



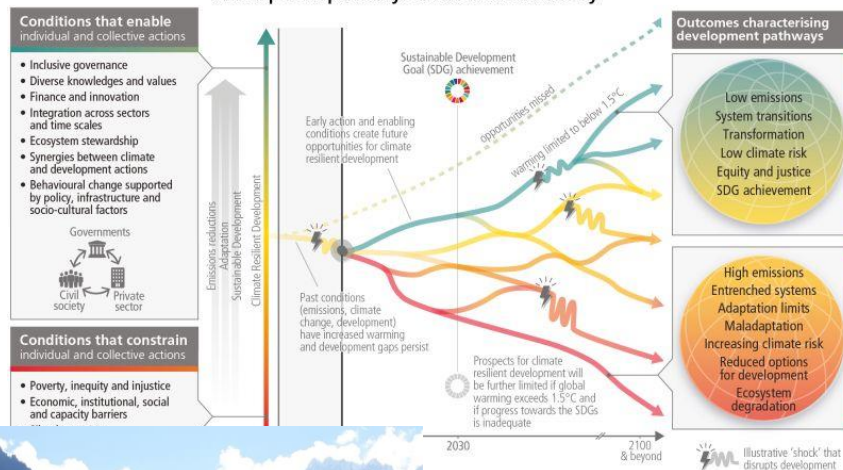
# Towards real-time monitoring of climate action plans – City of Zurich

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# Climate Crisis

There is a rapidly narrowing window of opportunity to enable climate resilient development

Multiple interacting choices and actions can shift development pathways towards sustainability



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The Synthesis Report is out now! [https://lnkd.in/e6DH\\_Ex5](https://lnkd.in/e6DH_Ex5)

There are multiple, feasible and effective options to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to human-caused climate change, and they are available now, said scientists in the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report released today.

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**In 2019, atmospheric methane and nitrogen dioxide concentrations were higher than at any time in at least**

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Next Monday, the IPCC will release the closing chapter **#ClimateChange 2023: Synthesis Report.**

**Extremes become more widespread and pronounced with every increment of warming**

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# Rise to action

## Climate strikes 2019



# Environmental Strategy

## **Goal 1**

# **Climate Neutral City**

**Zurich is climate neutral and takes responsibility beyond the city limits.**

## **Goal 4**

# **Intelligent Use of Resources**

**The city is a pioneer for resource conservation and an innovation driver for a circular economy.**

## **Goal 3**

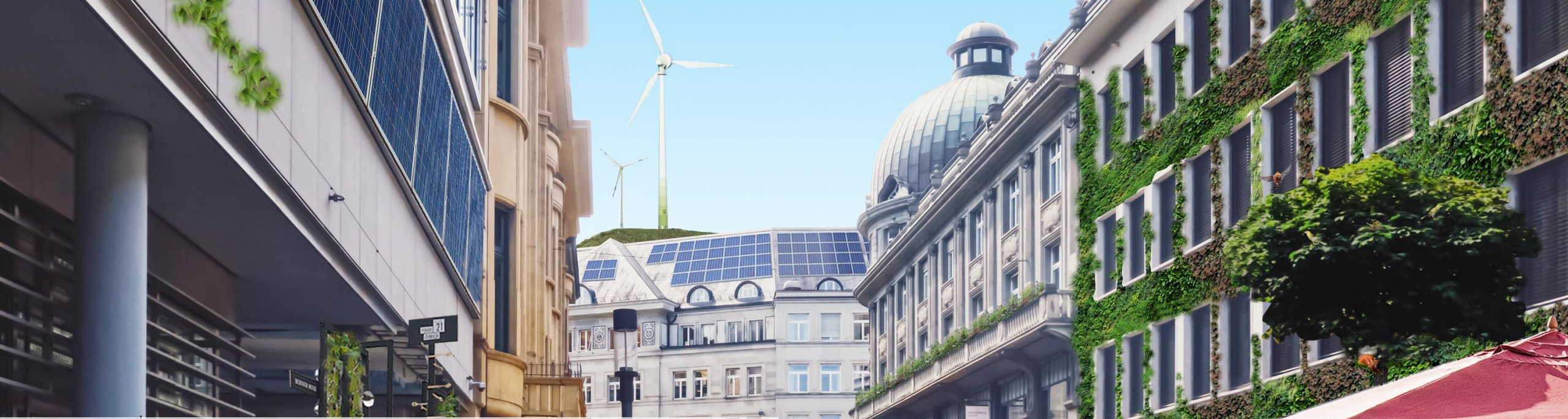
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## **Goal 2**

# **Healthy Urban Environment**

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# Goal 4

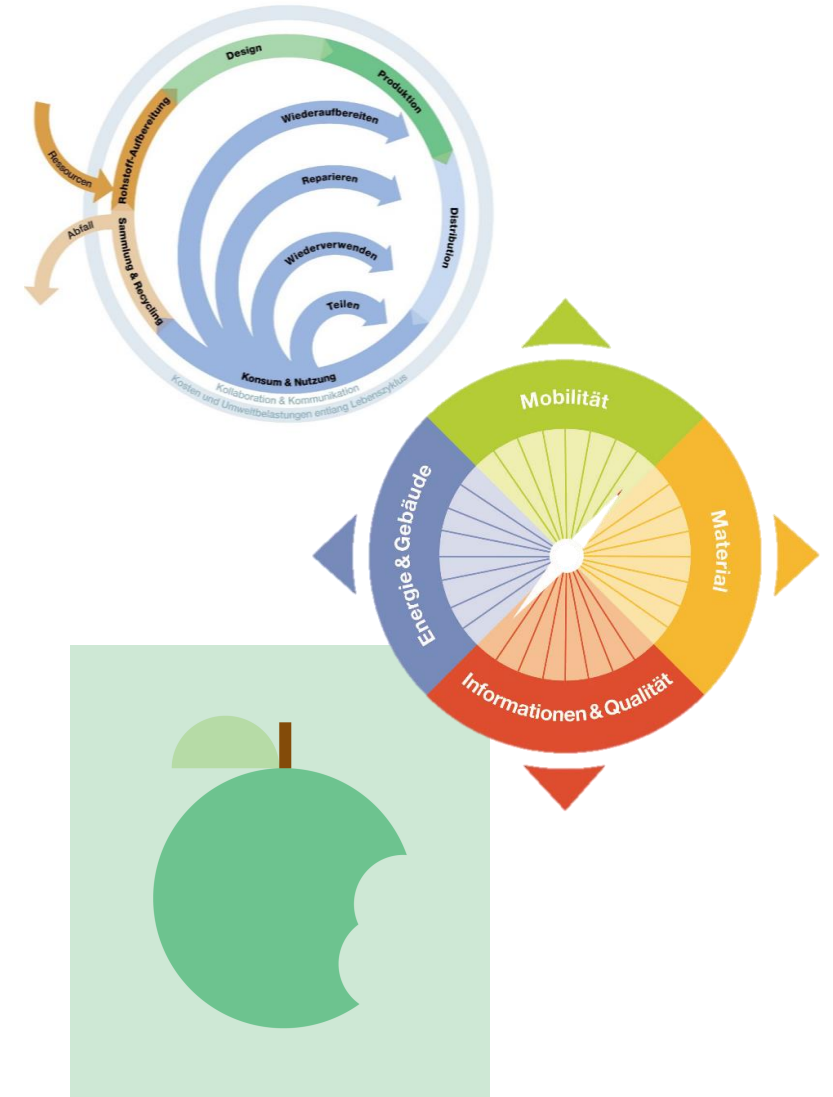
## Intelligent Use of Resources

The city is a pioneer for resource conservation and an innovation driver for a circular economy.



## Goal 4 – Intelligent Use of Resources

- Circular Zurich
  - Cross-departmental strategy on implementing circular economy
- Eco-Compass
  - Consulting, networking for medium-sized enterprises
- Nutrition Strategy
  - Healthy and climate-friendly nutrition





# Goal 3

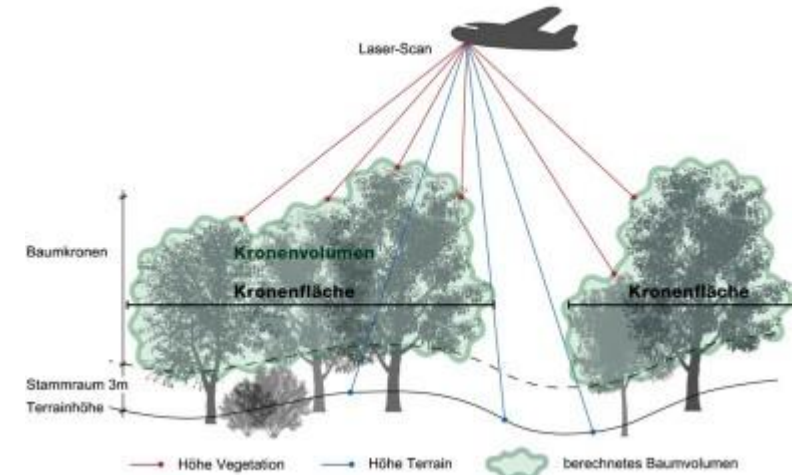
## Networked Urban Nature

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# Goal 3 – Networked Urban Nature

- Action Plan City Trees
  - Increase of tree top coverage from 17 to 25 % by 2029
- Living Wall Systems/Green Façade
  - Positive impact on multiple levels
- Recreational Space
  - 8 m<sup>2</sup>/inhabitant within 200 – 400 m





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# Goal 2 Healthy Urban Environment

High environmental qualities in Zurich are the prerequisite offering everyone a healthy life in the city.

# Goal 2 – Healthy Urban Environment

- Noise Protection Strategy
  - Street noise
  - noise in planning & construction
  - noise of daily life
- Special Planning Heat Reduction
  - Reduce heat island effects
  - Preserve cold air systems
  - Relieve vulnerable areas
- Air Quality Action Plan
  - City of Zurich specific extended measures
  - Test lab for canton and Switzerland

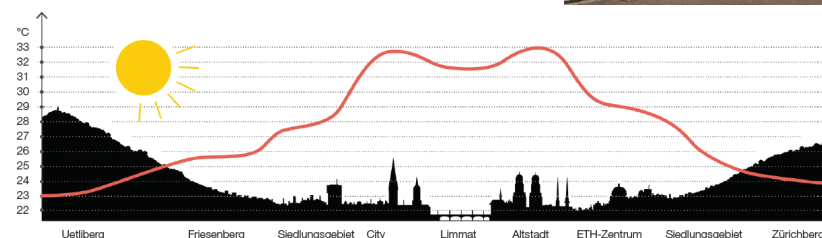
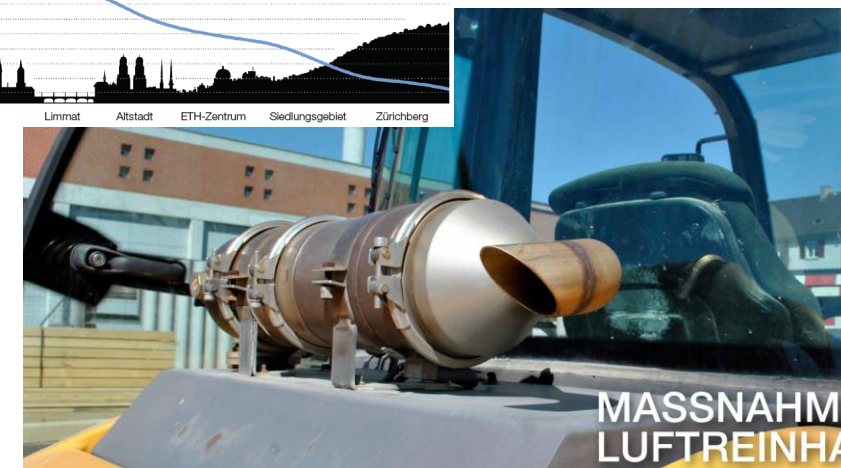
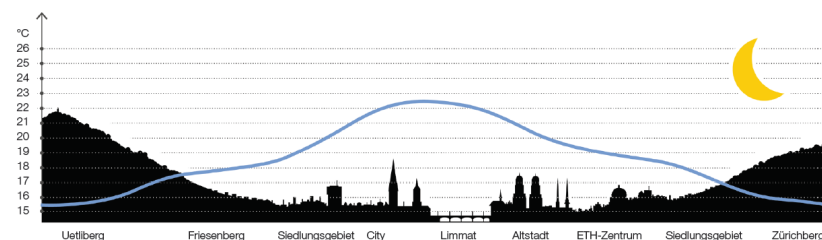


Abb. 6: Tagsituation - Wärmeiselleffekt (Lufttemperatur modelliert, ohne Berücksichtigung der Höhenlage)



# Goal 1

# Climate Neutral City

Zurich is climate neutral and takes responsibility beyond the city limits.



# Referendum on May 15, 2022

Substantially more ambitious climate protection goal than before



- Net-zero 2040 in the constitution of the city of Zurich
- 75 % voted YES
- Adjusted energy law of the canton of Zurich by September 1, 2022: replacement of oil- and gasheating at end of life.

# Today's greenhouse gas emissions of Zurich

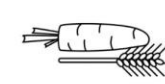
Influencing direct, indirect and negative emissions



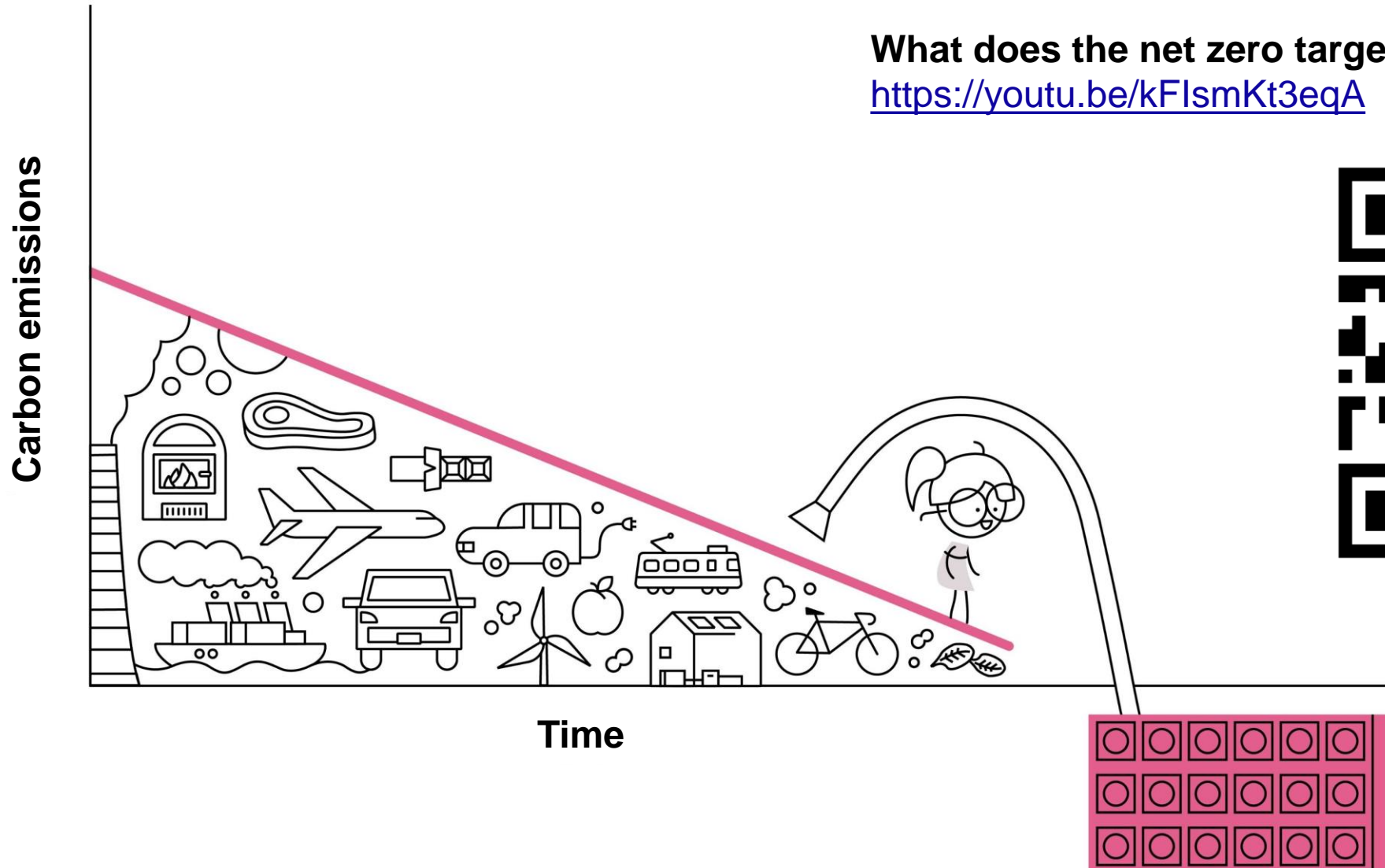
● 25 %



● 75 %



# Scenario net zero

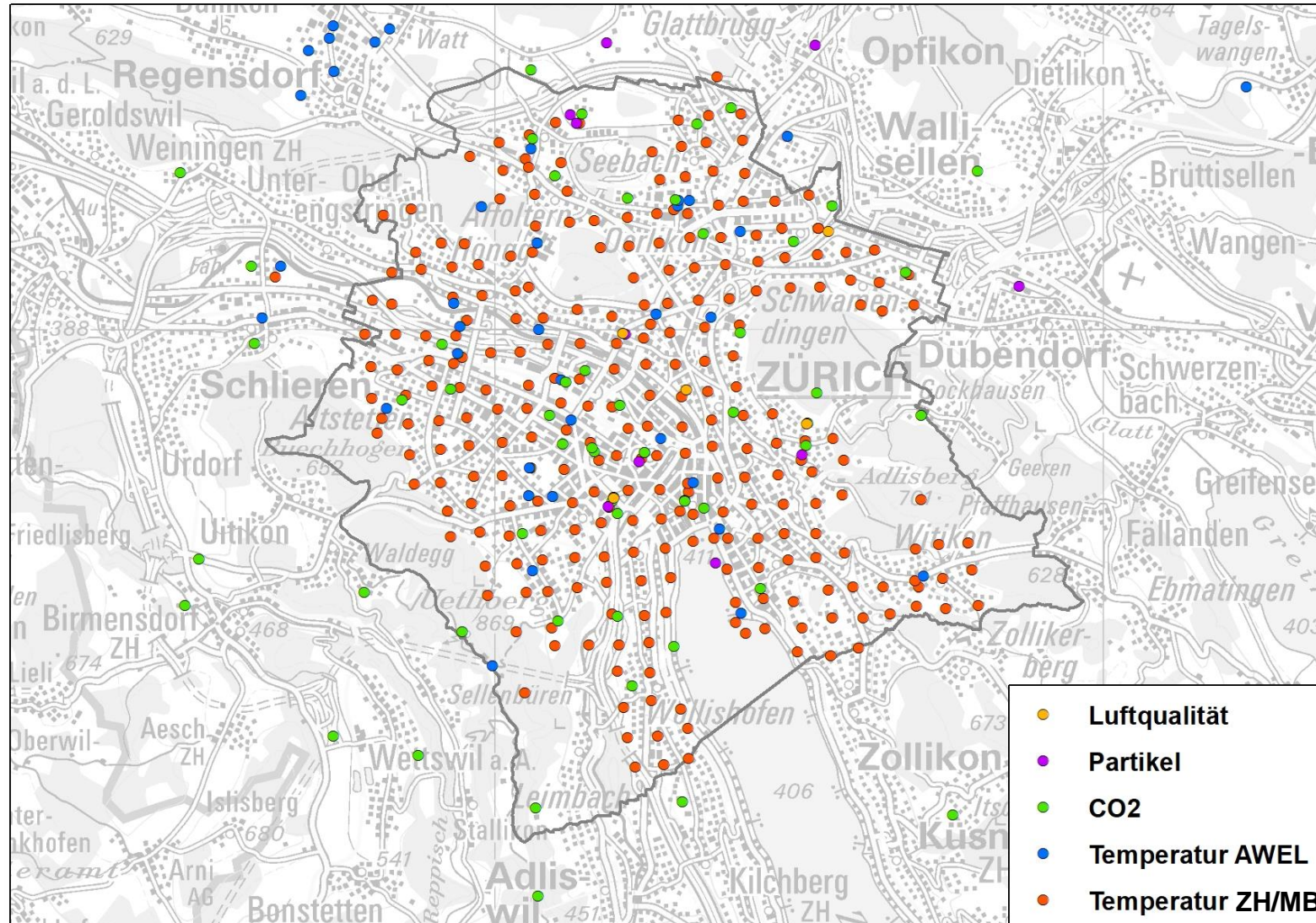


What does the net zero target mean for Zurich?

<https://youtu.be/kFlsmKt3eqA>



# Measurement Networks

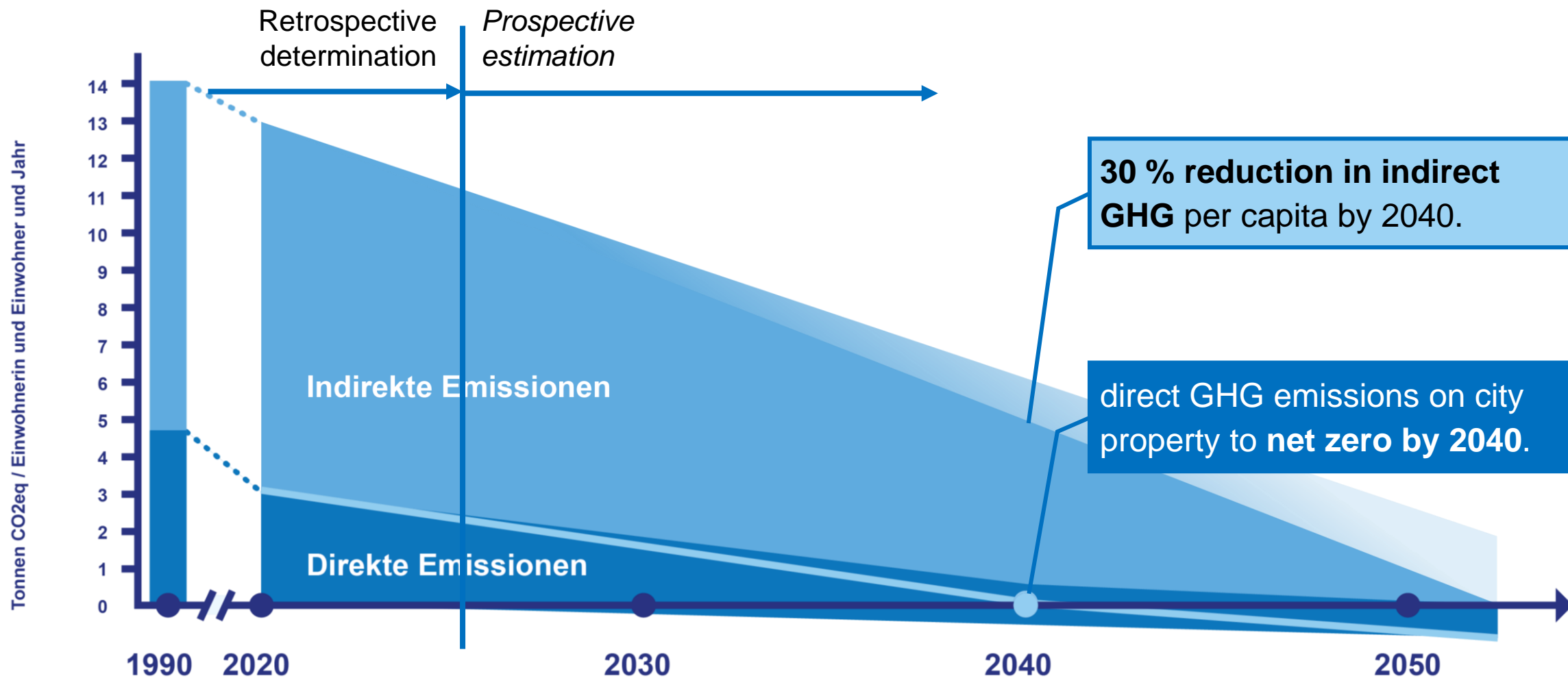




# GHG Monitoring & Reporting

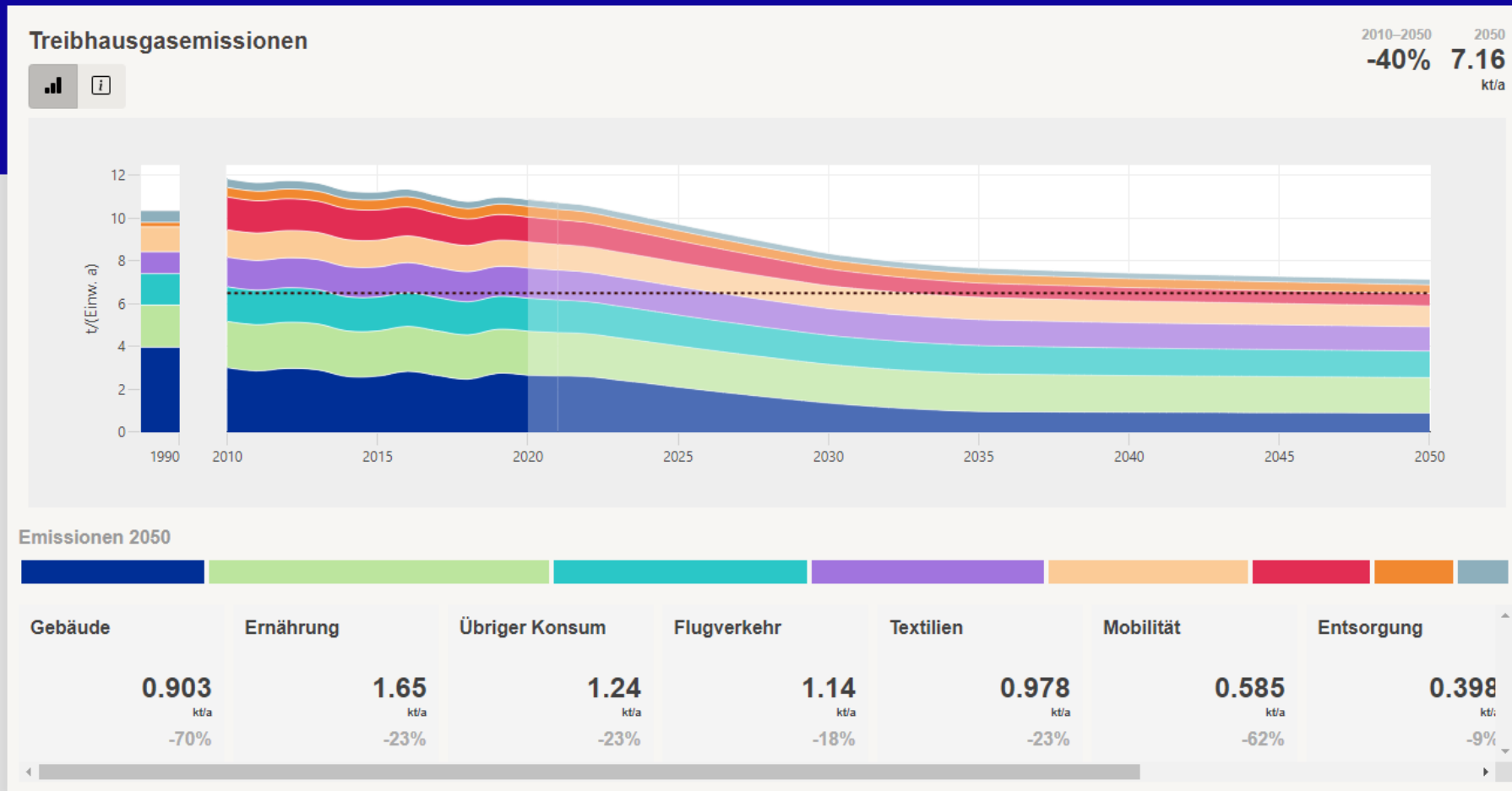
# New aim: Net zero 2040 for the city of Zurich

