

COST C23
Strategies for a Low Carbon Urban Built Environment

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Minutes of the WG2 Meetings (Urban Infrastructure)

WG2 members present

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AGENDA

1. Welcome and confirm WG2 membership
 2. Agree agenda
 3. Notes of the meeting on 12 - 13 January 2006 in Porto
 4. Paulo Pinho – interim balance: the objectives of WG2 and the work done so far.
 5. General discussion to make WG2 objectives and tasks more operational:
 - i) case studies
 - ii) planning guidelines
 6. Next steps
 7. Any other business
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1. After the initial welcome and the approval of the proposed agenda the new members of the WG2 introduce themselves. WG2 includes now 11 members coming from the following countries: Austria, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland.
 2. Notes from the Oporto meeting were recalled and an interim balance of the work done so far was made by the chairman.
 3. A general discussion of the WG2 objectives was carried out and it was agreed that given the broad spectrum of themes under the umbrella of urban infrastructures the group should agree on a common planning perspective that, after a round table, seems to touch the interests of all WG members.
 4. New ideas and proposals for case studies were presented and it was stressed the need to feed the C23 website with new cases adopting the general template agreed in the Oporto meeting.

5. The collection of planning guidelines related to the general theme of the action proved to be a difficult task. Most countries represented in this WG have not yet published guidance for planning low carbon built environments.
6. It was decided that the group should enlarge the remit of this search for planning guidance including more general planning policy documents, produced at national and regional level, and not just planning guidelines.

Paulo Pinho