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Up to 400°C: High-temperature solutions for solar process heat and district heating

ProsolNetz

- ProSolNetz: 'Process heat and district heating with concentrating solar collectors'
- Collaborative project funded within the 7th Energy Research Programme of the BMWK
- Realised by consortium of research institutes, planning offices and technology providers
- Objective: support use of concentrated solar thermal energy economically and technically successfully in German heating networks and for the generation of process heat
- Promote market development by carrying out necessary technical developments and assessments, offering design tools and training for planners and industry and disseminating information about the technology
- Disseminate knowledge about the many possible applications of concentrating solar thermal energy



ProsolNetz – Stakeholders

Sponsors / Project organisation

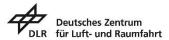
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Project partners















Participation in subcontracting











Advisory board







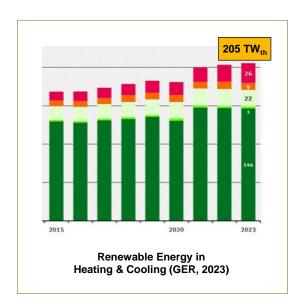
Der Energieeffizienzverband für Wärme, Kälte und KWK e.V.





Status Quo – German Heating Transition

- Heat accounts for more than 50 per cent of total German final energy consumption (FEC)
- Process heat has a cross-sectoral share of approx. 21 % of FEC
 - > 60 % share of industrial FEC | RE with <7% share of industrial FEC (2022)
- District heating accounts for ~ 8 % of total heat supply
 - RE with 20% and waste heat with 8% share
- Renewable heat is still heavily dominated by biomass across sectors;
 share of renewable energies at 18,5%
- Further sources of sustainable heat are needed, including solar thermal energy





Solar Thermal Energy in the Heating Transition

- Concentrating solar collectors as a key technology
- Particularity: deliver temperatures at and well above 100 °C at high efficiency
- By integrating storage tanks, the share of solar heat can be increased to 50 to 60 %
- Solar heat as an important component of a combination of various renewable energy technologies and efficiency measures
- Only 4% of solar thermal in renewable energy in German heating & cooling (2023)



Dena supports solar thermal applications in several BMWK projects Turkish-German • Türk-Alman

Solar process heat in Türkiye and Germany

- Analyse and promote potential of concentrated solar thermal energy (CST) for supplying renewable process heat to industry
- Demonstrate the potential based on specific use cases in Türkiye and Germany
- Support both a rapid market ramp-up and decarbonisation of industries
- Milestones include
 - Initiation of Advisory Board with Turkish and German experts in solar thermal energy
 - Selection of Turkish and German partner companies
 - Elaboration of 2 4 CST potential analyses
 - Outreach and communication activities



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Thank You

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