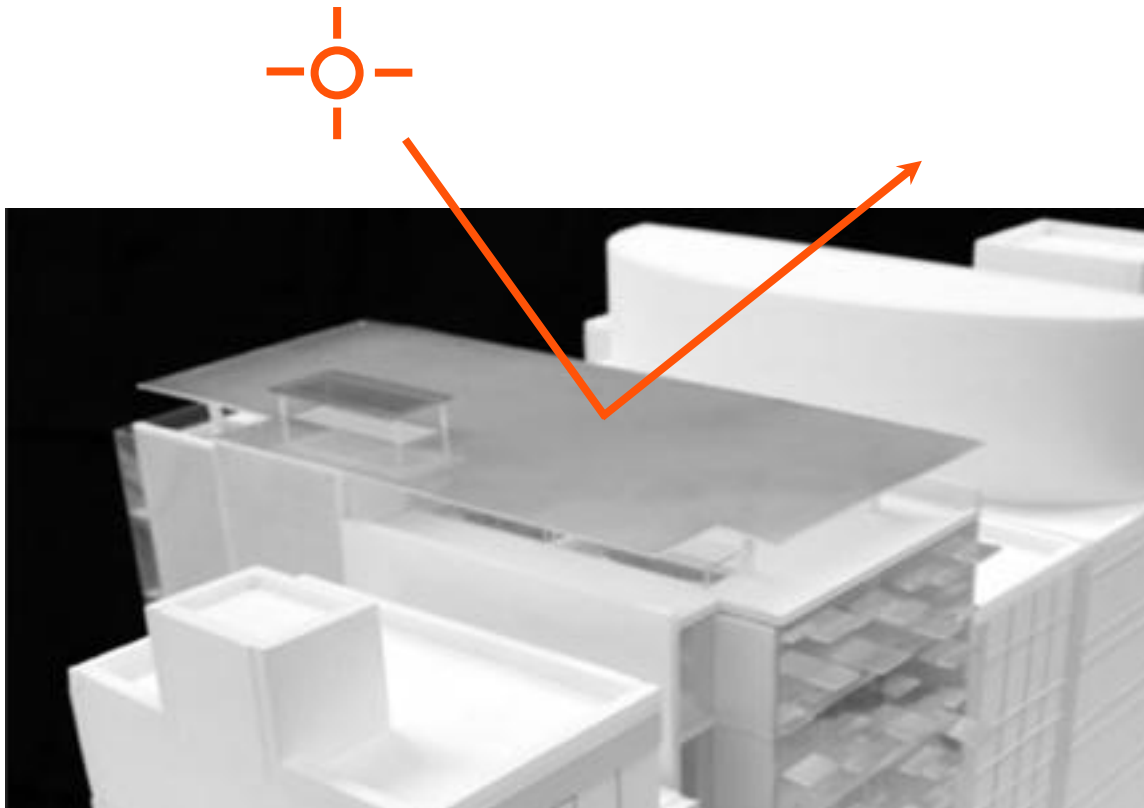
Effective Insulation of Building Envelope



	25 mm PS: Inside of the external wall	30 mm PUR: Outside of the external wall	50 mm PUR: Outside of the external wall
Cost of materials (JPY/piece) W910 * L1820	1000	2000	3300
Cost difference re base model (JPY/piece)	-	1000	2300
Additional cost (external wall area = 1910 m ²)	-	1,153,000	2,651,900
Primary energy requirement for air-conditioning (kWh/m ² /a)	85.8	80.7	78.6
Total reduction in fuel and energy consumption (JPY/a)	-	128,673	179,773
Return of investment (a)	-	9	15

Improve Passive Performance of the Building

Support of Roof Insulation by Shading



Using double layers of PV panels as a sun-shade for the roof will reduce air-conditioning energy load levels by 4%.

