



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Sustainable Energy – the Energy of the Future: International Experience in Advancing and Implementing Innovative Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Technologies in Residential and Public Buildings

02 September 2025 (hybrid format) State Energy Institute of Turkmenistan, Mary

Life Cycle Energy Efficiency of Buildings and Energy Management

Agris Kamenders

International Consultant, SECCA (online)













- Life Cycle Analyses and Energy Efficiency
- Energy Management System













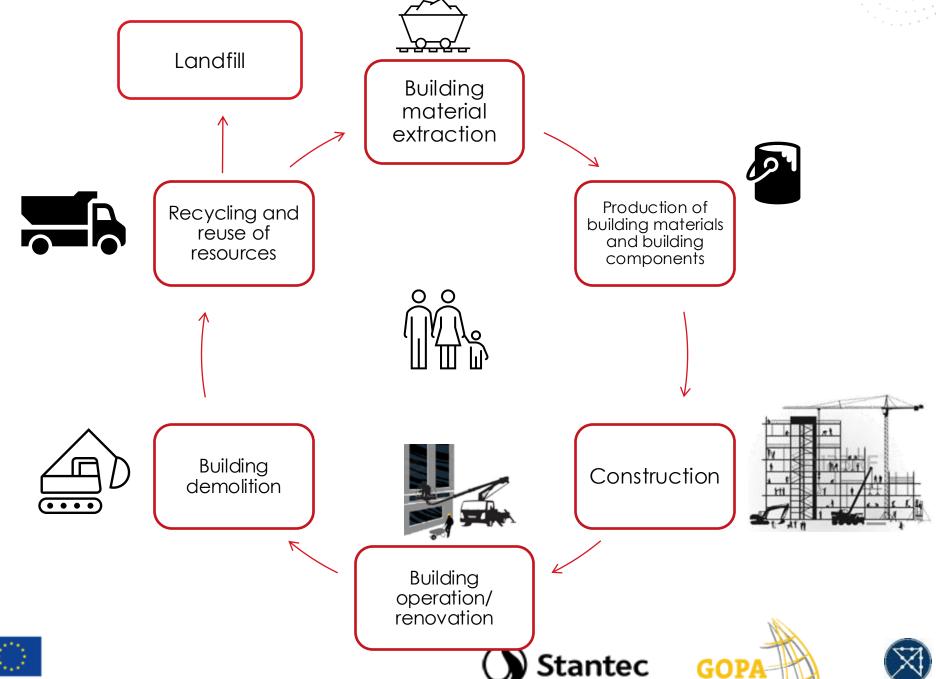








In which life cycle stage energy consumption the highest?















Example of building complex analyses from Riga

Perform a comprehensive energy and CO₂ assessment of the building using Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)

- Identify the greatest impacts from different stages of building construction and use, as well as from materials
- Evaluate the results obtained and compare them with other buildings/standards



















Building maintenance and end-of-life scenario

- B2 Building maintenance and cleaning includes water and cleaning agent consumption for building cleaning
- B4 Replacement activities includes replacement of floor laminate and elevators
- B5 Refurbishment activities includes repainting of all façade walls
- B6 Building energy consumption covers heat, domestic hot water, and electricity consumption.
 Data are based on building energy performance certificates
- C End-of-life stage based on the average Latvian waste recycling and disposal scenario



Energy consumption date based on EPCs













- Energy consumption calculation energy use modeling
- Input data in Excel: quantities of materials used and energy consumed, based on the construction bill of quantities
- Where possible, Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for materials were used
- Reference values from the Ecoinvent 3.9 (Swiss Centre for Life Cycle Inventories) database and SimaPro 9.5 software





