

# ENCOURAGE Project

A distributed platform for an efficient energy management in the residential and tertiary context



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## ▶ Embedded iNtelligent COntrols for bUildings with Renewable generAtion and storaGE

- ▶ Artemis call 2010
- ▶ Start date: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, 36 months project
- ▶ Partners:





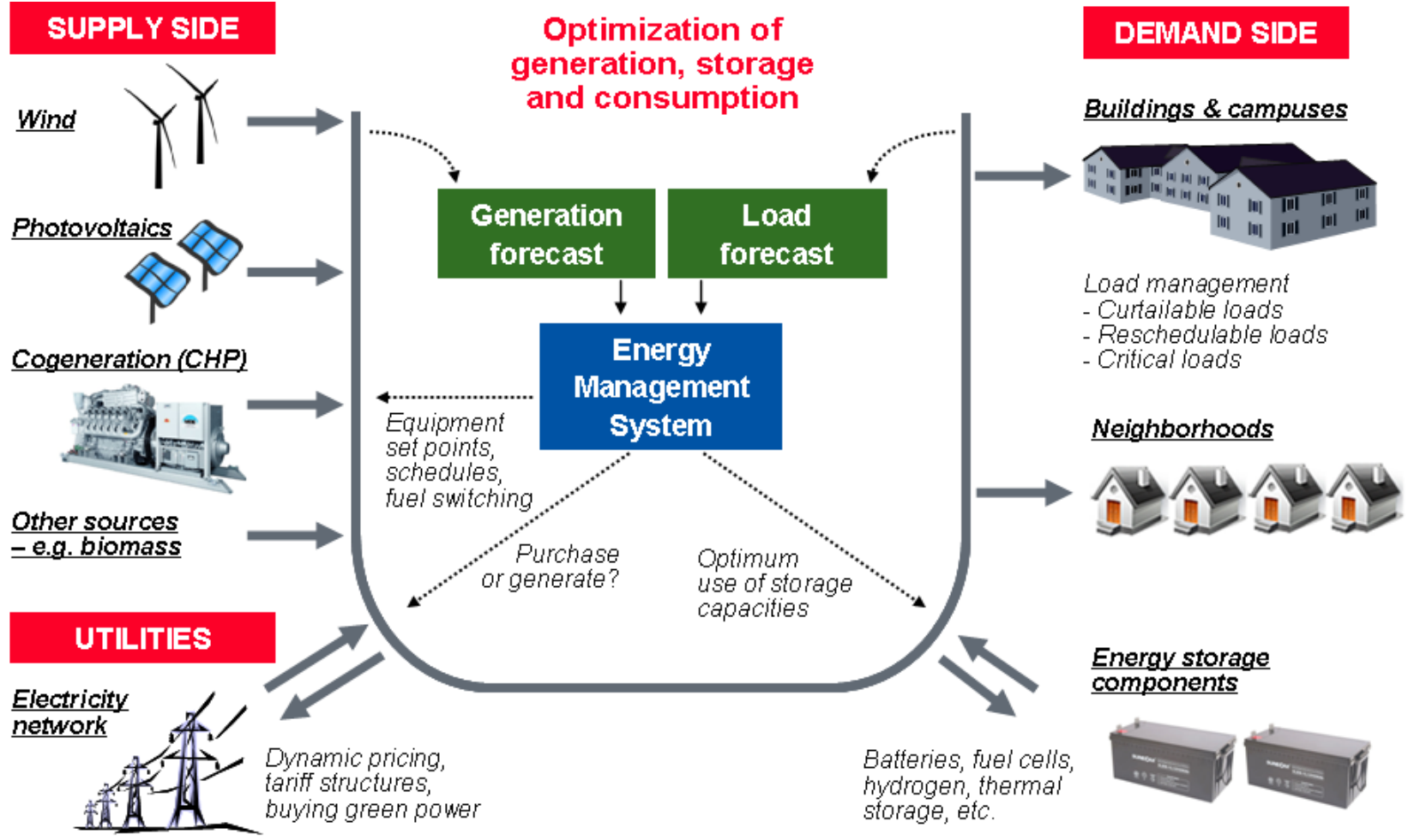
# Concept



- ▶ Embedded iNtelligent COntrols for bUildings with Renewable generAtion and storaGE
  - ▷ directly optimize energy use in buildings
    - ▶ optimal control of internal sub-systems
  - ▷ enable active participation in the future smart grid environment.
    - ▶ effective interaction with external world, including other buildings, local producers, or electricity distributors.



