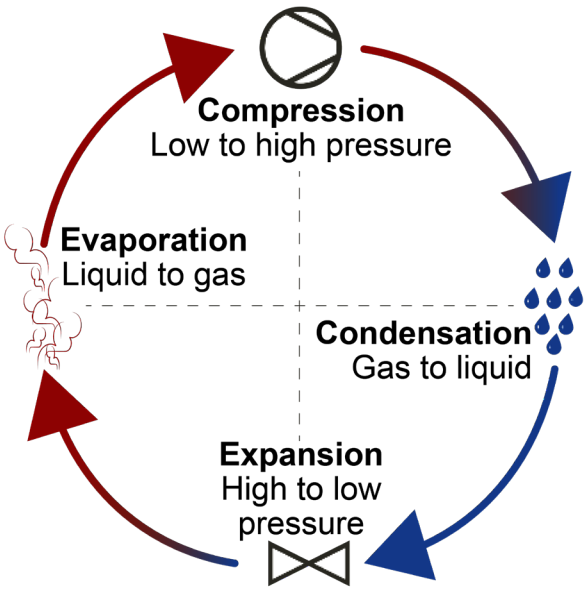
Waste heat recovery in dryers

Reduce your gas consumption by using industrial heat pump technology.

Increasing the energy efficiency of the drying process by installing a heat pump will result both in **energy cost reductions** and in a positive environmental impact (**reduction of CO_2 emission**)

By using the enthalpy of the wet air exhaust of the dryer, we create hot air for the drying process of heavy clay products.



Basic principle

Heat pumps take energy from a cold stream, increase the temperature, and release this energy to a warm stream.

The heat pump operates on the basis of a working fluid (refrigerant) which changes state (liquid/gas) in a continuous cycle and absorbs and releases heat (**Carnot cycle**).

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Heat pump technology

By recovering the enthalpy of the wet air exhaust, we are heating the drying air.

Applications

- Can be applied to different types of dryers (chamber dryer, tunnel dryer, fast dryer)
- And with different types of products (facing bricks, structural bricks, roof tiles, pavers)
- Can be combined with:
  - hot air recovery
  - wet air recirculation
  - cogeneration
- Integration in existing dryers based on feasability study

Fluids

- Primary circuit: NH_3 (ammonia)
- Secondary circuit: water

Our presales process

Feasability study

A feasability study is done, based on:

- the type of dryer
- the characteristics of the wet air exhaust
- the configuration of dryer
- the work organisation
- the characteristics of the product (water percentage, residual moisture)
- the drying curves
- the energy prices (gas & electricity)

Quote

The cost of this feasability study depends on the type of dryer.
The quote for the industrial equipment ends the feasability study.

Technological limits

- Water temperature ≤ 90°C
- Drying air temperature ≤ 80°C (with secondary circuit(s))
- Drying air temperature ≤ 90°C (without secondary circuit)

Your advantages

Increased energy efficiency
Production cost reduction
Lower CO_2 emission
Financial support depending on your country

