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What construction needs from Horizon Europe

Representatives of the European construction sector have come together to call for a **Co-programmed European Partnership on the Built Environment and Construction** under Horizon Europe, the next EU research framework programme.

Launching the communication at the Bauma fair in Munich, the President of the European Council for Construction Research, Development and Innovation (ECCREDI), Sue Arundale said *“The whole industry needs and wants to accelerate the digital transformation of the business, which will be critical to resolving the main societal challenges of Europe. This is why we need to build on the success of the current public private partnership under Horizon 2020 and we are pushing for a much-needed change of focus, like the one outlined in the paper”*.

As well as ensuring that strategic planning is thorough, effective and achieves the research and innovation missions of Pillar 2 of the Horizon Europe programme, the communication’s co-signatories believe that the Co-programmed European Partnership on the Built Environment and Construction will facilitate the creation of Digital Innovation Hubs with a specific focus on construction.

FIEC is a co-signatory to the [communication](#) from the European Council for Construction Research, Development and Innovation, launched today at Bauma.



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