# Vision

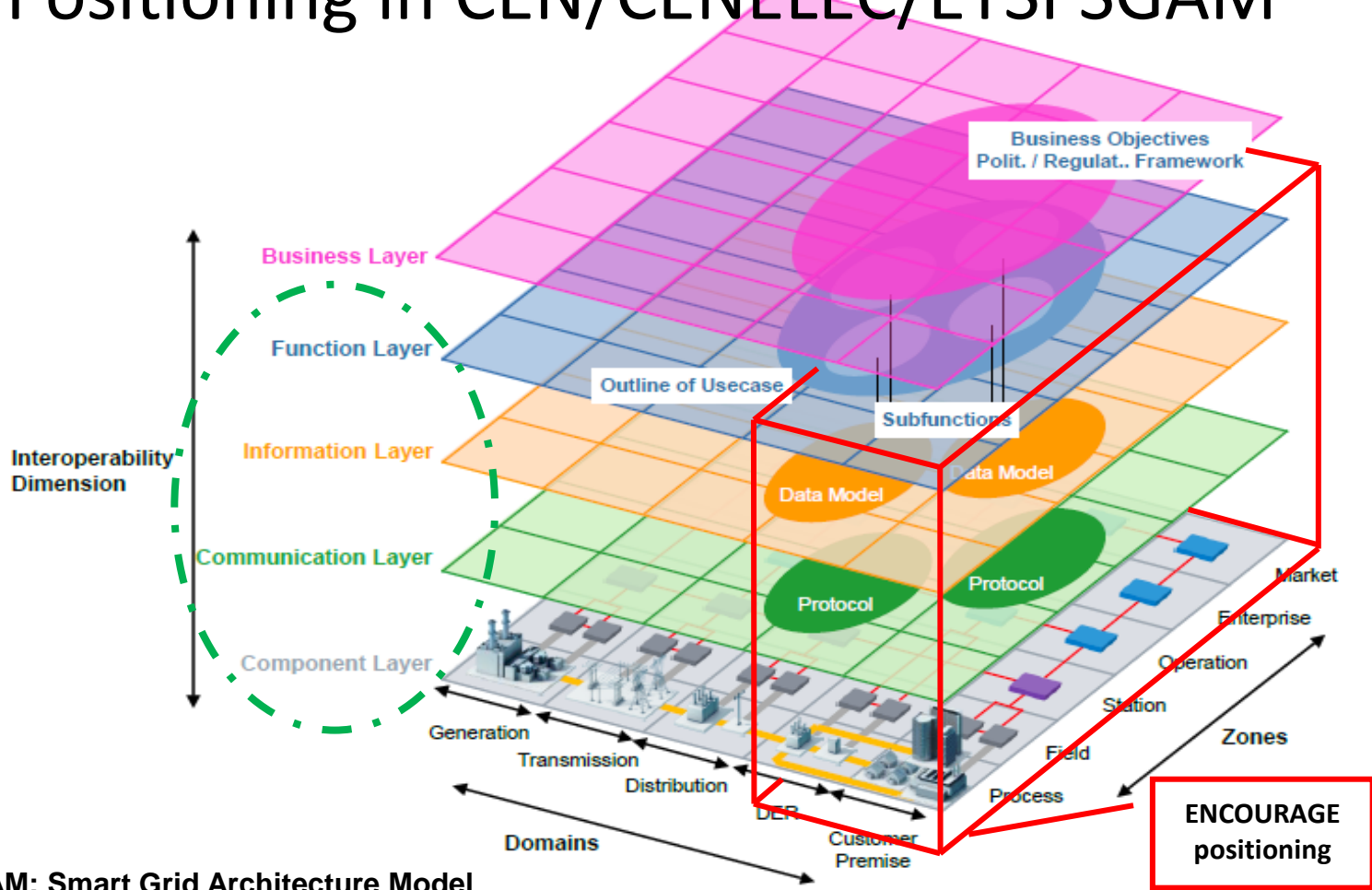




# Vision



## ► Positioning in CEN/CENELEC/ETSI SGAM



SGAM: Smart Grid Architecture Model



# Technological Innovation



- ▶ Technological innovations at device level
  - ▷ Non-intrusive monitoring and control
- ▶ Scalable processing and inference of complex events
  - ▷ Use of cloud computing capabilities
- ▶ Optimal energy management and control
  - ▷ Energy efficiency at system level and not individual appliance / sub-system
- ▶ Reduction of costs of system development
  - ▷ Open architectures
  - ▷ Complexity increase with effort reduction



# Market Innovation



- ▶ Enable innovative products and services in the whole chain
  - ▷ Non-intrusive management of energy in Buildings
  - ▷ Standards for communication Utilities / Buildings
- ▶ Tackle distributed energy generation
  - ▷ Control and forecast algorithms
  - ▷ Energy brokerage mechanisms



# Approach



- ▶ Developing supervisory control strategies that will be able to coordinate larger subsystems
- ▶ Development of an intelligent gateway with embedded logic supporting inter-building energy exchange
- ▶ Developing novel virtual sub-metering technologies and event-based middleware applications that will support advanced monitoring and diagnostics concepts



