



# Introduction (1 h, about 20 slides)





- 1. Why solar air conditioning?
  - a. Existing energy demand for cooling
  - b. Perspectives and targets/obligations at national and international level
  - c. Peak load issues and energy prices
  - d. World and national market for conventional cooling systems (from luxury to necessity)
- 2. A short review of existing solar cooling applications





1. Why solar air conditioning?





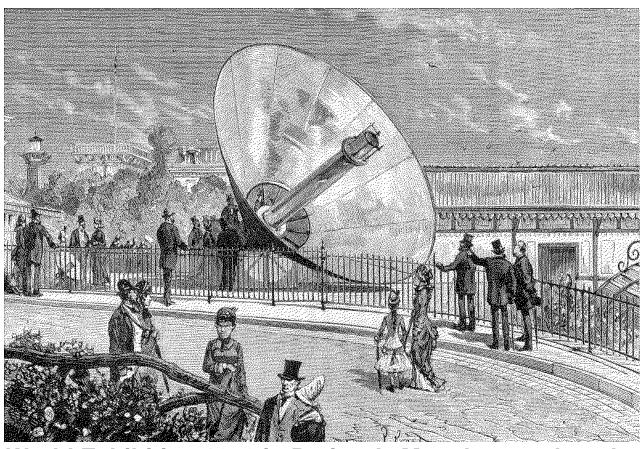
## **Solar Cooling**

- Using solar radiation to drive a cooling process
- Displacing the use of fossil fuel derived electricity that would otherwise be used in a conventional vapour compression air conditioner
  - Solar thermal heat driving a thermal cooling process
  - Solar photovoltaic panels driving a conventional vapour compression cooling process





### A New Technology?



World Exhibition 1878 in Paris - A. Mouchot produced the First Ice Block with Solar Energy

Source: Olynthus Verlag





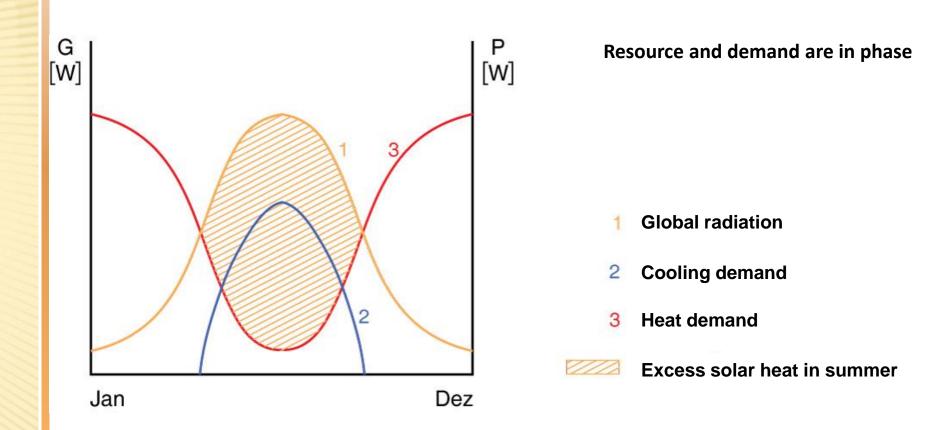
## 1. Why use solar energy for air conditioning: the "solar thermal" point of view

- Cooling loads and solar gains are simultaneous: on a seasonal basis - the need for cooling is greater when there is more sun!
- Solar thermal plants: best use of facilities, use of solar energy throughout the year. Faster amortization with the ability to cover larger part of the demand.





## Solar cooling - Solar resource vs. Cooling demand

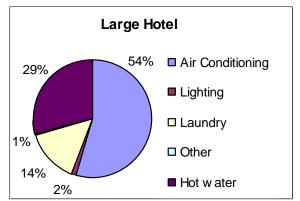


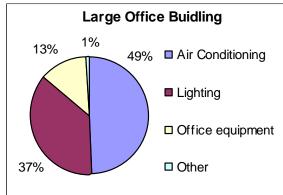
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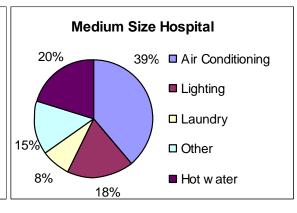




- 2. Why use solar energy for air conditioning: the policy point of view
- 1. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions The building sector accounts for 42% of global electricity consumption (IEA 2007)
- 2. Lower energy costs
- 3. Benefit the electricity system (reduced demand charges)



