

Cleaner Production

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Cleaner Production

- The goal is to improve the eco-efficiency in companies by implementation of technical or organisational actions
- By reducing the negative effects to the environment operating costs are reduced
- Cleaner Production works with process integrated preventive - methods instead of End-of-Pipe solutions

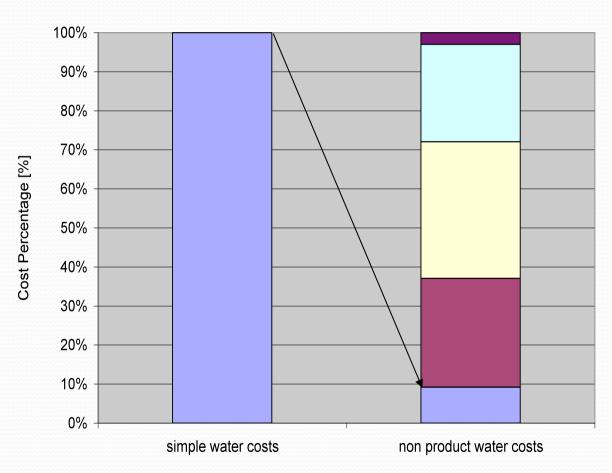
Cleaner Production is good not only for the environment but also for the economy!

Of course!
You make products efficiently,
not pollutants - inefficiently



Total wastewater costs decreased by water saving in a textile company in Austria in 2005

Non Product Water Costs



Taking Depreciation,
Maintainance
and Personal Costs into
account: add factor 4-5!!!





Step one in CP is to reduce the amount of resources used, in this case water

- 1. Start to monitor water use carefully
- 2. Install valves to close water when not used
- 3. Fix "low hanging fruits" (leaks etc)
- 4. Reuse of wastewater (down-classing of water)
- 5. Recirculation of cooling water after cooling (closed cooling water system)
- 6. Recirculation of process water (after specific purification)
- 7. Redesign of processes; specific steps include counter current rinsing etc

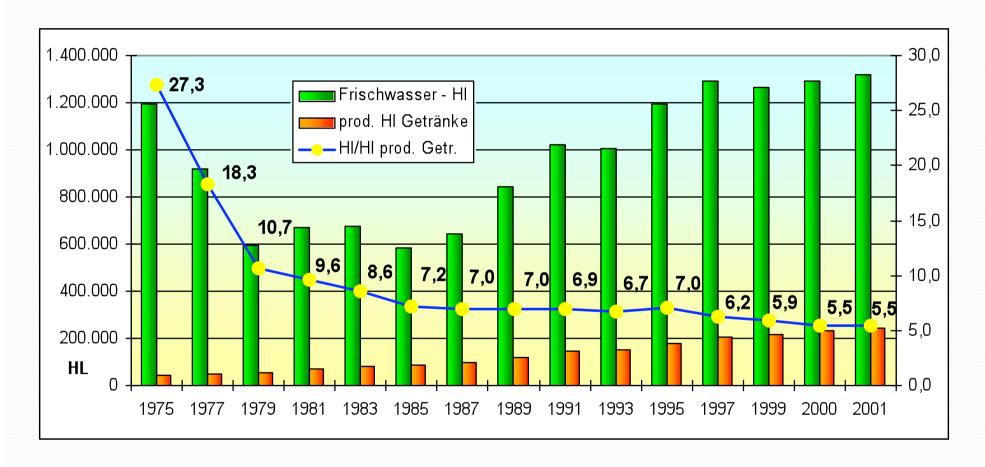


Step two is to separate wastewater streams

Depends on kind of pollutant
Separate handling of different waste streams
Reduce volume of wastewater
Even out peaks by intermittent storing
Specific steps include specific chemical steps



Examples for CP results







Traditional Kraft bleaching D E ECF (Elementary Chlorine Free) EOP D PE O. D TCF /Totally Chlorine Free). O. EOP 0 0



5 Basic Principles of CP

- Input-Substitution
- Good Housekeeping
- Internal Recycling
- Technological Optimisation/Change
- Optimisation of the Product



Input-Substitution

- Use of less hazardous raw-, auxiliary- or operating materials
- Use of operating materials with a longer life-time



Good Housekeeping

- Increasing the Material and Energy efficiency with actions in the process. Try to fetch the "Low hanging fruits" first
 - Reducing losses due to leakage
 - Training of employees
 - ...



