

## NEWS

### **The technical roundtable on the Eco House at the Ministry for the Environment and Territory has been re-launched**

The roundtable, which was originally launched at the 1<sup>st</sup> Convention on Sustainable Housing “The Eco House from the extraordinary to the ordinary” organized by Federabitazione in 2004, and interrupted at the end of the last legislative period, has been re-launched recently and the technical roundtable on the Eco House promoted by the Minister for the Environment and Territory and Federabitazione-Confcooperative, Legambiente, WWF, Legacoop-Abitazione, Anab, Inbar, Biocostruire, Fire, Ance, the Agenda 21 coordination, and Cna Costruzioni.

At the meeting the draft Programme Agreement, which is to promote and create incentives for sustainability in the construction sector through concrete actions of awareness raising, communication, training and demonstration initiatives aimed at public and private bodies, was discussed and updated

Through the implementation of the Programme Agreement it will be possible:

- To launch an Observatory that has as a main objective the monitoring of the dissemination of sustainable architecture
- To define and develop communication and awareness raising tools that are necessary to make the concepts and principles of the agreement user-friendly and easy to disseminate to the target group
- To identify demonstration actions to upscale to the national level as examples of good practices, also through the establishment of a biennial national competition of sustainable design
- To develop dissemination activities aimed in particular at promoting an increased knowledge of the principles of sustainable development and architecture, of the use of natural resources, especially energy and water, and materials and waste.



The 1st Convention on Sustainable Housing, Rome, 2004, organized by Federabitazione Europe as part of the SHE dissemination activities.