CPE General Assembly & Conference

31st May 2023
EMBUILD, 20 Avenue des Arts, 1000 Brussels

8:45 Registration

General Assembly

9:00-10:00 Activity report & strategy review by Christophe Sykes, Director General

Conference

10:00 **Transition pathway for the construction ecosystem**
Katharina Knapton-Vierlich, DG GROW, European Commission

10:15 **Nature Restoration Law**
Humberto Delgado Rosa, DG ENVI, European Commission

10:30 **From Waste to Resources**
Dr Florian Flachenecker, DG ENVI, European Commission

10:45 **Securing access to essential raw materials for construction**
Dirk Fincke, Aggregates Europe - UEPG

11:00 *Coffee break*

11:30 **Circular construction debate** moderated by Cédric de Meeûs with Fleming Voetmann, VP External Relations & Sustainability (Velux), Dr Florian Flachenecker (DG ENVI, European Commission), Pascal Eveillard, Director Sustainable Business Development (St Gobain), Lara Perez Duenas, Circular Construction Coordinator (Embuild)

Q&A session

12:55 **Closing speech** by Cédric de Meeûs, President Construction Products Europe

Networking Lunch

13:00-14:30

Speakers Presenting



Humberto DELGADO ROSA is the Director for Biodiversity, DG Environment, European Commission (EC). Previously he was Director for Mainstreaming Adaptation and Low Carbon Technology in DG Climate Action. He is experienced in European and international environmental policy, particularly in biodiversity and climate change issues. He served as Secretary of State for the Environment of the Portuguese Government from March 2005 to June 2011. Between 1995 and 2002 he was an advisor for environmental matters to the Prime-Minister of Portugal. He holds a PhD in Evolutionary Biology.



Pascal EVEILLARD holds a master's degree in management and a post-master's degree in communications. He joined Saint-Gobain in 2000, and since January 2019, he is the Group Director for Sustainable Business Development. A long-time supporter of the World Green Building Council network (WGBC), Pascal co-chaired its working group on circular economy in the built environment. He was an active member in the Level(s) steering committee, the EC's framework of core indicators for sustainable buildings, and Vice-President of EURIMA, the European association of mineral wool insulation producers.



Dirk FINCKE joined Aggregates Europe - UEPG in 2006 and is its Secretary General. This association represents the largest non-energy extractive industry. Dirk works within such alliances such as Industry4Europe and Construction 2050 Alliance and is currently building the Essential Raw Materials Coalition. He is a member of several European Commission expert groups, such as the Raw Materials Supply Group, the High-Level Construction Forum, the high-level steering group of the European Innovation Partnership on Raw Materials, the EU Biodiversity Platform and the UN Environment Programme Expert Roundtable for sand and sustainability.



Dr Florian FLACHENECKER is a Policy Officer in DG Environment at the EC, working on the circular economy, more particularly on the Waste Framework Directive. Florian is also an Honorary Lecturer at University College London. Previously, he worked in the Recovery and Resilience Task Force of the Secretariat-General on the design and implementation of the green transition under the Facility, and at the Joint Research Centre on environmental innovations. Before joining the EC, Florian was an Economist at the OECD focusing on environmental data and policy. Florian holds a PhD in Economics from University College London and a MA in Economics from the College of Europe.



Katharina KNAPTON-VIERLICH heads the Construction Unit at DG GROW. She joined the EC in 2003 and has worked in various areas of public procurement policy and law since 2010. Before moving to Brussels, she worked as a lawyer in Berlin for seven years, primarily in real estate project development. Katharina began her professional career in 1992 as a research assistant at the *Freie Universität Berlin*, after completing the second state examination in Berlin and the Master of Laws at the University of Cambridge.



Lara PEREZ DUENAS holds a master's degree in engineering, specialising in energy, environment, and waste science. Lara has worked on national and international projects related to energy efficiency, waste management, and circular economy. Since 2015, she has been involved in the regional circular economy strategies in Brussels. Currently, she coordinates the Build Circular.Brussels project, which aims to facilitate the transition of the construction sector towards a circular economy in the Brussels Region.



Fleming VOETMANN Fleming Voetmann holds a master's degree in communication, an Executive Scholar degree in Management, and an Executive Certificate in Strategy and Innovation from MIT. He is VELUX's Vice-President of External Relations and Sustainability. Prior to joining VELUX, Fleming was Head of Marketing and Sustainability at FLSmidth. Before this, Fleming was based in Washington, DC. as Vice-President of Public Affairs and Sustainability at the International Copper Association. His career also includes three years at Danfoss, and five years at Novozymes, as well as being founder and managing partner for eight years at a Public Affairs agency in Copenhagen.