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The η -Factory – An interdisciplinary learning factory approach to boost the energy performance of production

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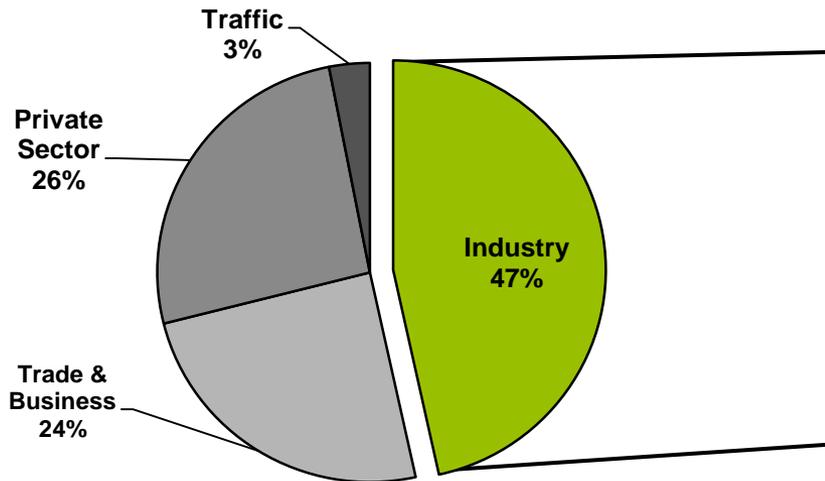
Facts and Figures of energy consumption in industry



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Electr. Power Demand Germany 2011

Total consumption 540,8 Mrd. kWh



Saving Potential

20 - 40% of the electrical power is lost as heat, this corresponds to 5 - 10 Mrd. € per year

Source: AG Energiebilanzen und VDI Nachrichten Nr.39/2012

Saving Strategies

System Design



Intelligent interaction of Machines, Building and Technical Building services

Machines



Optimization of Machines and research of innovative processes

User behaviour



Training of personell and staff

Waste heat in Manufacturing environments

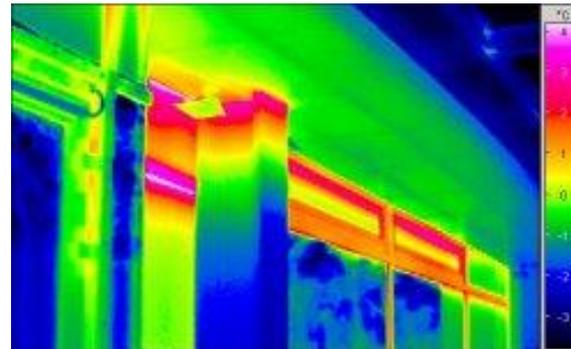


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Building

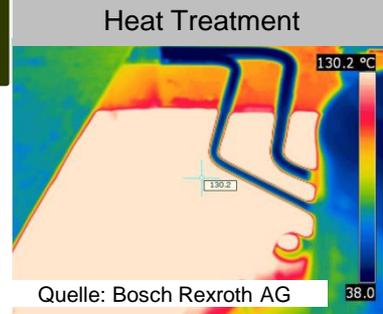


Quelle: brb bauen

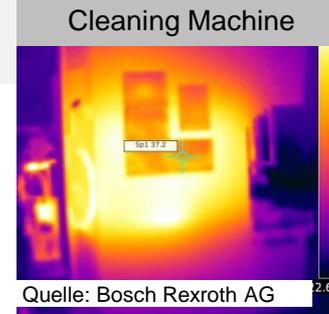


- Insulation
- Re-Use

Process Chain/ Machines



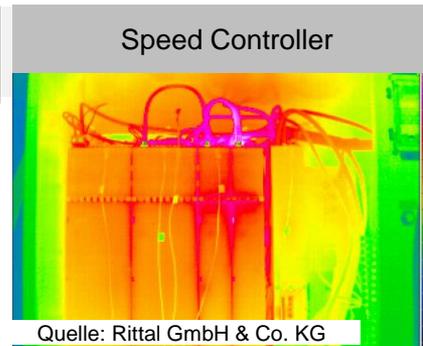
Quelle: Bosch Rexroth AG



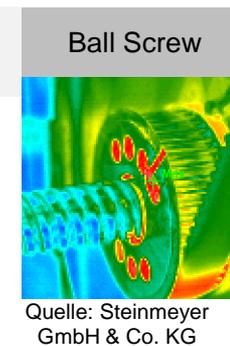
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- Energetic Interaction

