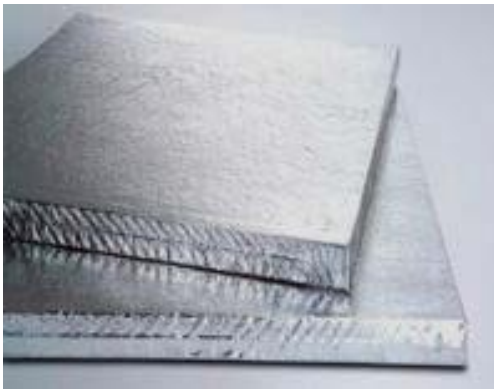


Long-Term Performance of Super-Insulating Materials in Building Components & Systems



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Challenges in the Building Sector

Renovation/Retrofitting

- Building stock : more than 80% of energy consumption.
- 75% to 90% of current buildings will still be standing in 2050

New Buildings

- NZEB (Net or Nearly Zero Energy Building)
- only 10 % to 20 % of additional energy consumption (2050)

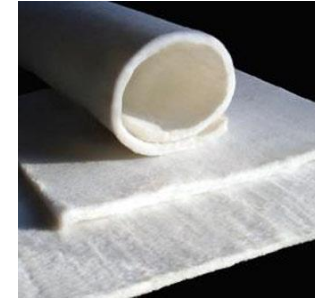
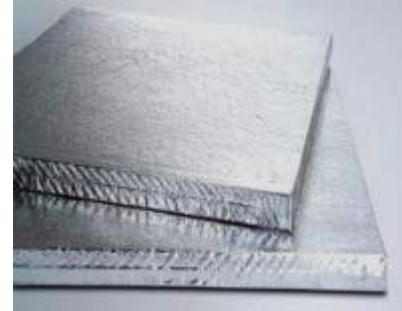
Energy Efficiency

- Through Building Envelope & Thermal Insulation
(IEA Roadmap)

Scope

Two main types of SIM :

- Vacuum Insulation Panel
- Advanced-Porous Materials, such as Aerogel



State of the Art

Learning from the past (ST1)

Three scientific & technical issues:

Performance & Durability - (ST2)

Design & Installation (ST3)

Sustainability (LCA, LCC, EE) – (ST4)



Table 1: Summary of the insulation materials

Insulation Material	Thermal conductivity (mW/K)	Density (kg/m ³)	Prices (US \$)
Mineral wool	30-40 (at 10 °C)	30-200	0.5-4.2/Square meter
Expanded Polystyrene(EPS)	30-40 (at 10 °C)	40	3.5-5.2/Square meter
Extruded Polystyrene(XPS)	30-40 (at 10 °C)	100-150	1/Square meter
Cork	45 (at 25 °C)	120-200	0.2-2/Piece (H-26mm, D-13mm)
Polyurethane(PUR)	35 (at 10 °C)	40-60	2.2-2.5/Kilogram
Cellulose	35 (at 10 °C)	24-27.2	7.18-7.45/Kilogram
Vacuum Insulated Panel(VIP)	3-4 (at 10 °C)	—	5-28/Square Meter
Gas-filled Panels(GFP)	36.1 for Air	—	—
	49.2 for Argon	—	—
	86.7 for Krypton	—	—
Aerogel	13-16 at atmospheric pressure	3	75.24/Square Meter

