



*European Builders Confederation*

*The Voice of Construction SMEs in Europe*

# **Education, Training and Innovation for Better Management of Historic Buildings**

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# THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR



**91.9%**  
European construction enterprises with less than 10 employees



**96.9%**  
European construction enterprises with less than 20 employees



**98.9%**  
European construction enterprises with less than 50 employees



**99.9%**  
European construction enterprises with less than 250 employees



**0.1%**  
European construction enterprises with more than 250 employees



**9%**  
of the GDP of the European Union



**3 MILLION**  
enterprises in the sector



**18 MILLION**  
workers in the sector

## SMALL & MEDIUM CONSTRUCTION ENTREPRISES



**80%**  
Produce 80% of the construction industry's OUTPUT



**83%**  
Employ 83% of the total WORKFORCE of the sector



Create LOCAL JOBS



Have a huge potential to increase YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

## YOUNG PEOPLE & WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

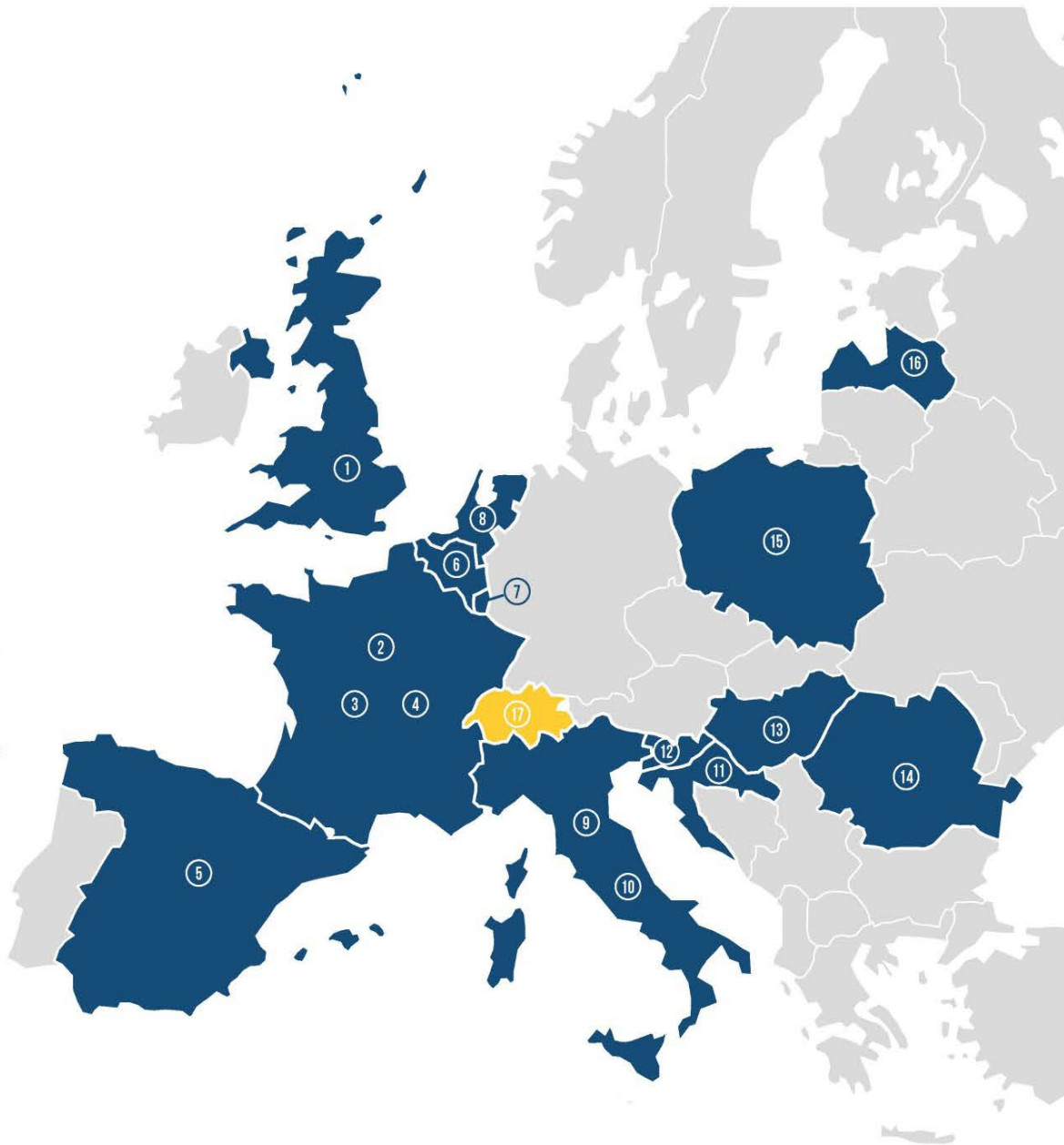
**90% MALE**

**10% FEMALE**

**8% YOUNGER THAN 25**

■ FULL MEMBERS  
 ■ ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

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| ①  <b>FMB</b><br>The sign of building quality                   | ⑦  FEDERATION<br>DES ARTISANS                           | ⑬  <b>IPOSZ</b>                                 |
| ②  <b>CAPEB</b><br>Carpentiers de l'Outre-mer                   | ⑧  <b>AAI</b><br>AZKALMERNYI IRTALAI<br>DOLGOSSZAKASZOK | ⑭  <b>INPR</b>                                  |
| ③  <b>CNAEP</b><br>Confederación Nacional<br>de la Construcción | ⑨  <b>CNA</b><br>Costruzioni                            | ⑮  Polish Craft<br>Association                  |
| ④  <b>SNSO</b>  | ⑩  <b>ANAEP</b><br>Confartigianato<br>Edilizia          | ⑯  <b>LBA</b><br>LATVIJAS BŪVNIKU<br>ASOCIĀCIJA |
| ⑤  <b>CNE</b><br>Confederación Nacional<br>de la Construcción   | ⑪  HRVATSKA<br>OBRTNIČKA<br>KOMORA                      | ⑰  <b>fmb</b>                                   |
| ⑥  <b>BOUWUNIE</b><br>Het vak van de Bouw                     | ⑫  OBZERNO-PODJETNISKA<br>ZBORNIČKA<br>SLOVENIJE      |  |





**ESTABLISHED IN 1990**

17 member associations in 14 countries

2016: 3 new members from 2 new EU countries

**Exclusively representing micro companies & SMEs**

All the different trades of the construction sector

Affiliated to



# Crafts skills & know-how

## ❖ **Construction entrepreneurs**

Current EBC President = roofer

Roof renovation as most expensive for historical buildings

## ❖ **Mobility for apprentices**

Contact with MEP JEAN ARTHUIS

Support organization of pilot-project

## ❖ **European Alliance for Apprenticeship**

Contact with DG Employment

Need to promote women's participation (only 10%)

# 2018 European year of cultural heritage

## ❖ Construction SMEs train most apprentices in Europe

Common raising awareness projects?

Need to emphasise the evolution of the trades

## ❖ Possibility to honour and promote European heritage

Activities in the EESC?



## Collaboration EBC / EHHA?

# Energy efficiency

## ❖ Energy efficiency

Balance budget-practicability

UNACCEPTABLE: controversy on historical façades in France

# VAT rates

## ❖ **Reduced VAT rate**

EBC historic struggle since 1995

PERMANENT since 2009

❖ **Reduced VAT rates for works on European cultural heritage?**





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**Thank you for your attention!**

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