
VACUUM INSULATION PANEL



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VIPA International Public Affairs WG

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Agenda

1. Welcome

- 1.1 Governance rules
- 1.2 Approval of the agenda
- 1.3 Approval minutes previous conference call 21March 2016 and review of action items

2. Legislative update

- 2.1 New Energy Efficiency legislative proposal
- 2.2 Related activities of VIPA International

3. Public Consultation on EU framework of core indicators for the environmental performance of buildings

4. AoB & date of next conference call

Review of action items

- Secretariat to look for studies and reports on the cost-effectiveness of insulation.
- Secretariat to contact PU Europe and other Brussels-based stakeholders to establish some cooperation on advocacy activities.
- VIPA International to publish a press release on the energy label before the vote of 24th of May.
- VIPA International to reply to the consultation on Resource Efficiency for the Building Sector.
- Gregor Erbenich to share cases on space saved by VIPs.
- All members to share information on the location of VIPs factories in Europe.
- Secretariat to prepare a first draft of the advocacy case for VIPs.

2. Legislative updates

Energy Efficiency package to be published on 11 October 2016

First draft of the [Energy Efficiency Directive](#) leaked in September. Key points:

- Overall minor changes - previous version of the Directive adopted in 2012.
- The general energy efficiency target of the EU is set at 30%, raised from the 27% agreed by the Council in 2014.
- The target will be binding for the EU, but there are no pre-established binding targets at national level.
- Member States will submit their national energy efficiency plan. If needed, there will be a negotiate to agree which State will have to set a more ambitious target.
- Article 4, which required Member States to establish strategies to stimulate investments for the renovation of buildings, is moved to the EPBD for consistency reasons.

2. Legislative updates

First draft of the [Energy Performance of Buildings Directive](#) leaked in September.

Key points:

- No eco-design requirements for thermal insulation products (already covered at national level).
- The Commission expects “investment in building renovation benefiting especially SMEs”
- New buildings will only have to take into account minimum energy performance requirements – no need anymore to consider also locally available high efficiency alternatives (heat pumps, cogen, renewables), potentially releasing resources for better insulation.
- Financial incentives to renovation will have to be linked to the energy efficiency savings delivered, as measured by the Energy Performance Certificate before and after renovation.
- Smart Financing for Smart Buildings Initiative not released yet.

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Energy Efficiency Package timeline