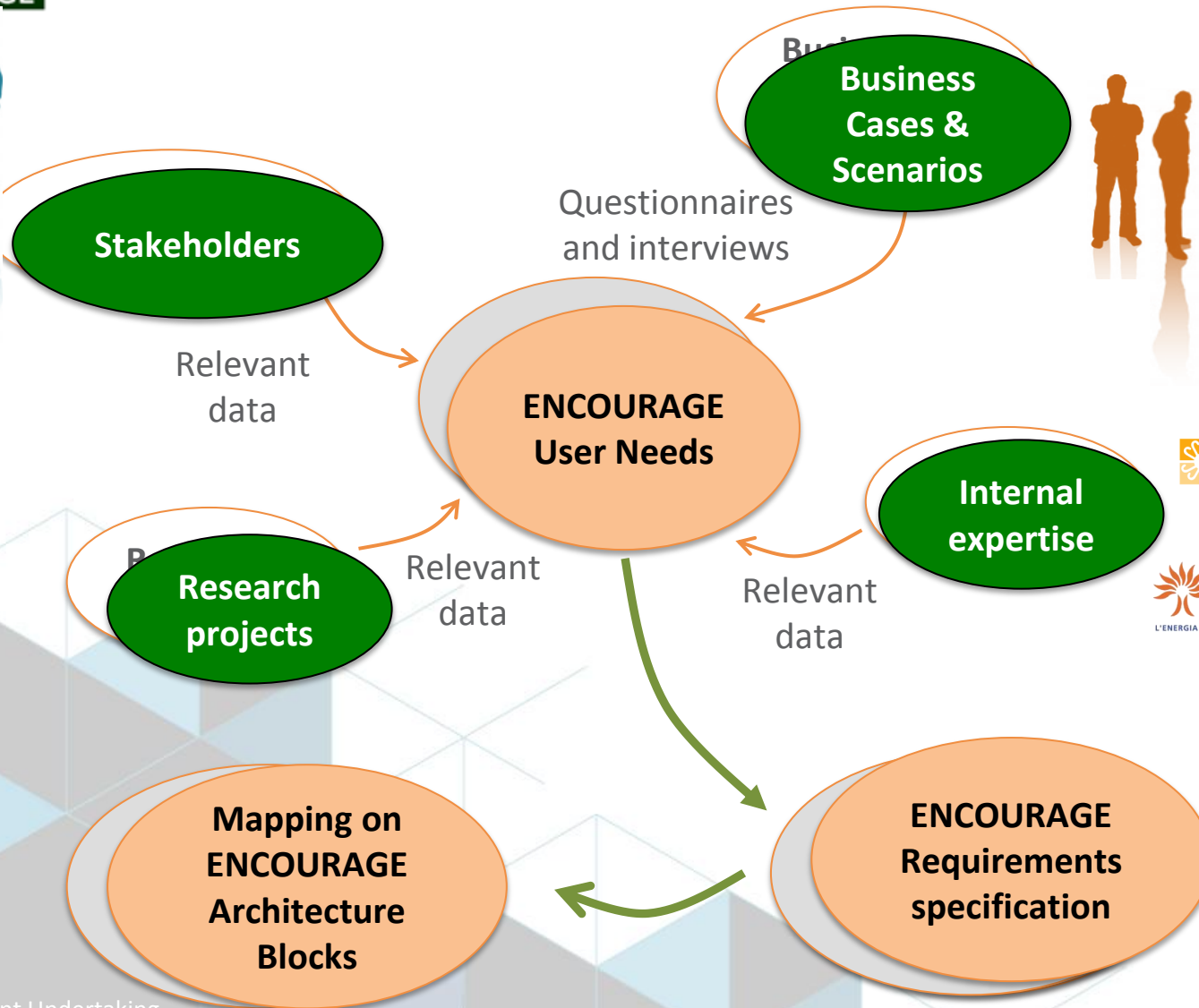


# Users' needs, Business cases



- ▶ Identification of stakeholders: parties benefiting from the whole project and their characteristics.
- ▶ Development of business cases for the ENCOURAGE platform, providing a description of target markets, technology enablers, system boundaries, regulatory context, energy-efficiency, saving scenarios, costs and metrics to measure the degree of success.
- ▶ Identification of customer needs.