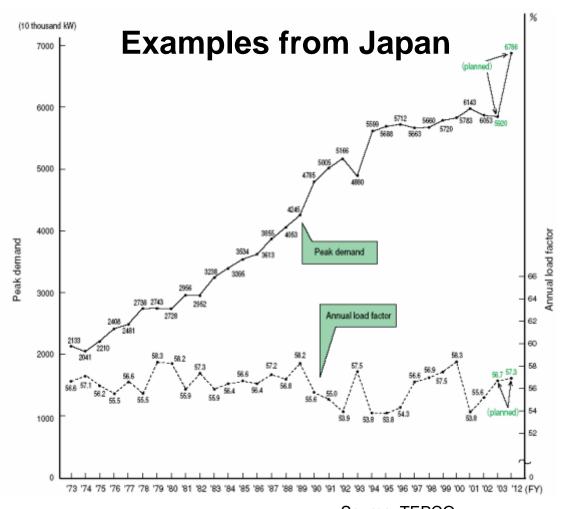








## The problem of peak demand



The last **blackouts** due to overloading of the electrical network:

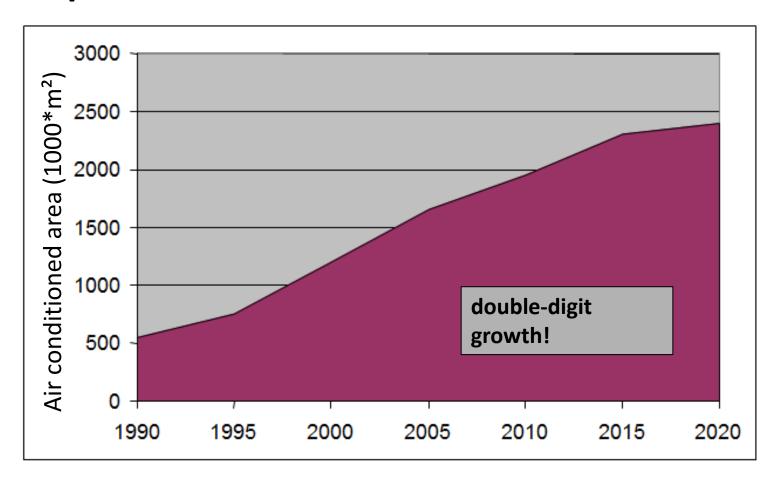
- 14.08.2003: Northeast U.S./ Canada
- 12.07.2004: Athens

Source: TEPCO





## **Prospective in the EU**

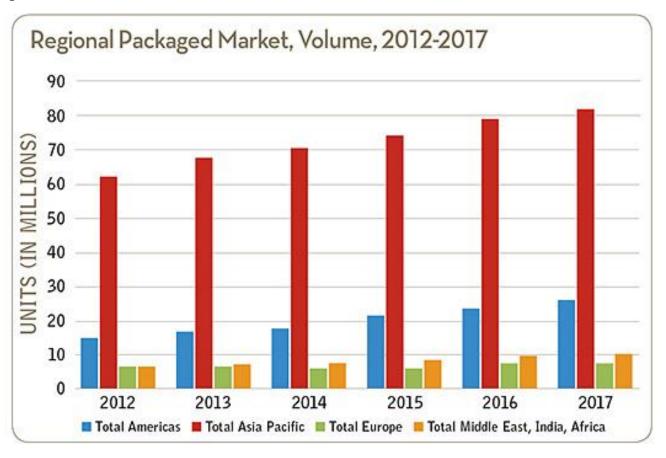


Source: EECCAC report 2003





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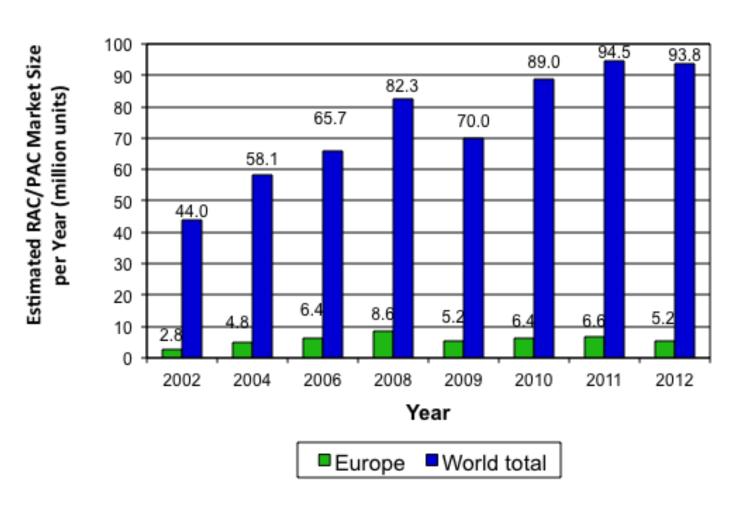


