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# GEO THERMAL ENERGY

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EXPERIENCE WITH APPLIED RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOR GEOTHERMAL ENERGY IN THE NETHERLANDS  
GEO4ALL-PROGRAM

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# SHORT INTRODUCTION



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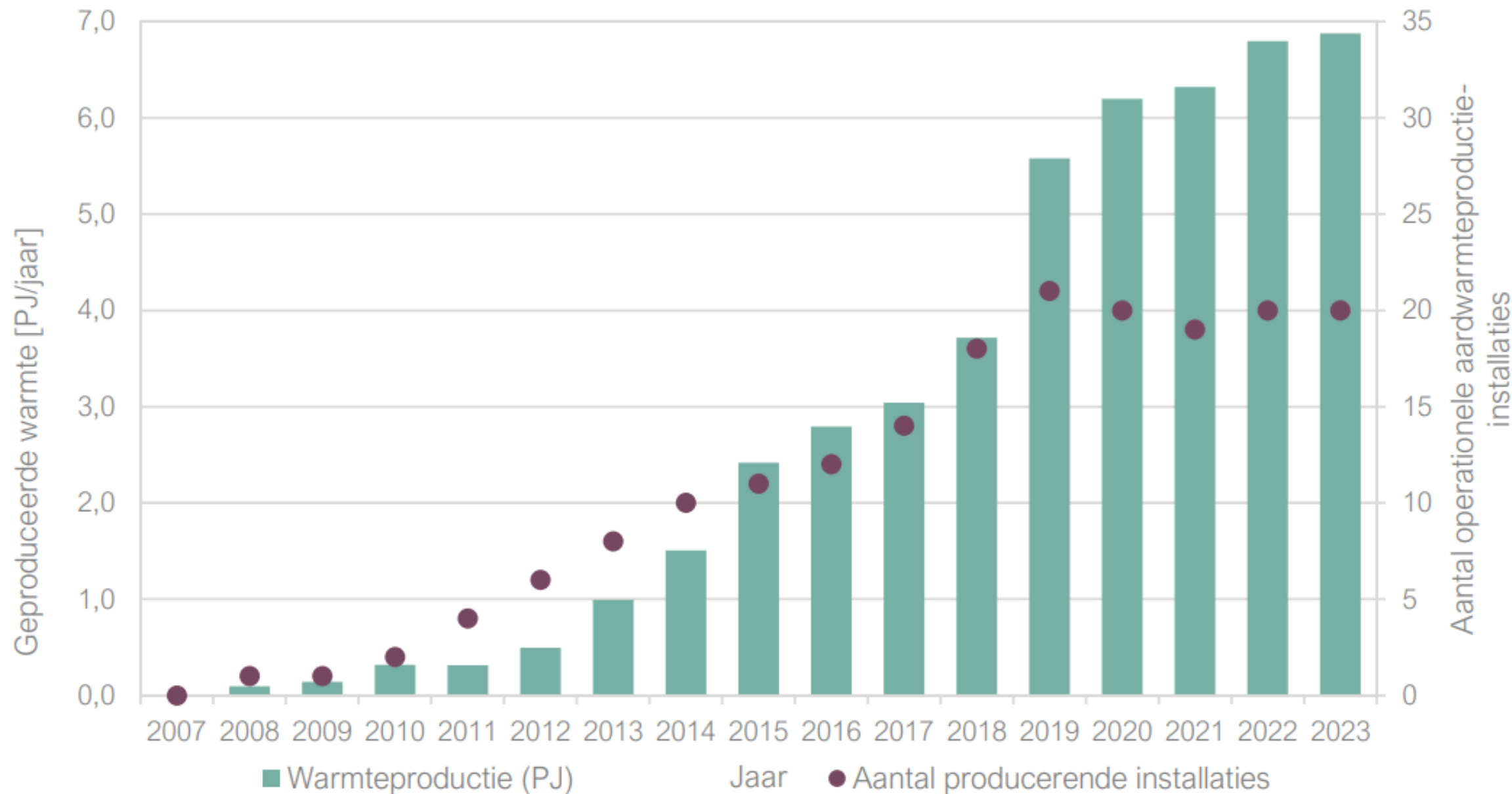


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# HISTORY OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY IN NL

Start in 2007 and steady growth in heat production



### AARDWARMTE IN 2023 DE CIJFERS

In Nederland zijn 27 aardwarmtelocaties met in totaal 39 doubletten (aardwarmteputten)

**39**

**TOTAAL 6,8 PJ (PETAJOLE) AARDWARMTE**

ER ZITTEN MEER DAN **100** PROJECTEN IN DE PIJPLIJN

### Aardwarmte en de energietransitie

CO<sub>2</sub> DIT BESPAART

**365.000** ton CO<sub>2</sub> en **193 mln** m<sup>3</sup> aardgas

DIT STAAT GELIJK AAN HET JAARLIJKS VERBRUIK VAN **165.000** HUISHOUDENS ONGEVEER GELIJK AAN DE STAD UTRECHT

Uitgaande van het gemiddelde gasverbruik voor 2023

Bron: Geothermie Nederland productiecijfers 2023

Lees meer over het gebruik van aardwarmte op [www.allesoveraardwarmte.nl](http://www.allesoveraardwarmte.nl)

[www.geothermie.nl](http://www.geothermie.nl)



# MASTERPLAN GEOTHERMAL ENERGY 2018

## Recommendations on innovation

### Topics

- Safe design of systems and interaction with the reservoir (reducing seismic risks)
- Increasing the value of geothermal heat (build environment, cascading, heat networks, etc.)
- Reducing the cost of geothermal heat and increased lifespan of geothermal installations

