



Workshop 7

The role of key civil society groups in the renovation wave

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Organised by:

The Architects' Council of Europe (**ACE**), the International Union of Property Owners (**UIPI**) and the EESC Section for Transport, Energy, Infrastructure and the Information Society (**TEN**)



Draft programme

14:00-14:15 Introductory session

- **Pierre Jean Coulon**, EESC Rapporteur for the Renovation Wave
- **Kadri Simson**, Energy Commissioner – Video Welcome Address
- **Emmanuelle Causse**, Secretary General of UIPI

14:15-14:50 Panel discussion

- **Raising awareness among final users**
 - **Morten Andreas Meyer**, Secretary General of the Norwegian Homeowners' Association, Huseierne
 - **Julie Fernandez**, Council Member of the Conseil National de l'Ordre des Architectes, France
 - **Quick Q&A**
- **Policy development for a Renovation Wave that fosters civil society engagement**
 - **Stefan Moser**, Head of Unit C4 Energy Efficiency: Buildings and Products, DG ENER, European Commission (tbc)
 - **Marcos Ros Sempere**, Member of the European Parliament
 - **Quick Q&A**

14:50-15:20 Q&A session open to the public

15:20-15:30 Conclusion session

- **Pierre Jean Coulon**, EESC Rapporteur for the Renovation Wave



Event outline

A Renovation Wave in Europe cannot be achieved without the mobilisation of key civil society groups, notably representatives of owners and professional organisations. They can play a crucial role in engaging, advising and supporting citizens in their renovation journey, and ensuring that quality projects are delivered. This event aims to:

- showcase and discuss, through the presentation of concrete examples, the role of key civil society groups in the Renovation Wave strategy
- debate policy initiative and instruments that can best support the mobilisation of civil society

The panel discussion will include statements (without presentations, to facilitate the public interest and consequently engagement) from four speakers. First, two speakers in the panel's sub-session *Raising awareness among final users* will bring in the experience and practical examples from UIPI and ACE member associations, thus showcasing the practical role of civil society associations in the Renovation Wave. The second sub-session *Policy development for a Renovation Wave that fosters civil society engagement* will look into Renovation Wave policy developments through a more theoretical approach with speakers from the European Parliament and the European Commission and discuss the importance of engagement with civil society in order to create a policy framework that delivers and is fit for all.

