

The ambition of the Renovate Europe Campaign is to reduce the energy demand of the existing building stock in the EU by 80% by 2050 through extensive, ambitious renovation programmes - an ambitious but achievable goal given the available technologies

Editorial

Renovate Europe's Manifesto for the European Parliament Elections was a huge success, with **187 sitting and candidate MEPs signing** the Renovate Europe Pledge to **'STOP Energy Waste in Buildings'** and **67 of these signatories being elected into the 2014-2019 Parliament**. Congratulations once again to all the National Partners of the Renovate Europe Campaign, who contributed to making this Manifesto such a success, with contacts and events at the national level! We look forward to strong future cooperation, as the newly elected MEPs take their seats in the European Parliament, to ensure that the energy efficient renovation of the building stock in the EU remains **high on the political agenda in Brussels, but also in the National Capitals**.

The Ukrainian crisis has brought to the forefront the need to reduce the energy demand in the EU, with buildings at centre stage as the **largest energy consuming sector in the EU at a high of 43%**. With discussions now ongoing between President Barroso and his Commissioners about the need to set an energy efficiency target for 2030, Renovate Europe and 4 leading associations in the building sector addressed a letter to President Barroso urging the Commission to **design targets in a way that reflects the building sector's contribution in full**, following a bottom-up assessment of the real cost-effective energy savings potential in the sector.

Finally, a **giant-size poster** may have caught your eye if you walk past the European **Commission's Charlemagne building in Brussels** this week. Indeed, Renovate and its European partner Energy Cities engaged in a highly visible Communication Action during this year's EUSEW (Sustainable Energy Week) by hanging a **giant Display Poster presenting the Energy Consumption of Commission buildings**, in cooperation with the Commission's OIB services. Come and visit us in front of the poster, and pick up our informative leaflet about Energy Performance Certificates!

I wish you all a relaxing summer break !



Adrian Joyce,
RENOVATE EUROPE Campaign Director

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Renovate Europe is a Campaign initiated by EuroACE

EU Elections: REC Manifesto: Results and Follow up

Out of the 187 signatures,
67 signatory *MEPs* were re-elected
14 signatory new *Candidates* were elected
Representing 17 EU countries

29 in the S&D Group

14 in the EPP Group

6 in the ALDE Group

14 in the Greens Group

3 in the ECR Group

What are the next steps of this action?

Successful in the chasing of signatories before the elections, it is time now to go back to MEPs who have signed the Manifesto. We will push them to take action in the field of Energy Efficiency in Buildings.

Renovate Europe will

- 1* maintain good relations with the Members of the European Parliament
- 2* bring the topic of Energy Efficiency high in the political agenda

[More info](#)

Examples of Actions at National Level

In Italy  **irene**
IL VALORE È IN CASA

In France  **cfée**
COALITION FRANCE POUR L'EFFICACITÉ ÉNERGÉTIQUE



Multiple Events held by National Partners:

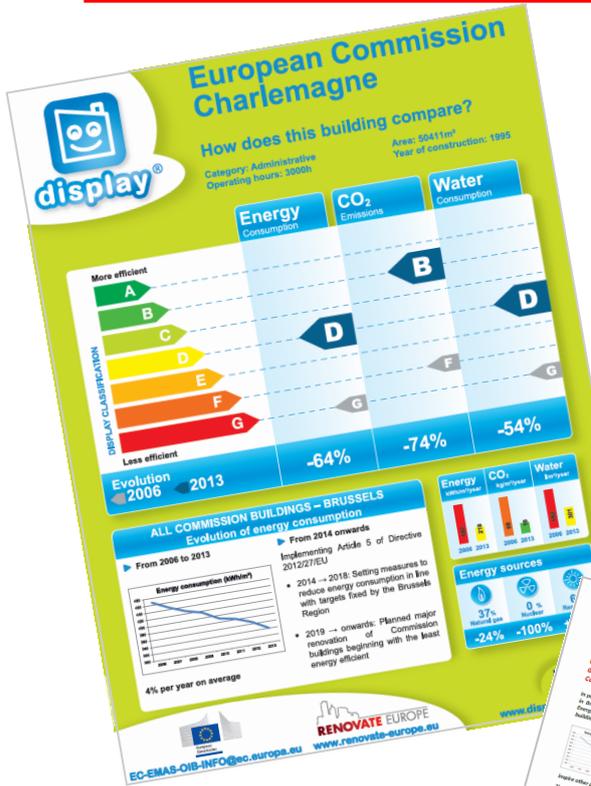
Press Conferences

Meetings with Candidates

And much more!