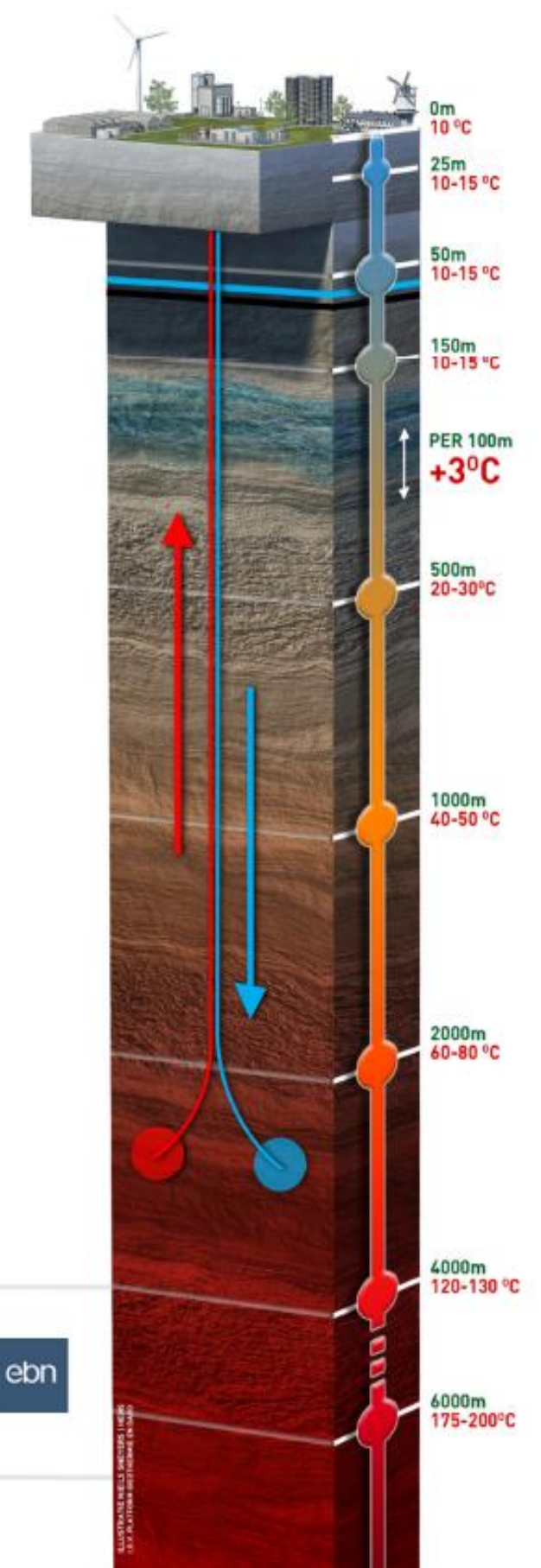
### Methods

- Knowledge transfer (from gas/oil industry and other countries)
- Applied research (gathering data from existing projects)
- Demonstration/pilot projects
- Make a priority list for innovation

## Masterplan Aardwarmte in Nederland

Een brede basis voor een  
duurzame warmtevoorziening

Mei 2018



# INNOVATION AGENDA 2021



## Innovatie Aardwarmte 2021

Inventarisatie van innovatiebehoeften en huidige stand van zaken

Voorspellen en beoordelen van aardwarmtebronnen	Ontwikkeling van aardwarmtebronnen (boren, putafwerking, materialen en apparatuur)	Bedrijfsvoering, productie en (slimme) integratie in het energiesysteem
<b>A1</b> Ondergrond model voor betere voorspelling van aardwarmteproductie over tijd	<b>B1</b> Methoden om het boorproces te versnellen	<b>C1</b> Behoud van operationele kwaliteit
<b>A2</b> Meervoudig veldontwikkelingsplan voor doelmatig gebruik van de ondergrond	<b>B2</b> Verhogen productiviteit door putconcepten	<b>C2</b> Winning van minerale producten uit het geothermische water
<b>A3</b> Andere methode voor gebiedsbepaling winningsvergunning ontwikkelen	<b>B3</b> Verhogen productiviteit door reservoirstimulatie	<b>C3</b> Warmte systeemintegratie
<b>A4</b> Nieuwe concepten voor de winning aardwarmte	<b>B4</b> Impact van testwater verkleinen	<b>C4</b> Flexibele warmtelevering uit aardwarmtebron vergroten
<b>A5</b> Hergebruik van aardwarmtebronnen	<b>B5</b> Optimaliseren putontwerp en putintegriteit	
<b>A6</b> Data-acquisitie putten optimaliseren	<b>B6</b> Verbetering productiepompen	
	<b>B7</b> Optimaliseren bovengrondse systeem en levensduur van apparatuur en componenten optimaliseren	

Doorsnijdende -innovatie onderwerpen, inclusief niet-technische innovaties en aan innovatie gerelateerde randvoorwaarden					
<b>D1</b> Heldere wet- en regelgeving	<b>D4</b> Gebundelde duurzame warmtevraag ontwikkelen	<b>D6</b> Overeenstemming acceptabele grens seismisch risico			
<b>D2</b> Kennis- en datadeling	<b>D5</b> Automatiseren, digitaliseren en Artificial Intelligence (AI) toepassen waar mogelijk	<b>D7</b> Langdurig en milieuvriendelijk benutten van de bron			
<b>D3</b> Betrekken van de omgeving bij aardwarmteprojecten		<b>D8</b> Organiseren van boorcampagnes			

