

EU Policy Alert February/2016

Dossier EPBD review

EPBD review – High level stakeholder event, Brussels, 14 March 2016

DG Energy is organising a high level stakeholder event on the Reviews of Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency (EED) and of Directive 2010/31/EU on energy performance on buildings (EPBD). The event is only open Member State representatives for and European stakeholder Associations. The aim of the event is to discuss the findings of the evaluations and the possible policy options and ways forward for the EED - in the morning session - and the EPBD - in the afternoon session. REHVA will be represented by a delegation of Jarek Kurnitski, Vice-president, Anita Derjanecz, Policy and Project Officer and Sara Kassam, CIBSE. They will present REHVA's position based on the outcomes of the EPBD commenting prepared by REHVA members and the TRC.

Dossier EU Heating and Cooling Strategy

The European Commission presented on 16 February the Europeans Heating and Cooling Strategy. The 13-page strategy builds on exiting EU legislation and identifies areas where update or reform is needed to deliver on the Energy Union objectives. In its 2016 impact assessments for the reviews of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive, the Energy Efficiency Directive, and the Renewable Energy Directive and for the new Market Design Initiative, the Commission will analyse different options to help buildings and industry shift to efficient, decarbonised energy systems based on renewable energy sources and the use of waste heat. These analyses will include district heating and cooling and electrification of heating through heat pumps. They will study how to expand demand response and reduction and the use of thermal storage in the electricity system, how to create the right incentives for the deployment of smart technologies, and how to increase the effectiveness of public funds and mobilise private investors.

Dossier European Voluntary Building Certification Scheme

EVS – Outcomes first stakeholder meeting, 14/01/2016 Paris

The consortium in charge of the EVS scheme development is led by CSTB (French Building Research Institute), other members are the Sustainable Building Alliance represented by Frank Hovorka (FH), who is actively involved in the work, Bureau Veritas, and BRE. The consortium held its first meeting on 14 January 2015 in Paris. REHVA was represented by Anita Derjanecz, Policy and Project Officer. REHVA expressed its interest in getting involved in the training of energy auditors certified by the scheme using the experience and structure of the PROF-TRAC scheme developed by REHVA with REHVA Member Associations. The consortium is open to further discuss the possibility and REHVA is getting involved in the development of the concept, we have received recently the description of the training and qualification requirements / concept for comments.

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