Measures within the influence of the city administration: Net zero 2035

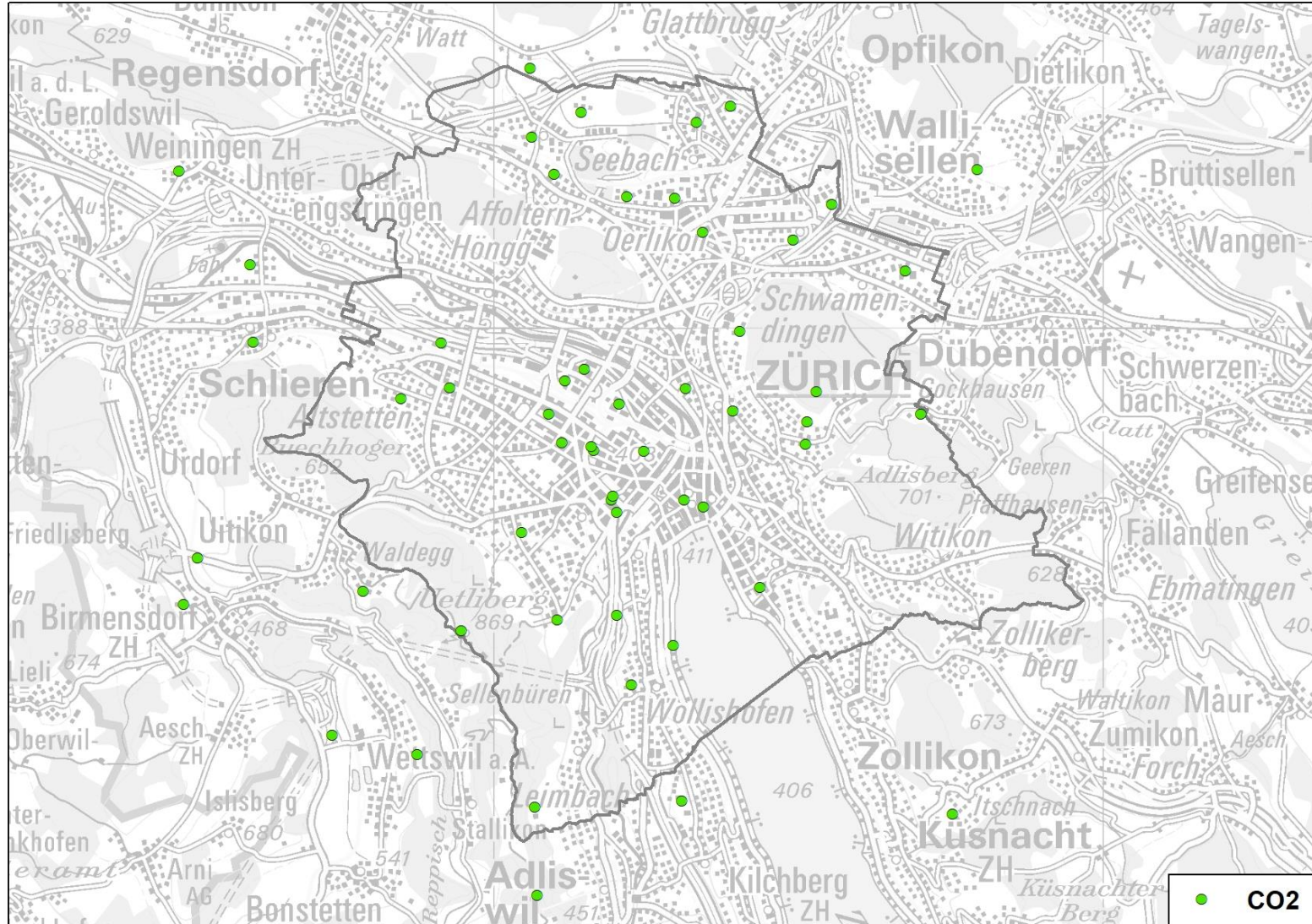


# Monitoring-Tool Kausal Paths

## Entwicklung der Treibhausgasemissionen Szenario: Netto-Null 2040

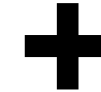
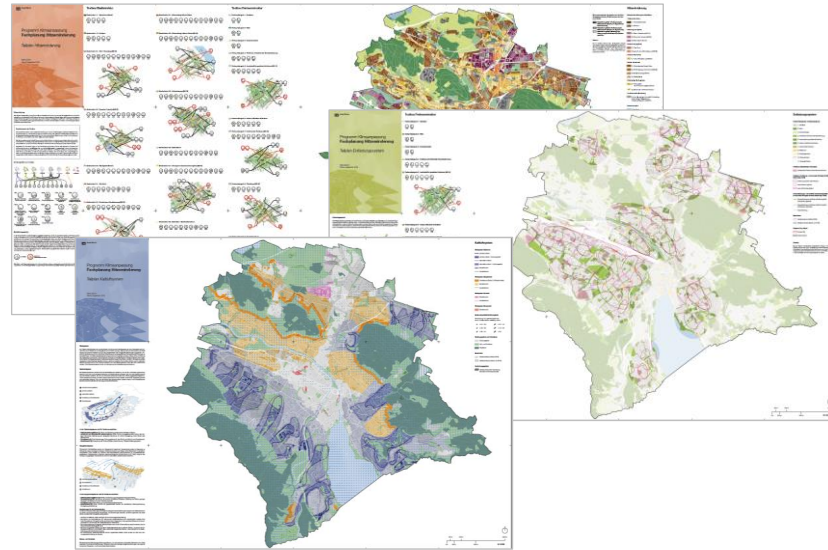


# EMPA CO<sub>2</sub> Network



# Urban Climate Monitoring

# Special Planning Heat Reduction



## Special Planning Heat Reduction

*Report and 3 Maps*

*Planning basis incl. expertise  
for administration, planners and property developers*

## Implementation Agenda

*Implementation program  
for the municipal administration*

# Toolbox – 13 Approaches and their Impact

## Day



Grünflächen  
klimaökologisch  
gestalten

impact: - 8.7 °C

range: 7-20 m



Aufenthalts- und  
Bewegungsräume  
beschatten

impact: - 8.7 °C

range: 7-20 m



Wasser im  
städtischen  
Raum etablieren

impact: - 7.6 °C

range: 3-6 m



Fassaden  
klimaökologisch  
begrünen

impact: - 6.6 °C

range: 4-14 m



Freiräume und  
Strassen entsiegeln  
und begrünen

impact: - 6.6 °C

range: 2-4 m



Dächer  
klimaökologisch  
begrünen

impact: - 5.5 °C

range: 4-9 m

(auf Dachniveau)



Baukörper für  
günstiges Mikroklima  
optimieren

je nach Standort  
unterschiedliche  
Wirkung

## Night



Fassaden  
klimaökologisch  
begrünen

impact: - 1.7 °C

range: 2-4 m



Dächer  
klimaökologisch  
begrünen

impact: - 1.4 °C

range: 2-4 m

(nur auf Dachniveau)



Freiräume und  
Strassen entsiegeln  
und begrünen

impact: - 1.3 °C

range: 2-3 m



Grünflächen  
klimaökologisch  
gestalten

impact: - 1.2 °C

range: 2-10 m



Aufenthalts- und  
Bewegungsräume  
beschatten

impact: - 1.2 °C

range: 2-6 m



Wasser im  
städtischen  
Raum etablieren

impact: - 1.2 °C

range: 2-4 m

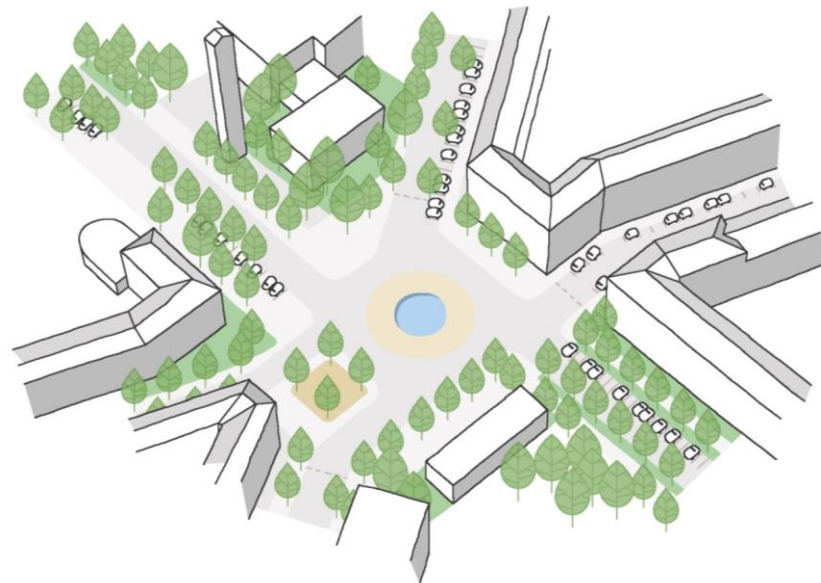
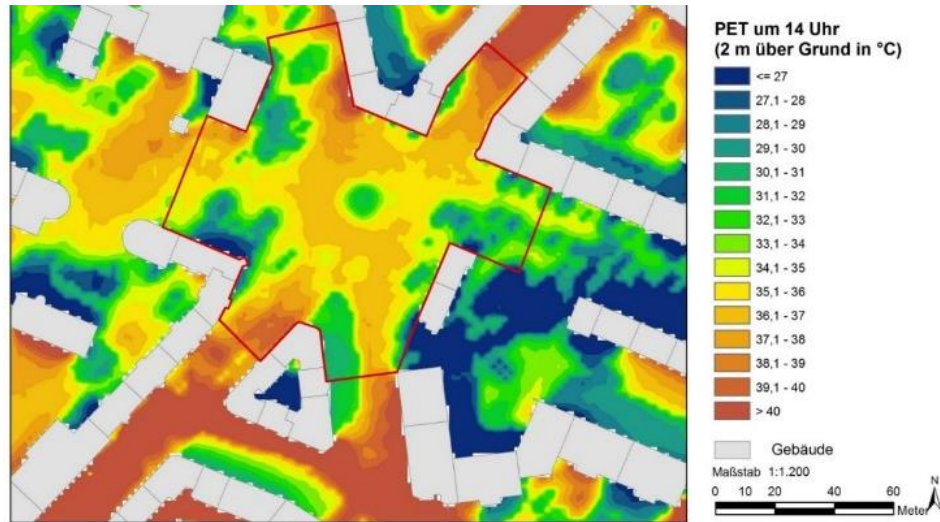


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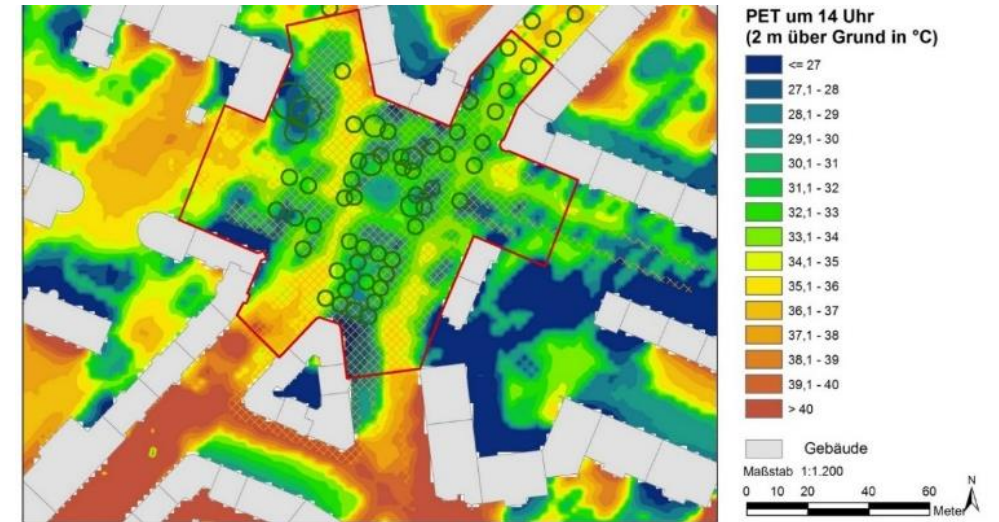
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# Toolbox – Impact of Selected Measures on a Square

## Current situation

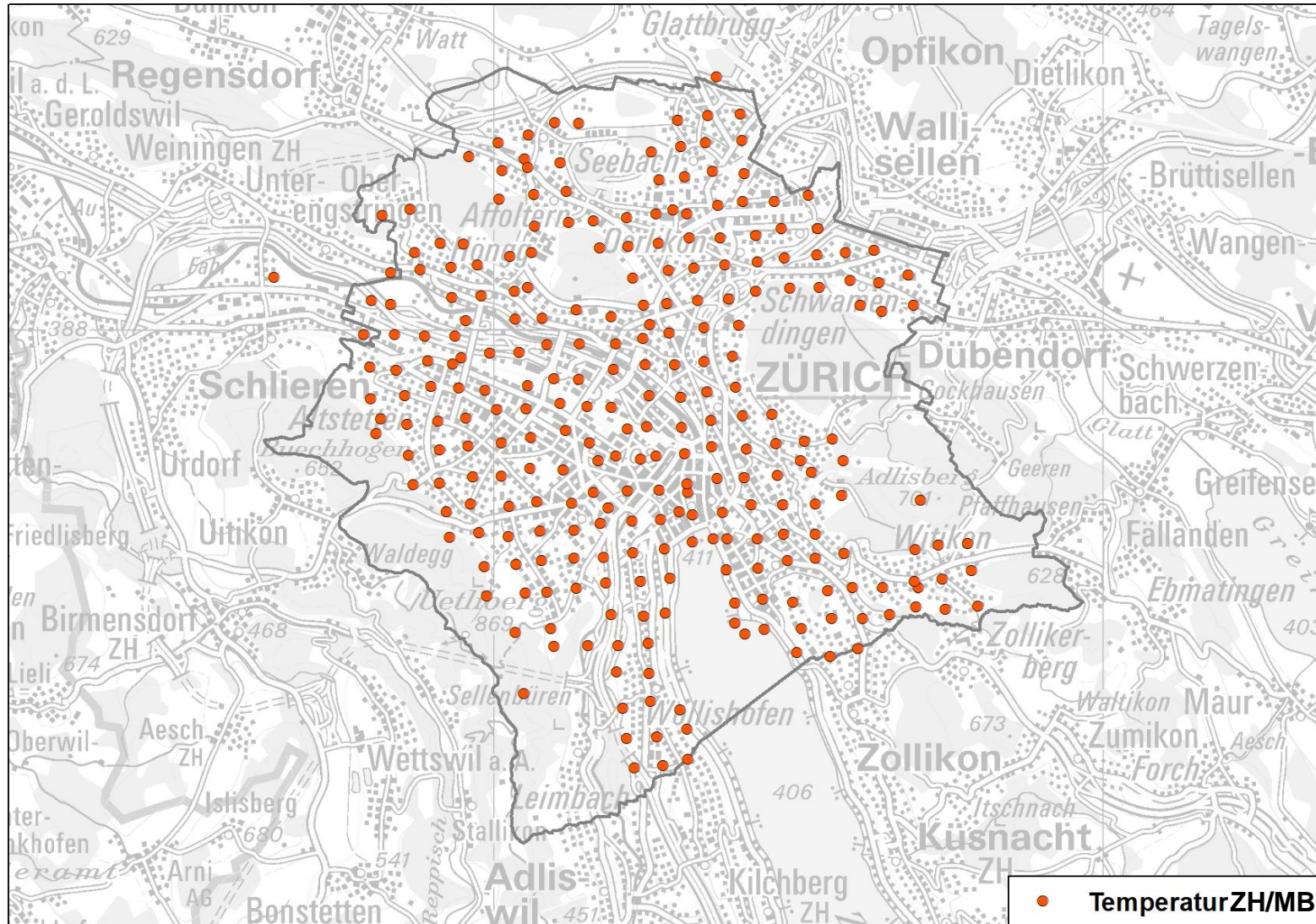


## Modelling



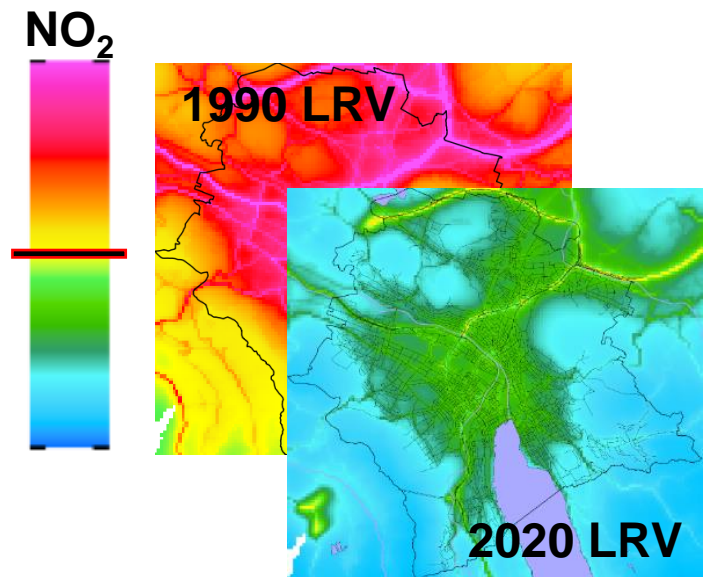


# Temperature Networks

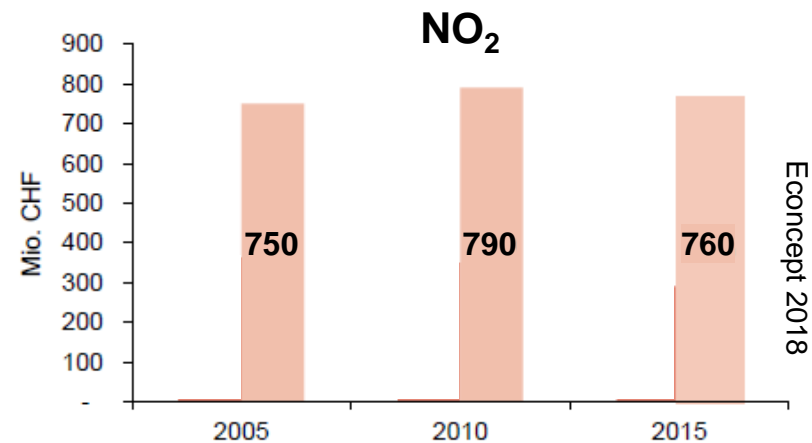
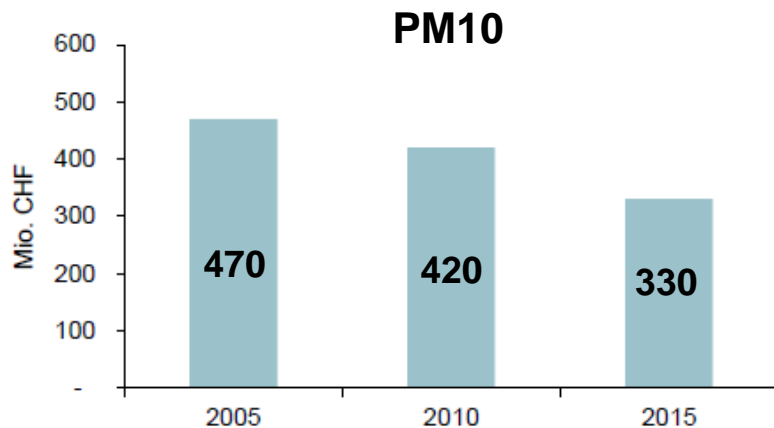


# Air Quality Monitoring

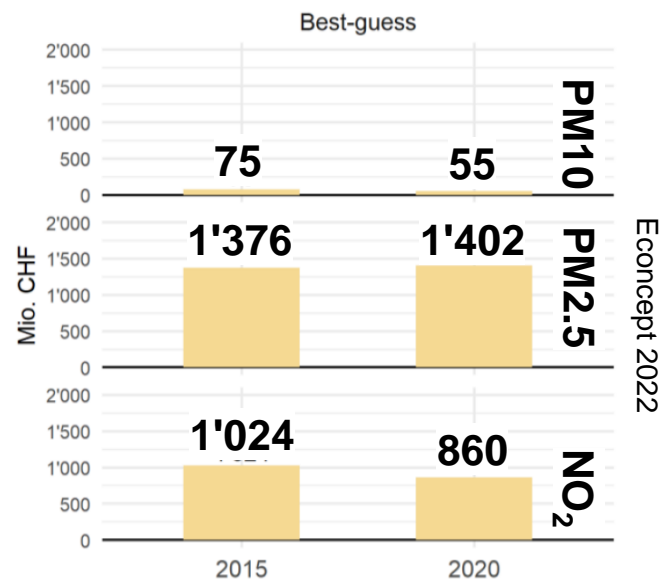
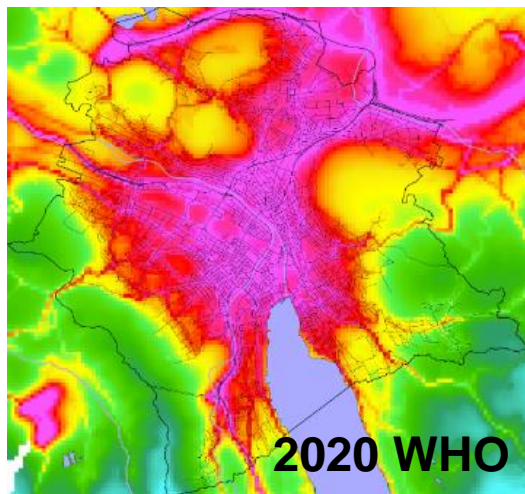
# Pollution Burden & Associated Costs



Gesundheitsschadenskosten durch PM10 und NO<sub>2</sub> in der Stadt Zürich

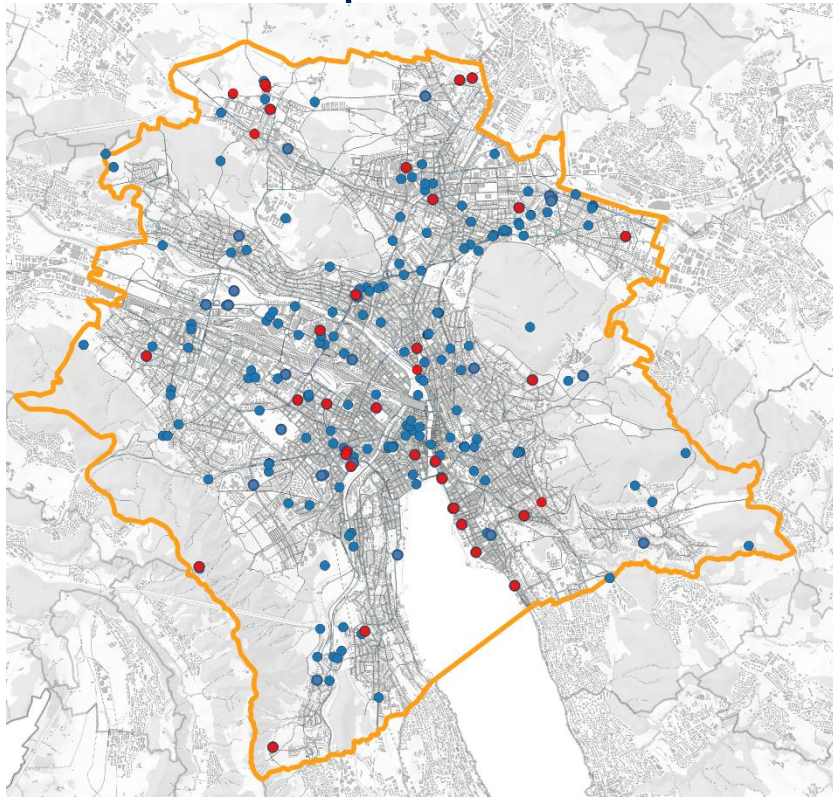


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NO <sub>2</sub> [µg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	30



