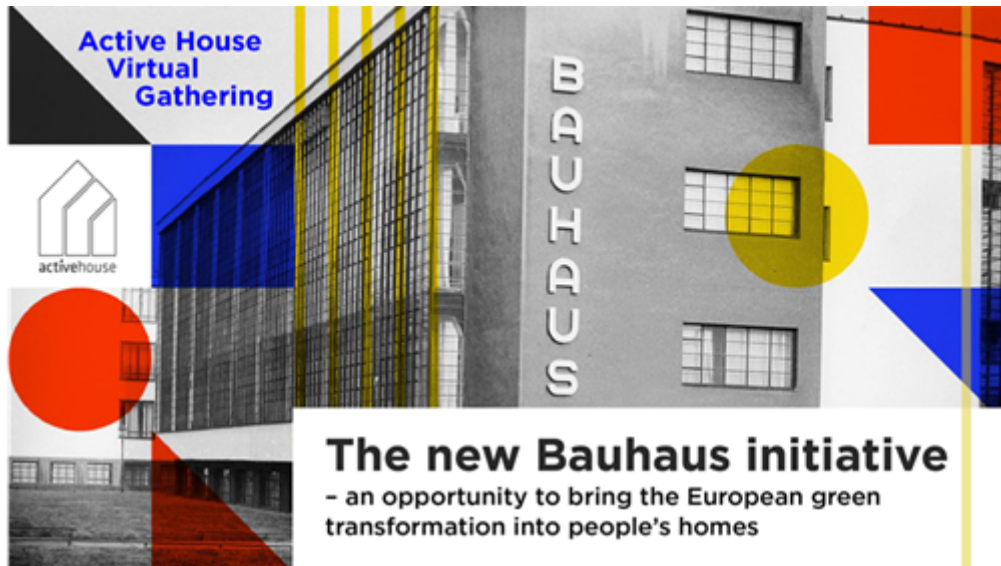




## Thank you for joining the Active House Virtual gathering!



**Lone Feifer**  
Secretary-General, Active House Alliance  
Chair of the virtual gathering  
*Introductory remarks on the Active House Alliance*



**Xavier Troussard**  
Head of Unit New European Bauhaus Joint Research Center, European Commission  
*The New European Bauhaus Initiative and how the society can engage*



**Oliver Rapf**  
Executive Director, Buildings Performance Institute Europe  
*The impact of the new Bauhaus initiative on the renovation of buildings*

Thank you for joining the Active House virtual gathering “The new Bauhaus initiative – an opportunity to bring the European green transformation into people’s homes”.

Our conference was timely, as the European Commission started the co-design phase of the New European Bauhaus in the same week. We are thankful that Mr. Xavier Troussard, Head of Unit New European Bauhaus, Joint Research Center, European Commission joined us as a speaker and presented the New European Bauhaus initiative and how society can engage. Our appreciation also goes to Mr. Oliver Rapf, Executive Director of the Buildings Performance Institute Europe that discussed the impact of the New Bauhaus initiative on the renovation phase.

During the virtual gathering we tried to address four main questions:

1. How does a sustainable, climate neutral Europe look in 2050?
2. How will a good everyday life look in 2050?
3. How would we in common – and across Europe – be able to make this succeed?
4. How can you / your immediate organization contribute to shaping the best point of departure for a new EU Bauhaus movement?

We are grateful for the interest that our virtual gathering has produced, and we would like to continue the conversation on a more practical base on how society can engage. In this regard, we are going to organise a follow-up Active House virtual gathering. The date and speakers will be announced soon on our Social Media channels.



## Active House applies to be partner of the new European Bauhaus Initiative

Active House is engaging in the new European Bauhaus initiative to become a partner.

With this new partnership, we hope to engage with policy-makers, youth representatives, industry stakeholders, designers, planners, and artists on the new Bauhaus and welcome the cross-disciplinary thinking necessary to fertilize and progress sustainable buildings for the many.

