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Outstanding submissions for the International Passive House Conference in 2013

200 contributions from 36 countries submitted for the 17th International Conference in Frankfurt



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Darmstadt, 12 November 2012. Interest in Passive House is increasing worldwide: a total of 200 contributions have been submitted for the upcoming International Passive House Conference, to be held in Frankfurt (Main), Germany from 17 – 21 April 2013. The event will cover a wide range of topics: from energy refurbishment of listed buildings to regional concepts and the supplementary use of renewable energy sources.

What makes this congress so special is the tangibility and applicability of the solutions presented here, illustrated through real projects and completed buildings which not only use 80% less energy but also offer better air quality and superior comfort.

The submissions for the 17th Passive House Conference not only reflect the growing popularity of the Passive House concept but also the increased internationalisation of its expert community. More than half of the contributions were submitted in English with submissions coming from all parts of the world including South Korea, Indonesia, New Zealand, Mexico, and Algeria, in addition to numerous abstracts from across Europe and a large number of excellent projects from the United States.

"This trend shows that enthusiasm for the Passive House concept extends beyond Germany and Europe", says Professor Dr. Wolfgang Feist, director of the Passive House Institute in Darmstadt. "This building standard is international, and the planning tools can be used anywhere in the world – regardless of building traditions or climates. Different climatic conditions simply call for adapted solutions and details which will differ completely in Jakarta

from those in Trondheim, of course."

Organised by the Passive House Institute, the International Passive House Conference is an established global platform for energy efficiency in construction. It offers top-class plenary sessions, courses for beginners, workshops for manufacturers, a forum for craftsmen, presentations of efficient products and excursions to built projects.

The submitted expert contributions will be evaluated by a scientific advisory board. Selection and assignment within the context of the Conference will be announced in December 2012.

INTERNATIONAL PASSIVE HOUSE CONFERENCE 2013

Conference: Friday, 19 April and Saturday, 20 April 2013

Excursions: Sunday, 21 April 2013

Framework Programme: Wednesday 17 – 21 April 2013

Venue: Congress Center Frankfurt (Main), Germany

Information regarding key topics and registration for participation: www.passivehouse-conference.org

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