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Vacuum Insulation Panel Association - VIPA International Summary of 2014 Achievement and Plans for 2015 Activities

➤ **Roadmap 1st year of activities of VIPA – report on progress made**

Governance:

- Legal entity created in August in the State of Delaware, USA
- Bylaws approved in September
- Code of conduct approved in December

Membership:

9 founding members:

- va-Q-Tec
- Hanita Coatings
- Turna
- Evonik Industries
- Kingspan Insulation
- Rexor
- Knauf Insulation
- Fujian Super Tech
- Owens Corning

Public Relations & Communications:

- Logo approved
- Website will be published early 2015
- First case study (buildings renovation) available on the website

Regulatory Affairs:

- Discussion on main policy initiatives on building energy efficiency in Europe, China and US

Standardisation/Technical

- Discussion on studies that could be financed by VIPA International to support the standardisation process

➤ **Roadmap 2nd year of activities of VIPA – 2015**

Membership:

In addition to the 9 founding members, 3 companies and 1 university have confirmed membership as of 1 January 2015:

- Microtherm: manufacturer, Belgium
- Camvac: material supplier, UK
- Creek: manufacturer, China
- NUAA (Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics): associate member, China

The following companies have expressed high interest and are very likely to join early 2015 as well:

- Hongda

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- The Vac Company
- Csafe
- Saes Getters
- Kuraray Eval
- Porextherm
- Variotec

Other companies will continue to be approached in 2015. The objective is to increase the number of manufacturers from different parts of the world. Associate members will also be approached in 2015 (FIW, NRC, ZAE, CSTB, EMPA, etc)

Public Relations & Communications

- Continue working on the website and improve content
- Gather case studies and publish on our website and also on other platforms (BuildUp, Construction21)
- Work on a communications campaign to increase visibility to VIPs among the professionals' community (architects, building engineers, specifiers, facility managers...all those that take the decision to use VIPs) in Germany
- Create a database of contacts, based on the Stakeholder Mapping discussed in December
- Secure speaking and sponsorship opportunities at the IVIS 2015 in Nanjing, China

Regulatory Affairs

- Influence the legislation on the labeling of refrigerators in the USA
- Monitor the discussions in China and Japan about new legislation on buildings with impact on the VIP industry
- Evaluate stakeholders relations with decision-makers in Brussels

Standardisation/Technical

- Commission a technical study on ageing process - accurate measurement of the continuous increase of thermal conductivity of the VIPs (within some days) to get information on the extrapolated value beyond 20 years
- Continue participating at the standardisation process (CEN TC 88/WG 11)
- Align efforts with the IEA task 65 especially with regards to research activities
- Look into quality matters (performance of the panels, failure rate and quality of installation). Consider the possibility of creating a certification scheme for members as a way of raising the quality level of the industry
- Look into sustainability and recycling issues – how to portrait VIPs as a sustainable product

Events/Meetings

- Board Meeting, Thursday 22 January in Munich, Germany
- General Assembly, Friday 18 September in Nanjing, China