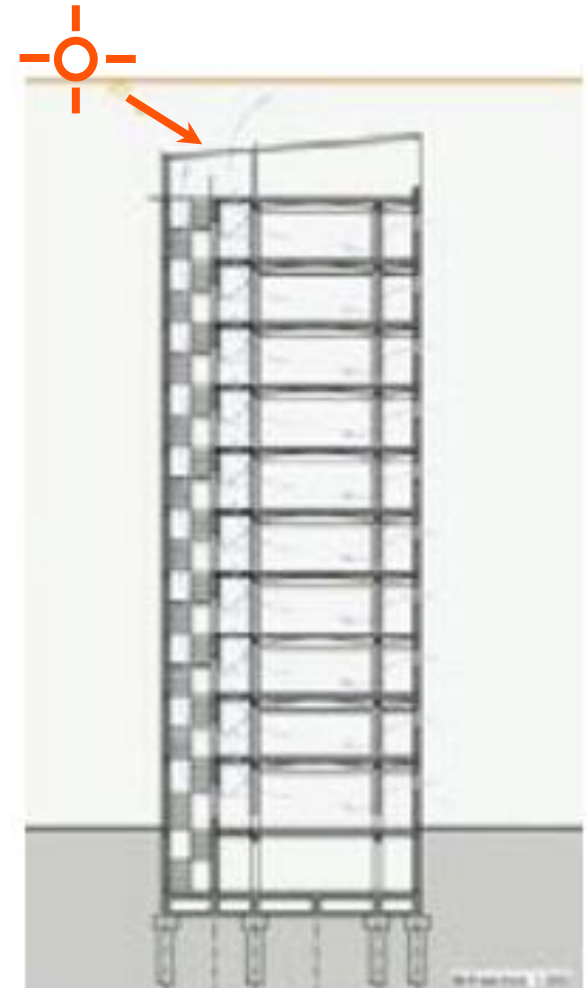
Improve Passive Performance of the Building

Driving Natural Ventilation with a Solar Chimney



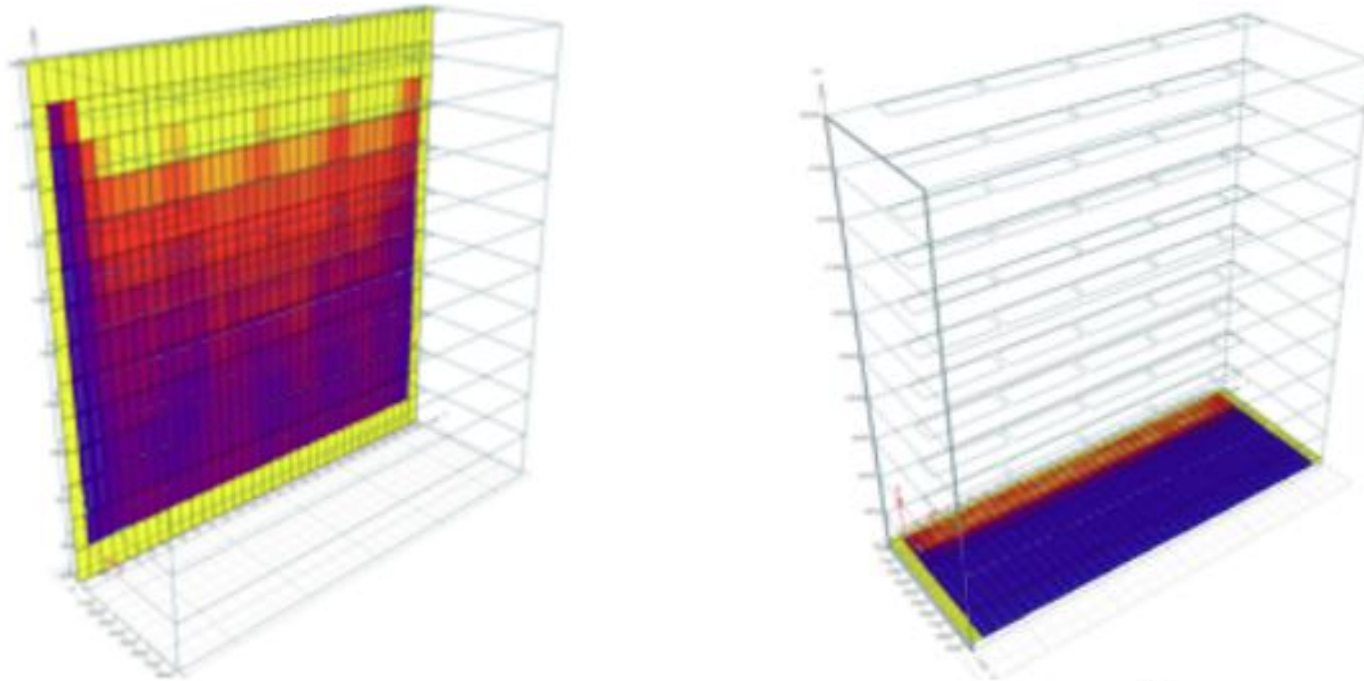
METI: "Towards the realization and expansion of Zero Energy Buildings (ZEB)