# Air Quality Networks

Rosengartenstrasse 2014



Stampfenbachstrasse 1983

NO<sub>2</sub> – PS

currently: 37

total: ~250

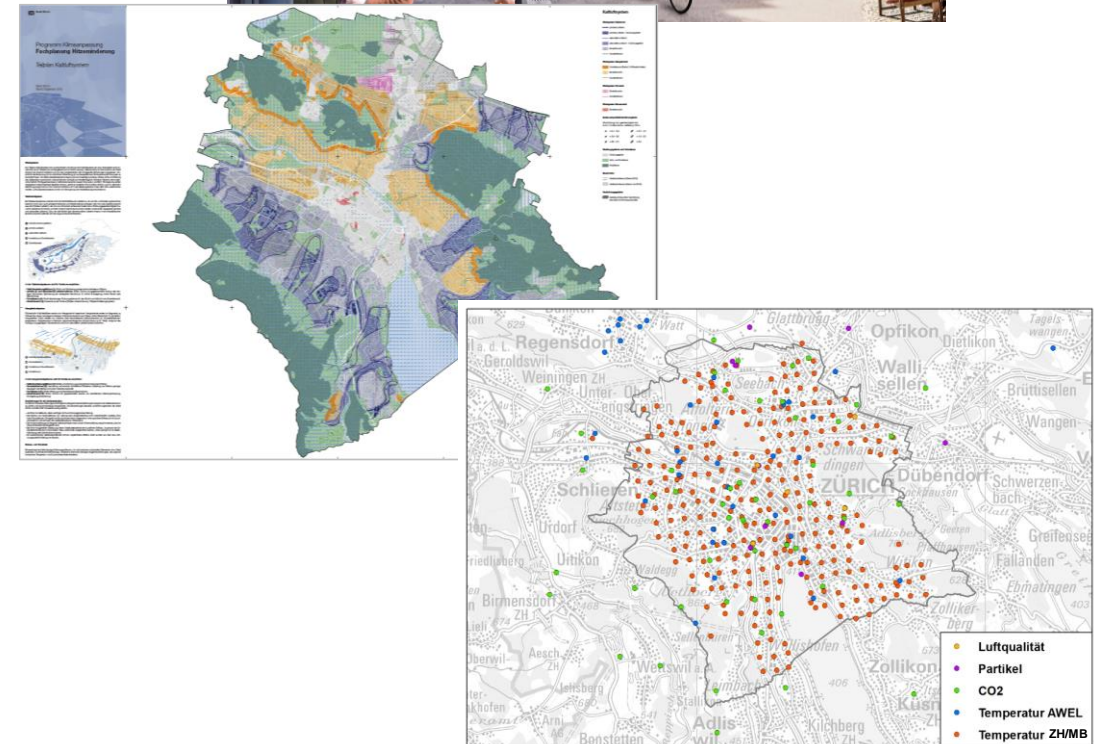
Schimmelstrasse 1988

Schulhaus Heubeeribüel 1992

<b>GASE</b>	NO <sub>2</sub>
	O <sub>3</sub>
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	CO
<b>PARTIKEL</b>	PM <sub>10</sub>
	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
	PN
	EC
<b>Meteo</b>	

# Summary

- City of Zurich Environmental Strategy
  - 4 key areas
  
- Action Plans & Strategies
  - Individual key areas
  
- Measurement Networks
  - Monitoring of key parameters



# Thank you.



# Luftbeeren – Mittendrin statt nur dabei

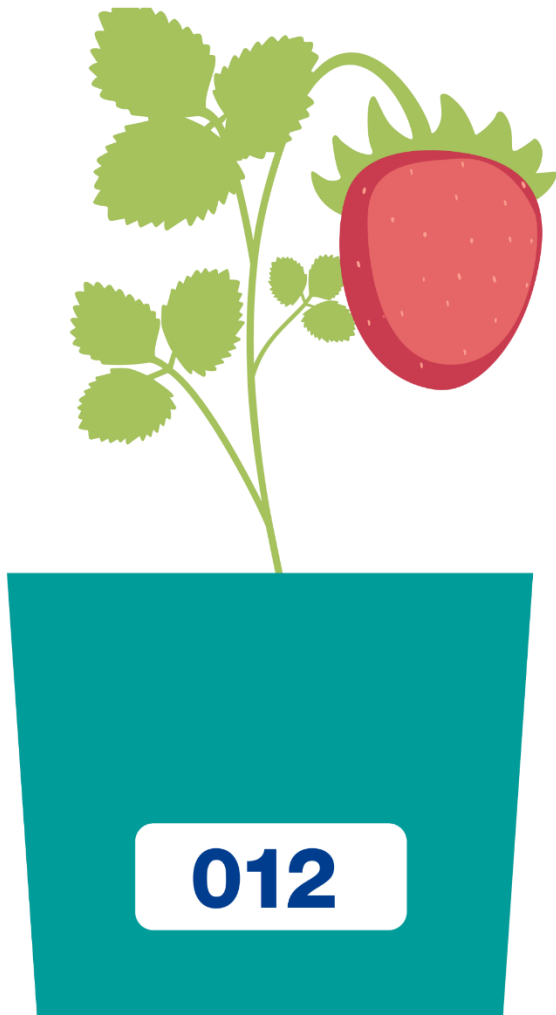
## Erdbeerpflanzen als biologische Messstationen

### Konzept

- Citizen Science – Beteiligung der Bevölkerung
- Beitrag zur Forschung (soz. & nat.)
- Sensibilisierung für alltagsferne Themen

### Erdbeeren

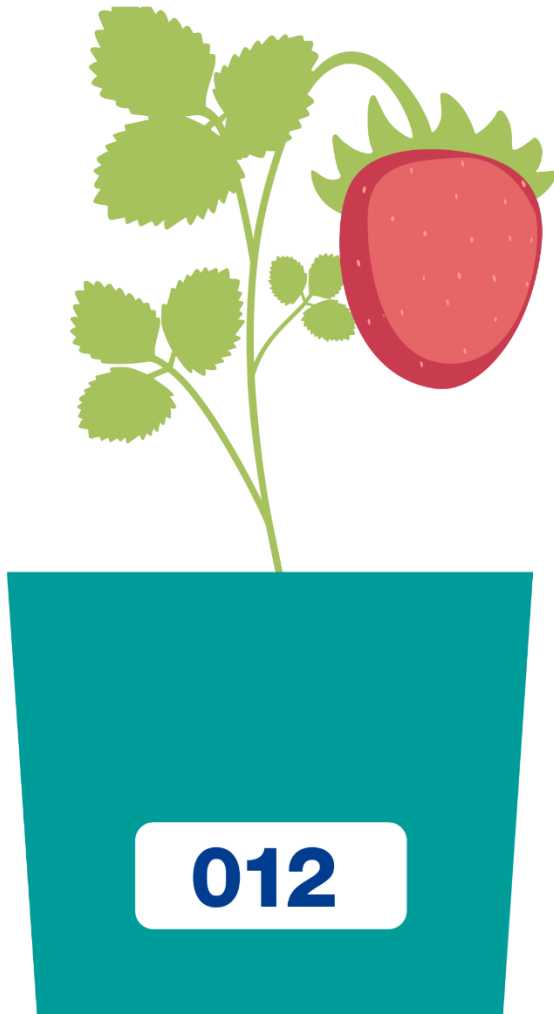
- Pflanzen sind sehr robust (Trockenheit, Kälte)
- Leckere Früchte
- Freude in COVID-Zeiten





# Luftbeeren – Mittendrin statt nur dabei

## Erdbeerpflanzen als biologische Messstationen



### Verteilung

- 2 Stadtsiedlungen + 2 Schulklassen
- 330 Pflanzen & 22 Sensoren  
(Klassen & Interessierte)

### Analyse

- 2 Monaten Exposition der Blätter
- Bestimmung der Suszeptibilität



**Riedtli Siedlung**  
319 Wohnungen  
150 Schüler\*innen



**Bucheggplatz**  
138 Wohnungen  
680 Schüler\*innen



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## Erdbeerpflanzen als biologische Messstationen



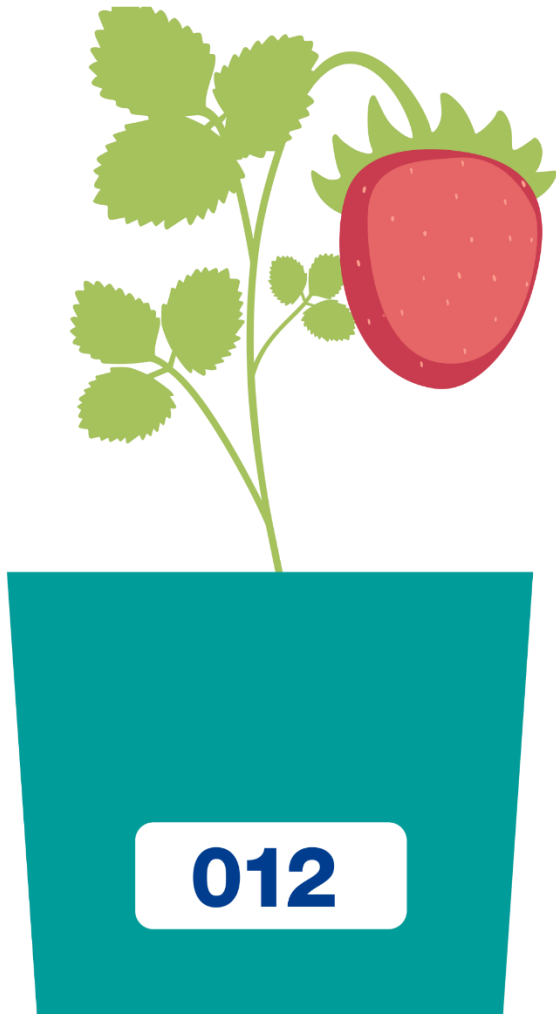
### Aktivitäten

- Verteilaktion, Newsletter, Microsite
- Fragerunden, Unterricht, Workshops
- Scientifica, SRF CO<sub>2</sub>-control



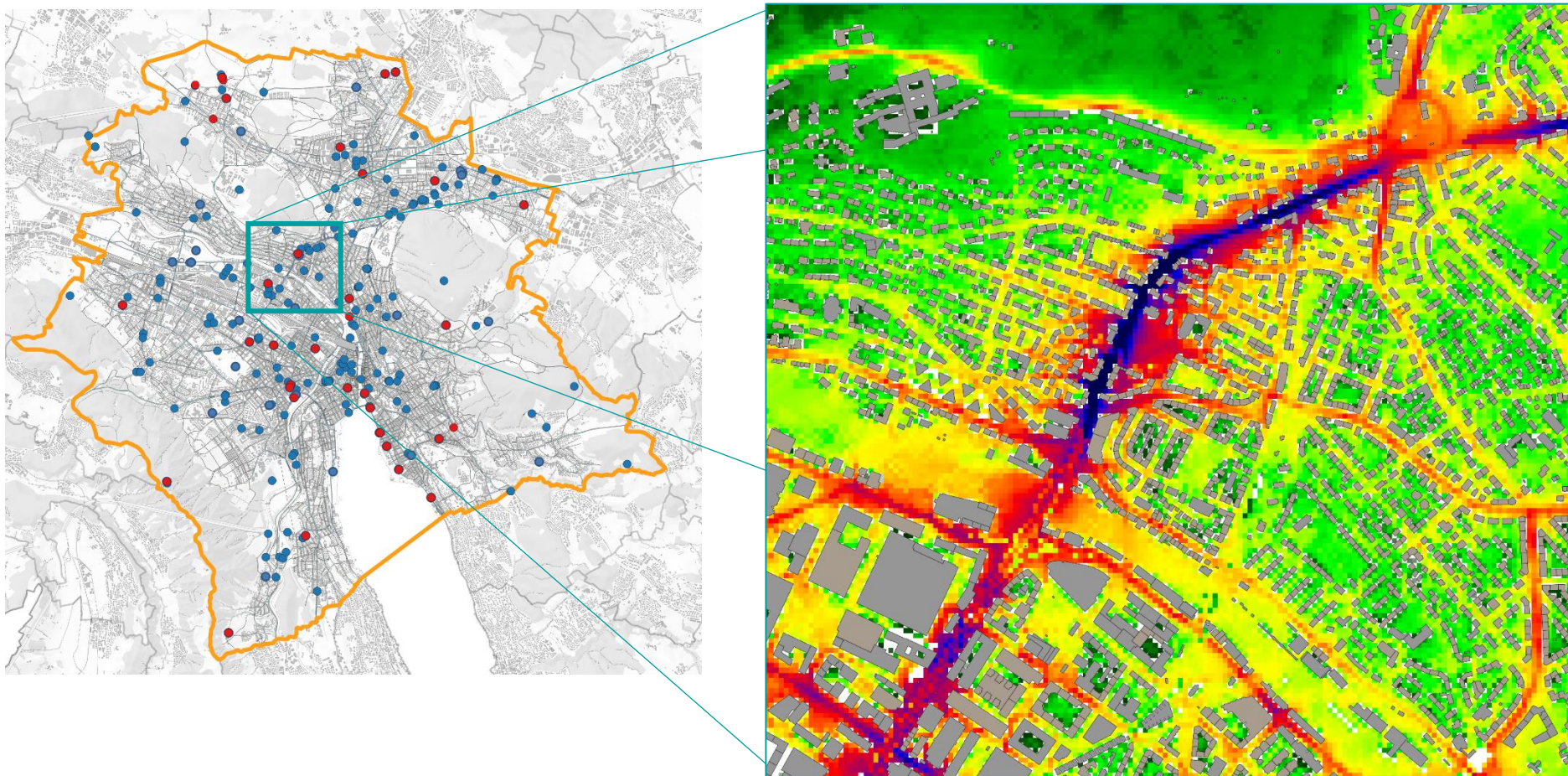
### Ergebnisse

- 73 % Rücksendungen!
- Mehr Schadstoffe entlang grosser Strassen

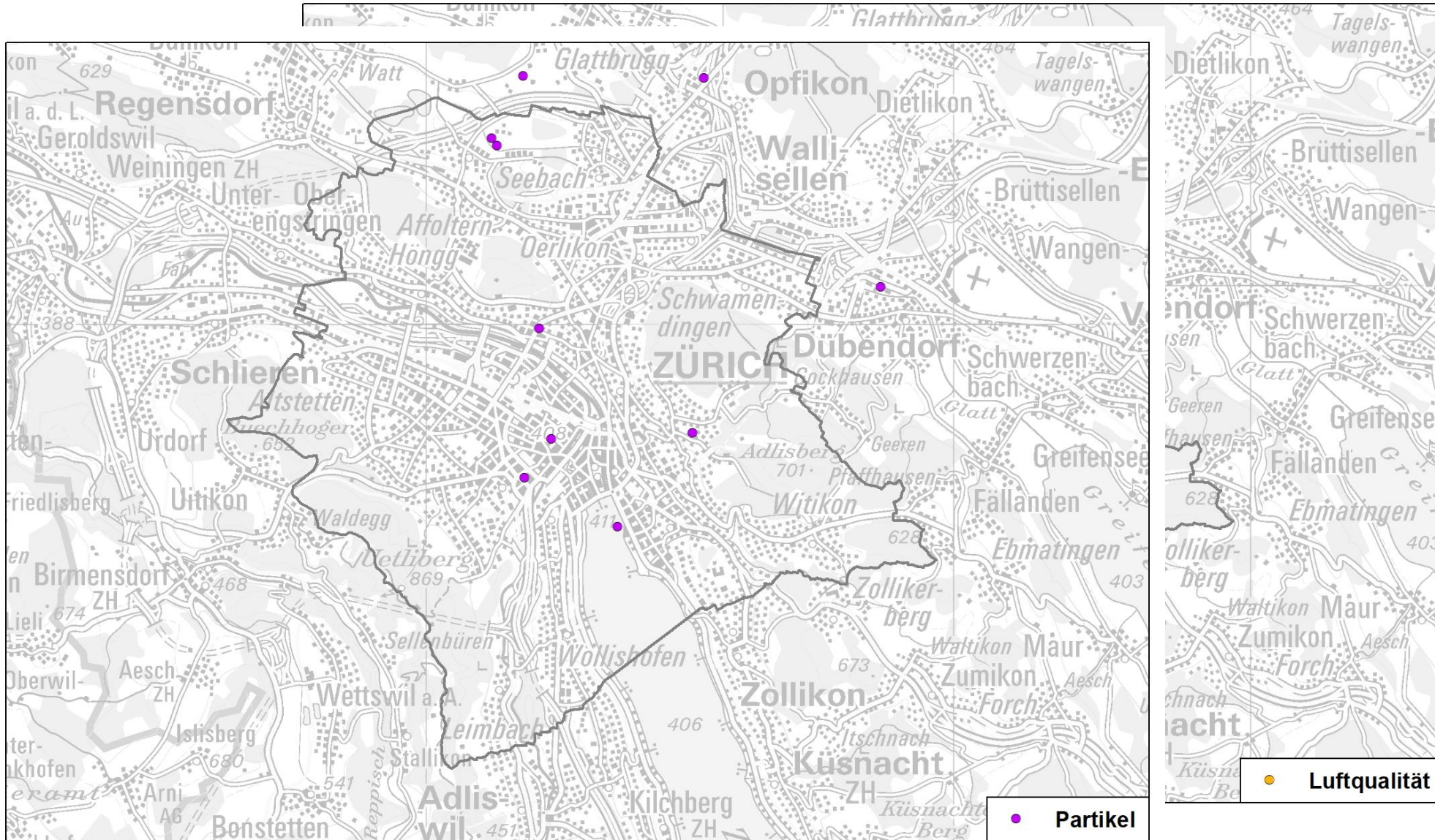


# Appendix

# Messungen – NO<sub>2</sub>-Passivsammler



# Air Quality-Networks



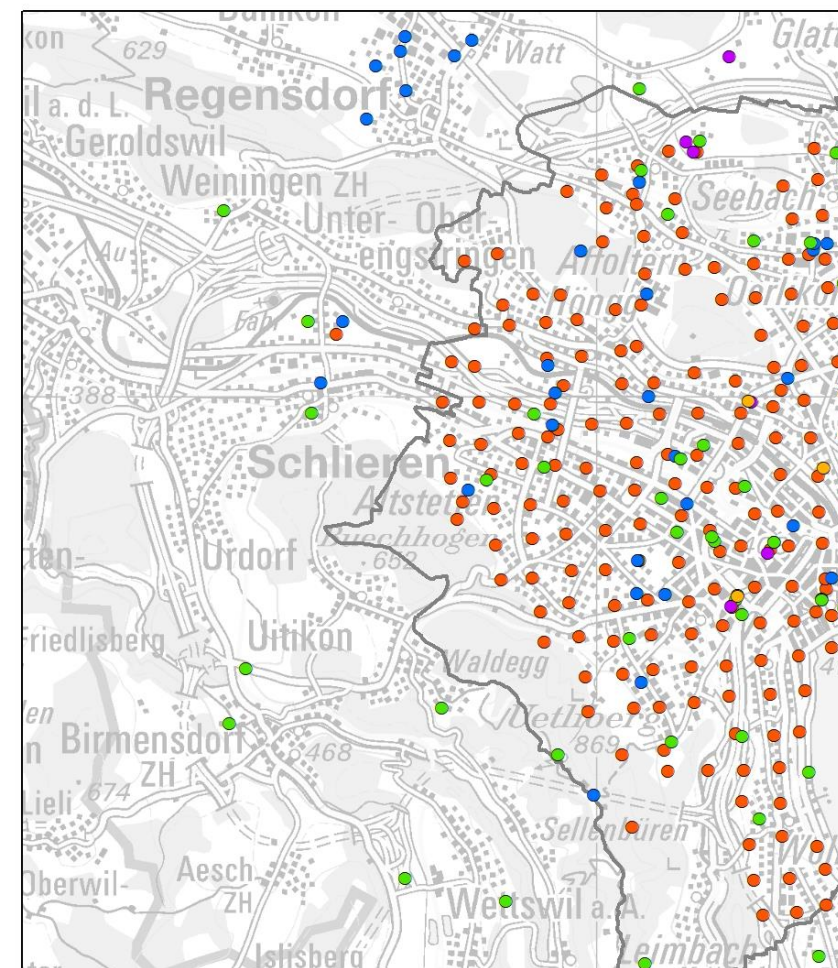
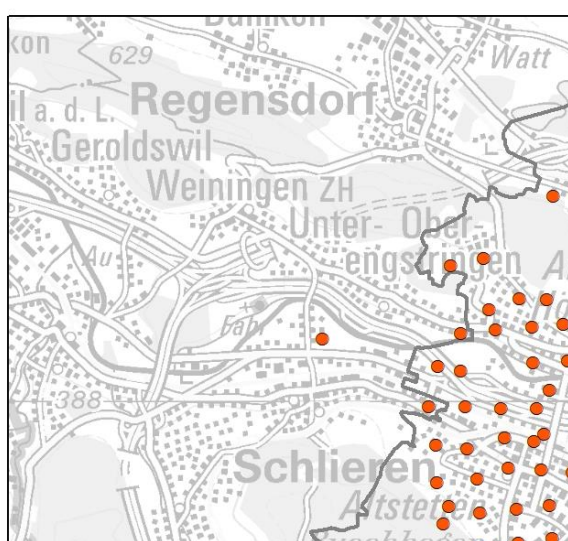
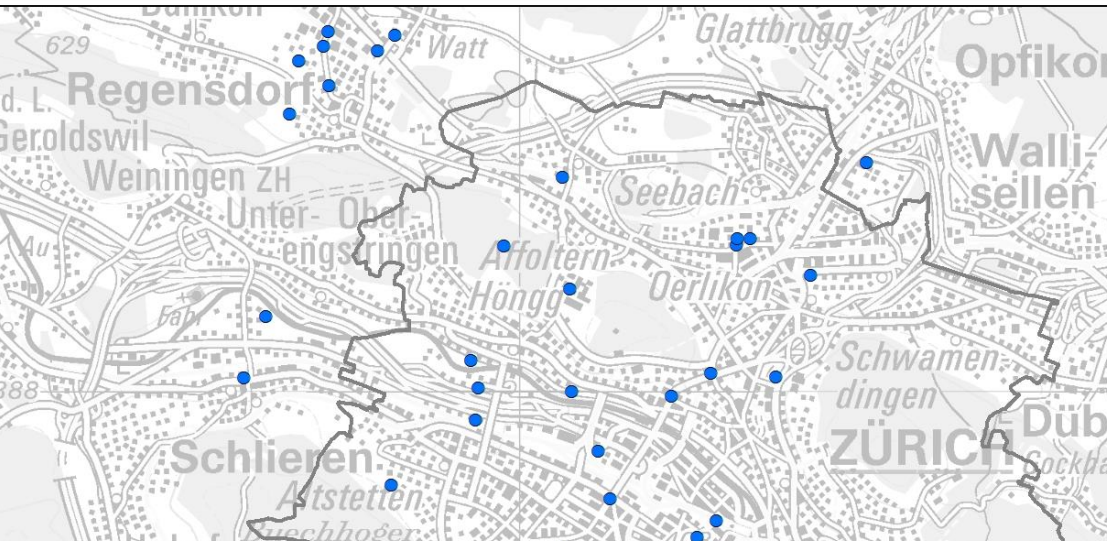
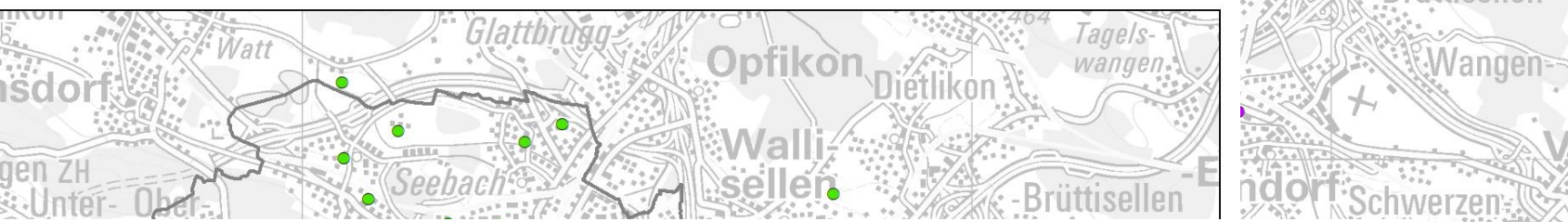
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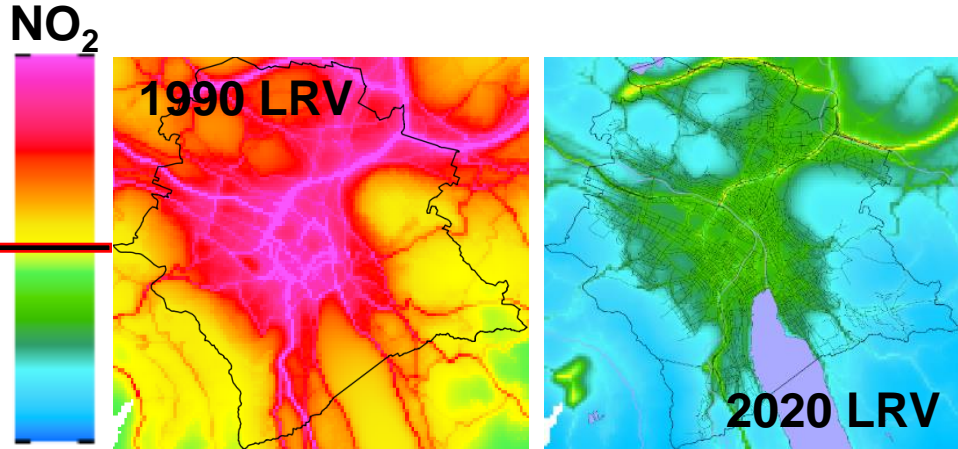
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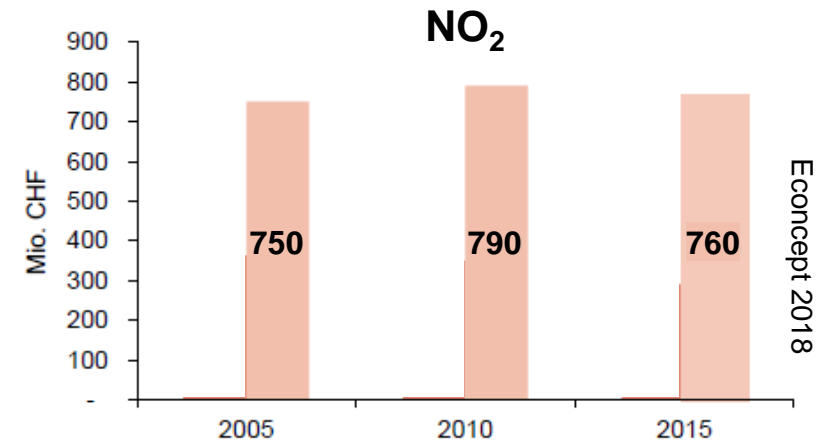
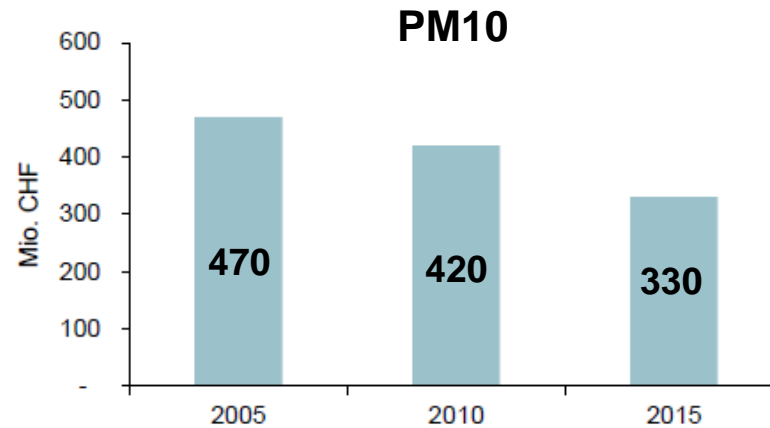