11 October:
publication of
the package

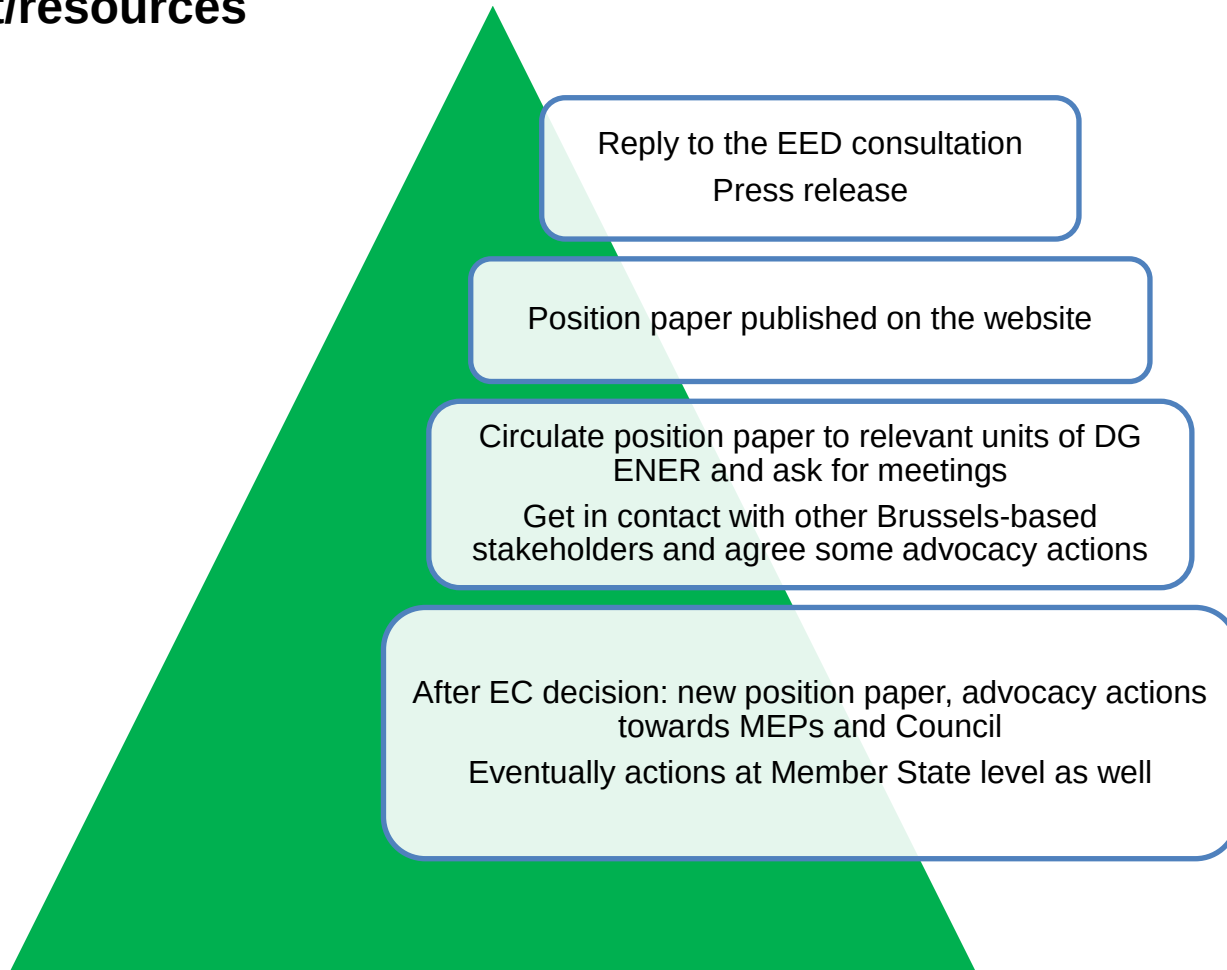
November: EP
appoints
rapporteur

January: first
EP debate on
the package

First quarter
2016: first
draft report of
the rapporteur

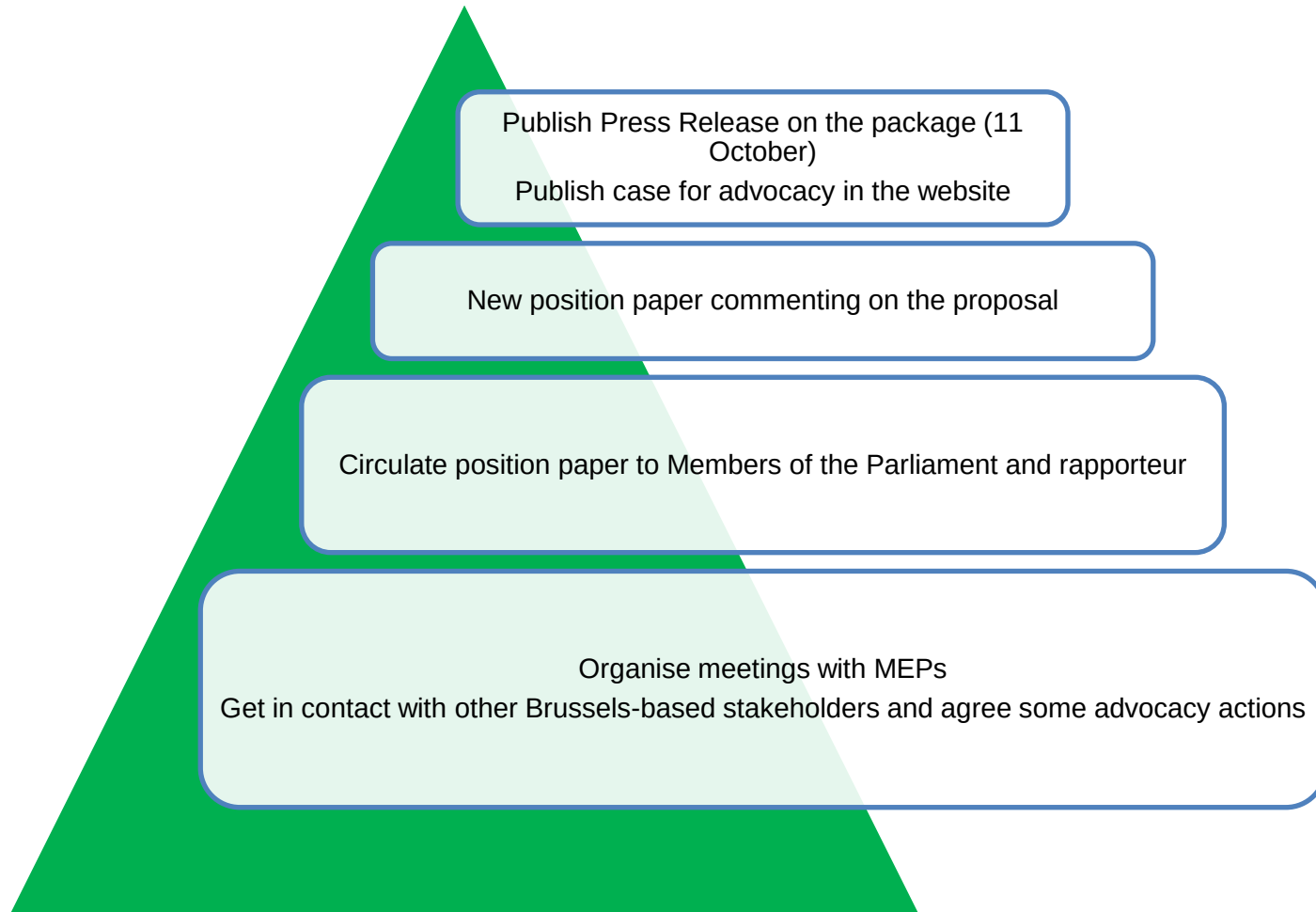
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Possible advocacy actions discussed in 2015 - with increasing level of involvement/resources



2. Legislative updates

Updated advocacy actions - with increasing level of involvement/resources



2. Legislative updates

Press release on the package – key principles

- Welcome:
 - increased energy efficiency target – even if more should be done
 - financial incentives to renovation will have to be linked to the energy efficiency savings delivered.
 - New buildings will only have to take into account minimum energy performance requirements
- Contribution of VIPs (statement by Gregor)
- Additional policy asks (link to our advocacy document):
 - Remark the need to work on enforcement to achieve renovation targets
 - Extend renovation targets to all publicly owned buildings
 - Cost-optimal methodology should also take space (cost of the useful area) into account

3. Public Consultation on EU framework of core indicators for the environmental performance of buildings

Resource Efficiency for the Building Sector

Joint Research Centre (JRC) paper to define indicators to assess and compare the environmental performance of EU buildings. The JRC launched a [public consultation](#) to gather views on the indicators based on these 6 macro-objectives:

Environmental macro-objectives

- (B1) Greenhouse gas emissions from building life cycle energy use
- (B2) Resource efficient material life cycles
- (B3) Efficient use of water resources

Quality, performance and value creation macro objectives

- (B4) Healthy and comfortable spaces
- (B5) Resilience to climate change
- (B6) Optimised life cycle cost and value

Topic of the consultation quite general and not focused on insulation

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Resource Efficiency for the Building Sector

More efficient use of space is quoted as one of the areas with the greatest potential to reduce environmental impacts. Space is included in two of the additional macro-objectives that may be considered in the medium to long term for the identification of performance indicators:

(B7a) Productive workplaces: Configure spaces to provide productive and space efficient working environments which meet modern standards

(S2) Efficient utilisation and high occupancy: Maximise the utilisation efficiency of space and minimise void rates across the stock.

Topic of the consultation quite general and not focused on insulation, but only on the 6 macro-objectives. Future consultation could be focused on the additional macro-objectives. Next stakeholder meeting: 30 November 2016.

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