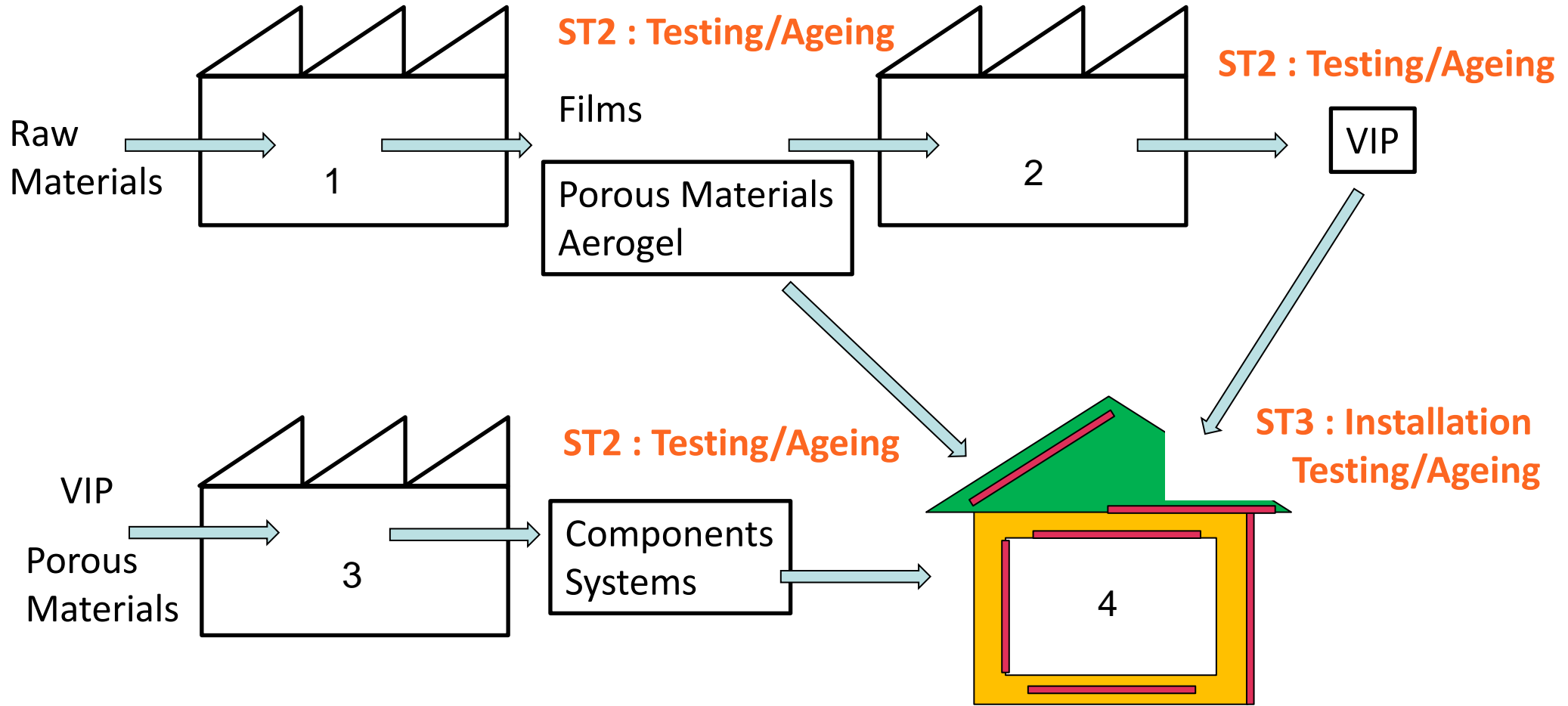
VIP: about 40 US\$

Aerogel blankets:
about 40 US\$

Source: (Alibaba, 2012); (Thermablok, 2010); (Foamsales, 2012)

Annex65 & SIM value chain

ST1 : learning from the past



ST4 : Sustainability

Annex65 : a bridge between science & market



SubTask Description - SubTask Leaders

SUBTASK 1: State of the Art - Materials & Components - Case Studies

SubTask Leader: ZAE Bayern – Ulrich Heinemann

Action 1A : Materials, Components & Systems

Action 1B : Characterization Methods

Action 1C : Case Studies at the Building Scale

SUBTASK 2: Characterization of materials & components - Lab Scale

SubTask Leader: FIW Munich – Andreas Holm

Action 2A : Materials Assessment & Ageing Procedures
(Experiments & Simulation)

Action 2B : Components & Systems Assessment
(Experiments & Simulation)

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SUBTASK 3: Practical Applications – Retrofitting

Subtask Leader: Chalmers Univ. Bijan Adl Zarrabi

Action 3A : Mapping of the Use Conditions (Components & Systems)

Action 3B : Performance at the Building Scale (Experiments & Simulation)
(possible links with Annex 58)

Action 3C : Practical Applications focused on Retrofitting
(possible links with Annex 61)

SUBBASK 4: Sustainability (LCC, LCA, EE)

Subtask Leader : Chalmers Univ. Holger Wallbaum

Action 4A: Life Cycle Assessment (LCA), including Embodied Energy (EE)
(links with Annex 57)

Action 4B: Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCC)

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Task 3: Practical Applications – Retrofitting at the Building Scale – Field scale

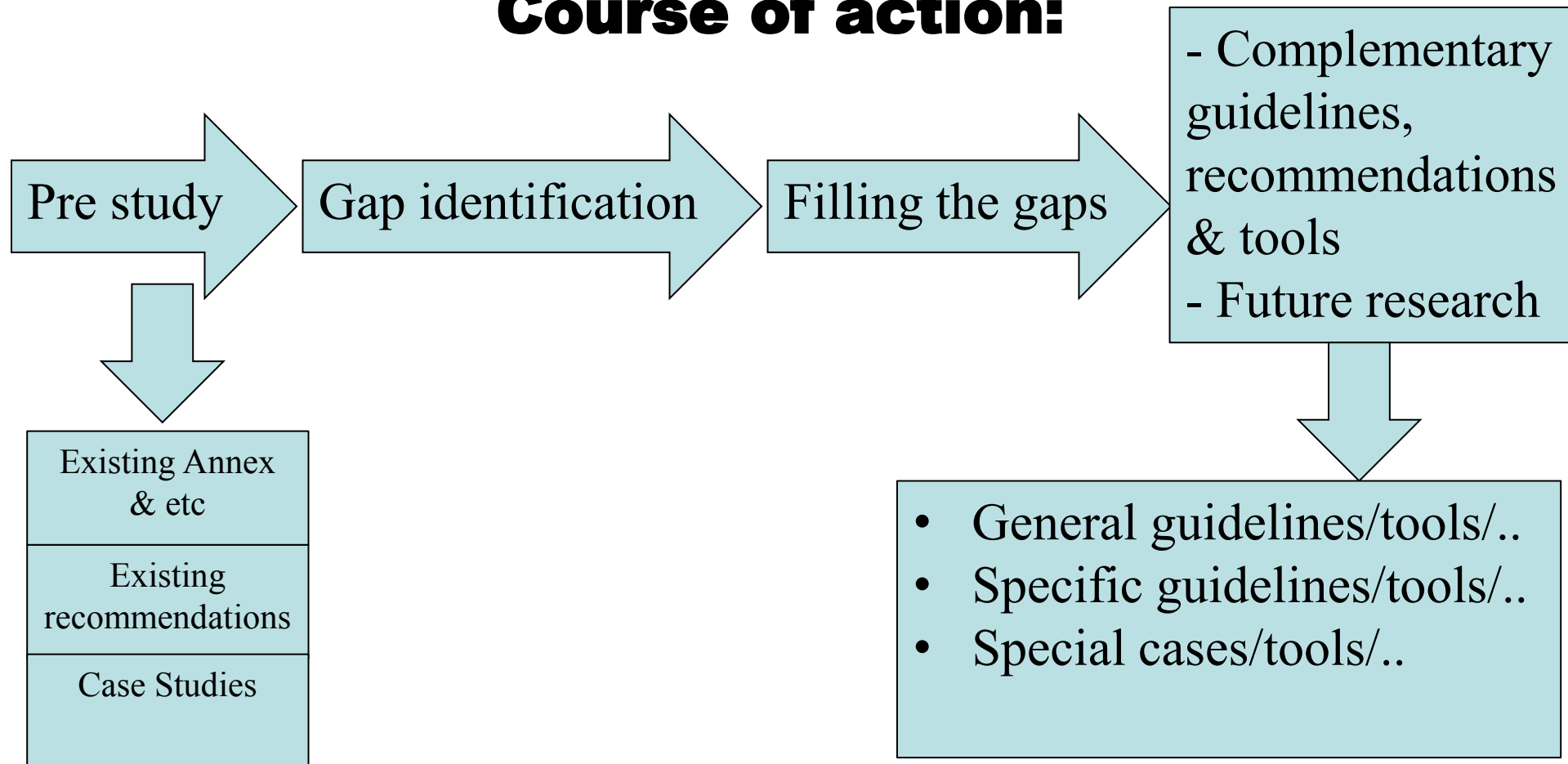
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Course of action:



