

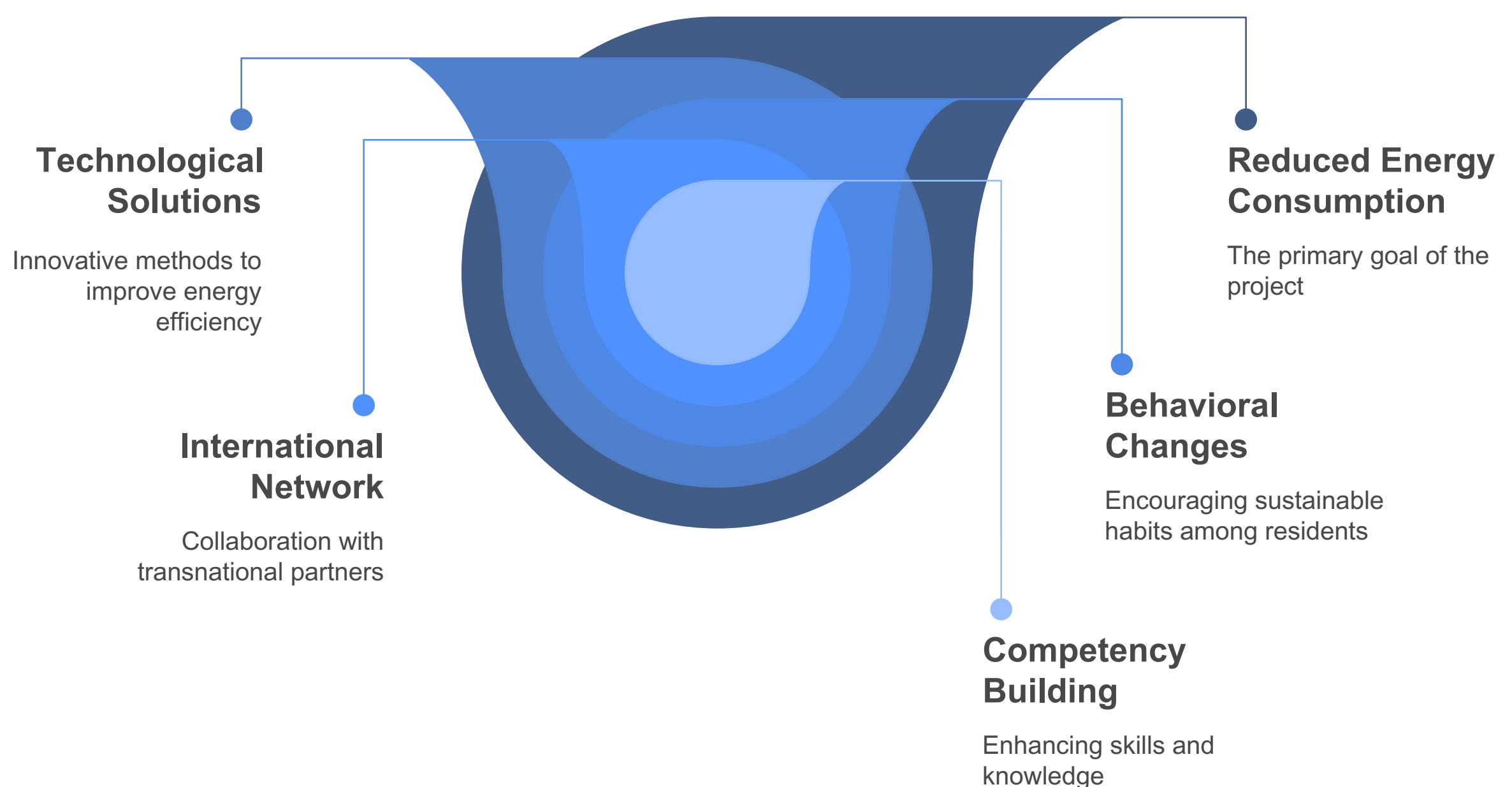
## 👤 Interview with Christian Martin Baaner, Energileder, Vesthimmerlands Kommune, Denmark (PP12).



### 1. What inspired Vesthimmerlands Kommune (Denmark) to join the Easy Energy project?

Participation in Easy Energy is a natural step in continuation of Vesthimmerlands Municipality's climate plan, which sets out a series of strategic goals and actions to reduce the municipality's climate footprint. The project contributes directly to the objective of reducing energy consumption in existing buildings. By working with both technological solutions and behavioural changes, the project can help create practical, concrete, and measurable solutions. Participation in Easy Energy provides Vesthimmerlands Municipality with a unique opportunity to join a strong international network of partners, offers a new perspective on local challenges, and helps to build competencies.

