

## The International Passive House Association

*A global platform for a compelling concept*

In order to advance the Passive House Standard worldwide as well as the quality for which it stands, the Passive House Institute, Darmstadt, Germany founded the **International Passive House Association (iPHA)**.

iPHA is an independent and objective network of Passive House stakeholders including architects, planners, scientists, suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and property developers. It works to promote the Passive House Standard and foster a greater public understanding of its significance. Encouraging the exchange of Passive House knowledge, iPHA communicates with the media, the general public and the entire range of construction professionals.



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Promoting the Passive House Standard worldwide



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## The Passive House Standard

*Unbridled growth*

Passive Houses stand for healthy, comfortable living and impressive energy efficiency. While fulfilling stringent demands in terms of comfort and environmental sustainability, the Passive House Standard is strikingly affordable to implement and can even bring long term savings.

*“Low heating costs and a pleasant indoor climate year round make the Passive House the building concept of the future.”*

– Karl Kiggenberg, Law firm in Wassenberg

Within the last several years, the Passive House Standard has gained rapidly in popularity, with over 20,000 Passive Houses in existence worldwide. More than 13,500 Passive Houses have been built in Germany alone,<sup>1)</sup> many of which have been certified according to strict Passive House Institute criteria. These numbers are on the rise.

Such growth has made it necessary to connect Passive House stakeholders worldwide, thus facilitating the exchange of expertise and the advancement of the Passive House Standard. At the same time, it is essential that the high quality associated with the Passive House Standard be safeguarded while fostering a greater public understanding of its significance.

<sup>1)</sup>figures as of early 2010

## Furthering knowledge on the Passive House Standard

*iPHA goals and activities*

### Building awareness of the Passive House concept

iPHA acts as an independent authority on the Passive House concept, promoting its dissemination in the public arena.

### Connecting the Passive House community

iPHA serves as a communication platform, listing both members and their activities so as to facilitate connections within the community.

### Sharing expertise on the Passive House Standard

iPHA members are always in the know and are encouraged to be active participants in ongoing Passive House discussions, whether online or on the ground.

### Showcasing completed projects and resident experiences

Through its annual International Passive House Days and online project slide show, iPHA facilitates the documentation of completed Passive Houses as well as the experiences of their residents – essential to highlighting the advantages of the Passive House Standard.

### Informing on the development of the Passive House market

iPHA serves as an independent point of reference for Passive House questions.

## iPHA membership

*Becoming a member has many advantages*

Participate actively in the growing Passive House community through a membership with iPHA, the international network for Passive House knowledge.

### The advantages of iPHA membership are numerous:

- **Passipedia**, the Passive House resource, provides iPHA members with a constantly growing, interactive body of specialised Passive House knowledge
- iPHA members enjoy exclusive access to a **member database**, featuring Passive House experts, regional organisations as well as current and completed projects worldwide
- iPHA members receive access to an array of **Passive House materials**, including presentations by Dr Feist and others
- Regular **news letters and press releases** keep iPHA members up to date on Passive House developments
- iPHA members receive **discounts** on Passive House Institute events such as the International Passive House Conference
- iPHA membership facilitates a growing Passive House network, connecting stakeholders globally for an enhanced **exchange of knowledge and ideas**

Whether you would like an individual membership or one for your organisation, becoming a member is worth your while! Memberships are moderately priced with special offers available for students, members of other Passive House Associations and those with Passive House Institute approved certifications. For more details and to secure your membership, go to the iPHA website [www.passivehouse-international.org](http://www.passivehouse-international.org)

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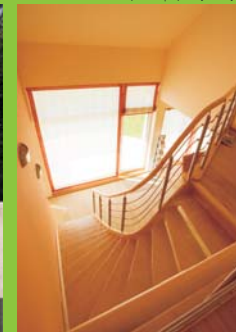


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