Renovate Europe during the EU Sustainable Energy Week



In partnership with Renovate Europe and Energy Cities, the OIB (Office Infrastructures et logistique à Bruxelles) of the European Commission partook in a highly visible communication action during EUSEW by displaying a giant-size Display Campaign poster on the Charlemagne building highlighting the energy consumption of Commission buildings.



To read the Press Release related to the EUSEW and Display Poster action

[Click here](#)

For this Communication Action, an informative leaflet about Energy Performance Certificates was compiled. It was distributed in front of the poster at the Charlemagne building, in addition to being included in EUSEW welcome packs for over 3500 people.

[Click here to read this leaflet](#)

WHY ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATES?

Energy Performance Certificates are aimed at providing citizens, public authorities and businesses with information about the energy performance of their building in order to be able to take informed decisions about managing their own building and reducing the energy demand through long-term measures. Indeed, it is possible to reduce the energy consumption of a large part of the building stock by 80% with currently available technologies.

What are the current legal requirements for Energy Performance Certificates?

The Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (2010/31/EU) mandates the following requirements:

- All buildings that are rented, leased or sold must have an Energy Performance Certificate based on primary energy consumption associated with a typical use of the building (and must display its rating in the advertisement when a building is marketed for sale or lease)
- All public buildings over 500m² (and over 250m² from 2015) frequently visited by the public must display their Energy Performance Certificate in a visible location.
- The Energy Performance Certificate delivered must contain cost-optimal recommendations to improve the energy performance of your building.
- The Energy Performance Certificate must be delivered by a qualified energy expert.

PARTNERS

Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Brussels (OIB)

The mission of the OIB is to ensure the implementation of all actions connected with the accommodation of personnel, the management of social infrastructure and the logistics of the EU institutions in Brussels. The OIB's aim is to ensure a functional, safe and comfortable working environment for all those working for the Commission and to provide good quality support and well-being services, based on a client-oriented approach in an environmentally-friendly and cost-effective way.

Energy Cities and Display Campaign

The Energy Cities network with over 2000 local authorities aims to accelerate the energy transition at the local level. It notably provides its members with guidance for building their energy transition strategy, offers them information on financial and technical assistance opportunities, and gives them access to a myriad of good practices and innovative working methods. The European Display Campaign was initiated by Energy Cities in 2013 as a voluntary scheme. The Campaign encourages local authorities to publicly display the energy and environmental performance of their public buildings.

Renovate Europe Campaign

Launched in 2011 in response to a gap in EU priorities for Energy Efficiency buildings, the Campaign has the ambition to reduce the energy demand of the building stock in the EU by 80% by 2050 as compared to 2010 levels. A political communications campaign, Renovate Europe brings together companies, civil associations throughout the construction value chain to raise awareness about the benefits and longer action in the renovation market.

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WHAT IS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE OF YOUR BUILDING?

Case study of the Commission buildings in Brussels
By the European Commission, Energy Cities and Renovate Europe

WASTE

On average 90% of our time goes to be they our homes, our schools, etc. Are you aware energy performance of your building? How much energy do they use? How much CO₂ do they emit? What steps could be taken to their energy performance?

Most cost effective ways to reduce energy dependence

your property by up to 8%

WHAT PROGRESS SO FAR IN EU DIRECTIVES?

NEW BUILDINGS

For new buildings the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive introduced an ambitious goal that all new buildings built after 2020 must be nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB) for all public buildings.

EXISTING BUILDINGS

For existing buildings, energy performance requirements must be set by the Member States at cost-optimal level in accordance with the EPBD. The aim is to achieve the same level of ambition across the EU.

NATIONAL RENOVATION STRATEGY → 2050

More than 90% of the buildings standing today will still be standing and occupied in 2050, and the current annual demolition rate in the EU is only about 0.1%. It is therefore crucial that all 28 Member States undertake considerable measures to stop energy waste in the existing building stock, and that all governments commit to develop and implement an ambitious National Renovation Strategy for their entire building stock, as required under the Energy Efficiency Directive (Article 4).

REC Action: Joint letter to President Barroso



On the 30th May, the Renovate Europe Campaign in collaboration with EuroACE, Eurima, Glass for Europe and PU Europe, addressed a letter to President Barroso calling for an adequate framework to tap into the cost-effective energy savings potential of buildings .

