

Welcome

to ARC

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Program

ARC and circular economy

Development projects

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ARC manages a societal problem

Danes produces 5 million tonnes of waste every year (= 860 kg/year/person)



The Waste Hierarchy

We aim to move waste
upwards in the hierarchy



Ownership

- Dragør
- Frederiksberg
- Hvidovre
- Copenhagen
- Tårnby

Waste from:
645,000 citizens and 68,000
companies

(1.1.2020)

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All about waste

- Recycling centres
- Local recycling centres
- Transshipment
- Sorting plant
- SMOKA
- Safe landfill
- Waste collection
- Waste to energy



ARC in numbers

Revenue in 2020: **1,077,466,000 DKK**
(144,790,000 €)

Waste quantities at recycling centres in
2020: **108,415 tonnes**

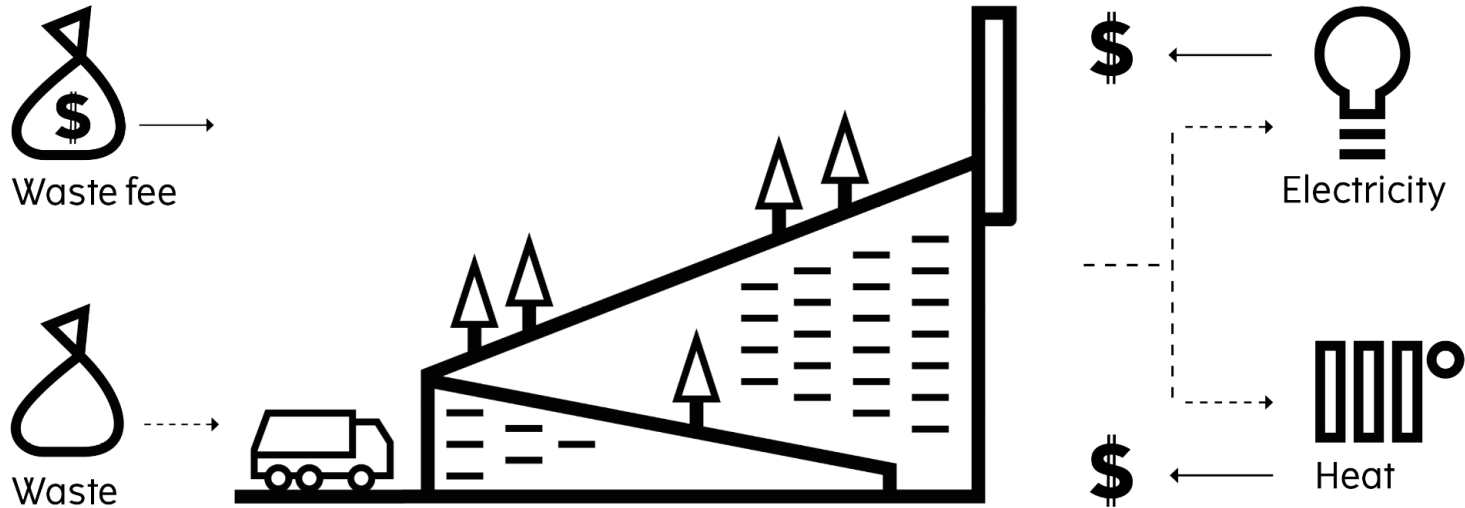
Recycling centres: **10**

Local recycling centres: **7**

Employees in 2020: **255**



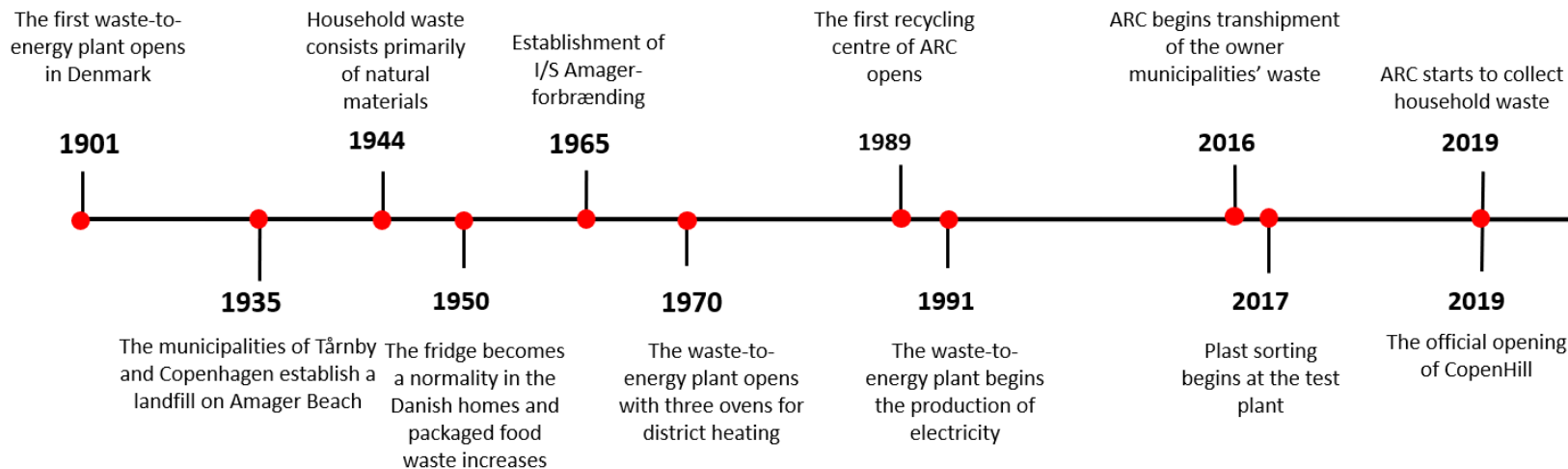
Energy production and waste fees



Supply and demand

When the price on electricity decreases, the municipalities have to increase the waste fees to secure a break-even.

