

# MANIFESTO FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN BUILDINGS



Buildings consume approximately 40% of all energy produced globally – more than transport or industry. Energy used in buildings is a major contribution to climate change, hence it must be addressed.

Business, public authorities, professional bodies and environmental organizations must share the task of supporting and driving the transformation of the building market towards radically lower energy use in buildings.

Leadership in energy efficiency in buildings represents opportunities to reduce resource use, improve workplace productivity, and minimize impacts on the environment, all of which contribute to healthier, more sustainable cities.

These collective efforts can set new sustainability standards for buildings that will incentivize investment in energy efficient buildings and will result in significant reductions in worldwide energy use and corresponding carbon emissions.

This Manifesto and its accompanying implementation guide aim to mobilize business, governments and local authorities to improve the energy performance of their buildings as outlined in the *Energy Efficiency in Buildings; Transforming the Market* report.

*By signing this Manifesto, the organization commits to:*

1. Establishing a baseline of energy use in the buildings it controls and set time-bases energy and/or CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets that will help to achieve transformative change.
2. Publish a policy for minimum energy performance levels in its buildings.
3. Define and carry out an audit program and implementation strategy to meet energy targets for its buildings
4. Publish annually buildings' energy use, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and progress against reduction targets, in the annual report or publicly available document
5. Further promote building energy efficiency among employees and other stakeholders, through advocacy, R&D, education and training.

We the undersigned, hereby pledge to the intentions outlined above.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