Parameters:

-Type of building

- Single family house
- Multi family house
- Office
- Special building
e.g. hospital, fitness
centre, ..

-Components

- Walls
- Roof
- Floor
- Windows
- Ground
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-Climate

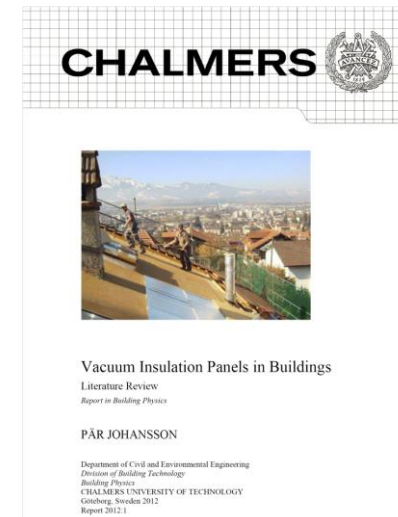
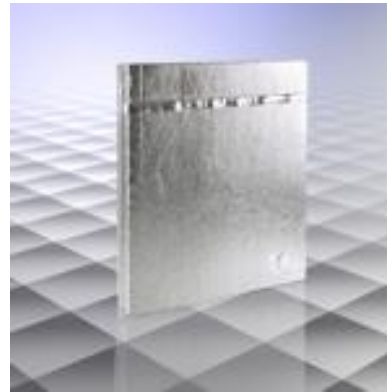
- Cold/warm
- Dry/wet
- Windy
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-age of building