From waste to resource



ARC collection

**Collects waste in Dragør
and Tårnby from 2019**

**Started collection of waste in
Copenhagen from 2022**



Recycling centres

- 1 million costumers every year
- 108,415 tonnes of waste
- Sorting in more than 35 fractions
- Increased focus on reuse



Sydhavn Recycling centre

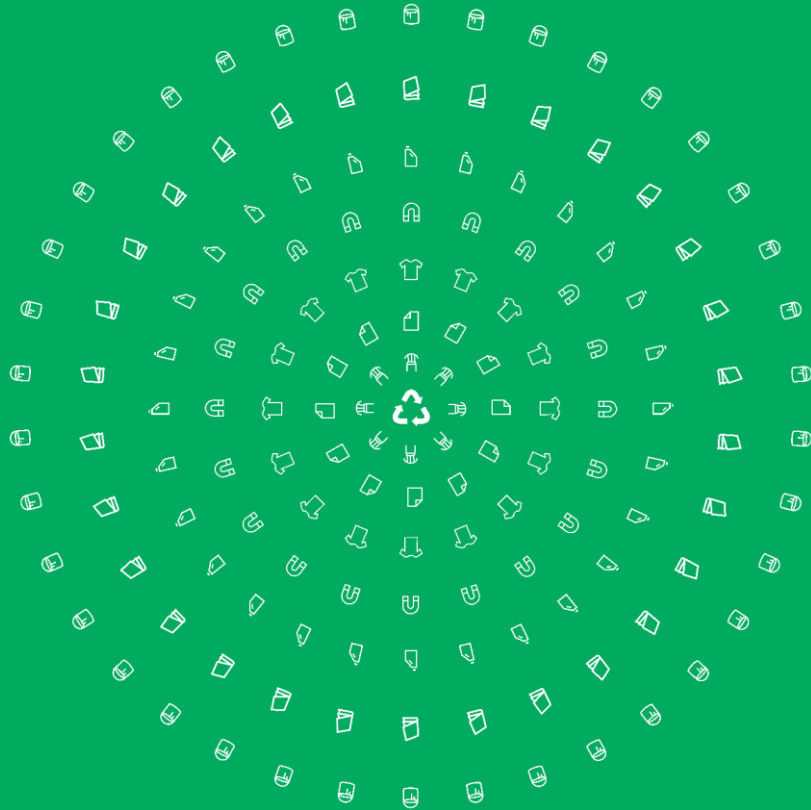
- New concept with increased focus on reuse
- Constructed in recycled concrete
- Thrift shop
- TestLab and workshop



Everything to be sorted

Out phasing residual waste

- Less waste for incineration
- We still have something left; not everything can be sorted (rugs, diapers, pizza boxes, etc)



Transshipment

Tranships owner municipality waste for recycling. 11,250 tonnes every year

- Appliances
- Electronics
- Metal
- Glass
- Plastic



Sorting plant

Partnership for Circular Food Trays

- Seven tonnes of collected PET-plastic will be converted into 400,000 of new plastic trays
- Experiment to close the cycle of food trays
- Cooperation with partners from different parts of the recycling chain



Sorting plant

Holy Grail 2.0

- Digital water marks
- Ensures better recycling
- Producer responsibility on packaging from 2025



SMOKA

Handles 10,000 tonnes of hazardous waste every year from:

- 1.5 million citizens
- 90,000 companies

Types of hazardous waste:

- Chemicals
- Paint
- Batteries



AV Environment

Safe landfill with less environmental impact

- No organic materials
- Very little methane
- Membrane collecting 95% of the gasses
- Polluted concrete, soil, asbestos and other non-hazardous materials, that cannot be recycled or used for energy

2% of the waste ARC handles ends up at a landfill, until we can find safe measures to treat the waste



