

Joint statement ahead of the vote of the European Parliament on the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD)

Our organisations look forward to the adoption of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD) in the European Parliament plenary next week.

Making sure people can charge at home and at work is critical to boost EV uptake. In addition, more, smart EV charging can contribute to building energy efficiency by making the building an active, productive participant in the energy system, consuming energy when it's best to do so, supporting the integration of renewable energy, and even providing clean energy to the building. EV charging solutions have a major role to play in decarbonizing the EU building stock. Making sure that sufficient EV chargers are put in place will thus not only benefit consumers, it will also allow the EU to achieve its decarbonization objectives.

Our organisations call on Members of the European Parliament to embrace these opportunities.

The Commission's proposal was an important step in the right direction. Ahead of the plenary vote, our organisations call on Members of the European Parliament to stick to the political compromise agreed among the main political groups in ITRE committee. Any watering down of the proposal, and of article 12 specifically, would deal a blow to energy efficiency, e-mobility, and EV uptake across the EU.

We look forward to the European Parliament showing leadership on climate ahead of inter-institutional negotiations, as it has in the past.

