



***The European Federation for Public, Cooperative and Social Housing***

For more than 27 years the voice of the housing sector in Brussels

# About us in brief

**Network** of national and regional housing provider federations

- 4,500 public, voluntary housing organisations
- 28,000 cooperative housing organisations

**42 members in 22 countries (20 EU Member States)**  
Manage **25 million dwellings**, about **12% of existing dwellings in the EU**

## Vision

**Access to decent and affordable housing for all in communities which are socially, economically and environmentally sustainable** and where all are enabled to reach their **full potential**.



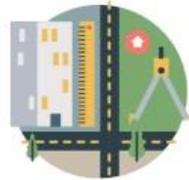
# Structure

Housing Europe  
Observatory (Research)



Social Affairs

Urban Affairs



Energy &  
Construction

Financial Affairs



- Housing Europe shall be **administered** by a **Board of Directors**
- It is **organized in five (5) thematic Working Committees** open to all members

## OUR MEMBERS

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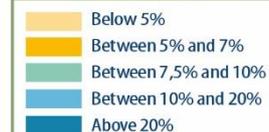
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www.legacoopabitanti.coop

**AGCI-ABITAZIONE**  
www.agci.it

**AVS**  
www.promotorespublicos.org

**CONCOVI**  
www.concovi.es



Stock owned as rental or cooperatives by CECDHAS members as % of the total housing stock in each country.

# Our added value

## Advocacy

Through the constant **monitoring** of the work of the EU in the field of housing and related **advocacy** work, **being heard** at the top level by developing a positive message to EU leaders.

## Capacity Building

**Conferences, workshops, study visits**, exchange of **good practices, toolkits**, e.g. EU election 2014 [#HousingEP14](#), funding opportunities etc...

## Publications

**Research briefings**, social housing country **profiles, reports, toolkits**. The observatory identifies and analyses key trends and research needs in the field of housing and social housing at European level

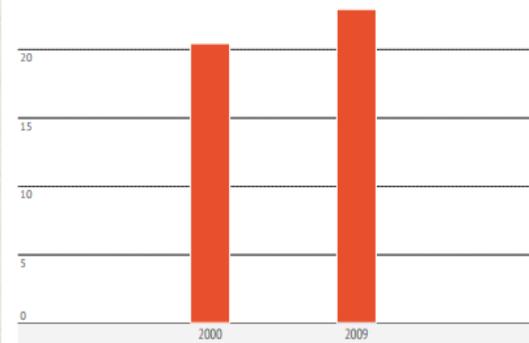
### It is important, because...

 **120 million**  
Europeans at risk of poverty

 **33.8%**  
Europeans feel that they are facing disproportionate housing costs

 **52 million**  
People in the EU unable to keep their homes adequately warm

### Growing housing costs



Housing expenditure as % of income

# Some key issues

- Not enough affordable homes available to meet the **increasing demand in the main urban centres** and most economically attractive regions. At the same time, **empty homes** are a feature of many of our towns and cities
- Despite the positive trends over recent years, the **quality** of the dwellings is still a big challenge especially in CEE countries, with impact in terms of households comfort and health as well as high energy bills
- Housing has become the least affordable of all human rights: more than **81 million people** are “**overburdened**” by housing costs in the **EU** alone, **over 100 million in the broader UNECE region**
- **Social exclusion phenomena** in the form of evictions and homelessness are on the **rise**
- The number of **asylum seekers** in OECD countries has recorded a jump from 300,000 in the first quarter of 2014 to **500,000** in 2015, putting further pressure on the national and local housing markets

# A Housing4All training event

- Against this background: need for exchange to come up with new solutions – capacity building approach
- Joint UNECE/HE event in Geneva, Sept 2016. Possib making an impact towards Habitat III
- Target: policy makers and practitioners in UNECE region
- Building on: expertise of Housing Europe members, UNECE Charter on Sustainable Housing & Strategy to 2020
- Structure: a plenary session (high level speakers) to set the broader context, followed by practical/focused workshops

# Topics?

- Impact Assessment – telling your story of added value with figures – focus on added value for Health and Education - lessons from ?
- Sustainable Finance – paying for affordable housing now and in the future – lessons from?
- Diversifying Tenure – tales of co-ownership/mixed equity success - lessons from?
- Future proofing for a changing climate – lessons from ?
- Change in Generations – lessons from?
- ...
- Matching the needs from policy-makers: topics should be **agreed with UNECE HLM members** at dedicated session during December meeting



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