Internal Recycling

- Closing of Material and Energy Loops (Water, Solvents,...)
- Cascading of Material and Energy streams



Technological Optimisation/Change

- Implementation of new technologies
- Improved process control
- Redesign of processes
- Change in or Substitution of hazardous processes

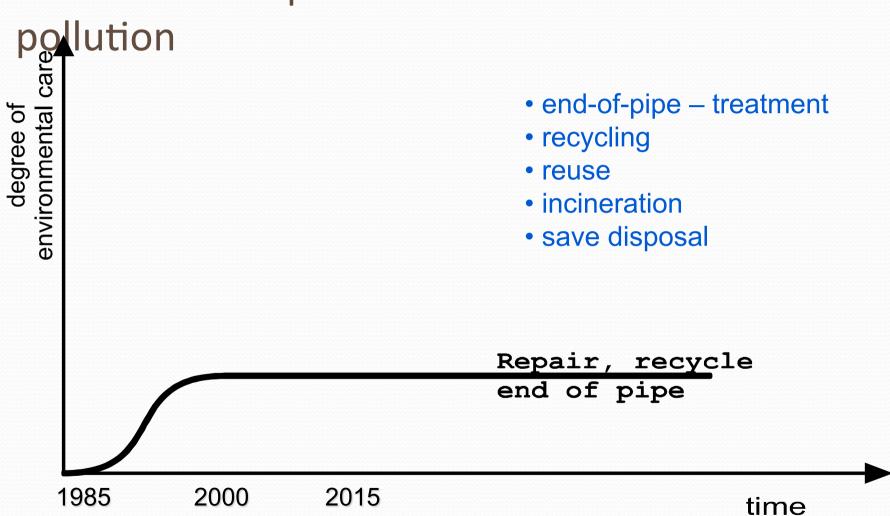


Optimisation of the Product

- Increasing the life-time
- Easier reparing
- Easier demanufacturing, recycling or deposition
- Use of non-hazardous materials



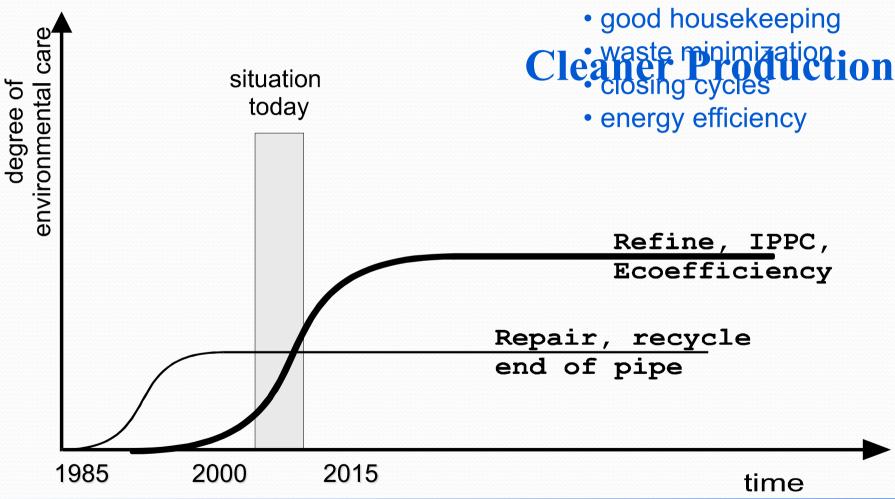
Environmental protection reduced air and water