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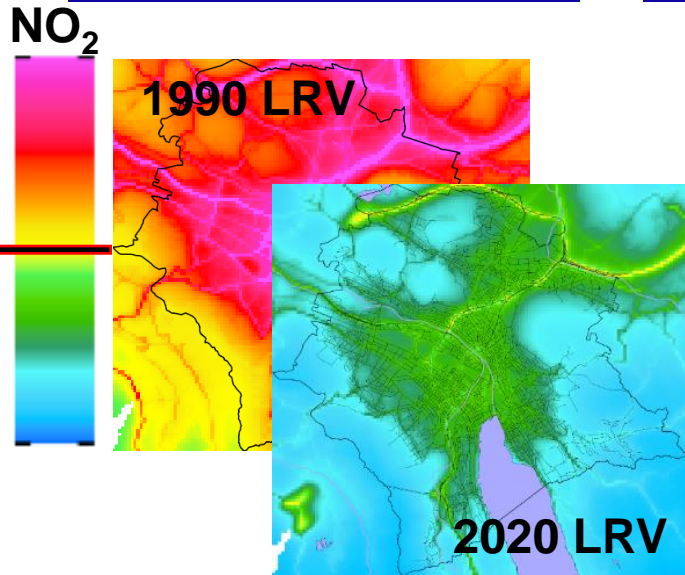
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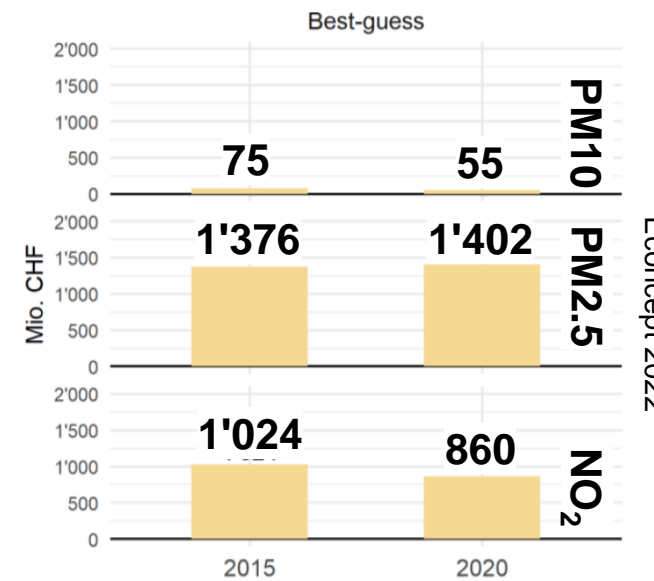
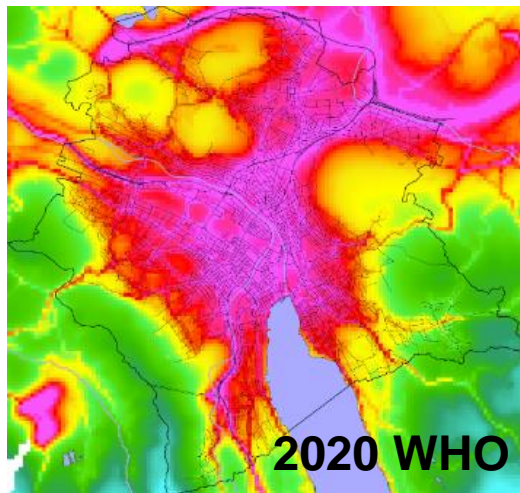
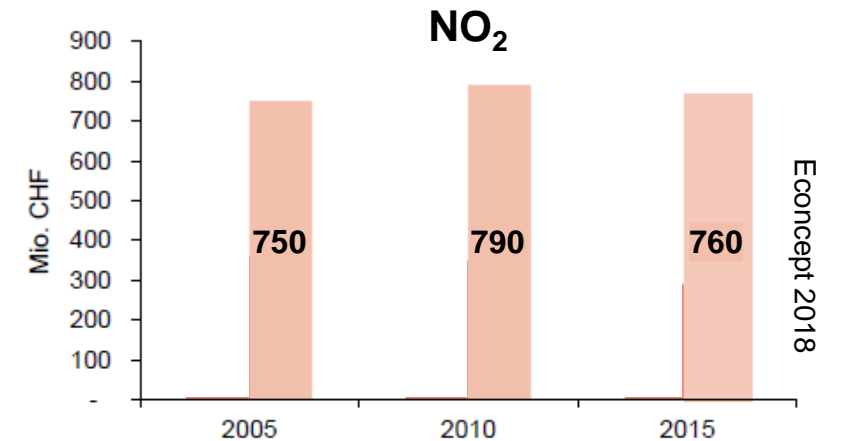
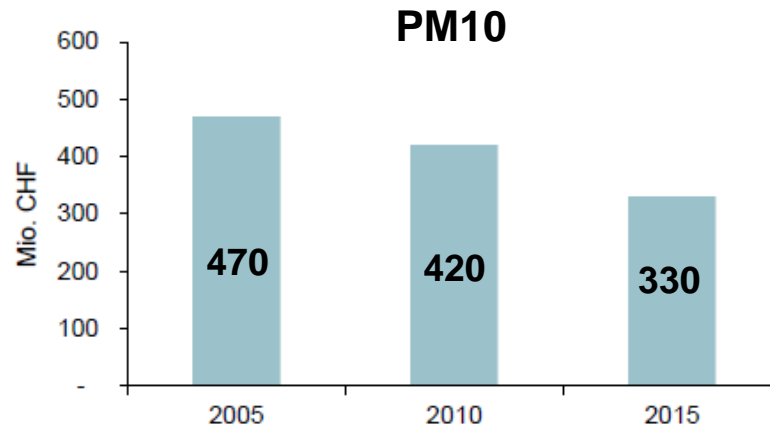


# Pollution Burden & Associated Costs

## WHO AQG 2021 & StZh Study 2022



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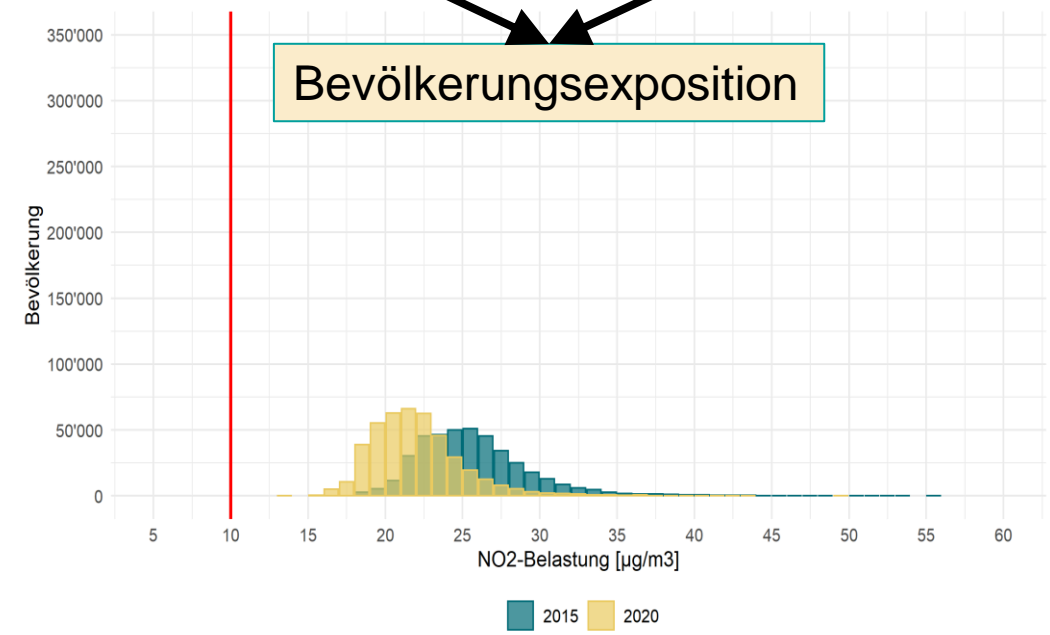
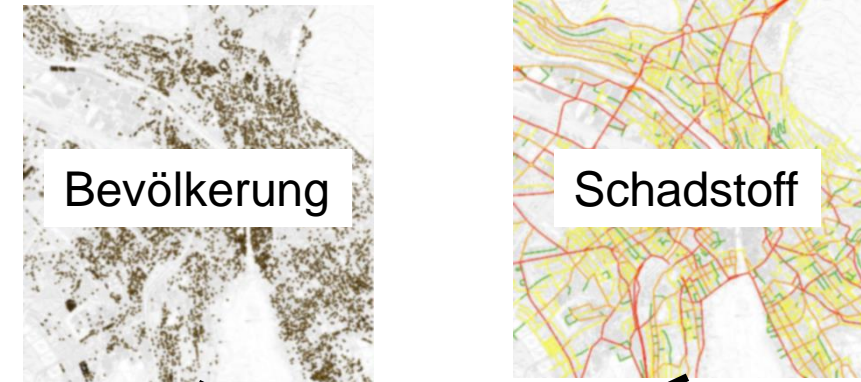
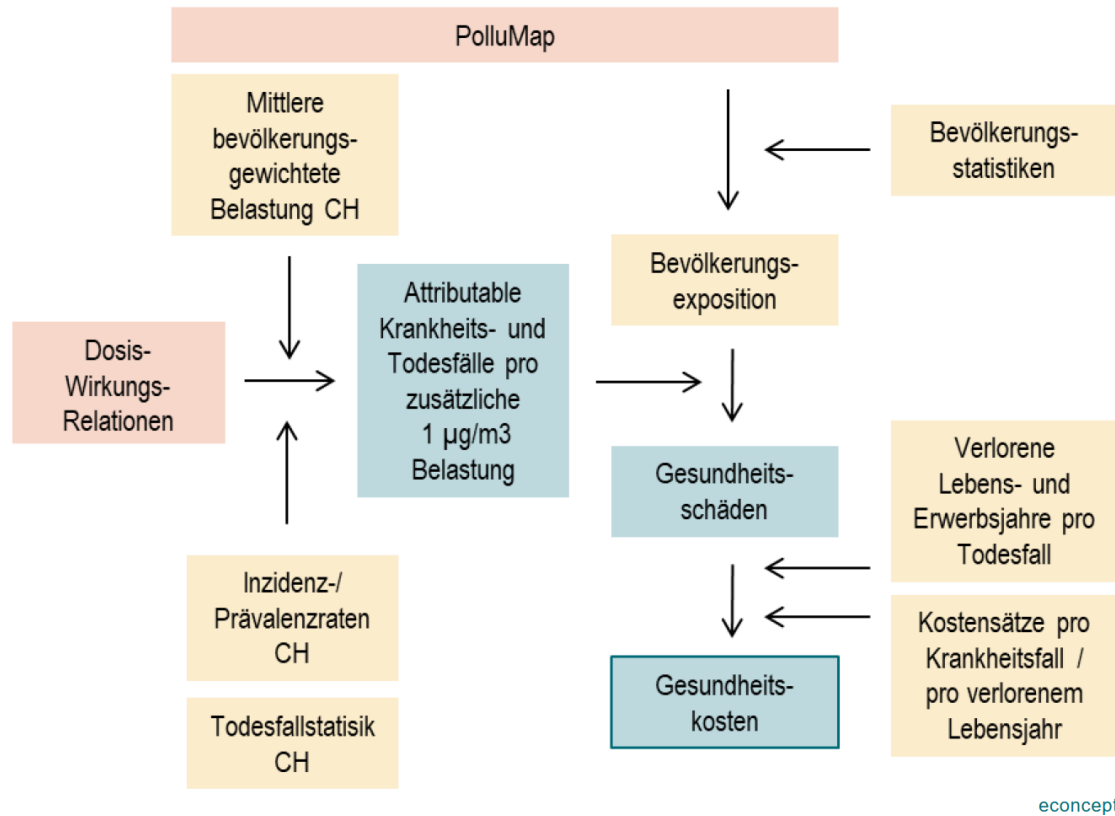


Schadstoff	LRV Grenzwert	WHO Richtwert
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PM <sub>2.5</sub> [µg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	10	5
NO <sub>2</sub> [µg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	30	10

# Schadstoffbelastung & assoziierte Kosten

## Methodik – Berechnung der Kosten

### Übersicht Vorgehen Kostenschätzung



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## Methodik – Entwicklung der Determinanten

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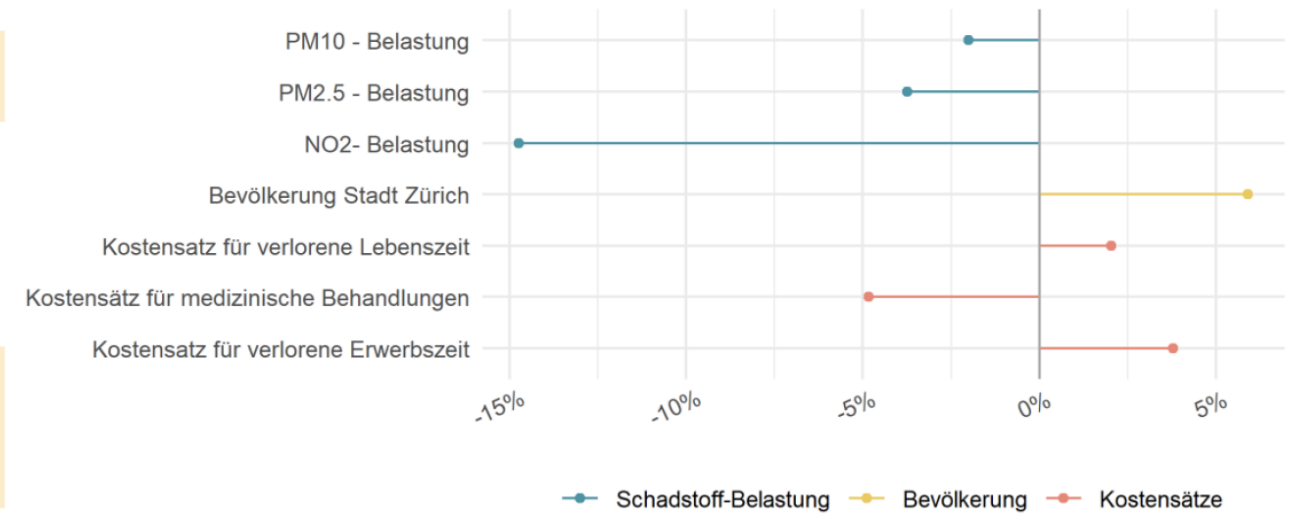
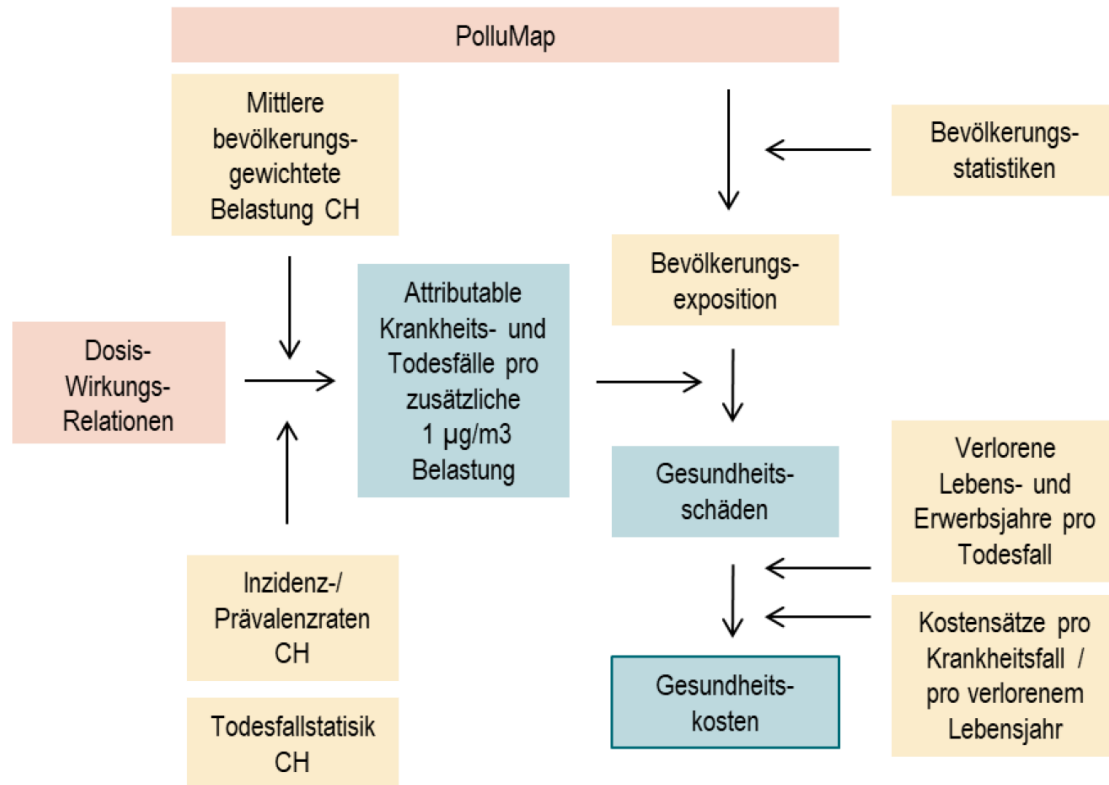


Abbildung 2: Determinanten der Kostenentwicklung. Veränderung zwischen 2015 und 2020.

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# Feinstaub

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PM<sub>2.5</sub>

PM<sub>1</sub>

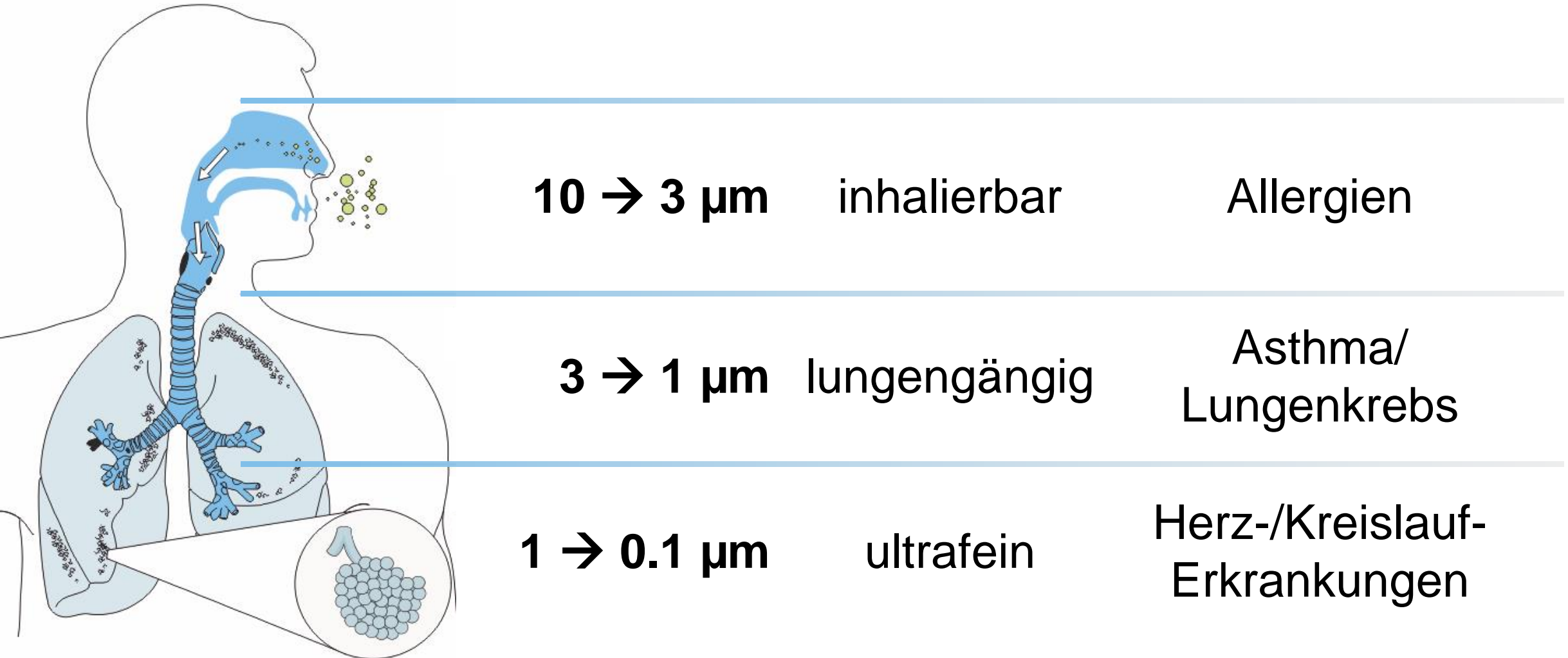
PM<sub>0.1</sub>

10 nm<sup>o</sup>

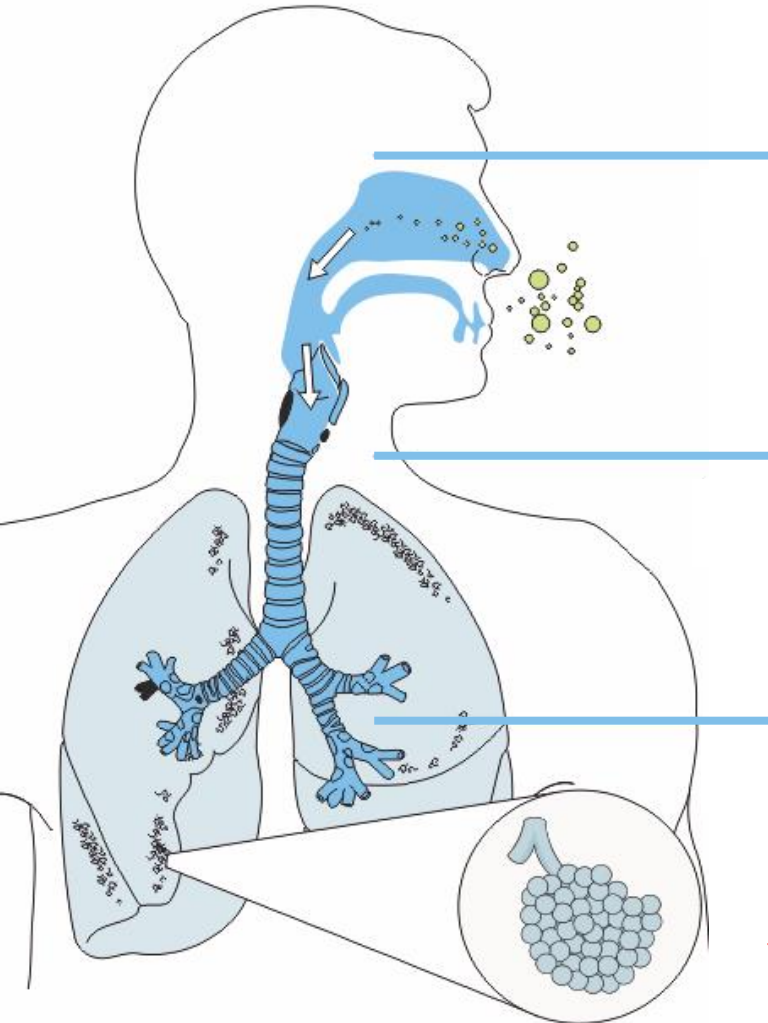
Masse (Gewicht): 1 x PM<sub>10</sub> ≈ 100'000 x PM<sub>0.1</sub>

Anzahl in einer Stadt: 60 – 90 % PM<sub>0.1</sub>

# Eindringtiefe & Gesundheitsgefährdung



# Eindringtiefe & Mess-/Grenzwerte



Gesundheitsrisiko

Schimmelstrasse – Bahnhof Wiedikon			
Parameter	Grenzwert	Einführung	Werte 2019
TSP	70 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	1986	--
PM10	20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	1997	15.7 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
PM2.5	10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	2018	10.6 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
PN			~15'000 $\#/ \text{cm}^3$

