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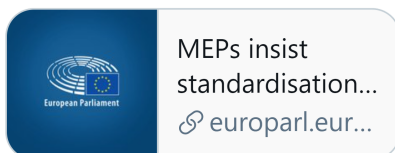
UPCOMING EVENTS

- BIM & digitalisation of construction standards - online, 15 February
- FEICA webinar, review of the CPR - online, 25 February
- Limiting health impacts of construction products regarding VOC - Berlin, 20-21 April

TWEET OF THE MONTH



MEPs insist standardisation process for construction products must be improved <https://t.co/WXhoXQLUOn> via @Europarl_EN



— ConstructionProducts (@ConstructionEU) February 4, 2021

PUBLICATION OF THE MONTH



Construction 2050 Alliance latest meeting Thierry Breton Cabinet

On 28 January the Construction 2050 Alliance held a meeting with an expert from the Cabinet of Commissioner Breton, and discussed about the construction-related priorities of the Commission for 2021, the forthcoming new Industrial Policy and the role of construction in the recovery from the Covid pandemic.

The Renovation Wave, the Affordable Housing Initiative, the revision of the Energy Performance of Buildings, the digital transition, the revision of the Construction Products Regulation, the Taxonomy for sustainable investments are only some of the issues on which we will need to focus this year.

One of the main role of the Construction 2050 Alliance, which gathers around 50 European organisations involved in the construction value chain, is to strengthen the visibility and the voice of our sector towards the EU Institutions. Besides our regular contacts with the services of the Commission, in particular with the Construction Unit within DG GROW, such meetings are extremely important in order to build mutually helpful links with the key EU policy makers.

Construction Products Regulation European Parliament report



KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US



European Parliament IMCO committee voted the amendments to the draft report on the implementation of the CPR. The updated draft received almost unanimous approval by the Committee and will be voted in the Plenary soon. In his report the European Parliament urgently calls on the Commission to find a quick and viable solution to improve standardisation processes and remove the backlog of non-cited standards as a priority and recommends keeping the CPR principles in the potential revision of the regulation. [Read the report...](#)

Digital Building Logbook

The final report of this European project is already available. It contains a definition of digital building logbook, identification of the gaps identified in the existing schemes and recommendations to address these gaps. The report suggests the harmonisation of the system in a standard or through a new project, the consolidation of the data structure and more investments on research and innovation in this field. [Read more...](#)

New CEN/TC 350 subcommittee on circular economy

CEN/TC 350 experts discussed last month the scope and working plan of the new subcommittee for circular economy in construction. The group's work programme includes material passports, circular design, procurement and building logbooks, with digitalisation identified as the main enabler for circularity. [Read more...](#)

Construction Products Regulation consultation - validation workshop

A validation workshop, in the context of the external supporting study for the impact assessment on the options for the future of the CPR is expected to take place online next 4 March. The respondents to the [public consultation](#) and the company survey who showed their interest on this meeting will be invited. Construction Products Europe provided replies to the questions and will participate in the event.

Adaptation to climate change - standardisation work

The European Commission sent to CEN a letter asking for an acceleration of standardisation work on the climate resilience of buildings in light of recent and upcoming EU initiatives. This initiative is related to the EU strategy for

adaptation to climate change to be published in the first quarter of 2021 and to the Renovation Wave communication. CEN is collecting inputs from the technical committees working on building relevant standards to be shared with the European Commission. [Provide feedback...](#)

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