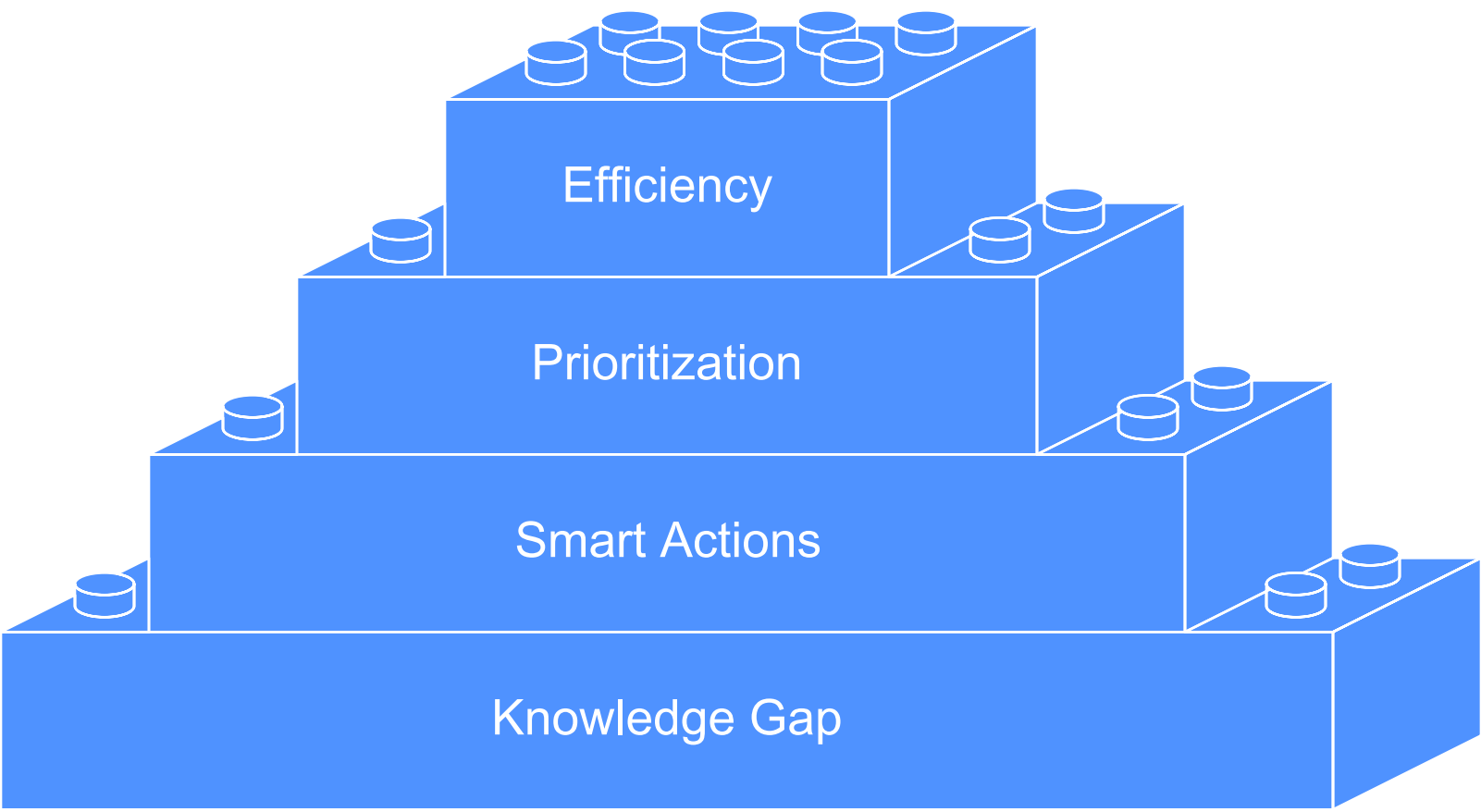
### Easy Energy Project Participation



2. How would you describe the challenge that Easy Energy is tackling in 2-3 sentences?

Easy Energy is addressing the challenge that many building owners face when it comes to energy optimization. There is often a lack of knowledge, both when it comes to how energy is best utilized and what means of consumption reductions are most effective. Basically – what are the smartest things to do, in which order is it best to do it and how do they get the best results with the smallest effort and investment.