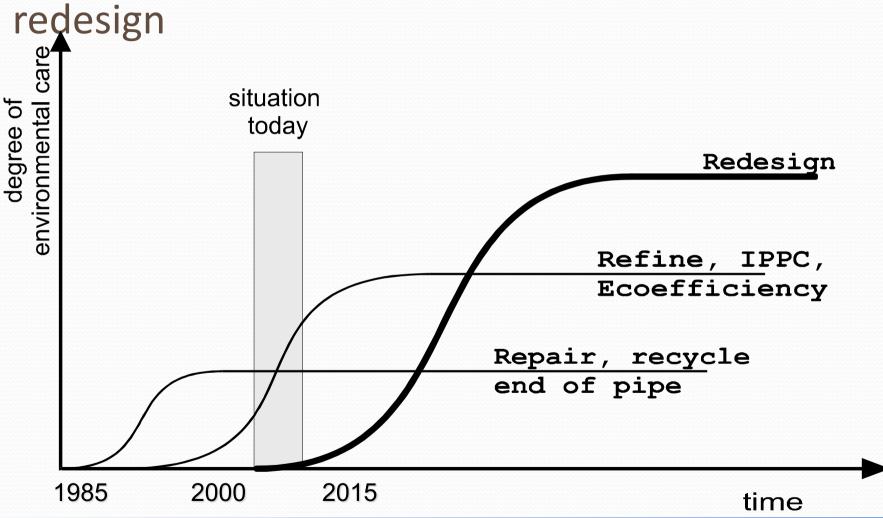
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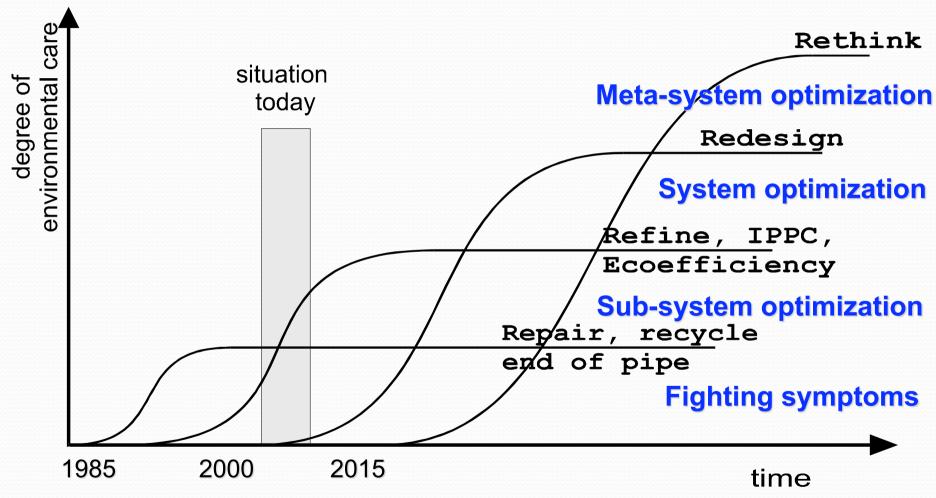
The shift from continuous improvements to





