



## NEWSLETTER CO<sub>2</sub> - PERFORMANCE LADDER (2nd edition)

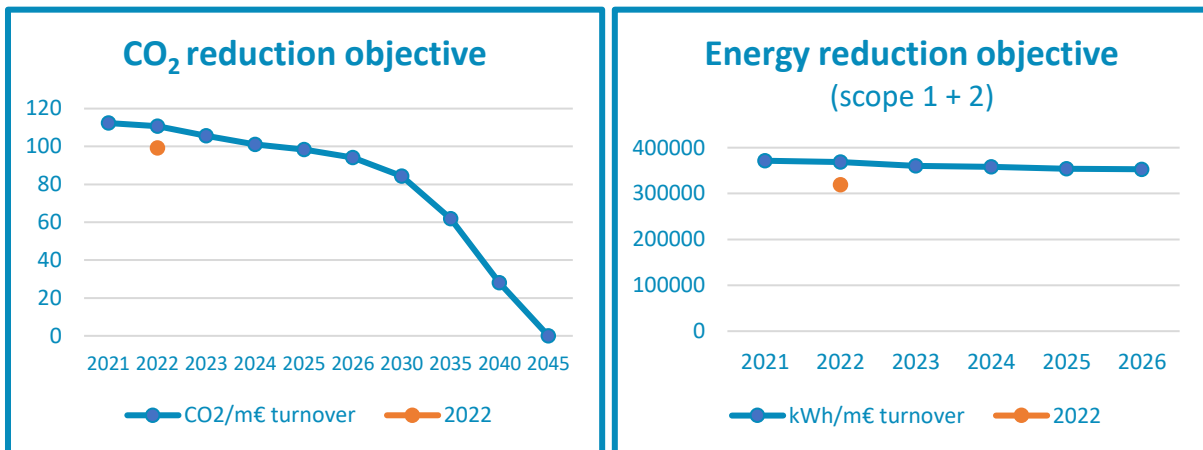
Dear colleagues, partners and customers,

It is with pride that we present to you our 2<sup>nd</sup> newsletter, in which we would like to bring you up to speed about the further sustainable steps Viabuild has taken since receiving the **CO<sub>2</sub> performance ladder certificate (level 3)** in the autumn of 2022.

Our ambition to reduce energy and CO<sub>2</sub> dovetails perfectly with the United Nations' sustainable development goals (SDG No 13) on climate action. A commitment we endorsed at the end of 2021 through the Flemish business network's (VOKA) charter on sustainable entrepreneurship. Furthermore, it fully ties in with the **blue rules** theme we launched last year, more specifically **blue rule 2** on 'order and cleanliness':

*"I always keep my workplace clean and tidy and take the necessary steps to reduce my impact on the environment."*

### Evaluation objectives



- **11.65%** (ref.2021; CO<sub>2</sub> /m € turnover) (target: -1.5%) - **14.19%** (ref.2021; CO<sub>2</sub> /m € turnover) (target: - 0.75%)

### Evaluation sub-objectives

- Fleet → - **1.17%** (ref.2021; g/km) (target: - 2%)
- Permanent sites (fossil fuels) → - **15.8%** (ref.2021; CO<sub>2</sub> /m € turnover) (target: - 5%)

**Viabuild** achieved **significant CO<sub>2</sub> and energy reductions by 2022**. While these are largely attributable to the centralisation of activities (concrete production sites, logistics,...), the following initiatives have also contributed to this (non-exhaustive):

- *Greener car policy*
- *Optimisation of climate control and ventilation system, as well as outdoor lighting at headquarters*
- *Fleet fuel consumption awareness campaign*
- *Optimisation of van occupancy rate*
- *New, energy-efficient and sustainable concrete plant in Neder-Over-Heembeek*

Meanwhile, we have conducted energy audits at our main site in Puurs, and at our asphalt plants in Grimbergen and Haren. We have added many potential reduction measures to our actions list. Various investments, including a new white burner, a new burner control for the heavy burner, as well as a new software package for the asphalt plant in Grimbergen, have already been made. In addition, we continue to focus on electrification as well as raising awareness and monitoring energy/fuel consumption on established sites, but also on our construction sites.

These 'new' initiatives will allow us to **continuously improve our energy performance**. We invite you to take a look at our website where our initiatives are listed.

**Only together can we turn this into a success!**

**If you have an idea, a proposal ...** however banal it may appear to you at first sight, **do get in touch:** [sustainable@viabuild.be](mailto:sustainable@viabuild.be)

**Every little here and there does really help!**

The **next newsletter** will be published **no later than 3 November 2023**.

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- ViaNet! (Viabuilders)
- Website ([www.viabuild.be](http://www.viabuild.be))/social media (External staff)

Any questions about this newsletter? If so, please do not hesitate to contact our sustainability coordinator, Yves Salembier.

**Together for a more sustainable Viabuild**  
**Carbon neutrality by 2045**

