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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- CEN-CENELEC Webinar - The New Legislative Framework (NLF) - Online 11 February
- Energy Efficiency Finance Market Place - Brussels 19-20 February
- TEDx Sustainable transition - Brussels 5 March
- 2019 Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference - Brussels 6-7 March

## TWEET OF THE MONTH



In 2017, 8 % of the EU population said that they could not afford to heat their  home sufficiently. The situation vary btw countries; Bulgaria (37 %) & Lithuania (29 %) had the highest shares, while Luxembourg & Finland had the lowest

<https://t.co/EhyTIP7r92>

#energypoverty

[pic.twitter.com/EmpnMfMI9](https://pic.twitter.com/EmpnMfMI9)



Energy4Europe January 31, 2019



Construction Products Europe invited by European Commission Vice-President Katainen at the launch of the Circular Plastic Alliance that was held during the EU Industry Days

## Sustainable buildings - Level(s) latest news

Following the 18th December conference, the presentations and the recording of the full event are now available from the European Commission website. [Read more...](#)

## Smart CE marking

Experts from Construction Products Europe will participate next 20th of February in an internal training course for the development of Smart CE marking formats. The initiative is limited to our members and experts appointed by them. Participants will focus on the technical issues related to their standards, so no IT expertise is required to participate. Please contact the association linked to your product or your country for more information on how to join the training.

## PUBLICATION OF THE MONTH

STUDY  
Requested by the ITRE committee



### European Artificial Intelligence (AI) leadership, the path for an integrated vision



Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies  
Directorate-General for Internal Policies  
Author: Laura DELPONTE (CSL)  
PE 626.074- September 2018

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## Housing Europe publication 'Housing in the post-2020 EU'

This briefing describes some of the more innovative ways in which housing providers are trying to contain and decrease construction costs. They bring up a range of different priorities: from achieving scale efficiency, deploying an industrial approach, to using digital technology, and the provision of catalogues reviewing products and services for social housing providers based on tested quality, performance and price. [Read more...](#)

## European Parliament Artificial Intelligence (AI) study

Following the April 2018 [European Commission Communication](#) on AI, the European Parliament's Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (ITRE) requested a supportive study. It has been included as publication of the month of this newsletter and it will be presented and discussed at the next ITRE Committee meeting that will be held in Brussels on 18-19 February. The study will allow MEPs to review the policy and investment recommendations that the High Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence (AI HLEG) will put forward in May 2019. [Read more about AI HLEG and its members...](#)

## Future of EU Ecolabel: online consultation

Stakeholders are invited to assist the European Commission in their reflection on the future of the EU Ecolabel scheme. They aim at identifying opportunities to increase the EU Ecolabel uptake, focusing on the most promising product/service groups. The online consultation is open until 3rd March. The French, German, Italian, Spanish and Polish versions of the questionnaire will be available soon. Let us remind you that paints, varnishes, hard and wood floor coverings and office buildings are included in the scheme. [Read more...](#)

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