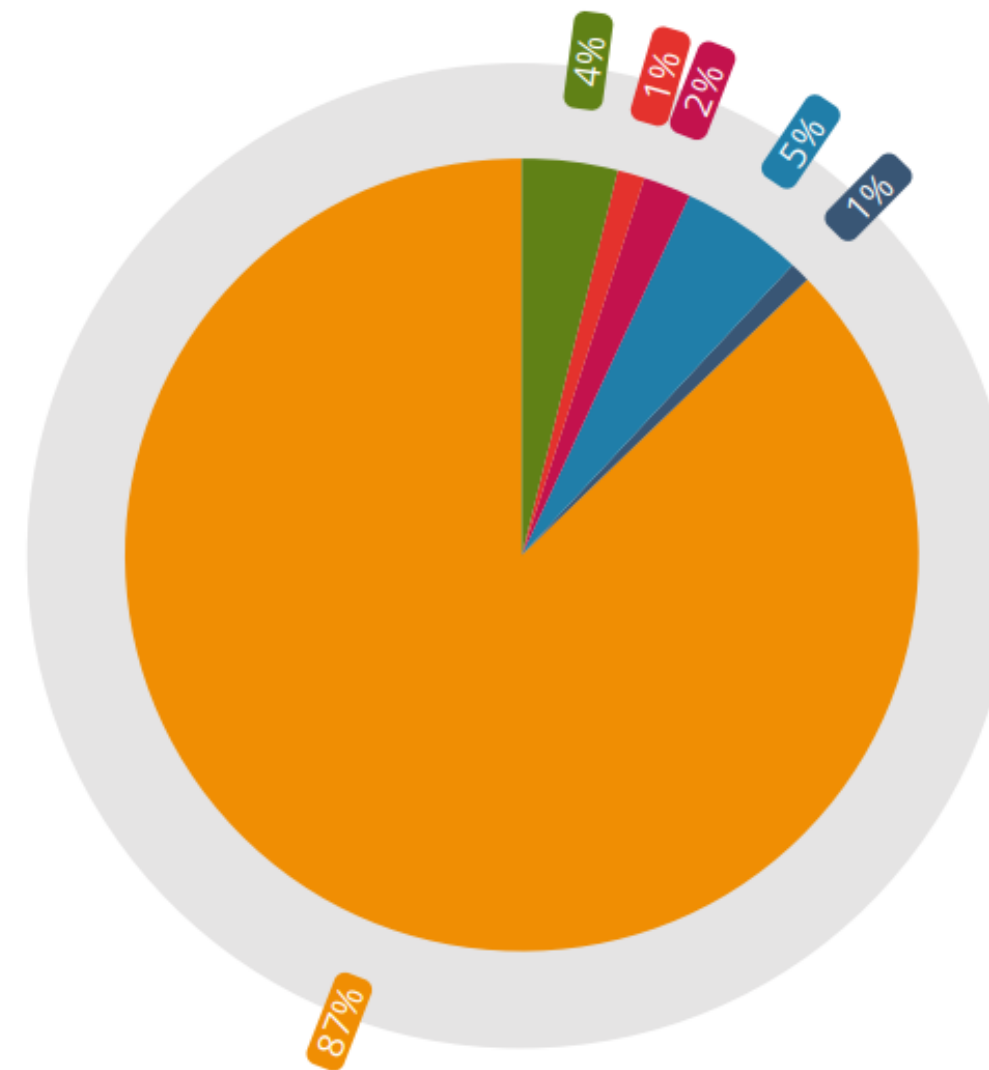


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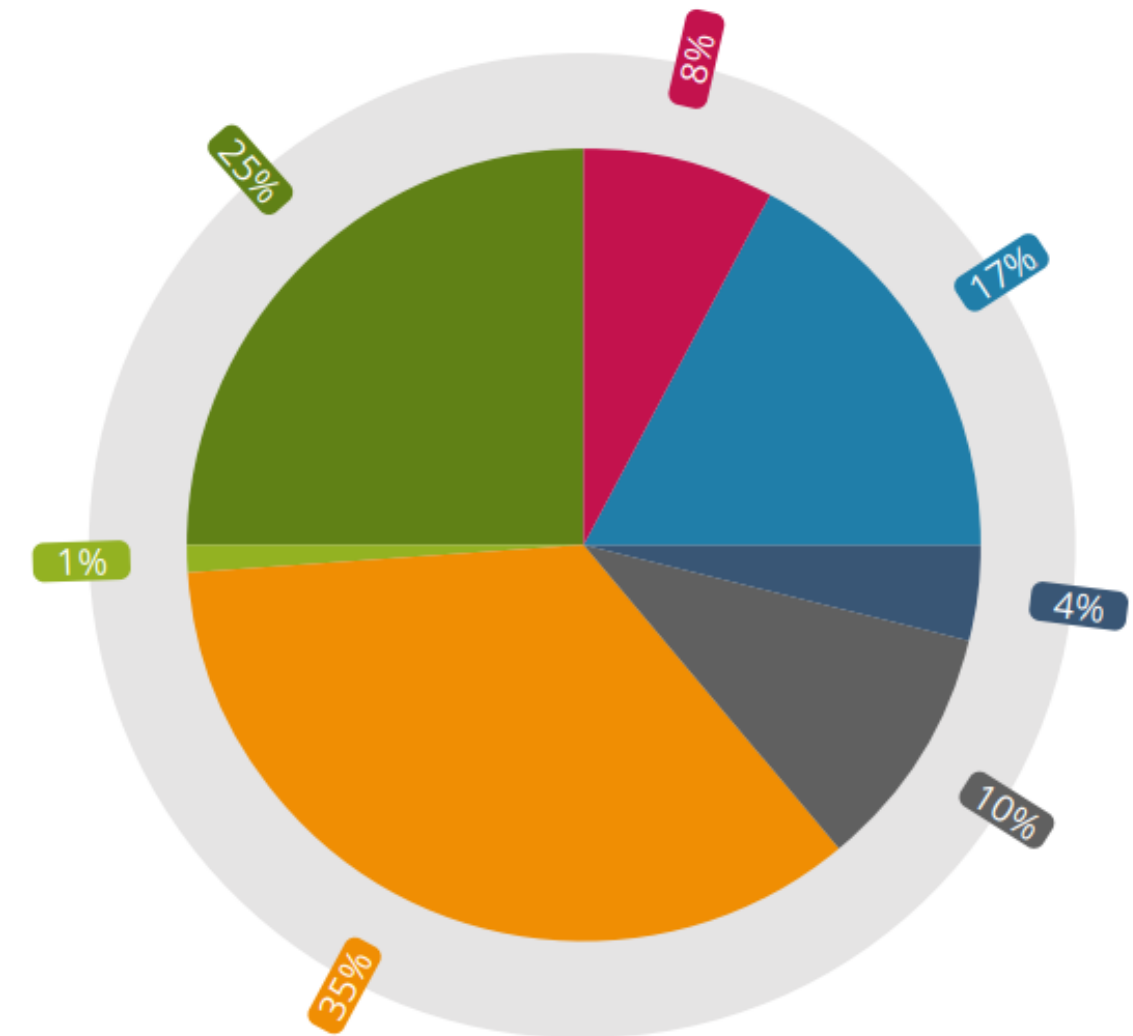
## Where are the costs in geothermal energy

