

# Energy Policies in Luxembourg

ASSESSING THEIR IMPACT ON HOUSEHOLDS' SPACE HEATING  
ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS



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# 1. Goal of the paper

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The Luxembourgish residential sector :

- accounts for a major part of the energy consumption

- is a cost-effective way for energy savings and carbon dioxide mitigation

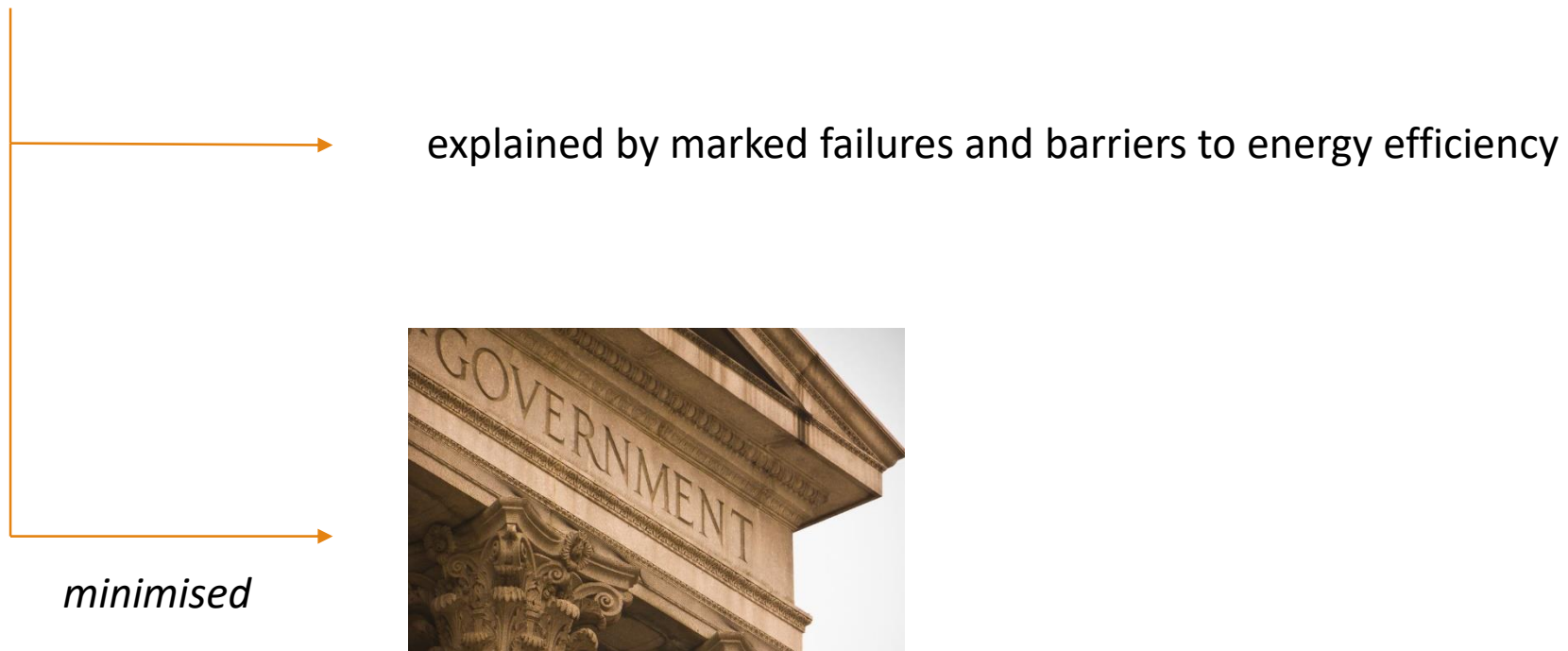


key in achieving the national energy targets

# 1. Goal of the paper

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energy-efficiency gap = cost-effective energy efficiency measures – actually implemented measures



# 1. Goal of the Paper

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Find the policy, resp. policy combination, with the greatest mitigation effect on residential :

- A. space heating energy consumption
- B. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



## 2. Model features

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A modified version of the French dynamic simulation model Res-IRF is used.



hybrid energy-economy model



- Updated
- Refined
- Adapted to the Luxembourgish territory's specificities and the disposable national data

## 2. Model features

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$$E_{fin}(\tau) = S(\tau) \cdot \rho \cdot F$$

Effectively needed energy for residential space heating

Building stock

Theoretically needed energy

Adjustment factor

## 2. Model features

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$$E_{fin}(\tau) = S(\tau) \cdot \rho \cdot F$$

Building stock

|                | 1. Existing buildings                 | 2. New constructions                  |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Energy classes | $E = \{I, \dots, B, A\}$<br>$e \in E$ | $N = \{B, A, ZEB, PEB\}$<br>$n \in N$ |

$$E_{fin}(\tau) = \sum_{k \in E \cup N} S_k(\tau) \cdot \rho \cdot F$$



## 2. Model features

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The building stock  $S(\tau)_{k \in EU_N}$  is dynamic



a part of the non-destroyed existing stock is retrofitted

newly constructed stock grows

## 2. Model features

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| 1. Existing buildings  | 2. New constructions   |
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| a) <b>IF</b> proportion of retrofits of energy class $e$ buildings is determined   | a) <b>IF</b> the number of new constructions is determined   |
| b) Proportion of retrofits from energy class $i$ to $f$ :<br>$PR_{e,f}(\tau) = \frac{LCC_{e,f}^{-\nu}(\tau)}{\sum_{h>e} LCC_{e,h}^{-\nu}(\tau)}$ | b) Proportion of new constructions of energy class $n$ :<br>$PRN_n(\tau) = \frac{LCCN_n^{-\nu}(\tau)}{\sum_k LCCN_k^{-\nu}(\tau)}$ |

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$$PR_{e,f}(\tau) = \frac{LCC_{e,f}^{-\nu}(\tau)}{\sum_{h>e} LCC_{e,h}^{-\nu}(\tau)}$$

$$PRN_n(\tau) = \frac{LCCN_n^{-\nu}(\tau)}{\sum_k LCCN_k^{-\nu}(\tau)}$$

« $-\nu$ » is a measure of market heterogeneity (barrier):

- high values of  $\nu$  - describe a homogeneous market
- low values of  $\nu$  - describe a more heterogeneous market

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$$E_{fin}(\tau) = \sum_{k \in EUN} S_k(\tau) \cdot \rho_k \cdot F_k$$

Theoretically needed energy (in  $kWh_{fs}/m^2/year$ )

Adjustment factor =  $\frac{\text{effectively needed energy}}{\text{theoretically needed energy}}$

# 3. Extended empirical study

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Adjustment factor :

$F_k$



$F_{k,c,p,D}$

$k$  : energy class

$D$  : socio-economic variables, e.g. households' income or occupancy status

$c$  : energy carrier

$p$  : energy price

# 4. Evaluated policies

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| Applied   | Estimated                               |
|---|---|
| Credits at Reduced Interest Rate  | Credits at Zero Interest Rate           |
| Energy Tax  | Carbon Tax                              |
| Energy Performance Requirements for New Buildings   | Remediation Duty for Existing Buildings |
| Grants for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• insulation measures on existing dwellings,</li><li>• green building,</li><li>• sustainable heating systems.</li></ul> |   |

Thank you very much for your attention!

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