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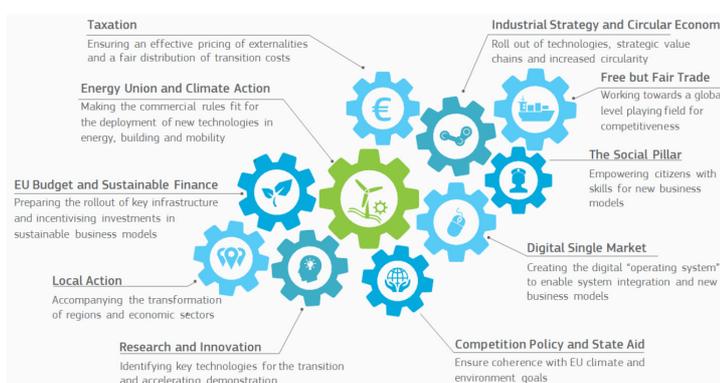
UPCOMING EVENTS

- Buildings Policy Innovation Exchange Workshop - Brussels 12 December
- Financing Energy Efficiency in the Industry Sector - Online 13 December
- Level(s) conference - Brussels 18 December
- 2019 EU Industry days - Brussels 5-6 February

TWEET OF THE MONTH



Energy-efficient homes will become the norm in a [#ClimateNeutralEU](#). Tomorrow we will present our [#EU2050](#) climate strategy. A prosperous [#ClimateNeutral](#) future is possible, necessary and in Europe's interest. pic.twitter.com/kph22kHtEx



Enabling framework. Source: EPSC

EU 2050 climate-neutral strategy

On 28th November, the European Commission adopted its 2050 “A Clean Planet for all” strategy. The Commission's vision for a climate-neutral future covers nearly all EU policies and is in line with the Paris Agreement objective. The strategy does not set targets but promotes the development of new and innovative industries. It seeks to ensure that this transition is socially fair and enhances the competitiveness of EU economy and industry on global markets, securing high quality jobs and sustainable growth in Europe, while also helping address other environmental challenges. [Read more...](#)

Level(s) conference

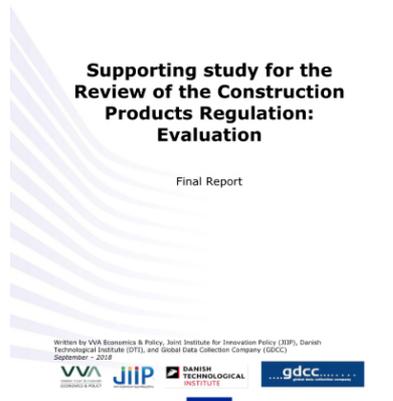
Registration for the event on 18 December is closed but the conference will be web streamed and a link will be available on the conference website. The agenda and the conference background report with interesting statistics about the test phase are available in the website of the EC. [Read more...](#) JRC also published new documents related to level(s) check the latest in their [website](#).

EC consultations on EU product policy for Circular Economy and Environmental Footprint methods

Two consultations were opened by the EC to discuss product policy related to circular economy, the first one is generic (but includes a section on Environmental

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Footprint). Deadline to submit replies is 24th January. The second is a series of targeted questionnaire focusing on potential policies implementing the Environmental Footprint methods. Deadline to submit replies to this consultation is 18th December. Construction Products Europe will reply to the second consultation. [Read more...](#)

EC action plan on harmonised standards (hEN) for a single market

The Communication published last 22 November, provides an overview of the functioning of the European standardisation system and presents four key actions to enhance efficiency, transparency and certainty of hEN. The consequences for the industry are a delay in the next publication of references in the Official Journal (last publication took place in March) until the new legal procedure for citation is developed and other changes related to the assessment of hEN by HAS consultants and EC staff. [Read more...](#)

Citation of EAD is not covered by the new actions of the EC, last [citation](#) took place in November.

EC Consultation on public procurement of innovative solutions

The European Commission is carrying out a study of national policies that stimulate public procurement of innovative solutions. Within the study, indicator 4 is of interest to the construction sector. The 30 country profiles, and their performance ranking, can be consulted online and stakeholders are invited to provide feedback until 15 January. [Read more...](#)

Industry4Europe

At the invitation of the Austrian Presidency of the Council, UNIFE Director General Philippe Citroën had the honour to participate in the ministerial lunch – as Coordinator of the Industry4Europe coalition – and to deliver the messages of the coalition in front of the 28 Ministers of Economy/Industry, European Commission Vice-President Katainen and Commissioner Bienkowska. [Read more...](#)

New delegated acts to be adopted by the EC

Two delegated acts will be adopted by the EC to unblock citation of harmonised standards under the CPR. The first delegated act deals with the classification in relation to

resistance to wind load for external blinds and awnings finished, [read more...](#) The second with rooflights and roof hatches in relation to air permeability, [read more...](#) The comments to both documents will be considered by the EC before adoption. The final version will be sent to the European Parliament and the Council for scrutiny.

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