_		_		MERKS MĀJAS IESNI	CD7111	uro.			Vai šis ir no ra	You	0							
Nr.p .k.	B ävdarbu nos aukums	Mērvi enība	Daudzums	Izmantotă materiăla	Izmantotā	Daudzuma mërvieniba	(Environment al Product Declarations - PRODUKT A VIDES DEKLARĂ CIJA)	Materiāla ražotājs	Transportēša na. Norādīt attālumu km no kurienes materālī tiek transportēti uz būvojektu.		Ecoinvent pozicija	Vienības	Komentärs		A1-A3	Attālums uz būva	A5	Merks atbildes uz dzeltera
1	2	3	- 4															
1	Zemes darbi									ı,								
1.1	Esošās grunts kārtas noņemšana h30cm	m3	5 250,00	Nav	nav	nav	nav	nav	nav		Excavation,		Var pajautāt par degvielas Traktortehnikas degvielas p traktorstundas?	atēriņš vai	?		x	17L / h (veicot rakšanas č
1.2	Uzbērtās grunts rakšana zem ēkas 3 ēkām	m3	2 503,98	Nav	nav	nav	nav	nav	nav		hydraulic digger {RER} excavation,		Traktortehnikas degvielas patēriņš vai traktorstundas?		?		x	17L / h (veicot rakšanas č
1.3	Kūdras izrakšana zem ēkas 3 ēkam	m3	2 434,22	Nav	nav	nav	nav	nav	nav		hydraulic digger Cut-off, U		Traktortehnikas degvielas p traktorstundas?		?		x	17L / h (veicot rakšanas č
1.4	Grunts rakšana līdz projekta atzīmei 3 ēkām	m3	4 355,08	Nav	nav	nav	nav	nav	nav				Traktortehnikas degvielas p traktorstundas?		?		x	17L / h (veicot rakšanas č
1.5	Jauna grunts ap pamatiem 3 ēkām	m3	6 109,98	Nav	nav	nav	nav	nav	nav			m3	Traktortehnikas degvielas p traktorstundas?	atēriņš vai	?		x	17L / h (veicot rakšanas č







