

WP2: Building pathology - progress

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Overview presentation

- Short reminder of objectives
- Program of work and planning
- Specifications of knowledge base
- Next steps



Overall objectives of WP2 (reminder)

- Development of an EU-wide knowledge base on building pathology that could support (re)insurers in their risk appraisal of new innovative technologies, especially ecotechnologies.
- To make collected information available in a pilot database.



'Building pathology'

Building Pathology: the study and diagnosis of defects/failures and damages of a building



Program of work

- 1. State of the art on building pathology
 - Definition of 'building pathology';
 - Review of existing research work and data sources;
 - Developing a questionnaire;
 - Collection of information on availability of data sources and pathology data for 10 selected eco-technologies;
 - Assessment of the value of the existing research work, data sources
- 2. Needs and criteria to develop an EU knowledge base
 - Analysis of the needs and the criteria of insurers;
 - Program of requirements for the pilot database;
- 3. Format and informatics requirements for the database
- 4. Developing, testing, validating the database
- 5. Updating the database



Planning

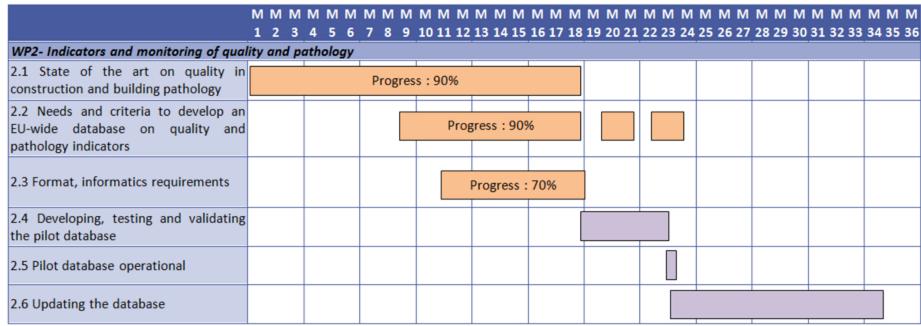


Figure 2.1: Work programme

| Colour coding | | |
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| | Green | Finished |
| | Orange | In progress |
| | Grey | A future deliverable |



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Summary of information needs

The insurance industry would be interested to have a tool with the following functionalities:

- A <u>database with pathology records</u>, that provides qualitative technical information on the pathology of ecotechnologies (without any statistical data disclosure of claims).
- A '<u>Warning procedure</u>' (or hazard notification procedure), where interlocutors in each country can report issues/defects.
- An <u>overview of quality signs for eco-technologies</u> (as an extract from the quality signs directory to be developed within WP1).

'Eco-technologies Quality European Observatory' (EEQO).



Fields of the database

Unique record key

- 1 System serial number
- 2 Name of the information provider
- 3 Dossier code of the information provider

Identification of the construction work where the defect/failure has occurred

- 4 Name of construction work or project
- 5 Country where the construction work or project is executed
- 6 Town where the construction work or project is executed
- 7 Geo-climatic character of the location of the construction work or project
- 8 Type of construction work
- 9 Starting date of the work
- 10 End date of the work
- 11 Has the construction work or project been completed?
- Was there a completion survey for the handover of the construction work/project to the client?
- 13 If yes, what was the date of the completion survey?
- 14 Date of the failure/defect/damage



Fields of the database

Type of eco-technology (material/product/system) that was involved in the defect/failure

- 15 Category
- 16 Specific type

Description of the defect/failure

- 18 Type of defect/failure
- 19 Defective/damaged part
- 20 Description of the consequences/effects of the defect/failure
- 21 Was the defected product repaired or replaced?

Causes of the defect/failure

- 22 Has the cause of the defect/failure been analysed, or is it known?
- 23 If yes, what has been the cause (global or in detail)?

Quality signs related to the defect/failure for the product/material/system in place at time of construction

- 23 Type of quality sign related to the defect/failure
- 24 Name of quality sign
- 25 Is the contractor/installer specialized in that technology?

Lessons learned

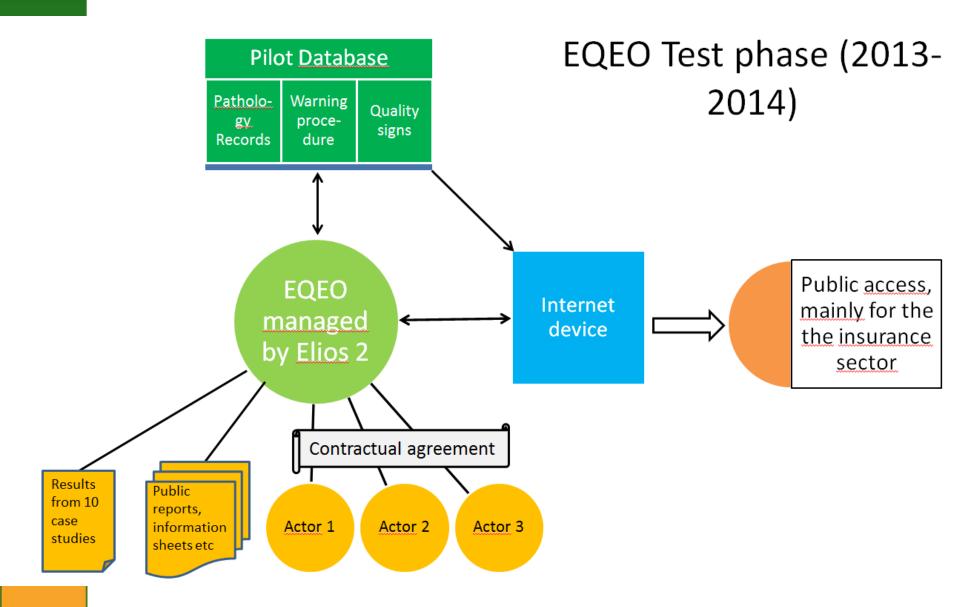
How to avoid or prevent the defect/failure (lessons learned, prevention measures)



Next steps

- Continuation of the data collection with questionnaire
- Describe existing data sources and databases on building pathology, their business models and organisation.
- Defining the informatics requirements for the development of the database (on the basis of the specifications given in Annex 3).
- Further exploring the information needs by insurers for the EEQO, in collaboration with WP3.







Relationship between risk management by an insurer and building pathology

