

Your monthly magazine for information on Energy Performance of Buildings Directive

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#### :: Editorial: New Information Papers!

This month we are very pleased to announce the publication of yet more Information Papers which when used in conjunction with the publication of results from the latest SAVE funded projects (also in this newsletter) provides a valuable resource to all Member States on EPBD implementation!

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Information Papers

Three more Information Papers (IPs) have just been published:

Information Paper 25: Energy performance calculation procedures for the EPBD (1)

The first IP on this subject gives an introduction to the EPBD requirements on calculation procedures, the main applications and objectives, the role of CEN standards and anticipated implementation in Member States.

Calculation Information Paper 26: Energy performance calculation procedures for EPBD (2)

This IP provides more detailed discussion on calculation procedures covering questions such as: How can a calculation method be accurate and at the same time cost-effective? Can a method be reproducible but also flexible? What are the 'must have' qualities for each application? What are the practical limitations?

Information Paper 27: Energy performance certification, status in December 2006

This second IP on energy performance certification aims to inform the reader about the

status of certification in some of the most advanced countries and how the European projects supported by the IEE programme have helped to support the implementation of certification. It also presents some actions which are going to bring the progress with certification to the attention of European citizens.

> The publications section of the website can be found <a href="here">here</a>

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#### > Recent information from the countries



Rubric held in collaboration with Concerted Action

#### :: Country Reports



Adding to the existing suite of 16 Country Reports this month we have two more: one for Ireland and another for Greece. This is thanks once again to close collaboration with Concerted Action.

These reports give a snapshot of progress towards implementation however as the process continually evolves, the reports cannot fully reflect the very latest developments.

> The Country Reports can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

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### > Europe and European related activities

#### :: ENPER-EXIST IEE SAVE project: new reports available



The SAVE project ENPER-EXIST which has a focus on EPBD implementation in existing buildings has finalised much of its work and has produced the following reports:

- 1. Guidelines on the application of CEN standards to existing buildings
- 2. Legal, economic and organisational issues raised by the application of EPBD to existing buildings: experience of Member States and proposals to maximise the impact of the EPBD
- 3. Existing building stock: present knowledge on the statistics of energy performance and savings, and proposals to improve knowledge using certification schemes
- > The reports and the ENPER-EXIST newsletters are available <a href="here">here</a>

#### :: IMPACT IEE SAVE project: new reports available



In the IMPACT project energy performance certification for existing buildings was tested in 6 countries: Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Spain and the Netherlands. The progress of IMPACT was strongly linked to EPBD implementation in these countries. In all countries the IMPACT results influenced the national

implementation process and contributed to the solution of specific problems.

The report "Guidelines for good practices in energy performance certification" is now available in 11 languages: Czech, Estonian, Bulgarian, Hungarian, Polish, French, Dutch, English, German, Danish and Spanish.

> The project reports and the guidelines are available <a href="here">here</a>

#### :: EuroACE proposal for National Energy Efficiency Action Plans



Under the Energy End-use Efficiency and Energy Services Directive, EU Member States need to submit energy efficiency action plans to the European Commission in June this year. EuroACE, though a consultative process with national officials, have developed a

flexible template proposal for these plans, with a focus on the building sector.

> The full template and the template as a standalone are available for downloads.

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## > Associated organisations

#### :: Impressions of a European organisation heavily involved in the energy performance of buildings



Peter Schilken, Project Manager of Energie-Cités, was asked about the challanges faced in trying to implement the Directive and how he feels co-operation with the Platform is helping members of Energie-Cités.

> Read the full interview

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#### :: Events



> Thermal Protection of Buildings 2007 (Slovakia, Pleso, 10-11 May 2007). The

14th International Conference Thermal Protection of Buildings 2007 (TPOB '07)

will take place on 10-11 May 2007 in High Tatras-Štrbské Pleso (PatriaHotel). The

focus will be on the implementation of the EPBD and processing of energy certificates.

## eceee 2007 Summer Study 4-9 June

> 8th ECEEE Summer study Saving energy: just do it! (France, La Colle sur Loup, 4-6 June 2007). The 8th European Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ECEEE) Summer Study will provide policy-makers, researchers, activists and professionals with the most recent insights into energy efficiency

thinking and practices. The collective experience embodied in this major European energy forum is a valuable guidebook for all those who strive to help decision-makers stop talking about saving energy - and just do it!



> <u>Clima 2007 (Helsinki, Finland, 10-14 June 2007)</u>. The 9th REHVA World Congress offers scientists, industry, building owners, consultants, engineers, architects and policy-makers a platform to exchange scientific knowledge and technical solutions. The congress will cover all aspects of HVAC technology, including building automation in types of buildings.

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