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Window replacement at the core of national resilience and recovery plans

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The European window and door eco-system represented by **EuroWindoor, ARGE, European Aluminium, EPPA, ES-SO, and Glass for Europe** joined forces to call on National Governments to put [Window replacement at the core of national Resilience and Recovery Plans](#).

Developing effective plans to replace inefficient windows is a key element of a sustainable and green recovery. Window replacement allows to generate long-lasting energy savings and move towards climate neutrality, while making a noticeable difference in people's quality of life and supporting the recovery of a crucial sector of the EU economy.

"Setting dedicated measures in National Recovery Plans for replacing inefficient windows is a wise and easy step to make EU buildings more energy efficient and to limit CO₂ emissions.", says Bertrand Cazes, Secretary General of Glass for Europe. *"Long-lasting energy savings could be quickly achieved, if national recovery and renovation plans were effective at supporting the uptake of high-performance windows equipped with the right glazing combination".*

"To achieve the ambitious climate targets of the European Commission, higher renovation rates of at least 2% are necessary in the building sector. With the replacement of windows in the building envelope, we follow the principle of efficiency first," says EuroWindoor Secretary General Frank Koos. *"Energy renovations can only be triggered with financial incentives and the gradual introduction of binding minimum standards for energy efficiency".*

Installing high-performance windows responds to today's consumers' expectations of more comfortable, healthy, and healing indoor space. *"New windows combined with smart functionalities such as dynamic solar shading, dynamic glazing, solar control glass, are essential for people's comfort in energy efficient and healthy buildings",* concluded Ann Van Eycken, Secretary General of ES-SO, European Solar Shading Organization.

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