Amager Bakke

One of the best waste-to-energy plants in the world

Vision

High environment and energy profile

Modern and flexible energy production

An integrated part of the city



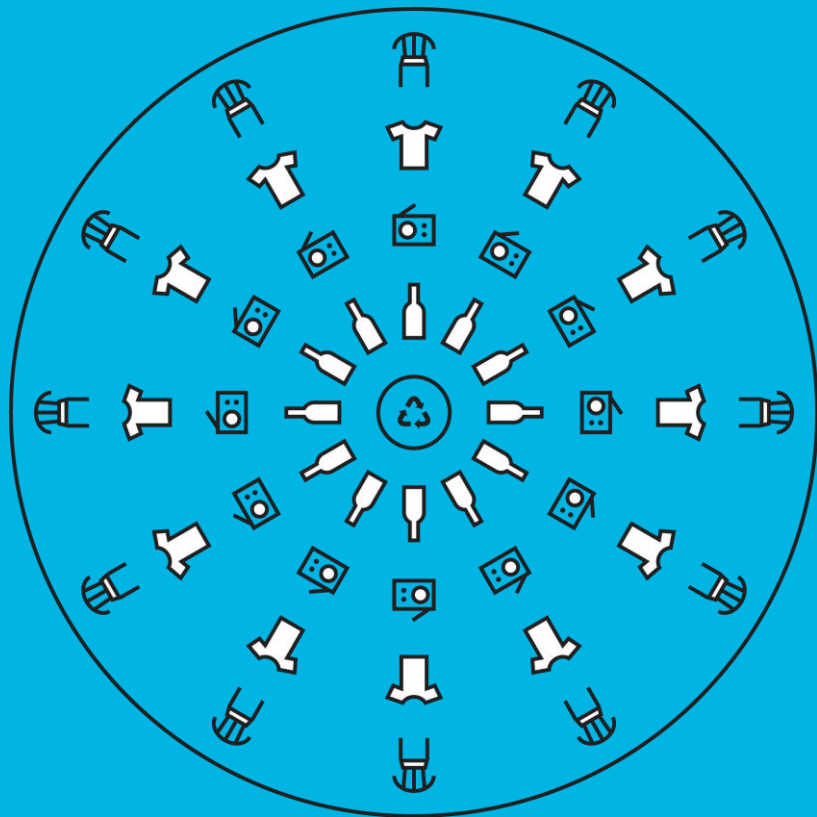
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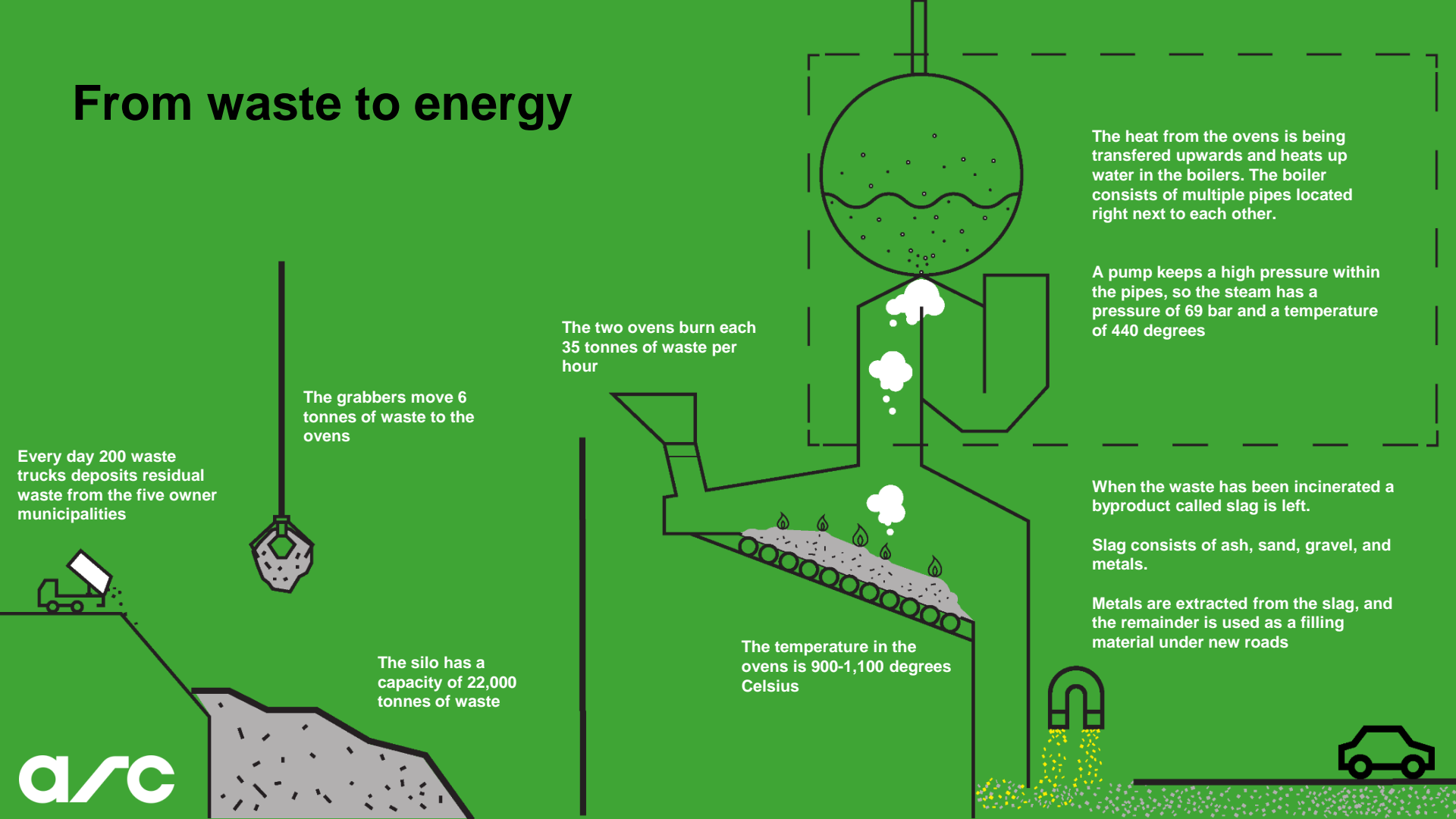
Why do we talk about waste-to-energy in the circular economy?

