

EAE ANNUAL REPORT 2021 & OUTLOOK 2022

GENERAL

As the European Commission aims to better align legislative and policy initiatives, the landscape was and remains highly complex with many inter-connections in need to be followed in parallel.



Figure 1: relevant aspects for our ETICS sector: "fabric first" helps delivering on the various facets of the European Green Deal

EAE and its working bodies are involved in the decision-making process both on European level and via our members on national level. EAE contributes directly and together with partners thanks to its broad network.



Figure 2: examples of EAE's representations

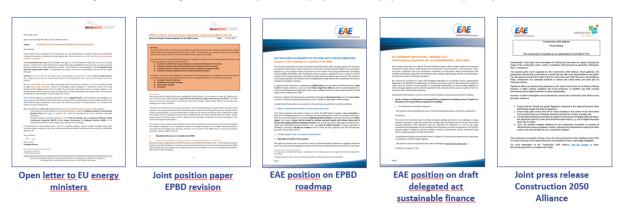


REVIEW 2021

Public affairs & advocacy

Examples (available on our <u>website</u>)

In 2021 EAE signed and co-signed several position papers in reply to various policy initiatives:



Achievements (examples)

- EU energy ministers highlighted: efficiency first remains highly relevant in times of increasing energy prices
- European Commission remains committed to the efficiency first principle, aiming to achieve a consistent policy framework
- Thermal renovation of buildings significantly supported in European Recovery & Resilience Facility and national Recovery & Resilience Plans
- **EPBD** proposal (15th December 2021) considered arguments:
 - Aligned with carbon-neutrality objective: efficiency first (Article 2)
 - align requirements for new buildings with Level(s) framework, based on a building-life-cycle approach (Article 7)
 - includes new EU level minimum energy performance standards (MEPS) for existing buildings (= trigger; Article 8 - 10); indicator: primary energy use in kWh/(m²x year), complemented by operational greenhouse gas emissions and renewable energy
 - recommends introduction of renovation passports, however only voluntary (Article 10)
 - mobilisation of financial incentives with one-stop-shops accessible to all building ecosystem's stakeholders (Article 9)
 - improve comparability of energy performance certificates (EPC; Article 16) ↔ EU Taxonomy
 - Introduces "deep renovation" and "staged deep renovation" (Article 15)



EAE meetings 2021

To cope-up with the various topics EAE's working bodies established a vital and fruitful meeting culture:

- 11 Board meetings
- 11 Marketing Committee meetings
- 22 meetings of the Technical Committee and its task groups
- Plus: bilateral and external web meetings, incl. involvement in meetings of our members

Board activities

- Monthly board meetings
- Workshop
 - Future development of our association
 - Review of strategy & internal organization
 - Identification of further improvements and opportunities

Technical Committee activities

CPR revision

- EAE supported "industry position" (Construction Products Europe/CPE and others) in reply to the European Commission's options paper
- EAE commented on aspects highly relevant for ETICS (especially kit definition)
- Proposal for a revised CPR postponed to spring 2022 as member states required better alignment with Sustainable Products Initiative

European product standard for ETICS

- Draft completed in summer 2021 with significant support of EAE members and engagement of Convenor Dr. Thomas Lohmann
- WG 18 launched draft for enquiry (enquiry started in January 2022)
- HAS assessment: draft significantly improved; dialogue with CEN and EC on further proceedings
- EAE open stakeholder dialogue workshops since October 2021 will continue until May 2022:
 open information exchange platform to support CEN process; recordings available online

European façade fire test project

- EAE member of the Steering Group
- Direct contacts with European Commission & project team
- Participation in CPE's TG Fire
- Replies to all questions & statements, Proposals for reference kits
- Tabled overview of façade fire tests according to BS & DIN



EOTA: revision of EAD

 EAE actively contributed with comments and proposals to the revision of EAD 040083-00-0404 (successor of ETAG 004)

Marketing Committee activities

5th European ETICS Forum 2021 online

- 435 registrations from 34 countries, incl. CN, US, CAN, JP, RU, etc.; even countries without direct EAE representation
- During the meeting around 200 permanent participants
- Recordings available on EAE's Vimeo channel <u>www.vimeo.com/etics</u>: views from 25 countries
- 5 sponsors contributing to the success

EAE Award 2021

- 50 applications from 10 countries, great mixture of projects: size, use, new and renovation
- 4 winners and 3 special mentions from 5 countries: all projects on EAE's website
- Recordings of the online ceremony: on <u>EAE's Vimeo channel</u>

European ETICS market statistics

- Full European coverage: 31 countries considered; experts consulted
- To be frequently updated
- Added value for EAE members

LinkedIn channel

- Established as important social media communication channel
- Several successful mini campaigns, e. g. promoting ETICS Forum, EAE Awards
- Number of followers increased by more than 60% this year to > 650 per date

Relaunch EAE website

- Complete revision on new technical platform: fresh & modern design, improved navigation
- Launched ahead of the European ETICS Forum 2021

Data base of graphs and pictures for shared use

- Available for all EAE members via EAE Teams for the duration of their membership
- Added value: no additional costs; just mention EAE copyright

ETICS benefits leaflet

- Promoting the various benefits of using ETICS
- Available for translation and download on our website



OUTLOOK 2022

Public affairs & advocacy

- EAE contribution to consultation on SWD transition pathway for a resilient, greener and more digital construction ecosystem
- EAE contribution to consultation on the EPBD and EED recast
- EAE position on sustainability & circularity in construction
- EAE position on the proposal for a CPR recast
- Further consultations related to the fit-for-55 package



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EAE contribution to consultation on EPBD revision



EAE position on sustainability & circularity in construction



EAE position on draft CPR revision

Technical Committee

Single market

- CPR revision
- European product standard for ETICS prEN 17237 & corresponding test standards
- Guidance for EAE members how to draw-up DOP and CE marking
- Smart CE marking
- European façade fire test project
- EOTA: revision of draft EAD

Circular economy

- EAE position: ETICS contribute to a sustainable and circular future
- Follow-up of EU Taxonomy, Green Public Procurement, future CPR, etc.



- Fact sheet: ETICS sector stands ready to deliver
- Overcome regulatory barriers: e. g. barrier-free cross-border shipments of waste fractions to establish European market for secondary raw materials
- Share of experience and knowledge from various projects fostering circularity of ETICS

Marketing Committee

6th European ETICS Forum 2022 in Prague

- Scheduled 19th May 2022 as presence conference
- Thrilling mixture of latest topics
- Aligned with EAE's General Meeting 2022

Topics to tackle in 2022

- Energy Saving Guide 2022
- System loyalty
- Sustainability & circularity aspects
- Service leaflet
- Further develop EAE Teams as knowledge hub: statistics, studies, etc. for members only
- Share of good practice examples of national support activities for building renovation
- Further improved concept for EAE flagship projects

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