# Extreme Thunderstorm "Bernd", July 13th 2021

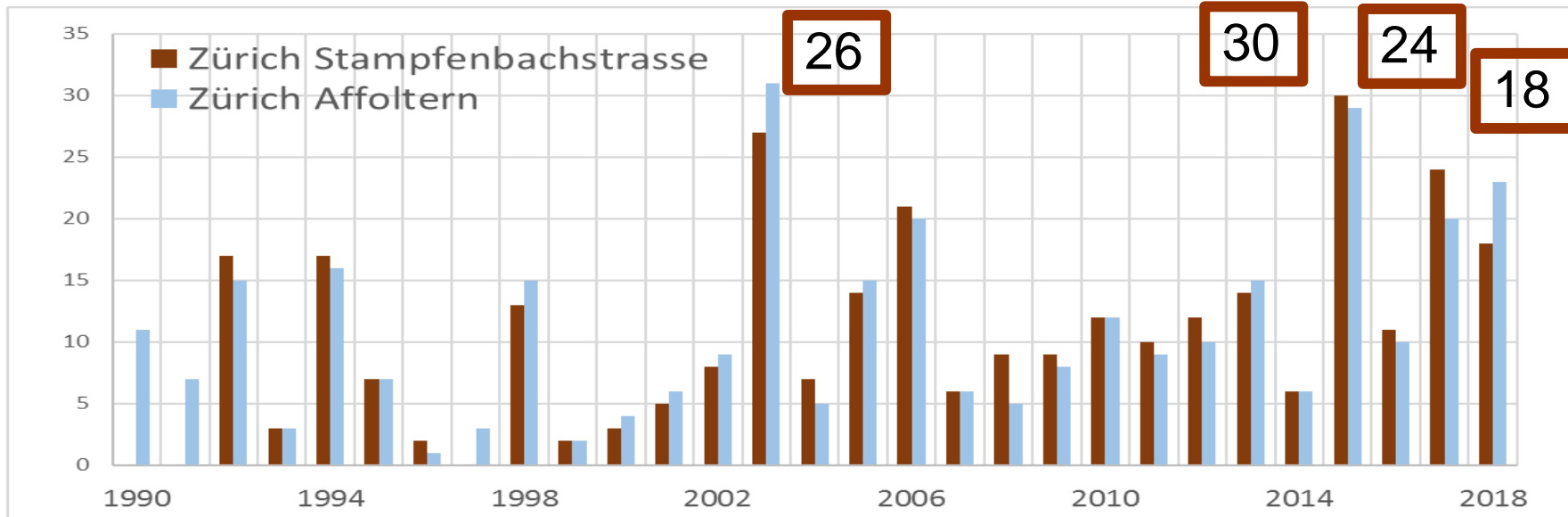


**No fatalities, but direct costs > 35 Mio CHF**

# Extreme Heat in Zurich

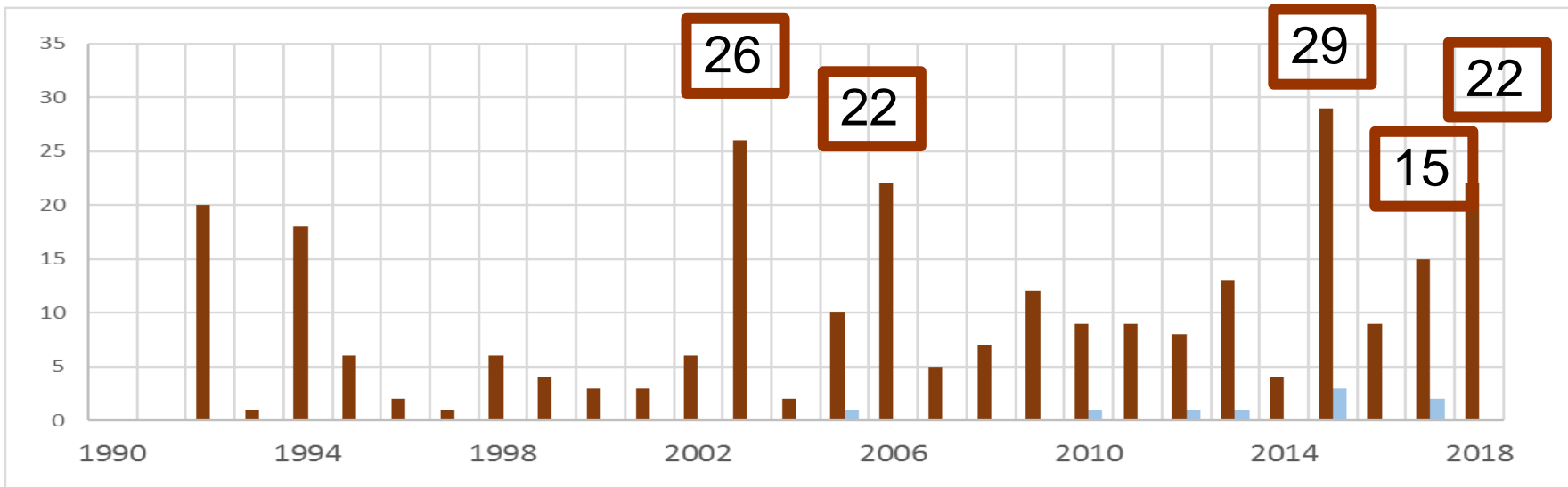


# Number of Heat Days and Tropical Nights 1990 - 2018



**Heat days  $\geq 30^{\circ}\text{C}$**

Forecast 2040: 44 days/y

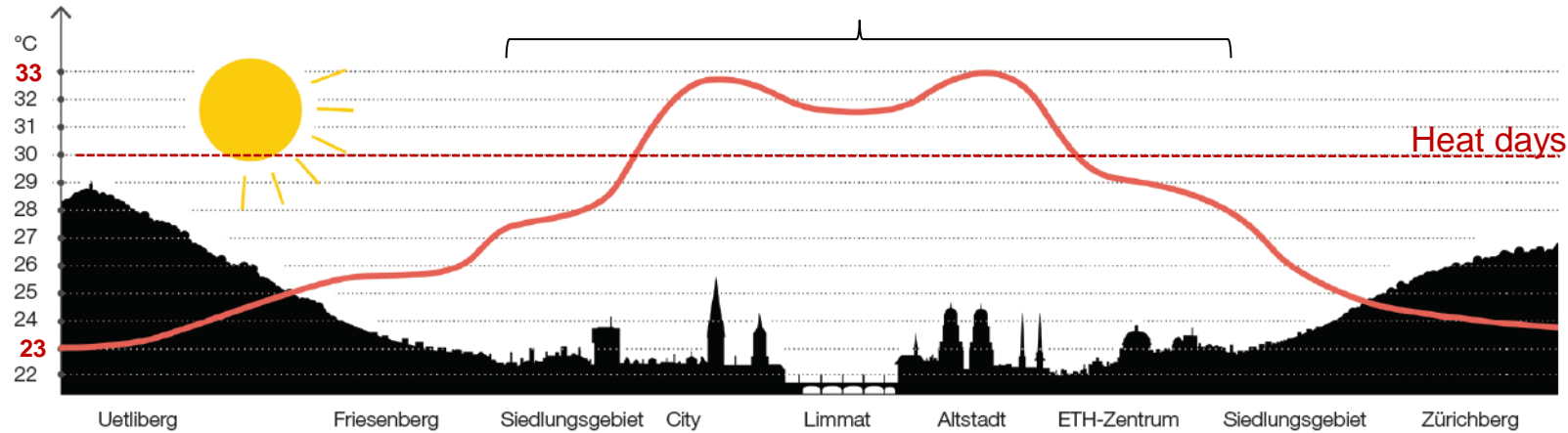


**Tropic nights  $\geq 20^{\circ}\text{C}$**

Forecast 2040: 50 nights/y

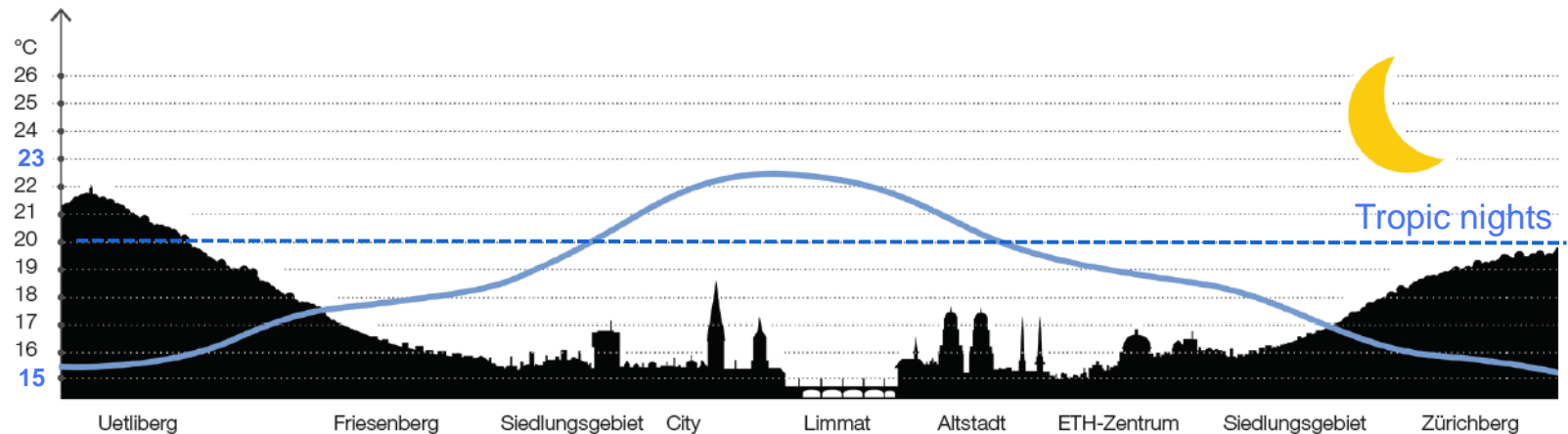
# Heat Island City of Zurich

## Heat island



**Day time situation (14:00)**  
Temperature differences within Zurich up to 10°C

Heat island effect city – country  
-2 bis 2°C

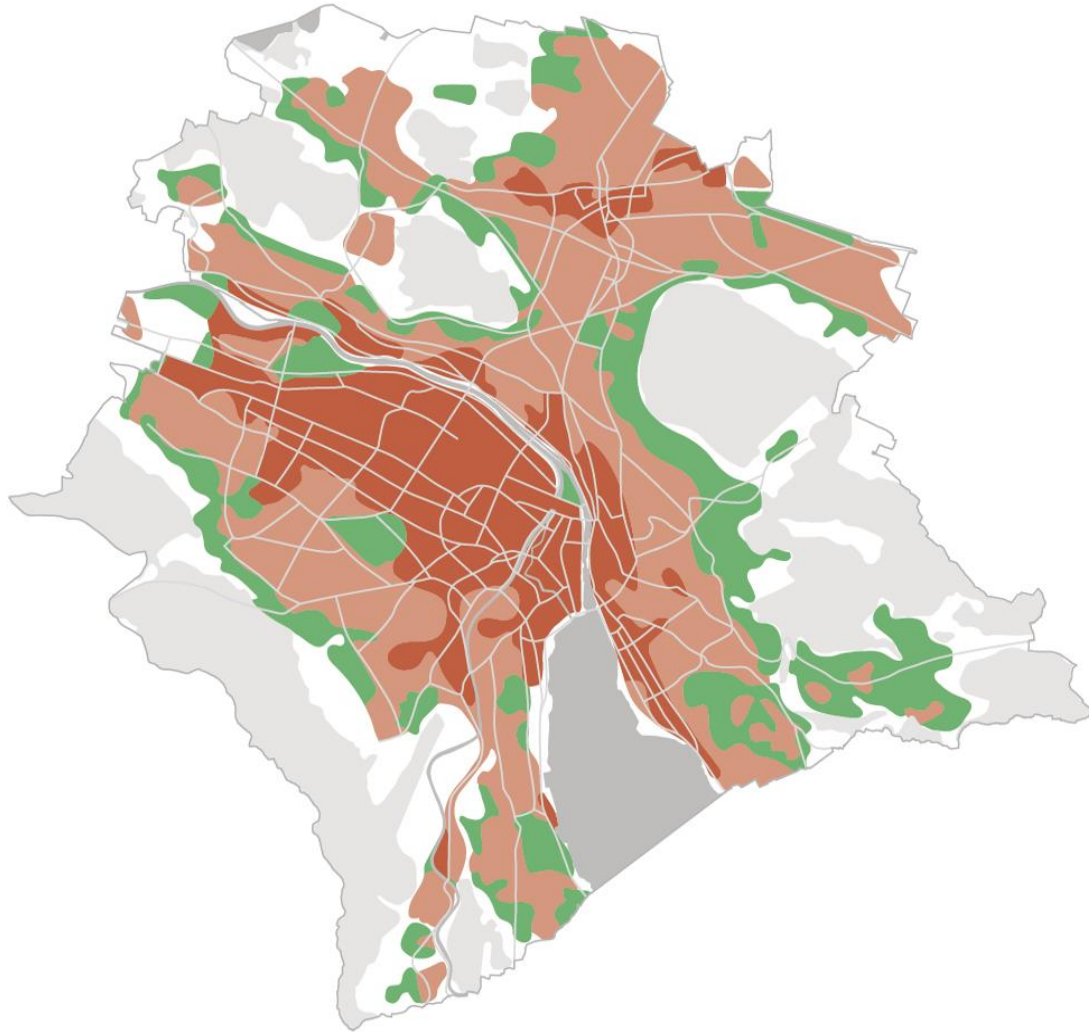


**Night time situation (4:00)**  
Temperature differences within Zurich up to 8°C

Heat island effect city – country  
2 bis 7°C

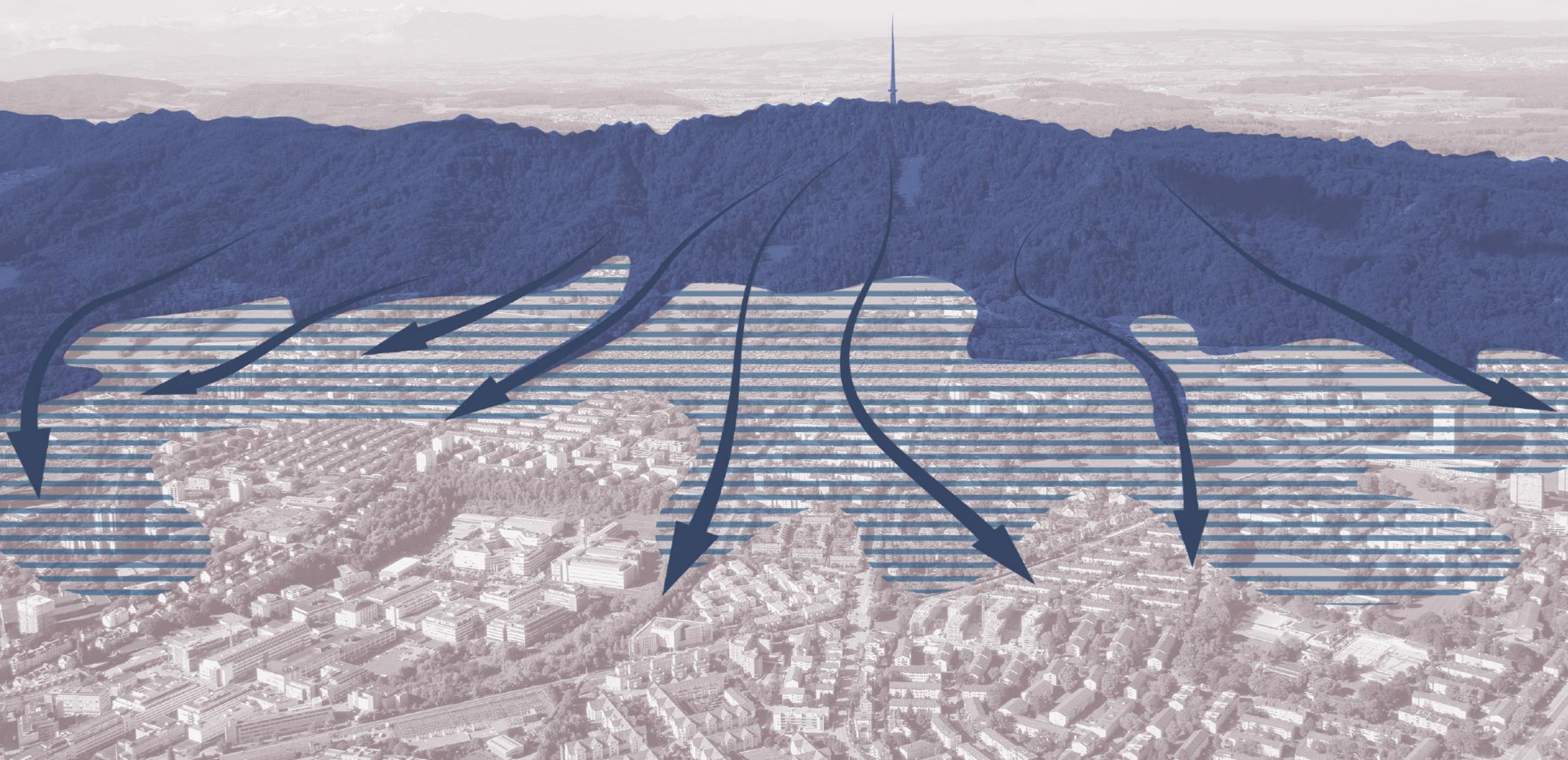


# Areas of Action to Improve Bioclimatic Situation



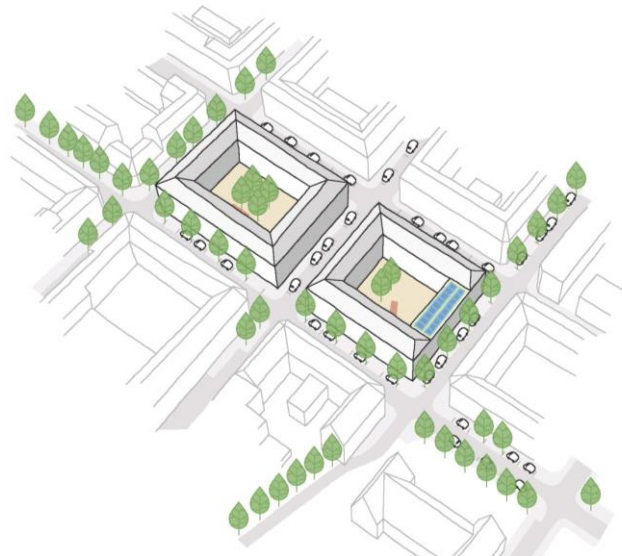
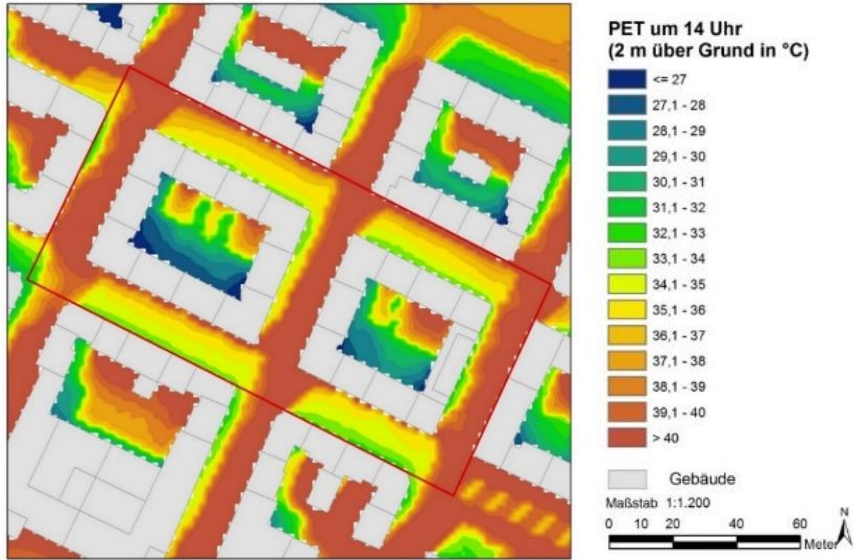
- Area 1:**  
Improvement of the bioclimatic situation during the day and at night
- Area 2:**  
Improvement of the bioclimatic situation during the day
- Area 3:**  
Maintaining the bioclimatic situation

# Nocturnal downwinds are cooling the city

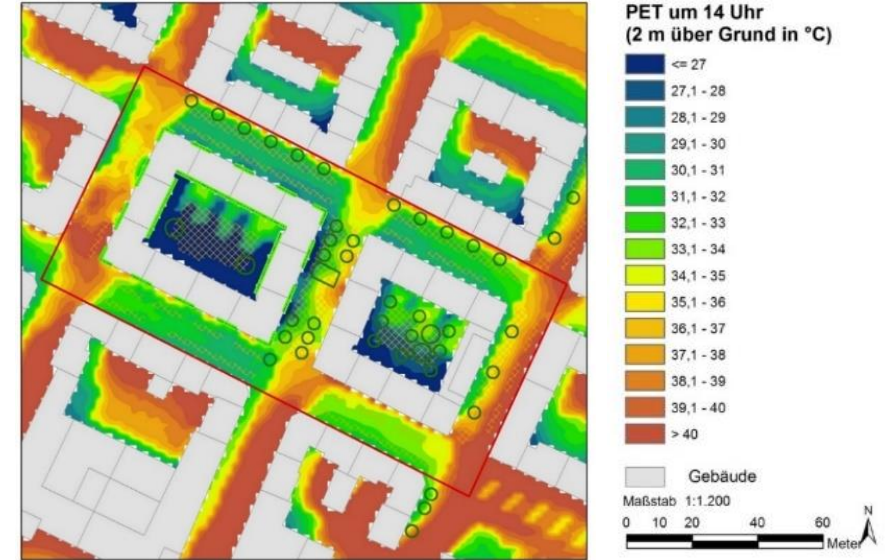


# Toolbox – Impact of Selected Measures on a Block Building

## Current situation









## Modelling

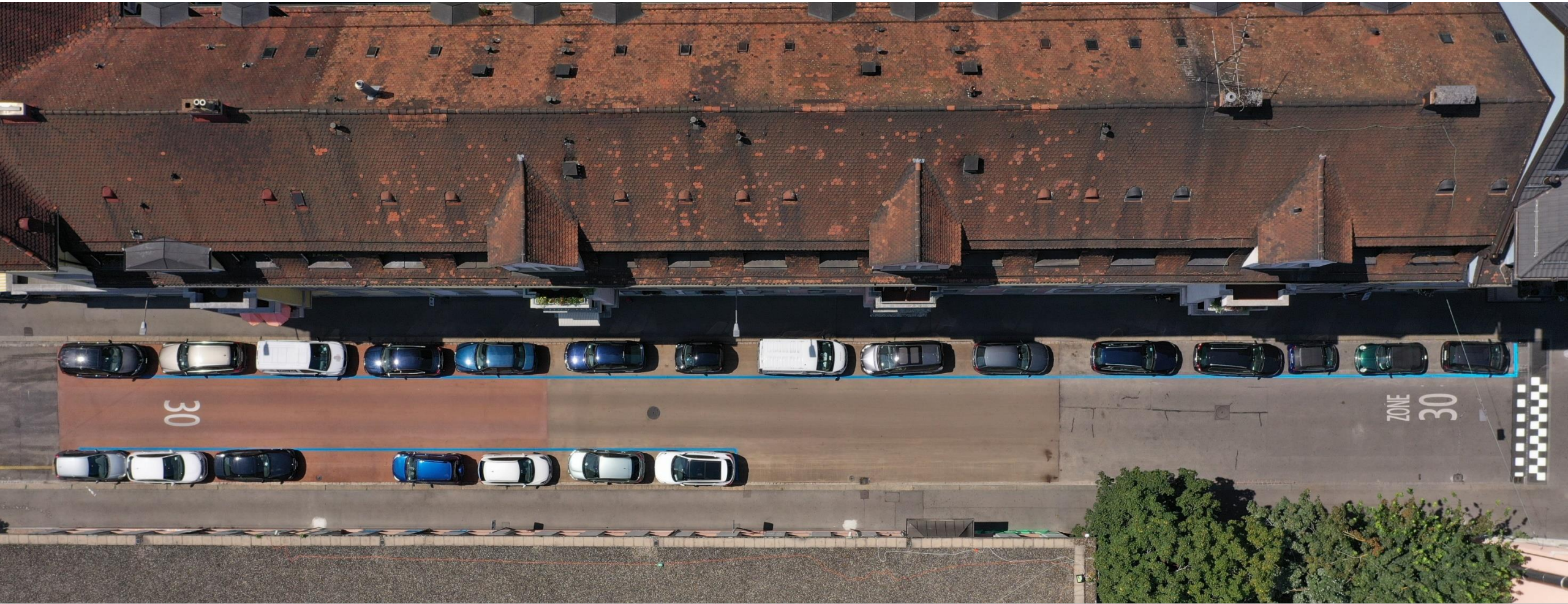


# Implementation Agenda 2020-2023

22 on-going, 9 finished, 8 planned measures

<p><b>Legal requirements</b> <b>3</b></p> <p> e.g., revision of building law</p>	<p><b>Instruments binding on authorities</b> <b>3</b></p> <p> e.g. integration in ongoing special use planning and transitional solutions</p>
<p><b>Urban strategies &amp; concepts</b> <b>13</b></p> <p> E.g., real estate implementation strategy, urban tree planning, "Standards Urban Spaces" supplement, standards vertical greening.</p>	<p><b>Municipal building &amp; civil eng. Projects</b> <b>13</b></p> <p> e.g. integration in architectural competitions, greening of Triemli facade, sponge city</p>
<p><b>Consulting &amp; Information</b> <b>5</b></p> <p> e.g. internal trainings, city climate tool, exhibition "Cool down Zurich - we cool down the city", guided tours, lectures, publications</p>	<p><b>Funding tools</b> <b>2</b></p> <p> Adaptation of the "More than Green" funding program, development of the "Vertical Greening" funding program</p>

# Pilot project: light-coloured pavements



# Pilot Projects in Zürich West

## De-sieving/shading applications



Viaduktstrasse



Pfingstweid- /Zahnradstrasse

# Support programs heat mitigation and biodiversity

- "Vertical Greening: advice and funding for private landowners.
- "More than green": to foster heat mitigation and more biodiversity for private landowners.