The waste not suitable for reuse or recycling needs to end up somewhere

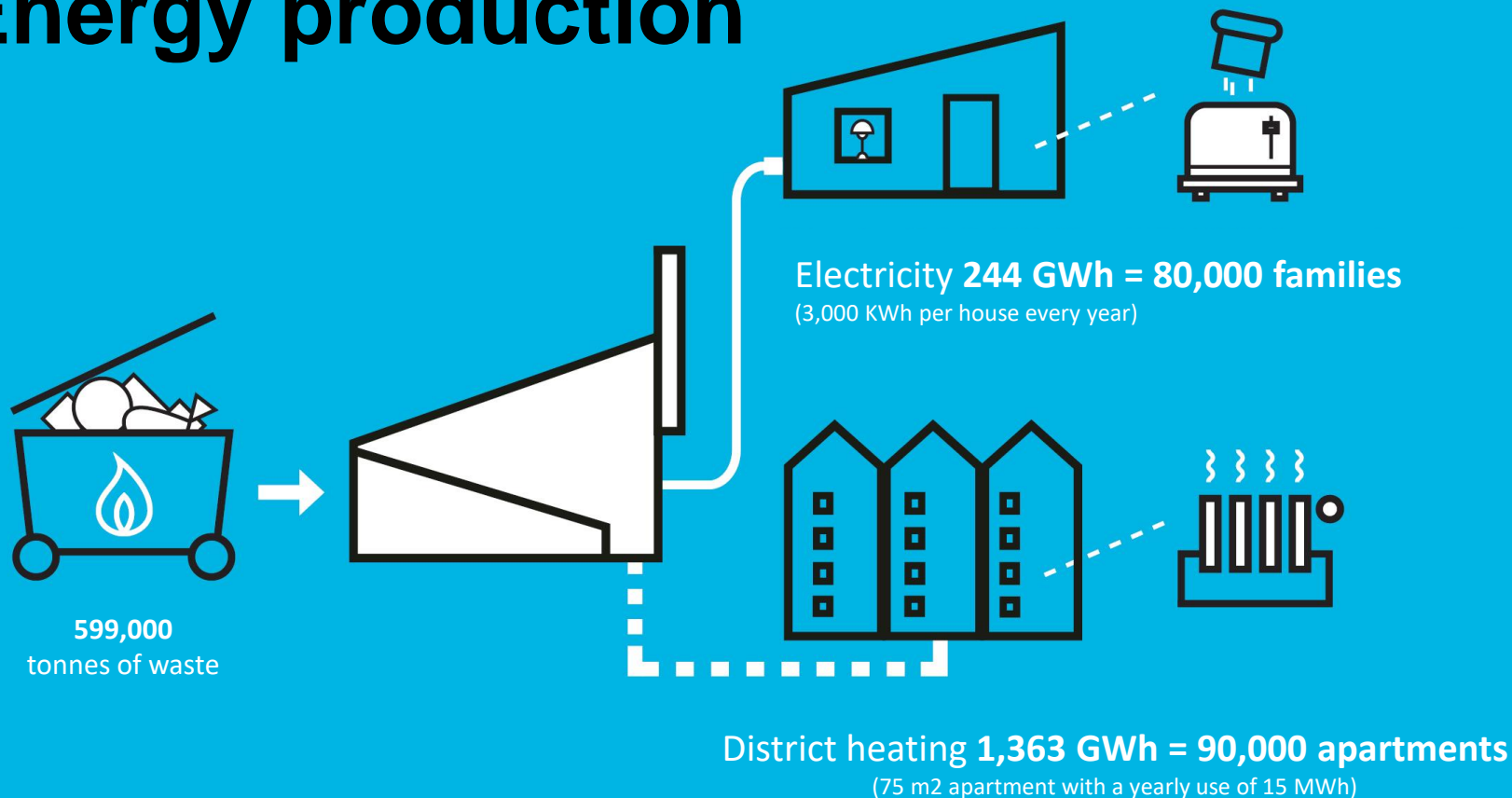
- We avoid big landfills and in terms of green house gas-emissions combustion is better than landfill
- Combustion is hygienic
- Diapers, waste from hospitals, cat litter and pizza trays cannot be recycled
- Produces electricity and heat
- **Replaces fossil fuels!**



From waste to energy



Energy production



Production and energy sale in 2020

- Weighed amount: **599,000 tonnes**
- **20%** increase compared to 2019
- Number of waste trucks: **67,000**
- Total energy production: **1,607 (GWh)**



Slag

17-20% of waste cannot burn

This amounts to 80,000 tonnes of slag each year

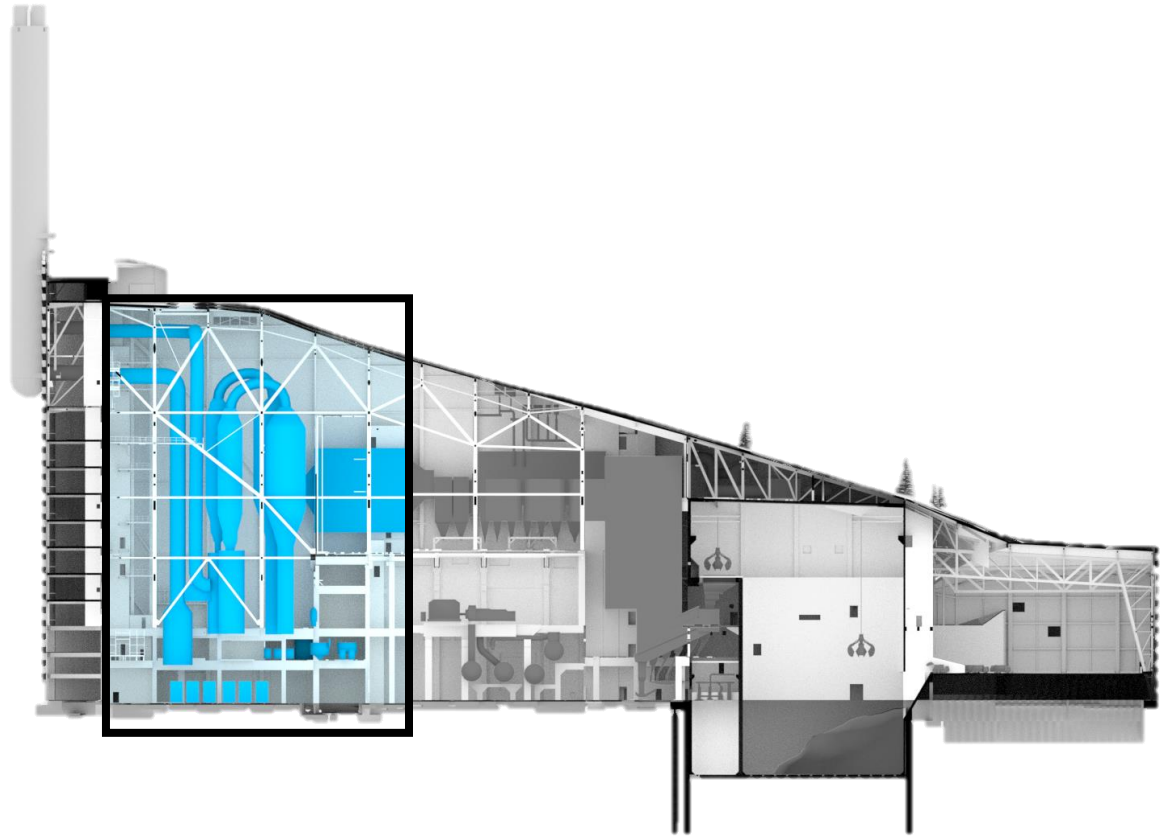
5,500 tonnes of metal is extracted every year