- New
- Old
- Medium

SIM in buildings

- Retrofitting
 - Wall
 - Roof
- New buildings
 - Wall
 - Roof
 - Terraces



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Field study

Välten 1930

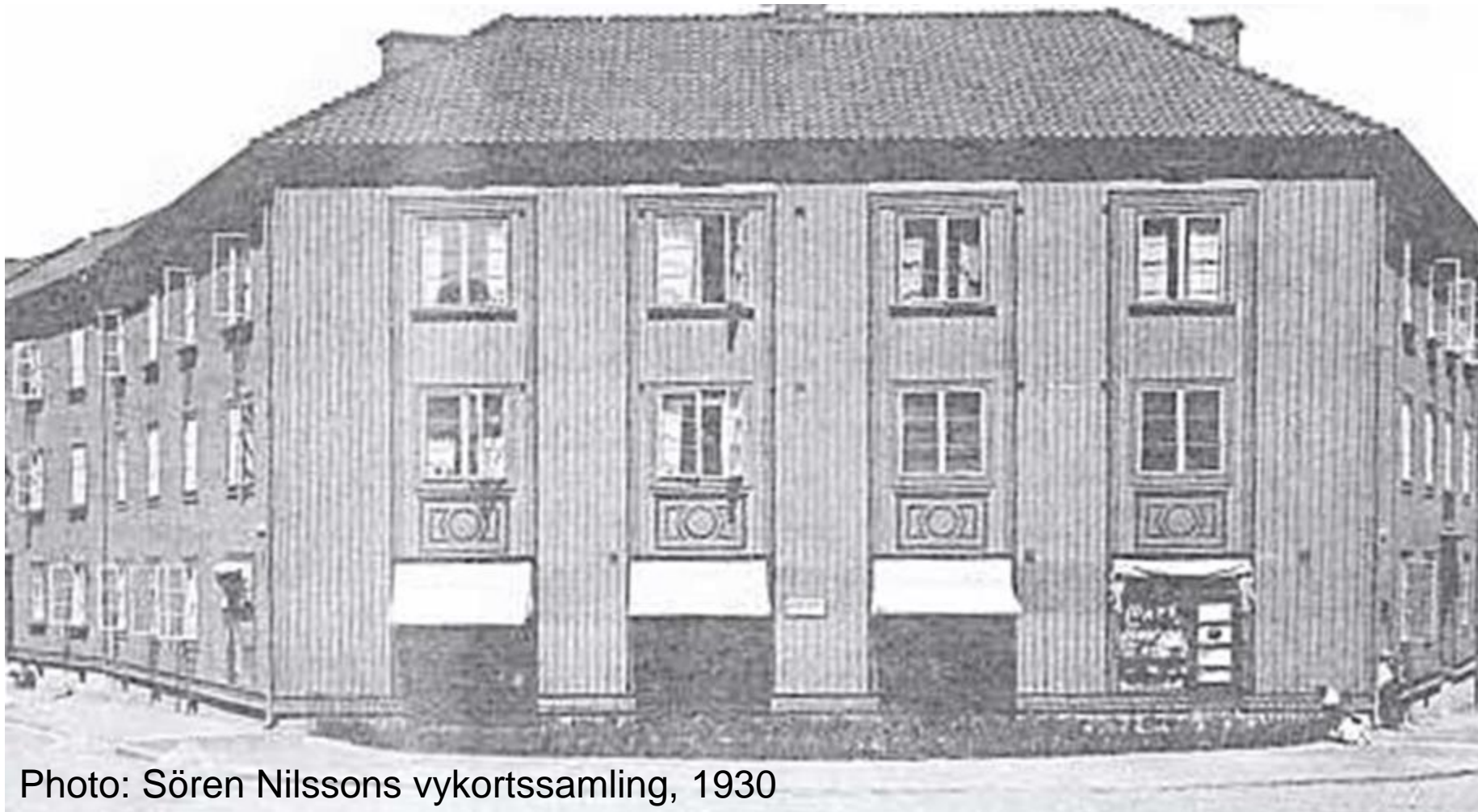
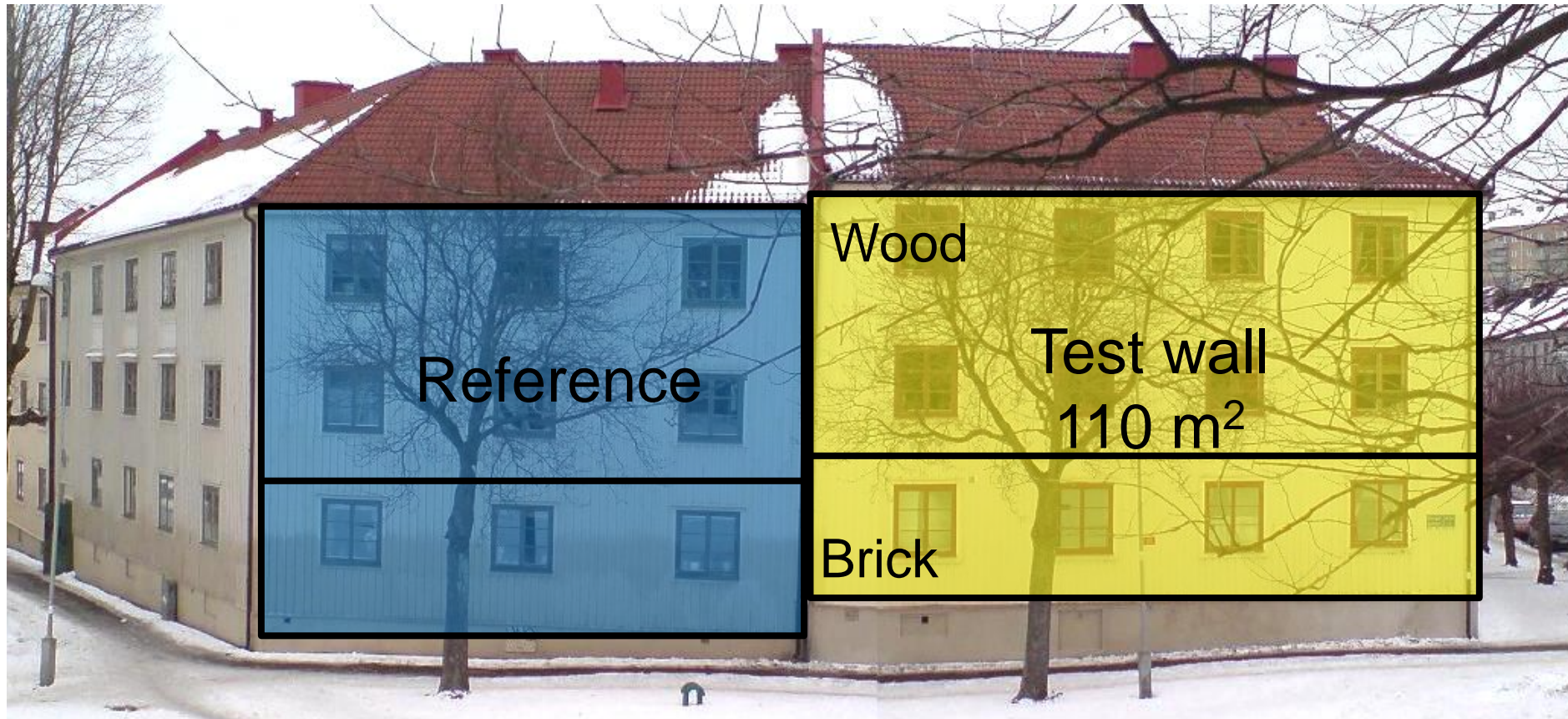


