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Partner

PHP

Country

Belgium

Title

Condetti workshop

Date

29 march 2011

Location:

Technopolis, Mechelen

Participants (number, names and organizations)60. Different companies involved in Construction
(both new build and renovation)**Short description (English language):**

The 3th annual congress of the Flemish building confederation (VCB) focussed on energy efficiency in new build and renovation. After a plenary session the participants (over 200) were divided in different workgroups. One of these workgroups focused on the airtightness of the building envelope. After a video, showing the best practice of airtightness) and some short presentations on materials for airtightness and test results, we gave a workshop using the Condetti method.

The aim of these workshop was to let the participants think how they could make a specific detail of the building envelope, airtight. The group was split up in small teams of 6 to 7 persons. Each group sat around a table with a pin-up board, different pieces of cardboard a some pin-ups. Each cardboard represents a full size component of the building envelope. (for ex. Insulation, bricks, concrete, ...)

Starting with a basic set-up of a wall, the teams had to consider how they would to make an airtight connection with the window. These detail had to be developed on the pin-up board.

The reaction afterwards, both from participants and mentors, were very good. Because the teams were divided that way that there was a member of each profession, there was a good interaction between the members, each with ideas coming from his own experience. This gave some nice discussions on how to do it, the difference between design and practice, efficiency versus best practice, ...

It was nice to see that the people who thought they knew most of, most have learned afterwards.