27 kg of gold every year

The rest of the slag is left for treatment and is used for road filling underneath asphalt



Effective flue-gas treatment



Effective flue-gas treatment

after the flue-gas has heated up the boilers

First, an electric filter removes fly-ash and dust particles in the flue-gas



Then the harmful NO_x is neutralized by adding ammonia



In scrubber 1 the flue-gas is washed to remove hydrochloric acid and mercury



In scrubber 2 sulphur dioxide is removed by using lime



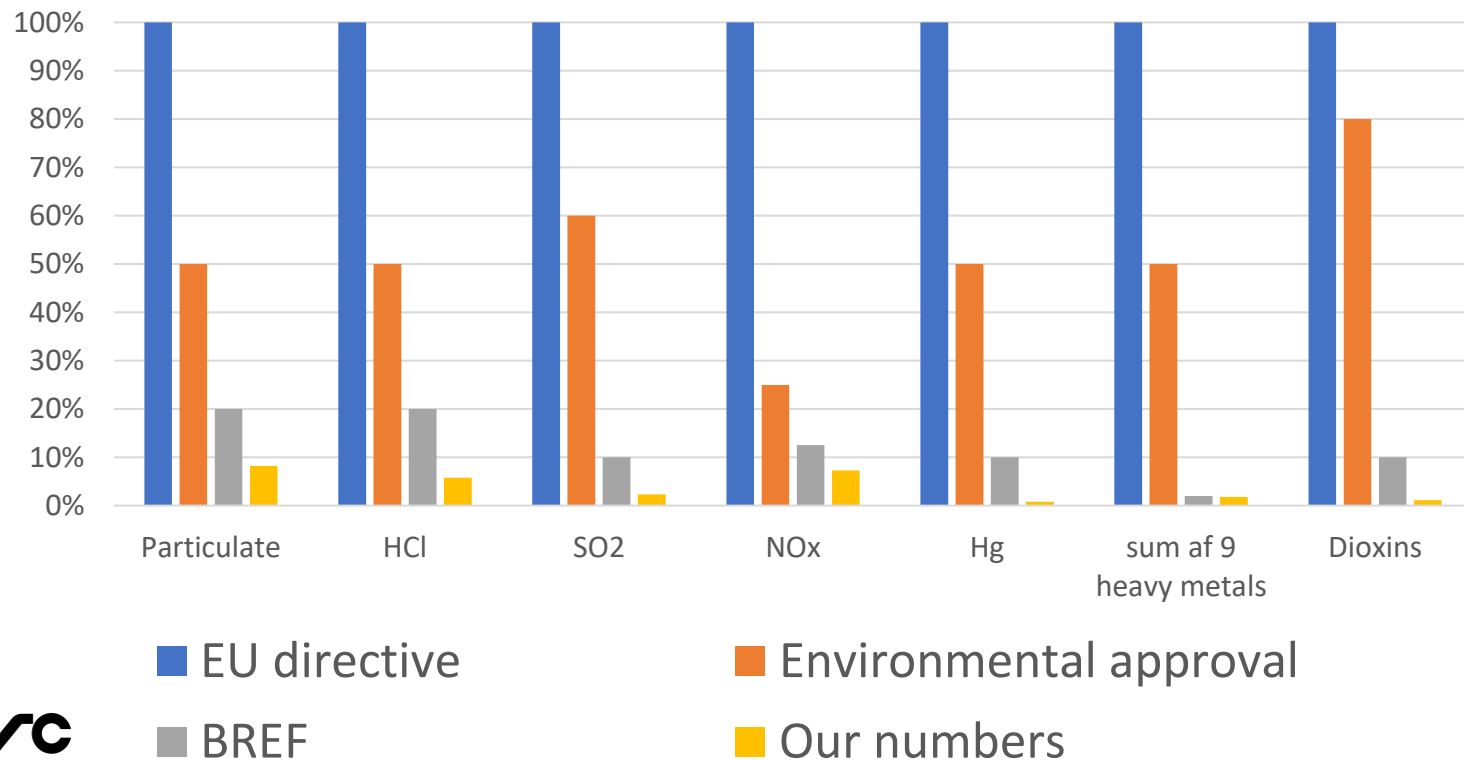
The last step is a wet dust filter removing the remaining particles before the flue-gas is released through the stack



