

RICS Exclusive Gala Dinner at the Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao

14th October 2024

18:30	Arrival of guests
18:45	Guided tour of the Guggenheim Museum
19:45	Return to Atrium of the Guggenheim Museum Txalaparta performance
20:00	Welcome drinks
20:15	Welcome speeches
20:30	Gala Dinner starts
22:00	End of Gala Dinner



RICS Built Environment European Summit 2024

15th October 2024

Venue: Azkuna Zentroa - Alhóndiga Bilbao

08:30	Registration and Networking Coffee
09:15	Chair's opening remarks
	Welcome by the Mayor of Bilbao
09:30	Opening Keynote
	Diana Urge-Vorsatz, Professor, Vice Chair of the IPCC, Director at Center for Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Policy, Central European University
09:45	Navigating Economic Shifts in the Built Environment
	Presentation: Tom Leahy, Head of EMEA Real Estate Research, MSCI
10:00	ESG risk management and sustainable finance in the EU banking sector: A Regulatory View
	Presentation: Ali Erbilgic, Senior Policy Expert, Department of Economic and Risk Analysis, European Banking Authority
10:10	ESG Horizons: Integrating Sustainability into Real Estate Investment Strategies
	This panel explores the best-in-class examples of ESG factors integration into traditional investment approaches and assesses the impact of ESG integration on risk-adjusted returns and as a value driver for real estate.
	Moderator:
	 Panellists: Olivier Terrenoire MRICS, Global Head of Asset, Property Management and Sustainable Investing, Generali Real Estate Dominique Moerenhout, CEO of EPRA Dr Jens Hirsch, Chief Scientific Officer, BuildingMinds Stefanie Lütteke, Associate Partner / Head of Real Estate, Drees & Sommer Representative from Science Based Target Initiative
11:00	Networking Coffee



11:30 Building to Zero: Real Estate in a Decarbonizing World

Fireside Chat with David Carlin (Head of Risks, UNEP-FI) Moderated by Dr Sven Bienert MRICS (Head of CRREM Initiative)

11:50 Retrofitting Europe: Transforming Existing Building Portfolio for a Resilient Future

Renovating the existing building stock to a zero-carbon-ready level is a key priority for achieving the sector's decarbonisation targets for 2030 and 2050. The discussion will cover challenges, innovations, and best practices in retrofitting, emphasizing the role of policy, technology, and collaboration in achieving energy efficiency and environmental goals.

Presentation: Oliver Rapf, Director General, Building Performance Institute Europe

Moderator:

Panellists:

- Oliver Rapf, Director General, Building Performance Institute Europe
- Amal Del Monaco MRICS, CEO of Asset Management and Development Europe, Patrizia AG
- Csongor Csukás MRICS, Global Head of Property Management, BNP Paribas Real Estate
- Jeff Rupp, Director of Public Affairs, INREV
- Philippe Parlange, Chief Client Officer, Deepki

12:50 Bridging Tradition and Innovation: Showcasing Basque Excellence in Real Estate Vision

13:20 Networking lunch

14:30 Building Green Portfolios: Unlocking Financial Opportunities in the Built Environment

The panel aims to provide insights into navigating financial landscapes that prioritize environmental responsibility in the construction and real estate sectors. It will also explore how banks are financing real estate projects in the current economic and regulatory landscape.

Presentation: Peter Sweatman, CEO & Founder, Climate Strategy

Moderator: Linda Zeilina-Cross, CEO, International Sustainable Finance Centre

Panellists:

- Peter Sweatman, CEO & Founder, Climate Strategy
- Franz Muschler MRICS, Director and Head of Market Analysis, Pfandbriefbank



15:30 From Blueprint to Greenprint: Building a Sustainable Future in Construction and Infrastructure

Where are EU countries in the green transition path for construction? The panel also explores in what ways can the integration of digitization, utilization of sustainable materials, and the implementation of innovative methods contribute to creating a more environmentally friendly and fit-for-future construction industry through practical examples.

Moderator: Ken Creighton, Head of International BCIS and Chair of International Cost Management Standard (ICMS) Coalition

Panellists:

- Cédric de Meeûs, Vice-President, Group Government Relations and Public Affairs, LafargeHolcim
- Warwick Kendrick MRICS, CEO of Aurora Consultancy
- Katarzyna Zawodna-Bijoch FRICS, Business Unit President, CEO, Skanska Commercial Development Europe
- Jonathan Duwyn, Programme Officer, Buildings and Construction, Cities Unit, Energy and Climate Branch, UNEP

16:30 Networking Coffee

17:00 Urban Decarbonization: Leveraging Nature-Based Solutions

The transformation of our buildings and urban landscapes to address the challenges of climate change and create more resilient cities is a pivotal and multifaceted challenge. In terms of policy, the new, recast Energy Efficiency Directive introduces a series of measures to help accelerate energy efficiency including embracing the "energy efficiency first" principle in the energy and non-energy policies.

This panel will look at nature-based solutions to make our cities more resilient, both at the level of individual buildings and building components, and at the wider level of the city. It will also explore regenerating urban environments through biodiversity and the solutions needed for the built environment to not only mitigate negative impacts but also utilize the opportunity of urban development for biodiversity regeneration.

Moderator: Susanne Eickermann-Riepe FRICS, RICS Chair of Europe World Regional Board

Panellists:

- Ellen Boersma, European Investment Bank
- Raul Garcia Rodriguez, financial advisor, UNECE Real Estate Market Advisory Group & Partner, Climate Change & Sustainability Services, EY

18:00 Closing Keynote

Tina Paillet FRICS, RICS President



18:15 Reveal for 2025

18:30 Closing Networking Drinks

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