

Build Europe commits to the European Green Deal with 21 proposals

BRUSSELS, 12 January 2021 — <u>Build Europe</u>, the leading European trade association for developers and housebuilders, today publishes a **report** designed to help European policymakers meet the EU's environmental objectives and make housing more affordable for the EU citizens affected by the economic fallout of the Covid-19 pandemic.

<u>Build Europe's Green Deal and Renovation Wave</u> includes **21 proposals** from developers and homebuilders who comprise over 60% of Europe's homebuilding capacity. The report identifies imaginative ways to make Europe carbon-neutral without disregarding the housing needs of EU citizens.

Build Europe's report urges EU policymakers to include in the European Green Deal and the Renovation Wave crucial measures such as a comprehensive and widespread housing stock renovation, an enhanced use of new digital tools, an ambitious training and communication programme, and the introduction of financing tools and investment support.

Marc Pigeon, President of Build Europe, said: "If we want to achieve ambitious renovation objectives, it is not enough to support renovation by private individuals or public operators as done in the past. It is necessary to move faster and stronger and to do so we must rely on private operators - developers and housebuilders - to restructure and renovate on a larger scale".

Filiep Loosveldt, Build Europe Managing Director, added: "We believe we are well placed to develop effective proposals to inform the work of the European institutions and Member States. Our blueprint is designed to bring the EU institutions closer to the citizens they serve, and give Europeans the homes they desire".



Note to Editors:

Build Europe is the umbrella organisation for European Union Member States' national federations of developers and house builders, representing more than 30,000 developers and house builders affiliated to the federations of 10 Member States. Build Europe's main objective is above all to meet the social and environmental aspirations of European citizens. Build Europe works with its Members to promote practical deliverable policy approaches to build more, with better quality and at an affordable price.

Its Members include:

- Belgium: Union Professionnelle du Secteur Immobilier Beroepsvereniging van de Vastgoedsector (UPSI-BVS);
- Bulgaria: Камара на строителите в България (КСБ);
- France: Fédération des Promoteurs Immobiliers de France (FPI);
- France: Pôle Habitat FFB;
- France: Union Nationale des Aménageurs (UNAM);
- Germany: Bundesverband Freier Immobilien-und Wohnungsunternehmen (BFW);
- Ireland: Irish Home Builders Association (IHBA);
- Luxembourg: Chambre Immobilière du Grand-Duché du Luxembourg (CIGDL);
- Malta: Malta Developers Association (MDA);
- Norway: Boligprodusentenes Forening (NHBA);
- Poland: Polski Zwiazek Firm Deweloperskich (PZFD);
- Romania: Patronatul Societatilordin Constructii (PSC);
- Spain: Developer and House Builders Association of Zaragoza (ACPZ);
- United Kingdom: Home Builders Federation (HBF),
- United Kingdom: National House Building Council (NHBC).

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