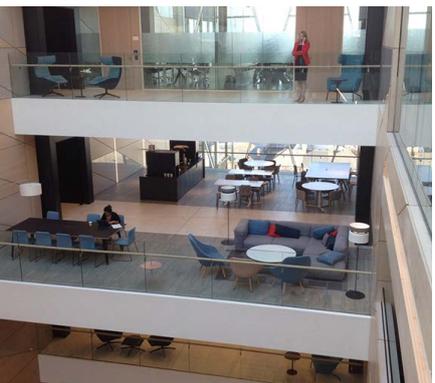


Activity Report

2017



IGBC
IRISH GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

*Leadership for a
Sustainable
Built Environment*

Making a difference 2017

Dear fellow member,

I am honoured to represent you as the new chair of the Irish Green Building Council. The IGBC is a passionate, inspirational and dedicated community promoting sustainable and quality buildings for everyone, everywhere in Ireland.

2017 has been an excellent year for the IGBC. The strong growth in construction activity has led to a major increase in membership, among which are many of Ireland's most innovative and forward-looking businesses and institutions. We now see the entire building value chain from owners, developers, consultants, products manufacturers to real estate agents contributing to the success of sustainable building. Thanks to your support, the IGBC led an extensive stakeholder consultation process that delivered to Government a detailed set of recommendations for a vigorous national energy renovation strategy. Staying at the forefront of innovation, we launched an Environmental Product Declarations Platform to enable the mainstreaming of life cycle assessment for buildings in Ireland.

But much progress remains to be made. 2018 promises to be another exciting period of change and growth for the IGBC. We will build on the success of the exacting Home Performance Index certification scheme to promote sustainable housing and planning at local and national levels. This will be backed by a comprehensive programme to upskill building professionals in sustainability and by a pilot programme to develop energy efficient mortgages in conjunction with some Irish banks.

Organisations like yours are the driving force behind the transformation of the Irish construction and property sector into a global leader in quality and sustainability. I would like to thank you for your continued support of IGBC, and I look forward to seeing you at one of the many events scheduled for the coming year.

Wishing you and your organisation a successful 2018



Kevin O'Rourke – Chair Irish Green Building Council



...sharing best practice

33

IGBC
events

700+

Attendees

Events this year included the “Green Room” and “Better Homes” conferences and site visits to the Central Bank, Cumberland House (Twitter’s European headquarter) and Ballymun Boiler House. The IGBC also picked up a win for the Green Small Organisation of the Year Category at the 2017 Green Awards.



...Leading sustainable change



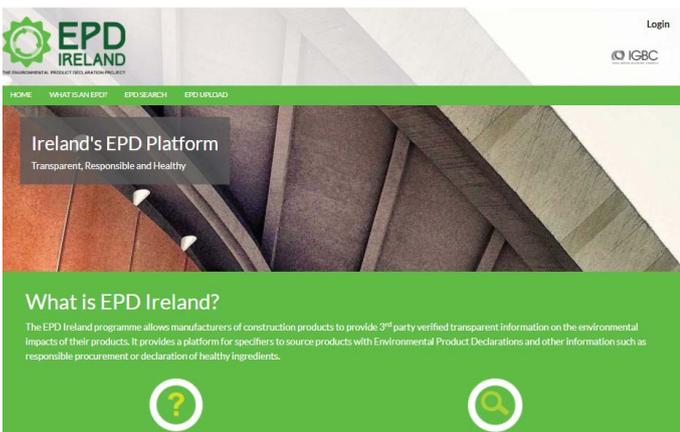
3 Home Performance Index projects certified

15 Home Performance Index assessors trained

27 Home Performance Index CPD events



Environmental Products Declaration Platform EPD Ireland – launched www.epdireland.org



Already registered:



...Supporting Ireland's National energy renovation strategy



In February 2017, the Irish Green Building Council presented a set of recommendations for a better national renovation strategy to Minister Denis Naughten T.D. The report emerged from a consultation process during 2016 with a wide range of almost 200 stakeholders conducted by the IGBC in conjunction with the Department of Climate Action.

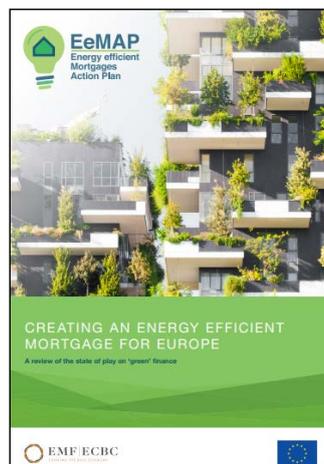
“Through its drive and commitment, the IGBC successfully brought together a wide range of diverse stakeholders to identify and propose solutions to the challenges and opportunities we face in upgrading our homes and businesses.”

Minister Denis Naughten T.D.

To support large scale energy renovation, the IGBC is now working on two exciting projects.



Developing a framework for a customer-friendly energy efficiency accreditation for building professionals.



Piloting energy efficient mortgages in Ireland from June 2018.



... Building construction skills

140+

Construction professionals

trained in BREEAM, LEED, HPI, Life Cycle Assessment and Health & Wellbeing in Commercial buildings.

A directory of HPI, LEED, BREEAM and WELL Accredited Professionals launched.



... Working with our International Network



Terri Wills, CEO of the World Green Building Council joined us for the Green Room 2017. In April, the IGBC welcomed guests from 10 European Green Building Councils, the World Green Building Council as well as representatives from the European network partners in Google Dublin to discuss the network's strategy.

SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS



IGBC was in the headlines in 2017, with a series of news, opinion pieces and media interviews in which our aims and ambitions were outlined.

5 Policy submissions



Pat Barry, CEO and Kevin O'Rourke, Chair presented IGBC's work on Ireland's national renovation strategy to Canadian Minister of Environment & Climate Change, Catherine McKenna.

2018. What's ahead?

01 Mar



FINANCING ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Green Mortgages

02 May



21 June



08 Nov



Last Wednesday of each month 6-8pm

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