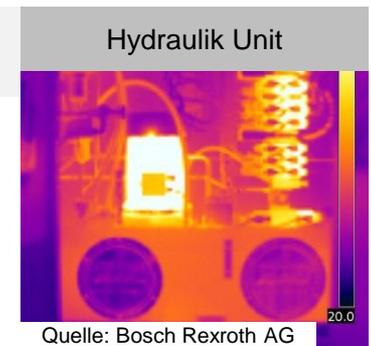
Machine Components



Quelle: Rittal GmbH & Co. KG



Quelle: Steinmeyer GmbH & Co. KG



Quelle: Bosch Rexroth AG

The Challenge: Holistic increase of energy efficiency



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Today: Optimization of subsystems within their system boundaries

Subsystem Building



Quelle: Prof. Dipl.-Ing. J. Eisele

Subsystem Technical Infrastructure



Subsystem Machine



Total energy
saving
potential
limited on the
Subsystems



Our vision: Holistic factory optimization including all subsystems



High saving
potential by
realization of
energy
networks

Interaction of:

- **Machines**
- **Process chains**
- **Buildings**

**Synergies by energy-controlling
and recovery measures**

The idea behind the model project η -FACTORY



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- **Establishing a research and training center in the middle of Campus**
- **Developing an interdisciplinary approach for reducing CO₂ emissions (Including research in architecture and civil engineering)**
- **Involvement of industry from the beginning of the concept phase**
- **Educational integration of energy efficiency, training concepts**



- **International notable lighthouse project**
- **Source for innovation and technology development**

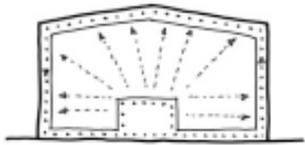


Fields of Innovation in η -FACTORY



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Energetic interaction

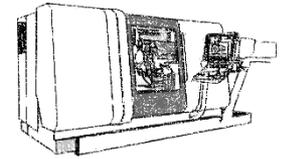


- Energy exchange between building and machines
- Energy network between all energy sources and sinks