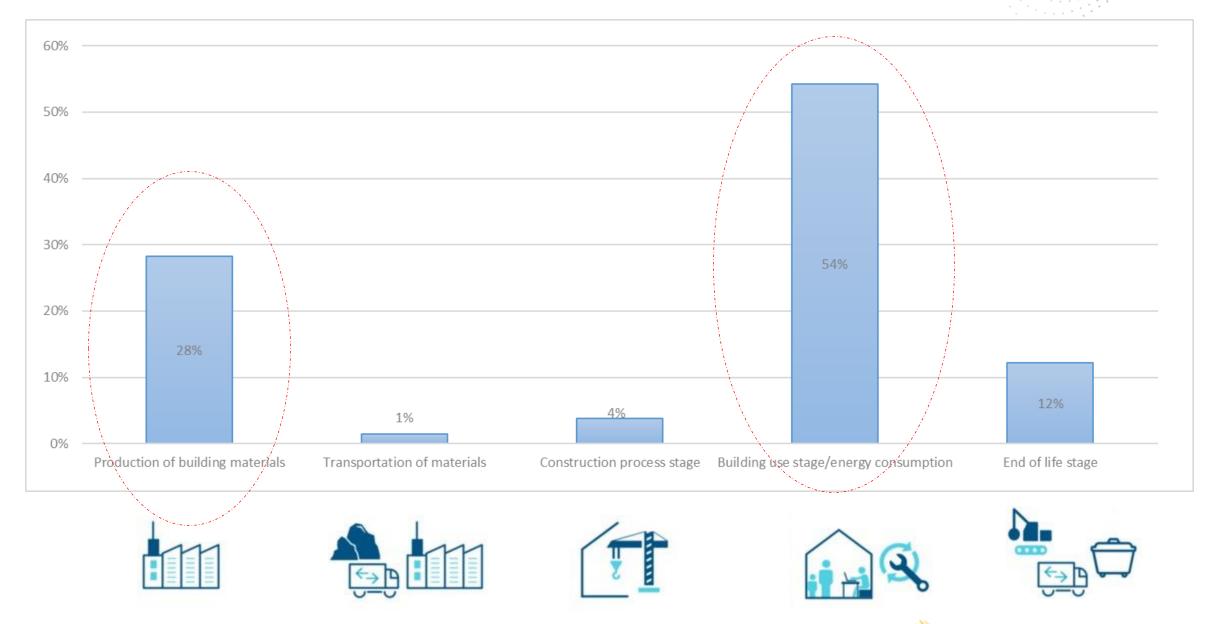








CO₂ (embodied energy) emissions over the building's life cycle









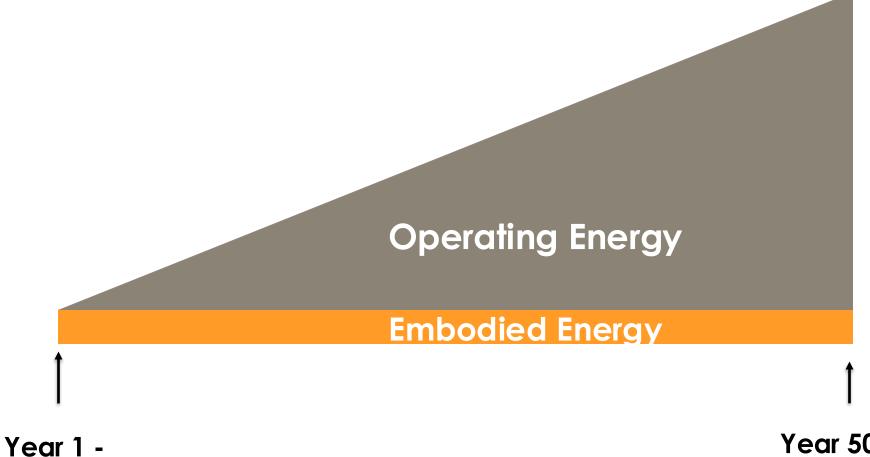








Building Energy Consumption during building life cycle



- Majority of energy use in buildings
 - heating, cooling, ventilation, lighting, hot water, and other systems
- Post-construction focus:
 Monitor energy efficiency and ensure proper operation and maintenance of all systems

Year 50 +/Demolition















Costs and energy consumption over the entire life cycle of the building

Building Life Cycle Information														Supplymentary information		
A 1–3 Product stage			Const pro	4–5 truction cess age	B 1–7 Use stage					```	`	C 1–4 End of life stage				Supplementary environmental info
A1 – Raw material supply	A2 – Transport	A3 – Manufacturing	A4 – Transport	A5 – Construction-installation process	B1 – Use	B2 – Maintenance	B3 – Repair	B4 - Replacement	B5 – Refurbishment	B6 – Operational energy use	B7 – Operational water use	C1 - De-construction, demolition	C2 – Transport	C3 – Waste processing	C4 - Disposal	Biogenic carbon storage Net exports of locally produced electricity

The building life cycle stages are defined in accordance with LVS EN 15804 Sustainability of construction works – Environmental product declarations















Energy efficiency performance gap

Operation & Maintenance Impact

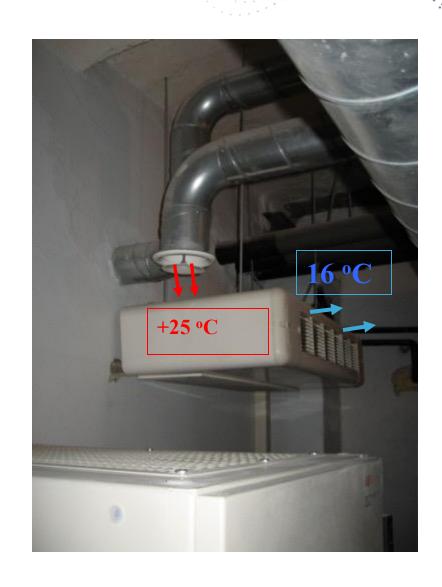
- Poor O&M can cause 10–30% performance gaps
- Smart control & monitoring (e.g. predictive control, fault detection) can cut energy use by up to 20–25% — without major retrofits

Sources of performance gaps:

- Design & simulation: model limitations, inaccuracies, assumptions
- Construction & commissioning: workmanship issues, material/system differences
- Operation: poorly functioning systems, mismatch with actual use

Common issue in large buildings:

- Poor control of HVAC & lighting systems
- Problems with equipment scheduling, temperature setpoints
- Simultaneous heating & cooling causing energy waste
- Solution: better commissioning for new/renovated buildings or retrocommissioning for existing ones