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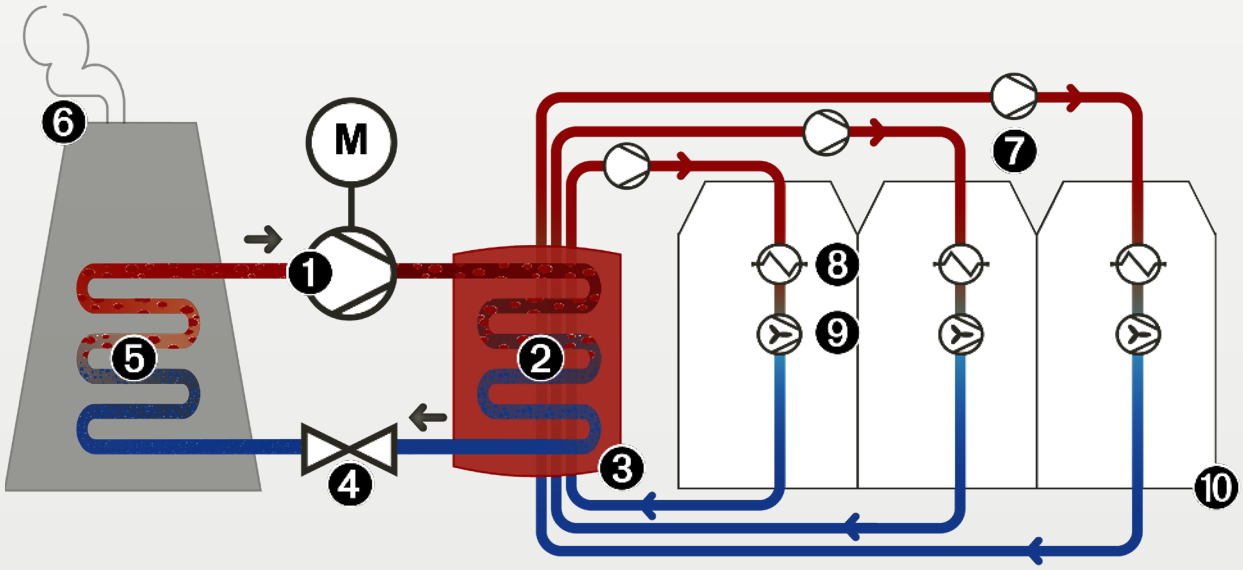
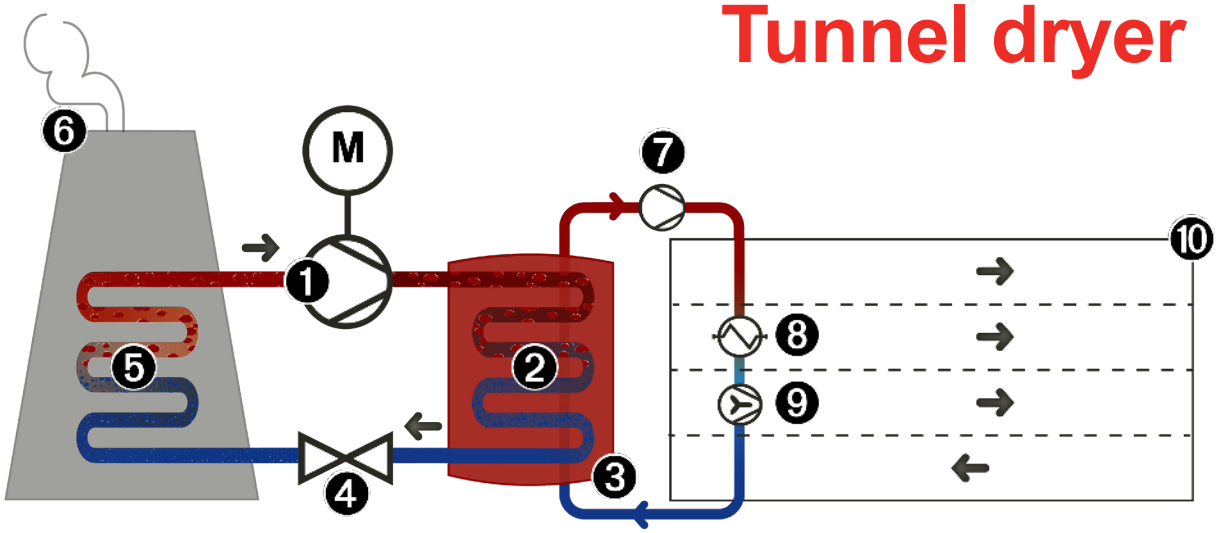
Example 1 - Chamber dryer



1. Compressor
2. Condenser
3. Boiler
4. Expansion valve
5. Evaporator
6. Chimney
7. Water pump
8. Heat exchanger
9. Fan
10. Chamber dryers

Example 2 - Tunnel dryer



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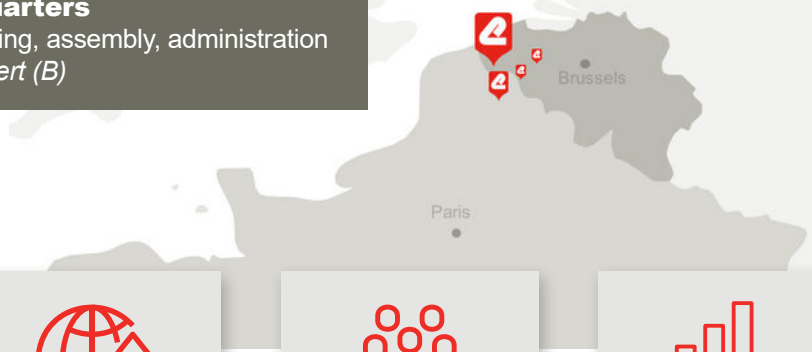

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