# Integraal Kostprijsreductie Programma Aardwarmte

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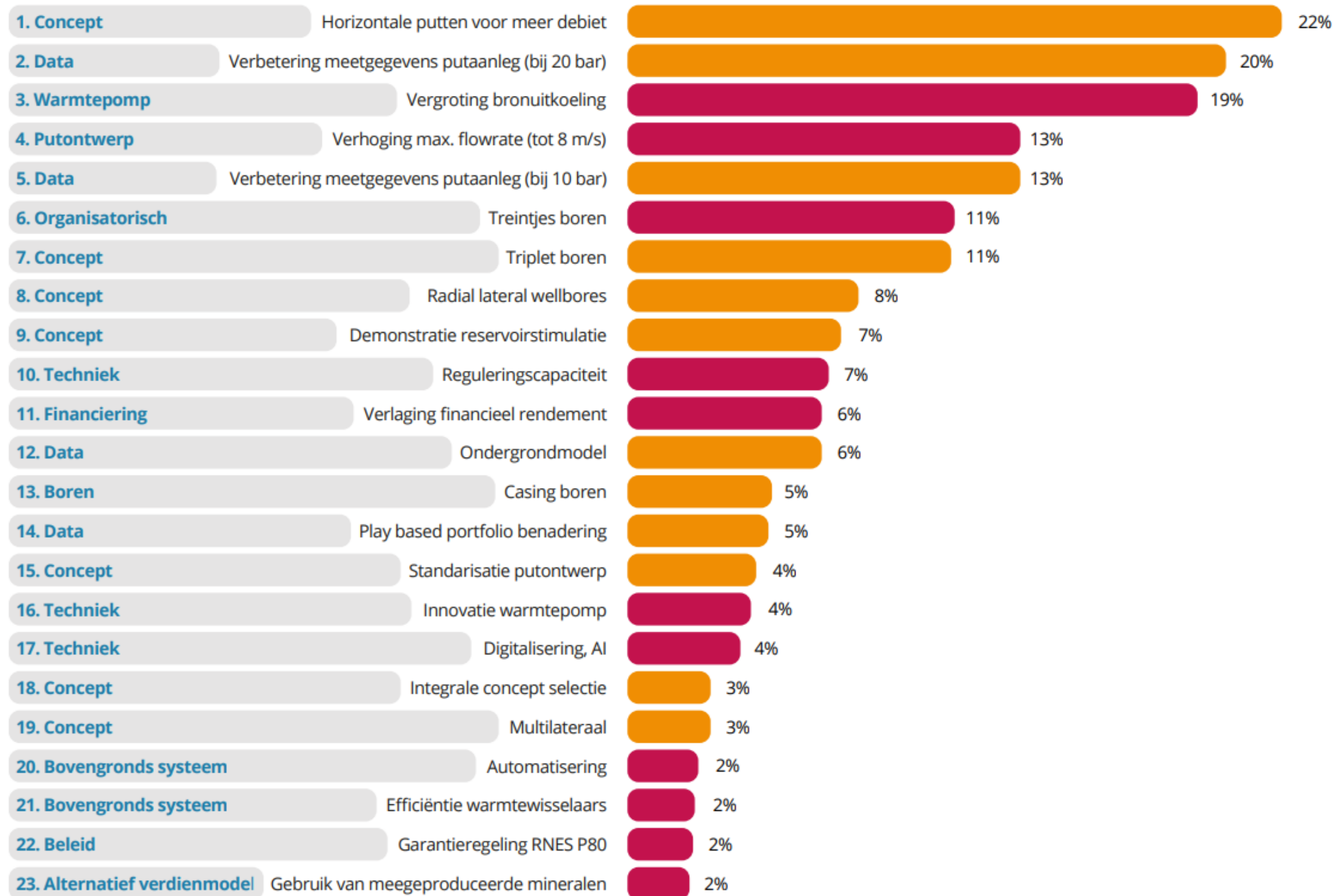
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- Verkenning
- Ontwikkeling
- Vorbereiding realisatie
- Realisatie
- Opruimen



- Organisatie, management & governance
- Onderhoud en beheer installatie
- Onderhoud en beheer putten
- Elektriciteitskosten
- Herinvestering: boringen
- Herinvestering: ESP
- Herinvestering: bovengrondse installatie