# Conscious, climate-friendly consumption

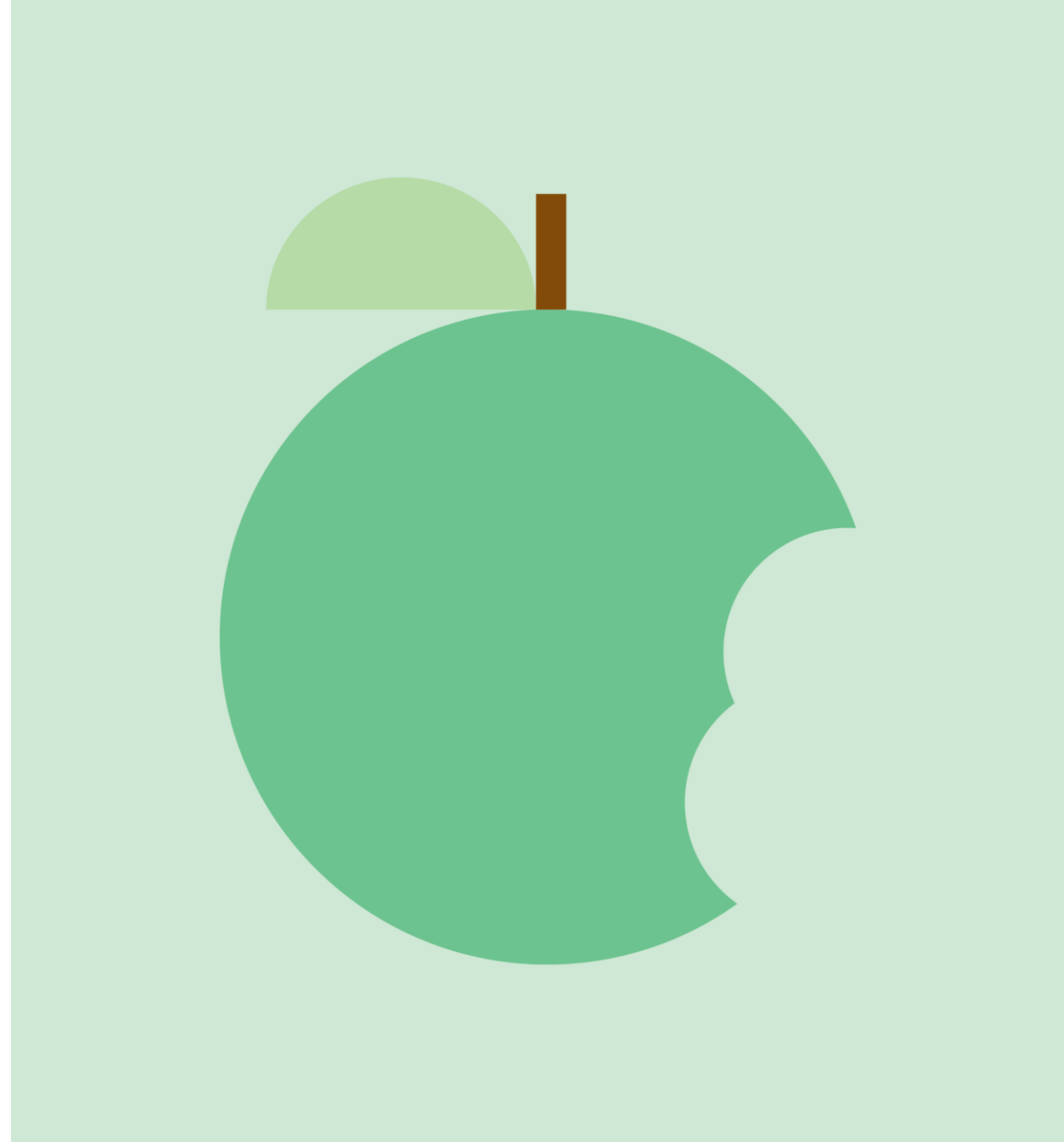
- **Communication** and awareness
- Promotion of the repair trade and the **circular economy** (longer service life)
- Establishment of a **monitoring system**: successes must be measurable & visible!
- Making **municipal procurement more climate-friendly and sustainable**:
  - Increasing transparency of all procurements
  - Prolongation of procurement cycles
  - Stronger weighting of climate protection in award criteria (e.g. with the help of CO<sub>2</sub> textile calculator)





# Healthy and climate-friendly nutrition

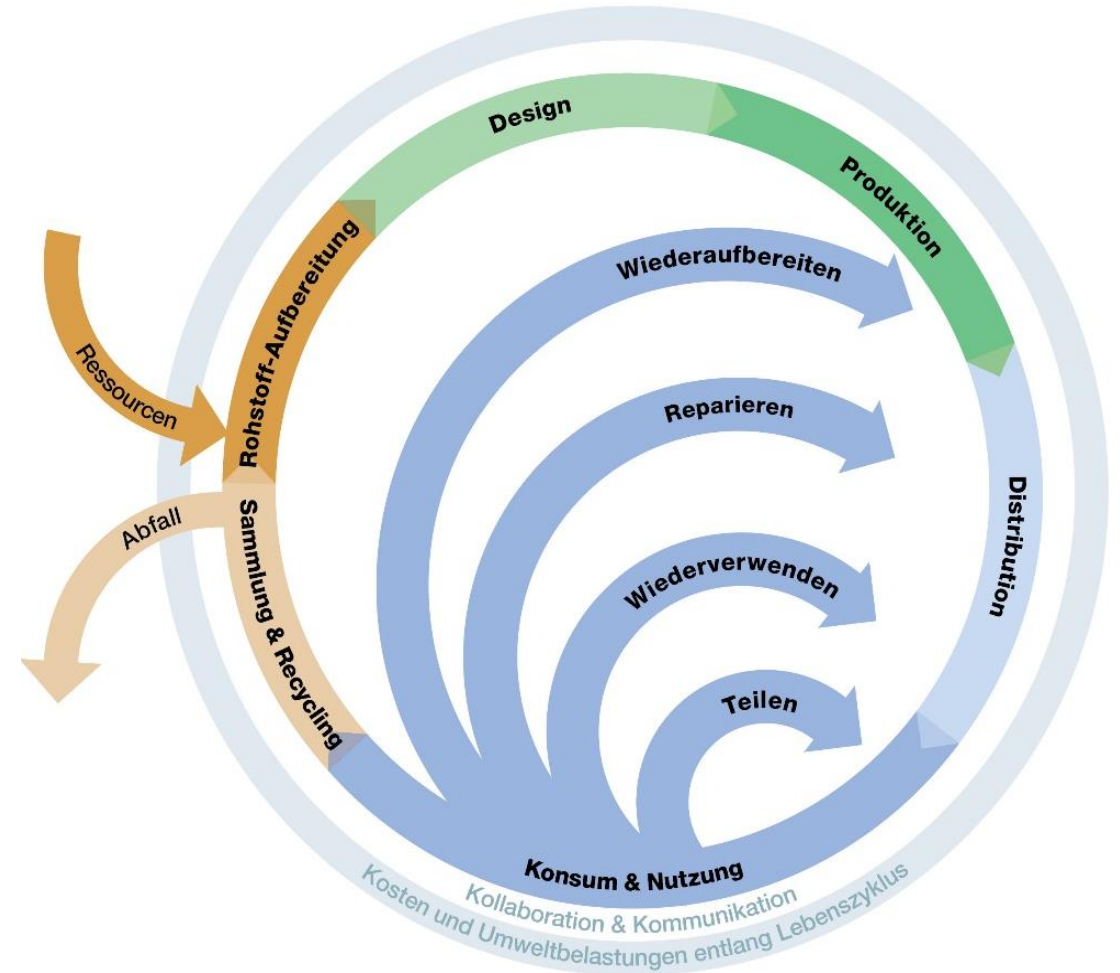
- Implement **nutrition strategy** by 2030, then tighten up
  - by 2030: avoidable food waste below 10%
  - by 2030: environmental impact decreases by 30% compared to 2020
- **Information and awareness** campaigns on dietary habits/food waste
- **Education and training** of students and professionals
- Establish **sustainable catering** in event guidelines



# Circular Zurich

## Cross-departmental strategy on implementing circular economy

- Collaboration of Departments of Environment, Economic development, Building and Waste Management
- Key activity to reduce value chain GHG emissions by extending the life span of products
- Goal is to foster and support private initiatives



# Motion: Review of the objective in the municipal code

Demand of the parliament: Net zero by 2030

The City Council considered **adjusting the carbon target** from 1 ton of CO<sub>2</sub> by 2050 to **net zero by 2030, 2040 or 2050**.

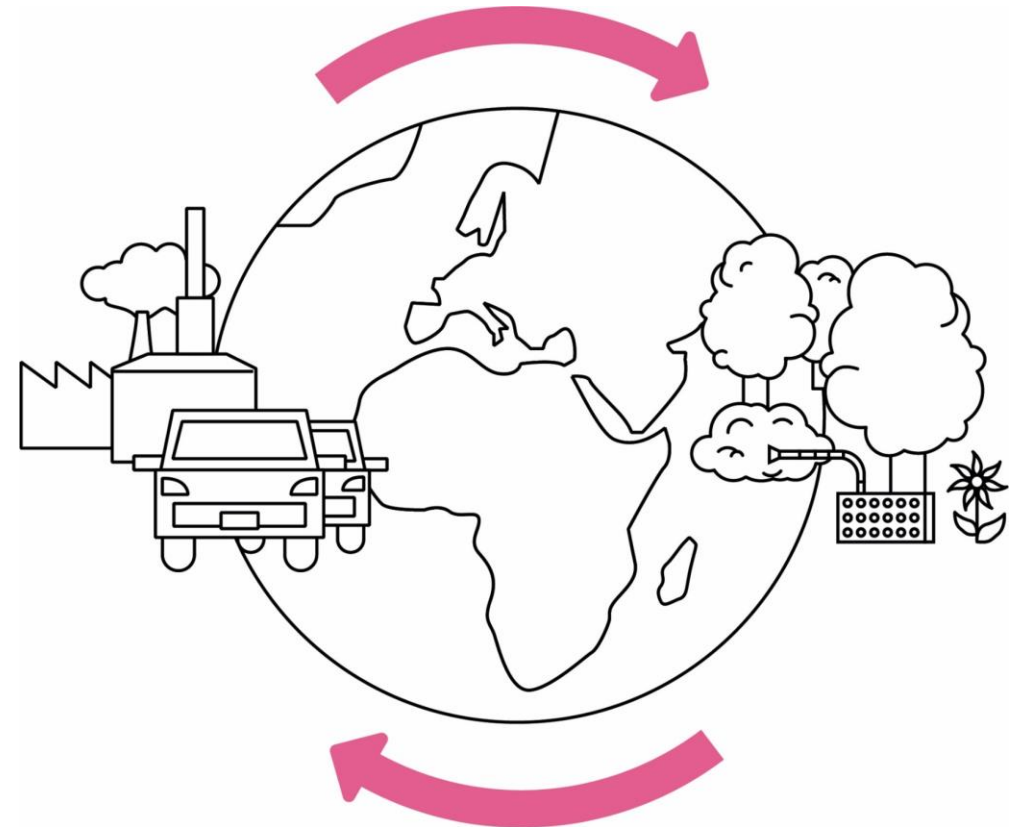


Reports, abstracts and presentations are publicly available

[www.stadt-zuerich.ch/netto-null](http://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/netto-null)

# Net zero - a global concept

- CO<sub>2</sub> sources and sinks must balance each other out globally
- Limit global warming to **well below 2° C** (Paris Agreement 2015)
- What does this mean for the city of Zurich?



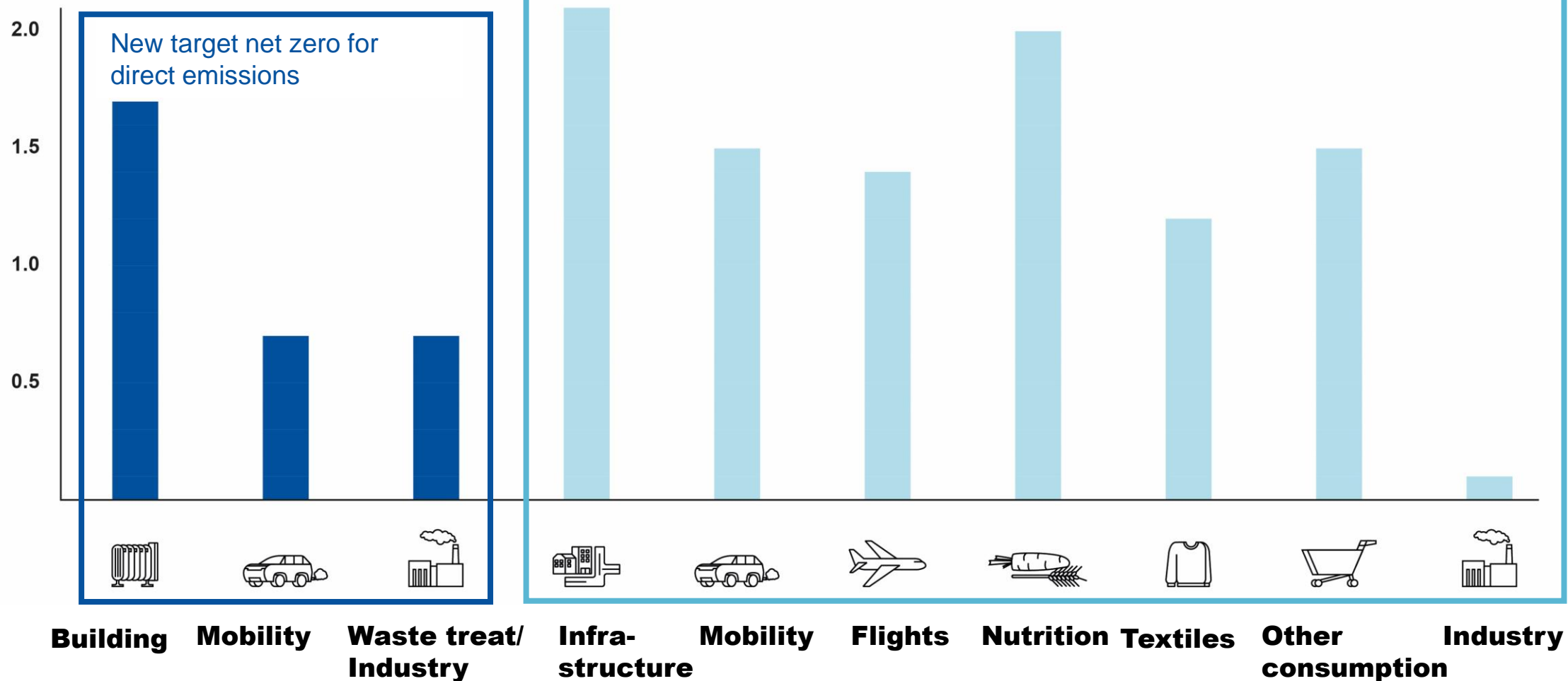


# 2. New goal for climate protection

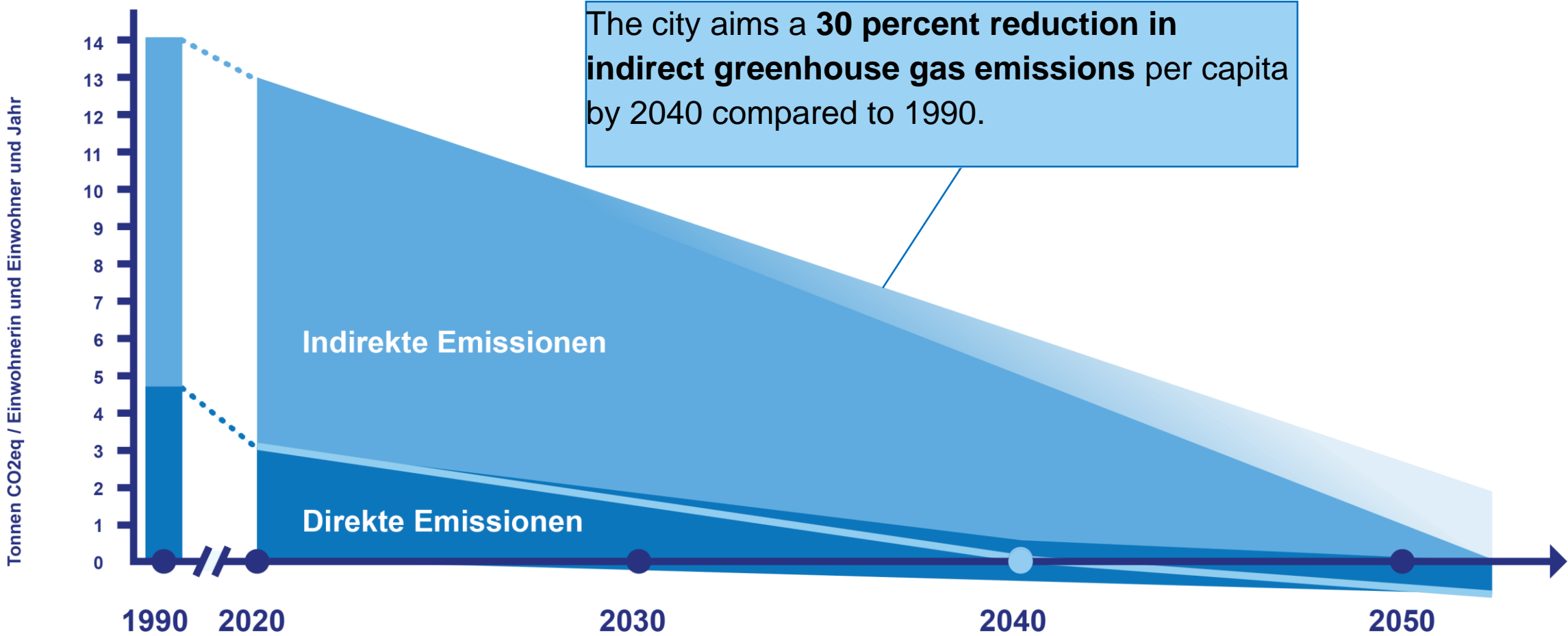
# Breakdown of greenhouse gas emissions

13 metric tons per person per year in direct and indirect emissions

Tons of greenhouse gases per inhabitant and year



# How to achieve our goal for the indirect emissions?

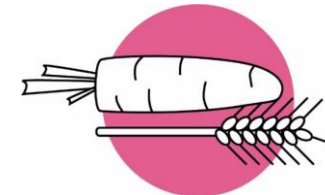
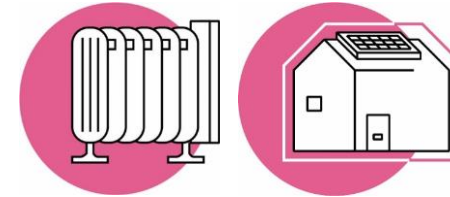




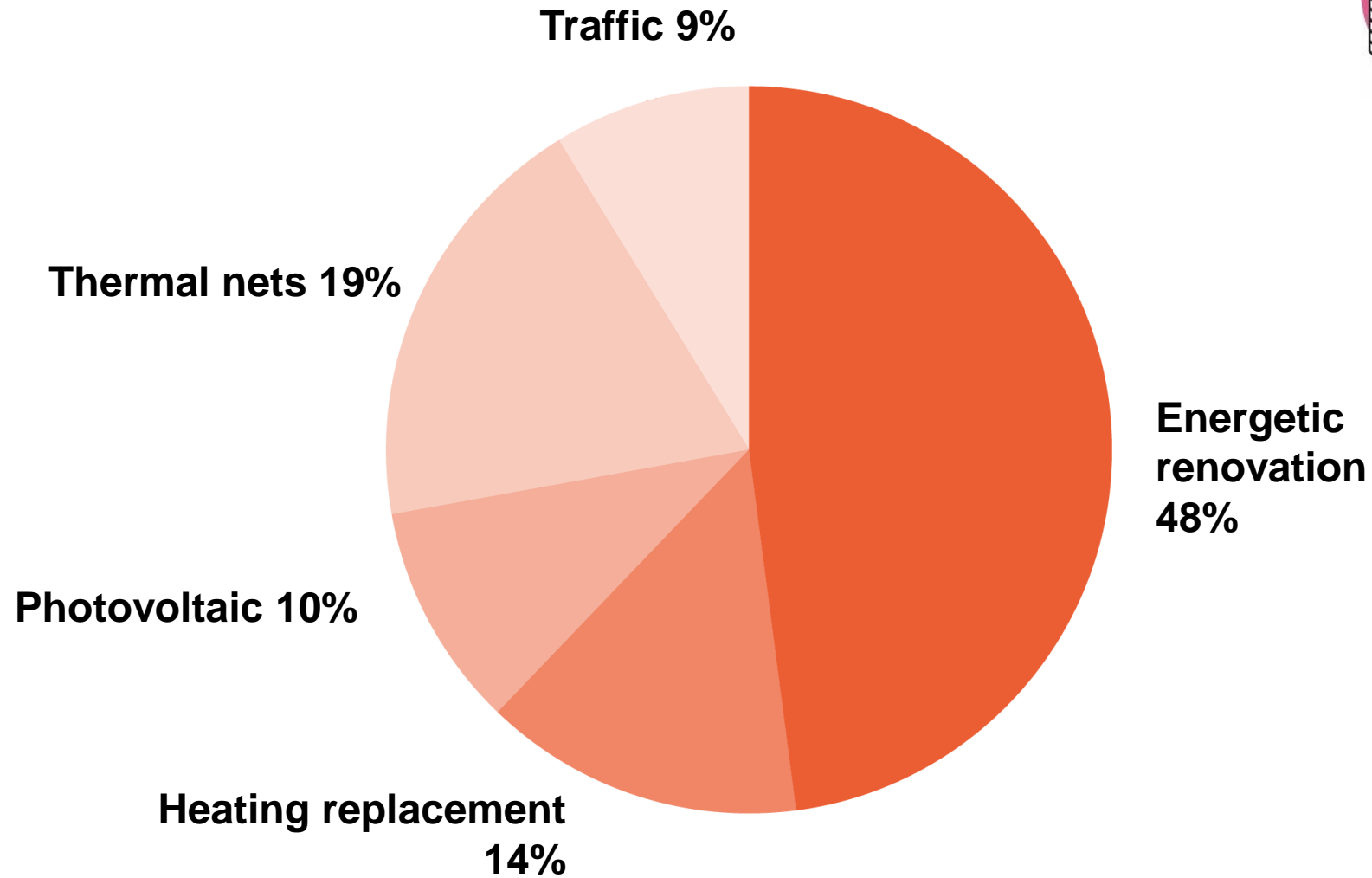
# The big levers for greenhouse gas reduction

What we need to do to achieve net zero

- Replacement of **oil and gas heating systems** and **building renovation**
- Decarbonising **mobility**
- Healthy and climate-friendly **nutrition**
- Climate-friendly **consumption** (textiles, etc.)
- Carbon dioxide removals (waste)



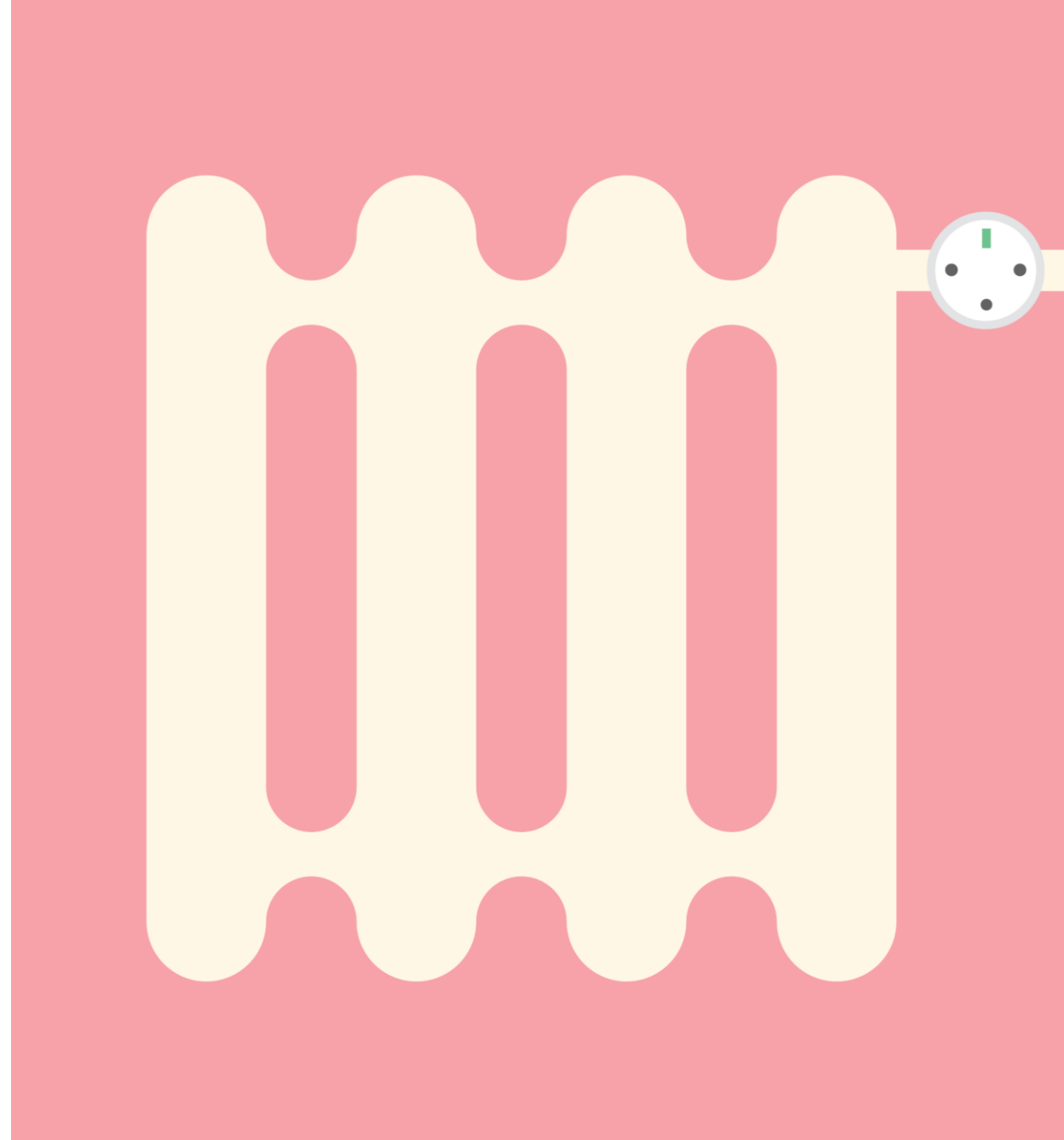
# Investments until 2040 approx. 10 billion CHF



# 3. Measures for reducing direct emissions

# Decarbonising buildings

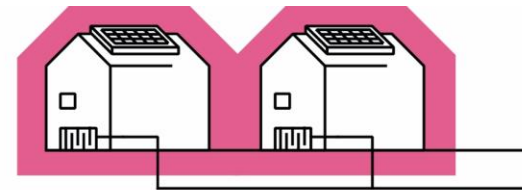
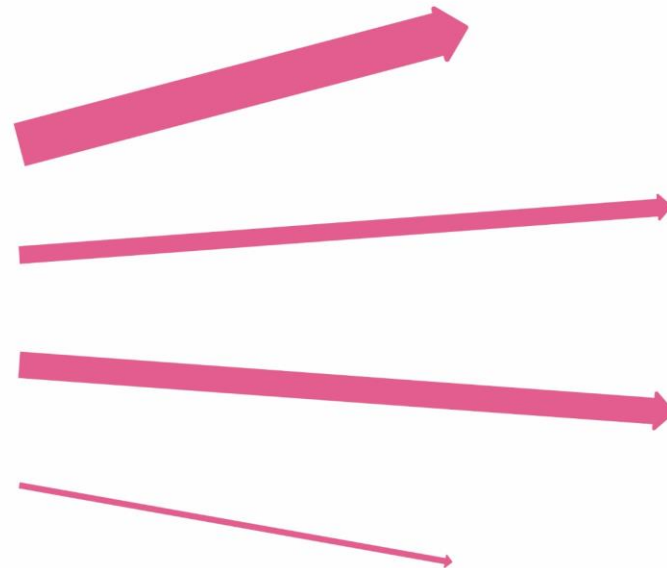
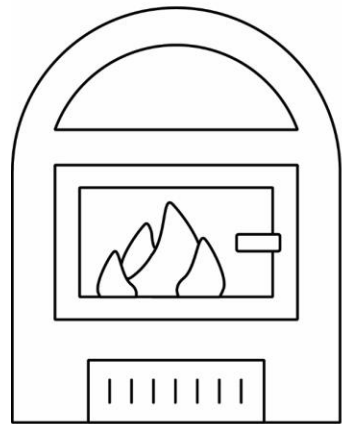
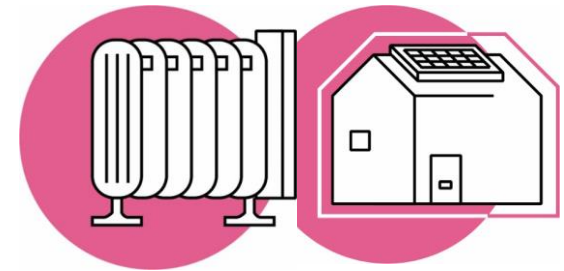
- **Expansion of district heating** & decommissioning of gas network
- Additional **subsidies** for heating replacement, building shell, photovoltaics
- Strengthening of **consulting** services
- Acceleration of **decarbonisation of city-owned buildings**



