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We invite you to the Active House Virtual Gathering "How to #BuildBackBetter our homes, cities and communities after Covid-19"



We are happy to invite you to the Active House virtual gathering on "How to #BuildBackBetter our homes, cities and communities after Covid-19".

As you may know, #BuildBackBetter focuses on solutions and stakeholders with the capacity to improve and optimise cities and the built environment towards better health and wellbeing. Recently, the Active House Alliance entered a partnership with BLOX Global around #BuildBackBetter to showcase solutions for healthy buildings for the benefit of people and planet.

Join us on Wednesday, 4 November, from 16:00 - 17:00 CET for the video discussion with our expert panellists:

- Lone Feifer, Secretary-General, Active House, Introductory remarks on the Active House Alliance
- Mayor of Milan's office, on How to #BuildBackBetter our cities after Covid-19
- Marco Imperadori, Professor at University Politecnico di Milano, on Application of #BuildBackBetter and Active House principles
- · Yves Lambert, Public Affairs Manager, Renson on How to #BuildBackBetter homes

This event is part of a series of Active House virtual gatherings, where we hope to launch a more frequent exchange of ideas on the Active House principles. Each gathering focuses on a different topic in vogue.



GREAT GULF wins EnerQuality Building Innovation Award Low-Rise for Active House

Great Gulf received the prestigious Innovation Award Low-Rise for Active House at the EnerQuality (EQ) Awards. EQ is Canada's number one certifier of energy efficient homes and the market leader in delivering award-winning residential green building programs.

Shaun Joffe, Executive Director Sustainability and Building Sciences, says: "This is the house of the future, it incorporates everything from office space to living/ageing in place/barrier free ready and healthy living with the use of healthy materials. Active House will help support the increased cost of net zero homes by placing emphasis on measuring the comfort, wellbeing and health improvement adding to the energy and carbon saving value propositions."

Moreover, at the 40th Annual Building Industry and Land Development Association (BIILD) Awards, GREAT GULF was recognized with the two most prestigious awards: Builder of the Year Low Rise and Mid/High Rise, this unprecedented win in both categories is a first in the building industry.

We congratulate GREAT GULF, a founding member of the Active House Alliance, for these incredible wins!



Active House Secretary-General participates as a speaker at the LivABLE Canada Conference

Lone Feifer, Secretary-General of the Active House Alliance, will participate as a speaker at the LivABLE Canada Conference. The conference, which will be held virtually during 28-30 October will focus on the residential built environment.

Lone will discuss "The New Shade of Green". The talk will share experiences from full scale living labs, from anthropological studies of test families, and make recommendations for basic design parameters for a healthy home.

You can find out more about the conference here.



Active House appears in the Archdaily article

Evaluating Buildings: 12 Green Building Certifications to Know



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- · Country of origin: Denmark
- · Year: 2017
- Applications: New buildings; Existing Buildings and Remodeling

Archdaily, the top architecture website, published an article on "12 Green Building Certifications to Know". We are happy that the Active House label was included in this list (with the mention that the label was established in 2012).

The article mentions: "Active House is a seal of quality for comfortable and sustainable buildings. It advises on the elements that are most important for residential dwellings and daily living. Its main focuses are on reducing the use of resources during construction and during the life of the building, as well as on aspects of visual, thermal, and acoustic comfort. It can be applied to buildings up to approximately 2,000 m², although there are plans to expand the assessment to include larger constructions."

You can read the entire article here.



Students present Active House thesis project at Politecnico di Milano

Students Leidy Guante Henriquez and Nicole Di Santo have presented the project "Application of Active House 3.0 protocol as BIM 6D tool for optioneering design" at University Politecnico di Milano. The project was carried out under the supervision of prof. ing. Marco Imperadori.

The main idea of the thesis project is to integrate the Active House radar to describe active houses in the building Information modelling (BIM) scenario. This allows an optimization of the information flow in terms of design, cost, time management, sustainability and lifecycle, and upgrading the information model to the 6th dimension.

The radar is not just a metric to qualify construction, but it could be used from the early stages of the design to the final operation, resulting in both end-user and designers' benefit. As a design optioneering tool, the Active House radar allows analysing together different solutions.

In the project, the students decided to compare two timber-based options: an existing highly efficient building with Timber Frame construction system and the second one in X-lam defined as "upgraded" and conceived under the hypothesis that the existing building was not actually built to make the design optioneering evaluation. The objective was to improve the radar, proposing implementations such as green roof and skylights but also some changes to the materials used that allow more accurate management of the entire building life cycle.

Thank you for joining the Active House virtual gathering "The art of modular construction"

We hope you enjoyed the Active House virtual gathering "The art of modular construction". During the event, our panellist drove us through the various aspects of modular construction from the perspective of architects, academia and constructors.

We want to thank them again for their kind contribution:

Federica Brunone, PhD



∰Bas Hasselaar, DGMR ∰Rory Bergin, HTA ∰Tony Tersigni, Great Gulf H+ME Technology

In case you would like to revisit the event, you can watch the recording $\underline{\text{here}}.$



Have your project displayed on Active House social media!

Do you have a great photo you would like to have displayed on the social media channels of the Active House Alliance? Then now could be your chance!

We are always eager to receive more pictures of great Active House inspired projects to share on social media. To send us your photos, simply send them by email to secretariat@activehouse.info

We hope you will share your great examples with us!



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