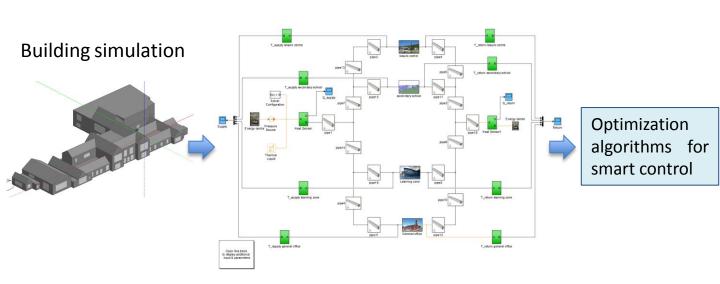
## **Key Facts and Research Gap**

- Building sector is responsible for 40% of energy consumption in Europe (Grözinger, 2014)
- DHC is a good solution to present energy and environmental issues (Rezaie, 2011)
- DHC does not receive large-scale worldwide acceptance
- Optimization is the most effective way to improve the performance of DHC networks (Powell, 2013)

## **Research Questions**

- What is DHC system? What is the next generation of DHC system?
- What is the dynamic variation of heat loss in DHC? How to improve the efficiency of the system?
- How to reduce carbon emission from DHC systems?
- How to integrate renewable and surplus energy into DHC?
- How to migrate existing DHC into smart DHC generation?



## **Research Methodology**

- Literature review
- Energy modeling
  - Building simulation
  - District level simulation
- Optimization based on algorithms

## **Research outputs**

- Knowledge on 100% sustainable energy DHC system
- Smart DHC with intelligent control
- Optimization DHC towards the next generation

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