

Topic: Energy Performance in Buildings Directive (EPBD)

Brief description and main aims:

Directive (EU) 2018/844 of 30 May 2018 amending Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings and Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency. The EPBD is the EU's main legislative instrument promoting the improvement of the energy performance of buildings within the EU. It is currently being revised again and a legislative proposal is expected in December 2021.

Why FIEC is dealing with this topic:

Buildings are responsible for approximately 40% of energy consumption and 36% of CO₂ emissions in the EU. Currently, about 35% of the EU's buildings are over 50 years old and almost 75% of the building stock is energy inefficient, while only 0.4-1.2% of the building stock is renovated each year. Therefore, more renovation of existing buildings has the potential to lead to significant energy savings. Investments in energy efficiency can stimulate the construction industry. SMEs would particularly benefit from a boosted renovation market, as they contribute more than 70% of the value added in the EU building sector. The EPBD is being revised again, according to the new Circular Economy Action Plan and the Renovation Wave (see separate fact sheets). FIEC responded to the consultation earlier in 2021 and published its position in July 2021.

Actions and key dates:

30/05/2018 – Directive (EU) amending Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings and Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency

15/07/2021 – FIEC [position](#) on the revision of the EPBD

14/12/2021 – Legislative proposal expected