EHLF victory! This far.. EPBD recast Update march 2023

I promised you a memo on the recast of the directive of energy performance in buildings at our meeting in Prague.

As some of you know we circulated a document on the open call to the Commission on this important regulation.

In this document we asked for continued possibility to completely withdraw cultural heritage buildings from the requirements of minimum energy performance requirements. In Article 5 in the new recast it stated that "member states may decide to adopt the requirements referred to in paragraph 1 to buildings officially protected as part of a designated environment or because of their special architectural or historical merit insofar as compliance with certain minimum energy performance requirements would unacceptably alter their character or appearance". The previous regulation allowed the member states "not to set or apply" the requirements, which obviously is a better wording for CH. Now, After the first reading in the parliament the text is back to this wording. To "not to set or apply" the requirements. and now off to the first reading in the parliament we are actually heard Article in the Article 9 Now after the first reading it is also change to our benefits and according to what we asked for; member states may decide not to apply the minimum energy performance standards referred to in paragraphs 1 to buildings officially protected as part of a designated environment or because of their special architectural or historical merit requiring do conservation or other heritage buildings in so far as compliance with the standards would unacceptably alter their character or appearance or if their renovation is not technically or economically feasible

The underlined is the changes after the first reading in the parliament - obviously we are not at the finish line yet.

But bravo EHLF - so far we did well!

Please **read the full text here**, there are important issues in the preamble as well for CH.

https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/seance_pleniere/textes_adoptes/definitif/2023/03-14/0068/P9_TA(2023)0068_EN.pdf?fbclid=lwAR1UYLXpfXKxWdtu9PFLXuZGhIMMu9LPHQLF5hOUZjJFWHHF1_D-DtFdsZs

Read our **joint input** here, adopted by EHLF members – this is Norway's version: https://www.regjeringen.no/no/dokumenter/horing-forslag-til-nytt-direktiv-for-bygningers-energiytelse-ebpd/id2892900/?uid=64d5ec37-1d6c-4502-a52b-742142e2409f

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