





"European Energy Efficiency Directives – Tools and Recommendations for Regions and Cities"

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Policy makers from 5 European regions learned from Europe's greenest city Växjö

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Seeing is believing!
Regional cooperation is key for sustainable energy in EU











Policy Maker Exchange – 30 mayors from 5 European countries learned from Växjö









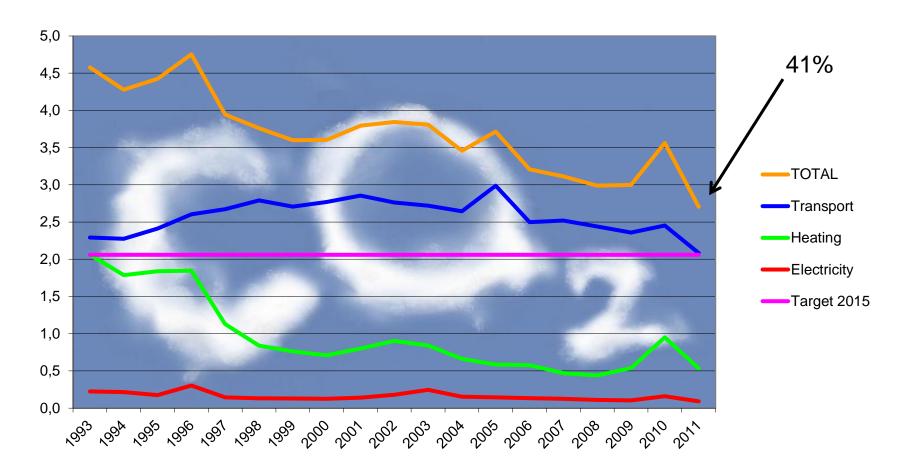








CO₂ emissions in Växjö, tons per capita













Combined heat and power production with district heating is a very energy efficient way to use energy.

And it smells just like a sauna.







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- > Regional and local energy policy is an important fundament for change towards sustainability
- ➤ Exchange between regions boosts progress take the best practice from each region
- ➤ Giving local authorities and their citizens the opportunity to make climate smart choices is a key for the future.
- ➤ The consequences for mankind will be terrifying if we are not able to stop climate change. It is time to think global and act local.

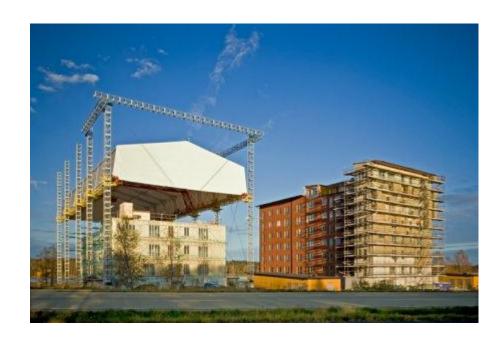








Energy efficient wooden houses











The visiting mayors had questions such as:

- ➤ How did the city finance the biomass cogeneration plant and a Distric Heating grid and the Cooling grid?
- > What kind of contracts have been negotiated with local biomass suppliers?
- Did the projects face opposition?
- ➤ How do I set up a database for energy & CO2 balancing?
- ➤ How come all political parties agree on this politic? How could you agree unanimously on the environmental goals?























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