

Climate Change & Built Heritage

Public Conference

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9h00 to 17h00

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In April 2021, the Union's co-legislators reached a provisional agreement on the European Climate Law, which, for the first time, enshrines in the EU legislation the objective of becoming the world's first climate-neutral continent by 2050. In order to reach this objective, legislators have set the intermediary target to cut Union's greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030.

Urgent and bold actions targeting the built environment are indispensable for meeting our climate ambitions. Indeed, our living and working spaces are responsible for 36% of greenhouse gas emissions and 40% of the energy consumption in the EU. Yet, in today's Europe, 75 % of buildings are not energy efficient, mostly because a large part of the existing building stock was constructed before building codes were in place.

The Architects' Council of Europe promotes a holistic approach towards the built environment – an approach that, beyond energy efficiency considerations, seeks to create economic, social, environmental and cultural value through the built environment, for the benefit of all. At the same time, renovations strategies should aim to both optimise the energy performance of buildings and preserve and enhance the quality of the built environment. Particular attention should be paid to our built heritage, whether it is listed heritage or not.

In anticipation of COP26 that will take place in November in Glasgow, the [Architects' Council of Europe is organising a public conference, on Thursday 28 October in Brussels](#) to discuss the solutions that a high-quality architecture can offer to mitigate climate change and help our society to adapt its effects. It will focus on the mindset and attitude towards the built environment that is required to initiate quality planning processes – a prerequisite for the design of low-carbon and climate resilient buildings, public spaces and cities.

The event will be designed as an opportunity to discuss ongoing EU policy initiatives (EU Climate Law, Renovation Wave strategy, New European Bauhaus), as well as city and landscape planning, mobility, circular economy, re-use of the heritage – through some architecturally excellent projects.

Programme

- 8h45** **Registration and Welcome coffee**
- 9h00** **Welcome**
Andrea THILO, Master of Ceremony
Georg PENDL, Architects' Council of Europe, President
Thomas VONIER, International Union of Architects, Immediate Past President
Kristiaan BORRET, Brussels Bouwmeester / Maître Architecte
- 9h20** **Morning Keynote Speech**
Anna HERINGER, Winner of the 2021 New European Bauhaus Awards in the category "*Solutions for the co-evolution of built environment and nature*"
- 9h50** **SESSION 1 - Designing and planning for the long term:
from large scale to small scale**
Presentations followed by round-table discussion moderated by the Master of Ceremony and Q&A with the audience.
- Steffi SCHÜPPEL, landscape architect, AIAPP Italy member and Chair of BDLA Saxony (German Landscape Architecture Association)
Christiane BLANCOT, Atelier Parisien d'Urbanisme (APUR)
Gustaf LANDAHL, City of Stockholm, Dept. of Planning and Environment
Ciarán CUFFE, Member of the European Parliament - Transport committee
- 11h00** **Coffee Break**
- 11h20** **SESSION 2 - Round table discussion on the EU Climate Action**
Presentations by speakers followed by a round-table discussion moderated by the Master of Ceremony and Q&A with the audience
- Brigitte JACQUEMONT, Policy Officer at EU Commission - DG Energy (DG ENER)
Philippe MOSELEY, Policy Officer at EU Commission - DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW)
Anne GRADY, Policy Officer at the EU Commission - DG Culture and Education (DG EAC)
Marcos ROS SEMPERE, Member of the European Parliament - Industry, Research and Energy Committee
Alexandru MATEI, Senior Officer "Governance and Social Innovation", ICLEI Europe, Local Governments for Sustainability
Georg PENDL, Architects' Council of Europe President

- 12h30** **Lunch Break**
- 13h30** **Afternoon Keynote Speech**
Martin RAUCH, Winner of the 2021 New European Bauhaus Awards
in the category "*Techniques, materials and processes for construction and design*"
- 14h00** **SESSION 3 - Excellent Architectural Projects**
Presentations by speakers followed by a round-table discussion
moderated by the Master of Ceremony and Q&A with the audience
- Anders LENDAGER, Lendager Group CEO
Bernd WILTSCHEK, Austrian Bundesimmobiliengesellschaft, School
Department
Dirk VAN PEIJPE, De Urbanisten CEO
Matevž ČELIK, Programme Director, Future Architecture
Mar SANTAMARIA, 300.000 km/s Director
- 15h15** **Coffee Break**
- 15h35** **SESSION 4 - Round table discussion with representatives from
the New European Bauhaus Collective (NEBC)**
Round-table discussion moderated by the Master of Ceremony and
Q&A with the audience
- Ruth REICHSTEIN, I.D.E.A., Advisory Board of the President of the
Commission
Katerina GKOLTSIOU, IFLA Europe President
Maria HANSEN, ELIA Executive Director
Dag BOUTSEN, EAAE Council member
Sneška QUAEDVLIEG-MIHAILOVIĆ, Europa Nostra Secretary General
Georg PENDL, Architects' Council of Europe President
- 16h50** **Presentation of the conference statement and concluding remarks**
Andrea THILO & Georg PENDL
- 17h00** **End of the conference**



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