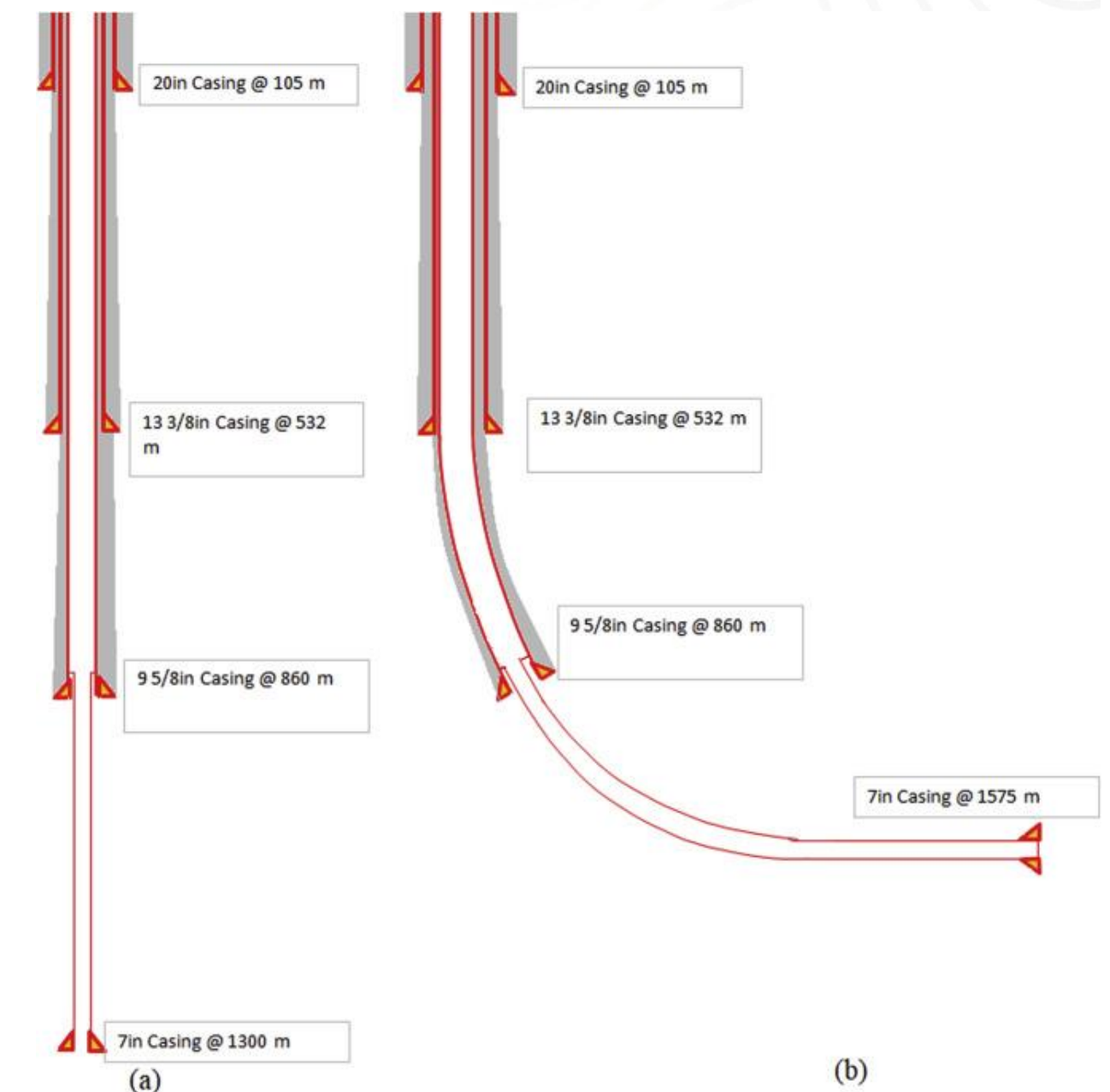
# COST PRICE REDUCTION

## Where are the opportunities to reduce costs



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# BUILDING INNOVATION AND KNOWLEDGE NETWORKS

## Geothermie Nederland and its partners



Mede mogelijk gemaakt door





# THE GEO4ALL INNOVATION PROGRAM

Hand-over to Kris Hopstaken

**Geo4all**  
*innovatieprogramma*

# GEO4ALL

## Innovation

4-year innovation program set-up for Geothermal Sector in the Netherlands started in September 2024

