

## **BATEX**

In 2007, the Brussels-Capital Region launched the call for projects covering "Exemplary Buildings for eco-construction and energy". Their exemplary nature took account of four criteria: high energy performance, low environmental impact, the reproducibility/profitability of the solutions envisaged and architectural quality combined with urban integration.

Three years later, with 117 prizewinning projects representing more than 265,000 m<sup>2</sup> of buildings which consume up to 10 times less energy, Brussels has become one of the leaders in terms of buildings with very high environmental performance. The regional Government has decided to continue and reinforce this dynamic by launching the 4th edition of the call for Exemplary Building projects (Batex) 2011 with a budget of 5 million euro.

"The degree of performance has been raised in the latest call for projects as we're moving from the "passive standard" to the "zero carbon" principal."

On 13 September, from 14.30 hrs to 17.00 hrs, as part of the ICLEI Convention in Brussels at the Bozar, Bruxelles Environnement invites you to visit two "Batex" buildings: Aéropolis II and Caméléon.

Aéropolis II is a new office construction; at a time when classic constructions are increasing the equipment (and the investment) used to provide heating or air-conditioning, the passive standard here prevents heat losses and structural overheating.

Caméléon is a commercial building which satisfies a global eco-construction approach: natural ventilation, green materials, solar panels, green roof, rainwater harvesting, and so on.

### **Registration:**

- To register for the Batex tour in connection with the ICLEI: the meeting site

Tour departure: BOZAR 14.30 hrs

- For information on the Brussels Exemplary Buildings:

<http://www.bruxellesenvironnement.be/batimentsexemplaires>.