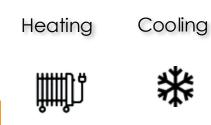






How to ensure building energy efficiency performance

Maintena nce Targets & Actions – **Technical** Systems



































- Systematic and scheduled maintenance Regular inspections and servicing of HVAC, lighting, and control systems to prevent efficiency losses
- Continuous energy monitoring & analysis Use of smart meters, IoT sensors, and Building Management Systems (BMS) for real-time data, fault detection, and benchmarking against expected performance
- Setpoint management & control strategies Regularly verify and adjust temperature, ventilation, and lighting setpoints; implement demand-controlled ventilation and adaptive control algorithms

Preventive maintenance & retro-commissioning – Early detection of faults, calibration of controls, and periodic retro-commissioning to restore performance and address system drift over time

Optimization through digital tools – Use predictive control, Al-based optimization, and Digital Twins to balance comfort, energy efficiency, and indoor climate quality

Integration of renewable energy & storage – Maximise on-site renewable energy production and apply storage solutions to reduce primary energy demand

User engagement & training – Ensure building operators and occupants understand system functions, fostering energy-conscious behaviour















What was and still is the Starting point (motivation) towards energy *Gateway management in different organization?

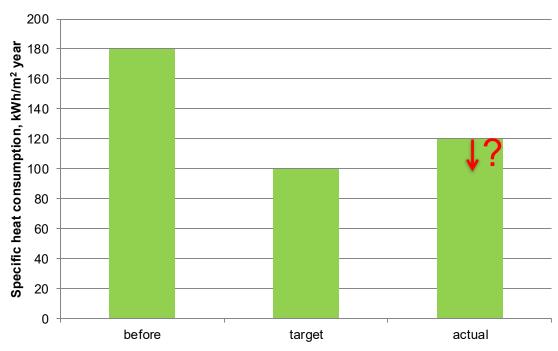
One of the reasons: Failure to reach targeted heat consumption





Grant for renovation of a public building - target values are set (kWh/m² year)



















Every big organization (municipality, university) should have an energy management system in place

- Energy management system ensures rational use of energy and reduction of energy costs
- 2. Energy management system defines clear roles and responsibilities
- 3. Certified energy management system ensures continuity















The challenges

At the building level:

- Is the building maintained as well as possible?
- Is heat consumption known? We consume a lot or average?
- Is electricity consumption known?
- Is air quality good?
- Are rooms well ventilated?
- Is lighting appropriate?
- Is system regulated so that there is less heating ensured during the weekends (if building is not used)?

Etc.

At the municipal/organization level:

- Are all buildings maintained as well as possible?
- Do we know heat consumption in each building and how it changes?
- Is electricity consumption known for each building?
- Do we know how much we pay monthly/annually for energy?
- Is air quality good in all schools and kindergartens?
 Are rooms well ventilated?
- Is lighting appropriate?
- Is system regulated so that there is less heating ensured during the weekends (if building is not used)?
- Etc.















What often happens at the building level...

- Kindergarten built in 1970-ies
- Renovated in 2015
- 120 children
- 1566 m²
- Heat consumption before renovation 206 kWh/m² year
- Heat consumption after renovation (from energy audit) – 99 kWh/m² year
- Real consumption 4 years after renovation – 180 kWh/m² year
- Building is overheated and ventilation is ensured through open windows
- Automatisation of the heating system was not connected
- Annually lost around 5000 EUR



















The role of International standard MN ISO 50001:2019: why it was made?

The ISO 50001 was designed to allow any organisation to pursue, following a systematic approach, the continuous improvement of its own energy performance, including:

- More efficient energy use and better use of the organisation's energy consuming assets
- Energy efficiency
- Reduction of energy costs

- Based on the core concept of continuously improving energy performance, the ISO 50001 standard defines and addresses the most important requirements towards energy use and consumption, including
 - measurement
 - procurement
 - documentation
 - design
 - equipment
 - processes and personnel
- All these issues can affect the energy performance of any organisation