PPS → Public/Private partnership

Public: National subsidy body (TKI): 3,5M EUR

Public: Dutch Universities with Postdoc/PHD

Private: 20 companies in the geothermal sector, contributing 2,5M EUR

Innovation program driven by pro-actively approaching sector

→TNO is orchestrating innovation

→6 themes of innovations and technology development

→Special attention to knowledge dissemination and communication

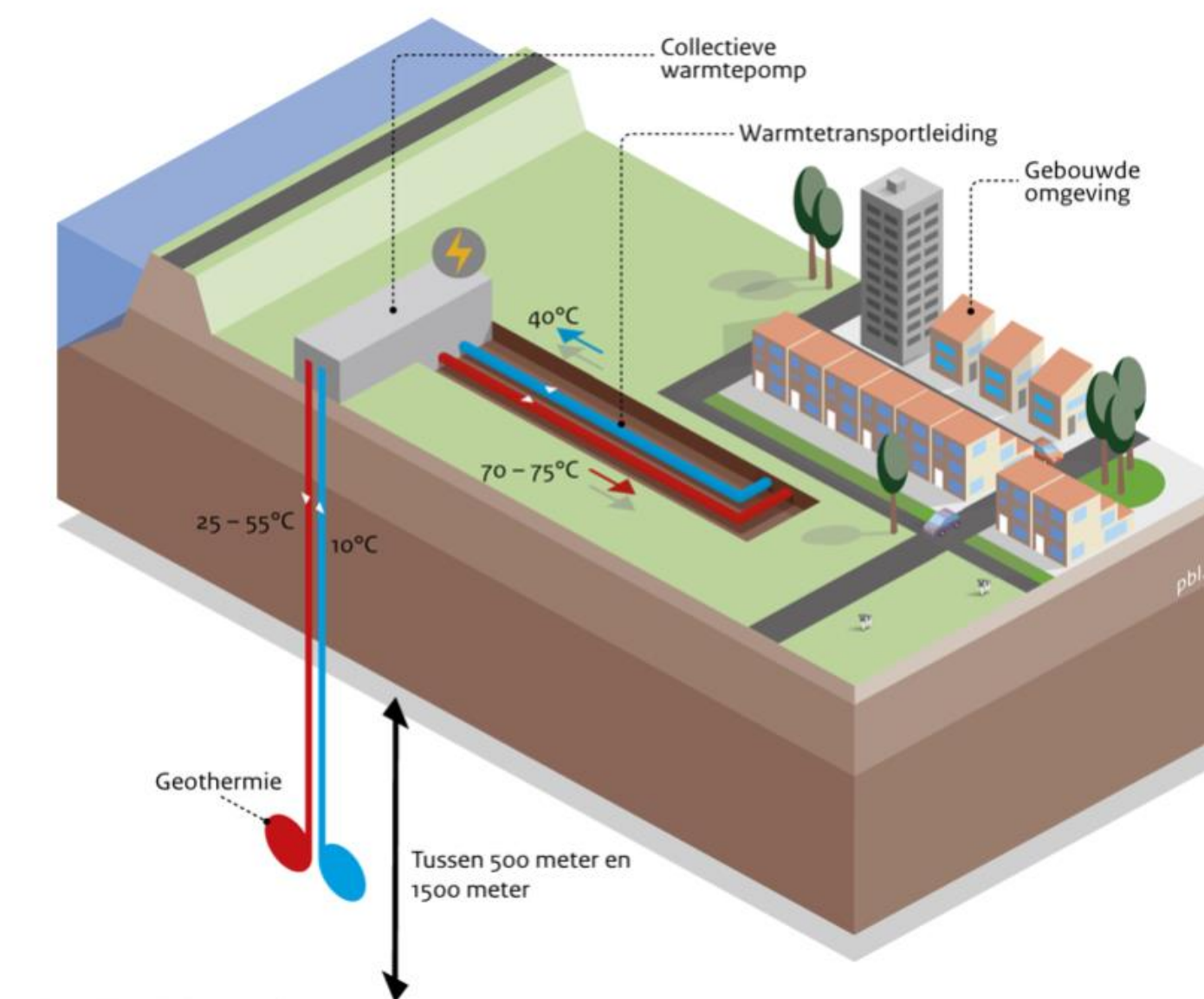
→Cooperate with sector associations (Geothermie NL)



# WP1 – Unlocking Shallow Geothermal Systems

- Goal
  - Gather and make available the existing **knowledge and experience**, from existing extractions (oil & gas, geothermal) in medium depth range (500-1500 m),
  - Outline key factors and parameters that require further attention for optimal exploitation and development of the shallow geothermal depth domain.
  - Determine which areas require **further knowledge development** and how this can be achieved.

Ondiepe geothermie (OGT) met collectieve warmtepomp



Bron: PBL, TNO, DNV-GL

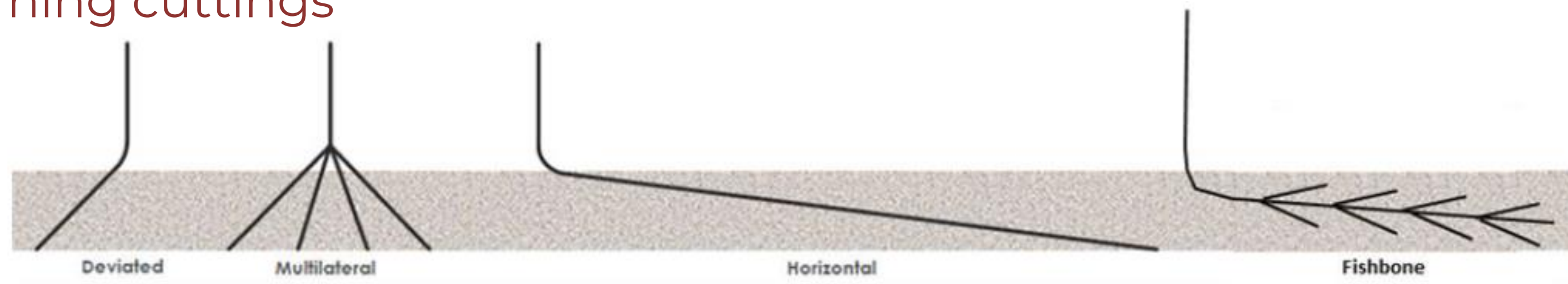


# WP2 – Marginal reservoirs



## ■ Goal

- Many areas in the Netherlands have less favourable geological characteristics at conventional depths (>1500m) that result in low expectation values for flow rates (typically less than 100 m<sup>3</sup>/h)
- **Advanced well concepts** can significantly improve the business case by increasing flow rates by a factor of 3-4
- **Improve the business case** for geothermal energy production in marginal reservoirs
- Research on drilling mud (performance, flow and success in returning cuttings)