# Users' needs, Business cases



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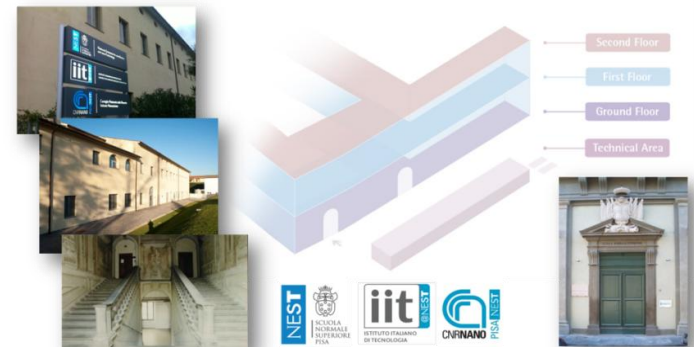
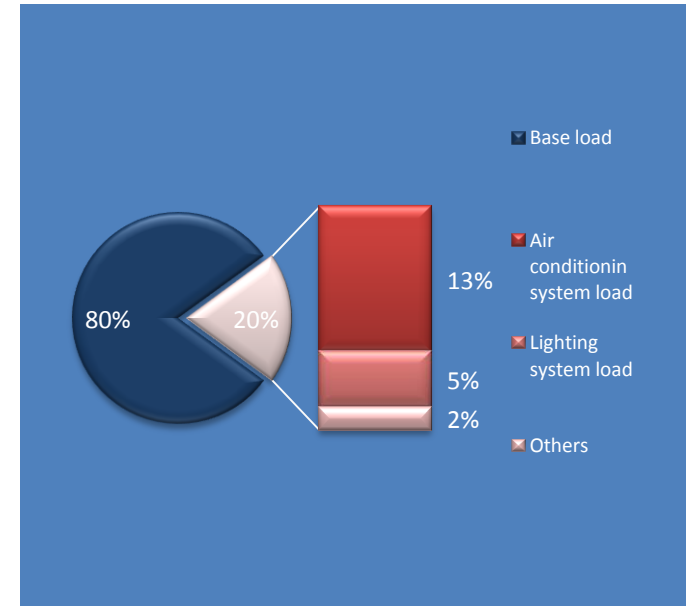
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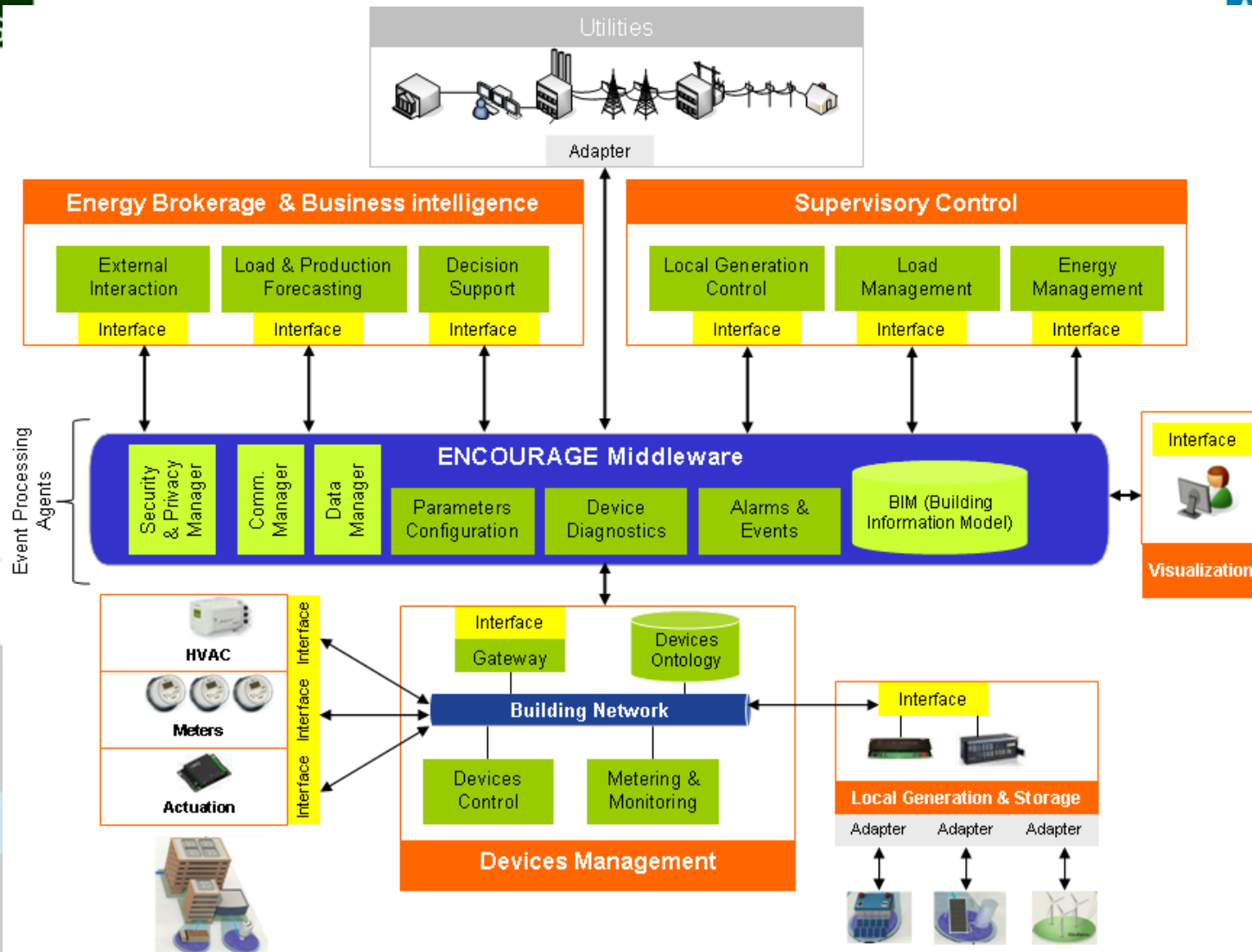
# Users' needs, Business cases



Business Goal/Objective	Description
Load monitoring and diagnostic of laboratories device	Expensive and high technology
Increase of energy efficiency	Economic management and environmental commitment of the institution as well
Optimization of electric bill	High energy expenditure; optimization of electric bill is important, (new tariffs or mechanisms of active demand )
Quality and reliability of energy supply	Reliability and the quality of energy supply is one of the most important targets : avoided outages and quality of power supply



# Architecture





# Architecture



- ▶ To fulfill the needs of current and future large-scale smart grid applications
  - ▷ Interoperable: Use of standards (IEC 61968/SEP 2.0)
  - ▷ Scalable: engineering of subsystem interactions
  - ▷ Decentralized components (and publish/subscribe)
    - ▶ Specifying interfaces with other blocks
    - ▶ Cloud Based infrastructure
  - ▷ Service Offering Capabilities
    - ▶ Multiple gateways (Metering is outside of scope)
    - ▶ High Application level



