

An integrated typology-based approach to guide the **fut**ure development of E**ur**opean **hist**oric buildings towards a clean energy transition



The aim of Futur*Hist*

Futur*Hist* aims to improve the planning process for energy retrofits of historic buildings, develop innovative, replicable solutions, and shift the focus from individual buildings to building typologies.

We want to contribute to decarbonising historic buildings by developing sustainable heating, ventilation, and cooling strategies. Also, by implementing durable and sustainable insulation systems based on natural materials.

The expected outcome is to reduce energy demand by at least 60%, preserving historical and cultural heritage values.

Demonstration is at the heart of FuturHist. The simplified approach and novel solutions developed will be applied and tested in our five demo cases



Edinburgh

KÖPPEN-GEIGER CLIMATE CLASS warm temperate, fully humid, warm summer (Cfb)

TIME OF CONSTRUCTION 19th century (≈1819)

CONSTRUCTION TYPE

ashlar and rubble stone masonry, M-shaped slate roof



Linköping KÖPPEN-GEIGER CLIMATE CLASS

snow, fully humid, warm summer (Dfb)

TIME OF CONSTRUCTION 1830

CONSTRUCTION TYPE

plastered brick walls, pitched roof with timber structure



KÖPPEN-GEIGER CLIMATE CLASS warm temperate, fully humid, warm summer (Cfb)

TIME OF CONSTRUCTION 18th century (≈1770)

CONSTRUCTION TYPE

harled rubble stone masonry, pitched slate roof



Córdoba

KÖPPEN-GEIGER CLIMATE CLASS warm temperate, summer dry, hot summer (Csa)

TIME OF CONSTRUCTION 1683

CONSTRUCTION TYPE

solid brick walls, pitched roof with timber structure and clay tiles



Kraków

KÖPPEN-GEIGER CLIMATE CLASS

warm temperate, fully humid, warm summer (Cfb)

TIME OF CONSTRUCTION

first half of 19th century

CONSTRUCTION TYPE

solid brick masonry, timber roof covered with metal sheets

4 research and innovation areas

Insulation systems based on natural materials



We develop

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- prefabricated lime-based insulating panels
- self-healing exterior plaster
- prefabricated panels made of biochar and clay
- insulating plaster made of biochar and clay

HVAC and RES solutions



We develop

- innovative HVAC packages adapted to retrofit historic buildings
- guidelines for the adoption and implementation of renewable energy sources in historic buildings

Windows retrofit



We aim at

- preserving the diversity of historic windows
- promoting durability and reducing environmental impact
- testing existing and retrofitted windows to assess the energy performance improvement

Decision-making toolkit



We develop

 a toolkit tailored to typologies researched in FuturHist considering aspects like climate, construction materials, and heritage significance

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4.5 million €

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CONSORTIUM

15 partners and 3 associated partners from 9 countries



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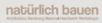






























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