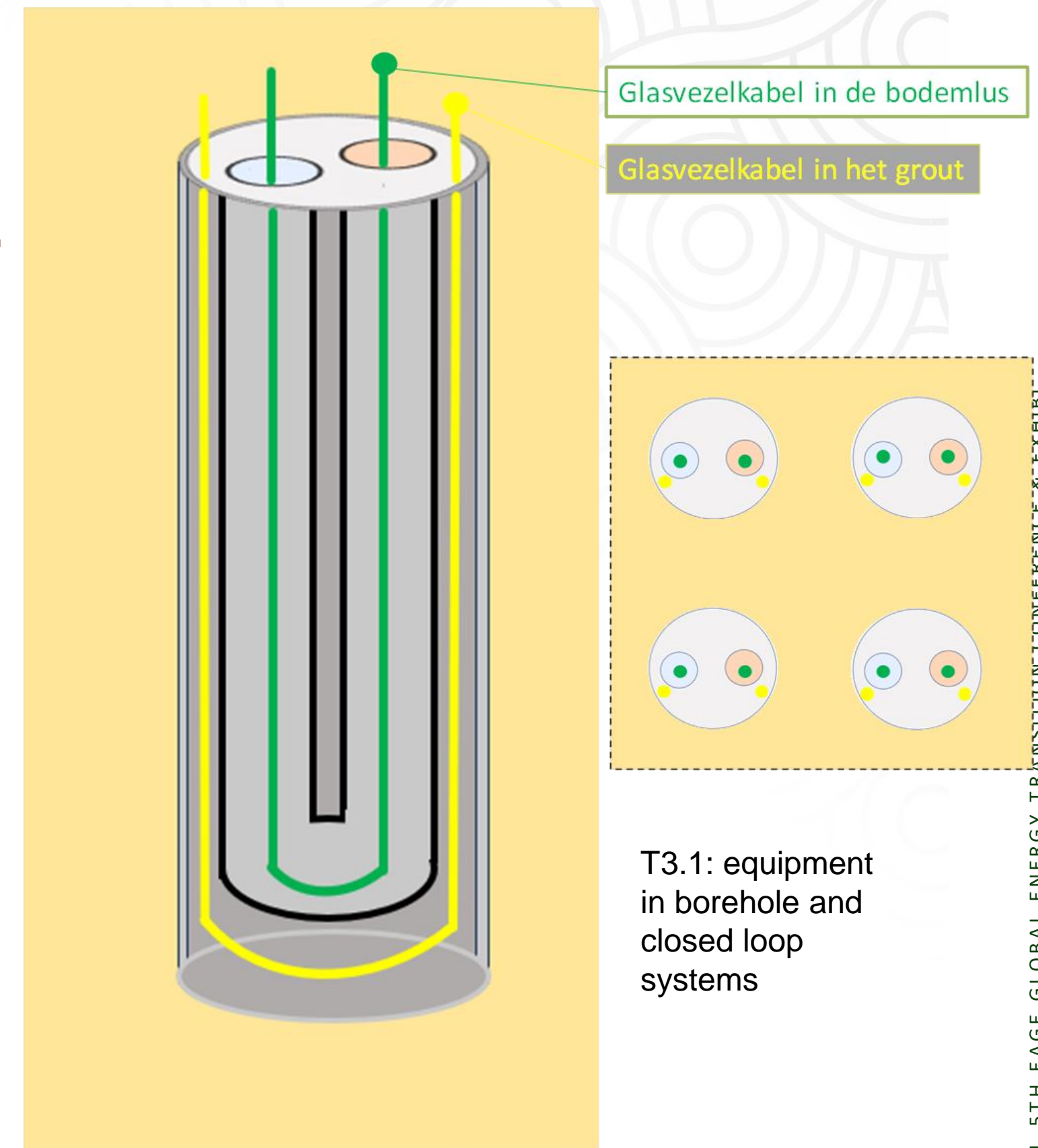


Example of well geometries considered in concept select for the case studies



# WP3 – Shallow closed-loop systems

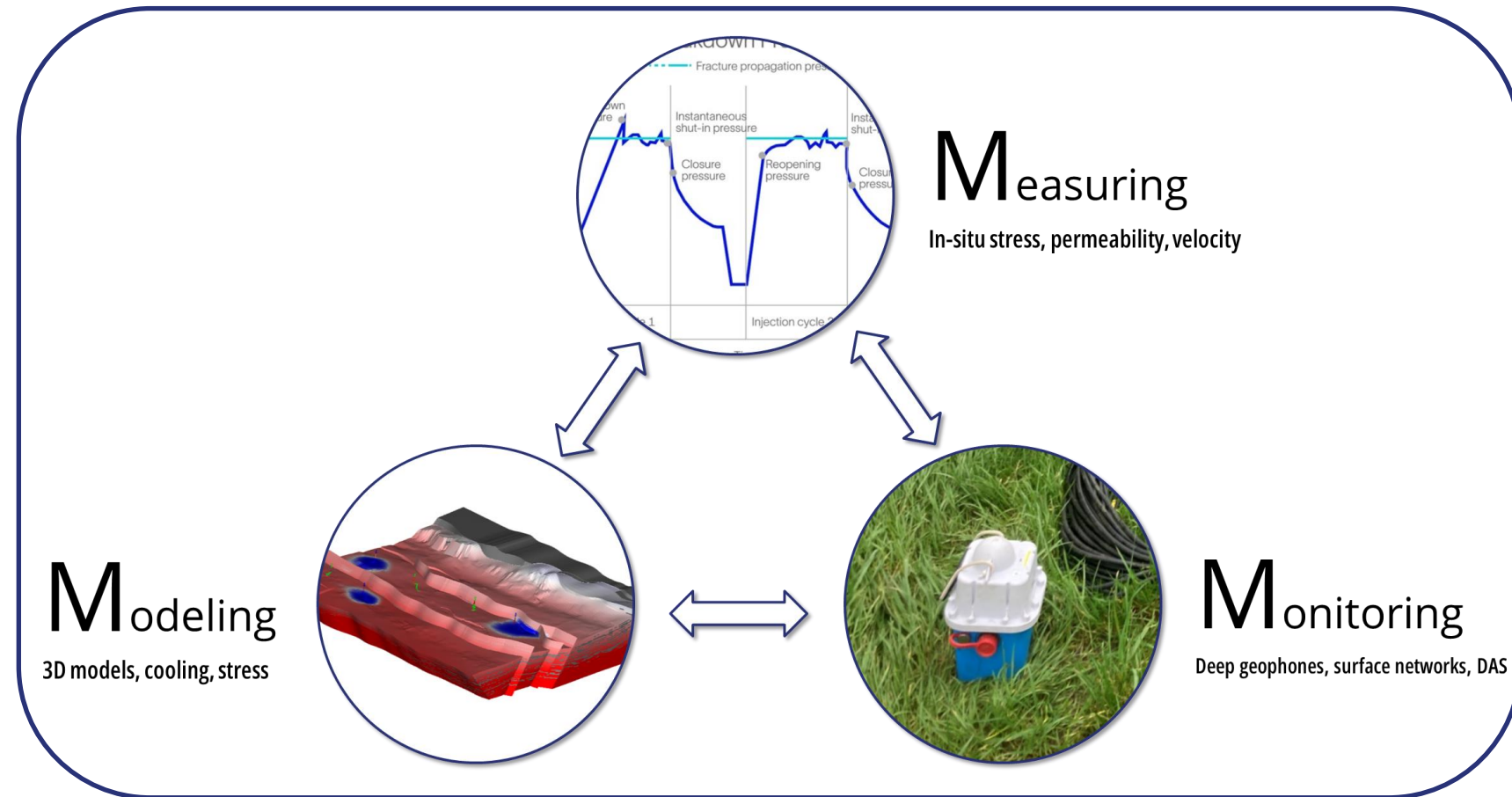
- Goal
  - Provide insights into the **performance of deep BHE** in different subsurface settings in The Netherlands and recommendations for further developments, as well as improved BHE control through better systems control.
  - Evaluate heat flow in these closed loop systems through **Distributed Temperature Sensing (DTS)** and **Multiple Thermal response tests (TRT)** using fibre-optic cables