source:
F. Lang – EuB TU Darmstadt

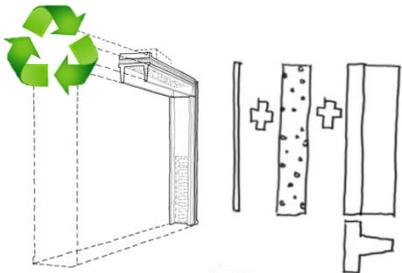
Efficient Production

- Energy efficient equipment
- Energy efficient production scheduling



Recyclability

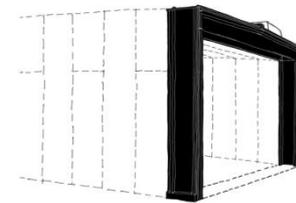
- single-material cladding construction



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Changeability

- Modular and flexible Building construction



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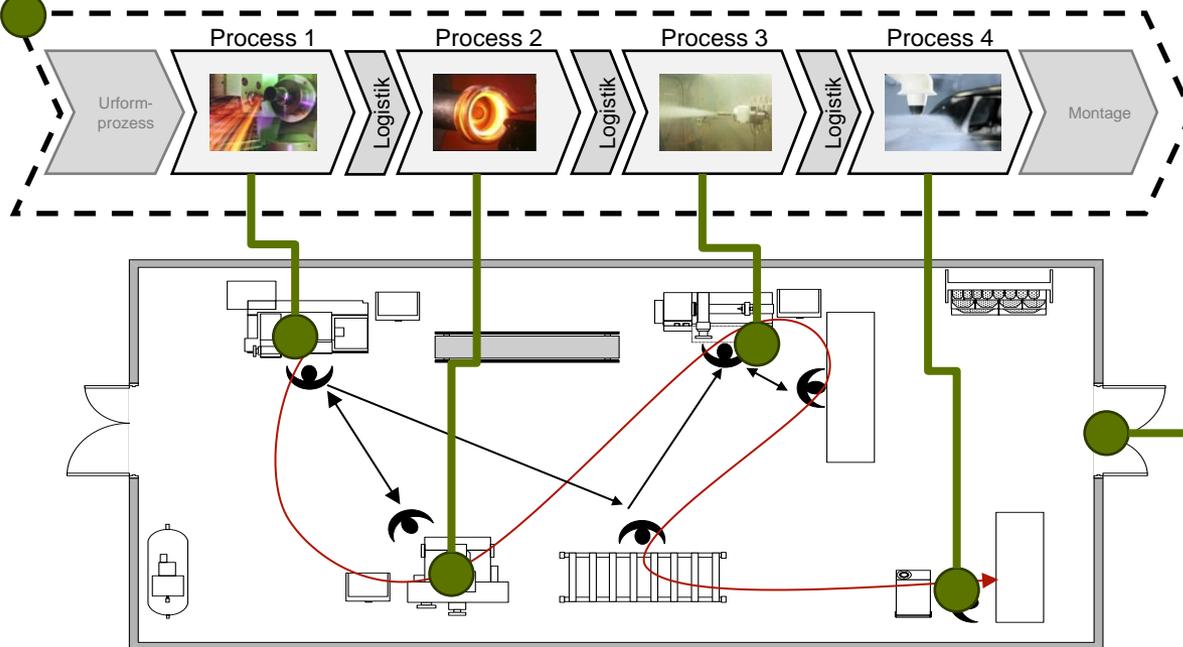
The η -FACTORY concept:



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Construction of a real existing process chain for practice-oriented, interdisciplinary research to different topics of energy and resource efficient production

Installation of a new research building for the integration of the process chain and the realization of experiments about the interaction between processes and buildings



Development of a training concept to transfer the research results into **practice**

