Project Bundling in B2C Energy Efficiency Investments



Excursus: Who is Thermondo?





What is the problem we want to solve?

- There is a lack of energy efficiency investments in a B2C (= private home owner) context
- **One factor** causing this is the **scarcity** of customer friendly **financing options**
- This scarcity is mainly caused by the following factors
 - **High heterogeneity** and complexity of investments
 - $\circ~$ Small tickets sizes and hence low attrativeness for banks
 - **High transactions costs** due to high complexity



Project bundling is a potential solution to this problem

- Project bundling refers to the bundling of small, homogenoous energy efficiency projects
- These small projects are then **collectively financed** by one larger loan
- Project bundling partially adresses the problem of heterogeneity and complexity in B2C energy efficiency transactions
- Transaction costs for customer and financing costs remain unsolved by regular project bundling



Thermondo has developed an innovative project bundling solution

- Thermondo has developed a solution ("Thermobdo 365") for heating system renewals that combines project bundling with public promotion programmes for the customer's benefit
- What is **special** about this solution?
 - It is a **one-stop-shop solution** and is hence more comfortable for the customer
 → lower transaction costs
 - 2. It incorporates public promotion programmes and is hence cheaper
 → lower financing costs
 - 3. This solution is based on **Contracting** ("heat lease")



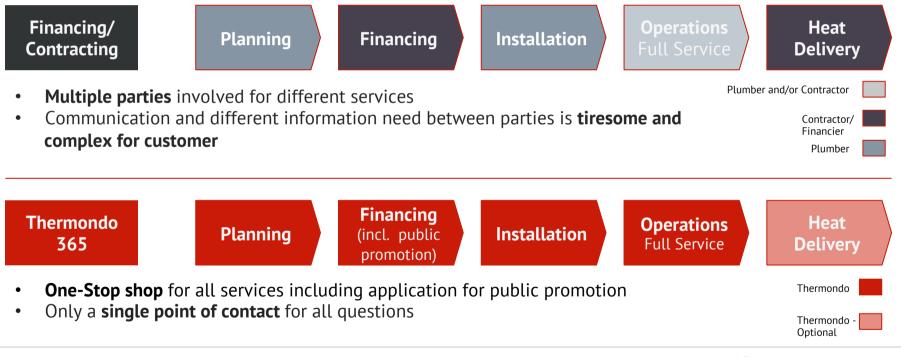
Excursus: What is Contracting?

Heating system Contracting means that **all tasks** related to the **installation** and **maintenance** of a new heating system are performed by the contractor:

Value Chain	Planning Financing Installation Operations Heat Planning Financing Installation Full Service Heat
	Everything managed by Contractor/ Thermondo
Contractor/ Thermondo	 Contractor installs and operates the heating system on the customer's premises Contractor is the owner of the heating system and bears the economic risk of operating the heating system
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Customer	 The Customer pays a monthly rate for the operation of the heating system by the contractor

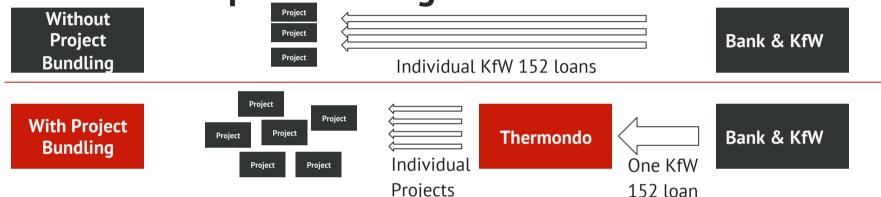


Thermondo is a One-Stop Shop for the entire B2C Contracting Value Chain for private customers





Project bundling and public promotion programmes enables cheaper financing costs



- KfW 152 is an attractive promotional loan for heating system renewals offered by KfW
- Individual KfW152 loans are **often not economically viable** for banks due to high process costs
- Thermondo bundles multiple projects on a company level and provides all services necessary to receive KfW152 loan (incl. energy consultant, solvency and technical and legal feasibility check)
- → Private customers make use of the promotional loan via Thermondo and have a lower monthly rate



Thermondo 365 enlargens the market for B2C heating system renewals in Germany

- **Easier:** Thermondo as a one-stop-shop provides an easy way to access financing for a heating system renewal
- **Cheaper:** KfW152 financing enables people to renew their heating system which might otherwise not have been able to do it

First results: **It does enlargen the market**

- ightarrow 10 contracts were sold in the first week
- → 5 out of these 10 had previously canceled/ postponed their installation because they were not able to obtain financing



The results and proof

- 10 new customers in the first week alone
- Out of these 10 4 were previously unable, too lazy to modernize thei heating system
- → Thermondo 365

