

# CABE PROJECT NEWSLETTER

From research to application



Transforming construction waste into valuable resources requires collaboration across research, industry and policy.

## Opening Message

At the midpoint of the project, CABE is moving from early research and stakeholder mapping towards practical application. The project is now connecting insights from different partner countries with emerging tools, case study work and stakeholder experiences.

This third edition focuses on the CABE partners' meeting in Ankara, Türkiye, where the consortium reviewed progress, discussed next steps and explored how circular construction can be applied in real urban contexts.

The meeting highlighted one of CABE's most important principles: circularity in the built environment must be developed with the people and organisations who will use, regulate, design, produce and manage construction materials in practice.



## Key Highlights from Ankara, Türkiye

CABE partners gathered in Ankara, Türkiye, for the project's 3rd Partners Meeting, hosted by Hacettepe University.

The three-day meeting marked an important moment for the consortium as partners reviewed progress and aligned on the next steps approaching the midpoint of implementation. Discussions covered circular construction frameworks, digital tools for resource sharing, stakeholder engagement, case study development and the transition from research concepts to practical application.

The meeting also strengthened collaboration among partners, creating space for technical discussions, cross-country exchange, and shared reflection on the project's direction.



The meeting included:

- technical workshops
- discussions on tools and methodologies
- stakeholder engagement activities
- site visits showcasing circular and innovative construction practices

## Stakeholder Perspectives Across Countries

A key highlight of the Ankara meeting was the interactive stakeholder workshop involving representatives from ministries, municipalities, universities and the construction sector.

The workshop explored:

- barriers to circular construction
- opportunities for reuse and recycling
- policy and market challenges
- country-specific experiences related to CDW management

The collected insights will contribute to comparative reports across participating countries.

## From Tools to Practice

Partners are currently working on:

- digital platforms for material/resource sharing
- frameworks supporting circular construction
- case studies testing practical applications
- methodologies for assessing circularity potential

The project is increasingly focusing on how research outcomes can support practical implementation in cities and the construction sector.

## Site Visits & Demonstrations

Participants visited:

- laboratories testing CDW-based construction materials
- modular and 3D-printed construction applications
- urban regeneration initiatives

These visits highlighted how circular principles can move from research into practice.



## Spotlight on partners | Hacettepe University

Hacettepe University is one of Türkiye's major research institutions, with strong expertise in civil engineering, construction materials and sustainable building technologies. In CABA, Hacettepe supports the project's work on circular construction, CDW reuse and advanced materials from secondary resources.

The university also leads the Türkiye case study in Ankara, where CABA explores how material cadastres and digital resource-sharing tools can support urban regeneration. Through this role, Hacettepe helps test how circular approaches can respond to real local needs, construction-sector challenges and opportunities for more sustainable cities.

# Project snapshot

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Stakeholder workshops

10+

Research activities

40+

Stakeholders involved

2

Development of digital and collaborative tools

## Looking ahead

The next phase of CABE will focus on:

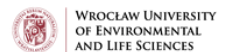
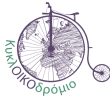
- expanding case study activities
- refining tools and methodologies
- strengthening stakeholder collaboration
- disseminating early project results across Europe.

**CABE is moving from research discussions to practical circular construction pathways.**

## Project Partners



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