In this regard, we are going to host virtual gatherings bimonthly to facilitate exchanges and conversations across the stakeholders from the value chain of buildings, the public as homeowners, and societal representatives to establish a dialogue on how buildings, homes, in particular, can be not in conflict with but harmony with people.



## The Wetland Museum of GuanTing

Last year the Wetland Museum of GuanTing officially opened. The museum is part of the Guanting Reservoir National Wetland Park, one of the largest wetland parks in North China and was built to offer more knowledge of the local natural landscape and raise awareness of ecological protection.

The overall goal of the project is to have a building that minimizes disturbance to the wetland and integrates into nature. The building integrates the three concepts of Active House: environment, energy and comfort.

**Environment:** The building minimizes the impact on wetland parks with a minimal land occupation and uses low-impact development and design of rainwater gardens, constructed wetlands, and other low-impact sewage purification treatment systems combined with the landscape to solve the problem of water treatment in parks without rain and sewage pipe networks.

**Energy:** Using the only energy supply of the wetland park-electric energy, a suitable VRF system was selected, and LED light sources were used for lighting, and a thin-film solar photovoltaic corridor was set up to provide instant electricity.

**Comfort:** The building provides high-quality natural lighting for public spaces and exhibition halls-public rest areas and wetland landscape areas use curtain walls to ensure good natural lighting while gaining views of the landscape.

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General Assembly



## Save the date – Active House General Assembly on 4th March

This year, we are pleased to invite our members to the Active House General Assembly on 4<sup>th</sup> March. The event, which will be held online, will offer a glimpse of the Active House activities in 2021 when the Alliance will be celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We will also discuss the Active House Awards 2021 and how to onboard the thinking of the New Bauhaus into it.



## Get to know the new Active House Online Tool

The new Active House online tool is in the final stages of development and will be soon available for the public. The new online tool will provide a user-friendly interface while continuing the practicalities of the previous tool: be a tangible proof that the building offers a healthy and comfortable indoor climate for the occupants without negative impact on the climate – measured in terms of comfort, consumption and the use of sustainable materials.



## Happy New Chinese Year

In light of the New Chinese year starting on 12 February, the Active House Growth Academy has created masks that celebrate the beginning of the year of the Ox.

The masks are made in cooperation with Li Keran Art Foundation. Li Keran was a Chinese artist and art educator. He was a prominent figure in 20th-century Chinese art. He developed a personal style of landscape painting based upon the emulation of both ancient and contemporary masters. He was good at drawing buffalos and oxen.

There are three types of masks: Niu (It means ox and also indicates best), Fei Tong Xiao Ke (It means extraordinary) and peach flower. Niu was written by Li Keran. Fei Tong Xiao Ke was the best wishes extended from Li Keran to his son Li Xiao Ke, also an artist. As for peach flowers, they were drawn by Li Xiaoke when he travelled to Linzhi in Tibet autonomous region. And All packings are made of renewable paper.

How are you celebrating the #YearoftheOx? Tell us on [Instagram](#), using the hashtag and the best picture can win one of the masks.

Lone Feifer, our Secretary General has already started 🐮



## Healthy Homes Barometer 2020

The Healthy Homes Barometer 2020 is dedicated to exploring the role of homes, schools and office buildings in the Green Recovery. The planned research in new topics for the 2020 Barometer was halted by Covid-19 and instead, the report compiles relevant facts and insights from the last three years' Barometers, which may serve as inspiration for a renewed focus on healthy and climate-friendly buildings in the light of



efficient means for a fast and green recovery.

In this green recovery, building renovation can play a key role. Few sectors are better at creating local jobs fast than the building sector and now is the chance to combine speedy economic recovery with improved housing standards. This is even more important in light of the implementation of the Renovation Wave and an upcoming revision of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD).

You can read the whole report [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](mailto:secretariat@activehouse.info)

We hope you will share your great examples with us!



You can learn more about the Active House Alliance by following us on our [website](#) and on social media:



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