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Low energy houses, High efficiency solutions!



Reducing our energy use by 20% by 2020: This is Europe's ambitious goal in order to counter climate change and rising energy prices. Buildings are traditionally a high contributor to energy use, hence the utmost importance of promoting low energy houses and office buildings.

Through its high energy efficiency properties, autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC) helps reduce energy use in buildings. It is perfectly designed for low energy houses and can be used in both new construction and renovation.

On 11 September 2007, the association of European AAC producers, EAACA, organised a debate at the European Parliament, to discuss Europe's move towards low energy and passive houses and present high efficiency solutions for buildings with AAC.

Jos Cox and Cliff Fudge, EAACA's Chairman and Vice-Chairman, argued in favour of a global approach to energy efficiency, focusing on entire building performances instead of setting prescriptive rules on thermal design.



Over 30 participants from various European institutions and the industry took part in this interesting event, which was hosted by Professor Adam Gierek, a Member of the European Parliament who is particularly involved in the energy efficiency of buildings. Mr. Martin Elsberger, the European Commission's expert in buildings' energy performances, presented ongoing and upcoming legislative initiatives in this area and participated in the debate.

With energy efficiency topping the European Parliament's agenda, EAACA members had a very lively and fruitful exchange of views with the many MEPs present at the event.