As for realization of a low energy building, an atrium is recommended to have a pathway of sun-light & wind for natural ventilation during moderate weather periods. Instead of the atrium, corridors are used because of narrow space.



Improve Passive Performance of the Building

Maximizing Day-lighting with a Solar Chimney



During the noon hours, incident light from the skylight properly illuminates the corridors.

Lighting energy demand could be reduced by 6 %, pay-back time of the investment would be 11 years.

Improve Passive Performance of the Building

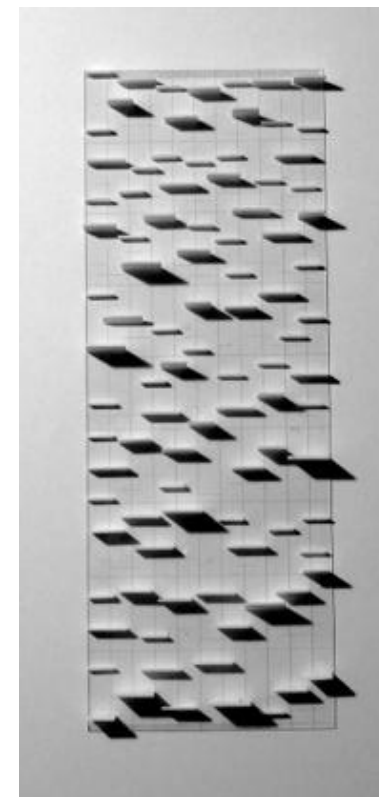
Shading by Leaf Façade and Optimization of Apertures

The PV panels in the front façade are arranged in the leaf-like order which aims to cast shadows.

These shadows, although they may seem to cast irregular patterns, have been carefully positioned so as to not overlap with each other.

