

# **Topical Group A: Value Proposition and Implementation**

## **Executive summary of the afternoon session of the stakeholder meeting 2019-03-26**

The session of Topical Group A on the SRI Value Proposition Implementation was led by Paul Waide (Waide Strategic Efficiency Europe) who introduced the purpose of the group within the current SRI project. The slideshow accompanying this topical group session has been made available to the topical group members and to the wider stakeholder community. It was clarified that, in order to stimulate an open discussion, Chatham-house rules are applied in the two topical groups, meaning that no names or affiliations will be linked to the statements and positions formulated during the meeting.

### **Introduction**

In the introduction it was explained that the role of Topical Group A is to:

- Help consolidate the SRI design, methodology and approach towards implementation (all within the scope of the EPBD text)
- Enable stakeholders to provide support in shaping the development of the SRI
- Foster informal and open discussion

### **Discussion and brainstorming on the SRI value proposition and audience**

The group considered what are the aspects of the SRI that contribute most to value creation. This revealed that: a primary value of the SRI are insights, such as: how smart the building is in being able to react to user needs, and then how can the building can react to the grid; group members have differing views on whether existing or new/retrofitted buildings should be targeted primarily, conducting value chain analysis would be beneficial, as the one paying for the measure may not be the one receiving the benefits; the reliability of the information will be important.

Group members were asked to approach the topics from the “user” perspective rather than their own, or their organisations and then asked to rank the importance of the 8 impact criteria set out in the first SRI study. It was concluded that Comfort was considered to be the most important, and Energy Efficiency the second most important. Well-being and health, Convenience and Flexibility also scored highly. Self generation was the least important.

A discussion on the audiences for the SRI concluded that the important audiences seem to be: facility managers, then owners, then occupants.

### **Discussion and brainstorming on the SRI assessment process**

The group considered the SRI assessment process including what is an acceptable time for the assessment to take and the relative merits and weaknesses of the three archetypal assessment methods presented in the main stakeholder meeting. A SWOT analysis of each method was conducted – see detailed minutes below for the outcome of these.

### **The workplan for Topical Group A**

It was agreed that future meetings of Topical Group A would be organised in the coming months to address the following themes:

- SRI format
- Linkages (e.g. with other initiatives)
- Cost and funding
- flexibility & working with utilities
- supporting measures
- governance/legal frameworks
- roll-out and pilots

In addition: it was also suggested to consider how assessors are going to be trained and managed to assure quality, and to examine how the SRI could potentially inform future revisions of the EPBD.