

**Workshop Title: *Design competition for Near-Zero Energy Building Renovation-Presentation of finalists from 5 countries***

**Brief description:**

Within the NeZeR project 13 European partners from 5 countries collaborate to exchange experiences and to stimulate the renovation of residential buildings towards Near-Zero Energy levels. One activity within the NEZER project has been to organize a series of design competitions for NZEB renovation in each country (i.e. Finland, Sweden, Netherlands, Spain, Romania). In all countries the renovation challenge is focused on multifamily buildings, i.e. the most challenging type building for NZEB. Design concepts have been evaluated per country on several aspects including energy performance, environmental quality, user quality and market/replication potential.

The design competitions will be executed in each country until the summer of 2016. The following step in this competition will be to present and confront winning concepts in a European workshop. Here the workshop at the SBE conference is an excellent opportunity to disseminate information widely in the research community. The whole workshop will be open for other conference attendants. We expect that this will be a highly interesting event for all participants, highlighting the different dilemma's and possible solutions for NZEB renovation in different climate zones.

**Provisional programme:**

1. Finalists from 5 countries (FI, SE, RO, NL, ES), presenting their winning concept for Near-Zero Energy Renovation of multi-family buildings
2. Discussion round between finalists and with public
3. Closing remarks

Duration: 90-120 mins

In parallel there will be a **poster presentation** from finalists and nominees in each of the participating countries.

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