Project structure



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Subproject 1

The virtual energy efficient factory



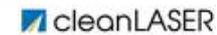
Subproject 2

Energy controlling and energy management



Subproject 3

Energy efficient part cleaning



Subproject 4

Energy resource efficient heat treatment



Subproject 5

Energy efficient machining processes



Subproject 6

Flywheel mass battery



Subproject 7

Thermal interaction between building, infrastructure and production machines



Subproject 8

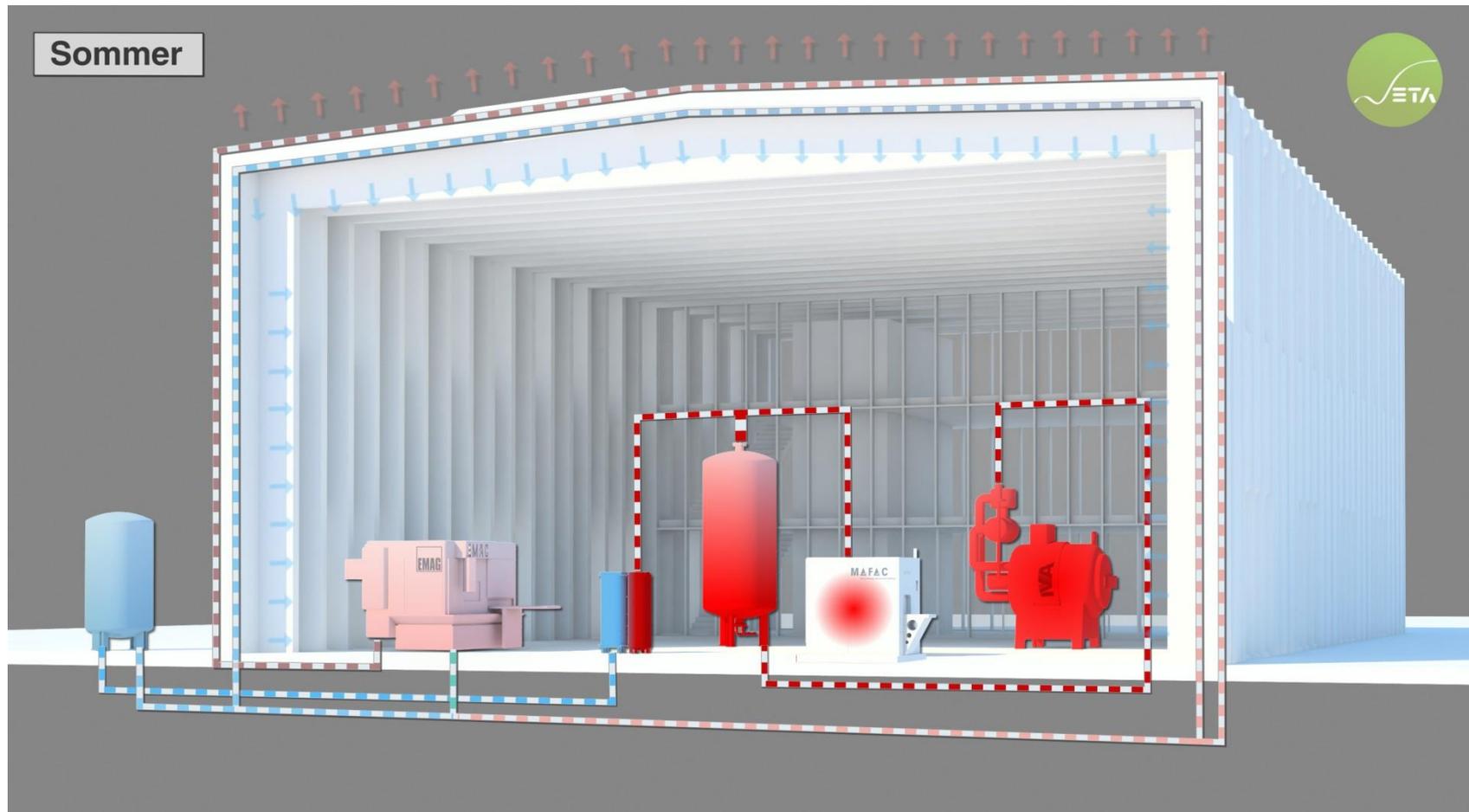
Energy efficient Building



Energy flows and energy recovery in the η -Factory



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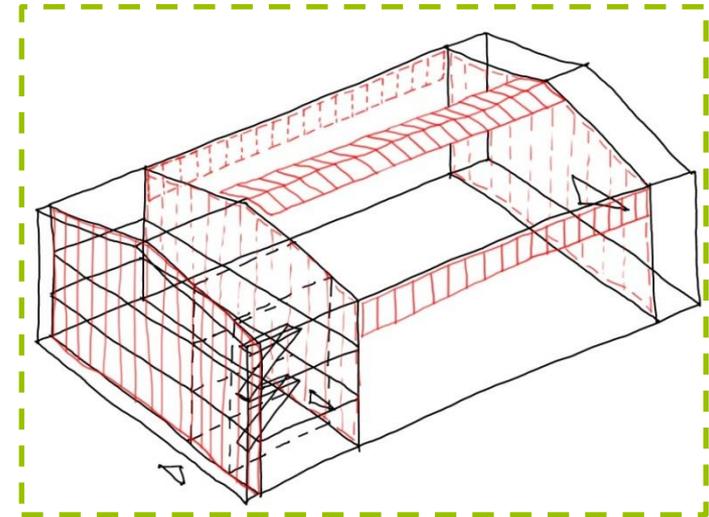
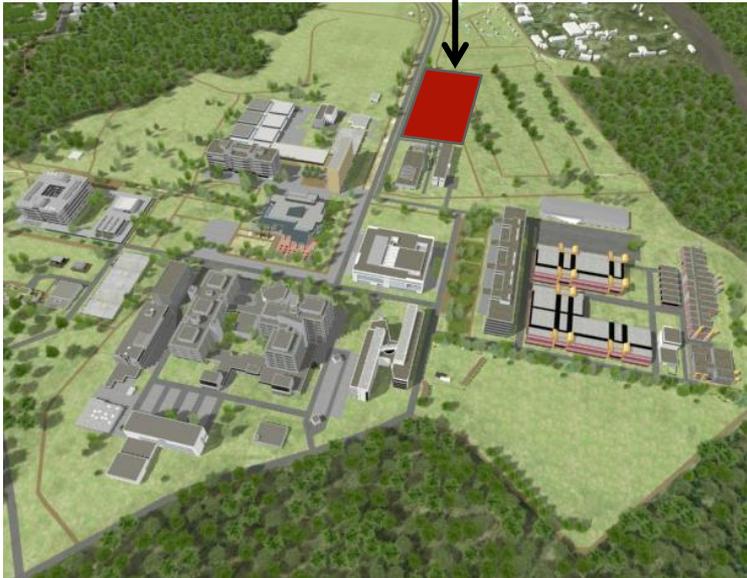


