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Renovating Europe's Buildings & Heating Systems



Half-Day Conference
organised by Eurofuel and EPE

First Plenary Meeting of
the European Re-Building Forum



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INVITATION

***25 March 2010
14.30 – 18.00
Centre Borschette – Room 1D
Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels***

Eurofuel and European Partners for the Environment (EPE) are delighted to invite you to a half-day Conference on **Renovating Europe's Buildings & Heating Systems**, which will take place under the umbrella of the 2010 European Sustainable Energy Week in the premises of the European Commission in Brussels.

This half-day conference will illustrate the high potential of retrofitting and heating system modernisation for meeting EU energy efficiency targets, the economic obstacles, the need for a balance between climate-friendly and cost-effective solutions, and the case for an ambitious EU Building Initiative targeting retrofitting of buildings and heating systems.



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PROGRAMME

- 14:30-14:35 **Welcome & Introduction**
Michael Bennett, Executive Director, Eurofuel
- 14:35-14:45 **The need for a European Re-Building Forum**
Raymond van Ermen, Executive Director, European Partners for the Environment (EPE)
- 14:45-15:00 **Heating system modernisation - A high potential to save energy in buildings**
Dr Moritz Bellinghen, President of the Technical Commission, Eurofuel
- 15:00 -15:15 **French experience in building renovation and heating system modernisation**
Marcel Dugravot, President, Chauffage Fioul
- 15:15-15:30 **Solar thermal and hybrid solutions for energy efficient buildings**
Xavier Noyon, Secretary General, ESTIF (European Solar Thermal Industry Federation)
- 15:30-15:45 **European Re-Building Forum contribution towards mandatory and non-mandatory retrofitting targets at national level**
Frans Versteeg, Programme Manager, PeGO Energy Transition Platform Built Environment
- 15:45-16:10 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 16:10-16:25 **EU regulatory perspective on the promotion of energy improvements in buildings**
Pirjo-Liisa Koskimäki, Head of Unit "Energy Efficiency", DG Energy, European Commission
- 16:25-16:40 **European Parliament's demands for more energy efficient buildings**
Silvia-Adriana Ticau, Member of the European Parliament
- 16:40-16:55 **Legal environment and incentives for retrofitting, the German example**
Peter Rathert, German Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Development
- 16:55-17:10 **The views and concerns from an Environmental NGO on retrofitting and heating system modernisation**
Arianna Vitali Roscini, Policy officer for energy conservation in buildings, WWF
- 17:10-17:20 **Panel Debate - Introductory Remarks**
Moderator: Dave Keating, Reporter, ENDS Europe
- 17:20-17:50 **Panel Debate - What solutions for energy and cost efficient retrofitting of existing buildings and heating equipment?**
Potential Panel Themes
- Retrofitting and heating system modernisation: Potential for meeting possible future binding energy efficiency targets?
 - Energy improvements and the payback dilemma: How to make the long-term benefits of retrofitting an immediate economical choice? Financing renovation for the residential sector through performance contracting schemes
 - Energy storage and smart energy networks - how to balance variable energy generation and demand
 - How to achieve the urgent need of retrofitting the EU's buildings and heating systems? An EU Building Initiative?
 - Skills enhancement, education and training
 - Priority issues for the European Re-Building Forum's Working Groups
- 17:50-18:00 **Moderator's Conclusions**
- 18:00 **END OF CONFERENCE**

To attend the event, please register by creating an account at www.eusew.eu

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