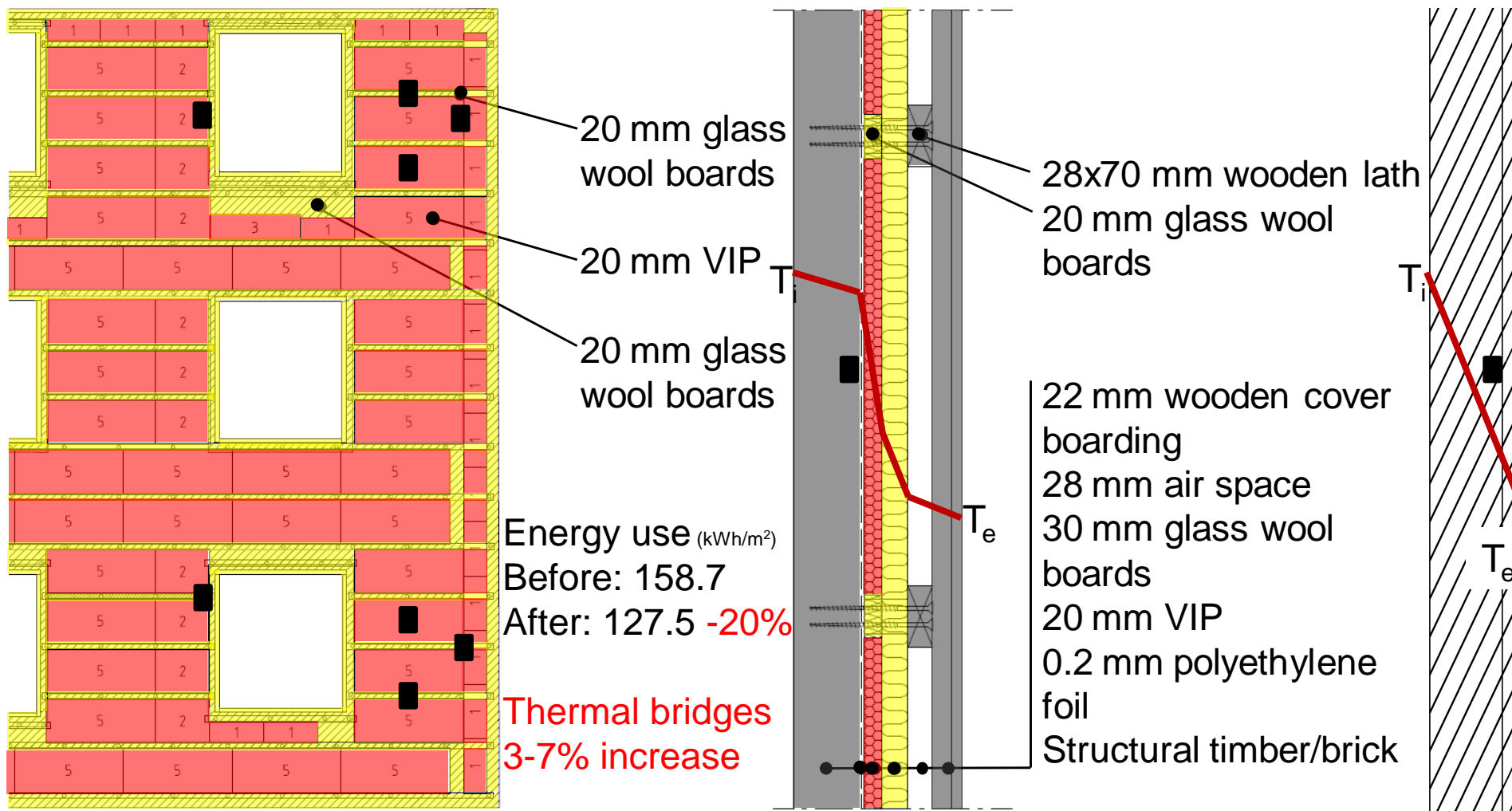
Photo: Sören Nilssons vykortssamling, 1930

Field study building

- Landshövdingehuset from 1930, retrofitted in the late 1970s



Wall insulated on the exterior



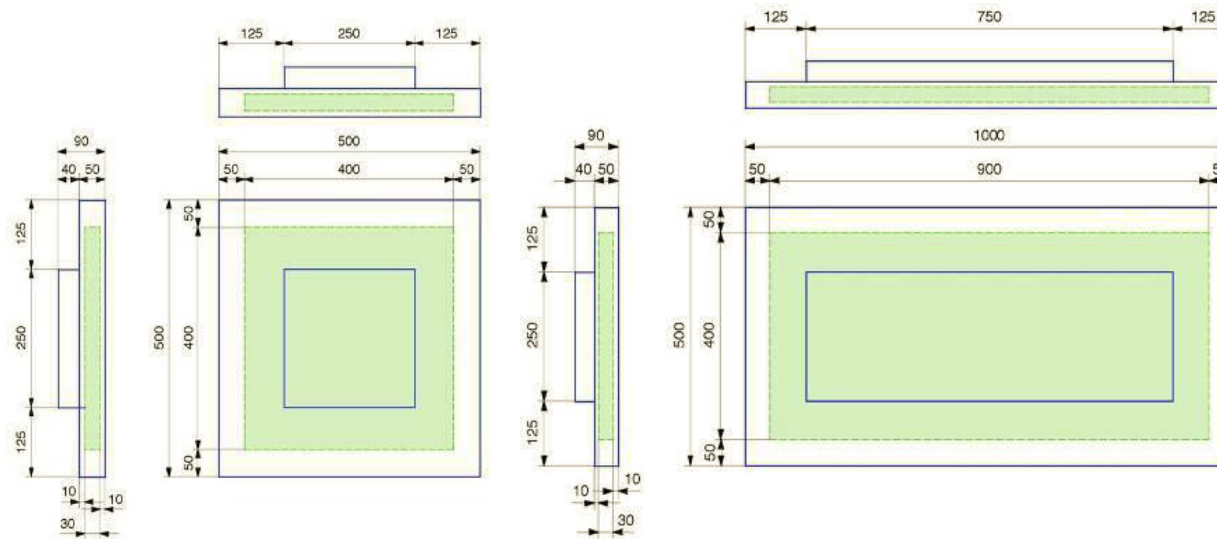
External and internal Insulation

Applications

Case Studies

Installation Tips

Retrofitting Munich



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External Wall Insulation - Heritage

- Project Renovation
- Location Switzerland
- Bldg. Type Private Dwelling
- Application External Wall 20mm, 10mm
- Benefit Heritage protected, breathable thermal bridge treatments



External Wall Insulation

- Project Renovation
- Location USA
- Bldg. Type Industrial Unit
- Application External Wall –
20mm under rolled metal profile
- Benefit Space saving,
energy saving fast install, existing
trades compatible



Internal Wall Insulation

- Project Renovation
- Location Italy
- Bldg. Type House
- Application Internal Wall
- Benefit Energy Saving, Space Saving