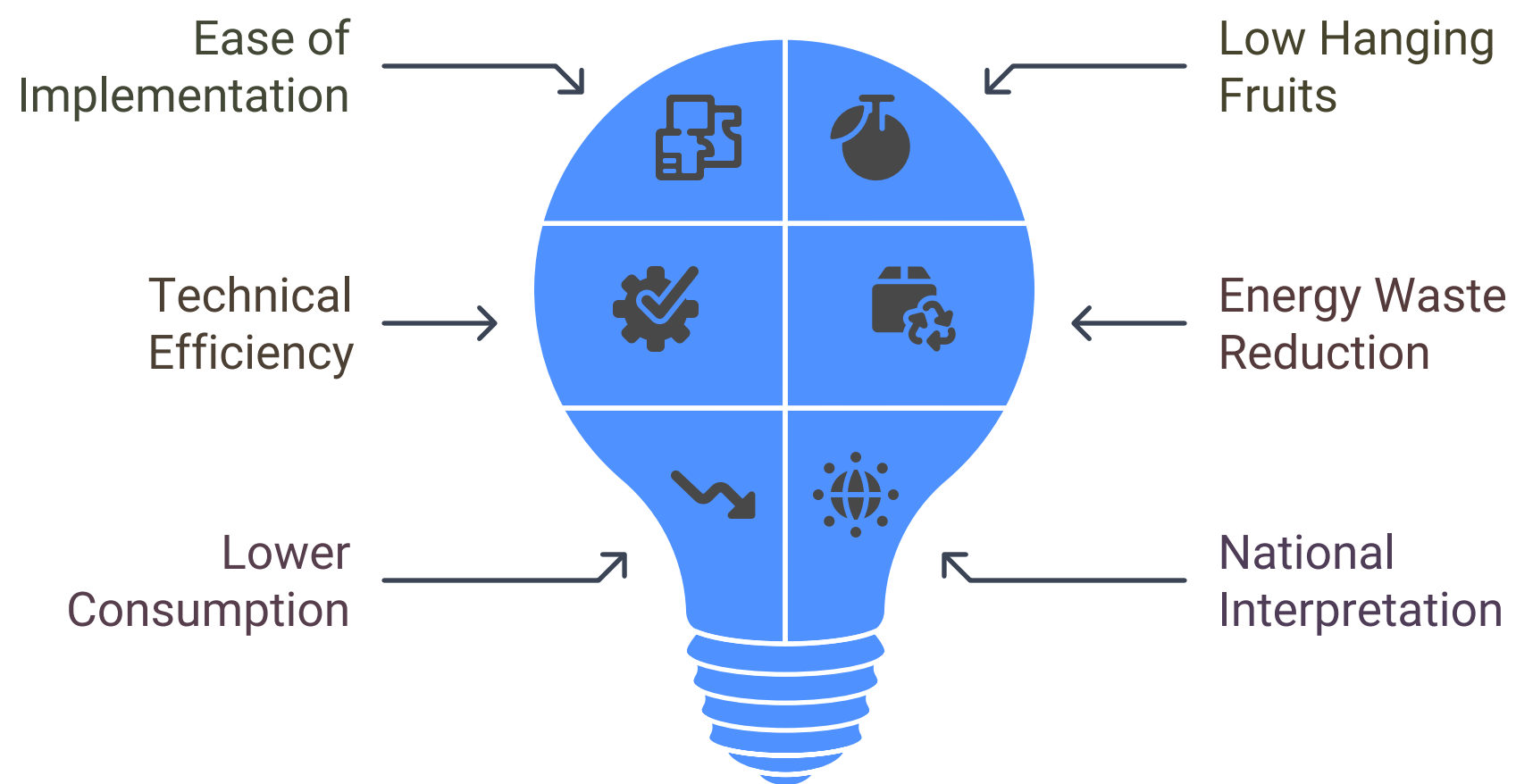
### Energy Optimization Strategy



3. How would you describe the solutions we are providing in Easy Energy in 2-3 sentences?

The solutions gathered in a catalogue are meant to be easy to implement and harvest some of the low hanging fruits. Increase technical efficiency, reduce waste of energy and lower overall consumption. They are presented in a way that allow for national interpretation to abide regulations and building customs.

## Easy Energy Solutions



**4. Could you give us an example of a simple, low-cost energy-saving measure that has been successful in your buildings?**

We, in Vesthimmerlands municipality have used solutions like: Closing a niche behind a radiator with and interior fiber gypsum wall and added insulation, mounting door closers on doors frequently left open, blown-in insulating in attic spaces and pipe insulation. All with measurable results.

**5. How has working with partners across different Baltic Sea Region countries helped you discover new approaches to energy efficiency that you might not have considered before?**

The collaboration with Baltic partners has contributed much to my understanding of the different building customs in the region and helped me to get a fuller picture of the challenges faced by different kinds of building owners. There has also been a few solutions that I will consider for upcoming projects. Reflecting mats behind radiators and interior insulating film for windows are examples of those.

Thank you.