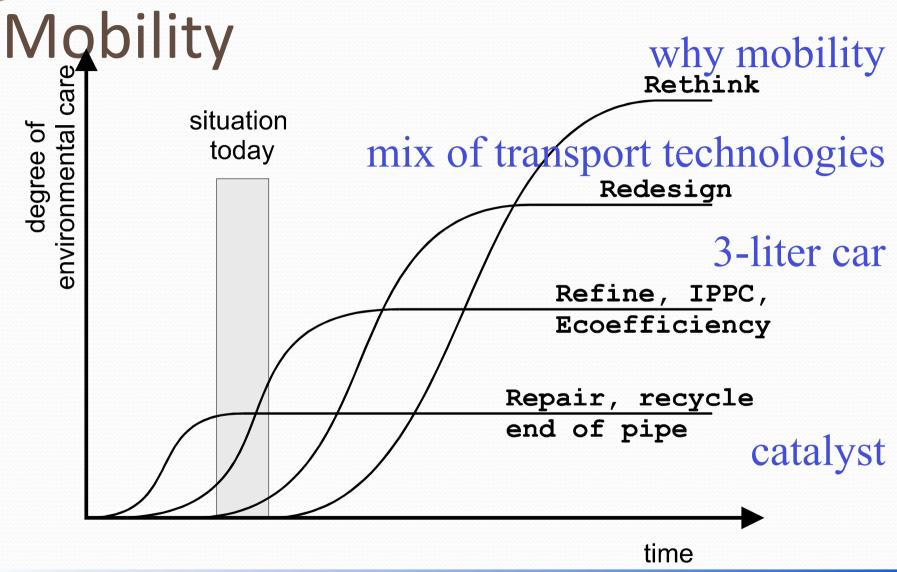


The paradigm shift in environmental protection

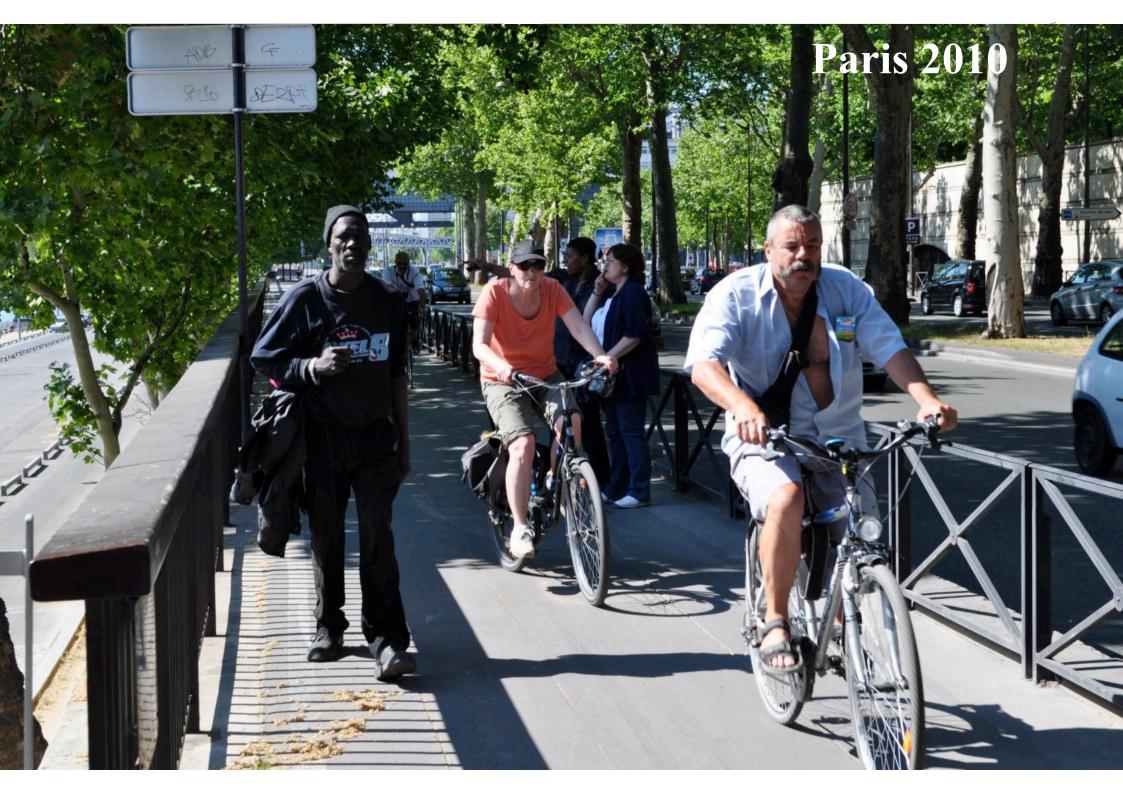


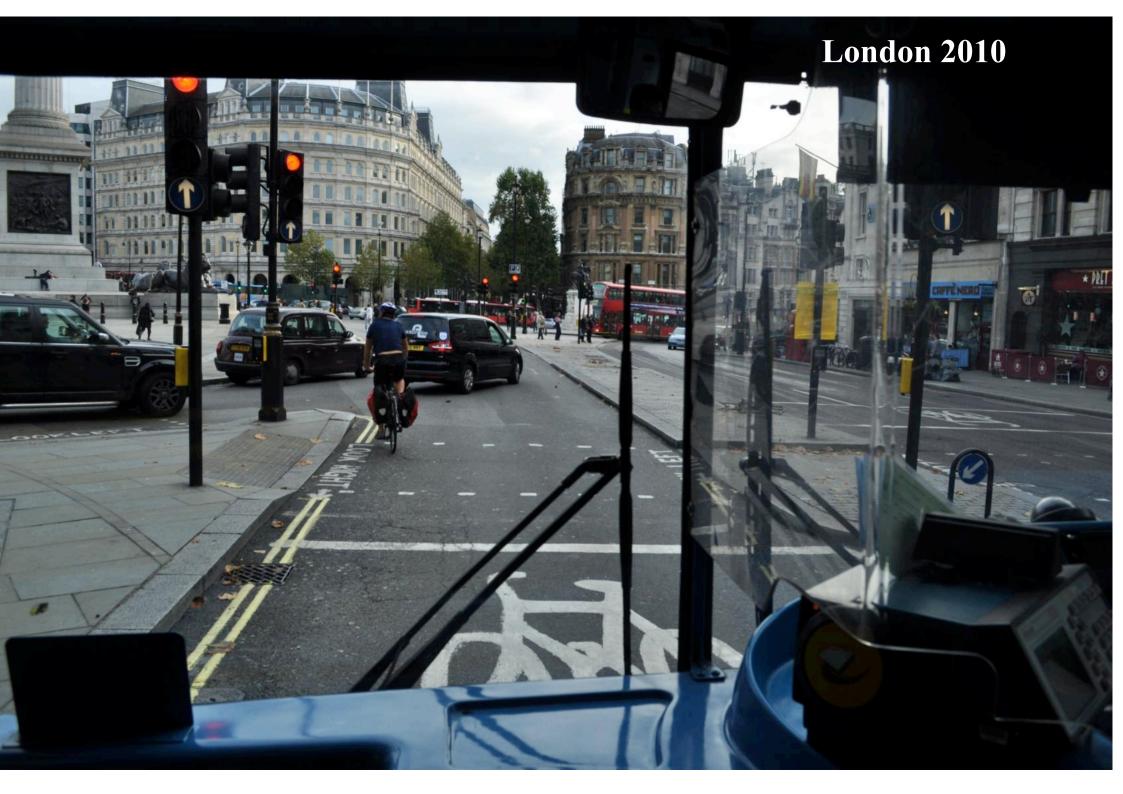












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