

EBC Annual Conference

Sustainability in construction, the current and
potential role of construction SMEs & crafts

9:00/13:15, 5 July 2023

MKB Nederland / VNO-NCW

Bezuidenhoutseweg 12. 2594 AV, The Hague



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MKB-Nederland / VNO-NCW - Bezuidenhoutseweg 12, 2594 AV, The Hague, Netherlands

Moderator: Fernando SIGCHOS JIMÉNEZ - Secretary General, European Builders Confederation

08.30 Registration

09.00 Welcome messages

Philip VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN - President, European Builders Confederation EBC (EU)

Riek SIERTSEMA - President, Aannemersfederatie Nederland Bouw en Infra AFNL (NL)

Jacco VONHOF - President, MKB-Nederland (NL)

09.15 Keynote speeches / Sustainable construction: its contribution to the EU Green Deal

Hugo DE JONGE - Dutch Minister for Housing and Planning (NL)

Diederik SAMSOM - Head of Cabinet of Executive Vice-President Timmermans,
European Commission (EU)

09.40 Towards the decarbonisation of buildings by 2050

Oliver RAPF - Executive Director, Buildings Performance Institute Europe BPiE (EU)

10.00 Panel debate & Q&A session - Circular economy: How can SMEs and crafts enhance circularity in construction?

Moderator: Fernando Sigchos Jiménez - EBC Secretary General

Jean-Christophe REPON - President, Confédération de l'Artisanat et des Petites Entreprises du Bâtiment CAPEB (FR) / EBC Vice-President (EU)

Philippe MOSELEY - Policy Officer, DG Grow, European Commission (EU)

Peter STRUIK - Director for Sustainability & Living Environment, Dutch executive agency of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (NL)

Veerle LABEEUW - Coordinator, Circular Flanders / European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform - Leadership Group "Buildings & Infrastructure" (BE & EU)

Christine LEMAITRE - Chief Executive Officer, German Sustainable Building Council DGNB (DE)

11.00 Coffee break

11.15 How EU LIFE funds support the green transition of the construction sector

Amandine DE COSTER-LACOURT & César SEOÁNEZ - Project Advisor & Manager, European Climate Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency CINEA (EU)

11.35 Panel debate & Q&A session - Lifting the obstacles: how to make sustainable finance & green procurement SME-friendly?

Moderator: Philip VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN - EBC President

Elisabetta R. MANUNZA - Professor of European and International Public Procurement Law, Utrecht University (NL)

Stefano CRESTINI - President, Associazione Nazionale Artigiani dell'Edilizia dei decoratori, dei Pittori e Attività Affini ANAEP-Confartigianato Edilizia (IT)

Salvador MARÍN - President, European Federation of Accountants and Auditors for SMEs EFAA (EU)

Burçak INEL - Director - Financing Sustainable Growth, European Banking Federation EBF (EU) **TBC**

12.35 Best practice from a construction SME active in circular economy

Maurice BEIJK - Rentmeester 2050, ReitenInfra B.V (NL)

12.55 Closing remarks

Hugo DE JONGE - Dutch Minister for Housing and Planning (NL)

Ingrid THIJSEN - President, VNO-NCW (NL)

Philip VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN - President, European Builders Confederation EBC (EU)

13.05 Networking lunch

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