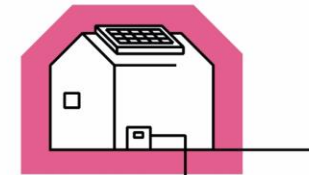
# Replacement of oil and gas heating

Net zero requires replacement and optimisation

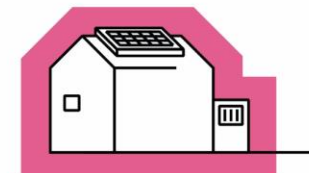
Building shell and addition of PV systems



**45% District heating**



**27% Geothermal heat pumps**



**23% Air-to-water heat pumps**



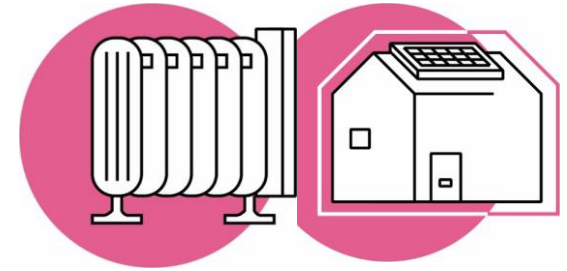
**5% Biogas and wood heaters**

**14'700 gas heating systems**  
**6'900 oil heatings**

**> Enables reduction of heat consumption by 30 percent.**

# Replacement of oil and gas heating

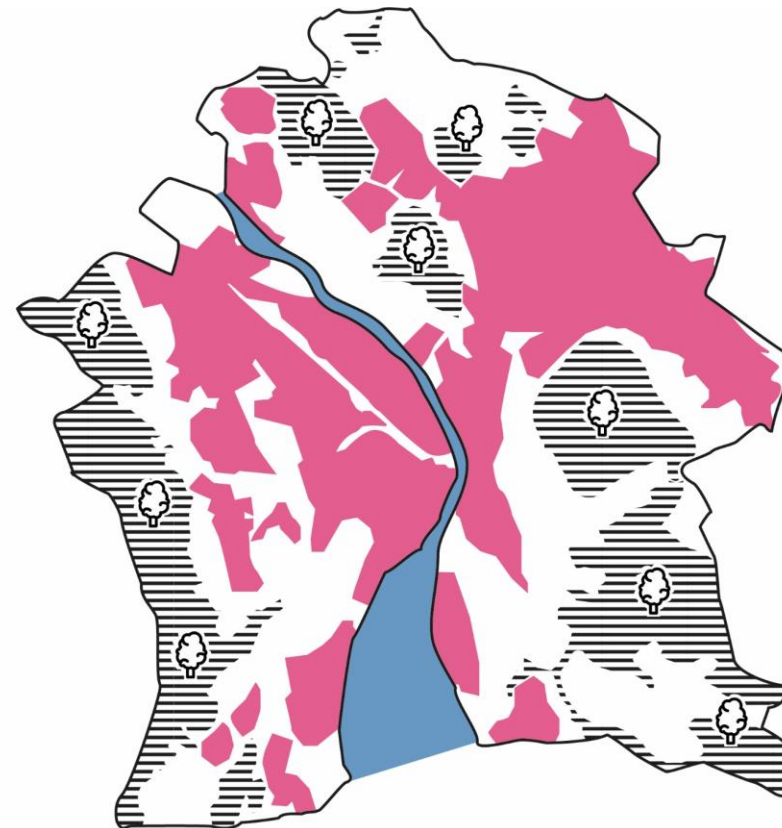
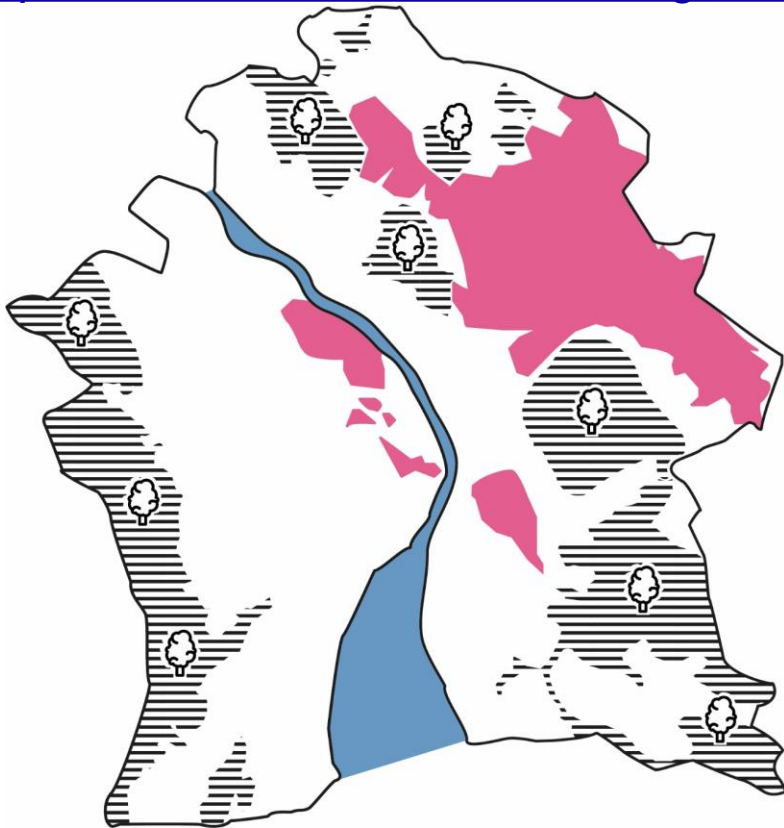
Net zero requires expansion of district heating from waste, lake Zurich water, wastewater



**Currently:** 30% of the city area

**For net zero:** 60 % of the city area

<https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/energis/frontend/>



# Netto-Null Reporting



- 1. Reporting im Herbst 2023 für Berichtsjahr 2022
- Beschränkung auf direkte Emissionen und ggf. energiebedingte indirekte Emissionen
- Beschränkung auf Stadt Zürich (nicht Stadtverwaltung)
- Ergänzung indirekte Emissionen und Stadtverwaltung ab 2024

# Decarbonising mobility

- Expansion of **pedestrian and cycling infrastructure and public transport capacity**
- **Parking management:**
  - Fees, reduction in number of parking spaces
  - Restrictions on conventionally powered vehicles
- Favorable conditions for **electric vehicle charging stations**
- Strengthening transformation of the **city's own vehicle fleet**





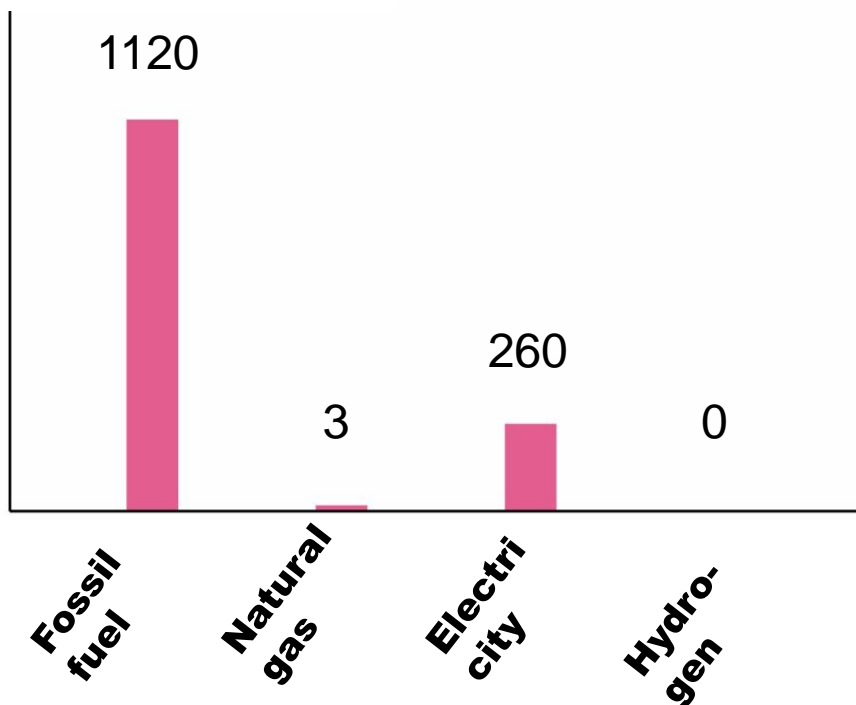
# Replacement of fossil-fueled vehicles

Net zero requires switch to alternative fuels



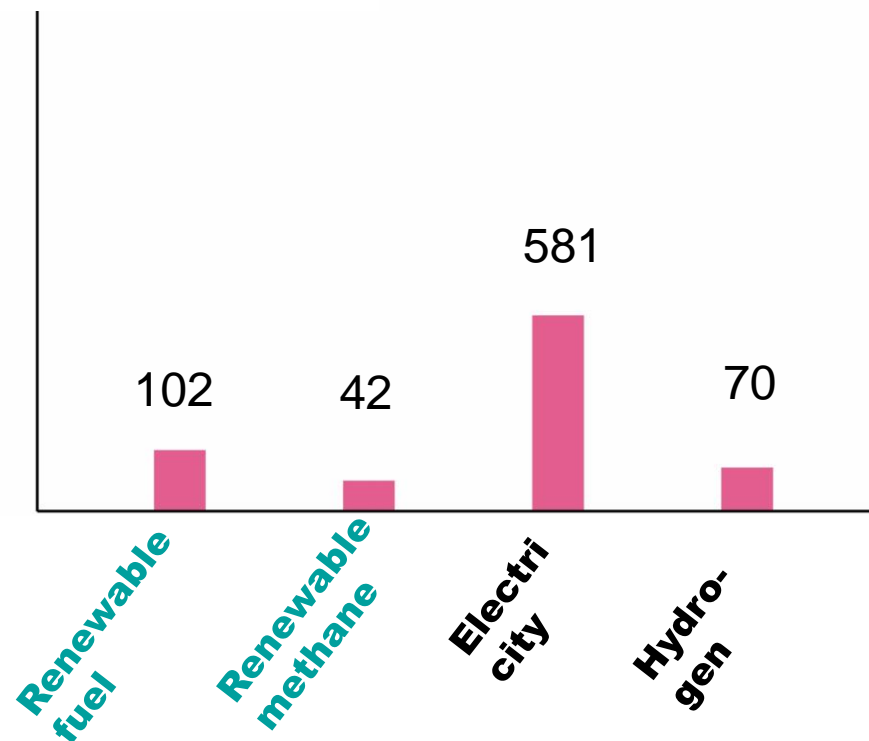
## Current distribution of energy sources

Mill. KWh per year



## Distribution for net zero

Mill. KWh per year

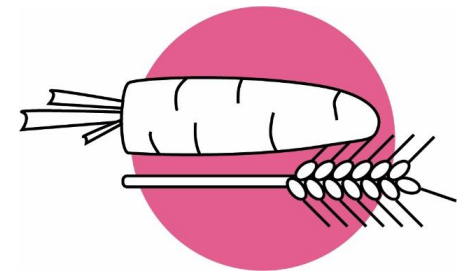


**Additionally: Reduction of motorised vehicle kilometers per person by 30 percent.**

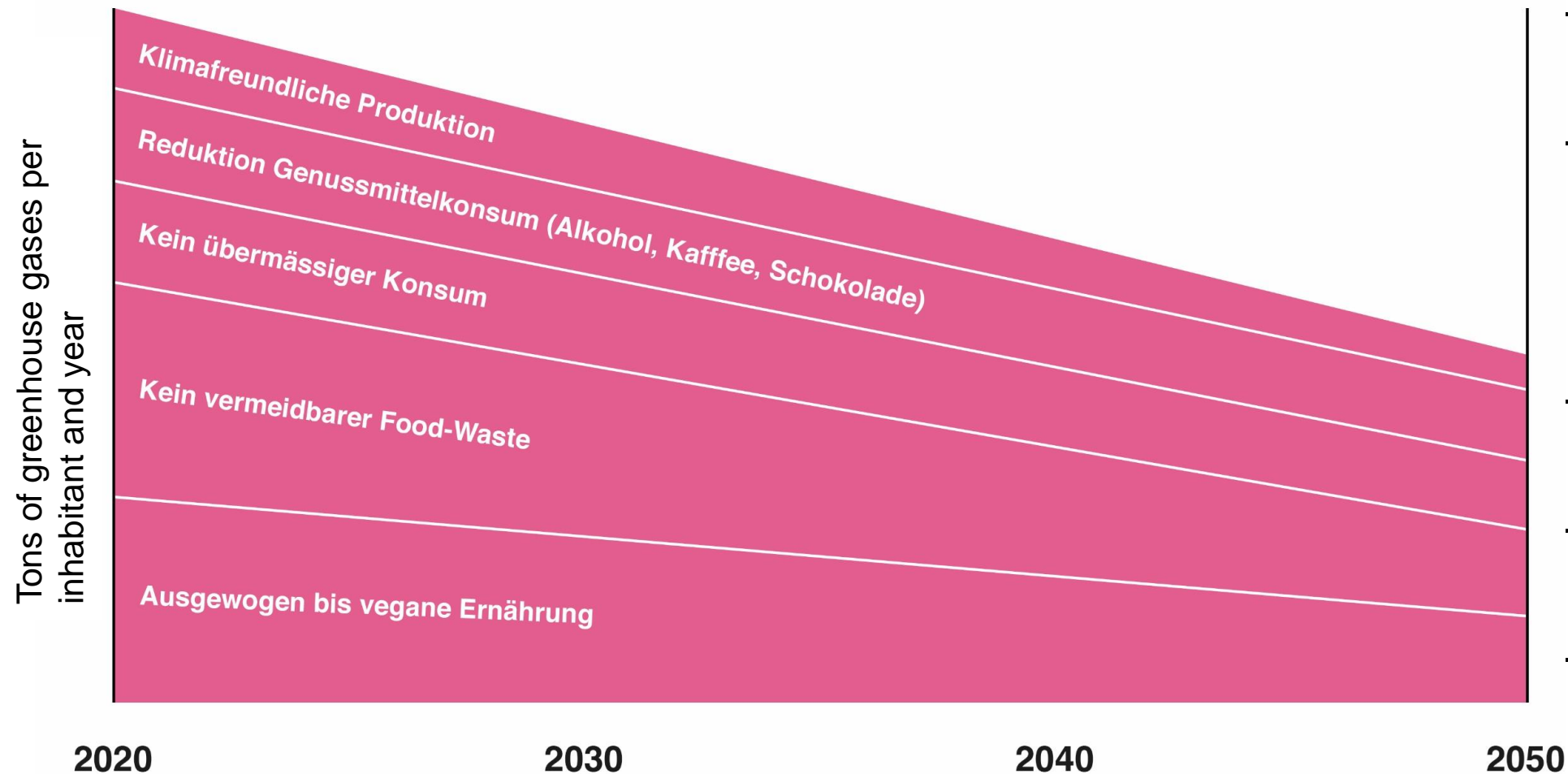
# 4. Measures for reducing indirect emissions

# Healthy and climate-friendly nutrition

## Possible reduction path for net zero



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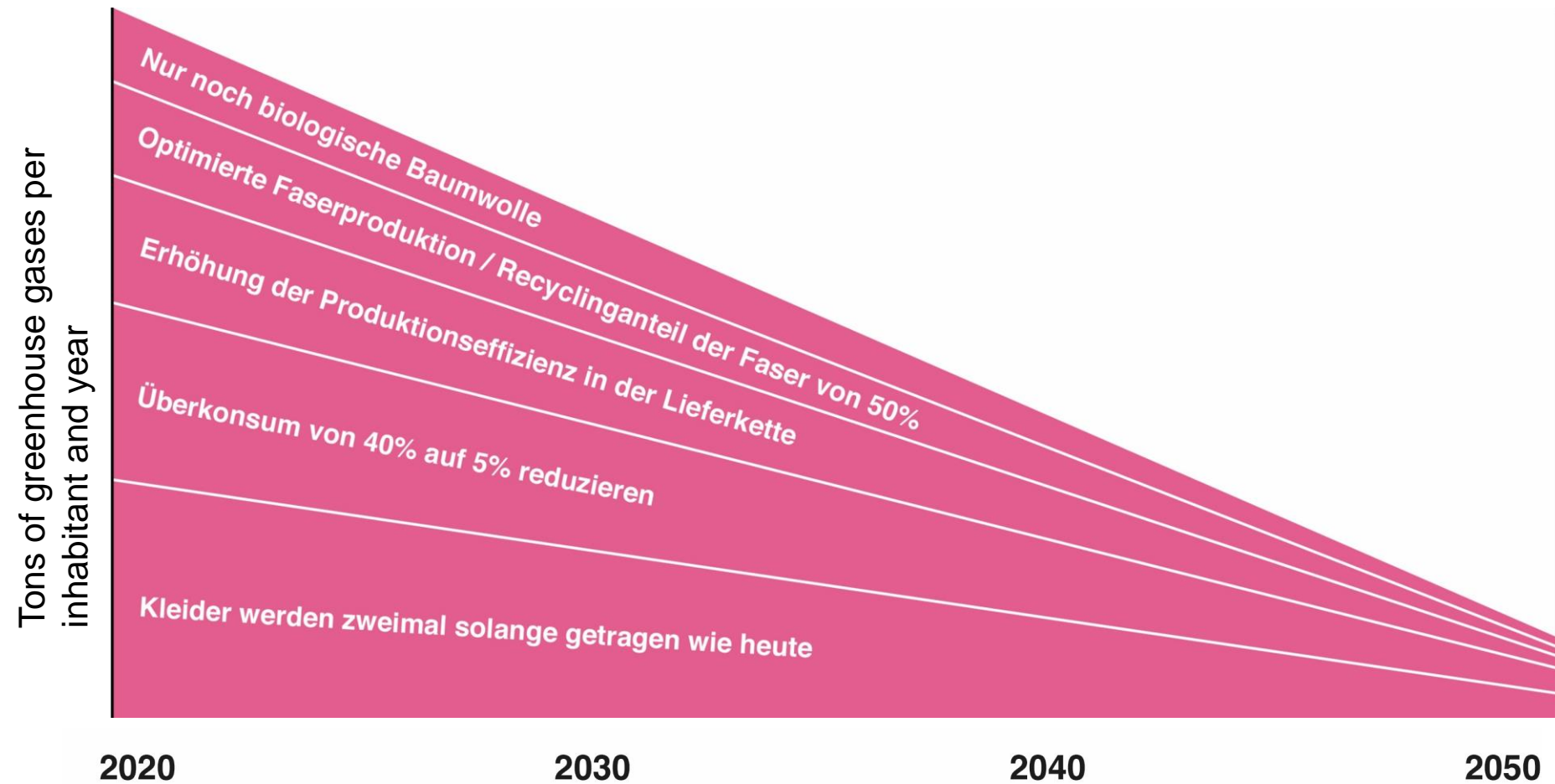
- Climate-friendly production
- Reduction of luxury food (alcohol, coffee, chocolate)
- No excessive consumption
- No avoidable food waste
- Balanced or even vegan diet

# Conscious, climate-friendly consumption of textiles

Possible reduction path for net zero



1.2



- Only organic cotton
- Optimised fibre production/50 % recycled material
- Increased production efficiency
- Reduction of over-consumption from 40 to 5 %
- Clothes are being used twice as long as today

# Supporting private initiatives

## Support fund since 2011

- Direct support of various projects of citizens, organizations and companies.
- Annually about 30 supported projects (budget 180KFr.)

## Project competition "Für Züri" 2021-2023

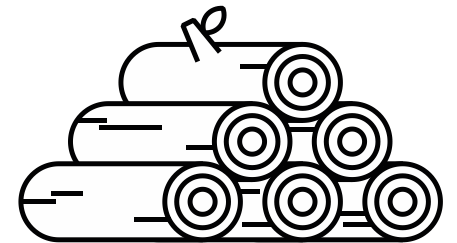
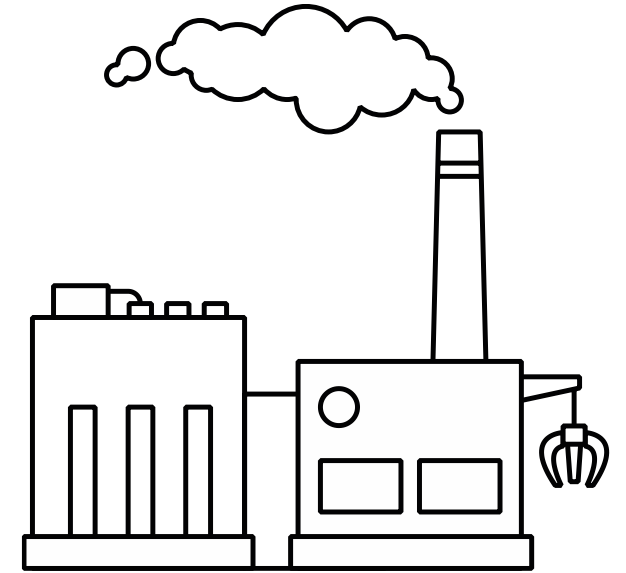
- Sponsored by jubilee dividend of Zürich Cantonal Bank
- 32 winners out of 152 applications in the field of environment/climate
- CHF 3.4 million have been distributed
- Implementation until end of 2023



# 5. Measures for negative emissions

# Carbon capture and storage (carbon sinks)

- The biggest lever for **carbon capture and geological storage** in the city of Zurich are carbon emissions from **waste management**.
- Another, much smaller lever is the use of **wood as building material**.
- Carbon sinks in the city of Zurich are in the range of **0.3 to 0.5 tons/person.year** in the medium to long term. This is roughly equivalent to the sum of direct emissions remaining on the city's territory in 2040.
- The city of Zurich will continue to **support the development of carbon capture and storage technologies** and, if technically and economically viable, implement them.



