

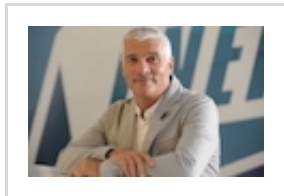


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## ACE INTERVIEW

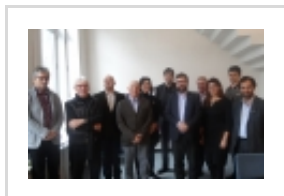
### Interview to Luciano Lazzari, ACE Elected President for 2016/2017



Luciano Lazzari has recently been re-confirmed as ACE President for 2016/2017 and this new mandate is the occasion to prompt forward the programme carried out since his first election in 2014. [Read the interview](#)

## ACE NEWS

### New ACE Executive Board 2016/2017



The ACE Executive Board for 2016/2017 is composed of: Luciano Lazzari (President), Paula Huotelin (Vice-President), Dubravko Bacic, Richard Brindley, Lionel Dunet, Nichoas Galabov, Lars Jarle Nore, Eugen Panescu, Pedro Belo Ravara, Georg Pendl and Ruth Schagemann. [More information about Board Members](#)

### 14th Trends Survey results



The Architects Council of Europe (ACE) is tracking, intermittently, the impact of the global Economic and Financial downturn on the architectural profession in Europe. To this end, a questionnaire addressing European architects has been conducted in the last period of 2015. [Read the results](#)

### European Architectural Medals for the Best Diploma Projects



ACE has actively engaged with the European Association for Architectural Education in a programme of collaboration and investigation into the future of the profession. The European Architectural Medals for the Best Diploma Projects is the first step in that direction. [Read the results](#)

## Report of the Round table “Architecture, the Climate of the Future”



On the opening day of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP21) on 30 November 2015, the International Union of Architects (UIA), the Architects' Council of Europe (ACE), the National Council of the Order of French Architects (CNOA) and the International Council of French Architects (CIAF) co-organised an international conference on the theme "Architecture, the Climate of the Future". [Read the report](#)

## The ACE marks the implementation deadline of the modernised Professional Qualifications Directive

In November 2013, the European Union adopted a revised version of the 2005 Professional Qualifications Directive (PQD), which governs the free movement of several regulated professions across the EU, including architects. While 18 January marked the deadline for Member States to transpose the provisions of the modernised Directive, the ACE reiterates its positions. [Read more](#)

## ACE commentary to IMCO draft report on Non-tariff Barriers in the Single Market

In response to the Single Market Strategy adopted by the EU Commission last October, the IMCO committee of the European Parliament is currently working on an own-initiative report on non-tariff barriers in the Single Market, making many references to professional services and regulated professions. ACE sent a commentary to the Rapporteur and Shadow Rapporteurs in order to underline the specificities of the architectural profession and market. [Read more](#)

## ACE recommendations for the development of a European Common Voluntary Certification Scheme for non-residential buildings

In application of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD), the EU Commission has entrusted a consortium with the operational development of a *European Common Voluntary Certification Scheme for non-residential buildings* (EVS). Following a stakeholders meeting on 14 January in Paris, the ACE sent its recommendations to the consortium and the Commission. [Read more](#)

# EU NEWS

## Results of the public consultation on the evaluation of the EPBD



On 25 November 2015, the EU Commission published a report analysing the stakeholders' responses to the public consultation on the evaluation of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD). [Read the keypoints](#)

## Reform of Public Procurement rules



Following the modernisation of the Public Procurement Directive in 2014, the EU Commission adopted last November three Regulations revising the thresholds for the procedures for the

award of contracts, followed by three other Regulation in December. [Read more](#)

## Programme of the Dutch Presidency of the EU Council and launch of a new Trio



The Netherlands holds the Presidency of the Council of the EU from 1 January to 30 June 2016. It will focus on four priority areas: 1) Migration & international security; 2) Europe as an innovator & job creator; 3) Sound finances and a robust eurozone; 4) Forward-looking climate & energy policy. Of particular interest to ACE, the Dutch Presidency will endeavour to move the EU Urban Agenda forward. [Read more](#)

## The Commission requests Portugal to comply with Energy Performance of Buildings Directive

In December 2015, the EU Commission sent a reasoned opinion to Portugal asking that all the requirements of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD) be correctly transposed. An examination of the national legislation transposing the Directive revealed that some of its requirements did not apply in the Azores region. [Read more](#)

## The Commission publishes a new Circular Economy Package

On 2 December 2015, the EU Commission presented a new Circular Economy Package, whose objective is to stimulate the transition to a stronger and more circular economy, where resources are used in a more sustainable way. [Read more](#)

# MEMBERS' NEWS

[Architect Peeter Pere was Awarded the Estonian Association of Architects Annual Prize](#)

[AA considerations on Danish Election Outcomes](#)

[RIBA Working Internationally Seminar – Arabian Gulf: Lands of Opportunity?](#)

[EUROPAN – European ideas competition for young architects](#)

[Smart Cities 2016: Content-rich Program and New Products Premieres](#)

# EU PROJECTS

At the moment the ACE is involved in four EU funded research projects. All projects relate to the building sector and address issues related to sustainability, energy efficiency, renovation, innovative materials and technologies. Through these ACE seeks to promote the architects' role in building sustainably and energy retrofitting:

- iNSPiRe- Tackling high-energy consumption
- A2PBEER - Energy Efficient Retrofitting of Public Buildings
- ERASMUS+ - Confronting Wicked Problems: Adapting Architectural Education to the New Situation in Europe
- Prof/Trac - Open Education Platform for Continuing Professional Development on NZEBs (Nearly

Zero Energy Buildings)

[Read projects' news and updates](#)

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

[EUROCITIES: Open call to young professionals - views on the urban future](#)

[Urban Innovative Actions](#) - Identify and test innovative solutions for sustainable urban development

[European Prize for Urban Public Space 2016](#)

[SOS School of Sustainability](#) - call for applications extended to 15 February

## PUBLICATIONS

[BPIE - Renovation in Practice](#)

[Results of the public consultation on the EPBD](#)

## EVENTS

[Design research \(in\) Practice, 22 april 2016, Reading UK](#)

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