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🔊 New speaker confirmed!

#BuildUpSkills@SykesChris, @ConstructionEU, addressing the topic of #DigitalInnovation in the building sector: today & tomorrow!

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Public Workshop
Barcelona, 16 May 2019
**Digital innovation in
the building sector
Today and tomorrow**

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— BUILD UP (@EU_BUILDUP) April 15, 2019



Ms Raffaelli, Head of Unit at DG GROW, speaking at the April edition of our monthly Brussels construction lunch. We discussed the potential action of the European Commission on our built environment, including housing and infrastructure.

Let's put societal needs at the heart of institutional priorities

With the European elections a few weeks away, we offer three actions that can be implemented by the EU institutions for the benefit of citizens. Please read, share and comment as this could be the start of a successful transition. The key terms are construction, decarbonisation, circularity, economic development and level playing field. [Read the manifesto...](#)

Industry4Europe coalition, success and required support

You will recall that Construction Products Europe was one of the early members of the Industry4Europe coalition. It campaigns for an ambitious EU industrial strategy and includes 147 member associations spanning most sectors of our economy. According to a recent EURACTIV article, "EU officials ... expect the next Commission chief to

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appoint a Vice-President solely for industry ...". This request is at the heart of our Joint Paper on Governance and of our two Joint Calls to future MEPs and Heads of State and Government. Our campaign is clearly showing some positive results, but we must remain mobilised and would very much appreciate your support in circulating [our documents](#).

EU Greenweek: Innovation in implementing sustainable construction ambitions

The 2019 edition of the European Commission conference will include a session dedicated to the building sustainability assessment framework level(s). This year's main theme is the EU environmental laws and their implementation and refers to the [European Commission Communication](#) on this topic. [Registration to the Greenweek](#)

Ruling of the Court case Germany against the EC

The European Court rejected the claims presented in the case T-229/17 by Germany. According to the ruling, the European Commission did not infringe the CPR when excluded from citation the sentences referring to dangerous substances in EN 14904:2006 and EN 14342:2013. The result of this case will be considered in the ongoing assessment of the CPR under development by the European Commission. [Ruling in French and German](#).

Circular Plastics Alliance operational groups

The aim of the Circular Plastics Alliance (CPA) is to ensure that 10 million tons of recycled plastics are turned into new European products by 2025. Following the first meeting of the Alliance in February 2019, five operational working groups have been set up and started working on concrete solutions to recycle and reuse more plastics focusing on product design for recycling and recycled plastics content in products. So far, more than 50 industrial and innovation actors have participated in the working groups. [Read more...](#)

European Construction Sector Observatory publications

A new document was published by ECSO on circular economy. This report is the last trend paper series of the European Commission on the most relevant topics related to the construction industry in Europe. This report provides information about circularity in Member States including public policies, industry initiatives and the challenges and opportunities in construction demolition waste management. [Read the report](#). You can [register to their newsletter](#) to receive notifications about their work.

Citation of harmonised standards

In our last newsletter we reported some missing dates in the last [citation of harmonised standards](#). While the European Commission solves this issue the dates are available in [NANDO website](#). This information is not official but it is the reference used by notified bodies and market surveillance authorities to perform their tasks.

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