In scrubber 3 activated Carbon is added to remove dioxins and the remaining mercury



Effective flue-gas treatment



Emissions from the stag

Parameter	Unit	EU Directive	Environmental approval	BREF-dokument	Our numbers
Dust particles	mg/m ³	10	5	2-5	0.82
Hydrochloric acid (HCl)	mg/m ³	10	5	2-6	0.58
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	mg/m ³	50	30	5-20	1.16
NOx	mg/m ³	400	100	50-120	14.65
Mercury (Hg)	mg/m ³	0.05	0.025	0.005-0.020	0.0004
Sum of 9 metals	mg/m ³	0.5	0.25	0.01-0.03	0.009
Dioxins	ng/m ³	0.1	0.08	0.01-0.06	0.0015

Carbon Capture at Amager Bakke

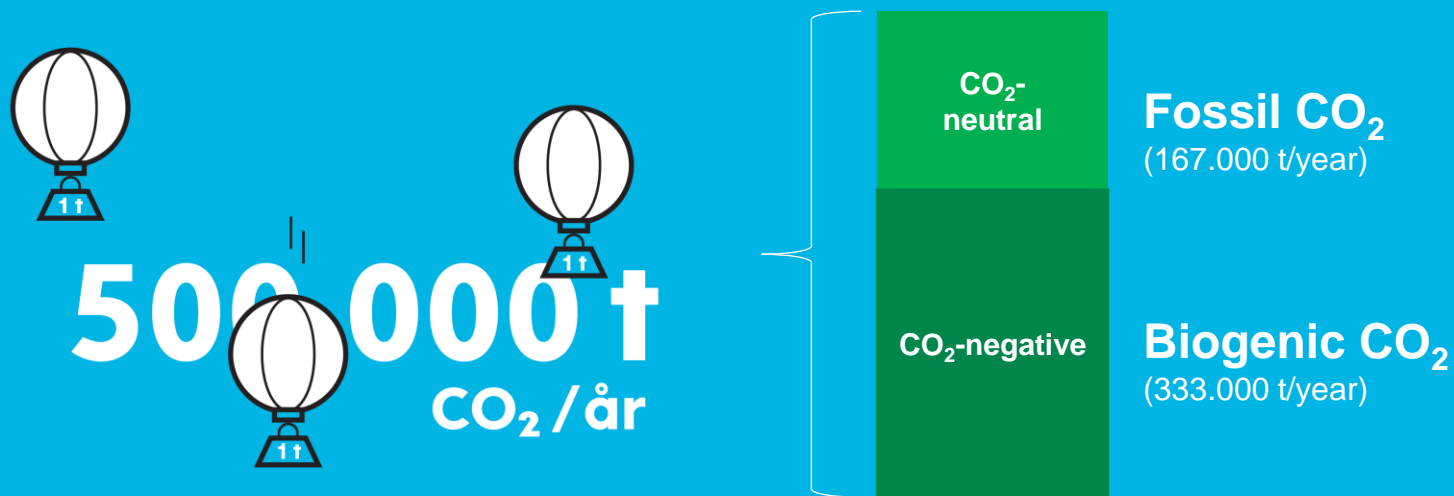
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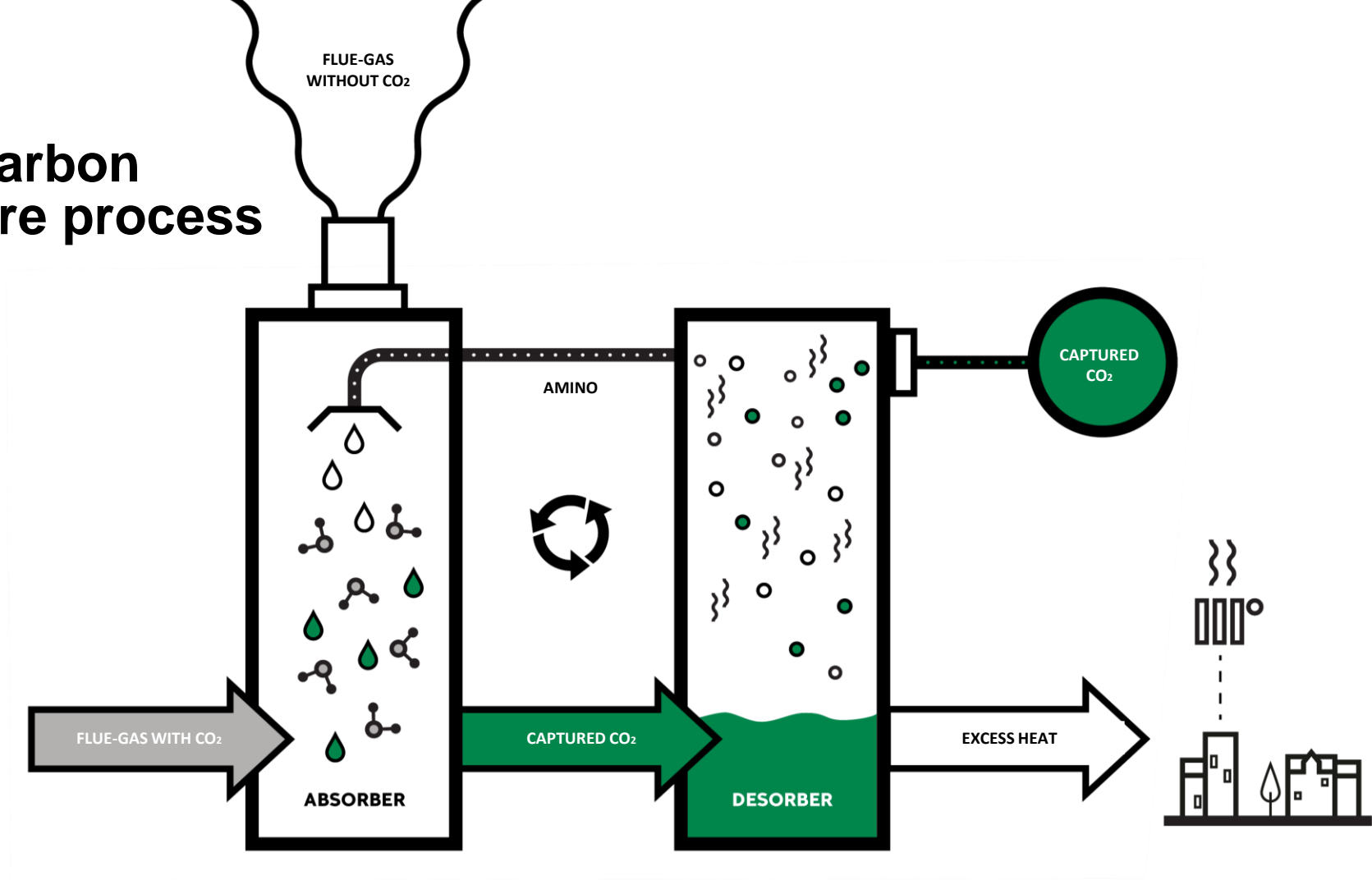
- Carbon capture is crucial to accomplish national and international goals
- Financing: High CO₂-fee and/or support
- Possibility of success in Denmark
 - Research and innovation
 - Green initiatives
 - CO₂ reductions