Interior insulation Copenhagen



Martin Morelli, Leif Rønby, Svend Erik Mikkelsen, Maja G. Minzari, Troels Kildemoes, Henrik M. Tommerup. (2012). Energy retrofitting of a typical old Danish multi-family building to a “nearly-zero” energy building based on experiences from a test apartment. *Energy and Buildings* Volume 54 2012 395 – 406
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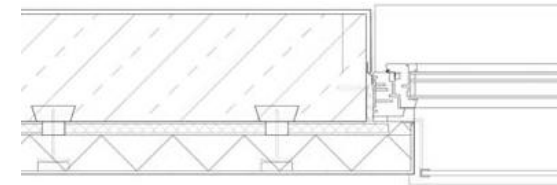
Facade and roof, Thun



New office block Munich

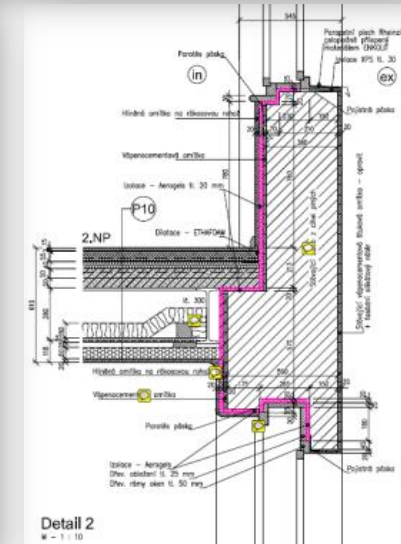


- First commercial VIP project
- Concrete with VIPs, PUR between VIPs
- "Ultra low energy standard" (20 kWh/m²,a)

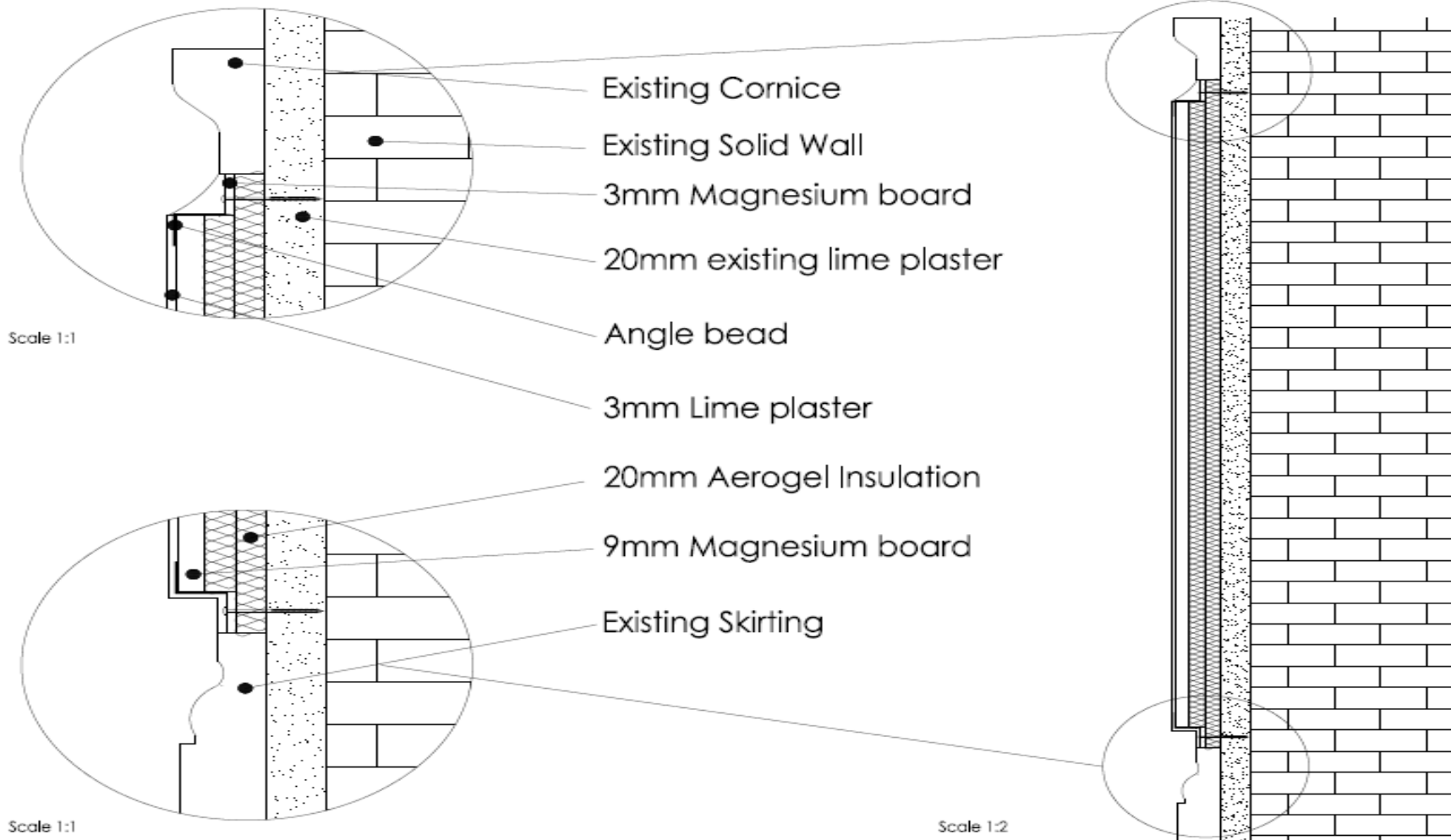


Internal Wall Insulation - Heritage

- Project Renovation
- Location Podebrady, Czech Rep.
- Bldg. Type Commercial, Dwelling
- Application Internal Wall – 20mm, 10mm
- Benefit Heritage protected, breathable, thermal bridge challenging environment



