#PassiveHouse**Moments**

35 Years of Passive House. **30 Years** of PHI.

1991-2000

A timeline of **achievements and developments**

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1991

1994

1996

The first Passive House in Darmstadt

In 1991, Prof. Dr Wolfgang Feist and three other families built the first Passive House in Darmstadt, Germany, marking **the beginning of a new approach to energy-efficient building.**

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1996

1998

2000

The first International Passive House Conference

The first International Passive House Conference took place in Darmstadt in 1996, **bringing the emerging Passive House community together for the first time.**

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The first Working Group

In 1996, the first Working Group on Cost-Effective Passive Houses took place.

Even then, the focus was on **achieving high building performance while keeping construction costs low.**

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The Passive House Institute is founded

Prof. Dr Wolfgang Feist founded the Passive House Institute in Darmstadt in 1996.

30 years later, PHI celebrates its anniversary in 2026.

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1997

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2000

The first certified Passive House component

In 1997, the first Passive House component was certified.

Today, a **wide range of energy-efficient building components** can be found in the Passive House Institute's Component Database.

1998 1999 2000

PHVP 1: More than an energy balance

The first version of the Passive House Planning Package (PHVP 1 - Passivhaus Vorprojektierungs) was released in 1998.

More than an energy balance, **PHPP provides the tools needed to plan a high-performance Passive House that works as intended.**

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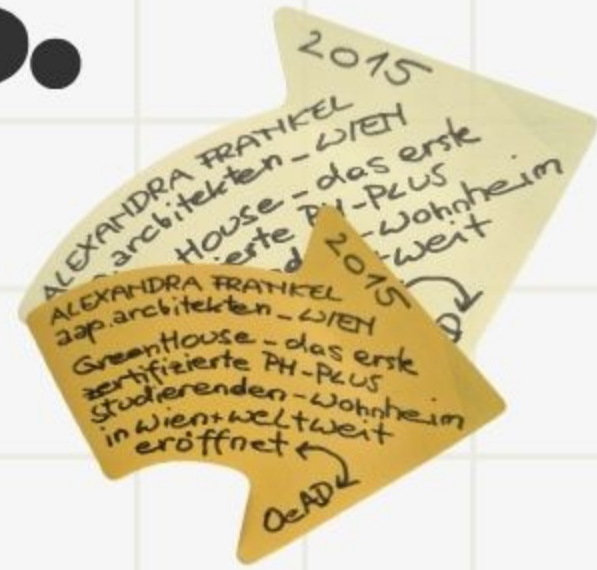
The journey continues.



What is your **Passive House Moment?**

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