
Pros for renovation ! Renovation and participation for block of flats

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Abridged Version

1 Motivation

The construction industry has made a paradigm change from building new houses to optimising existing buildings. The renovation and modernisation of existing buildings plays a very important role at many construction companies when planning medium term investments. This creates many new challenges for the planning processes and the construction needs.

SanierungPRO! favors the participation of the residents in the renovation process.

A renovation compared to building a new house is an intrusion in existing building and social systems and demands an intensive cooperation between the acting people: property developer, planners, politics, administration and residents.

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2 Results and conclusions

The optimizing of renovation processes according to the aims of the programme „sustainable economy“ is an overall sociopolitical task which in comparison to new buildings is very complex. Renovation as an intrusion and a conflict with existing social structures is a dynamic process of permanent optimising. This requires from all players – property developer, planners, politics and administration- to reflect on their concepts using the experience gained from past projects to develop an awareness for the process. Professional communication and an open information policy to the residents has to be carried out in the whole term of lease and not only during the time of the renovation! Because of the high complexity of the renovation measures the success of the renovation depends on the fact that all players can achieve the best proper general framework for themselves.