

**New smart box saves energy in flats**

**A little data terminal in the flats is now being tested by Public Service Housing in Stockholm and Göteborg. The terminal, called SBox, helps the tenants to keep a check on their consumption of electricity and water while at the same time offering a number of service functions. The system has been developed by the Göteborg company, Manodo in cooperation with Svenska Bostäder in Stockholm and Bostadsbolaget in Göteborg. The project is also backed up by Familjebostäder and Poseidon in Göteborg.**

The visible part is a touch screen, inserted in the wall, for example in the hall. On the screen, the flat's energy consumption is presented, both current and back in time and how much CO<sub>2</sub> this corresponds to.

– The system reacts very quickly to changes, says Johan Stråkander, Sales- and Marketing Director of Manodo. The tenant sees directly how lighting and domestic appliances affect consumption. In this way it is much easier to do something about your own energy wasters.

SBox can also be fitted with a number of security and service functions, such as laundry booking with reminder, weather information, bus timetables, fault reports and others.

– The security functions make it easier for older people to remain at home, says Johan Stråkander. Some examples: activity alarm that indicates if no one has moved about or run water for a long time, hotplate warning, fire warning, security alarm and video entrance telephone.

Within a short time 40 or so SBoxes will be installed for testing at Bostadsbolaget in Kortedala and Svenska Bostäder in Vällingby

– There is no system on the market with the same flexibility, continues Johan Stråkander. If the housing companies go the whole way and equip all their flats with SBox, they will be first in the world to offer their tenants this service.

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