« Our organisations, which together represent the main European providers of energy efficiency materials, solutions and services in buildings, welcome the European Commission's efforts to define new energy efficiency ambitions to complement the January proposal for a 2030 energy and climate framework. For the business actors that our associations represent, it is encouraging to see that the European Commission is now considering establishing a binding energy efficiency target for 2030 and that it has identified buildings as one of the sectors where massive energy savings can be captured in the realisation of this target. »

[Read the full letter](#)

INTERVIEW with the REC Partner from Greece



Renovate Europe welcomed INZEB as a National Supporting Partner from Greece



To present this partner, the Renovate Europe team meets **Alice Corrovessi, Managing Director** to learn more about the Institute of Zero Energy Buildings

Interview!

📍 Why did INZEB join the Renovate Europe Campaign?

The Institute of Zero Energy Buildings - INZEB serves as an aggregator, operator, documenter and disseminator of knowledge and expertise on issues related to energy saving in the building sector. The building stock of Greece is big and all latest surveys regarding energy consumption reveal that consume a large amount of energy. Having studied the objectives of Renovate Europe Campaign, we applaud this initiative and it is a great pleasure and honor for our Institute to serve a National Supporting Partner.

📍 How does INZEB intend to contribute to the success of the Renovate Europe Campaign?

INZEB is a community of people who share the same passion for “building rationalization” and the target is to attract creative minds, people with positive thoughts, love of research and experimentation but at the same time people of the market and building sites. To attract people who approach the situation from a different perspective and know that they can trigger the changes in the building sector.

This community is expanding day by day. At the same time, INZEB members are developing relations with local and national authorities as well as research institutions and Universities.

We plan to spread REC targets through media in local and national level, to organize and co-organize with other bodies in Greece conferences and other actions all related to energy efficiency in buildings.

📍 What are your expectations and how would you like to see the Renovate Europe Campaign develop in the future?

Taking into consideration the economic status of Greece and that the majority of engineers are working in buildings renovation, both in residential and commercial projects, the timing is excellent for promoting and adopting European Union’s regulations regarding energy efficiency.

We would like to see Renovate Europe Campaign to be developed as the main European platform for open communication and dissemination of knowledge and widespread construction standards with the aim of reducing the energy consumption in buildings all over Europe.

More info on [INZEB.org](https://www.inzeb.org)

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Beating the drum across Europe to urge politicians to take serious actions for energy efficiency in buildings

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133 Photos and videos



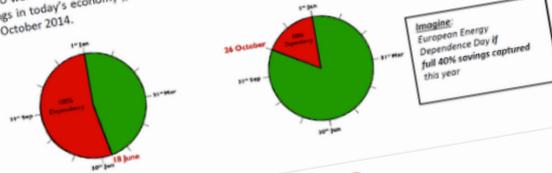
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TODAY 18/06/14: ! EU ENERGY DEPENDANCE DAY ! More Energy Efficiency = Less Energy Dependence
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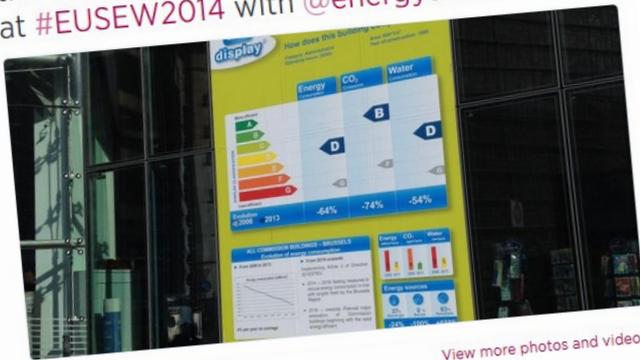
From today until 31st December 2014, the EU will rely entirely on foreign energy imports to power the EU. If the EU were to achieve a binding energy efficiency target for 2030 (the level of cost effective energy savings in today's economy¹), EU Energy Dependence Day² would fall a full 4 months and 8 days later - on 26th October 2014.



AM - 18 Jun 2014

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! REC Action ! @EU_Commission DISPLAYS the #energy performance of its buildings! at #EUSEW2014 with @energycities



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183 MEPs and Candidates have signed the Manifesto so far!!! Let's keep going!!

@CFEE_energie @EnergyBillRev
@RETEIRENE @inzebORG #EP2014

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Do the math @GOettingerEU. Energy imports = €1 bn/day. Invest in #energyefficiency, create local jobs instead #EU2030
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About the Campaign

Launched in 2011, the headline ambition of the Renovate Europe Campaign is to reduce the energy demand of the building stock in the EU by 80% by 2050 as compared to 2005 levels.

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