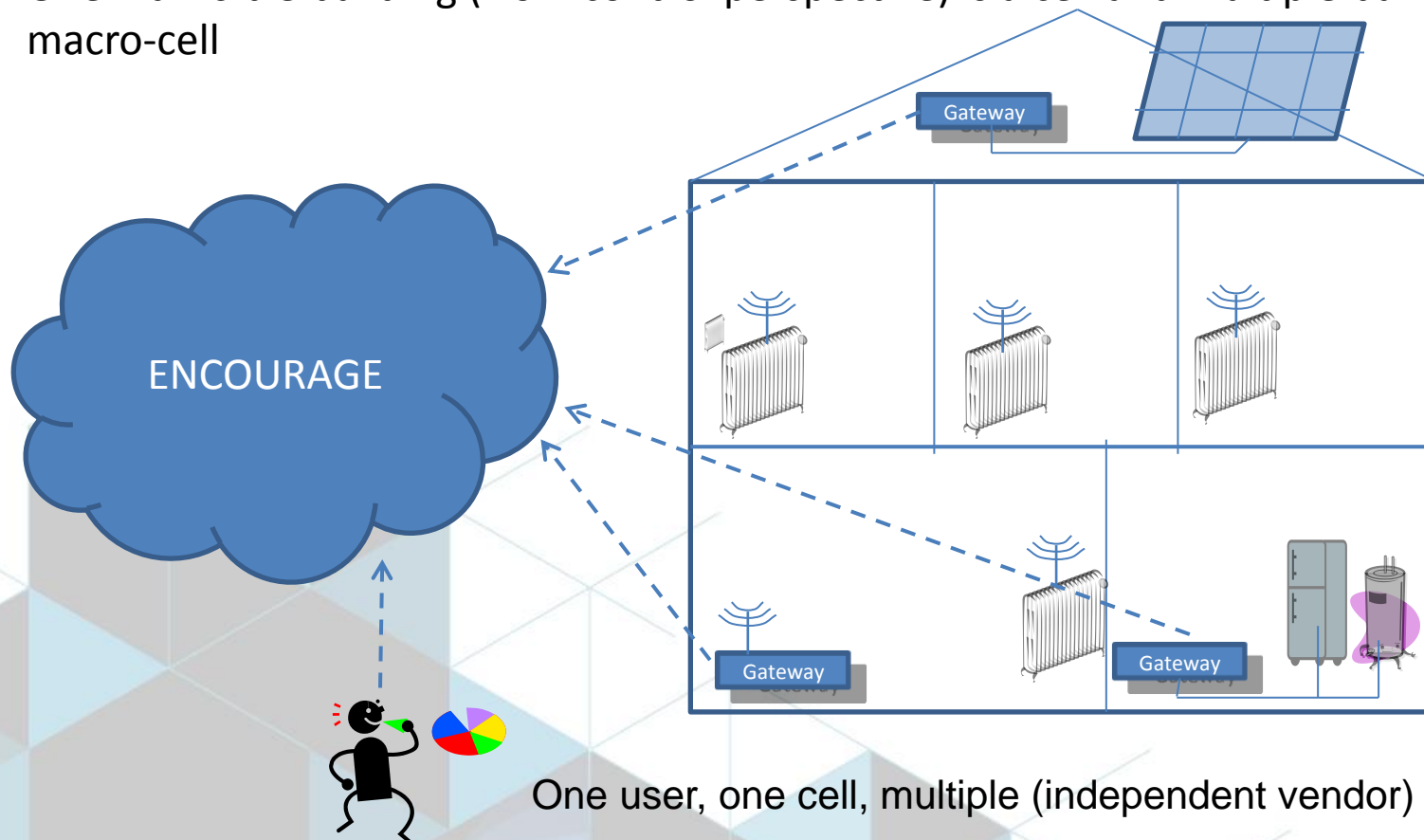
# Architecture



- ▶ Based on the definition of Cell/Macro-Cell from Artemis project eDiana
  - ▷ Cell aggregates multiple gateways, that control consumption and production equipment, within a living/working (environment)
  - ▷ Macro-cell aggregates several cells, which may exchange energy, thus with a joint Energy Brokerage functionality (an ENCOURAGE domain)