Source: Building Services Research and Information Association (BSRIA). http://www.achrnews.com/articles/127385-global-ac-market-starting-to-warm-up





## The global market. Annual installed capacity for RAC

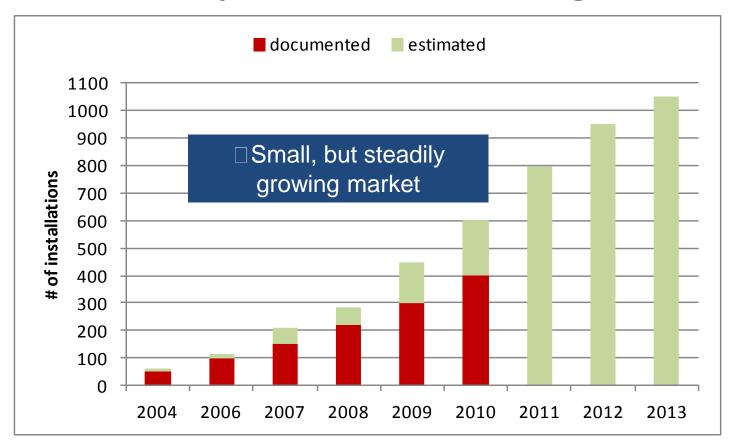


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## Market development of solar cooling

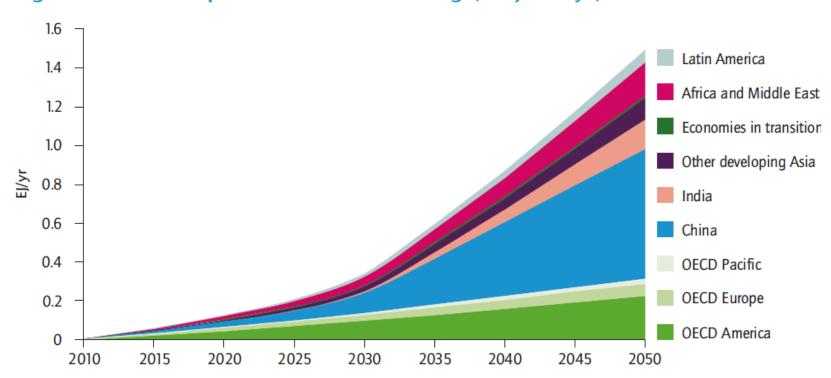






## IEA Technology Roadmap – Market potential by 2050

Figure 16: Roadmap vision for solar cooling (Exajoule/yr)

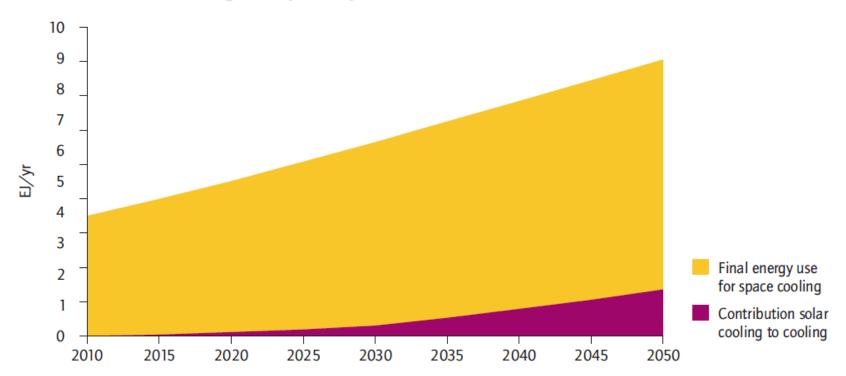






## IEA Technology Roadmap – Share of solar cooling by 2050

Figure 17: Roadmap vision for solar cooling in relation to total final energy use for cooling (Exajoule/yr)