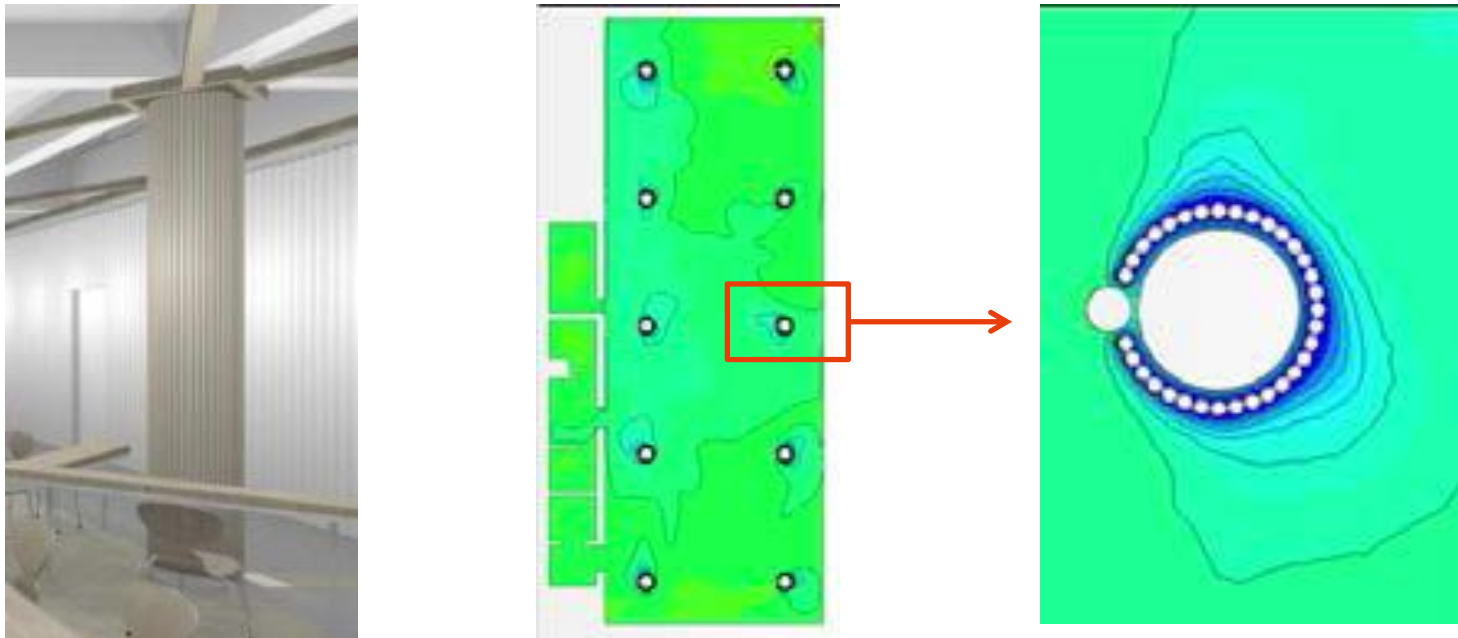
The optimization of apertures and leaf façade can reduce energy consumption by 2.2 % and promises a return of investment within 23 years.

Shading of the
façade at 11:00 am



Equipment and Structure

Radiant Heating and Cooling with “Hot Columns”



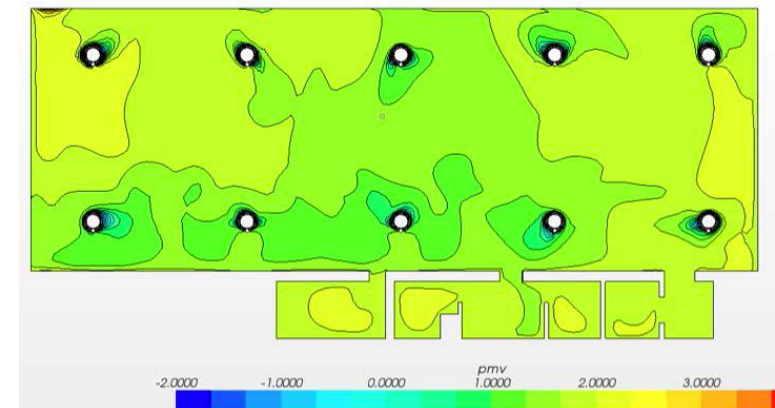
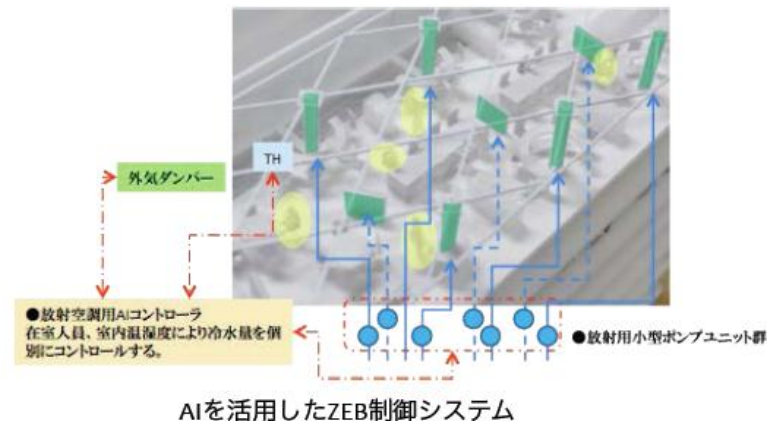
The radiation heating (cooling) system saves 20 % of thermal energy (heat) and 50 % of energy to convey the thermal energy, affording a comfortable air-conditioning system.

