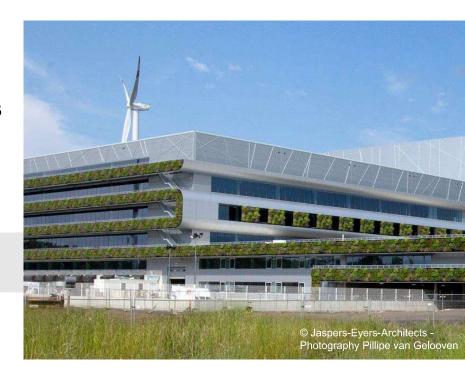




SUSTAINABILITY AND GHG PERFORMANCE AT LOGISTICS HUBS

Joint webinar of the GILA project and ETP ALICE

- GHG emissions quantification of logistics sites aligned with ISO 14083
 Jan-Philipp Jarmer, Fraunhofer IML
- Annual market studies & overall GHG performance indicators for logistics hubs
 Andrea Fossa, GreenRouter & Kerstin Dobers, Fraunhofer IML
- Possible solutions for decarbonising logistics hubs
 Sara Perotti, Politecnico di Milano
- Sustainability of hubs: a key driver for maintaining value over time
 Scarlet Romano, Arcadis Germany



Decarbonisation measures

Analysis of 31 design variables referred to 6 different areas of intervention

Green building & yard

Thermal insulation, loading docks with insulated doors, cool roof, green roof,





Utilities

Self-generated power, photovoltaic, solar panels, wind power, fuel cells or batteries for energy provision, smart HVAC systems, rainwater collection & reuse systems, smart metering /data collection



LED lamps, natural lighting & white walls, solar tubes, sensors for reducing lighting consumption



Materials management

Packaging reduction, separation of waste fractions for better recycling, packaging reuse & recycle, use of renewable & biobased materials, use of recycled materials



Lithium-ion batteries, hydrogen powered fuel cell forklifts, hybrid forklifts, high frequency battery charging, sensors for reducing MHS consumption, energy recovery during braking



Operational practices

Travel distance optimization for MHS, optimal planning for MH activities & battery charging, optimized location of charging equipment



HVAC - Heating, ventilation, air conditioning, MH - material handling, MHS - material handling systems



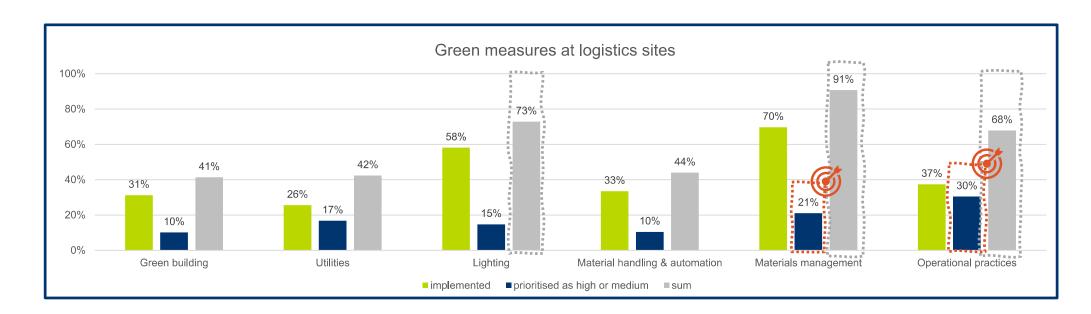


see also Perotti et al. (2023)