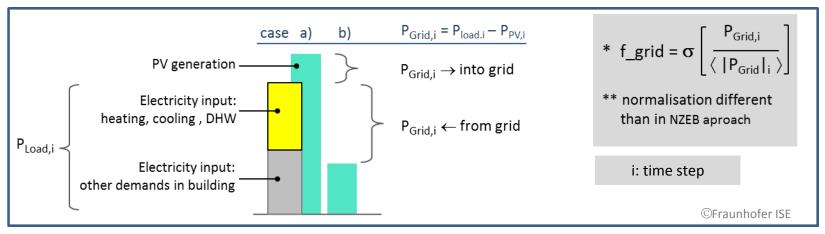




## The estimations on grid stress

- Physical effects on grid frequency and voltage in local supply node: not investigated
- Approach similar as in the Net Zero Energy Buildings (NZEB) programme:
  - ☐ Grid interaction index f<sub>grid</sub> (annual value)\* :
    - standard deviation of grid exchange fluctuations (normalised to average of grid load)\*\*
  - The less f<sub>grid</sub>, the smaller the 'stress' on the grid

#### Calculation base







## 3. Why use solar energy for air conditioning: the end user's point of view

- 1. Steadily increasing electricity price
- 2. Achieve higher building star rating
  - Access to green tenants
  - Eligibility for tax incentives
  - Point of sale disclosure
- 3. Compliance with minimum renewable energy targets (planning permission/ satisfy aspirational targets)





2. A short review of existing solar cooling applications





### **Solar Thermal Cooling Technologies**







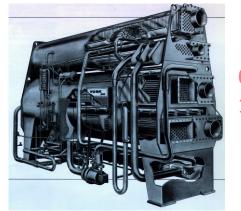
Adsorption: open or closed



50-80°C



Single or double effect absorption

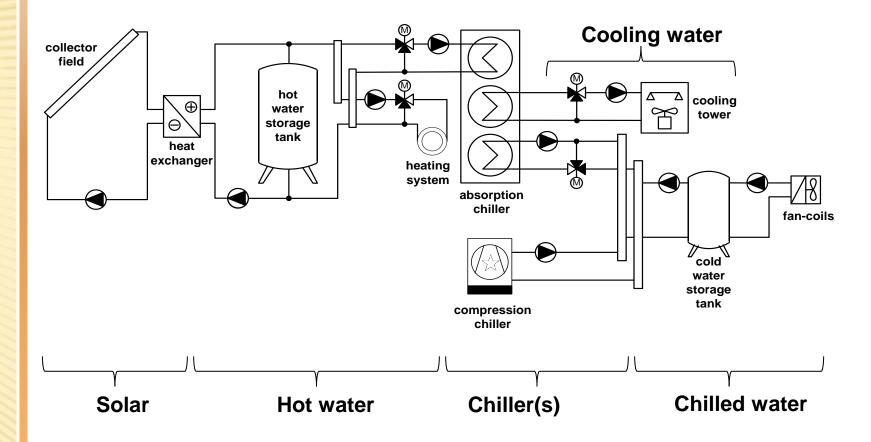


60-100°C 150-200°C





## General solar cooling scheme





Quality Assurance & Support Measures for Solar Cooling Systems

## Air conditioning for cosmetics industry

Air conditioning of university clinic in Freiburg (Germany)

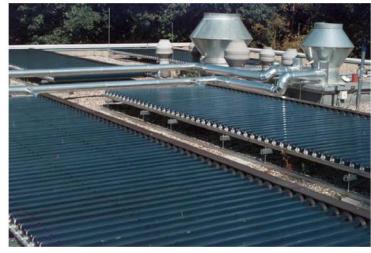
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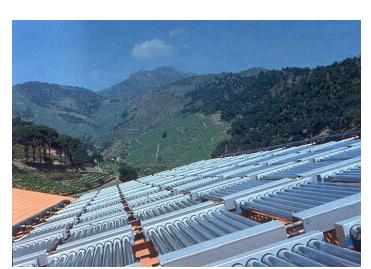






## Cooling of cellar, Banylus (France)





## Air conditioning of seminar rooms, Freiburg (Germany)









## Air conditioning office building – Pristina (Kosovo)







Source: SOLID 23





## Air conditioning in a hotel in Dalaman (Turkey)





Source: Solitem 24





## Solar cooling and heating system in Germany



### **System Components:**

15 kW EAW absorption

cooling machine

37 m<sup>2</sup> CS-100F flat plate

collectors

34 m<sup>2</sup> TH SLU1500/16

solar vacuum tube

collectors

2 m<sup>3</sup> Two 1 m<sup>3</sup> hot

water storage tanks

1 m<sup>3</sup> Cold water storage

tank

35 kW EWK open wet

cooling tower





Source: SolarNext





## **Cost development of solar cooling Kits**