The use of columns to transport thermal energy enables the optimization of buildings' heat-storage capacity.

Equipment and Structure

Optimization of the HVAC Performance with AI

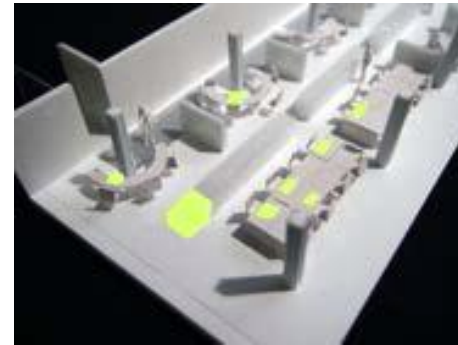
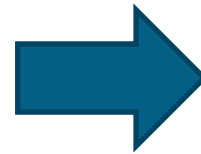
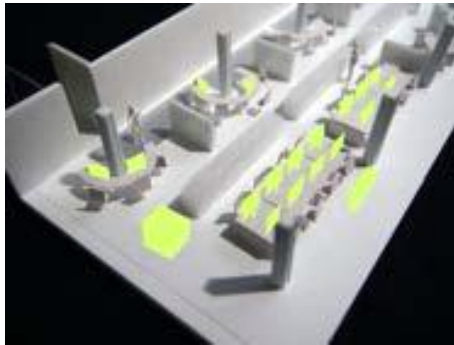
Dynamic control of structural temperature



The practical uses of artificial intelligence (AI) for control and optimization of low energy (or zero-energy) building systems:
 Air-conditioning: 15-20 % reduction of energy consumption, return of investment within 2 years.

Energy saving

Optimization of Artificial Lighting and Equipment



Desk lighting	14 W
Desktop PC	300 W
Personal humidifying device	80 W
Electric heater	300 W
Others	

LED desk lighting	7 W
Notebook PC	50 W

Energy reduction of lighting and equipment: 44%

In most offices, the energy consumption of lighting equipment and appliances usually stands for 42 % of total energy demand.

Thus methods for reducing consumption should be strictly imposed.

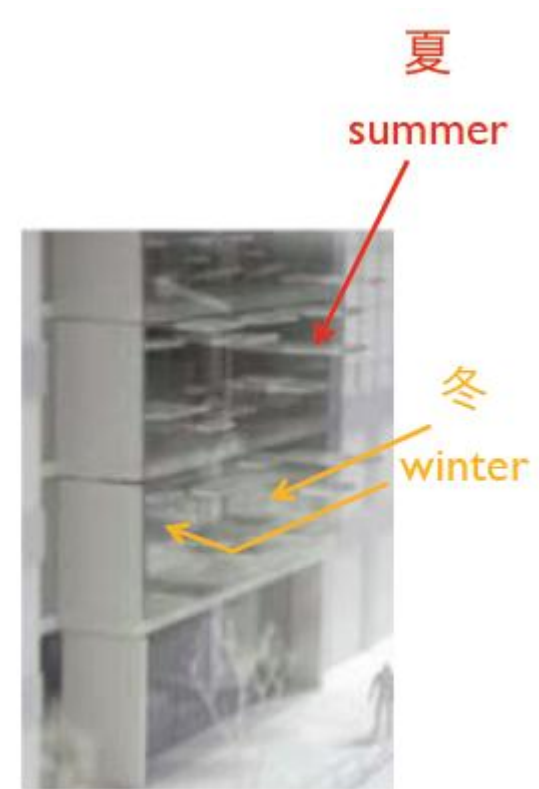
The use of LED lighting can reduce energy consumption by 50 % and promises a return of investment within 9 years.

