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**A new website for the European Housing Forum!**

**The European Housing Forum (EHF) has launched its new website under the address:**

**[www.europeanhousingforum.eu](http://www.europeanhousingforum.eu)**

This website is aimed at increasing the visibility of the Forum in the European sphere. The Forum is an informal platform gathering representative organisations of the entire housing sector. Its members are all major international or European organisations representing consumers, providers, professionals and researchers.

The Forum is a place for exchange and debate. It regularly organises internal meetings, and from time to time, thematic seminars and conferences which are open to all interested parties.

The Forum promotes the importance of the housing sector in Europe by creating awareness amongst EU policy makers about the impact of a growing number of EU decisions on domestic housing policies.

Indeed, whilst housing is not a competence of the EU, many EU proposals and legislation directly impact upon it (e.g. issues related to energy efficiency, sustainability, mortgage credits, accessibility, etc.).

The EHF is also a partner of the European Parliament URBAN intergroup.

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**Note to editors:**

*The current co-chairs of EHF are:*

*FIEC – the European Construction Industry Federation, representing via its 30 national Member Federations in 27 countries (24 EU & EFTA and Turkey) construction enterprises of all sizes, i.e. small and medium-sized enterprises as well as “global players”, carrying out all forms of building and civil engineering activities. Within FIEC, a specific transversal working group addresses all housing-related issues.*

*UEPC – the European Union of Developers and House Builders has been created in 1958 already and is the umbrella organisation for national federations of Developers and House Builders. UEPC is a European association representing more than 30,000 developers and house builders affiliated to the federations of different Member States and Norway. The credo of UEPC is “restoring the past, building the future”...*

*UIPI – the International Union of Property Owners is a pan-European association comprising 30 organisations from 28 countries. Jointly, they represent more than five million property owners and some 20 million dwellings. Founded in 1923, its member organisations share the common goal of promoting the rights and interests of private property.*

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