Decarbonisation measures

Current adoption vs. prospective scenario: an overview

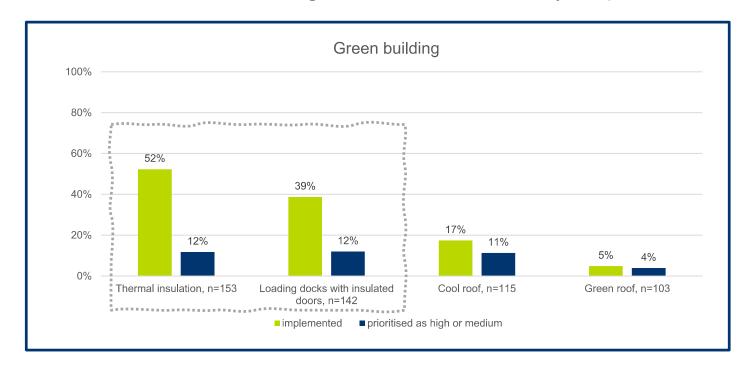
▶ Materials management (91%), lighting (73%), and operational practices (68%) appear the major areas of intervention in terms of current adoption and priority for future interventions.





Green building

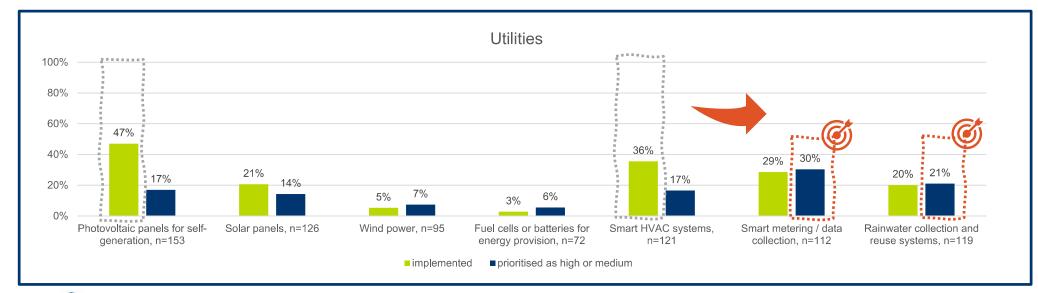
- ▶ 153 sites provided answers on the measure "Thermal insulation", half of which have implemented it.
- ▶ Loading docks with insulated doors is another widespread solution (55 sites).
- Innovative solutions such as **cool roof** and **green roof** are still scarcely adopted.





Utilities

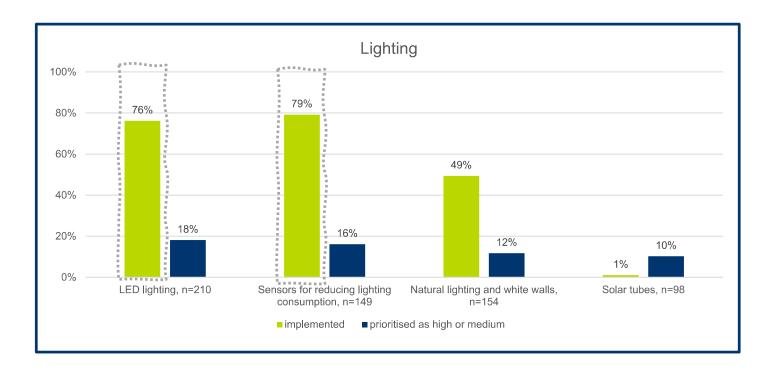
- ▶ Photovoltaic panels (72 sites) for own use and smart HVAC systems (44 sites) are particularly widespread.
- ▶ Priorities for **future** interventions seem to highlight a market interest in **smart metering** (34 sites), followed by rainwater collection and reuse systems (25).





Lighting

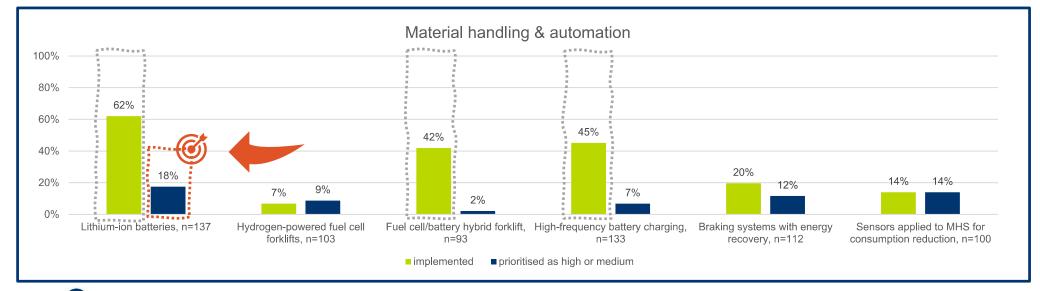
- ▶ LED lighting (160 sites) together with sensors for reducing consumption (118 sites) are the most implemented solution by far.
- ► A relevant share also uses natural lighting and white walls (49%) for energy efficient working conditions.





