Highlights from Session 1

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Session 1: Skilled professionals constructing and managing highly efficient buildings

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Guiding questions

• Explore the current challenges in the upskilling of building professionals, whether for constructing or managing highlight efficient and digitalised buildings

• Discuss the contribution of two key actors of the value chain: product manufacturers and building managers
Setting the scene: what are the challenges?

Skills for innovations
Advanced materials
New technologies
Evolving regulations
A green & digital agenda
From bricklayers to data scientists

Source: LafargeHolcim
What can we do?

Global Credential programs (ANSI accredited)

**Facility Management Professional**
- The must-have credential in facility management provides a solid foundation in Facility Management
- Knowledge-based certificate program
- 11700+ worldwide

**Sustainability Facility Professional**
- The leading credential for the development of sustainable FM strategies
- Knowledge-based certificate program
- 1200+ worldwide

**Certified Facility Manager**
- The premier FM certification for experienced professionals
- Competency-based certification
- 2,700+ worldwide
Policy recommendations

- **EU-wide campaign** to lift the image of the building & construction sector (aimed at the younger generation)

- Create a public awareness **campaign** to make Facility Management the career of choice

- **Programme with local authorities** to increase skills in planning / housing departments and link the public **procurement** agenda to skills and learning

- Improve **data** at EU level: skills maps, skill impact analysis, completion mechanisms, etc.

- Make **Facility Manager** a chartered profession

- Invest in the deployment of **formalized training programs** to effectively bridge the gap in the building sector

- Create an **Online Self-Assessment Tool** with links to professional training