Heritage Detail



Roof and floor Insulation

Flat roofs and terraces

(25 000 m²)



Source: Dr. Samuel Brunner, EMPA

Dormer Roof Insulation

- Project New Build
- Location Switzerland
- Bldg. Type Single Family
- Application Onsite fabricated dormer roof elements
- Benefit Energy saving, improved aesthetic appearance, reduced heat bridges, increased light gain



Facade and roof, Thun



Pitched Roof Insulation - Heritage

- Project Renovation
- Location Dublin, Ireland
- Bldg. Type Government, historic stone
- Application 20mm Pitched roof insulation
- Benefit saving to allow roof breathe Energy saving, space vapour open elements to breathe

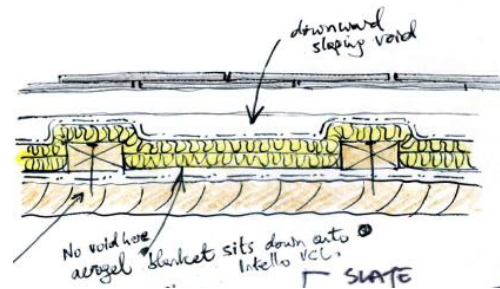


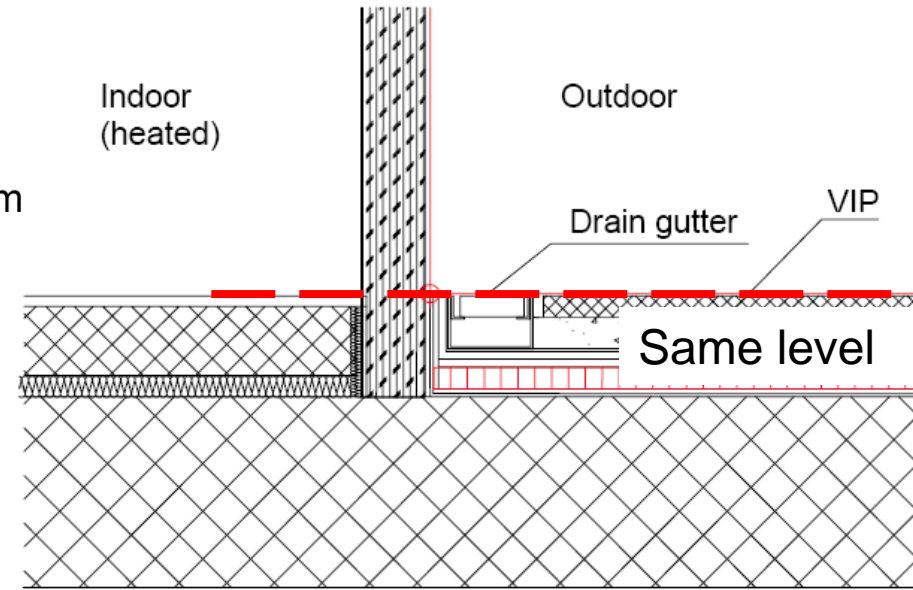
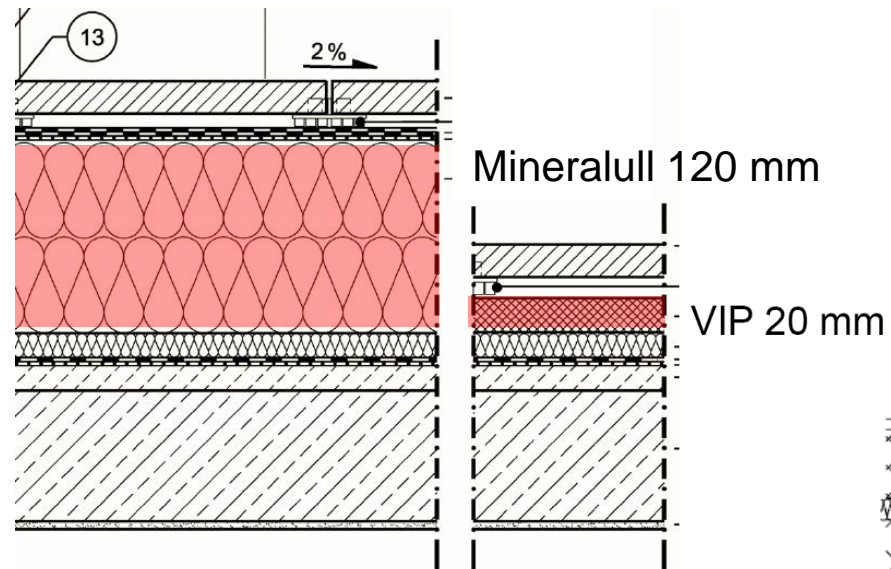
Figure 1 – inside view of existing roof

Request for analysis

Client wishes to assess performance of Aspen Aerogel as roof insulation in warm-roof buildup between a timber ceiling deck and battens of a vaulted Victorian courthouse building in the south suburbs of Dublin. Roof buildup to be absolutely minimised. Building to be intensely used by small number of people with a lot of electronics.

