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# Invitation to the Active House virtual gathering “Bauhaus Conversations - Buildings and beyond”



Good afternoon,

We are happy to invite you to the Active House virtual gathering “Bauhaus Conversations – Buildings and beyond” **on 28 April, from 10:00 CET.**

Active House has become an official partner of the New European Bauhaus and we hope with these virtual gatherings to broaden the dialogue into creating sustainable buildings that put people in the center.



With the April virtual gathering, we would like to continue the conversation started on 20 January and discuss the original Bauhaus thinking, taking the perspectives into the contemporary and a design context.

- What were they thinking? To give an understanding of the thinking behind Bauhaus, Professor Ida Engholm from The Royal Academy will give an introduction to the founding thoughts, persons and key marks from the Bauhaus movement brainchild.
- What do we think? An introduction to a conversation tool developed specifically for the listening phase of the NEB. Susanne Justesen and Mads Quistgaard from Urgent Agency will present the Danish Design Councils tool for inclusion and collective development and thinking.
- April's Conversation: A panel of representatives from the field of sustainable buildings will have a Bauhaus Conversation and discuss the role, significance and advancement of buildings to meet our

goals for planet and people. This part is interactive with questions and inputs involving the audience. The key quotes and points will be part of the Bauhaus Conversations going forward.

You can register for the event by clicking the link below:

[Register](#)

#### Activity plan and key milestones for 2021



## Thank you for joining the Active House General Assembly on 4th March

On 4<sup>th</sup> of March, we welcomed our members to the 2021 General Assembly. Together we have discussed the main opportunities that lie ahead for the Alliance in 2021, when we will celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Our Secretary-General, Lone Feifer presented the main activities for 2021: the 10th anniversary of the Active House Alliance, future virtual gatherings, the Active House 2021 Awards (in the context of the New European Bauhaus partnership).

Moreover, Lone announced that the Alliance will start collaborating with Interel for providing the Secretariat services from the second part of 2021.

During the meeting, the members also approved the revision of the Active House Statutes, based on the document sent in advanced by the Secretariat. The revision includes changes to the Statutes in order to comply with the new legal requirements in Belgium, as well as to improve certain practices.



## Active House is an official partner of the new European Bauhaus Initiative

Active House has been officially selected as a partner in the European Commission's New Bauhaus Initiative.

With this new partnership, we hope to engage with policymakers, 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 monthly virtual gatherings during the listening phase; we will use [Bauhaus Conversations](#) as method for including a diverse group of professions, focus, nationality and age. We wish 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, should not be in conflict with but harmony with people. Sustainable. Beautiful. Together.

## Active House becomes partner

## of the Venticool

We are happy to announce that the Active House Alliance has entered into a partnership with the Venticool, the international platform for ventilative cooling. The partnership is reciprocal, meaning that Venticool will also become a partner of the Alliance.

Venticool was launched in October 2012 to accelerate the uptake of ventilative cooling by raising awareness, sharing experience and steering research and development efforts in the field of ventilative cooling. In 2020, Venticool decided to broaden its scope towards resilient ventilative cooling.

The platform supports better guidance for the appropriate implementation of resilient ventilative cooling strategies as well as adequate credit for such strategies in building regulations. You can find out more about the platform [here](#).

## The Safe House Association joins Active House



We are happy to welcome the Safe House Association as the newest member of the Active House Alliance.

Safe House Association is a national association in Poland with the mission to improve the safety of Polish houses and flats. The association shares with Active House a common conviction about the need for a new look at the process over designing and using buildings. Moreover, the Safe House has expanded their activities to include issues related to the safe comfort of living in homes, energy security, especially those related to green energy, and environmental safety expressed by concern for the natural environment and climate.

You can find out more about the Safe House Association [here](#) (in Polish).



## BLOXHUB debate on healthy buildings

On 24 March, our Secretary-General moderated the BLOXHUB debate on "Healthy buildings. High performance. Happy hearts & minds".

As healthy buildings depend on good air quality, the debate looked at what is good air quality and just how advanced are we on knowledge, technology and in the business of running buildings on an everyday level.

The BLOXHUB Debates focus on the latest research findings, the state of the art of tech and hear what is turning the big wheels in the engine room of buildings in terms of health, wellbeing, happiness and performance.

### Panelists:

- Lucile Sarran, industrial Ph.D., Saint-Gobain, BLOXhub Smart City Research Network
- Donya Khan, industrial Ph.D., NCC, BLOXhub Smart City Research Network
- Lara Blasberg, Industrial postdoc, Velux, BLOXhub Smart City Research Network
- Jakob Stoumann, Proptech

- Søren Andersen, Climaid
- Morten Christiansen, COOR

You can find out more about this and future events [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!



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