

VACUUM INSULATION PANEL



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The **Vacuum Insulation Panel Association (VIPA Int'l)** is the global trade association representing the interests of manufacturers of Vacuum Insulation Panels (VIPs), as well as the supply chain.

In this edition of VIPs News, we present the latest news from the association and industry, including our **new President** and **latest video, IVIS 2021** and the publication of the **CEN standard on VIPs in buildings**.

Kind regards,

Sebastian Baars
President, VIPA International

1. ASSOCIATION NEWS



VIPA International elects Vaku Isotherm CEO Sebastian Baars as new President

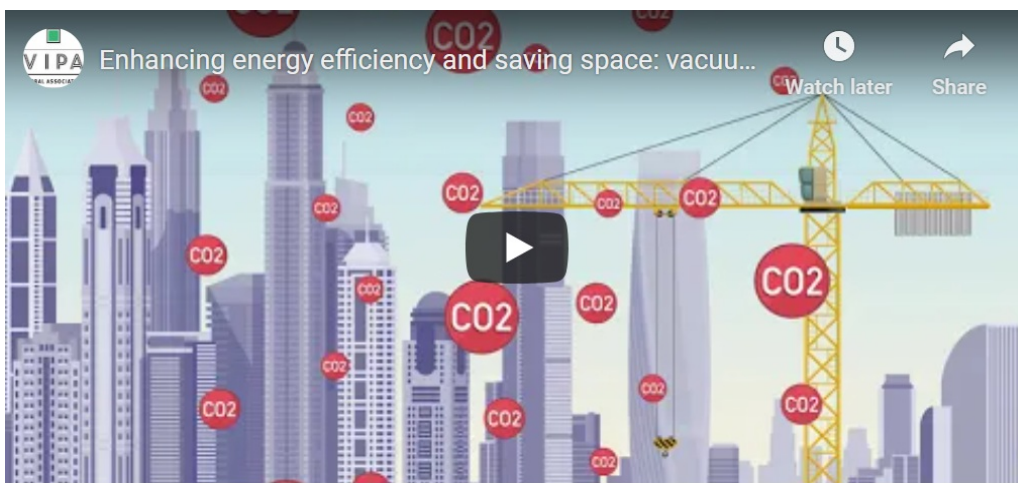
On 17 September, VIPA Int'l elected Sebastian Baars, CEO of Vaku Isotherm, as its new President at its annual General Assembly. He replaces Gregor Erbenich of Porextherm Dämmstoffe, who had been VIPA Int'l President since 2016.

Mr Baars, said: "I feel very honoured to be voted as the next President of VIPA Intl and thank the members for placing their trust in me. I look forward to working with you and, as a team, we can make VIPA Intl more effective and attractive. Finally, I would like to extend a big thank you to Gregor for his great efforts over the past years."

The General Assembly, which was held virtually for the first time because of the COVID-19 pandemic, also elected the Board, approved the accounts, received a report of the association's activities from the Secretariat, as outlined in the Annual Report, and formally welcomed Kevothermal as a new member.

Read more [here](#).

Download the [Annual Report](#).



Watch our new video on VIPs in buildings

VIPA Int'l has published a new video demonstrating the energy efficiency and space saving benefits of vacuum insulation panels (VIPs) in buildings.

As buildings are responsible for a large proportion of energy related carbon emissions, with much energy lost through poor insulation, VIPs are ideal for addressing the challenge of decarbonising buildings, as well as maximising living space.

Watch the video [here](#).

Read more [here](#).

VIPA Int'l is the Platinum Sponsor for IVIS 2021



The **15th edition of the International Vacuum Insulation Symposium (IVIS 2021)** will be held in London, UK on 16-17 September 2021.

The abstract submission for papers and posters is open and the deadline is 1 December 2020. There will be a poster presentation and an exhibition of insulation related products, equipment, sensors and literature will be organised during the conference.

VIPA members wishing to participate in the conference can benefit from a discounted registration fee of £250 instead of £350. Registrations open on 1 February 2021.

For more information, please visit the [conference website](#).

VIPs: the slim high performance insulation solution for exclusive historical buildings



Vacuum Insulation Panel technology was the insulation solution chosen by a team of architects wishing to refurbish their high-value historical office space located in Kensington, London.

This case study, provided by Kevothermal, shows how VIPs helped them make their historical building more energy efficient without compromising on floor space and without altering the external façade.

Read the case study [here](#).

International Energy Agency publishes reports on super-insulating materials in buildings

The results of the project looking into the benefits and challenges of super insulating materials initiated by the International Energy Agency in the framework of its Energy in Buildings and Communities Programme (EBC) were published at the beginning of the year.

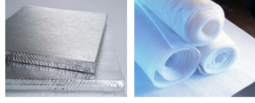
The IEA-EBC Annex 65 Project began in 2013 and was managed by the CSTB (the French Building Research Institute). The goal of this research work was to investigate long-term benefits and risks of newly developed super

Read more [here](#).

International Energy Agency
**Long-Term Performance of
 Super-insulating Materials in
 Building Components and Systems**

Energy in Building and Communities Programme

Ulrich Heinemann (Editor)



EBC is a programme of the International Energy Agency (IEA)



VIPA International welcomes new member



Kevothermal, an international manufacturer of vacuum insulation panels for the cold chain packaging, thermal energy, electronics, construction, automotive and e-retail market sectors, joined VIPA Int'l at the beginning of the year. The company has manufacturing facilities in Albuquerque, USA, and Shropshire, United Kingdom, and over 10 years of manufacturing experience.

Read more [here](#).

2. INDUSTRY NEWS

New CEN Standard on VIPs in buildings to boost vacuum insulation industry in Europe



VIPA Intl welcomes the publication of the CEN Standard on Thermal insulation products for buildings - Factory made Vacuum Insulation Panels (VIP) - Specification (**EN 17140:2020**). For more than 7 years, VIPA Intl has been advocating for standardisation in Europe and this standard can be a key tool for accelerating market acceptance of VIPs and create a level playing field for the industry.

The new standard will:

- Provide clarity and transparency for customers
- Facilitate the design and production process
- Ensure product quality across Europe

Read more [here](#).

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