### How to Unlock the Renovation Wave?



# The Renovation Challenge: State of Play

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### **Global Context: TODAY**



Source: BBC Weather

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> of July 2021 Canada



#### 15th of July 2021 **Belgium**



Source: POLITICO Europe



24th of February 2022 Ukraine

25th of July 2021 China

Source: CNN

### The Buildings Sector in the EU

- About 210 million buildings about the area of Belgium
- Buildings =
  - 50% of annual fixed capital assets
  - 40% of primary energy consumption
  - 36% of GHG emissions
- Construction sector "ecosystem" represents:
  - Annual turnover: €1,400 billion 9% of EU GDP
  - About 25 million jobs
  - About 3.5 million enterprises
  - 97% of enterprises have less than 10 employees





View of Dinant, Wallonie, Belgium

### **Characteristics of the Buildings Sector – 1**



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#### **BPIE – 2018**

Only 3% of buildings in the EU have an "A" Class rating

Implies 97% need to have an energy renovation

# Characteristics of the Buildings Sector – 2



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# **EU Policies Affecting Renovation – Update (selection)**

#### 1. European Green Deal (Launched October 2019)

Renovation Wave Strategy (suspension of Sustainable Products Initiative) Revision of key directives and regulations: EED, EPBD, RED, CPR etc

#### 2. Next Generation EU Initiative (launched June 2020)

Recovery and Resilience Facility (Funding) Renovation a "Flagship" of the RRF National Recovery and Resilience Plans

#### 3. Fit-for-55 Package (launched in July 2021)

Actual proposals for revisions plus new proposals:

Energy Efficiency Directive – Public buildings, binding EE target, EE1st defined "ETS" for heating fuels – Target of 49% RES on buildings

#### 4. Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (published in December 2021)

Minimum Energy Performance Standards Definition of Deep Renovation Update of EPC framework

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# **REPowerEU Action Plan (anticipated)**

#### To be built on three pillars

- **Diversify energy supplies**
- Boost renewable energy supply ullet
- Bring energy efficiency actions forward lacksquare
- **Funding the Action Plan** 
  - Repackaging existing funds?
  - **Boosting the Recovery funds?** ۲
- **Opportunity with risks** 
  - Reducing energy demand is the sustainable approach
  - Include energy renovation as key measure ullet
  - Resources to ensure quality ullet





# Mobilisation is the key word

- Technical and Project Development Support
  - At EU level:
    - DG Reform, DG Ener, EIB
  - At national and local level:
    - One-stop shops
    - Energy agencies
- The Whole Value Chain including:
  - Digitalisation and Industrialisation of Renovation
  - Recruitment of new talent
  - Upskilling of existing workforce



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- National Governments on
  - Long-term Renovation Strategies
  - Recovery and Resilience Plans
  - Stakeholder Engagement
- Building Owners in all Segments
  - Compliance with Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEPS)
- Financing at EU and National Levels







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### **Best Cases – Grand Parc, Bordeaux**

# Renovation of 530 social housing apartments

Bordeaux, France Deep energy renovation of 530 dwellings that were due to be demolished, at a cost of €415/m<sup>2</sup>





Before

RENGI VANT & Vassal Architectes

After



### **Best Cases – Grand Parc, Bordeaux**

The architects used the addition of winter gardens and an ETICS insulation system to increase useable space, improve daylighting, and significantly upgrade comfort for the inhabitants









### Best Cases – Bratislava, Slovakia

Photo Credit: Zuzana Sternova

### Renovation of 88 apartments in this

### **Multi-Family Home**

*Bratislava, Slovakia* Technologies used:

- ETICS insulation system
- Roof and basement insulation
- Heat pumps and heat recovery ventilation





Less Energy i 

After



### Best Cases – Velika Gorica, Croatia

#### **Renovation of Ciciban Kindergarten**

#### Velika Gorica, Croatia

This public building was renovated in 2019, with an ETICS over clad system, replacement of the roof and air tightness detailing. A new thermal heating station was installed to replace the old heating system. The overall result is a much more comfortable building for the occupants who work and go to school here. Cost was approximately €375/m<sup>2</sup>



Before

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Photo credit: City of Velika Gorica



After



# The Renovate Europe Campaign

#### **49 Partners**



# Who are we?

- A political communications campaign beating the drum for deep energy renovation of the building stock in the EU
- Supported by 49 partners from industry and civil society including 18 national partners
- Champions from politics, businesses and communities
- Launched in 2011 as an initiative of EuroACE



### Thank you for your attention