Material handling and automation

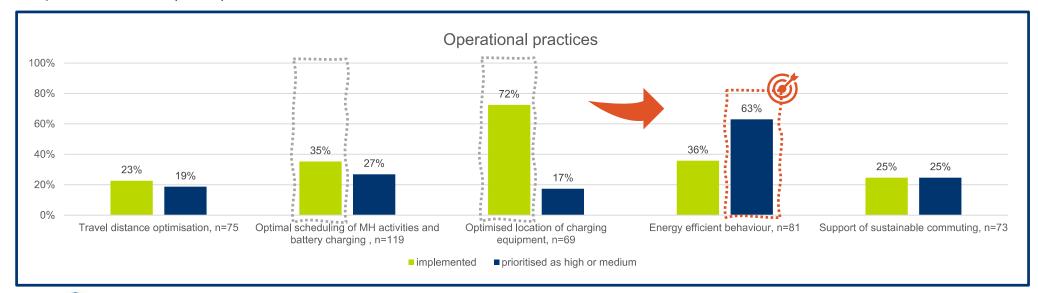
- ➤ Current adoption is mainly concentrated on **forklifts**, especially on the implementation of lithium-ion batteries (85 sites), **high-frequency battery charging** (60 sites) or **fuel cell/battery hybrid forklift** (39 sites).
- Lithium-ion batteries are also prioritised as high or medium for future implementation in 25 sites (18%).





Operational practices

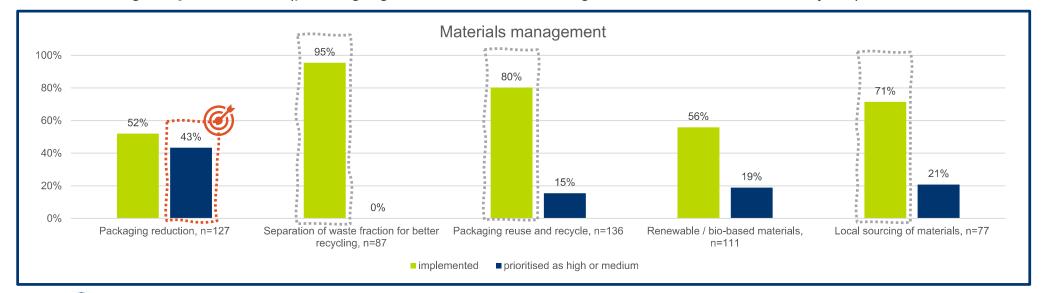
- ▶ Improvement by optimising the location of charging equipment of material handling system has been adopted by 50 sites, followed by optimal scheduling of MH activities and battery charging (42 sites)
- ► Energy efficient behaviour is also quite common (30 sites) and has emerged as a clear focus for future implementation (63%).





Material management

- ► High adoption: the main levers for companies involve actions on the packaging materials used, according to two main strategies:
 - adopting more sustainable materials (local sourcing, renewable/bio-based materials), and
 - working on processes (packaging reduction, enhancing materials reuse and recycle)





Summary on decarbonisation measures

- ▶ Main focus on **lighting**, **materials management**, and **operational practices** with these latter two being the major areas in terms of **priority** for future interventions.
- ► LED lighting often coupled with sensors for reducing consumption are confirmed as particularly widespread.
- ➤ As per materials management, improved **materials** and more **efficient processes** appear as the key actions.
- ➤ Operational practices often entail both a focus on **MH optimisation** (charging location and scheduling) and an overall commitment towards **energy efficient behaviour**.

