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## Highlight



Climate Change:  
Implications  
for Buildings

Key Findings from the  
Intergovernmental Panel  
on Climate Change  
Fifth Assessment Report

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### New report stresses the role of buildings when fighting climate change

Key findings from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) on buildings

Some highly renowned organisations teamed-up to provide businesses and policy makers around the world with a short summary of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 's Fifth Assessment report, focusing on buildings. The document is one of a series of thirteen, giving a comprehensive overview of the newest climate science data targeted to decision makers in governments and the industry.

According to Peter Graham, GBPN's Executive Director, "this report is a timely reminder that we urgently need to scale up available advanced policies and technologies. Mainstream adoption of net-zero energy standards for new buildings; more and deeper energy renovation of existing buildings; a price on carbon and better access to carbon-financing; investing in education and capacity building – are all measures we have piloted and proven to work and now need to be scaled up."

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## Focus on



### BPIE side-event at IEPPEC (Berlin, September 8-11) - Reserve your seats!

**IEPEEC**, the International Energy Policies & Programmes Evaluation Conference, aims at gathering new ideas and debates about all the stages of evaluations of energy efficiency policies and programmes.

### New tool: choosing the right energy path for buildings

The Global Buildings Performance Network (GBPN) just launched a new interactive tool, allowing identification of the best policy scenarios to save energy globally in the building sector.

The *Tool for Building Energy*

### Renewables 2014 Global Status Report now available

REN21 (the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st century) recently launched the Renewables 2014 Global Status Report, providing a comprehensive and timely overview of renewable energy market, industry, investment and policy developments worldwide.

BPIE will participate with a workshop (*Towards nZEB renovation*, September 8 afternoon), a presentation (*Evaluating National Building Renovation Registers*, September 11 at 9am) and a poster (*The Central Energy Performance Certificate Register – An Opportunity for Systematic Data Collection for Policy Monitoring and EU-wide Building Performance Evaluation*).

The workshop will examine if national renovation plans have the requested pace to reach the long-term 2050 goals of the EU.

To enrich the dialogue, BPIE will integrate the results of two ongoing IEE projects ([ENTRANZE](#) and [COHERENO](#)) that BPIE is partnering in and that are intrinsically linked to the topic.

>> [Register to the workshop](#)

*Performance Scenarios* (BEPS) enables to interactively engage with modelled data for three possible energy mitigation scenarios (deep, moderate and frozen) for the building sector, globally and per region, by 2050. It allows to conduct one's own analysis, generate charts as well as tables, and use an interactive map to get an overview of the total thermal energy use per region for Deep and Moderate Efficiency scenarios.

GBPN is broadcasting a series of webinars to present their latest solutions and tools. Find more information and the recordings on their website.

>> [Test the tool](#)

The report covers recent developments, current status, and key trends; by design, it does not provide analysis or forecast.

The report relies on up-to-date renewable energy data, provided by more than 500 contributors, researchers, and authors.

2013 was a successful year for renewables due to the expansion of supporting policies in developing economies, additions to electricity generating capacity, progress made in renewables heating and cooling and shifts in investments among other things.

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## Where to Meet Us

The 77th [EUROCONSTRUCT](#) conference will take place June 12 and 13 in Oslo, Norway. BPIE will present: "*Mission possible! Policies and approaches for reaching sustainable zero-energy levels in European buildings*".

The 2014 edition of the [Solar Decathlon Europe](#) will take place from June 28 to July 14 in Versailles. This international academic architectural competition aims at improving education and research in the fields of sustainable architecture and solar energy. The challenge given to schools and universities worldwide is to conceive and build a full-scale fully functional house, using only the sun as its power source. Meet our global partner, GBPN, at a stand where they will present online interactive policy tools about current global best practices for new and existing buildings.

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