



## THE PROJECT

LIFE Be-WoodEN project aims to:

make buildings more environmentally friendly

promote the use of wood and bio-based materials

overcome cultural and technical barriers to widespread the adoption of wood and bio-based materials in construction

address NEB principles along the whole building process

It focuses on:

**increasing professionals' knowledge and skills**, by applying innovative training methods and *Challenge Based Learning* activities

**engaging a wide variety of stakeholders**, to find solutions for the reliable use of wood in buildings and common spaces

**testing innovative and sustainable building solutions**, especially for social housing catering to elderly and fragile individuals



The LIFE programme 2021-2027 is the only EU funding programme entirely dedicated to reach EU **environmental, climate and energy** goals.

It contributes to the shift towards a **CLEAN, CIRCULAR, ENERGY EFFICIENT, CLIMATE NEUTRAL and RESILIENT**

economy, to protect and improve the quality of the environment.

To date, LIFE programme has co-financed more than 5,000 projects. It also supports the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of relevant Union legislation and policy, including by improving governance at all levels.

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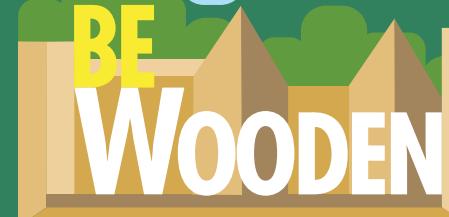
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**LIFE Be-WoodEN - Buildings and Education in Wood Ecosystem for the New European Bauhaus** is a project co-funded by the European Commission under the LIFE programme.

It aims to promote the decarbonisation of buildings and improve circularity in the building sector overcoming barriers that prevent the widespread use of wood and biobased materials.

**Sustainability, Beauty, Inclusion:** the cornerstone principles of the New European Bauhaus initiative, inspired the design concept of LIFE Be-WoodEN. Be-WoodEN was launched in February 2024 and will end in January 2026.

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# PROJECT OUTCOMES



## WEBINARS

The project unfolds an advanced training program consisting of 25 webinars in both English and Italian. Each webinar delves into various aspects related to wooden constructions.



## PODCASTS

The project is realizing several widespread podcast episodes on sustainable wood construction issues and Green Deal principles.



## STUDY VISITS

Forty participants partake in study visits to Italy and Slovenia, fostering the exchange of experiences and ideas.



## INNOVATION LABS

Focus Groups and cocreative workshops, involving professionals, building companies, institutions, researchers and citizens.



## BE-WOODEN GOALS



The use of wood in construction has several benefits, including **reducing carbon emissions, minimizing pollution, improving circularity, and decreasing waste**.

LIFE Be-WoodEN aims to:

- promote the decarbonisation of buildings
- improve circularity in the building sector by using local and sustainable wood
- promote a new way of design and construction process
- enhance co-creative methodologies by involving citizens, students and artists
- widespread principles and guidelines for an innovative and sustainable social-housing



New European Bauhaus  
beautiful | sustainable | together

*LIFE BE-WoodEN is guided by NEB values and follow the principles expressed by the NEB compass.*

*The New European Bauhaus initiative calls on all of us to imagine and build together **sustainable** and **inclusive** future that is beautiful for our eyes, minds, and souls.*

### BEAUTIFUL SUSTAINABLE TOGETHER

Places, Practices, and Experiences become:

**Enriching**  
inspired by art and culture, beyond functionality.

**Sustainable**  
in harmony with nature, the environment, and our planet.

**Inclusive**  
encouraging a dialogue across cultures, disciplines, genders and ages.