# Architecture

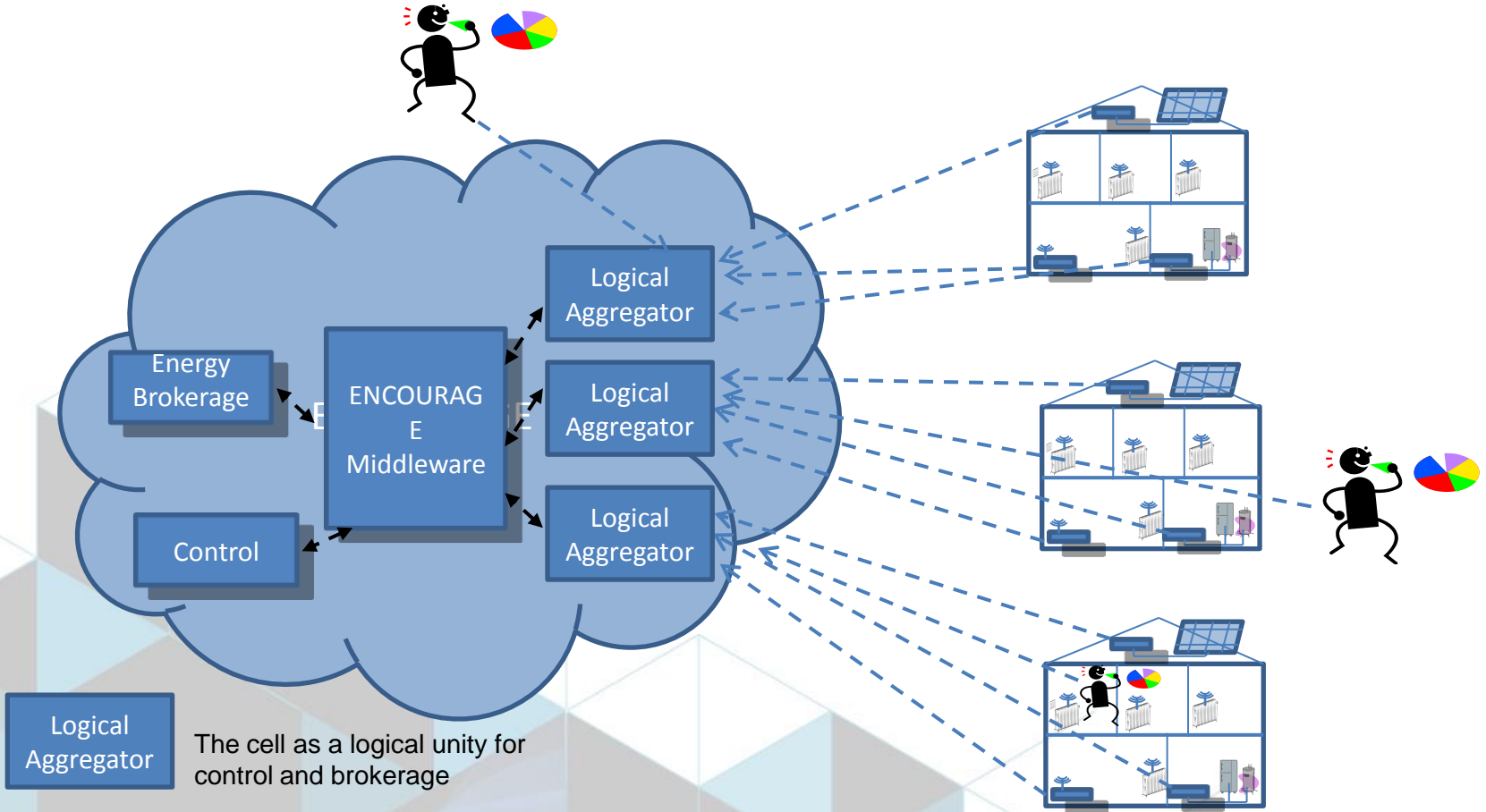
- ▶ One house is a cell, multiple houses that want to share energy production are one macro-cell
- ▶ One indivisible building (from control perspective) is a cell and multiple buildings are a macro-cell



One user, one cell, multiple (independent vendor) gateways

# Architecture

- ▶ Multiple houses that want to share energy production are one macro-cell
- ▶ One building with multiple individual units (e.g. apartments) can be a macro-cell.