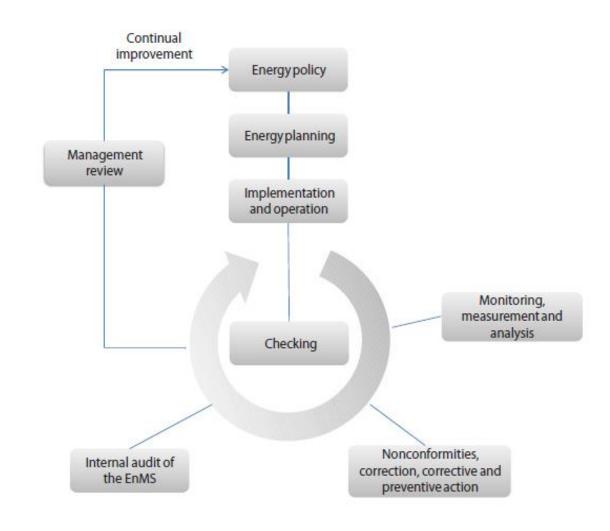




Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) approach

The ISO 50001 standard is structured according to the general Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) approach

- Plan: establish energy balances of the LA's assets, as well as define necessary objectives, targets and action plans that will improve energy performance
- Do: implement an effective energy management action plan
- Check: provide a methodological and operational approach for monitoring and analysing the energy performance of the LA
- Act: continually improve the LA's energy performance with the aim that the EnMS becomes not just a niche tool, but rather actually an integral part of the administration's Energy Policy and day-today operations









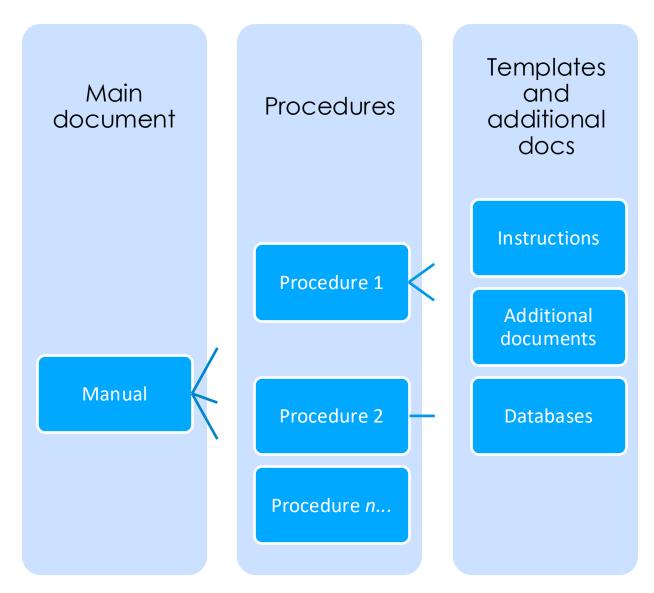








What does the EnMS look like?



- Common elements found in many other ISO management system standards
- Organisation is given some degree of flexibility in how it actually implements the EnMS
- This flexibility helps make EnMS to be a so-called "organic system" made up of documents, processes, people, physical and organisational boundaries, energy objectives and targets

Documentation of an EnMS











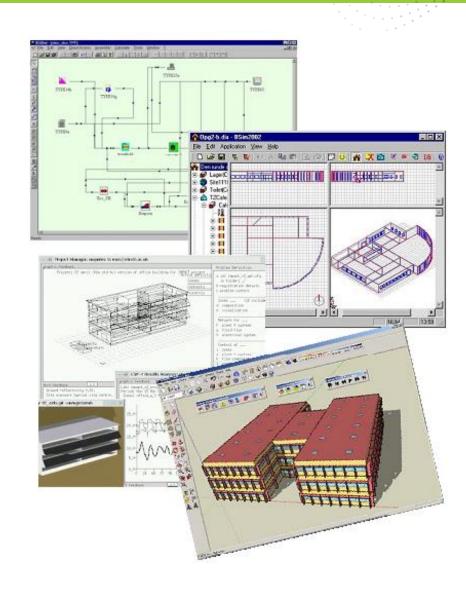




How to operate energy management system?

Operating an Energy Management System (EnMS) in a bigger organization

- Governance: assign energy manager/team, set clear roles
- Targets: define savings & CO₂ reduction goals (ISO 50001)
- Monitoring: sub-metering, BMS, real-time data
- Optimization: adjust HVAC & lighting schedules, lab systems
- Maintenance: regular & predictive servicing
- **Engagement:** train staff, involve students, awareness actions
- Improvement: audits, retro-commissioning, integrate renewables



















Thank you!











