



PROGRAMME

Virtual Conference

"Construction Products - Fit for the Future", 18 & 20 November 2020

Berlin, 29.10.2020

Summary

One of the greatest achievements of European integration is the single market and its free movement of goods. Thanks to harmonised European standards, the construction industry is able to sell its products everywhere in Europe. As the legal basis for marketing construction products, the Construction Products Regulation needs to keep up with constantly changing technology. In addition to creating a functioning single market for construction products while ensuring building structure safety, we need to overcome the standstill in standardisation. Greater attention should also be paid to subjects such as health, climate change mitigation, sustainability and circular economy. The European Green Deal has already set out a number of goals. The conference aims at bringing together various stakeholders, including representatives from European institutions, policy-makers, public administration officials from EU member states, experts from the research community and representatives from the private sector.

Day 1 (Wednesday, 18 November 2020) - Technical workshops

The first day of the conference consists of workshops at technical level.

09.15 – 9.30

Welcoming address

- Christine Hammann, General Director for Building; Construction Industry and Federal Buildings, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community

09.30 – 11.30

Workshop 1 - “What makes a good standard – legal, practical and procedural aspects”

Moderator: Dr. Bernhard Schneider, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community

Discussion:

- N.N., European Commission
- Cinzia Missiroli, CEN / CENELEC
- Oscar Nieto, Construction Products Europe (CPE)
- Rainer Mikulits, Austrian Institute of Construction Engineering
- Kathrin Dingemann, Redeker Sellner Dahs, law firm
- Martin Rucker, Ministry of the Interior, Rural Areas, Integration and Equality, Schleswig-Holstein

11.30 – 12.30

Lunch break

12.30 – 14.30

Workshop 2 – „From sick to healthy buildings: Way forward with emissions into indoor air under the CPR“

Moderator: Outi Ilvonen, Federal Environmental Agency, Germany

Impulse statement: Dr. Joseph Allen, Associate Professor of Exposure Assessment Science, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Discussion:

- Josefina Lindblom, European Commission (DG ENV)
- François Maupetit, Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment (CSTB), France
- Guy Verrue, Chairman CEN/TC 134 - Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings
- Dr. Arja Valtanen, Building Information Foundation RTS, Finland
- Dr. Anne Braune, German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB)

14.30 – 14.45

Break

14.45 – 16.45

Workshop 3 – “Construction product information – the basis for circularity and sustainability of buildings”

Moderator: Dietmar Menzer, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community

Impulse statements:

- Prof. Thomas Lützkendorf, Karlsruhe Institute for Technology (KIT)
- Dr. Ingrid Vogler, Federal Association of German Housing and Real Estate Companies (GdW)

Discussion:

- Heikki Väänänen, European Commisison (DG GROW)
- Christian Donath, ECO-Platform AISBL
- Celine Carré, Saint-Gobain
- Martin Car, European Quality Association for Recycling (EQAR)
- Prof. Victor Ferreira., risco aveiro research center of risk and sustainability in construction (tbc)

16.45 – 17.00

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- Lothar Fehn Krestas, Director for Building; Construction Industry, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community

Day 2 (Friday, 20 November 2020) - High-level conference

The second day of the conference consists of high-level speeches and panel discussions.

- 09.30 – 09.40 Welcoming address
- State Secretary Anne Katrin Bohle, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
- 09.40 – 10.50 **"Way forward Construction Products Regulation"**
- Keynote: Kerstin Jorna, European Commission, Director-General DG GROW
- Panel discussion:
The EU Council Presidency (State Secretary Anne Katrin Bohle, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community)
in discussion with
- Christian Doleschal, Member of the European Parliament,
 - Gwenole Cozigou, European Commission, Director DG GROW and
 - Cédric de Meeûs, President of Construction Products Europe (CPE)
- 10.50 – 11.00 Break
- 11.00 – 12.30 **"The future of standardisation of construction products"**
- Moderator: Sibylle Gabler, DIN e.V. (German Institute for Standardization)
- Impulse statements:
- Elena Santiago Cid, Director General CEN / CENELEC
 - Dr. Tim Rühlig, The Swedish Institute of International Affairs
- Panel discussion:
- Lothar Fehn Krestas, Director, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
 - N.N., European Commission
 - Elena Santiago Cid, Director General CEN / CENELEC
 - Dr. Tim Rühlig, The Swedish Institute of International Affairs
 - Dr. Laurent Izoret, Deputy GM Products & Applications, Chairman of CEN/TC 51 - Cement and building limes
 - N.N., European Construction Industry Association (FIEC)

- 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch break
- 13:30 - 14:50 **"The European Green Deal and its impact on the construction and building sector"**
- Moderator: Annette von Hagel, re!source
- Impulse statements:
- N.N., European Commission (tbc)
 - Erwin Thoma, entrepreneur timber constructions (tbc)
- Panel discussion:
- State Secretary Anne Katrin Bohle, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
 - Ferdi Licher, Director, Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations of the Netherlands
 - N.N., European Commission (tbc)
 - Sorcha Edwards, Housing Europe
 - Carl Bäckstrand, Architects' Council of Europe (ACE)
 - Gerd Koch, Association of Austrian clay brick and roof tile producers (VOEZ) (tbc)
- 14.50 - 14.55 Outlook EU Council Presidency of Portugal
- N.N. (tbc)
- 14.55 - 15.10 Summary and Conclusions
- State Secretary Anne Katrin Bohle, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community