Logical Aggregator

The cell as a logical unity for control and brokerage



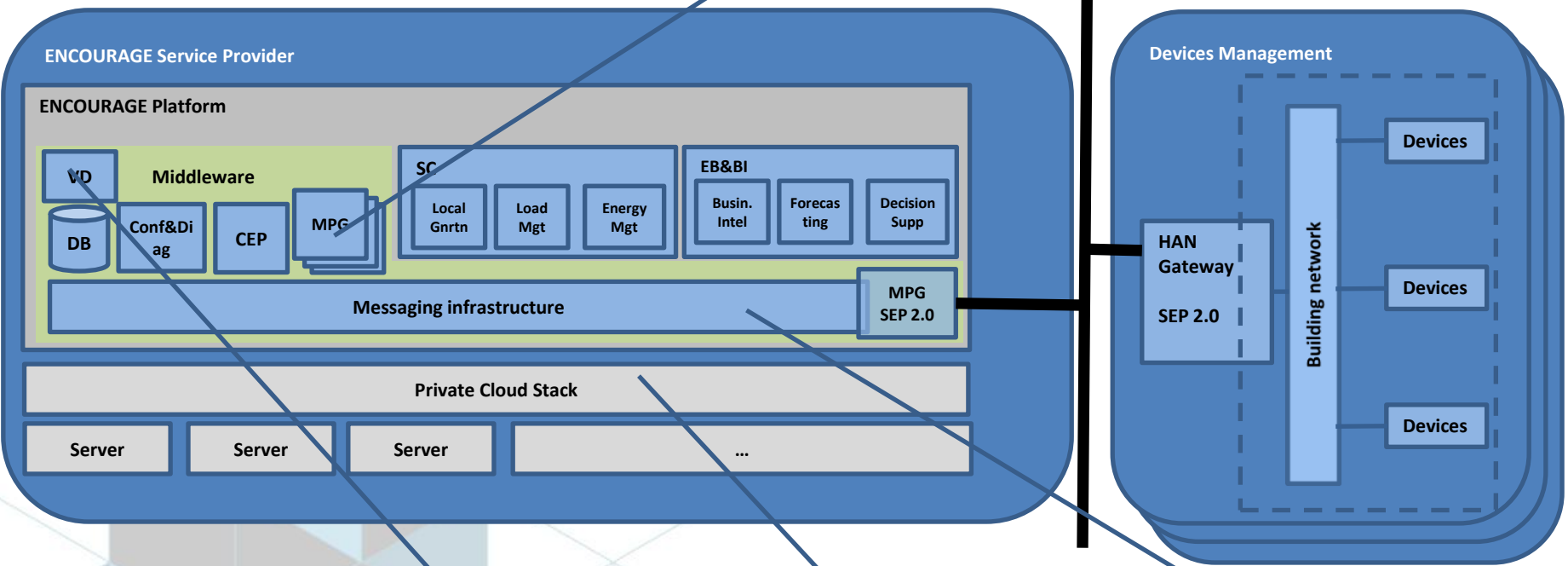


# Architecture



## ► Logical structure

Middleware Plug-in::  
communication with  
external entities



Virtual Devices: Logical  
Abstractions of Cell and  
Macro/Cell, Devices

Computational Power of a  
private cloud stack

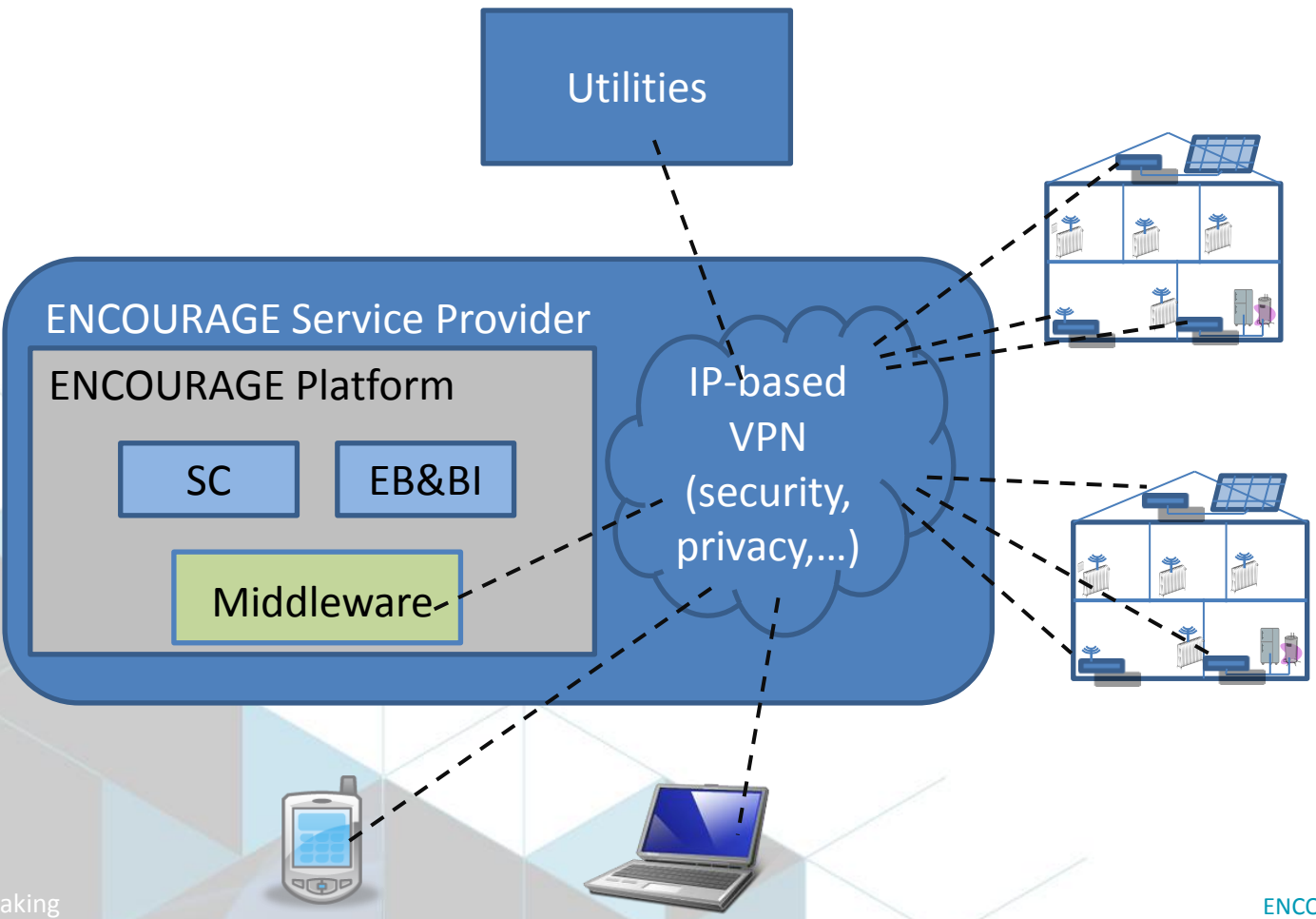
Public/subscribe Model



# Architecture



## ▶ IP Based VPN Connection Connection

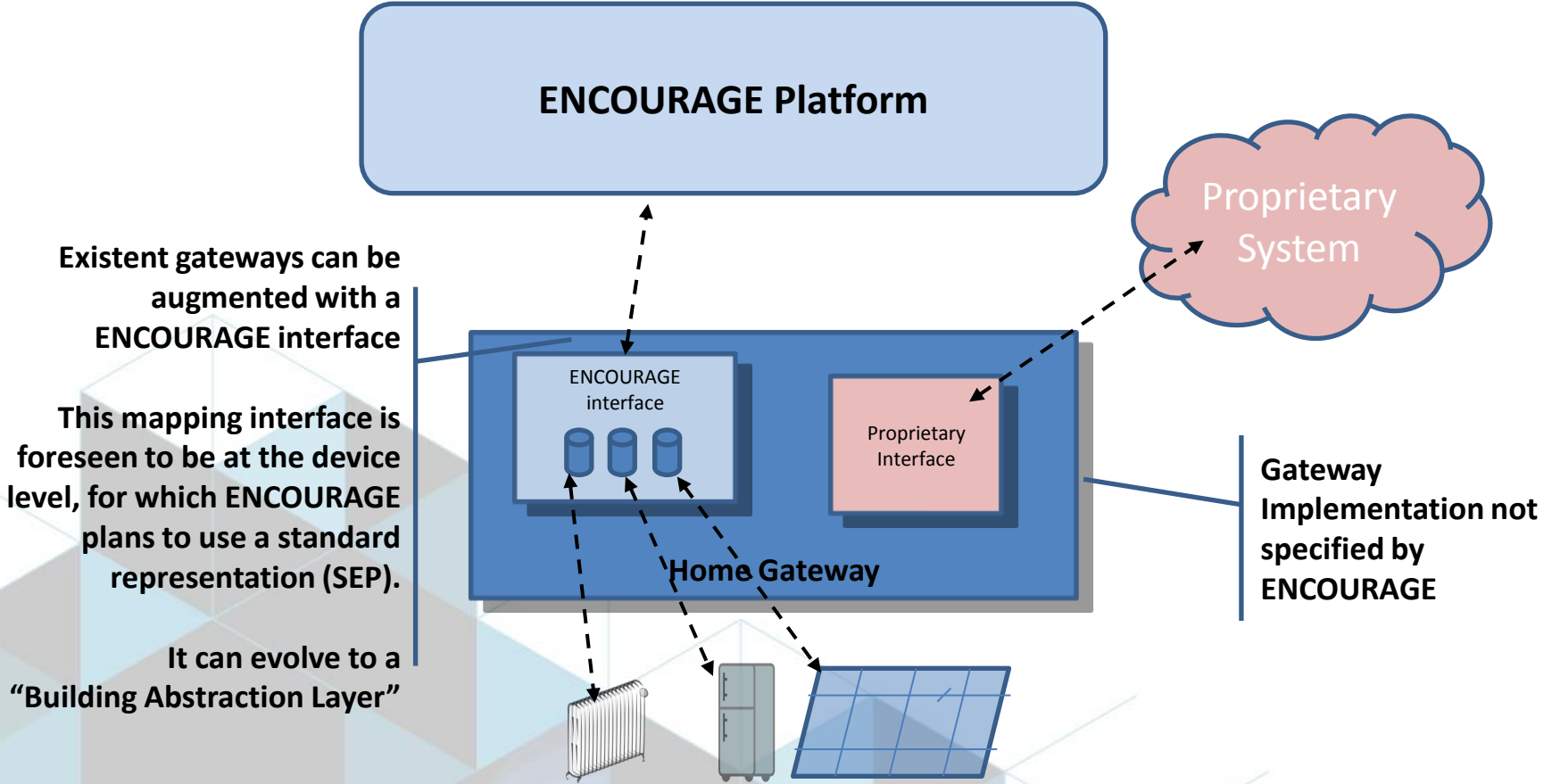




# Architecture



## ► Supporting legacy home gateways





# Demonstrators



- ▶ Private homes and office buildings in the city of Aalborg, Denmark
  - ▷ A housing co-operative with 8 homes, which recently installed 8 solar panel units. The buildings have electric heating.
  - ▷ A building with heat pump and solar panel
- ▶ Energy-Efficient Campus in Terrassa, Barcelona, Spain
  - ▷ This real life campus district will allow validation of the ENCOURAGE architecture as well as the social network.
- ▶ Laboratory building of Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Italy
  - ▷ 4000 m<sup>2</sup> in a recently refurbished ancient building: energy efficiency and cost optimization, reliability and quality of energy supply





# ANALYSIS OF THE MONITORING DATA



- ▶ Select ENCOURAGE concepts and technologies to be tested.
- ▶ Monitor specific demonstrators:
  - ▷ Define the data to be monitored and its characteristics (format, periodicity, etc.).
  - ▷ Organize the monitoring campaign.
  - ▷ Start monitoring
  - ▷ Analyse the collected energy monitoring data.
  - ▷ Refine the number and types of devices to be installed during the pilot set-up and to define any additional measurement points.



# Thank you for your attention!

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