# 6. Communication and participation



# Campaign "Net zero climate target" summer 2021

<https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/content/site/zuerich-co2/de/index.html>



<https://www.instagram.com/klimazuerich/>

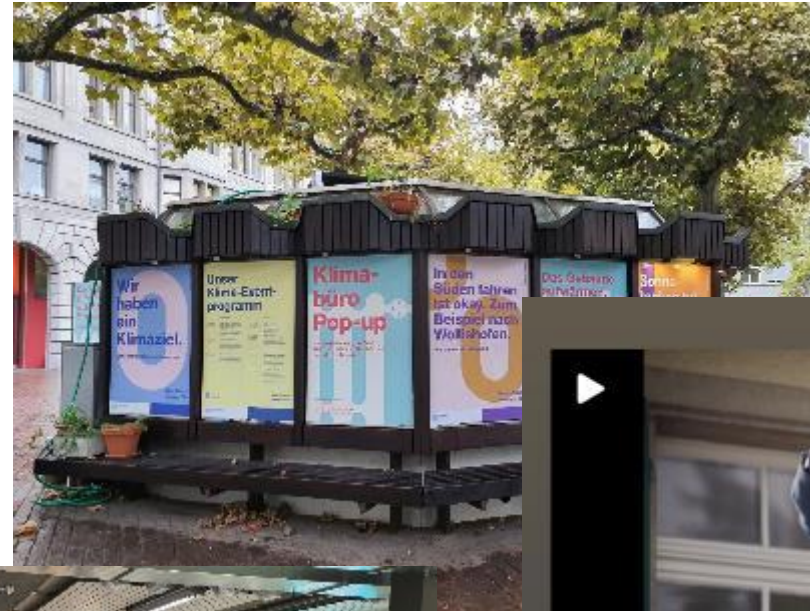


Mehr Zürich – weniger CO2. Strategien und Projekte der @stadtzh Klimapolitik. Fakten und Tipps zu Klimaschutz und Klimaanpassung. [linkin.bio/klimazuerich](https://linkin.bio/klimazuerich)



# Climate office pop-up at Werdmühleplatz autumn 2021

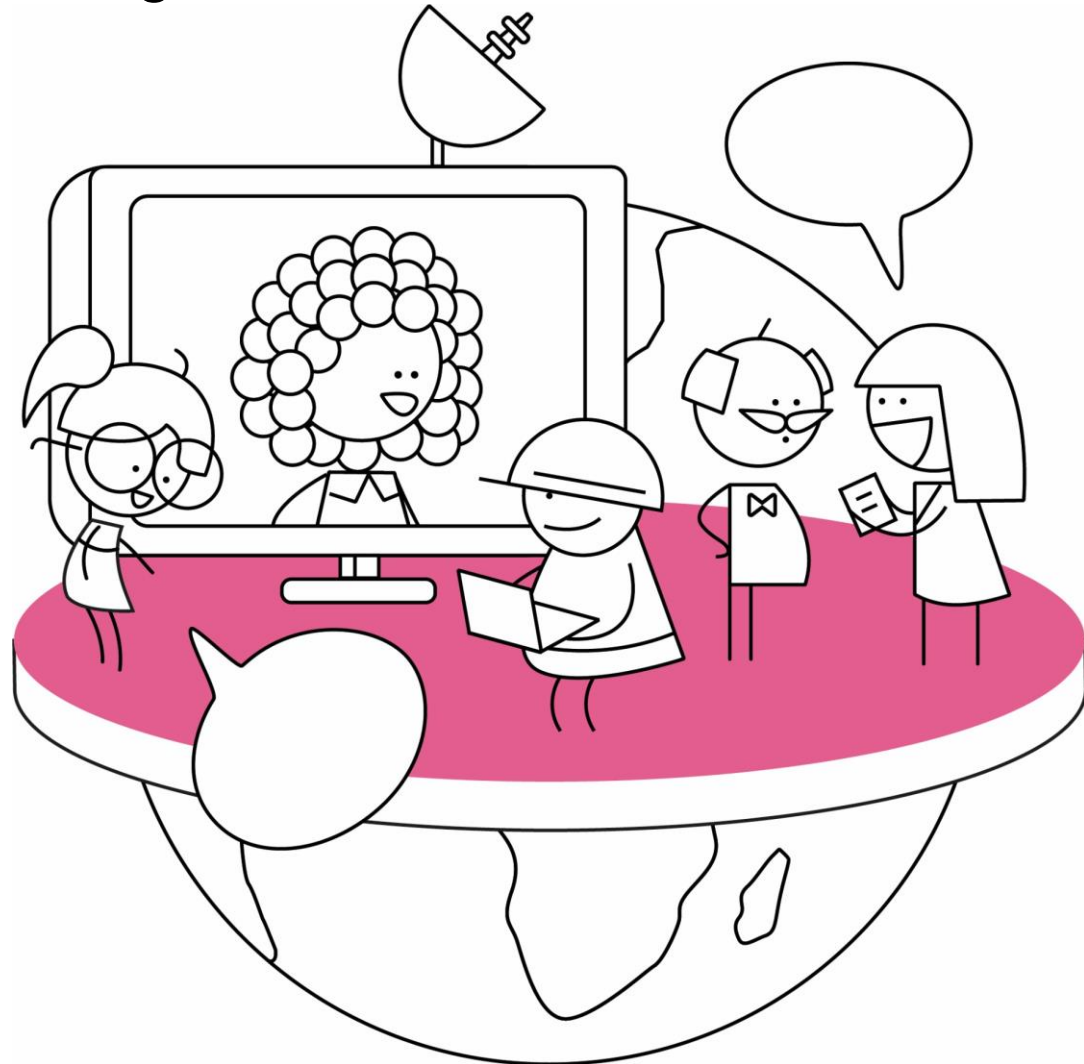
Focus energy consulting



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bO8jD13JxW0>

# The city of Zurich is taking action

## Design of a Climate Forum

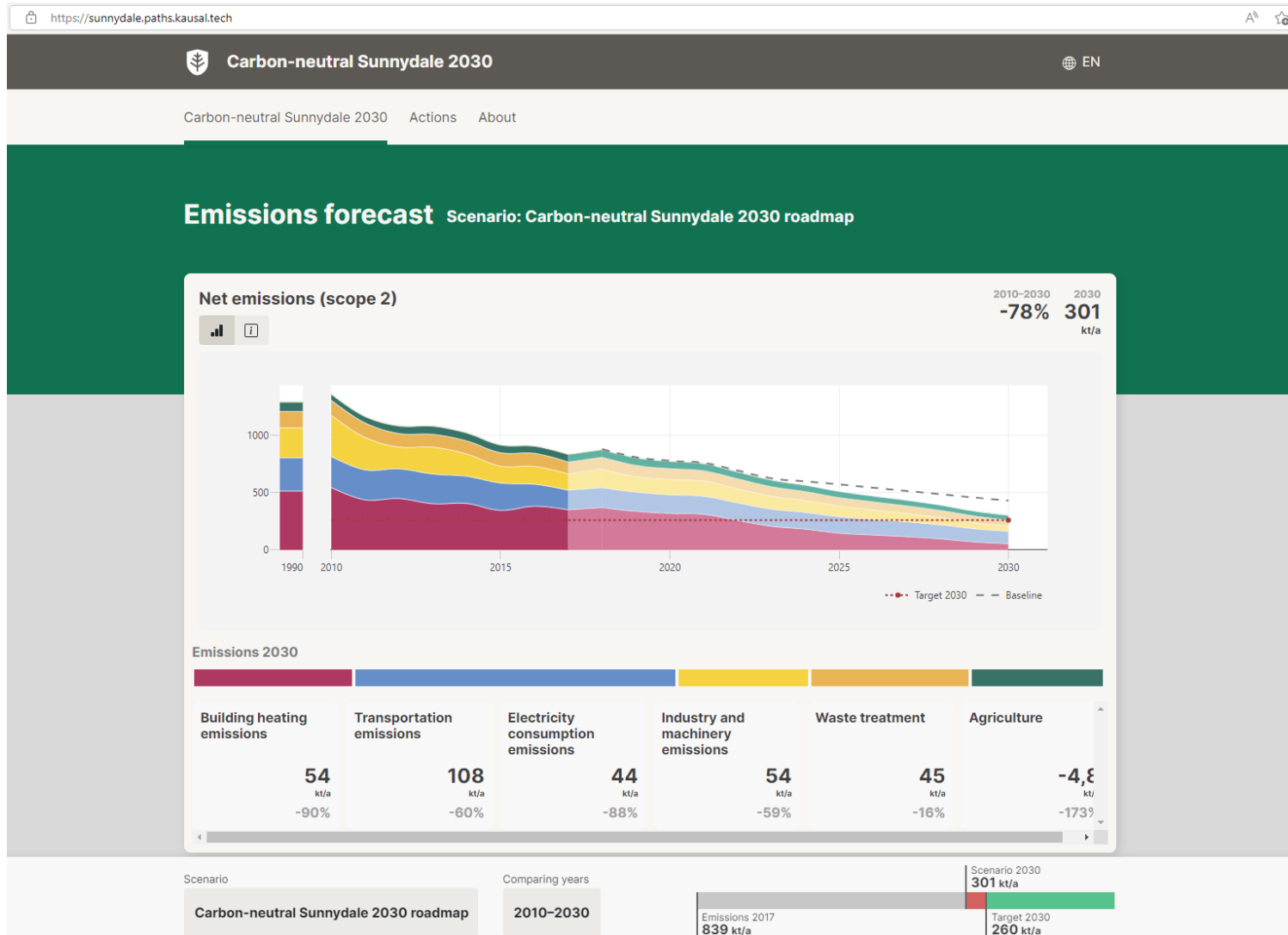


### The Climate Forum Zurich

- a **cooperative platform** for networking, participation and implementation
- provides answers and creates scope for action on climate protection issues
- Everyone has access:  
<https://mitwirken.stadt-zuerich.ch/processes/klimaforumzuerich>

# Monitoring-Tool Kausal Paths

[https://zuerich.paths.staging.kausal.tech/?node=net\\_emissions](https://zuerich.paths.staging.kausal.tech/?node=net_emissions)



- Fiktives Beispiel-Dashboard: [Sunnydale](#)
- Tool wird noch gemäss Offerte bis Juli 2023 weiterentwickelt
- Zweck
  - Dateneingabe
  - Berechnungen
  - Analysen
  - Massnahmen
  - Berichterstattung & Kommunikation

# Climathon Zurich 2021

IMPACT  
HUB Zürich

**60+**  
participants



**3**  
workshops



**3**  
winner teams



**1**  
main partner



City of Zurich

**3**  
challenges



Prototyping and testing  
Pitching and storytelling  
Midnight yoga

Trashare  
Züri Wächst Zäme  
Turtle App

**26**  
experts/  
coaches



13 experts (SZH)  
13 coaches

- Stadt Zürich:
- Sustainable consumption
  - Green protein transition
  - Local bottom up movements

**12**  
solutions



**15**  
volunteers



# 7. Questions?

# Thank you.

# Questions?



# Thank you.

# Appendix

# Links

- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/klimazuerich/>
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/umwelt-und-gesundheitsschutz-zuerich/>
- Newsletter: [https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/gud/de/index/departement/strategie\\_politik/umweltpolitik/klimapolitik/newsletter.html](https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/gud/de/index/departement/strategie_politik/umweltpolitik/klimapolitik/newsletter.html)
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- Net zero: [www.stadt-zuerich.ch/netto-null](http://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/netto-null)
- Campaign: [www.stadt-zuerich.ch/weniger-co2](http://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/weniger-co2) (Film)
- Climate forum: <https://www.klimaforumzuerich.ch/>
- EnerGIS: [www.stadt-zuerich.ch/energis](http://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/energis)
- Energy coaching: [www.stadt-zuerich.ch/energie-coaching](http://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/energie-coaching)
- Stories: <https://storiesforfuture.ch/>
- Zurich is full of solutions: <https://www.transition-zuerich.ch/>
- Network in Zurich: <https://klimastadtzuerich.ch/>
- Climate Action Plan: <https://climatestrike.ch/de/crisis#solutions>

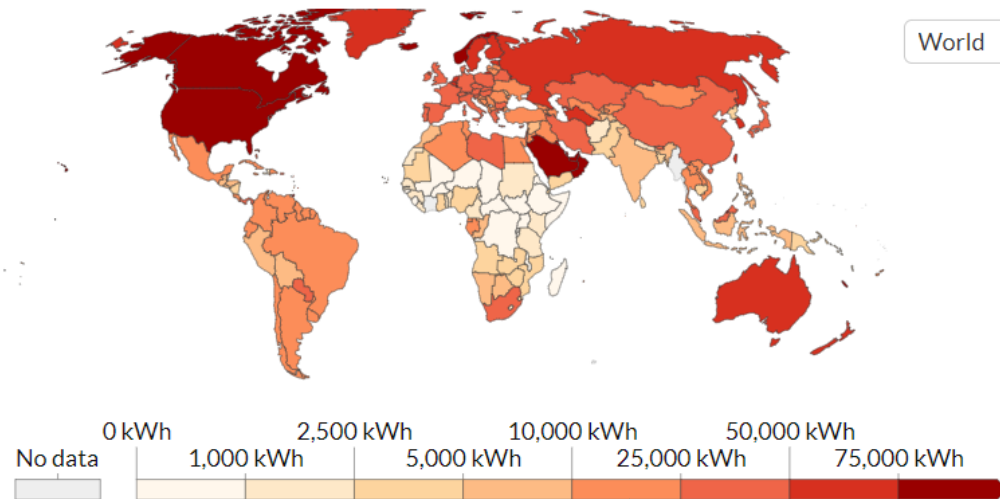
# Introduction to the 2'000-Watt society

## Global fairness

### Energy use per person, 2019

Energy use not only includes electricity, but also other areas of consumption including transport, heating and cooking.

Our World  
in Data



Source: Our World in Data based on BP & Shift Data Portal

Note: Energy refers to primary energy – the energy input before the transformation to forms of energy for end-use (such as electricity or petrol for transport).

OurWorldInData.org/energy • CC BY

17'500 kWh during one year is the  
idea of the 2'000-Watt society



- Fair and sustainable society
- Every human being today and in the future has the right to the same amount of energy

# Zurich is on the right track

Referendum 2'000-Watt Society in 2008

30. November 2008

**Sichere Energieversorgung.  
Blühende Wirtschaft.**



**JA ZUR NACHHALTIGKEIT**

**76.4 % YES**

- **Reduction of energy** consumption (factor 3): 5000 → **2000 Watt** per capita
- **Reduction of greenhouse gases** (factor 5): 5 tons → **1 ton** per capita and year until 2050
- Promote **energy efficiency** and **renewable energy**
- Stopping **nuclear power** investments by 2034 at the latest

# Target cascade

How to achieve 2'000 Watt?

## 1. Sufficiency

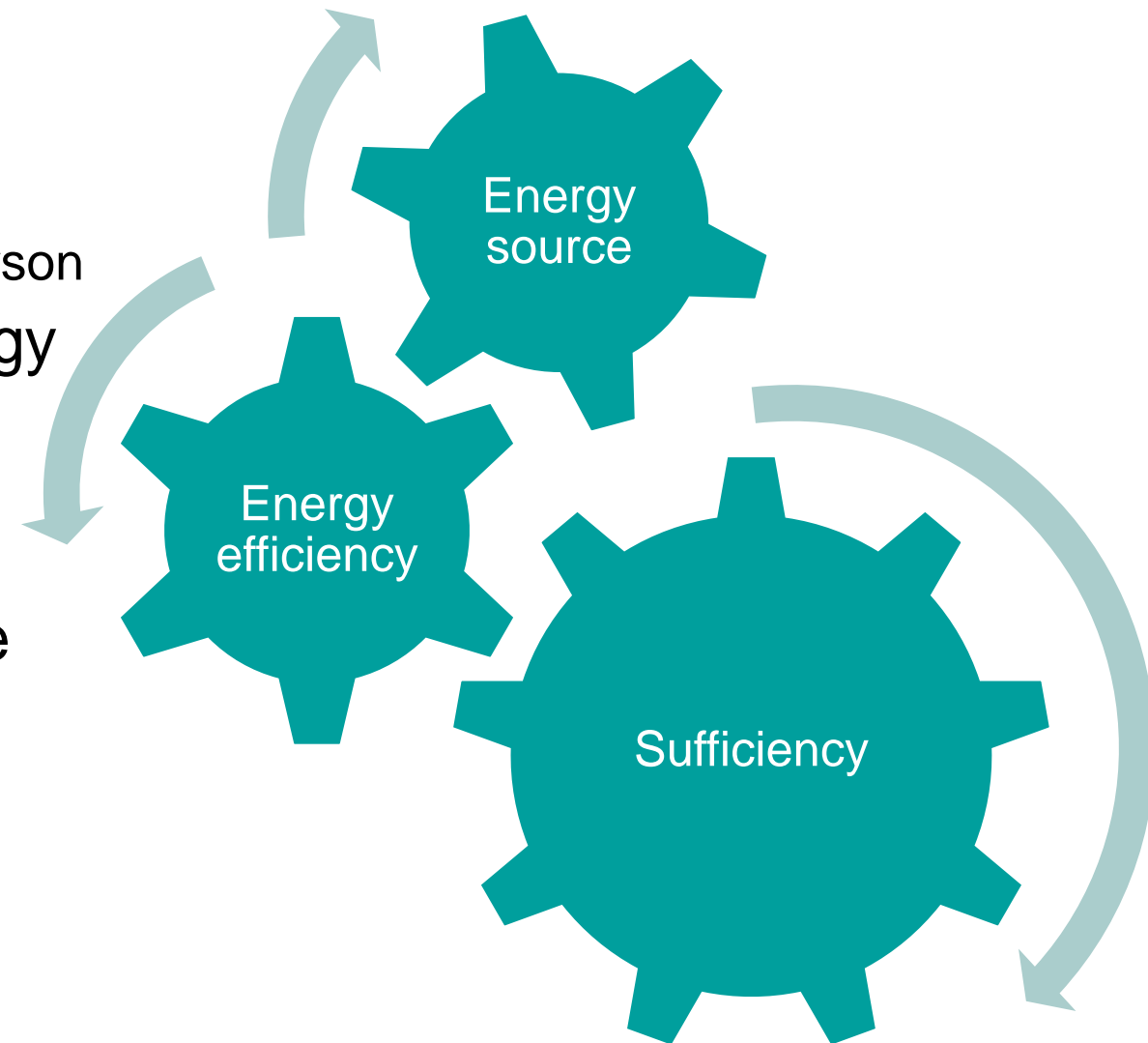
- Living/work space and equipment per person

## 2. Improve energy efficiency/technology

- Building insulation
- Electric mobility
- Operation optimisation

## 3. Choose a renewable energy source

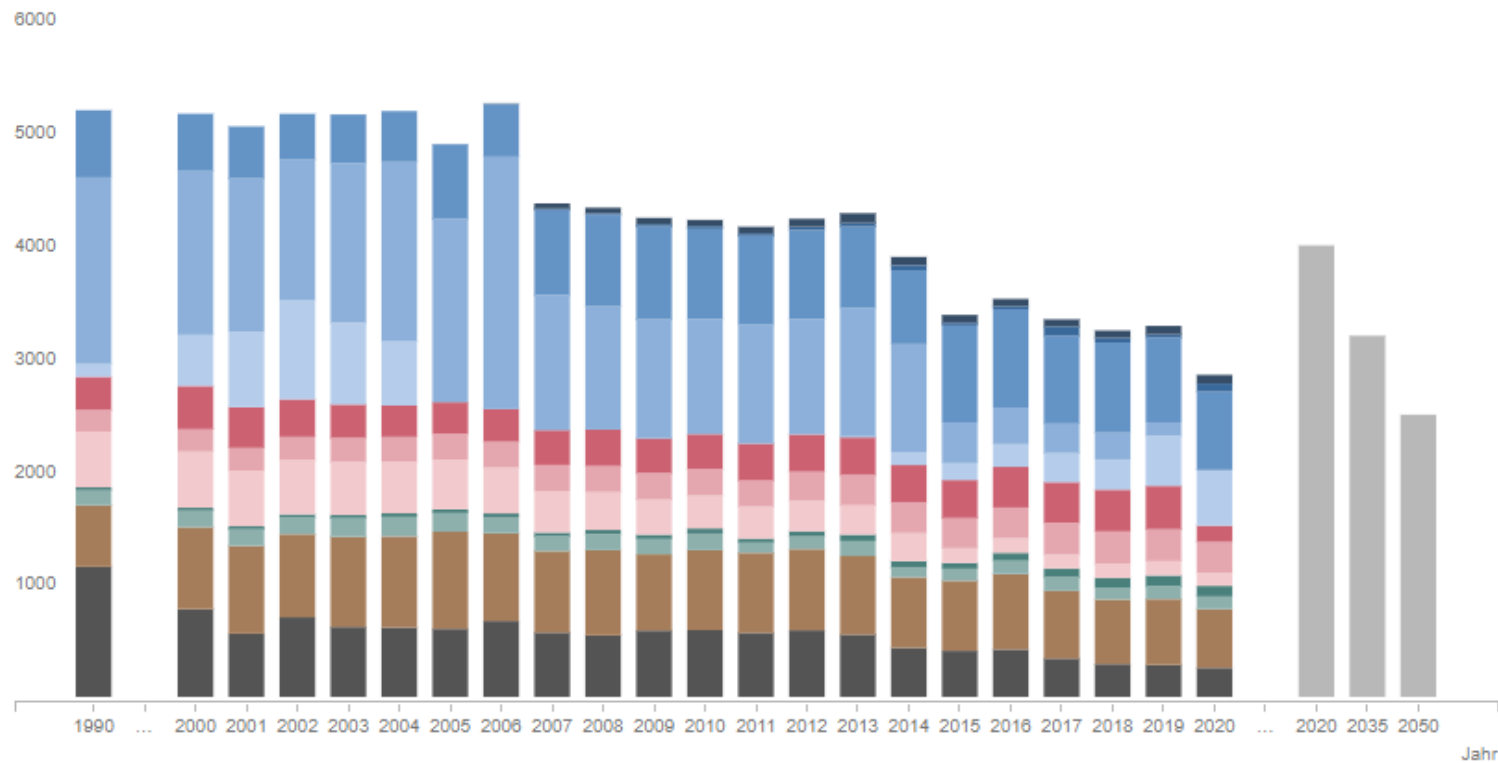
- Water
- Sun
- Wind
- Biomass
- (Waste)



# Introduction to the 2'000-Watt society

## Primary energy in Zurich 1990 - 2020

Primärenergieverbrauch [Watt/Person]



Average over last  
5 years:  
3'250 W/person

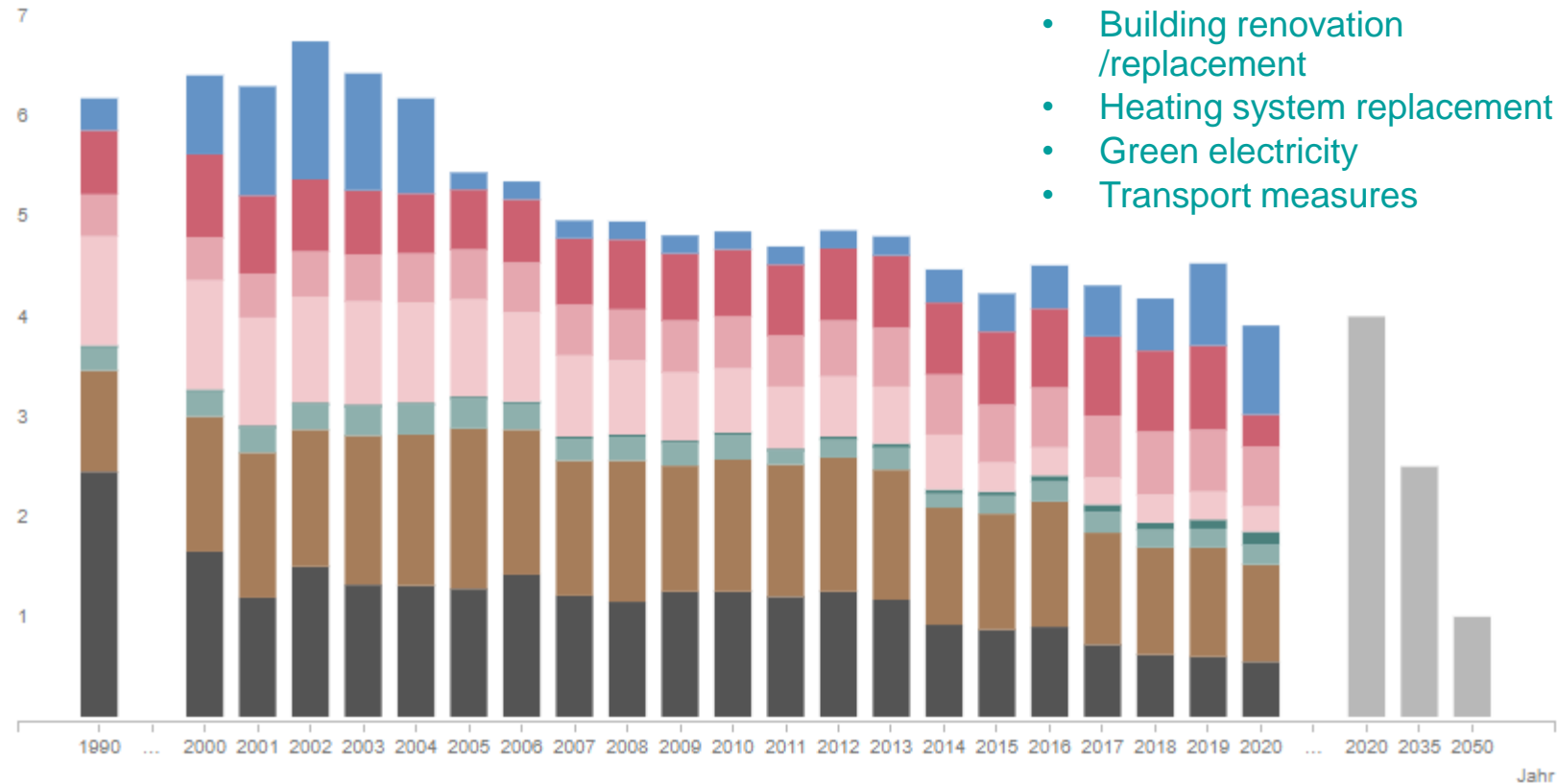
→ interim target  
for 2020 of  
consuming only  
4'000 W has been  
achieved!



# Introduction to the 2'000-Watt society

## Greenhouse gases in Zurich 1990 - 2020

Treibhausgasemissionen [t CO<sub>2</sub>eq/Person]



### Reductions:

- Building renovation /replacement
- Heating system replacement
- Green electricity
- Transport measures

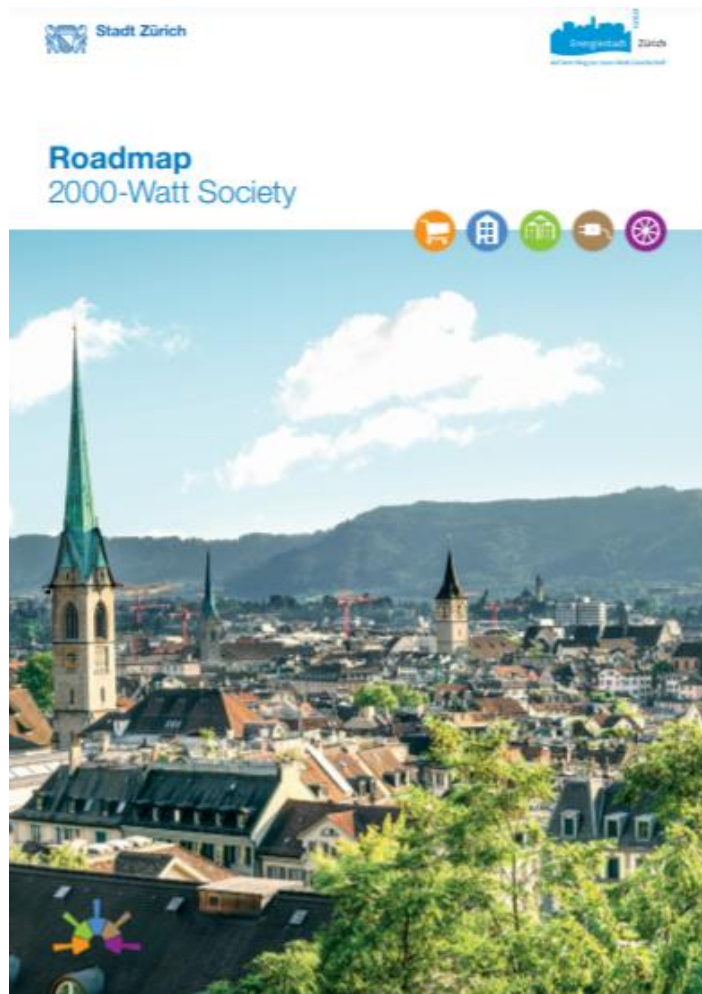
Average over last 5 years:  
4.3 t CO<sub>2</sub>eq

→ Interim target for 2020 of 4 t of CO<sub>2</sub>eq could not be achieved (only in COVID-19-year 2020)



# Introduction to the 2'000-Watt society

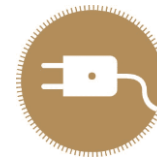
## Roadmap 2017



### Fields of action



Buildings



Energy Supply



Mobility



Settlement



Consumption

# Referendum: Cantonal energy law

YES! on November 28, 2021

1. Requires the **replacement of oil and gas heating systems** at the end of their service life **with environmentally friendly heating** solutions (if technically and financially viable)
2. Will come into force in mid-2022