Realisation of the η -Factory at TU Darmstadt



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Future position of
the η -Factory



- Dimensions:
45,80 m x 23,00 m x 12,00 m
(length x width x height)
- shop floor: 650m²
- office area: 650 m²



How to present Energy-Efficiency in a Learning factory?

Energy

- ✘ how to measure Energy? (frequency, sensors, measuring points)
- ✘ has different forms (electrical, thermal, chemical, etc.)
- ✘ can be dangerous
- ✘ is used by many consumers in the factory (machines, peripheral systems)

Efficiency

- ✘ criterias are hard to define
- ✘ is difficult to quantify
- ✘ is challenging to visualize

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Target Audience



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Industry

- Factory & Production Planners
- Managers
- Controllers
- Energy Managers
- Machine Designers



Technical Planners

- Architecture
- Heating & Climatization
- Energy Networks
- Pressurized Air

picture source: tab Fachmagazin TGA



University Students

- Bachelor
„raise enthusiasm“
- Master
„deepen knowledge“



General Visitors

- Politicians
- Association Members
- Funding Parties

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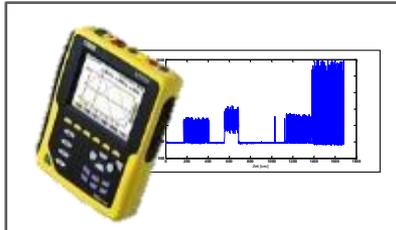
Training Modules



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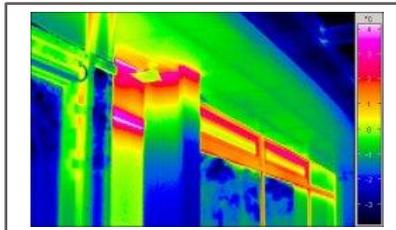
training module

topics



Energy Flows in Factories

- Measuring Equipment and Installation of Sensors for different Energy forms
- Measuring Strategies (measuring points, accuracy, time resolution, duration)
- Visualization and Monitoring of Energy Flows



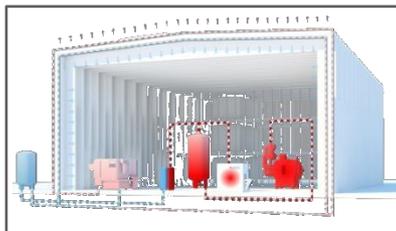
Assessment of Energy Efficiency Potentials

- Interpretation of Energy Measurement Data
- Methods for Identifying and Quantifying Energy Efficiency Potentials
- Key Performance Indicators for Assessing and Tracking the Energy Consumption and Efficiency



Levers to Increase Energy Efficiency

- Technical Levers
(Improvement of machines and components, usage of alternative manufacturing technologies)
- Organizational Levers
(establishing organizational structures, influencing user behaviour)



Design of Energy Networks

- Linkage of Energy Sinks and Sources
- Storage and Re-use of different Energy Forms
- Conversion of Energy, e.g. heat to cold
- Control Strategies for Energy Flows

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Training Means



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„The Way to Energy Efficiency“



Lectures

Oral Presentations

Powerpoint

Video Clips & Animations

Live Data (Machines, Building)



Learning Cells

Posters

Touchscreen Learning PCs

Exhibits

Augmented Reality Overlays



Workshops

Brainstormings

Technology Analyses

Quality Function Deployment (QFD)