Utilization of Renewable Power Sources

Photovoltaic Power Generation by Leaf Façade



- Installation and fixation like advertisement boards
- Easy replacement of the PV panels (potential new PV panel generation)
- Optimization of angle, size and position of PV panels at the front façade (front is most important because of adjacent buildings):
 - Vertical position to sun-light
 - Most efficient light in the morning
 - Front side as open as possible (day-light)
- Different designs of upper and lower floor window ribbons considered



Utilization of Renewable Power Sources

Photovoltaic Power Generation by Leaf Façade



Roof: 55.5 kW

Left: 36 kW

Back: 45 kW

Front: 13.5 kW

Total: 150 kW

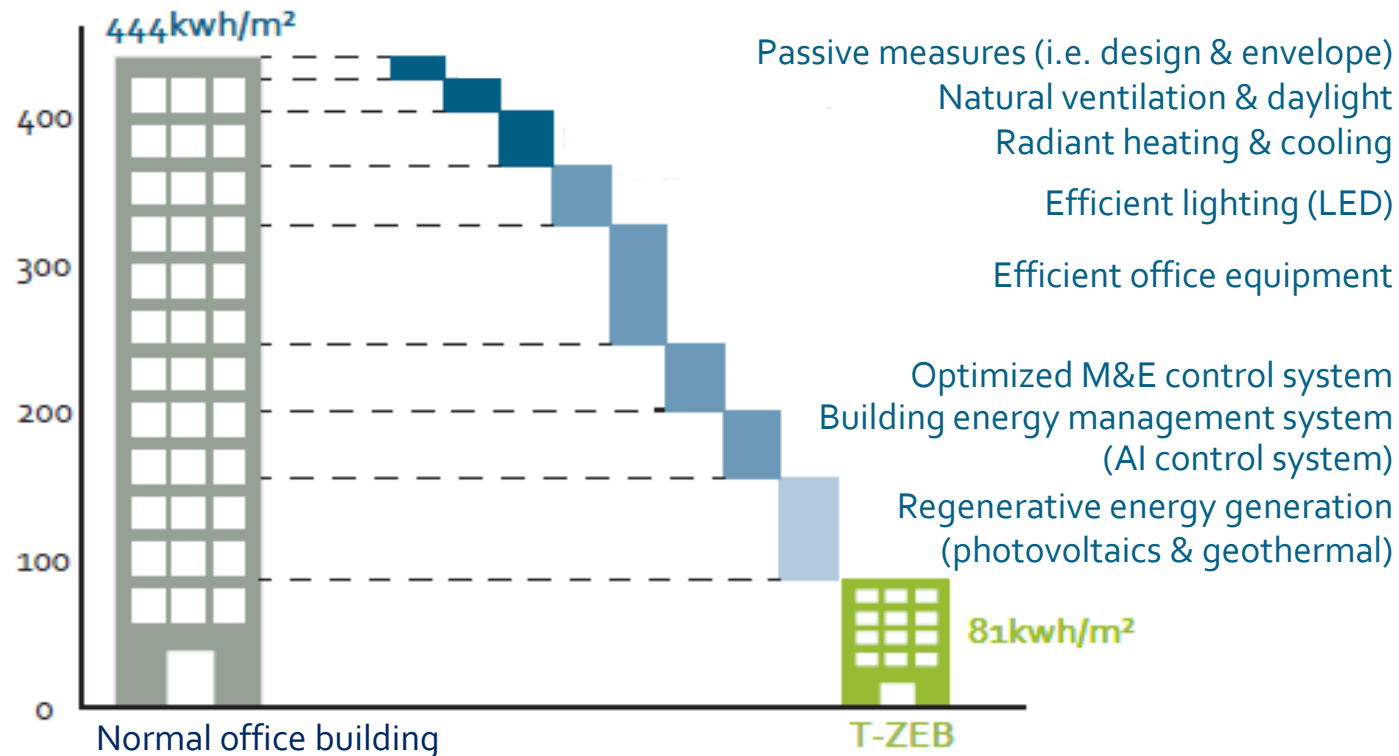


Summing up All Individual Contributions

Technical and Economic Feasibility

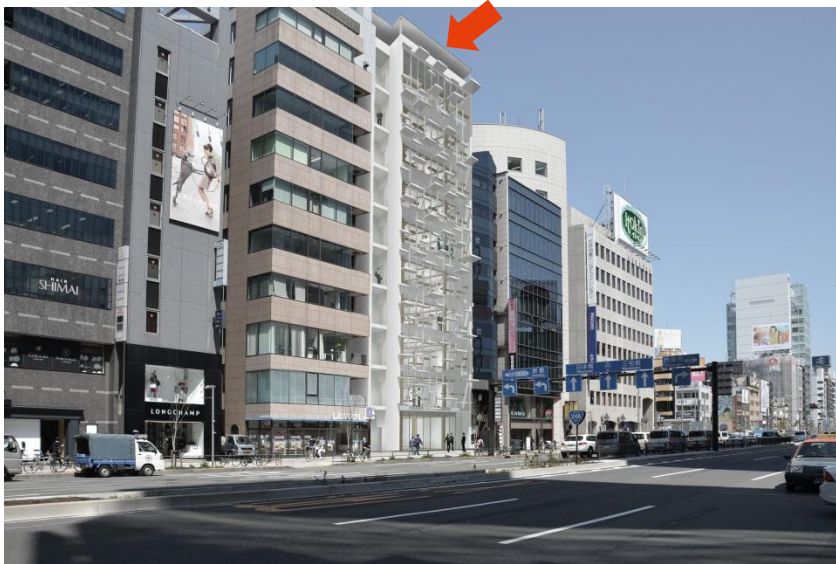
