

CEPI FACTSHEET 2019



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Dear Members,

I am happy to present to you our CEPI Factsheet 2019 and, as the new CEPI President, to look back at a successful year for CEPI!

The “year in a nutshell” will remind you of the many interesting events that took place last year starting with the High-Level Summit in Vienna when we all sat down to discuss our priorities and outline an action programme for CEPI. The ideas we discussed then have been put into effect and we have already seen results. We plan to build on these results and continue to work on our strategic agenda in 2020 with a busy schedule of meetings, workshops and events.

We face many challenges, with a new European Parliament and Commission in place, and have to pay close attention to a complex and evolving situation in Brussels. I am confident that CEPI is ready for the challenges that a new decade will bring and look forward with optimism to working together with you all to further strengthen CEPI's position as the leading association representing the real estate professions. We aim to be a key strategic player in the European debate and to enhance the position of all our members.

At the start of my mandate I look forward to the challenges to come and future cooperation in the coming years as we look back together now on an eventful year!

Enjoy the read!

Your President

Karen Van De Woestyne



Jan Olbrycht Member of the European Parliament

2019 – an important year for Europe and more challenges ahead!

Last year saw many changes in Europe with elections for the European Parliament in May and a new European Commission taking up office in December. The Parliament now has a busy and challenging year ahead. I am pleased to say that the URBAN Intergroup, of which I am Chair, has been re-established in the new term of the Parliament for a fourth consecutive term. The URBAN Intergroup is a cross-party and cross-committee grouping of Members of the European Parliament which takes a horizontal approach to the discussion of urban-related issues.

In December 2019 I was pleased to meet with representatives of CEPI at the Parliament to discuss the impact of Airbnb and similar platforms on our cities in particular, and this is an important topic on which we can focus in more detail in 2020.

I am looking forward to working with CEPI and other partners of the URBAN Intergroup to highlight and address issues of common interest and concern to all those working in the urban environment. Together we can make sure that urban-related issues are taken into account in EU policy making.

Jan Olbrycht

Member of the European Parliament and Chair of the URBAN Intergroup

CEPI'S YEAR IN A NUTSHELL

2019 was yet another productive and dynamic year for CEPI. Some of the highlights included:

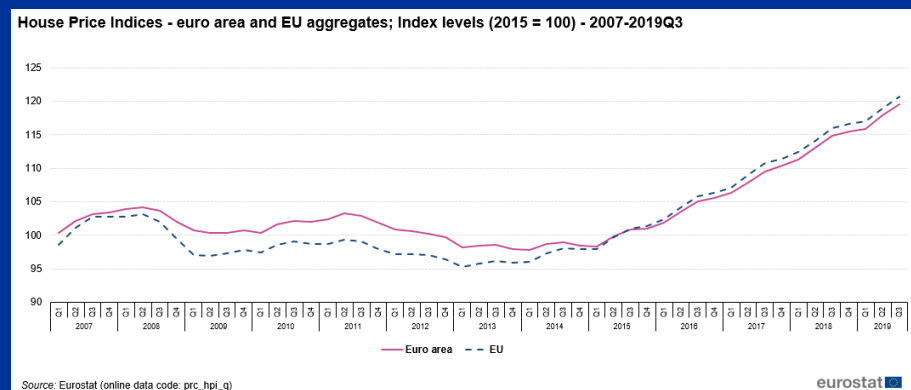
The High-Level Summit in Vienna in February, where members agreed on a strategic plan for the years 2020-2023.

In March CEPI held a two-day General Meeting in Malaga and another in October in London, where also elections took place for the new CEPI Board of Directors, President and Vice-Presidents for the mandate of 2020-2023. Both of these also included meetings of the Board of Directors, the professional divisions of PAC and CEAB, and the policy, education and communication permanent technical committees.

For the European Parliament elections of 2019 the PTC Policy prepared a manifesto which has been successfully used in discussions at EU level with contacts in Brussels. The PTC also published a position paper on Airbnb and other short-term rental online platforms and is continuing work on energy and a report on rent controls. The PTC Education continued its successful work on the Eureduc programme which now counts 20 educational establishments in its network. Meanwhile the PTC Communication has further developed CEPI's social media presence and offline/online communication tools. CEPI has continued its work with expertise partners on the GDPR and Anti-Money Laundering tools and this has resulted in the AML tool being adopted by several members.

The year ended with highly successful Brussels and Energy Days; the first included an update on the current political situation in Brussels with presentations and visits of EU Institutions and individual meetings between members and MEPs. The latter consisted of discussions on energy and a search for CEPI's future standpoint and priorities concerning energy. On both days many relevant stakeholders and representatives from the EU institutions were present.

SOME KEY MARKET FACTS:



HOUSE PRICE INDICES - EURO AREA AND EU AGGREGATES INDEX LEVELS (2015 = 100) 2007-2019 Q3

Real estate activities number some 1.4 million enterprises employing 2.9 million persons and generating almost EUR 288 billion of value added.

Micro enterprises account for 99.5% of the total number of enterprises in the real estate activities sector and generate 54.0% of the added value.

Source Eurostat 2019

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