

Build Europe Awards 2024 celebrate pioneering sustainable housing

Prague, 16 October 2024 – <u>Build Europe</u>, the association representing developers and homebuilders in the EU, held its prestigious <u>Build Europe Awards 2024</u> at the Nová Spirála in Prague, hosted by the Czech real estate federation, WeDevelop. Sponsored by <u>SOCOTEC</u>, the event brought together top industry leaders to recognise projects that are an extraordinary example of how the European housing sector, through innovation, can bring on the market sustainable buildings with exceptional energetic and environmental performance.

Taking place the day before the Build Europe Congress, where representatives of the main EU real estate federations met to discuss the state of the housing sector across Europe, the awards ceremony highlighted the creativity and commitment of developers pushing the boundaries to ensure the decarbonisation of the European housing stock, while safeguarding aesthetic qualities and comfort.

Presented by Andreas Ibel, President of Build Europe, Tomáš Kadeřábek, Director of WeDevelop, Olga Solovei, President of the Ukrainian Real Estate Federation, Marc Pigeon, honourary President of Build Europe and founder of the Awards in 2022, the event underscored the construction sector's resilience, especially in supporting Ukraine's reconstruction. Presenters expressed their hope that the nominated projects could show that, thanks to the work of European developers, housing affordability, innovation, and environmental sustainability can go hand in hand.

The highlight of the night was the **Grand Prix**, awarded to **NOHO Investment for their transformative project**, **Młyny Mogilska in Poland**. Other winners included:

- **Pioneer Prize**: JRD for Císařská vinice (Imperial Vineyard) in Czechia a perfect blend of modern innovation and historic beauty;
- **Coup de Cœur**: BAUWERT for Neue Bockbrauerei in Germany a unique project that resonated deeply with the jury;
- Excellence Award: Quartus for Îlot Bergeron in France a project that leads the way in sustainability;
- Jury's Special Commendation: L'Anse du Portier for Mareterra, in Monaco an incredible and inspiring waterfront development.

The night concluded with a group photo of all winners, celebrating their outstanding contributions to shaping Europe's housing future.



About Build Europe

<u>Build Europe</u> is the organisation representing the national federations of developers and homebuilders in the European Union.

Build Europe considers access to decent and affordable housing solutions that meet the needs and expectations of European citizens to be one of the main challenges that European governments and institutions must address as a priority.

In 2019, in view of the European elections, Build Europe published a Manifesto on the housing crisis, with the ambition to provide the European institutions with a set of practical and feasible solutions. In 2020, we also provided the European Commission with "Housing: A European Challenge", an action plan developed on the basis of the lessons learned during the Covid-19 pandemic, aimed at relaunching the European economy while still addressing the housing affordability crisis in a time where house was at the center of EU families' concerns. In 2022, Build Europe also published "No Net Land Take by 2050 – Solving the Unsolvable", a booklet designed to help policy makers pursue a policy of land preservation while protecting European citizens from rising housing costs, and a comic book designed to explain in a simple way the structural reasons behind the phenomenon of unaffordable housing.

In 2024, Build Europe published its **new Manifesto on housing affordability**.

Build Europe's Members include:

- Belgium: Union Professionnelle du Secteur Immobilier Beroepsvereniging van de Vastgoedsector (UPSI-BVS);
- Bulgaria: Камара на строителите в България (КСБ);
- Bulgaria: Glavbolgarstroy (GBS);
- Czechia: WeDevelop;
- France: Fédération des Promoteurs Immobiliers de France (FPI);
- France: Pôle Habitat FFB;
- France: Union Nationale des Aménageurs (UNAM);
- Germany: Bundesverband Freier Immobilien-und Wohnungsunternehmen (BFW);
- Ireland: Irish Home Builders Association (IHBA);
- Luxembourg: Chambre Immobilière du Grand-Duché du Luxembourg (CIGDL);
- Malta: Malta Developers Association (MDA);
- Moldova: Federatia Patronatului CPMC Moldova
- Monaco: Syndicat des Promoteurs Immobiliers;
- Netherlands: NEPROM;
- Norway: Boligprodusentenes Forening (NHBA);
- Poland: Polski Zwiazek Firm Deweloperskich (PZFD);
- Portugal: Associação Portuguesa de Promotores e Investidores Imobiliários (APPII);
- Romania: Patronatul Societatilordin Constructii (PSC);
- Spain: Asociación de Promotores Constructores de España (APCEspaña);
- Ukraine: Ukrainian Real Estate Club (URE Club); and
- United Kingdom: Home Builders Federation (HBF).

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