Business Cases

Thermographic Analyses

Interactive Simulations

Educational Games



Guides

Handouts

Books

Tablet/Smartphone App

* QR-Code / NFC spots in the factory

* Augmented Reality feature

Hearing & Reading
Seeing & Feeling
Thinking & Speaking
Doing
Recapitulation

Knowledge

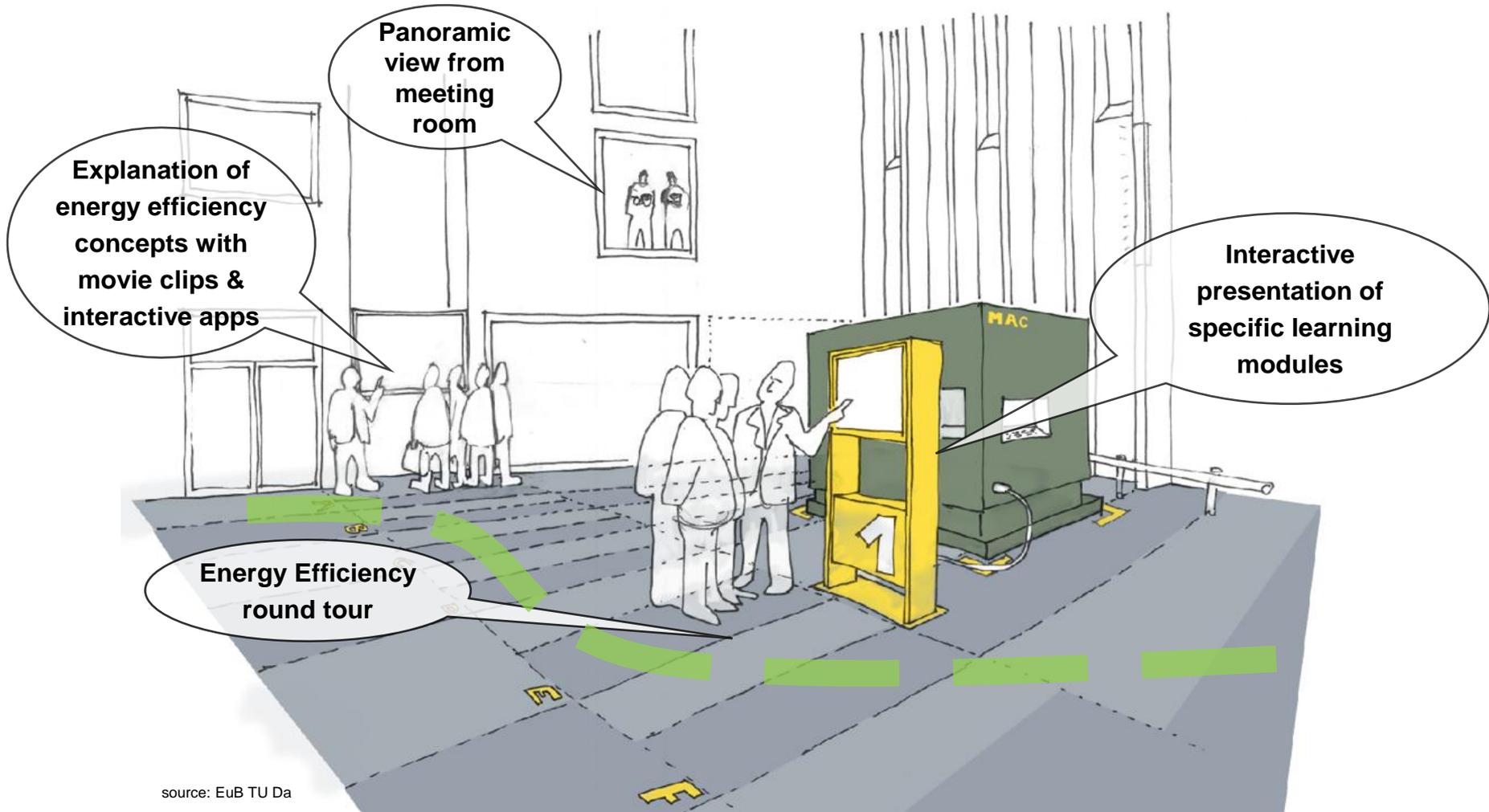
Implementation

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Example of presentation techniques



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