Mede mogelijk gemaakt door:



# WP4 - 3M Coldfront & induced seismicity



## Research questions

- How does cooling of the deep subsurface (the 'cold front') resulting from geothermal heat production behave in space and time?
- How do structures (e.g. faults) in the deep subsurface affect cooling, and vice versa?

## Expected results

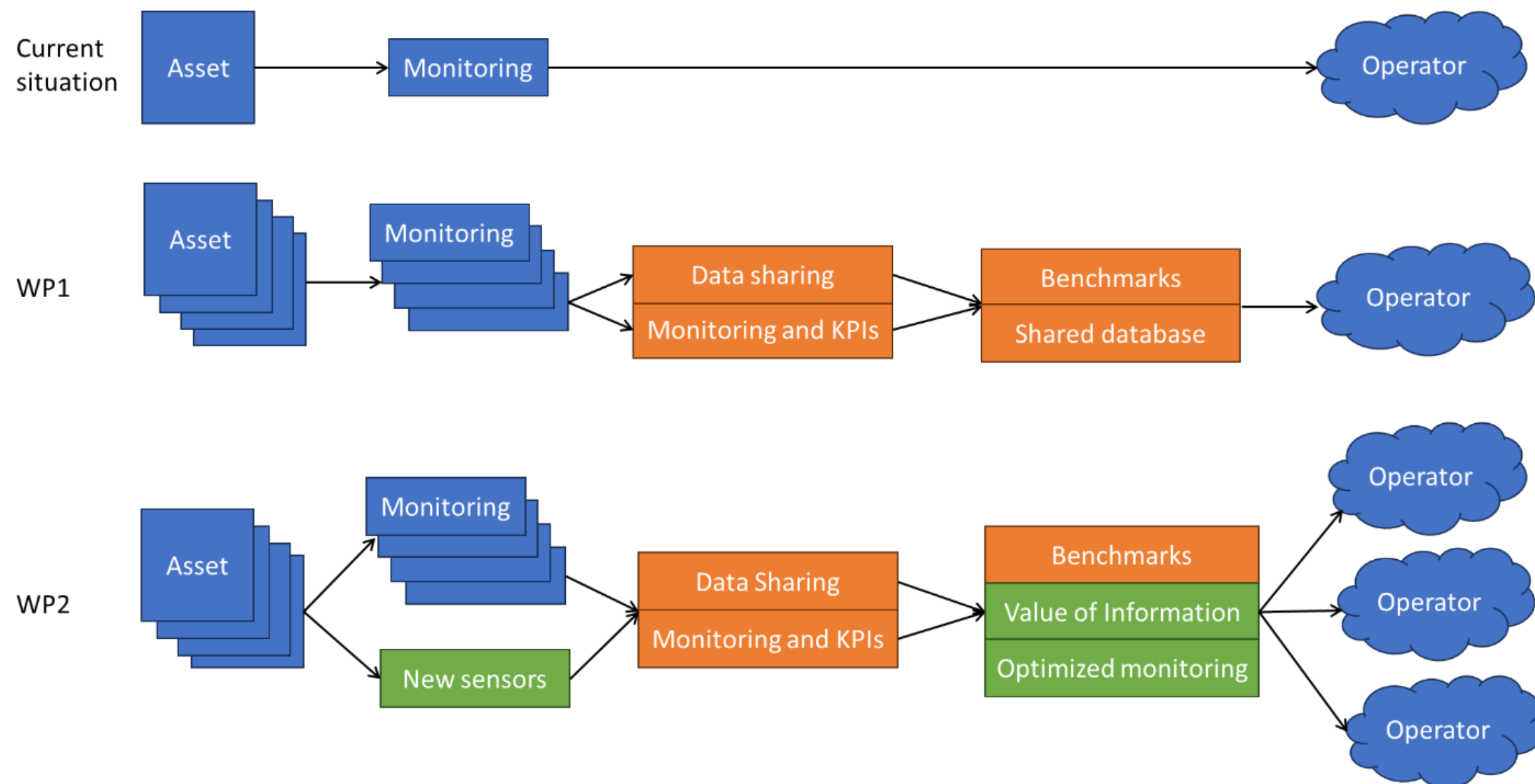
- Three (semi-)permanent monitoring facilities providing continuous recordings of the subsurface.
- Public data for knowledge building and further analysis.
- Models of the different geothermal projects, calibrated against the field measurements and monitoring data.



# WP5 – Value of geothermal production data

- Goal

- Earlier detection of clogging or loss of materials in critical components, earlier detection of failures in production and injection pumps, minimizing number of interventions and logging which can lead to a significant saving in OPEX during the lifetime of a geothermal asset.
- Improve operation and design of geothermal installations by better utilisation of available data and by improved data acquisition.



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