The potential of carbon capture



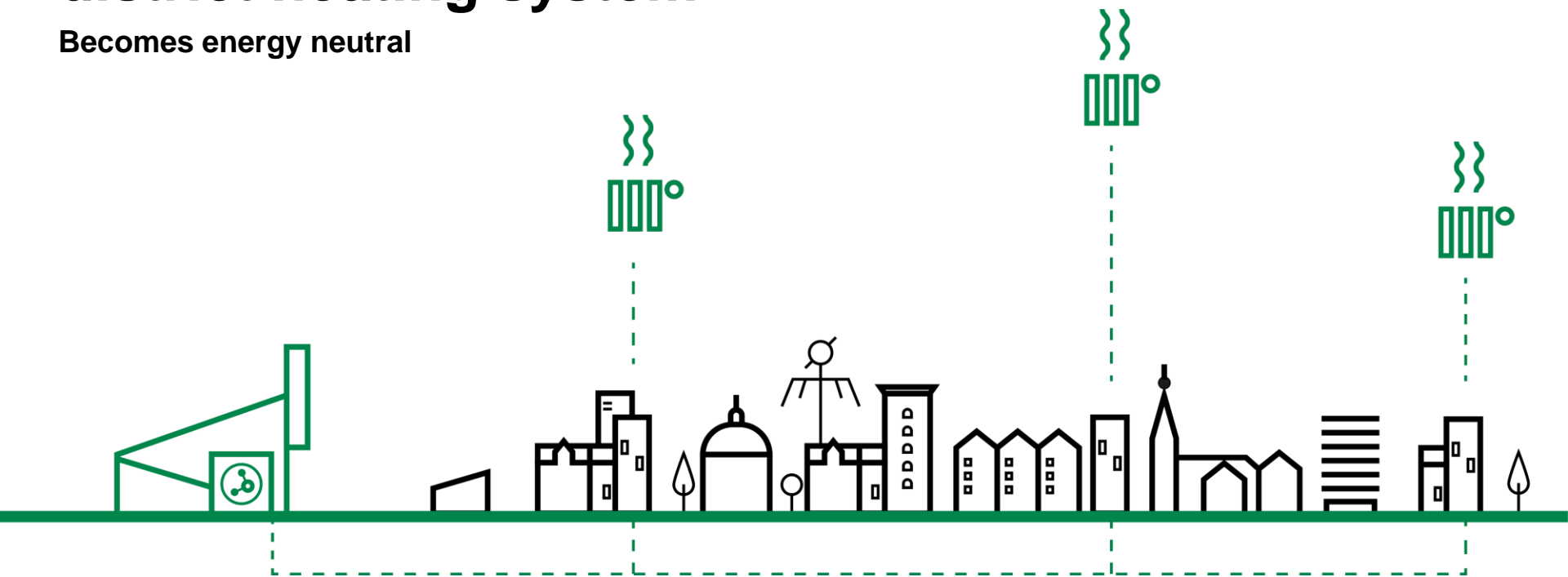
The carbon capture process

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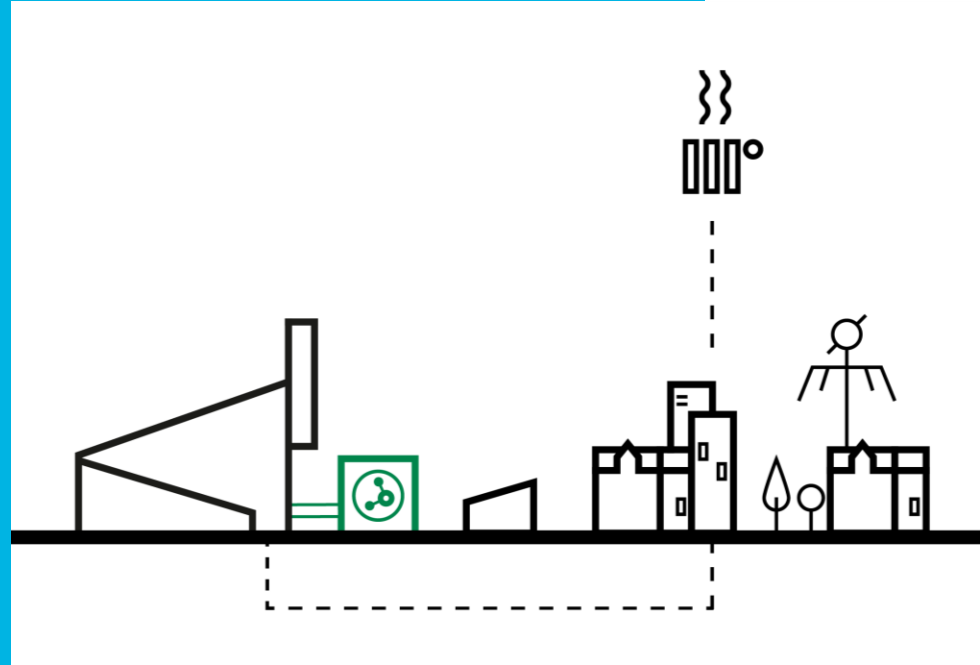
Excess heating used in the district heating system

