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Adaptive Re-use of our Built Environment for a Greener Europe

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The ACE

- The representative organisation of the architectural profession at EU level, founded in 1990

- **43 Member Organisations** (regulatory bodies and professional associations), from 31 countries, representing **562,000 architects**
ACE Objectives

➔ The single voice of architects in Europe

➔ Advancing the highest educational and professional standards

➔ Optimising professional mobility

➔ Advancing Architectural Quality in the built environment

➔ Supporting Sustainable Development of the built environment
WHY – demand for quality

Davos Declaration 2018

European Ministers of Culture call for a policy of high-quality Baukultur

On 21 and 22 January 2018, in advance of the Annual Meeting of the WEF, the European Ministers of Culture adopted a declaration which highlights pathways for politically and strategically promoting the concept of a high-quality Baukultur in Europe.
Leeuwarden Declaration - 2018

Public conference
ADAPTIVE RE-USE AND TRANSITION OF THE BUILT HERITAGE
Friday 23 November 2018
Leeuwarden (The Netherlands)
De Kanselarij, Turfmarkt 11

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THE MULTIPLE BENEFITS OF RE-USING OUR BUILT HERITAGE

- **Cultural aspects** - The built heritage:
  - Spatial and social landmarks
  - A strong identity on the environment
  - A sense of place

- **Social aspects** - Adaptive re-use:
  - New social dynamics
  - Urban regeneration
  - Participation of citizens
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- **Environmental aspects** - Adaptive re-use:
  - Reduction of the consumption of construction materials
  - Limitation of urban sprawl
  - More resilient and sustainable cities
  - Application of circular economy principles

- **Economical aspects** - Adaptive re-use:
  - Greater attractiveness of areas
  - New users / new economic networks
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FOR SMART AND QUALITY-BASED PROCESSES

- Flexibility with respect to regulatory framework and standards
- Participation of citizens
- Temporary uses
- Active responsibility of the competent public authorities
- Quality-based procurement
- Multidisciplinary teams & collaborative approaches
- Financial viability
- Good story-telling
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A DIALOGUE BETWEEN HERITAGE AND CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE

- A reflexive dialogue between past, present and future, as a ‘living’ attitude to the inherited built environment
- Multi-scale and territorial approach
- Case-by-case and knowledge-based approach