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# AGENDA

28 November 2022 | 10:00-17:30 CET | OECD CC16

2022 OECD closed-door policy seminar

## *Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions*

In the face of energy crisis



# Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions

## What's the issue?

Decarbonising buildings is an essential element for the net-zero emission transition as they account for nearly 40% of global energy-related CO2 emissions. The 2020-2030 decade is critical for accelerating action to fully capture the decarbonisation potential of buildings. Moreover, the recent energy crisis, triggered by the Russian war of aggression in Ukraine, has called for reducing energy demand through energy efficiency measures such as insulation and replacing Russia-imported fuel to sustainable and future-proof energy sources.

However, implementing sustainability measures 'behind the front doors' requires a meticulous approach taking into account social and local aspects of the challenge. The OECD programme on Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions aims to help both national and subnational government policymakers to establish comprehensive and robust policies in decarbonising buildings.

## About the event

This seminar aims to share different challenges and experiences of each country in decarbonising buildings and discuss ways to scale up and to speed up the decarbonisation of buildings in cities and regions. This event will also present the interim findings from the Decarbonising homes in cities in the Netherlands case study and receive the views from building policy experts. The discussion from the closed-policy seminar will not be made public in order to ensure interactive questions and discussions among participants.

## Contact

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10.00-10.15

### Opening remarks

SPEAKER **Soo-Jin Kim**, Acting Head of Division, Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division (CITY), Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

**Takashi Imamura**, Counsellor for Building Regulations, Housing Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan

10.15-10.25

### [Session 1] The impact of Russia's war against Ukraine on decarbonising buildings

SPEAKER **Robert Dijksterhuis**, Envoy for Sustainable Building, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations, the Netherlands

**Hólmfríður Bjarnadóttir**, Director of Housing and planning, Ministry of Infrastructure, Iceland

10.25-10.45

### [Session 1] Discussion

MODERATOR **Tadashi Matsumoto**, Head of Unit, Sustainable Development and Global Relations, CITY, CFE, OECD

10.50-11.30

### [Session 2] How can we leverage Energy Performance Certificates on decarbonising buildings?

SPEAKER **Ksenia Petrichenko**, Policy Analyst, Energy Efficiency Division, Directorate of energy markets and security, IEA

**Seung-Won Lee**, Deputy Director, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, and Transport (MOLIT), Korea

**Robert Dijksterhuis**, Envoy for Sustainable Building, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations, the Netherlands

**John Palmer**, Deputy Director, Energy Performance of Buildings Division, Net Zero Directorate, Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities, the UK

11.30-12.20

### [Session 2] Discussion

MODERATOR **Tadashi Matsumoto**, Head of Unit, Sustainable Development and Global Relations, CITY, CFE, OECD

**12.20-13.45**

**Lunch Break**

**13.45-14.30**

**[Session 3] How can we scale up and speed up retrofitting existing buildings?**

SPEAKER

**Frankie Downy**, Programme Manager, Private Building Efficiency, C40

**Jérôme Bilodeau**, Director of the Buildings and Industry Division, Office of Energy Efficiency, Natural Resources Canada, Canada

**Jane Lumb**, Head of Net Zero Buildings Strategic Development, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS), the UK

**B. Aaron Weaver**, Program Analyst, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development International & Philanthropic Affairs Division (HUD), the US

**Ji Soo Yoon**, Junior Policy Analyst, Cities, CITY, CFE, OECD

**14.30-15.15**

**[Session 3] Discussion**

MODERATOR

**Takeshi Miyamori**, Senior Policy Analyst, CITY, CFE, OECD

**15.30-16.10**

**[Session 4] How can we reach Zero- Energy/Emissions Building for new-build?**

SPEAKER

**Kotaro Matsui**, Chief official, Counsellor for Building Regulations, Housing Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT), Japan

**Jérôme Bilodeau**, Director of the Buildings and Industry Division, Office of Energy Efficiency, Natural Resources Canada, Canada

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**Hólmfríður Bjarnadóttir**, Director of Housing and planning, Ministry of Infrastructure, Iceland

**16.10-17.00**

**[Session 4] Discussion**

MODERATOR

**Takeshi Miyamori**, Senior Policy Analyst, CITY, CFE, OECD

**17.00-17.20**

**Wrap-up and Next steps**

**Soo-Jin Kim**, Acting Head of Division, Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division (CITY), Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

**Takashi Imamura**, Counsellor for Building Regulations, Housing Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan

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