Becomes energy neutral

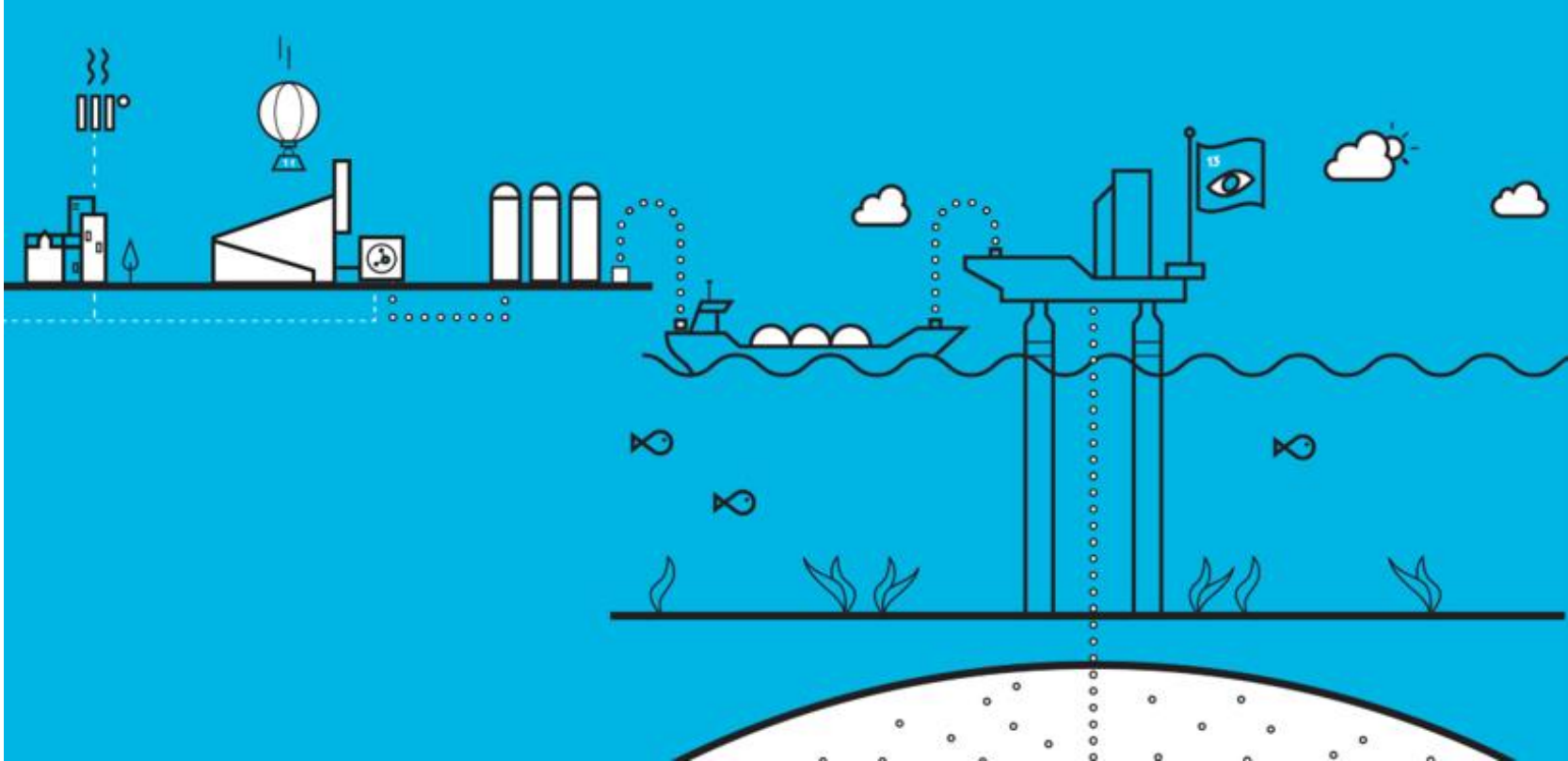


500,000 tonnes of CO₂

with the full scale plant



The value chain



Thank you for your attention!

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