

# Durability of building airtightness: Assessment through field measurements

# Thursday 30 January 2020

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Mandatory or voluntary building airtightness testing has come gradually into force in many European countries mostly because of the increasing weight of building leakage energy impact on the overall energy performance of low-energy buildings. Therefore, airtightness levels of new buildings have significantly improved in the last decade. However, rather limited expertise is available as regards the durability of building airtightness at mid- and long-term scales.

The objective of this webinar is to share information on the durability of building airtightness evaluated through field measurements. Information provided will help the participants understand how building airtightness changes over time and improve the protocol for future field measurement campaigns.

This webinar is organised with the support of TightVent Europe (<a href="www.tightvent.eu">www.tightvent.eu</a>) and AIVC (<a href="www.aivc.org">www.aivc.org</a>). Both initiatives are facilitated by INIVE (<a href="www.inive.org">www.inive.org</a>).

# Programme (Brussels time)

14:30	FIELD MEASUREMENT OF THE DURABILITY OF BUILDING AIRTIGHTNESS- REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF EXISTING STUDIES Valérie Leprince, INIVE, France	15:10	ASSESSMENT OF LONG-TERM AND MID- TERM BUILDING AIRTIGHTNESS DURABILITY: FIELD STUDY OF 61 FRENCH LOW ENERGY SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS Bassam Moujalled, Cerema, France
14:45	Questions and answers	15:25	Questions and answers
14:50 15:05	DURABILITY AND MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY OF AIRTIGHTNESS IN EXTREMELY AIRTIGHT DWELLINGS Wolf Bracke, UGent, Belgium Questions and answers	15:30	End of the webinar





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TightVent Europe (<a href="www.tightvent.eu">www.tightvent.eu</a>) aims at facilitating exchanges and progress on building and ductwork airtightness issues, including the organisation of conferences and workshops. It fosters experience sharing as well as knowledge production and dissemination on practical issues such as specifications, design, execution, control, etc., taking advantage of the lessons learnt from pioneering work while keeping in mind the need for adequate ventilation.

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#### **About AIVC**

Created in 1979, the Air Infiltration and Ventilation Centre (<a href="www.aivc.org">www.aivc.org</a>) is one of the projects/annexes running under the Energy Conservation in Buildings and Community Systems implementing agreement, within the context of the International Energy Agency. With the support of its member countries as well as key experts and two associations (REHVA, IBPSA, ISIAQ), the AIVC offers industry and research organisations technical support aimed at better understanding the ventilation challenges and optimising energy efficient ventilation.

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INIVE is coordinating and/or facilitating various international projects, e.g. AIVC (<a href="www.aivc.org">www.aivc.org</a>), TightVent Europe (<a href="www.aivc.org">www.aivc.org</a>), venticool and Dynastee (<a href="www.dynastee.info">www.dynastee.info</a>) and the EPBD feasibility study 19a (<a href="https://www.epbd19a.eu/">https://www.epbd19a.eu/</a>). INIVE has also coordinated the ASIEPI project dealing with the evaluation of the implementation and impact of the EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive, the QUALICHeCK project aiming towards improved compliance and quality of the works for better performing buildings as well as BUILD UP the European portal on Energy Efficiency.