1st case (maximum energy saving): Performance

80% less energy ⇒ amortisation 11 years



* Primary energy

Summary

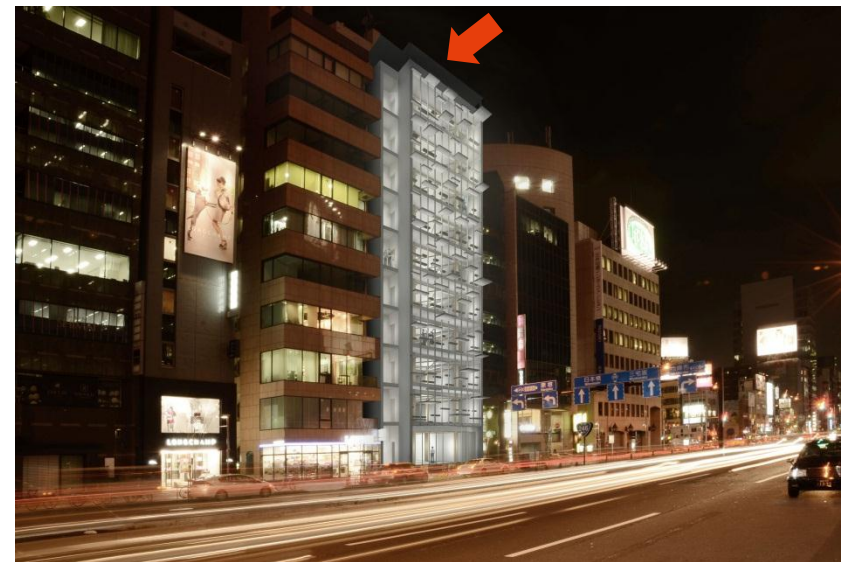


Results

- Case 1
- approx. 80 % energy saving
 - 81 kWh/m²/a vs. 444 kWh/m²/a
 - amortisation after 11 years
- Case 2
- approx. 65 % energy saving
 - 165 kWh/m²/a vs. 444 kWh/m²/a
 - amortisation after 6 years

Conclusion

The ECB concept for sustainable & cost-efficient buildings is also valid under demanding high-density conditions !
i.e. slim & tall buildings in highly condensed lots ...



ECB Competence Network in China



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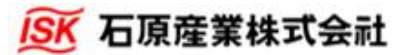
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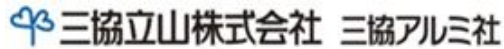
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