Flat roofs och terraces

(25 000 m²)



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Apartment below terrace (heated)

Terrace Insulation

- Project Renovation
- Location Switzerland
- Bldg. Type Multi Family –
concrete terrace
- Application Terrace Insulation
- Benefit Energy saving, height
gain,
to fixtures no disruption
no water and fittings,
 ingress risk



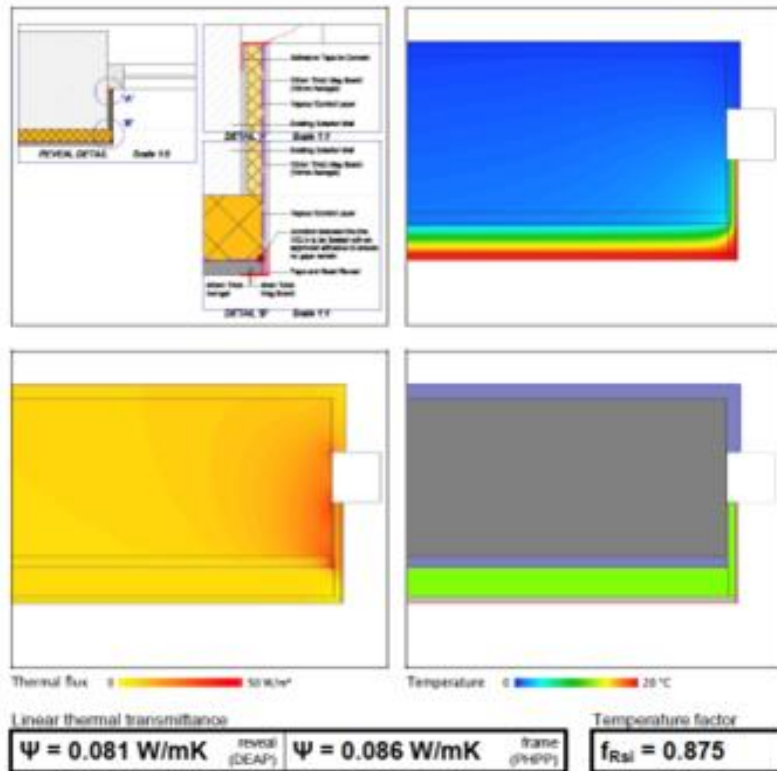
Thermal Bridge Treatments

Heat Bridge Insulation - Reveals

- Thin reveals do not interfere with window function
- Maintain temperature factors above condensation limits

Description

9mm thick magnesium silicate board on 40mm aerogel insulation on existing wall (retain lime or cement internal plaster but strip off any gypsum). 16mm thick board on reveal (10mm aerogel insulation between 3mm magnesium silicate boards).

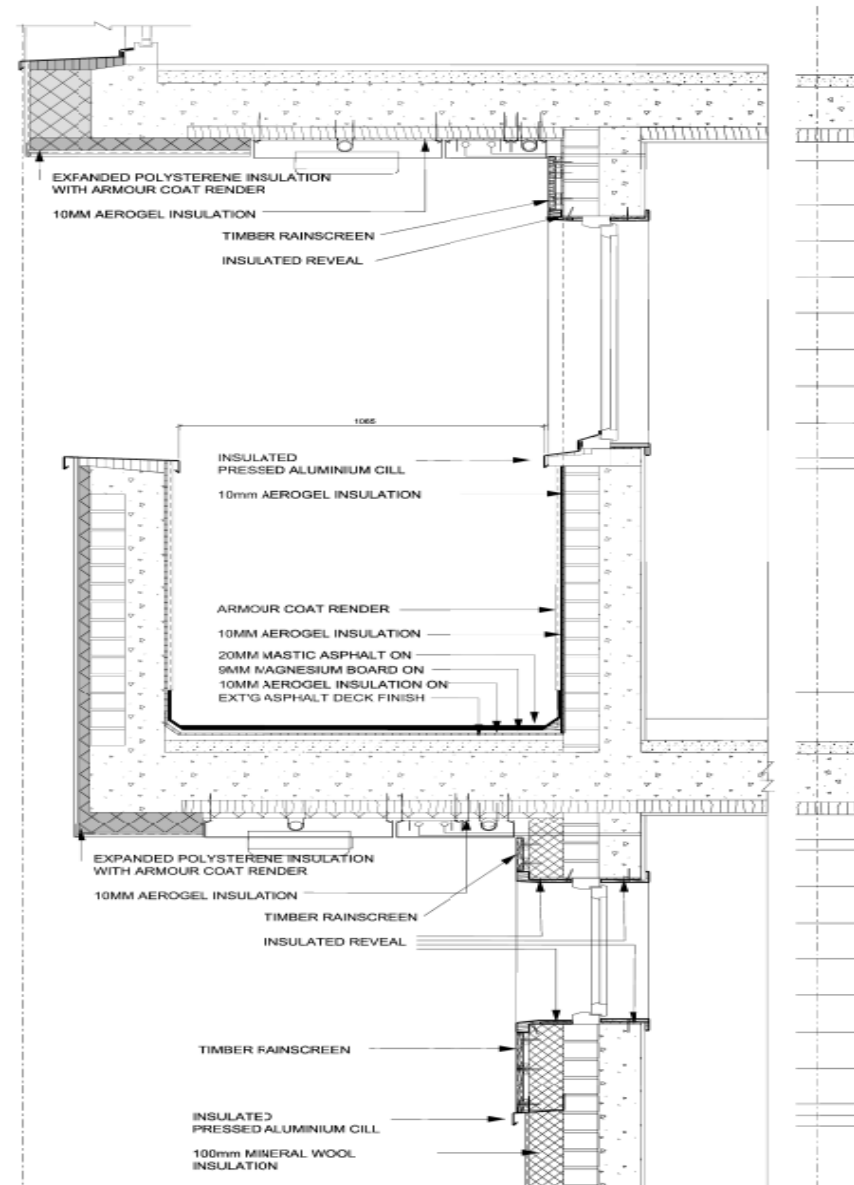


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Apartment Thermal Bridges

- Project Renovation
- Location Ireland
- Bldg. Type Apartment Block
- Application 10mm thermal bridge treatment
- Benefit lower ψ values, space saving solution



A thermal image of a house at night. The house is mostly blue, indicating low heat. A window on the right is highlighted in red and yellow, indicating high heat. A grid is overlaid on the house. Three black boxes are drawn on the wall to the left of the window. The text "Thank you for your attention" is overlaid in white.

Thank you for your attention

