SPECIAL ISSUE: BRITA chats with EU-Commissioners

Ecobuildings are waiting in the wings: EU Commissioner Piebalgs and Germans Minister Tiefensee addressed at the EU/G8 Conference the need for much higher energy efficiency in Europe

In preparation for the EU and G8 meeting in June, the EU/G8 Energy Efficiency Conference "Shaping Tomorrow´s World" took place in Berlin on 20 – 21 April 2007. Analysing strictly the conclusions of the Conference, the European Building stock has to be transformed into Ecobuildings immediately. Ecobuildings offer the great potential that is needed. Read more on the homepage.

BRITA partner meets EC Vice president Margot Wallstrøm

Norwegian BRITA in PuBs partner Architect Harald N. Røstvik met EC Vice President, Swedish Margot Wallstrøm on March 23rd, 2007. Among the topics discussed were technical and financial challenges of running large scale 6th Framework EU projects and the challenges of energy efficiency measures in existing buildings in Europe. Read more about the meeting on the homepage.

EUCommissioner Verheugen visits BRITA partner Fraunhofer-IBP

On Monday 16th April 2007, EU-Commissioner Günter Verheugen, the Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner of DG Enterprise and Industry was visiting the BRITA in PuBs coordinating organisation Fraunhofer-IBP. The group was attending the 4th European Conference on Craft and Small Enterprises in Stuttgart and took the chance for this additional agenda highlight. After a warm welcome and a presentation on highlights of the Fraunhofer Building Physics research, featuring innovations from 6 departments from acoustics to heat technologies by Prof. Dr. Ing. Klaus Sedlbauer, Prof. Dr. Ing. Gerd Hauser gave a slide presentation on "energy efficiency – the key to solution". Read more about this presentation, the discussed topics and the importance of Ecobuildings for the European Union on the homepage.

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