

E-learning system running

In order to distribute the knowledge about innovative energy efficient retrofitting of public buildings, an e-learning module was created as part of the BRITA in PuBs project. The contents of the e-learning module consist of guidelines created within the BRITA in PuBs project and lessons learned from the demonstration building projects. The study plan involves such topics as: Interdisciplinary approach to sustainable built environments, Energy simulation tools for buildings, LCA guidelines, Innovative insulation, Advanced energy efficient windows, Passive solar heating, Reduction of overheating – passive strategies, Hybrid ventilation, Improved day lighting, Solar thermal systems, Solar heating and cooling of buildings, Integration of PV in the build environment and Heat Pumps. The users can find the link to the system on the BRITA in PuBs website (www.brita-in-pubs.eu), read the learning material and test their knowledge.

The future of Ecobuildings

75 participants from the four running Ecobuildings-projects discussed the future of Ecobuildings with Mr. Stefan Tostmann (Head of Unit in DG Tren) and representatives from national and local institutions in the Town Hall of Stuttgart at the 2nd Ecobuilding Symposium on April 7 & 8.

The experts of several European universities and research institutes expressed the need for innovative pilot projects to analyse the use and performance efficiency of new technologies under real conditions. User behaviour and the acceptance for low energy buildings and the available technologies should also be object to further investigation in demonstration-projects on a broader scope. An experts workshop will be held in Summer 2009 in Brussels to discuss the needs and requirements for a future call on Ecobuildings.

Video shooting at Borgen Community Centre

Vincent Bazin and Sandy Palenzuela from Gedeon Programmes in Paris spent Thursday 17th of April at Borgen Community Centre, making a video documentary on assignment from the EU-commission. The video shooting included interviews with teacher Halldis Bruun, several students, head of maintenance department Dag Berg, facility manager Lars Lunde and project manager Jan Rolland. The video team did a thorough recording of the building, focusing on the different elements included in the Brita programme – that is the different energy conservation measures and the building energy management system (BEMS).



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