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19 June 2026

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Objectives of the meeting

- Following the launch of the Housing Alliance in May and stakeholder interest to register:
  - Discuss expectations and practical needs
  - Review jointly the emerging stakeholder base
  - Identify priorities to finalise the roll-out

- Update briefly on policy developments

Agenda

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- **Policy updates & Wrap Up and Conclusions**

Video message

Dan Jørgensen,

EU Commissioner Energy and Housing

Link to video

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Jérémie Réquis

Head of secretariat of the Special Committee on the Housing Crisis in the EU

European Parliament

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Patrina Taramidou

Director of Interior and Head of the Housing and European Affairs Directorates

Cyprus, Council Presidency to the EU

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Mary Brady

Counsellor for Housing

Permanent Representation of Ireland to the EU

European Commission

Eamon Ryan

Chair of the Housing Advisory Board

European Commission

Matthew Baldwin

Head of the Housing Task Force

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European Housing Alliance

- Housing - a new priority for the European Union
- Diverse housing systems across the EU
- Housing - primarily national, regional and local competence
- Wide range of policies that impact on housing

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- Structured cooperation on housing at EU level reflecting the decentralised nature of housing policy and the principle of subsidiarity.
- Member States, regions, cities and a wide range of stakeholders and practitioners, including research, academia, and EU institutions.
- Objective: address the housing crisis and promote cooperation, mutual learning, sharing of knowledge and best practices, develop joint solutions.
- Structure:
    - Political level (ad hoc Summit, regular Informal Ministerial)
    - Expert level (e.g. mutual learning programme, thematic workshops)
    - Broader outreach tools (website, events, dissemination of best practices)
- Substance driven co-operation, based on an annual work programme, gradual roll-out during 2026, full deployment from 2027.

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Principles

1. Respecting the principle of subsidiarity and drawing on benefits of multi-level governance
2. Openness and inclusive participation based on transparent working methods
3. Flexible, adaptable and focused on substance
4. Combining political and expert level cooperation and connecting policy with realities on the ground

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Questions

- **What** are you **hoping to get out** of the Housing Alliance?
- "**Are we missing someone?**" – how do we tap into all expertise, including from research and academia? What about grassroots and citizens?
- What **operational steps** are needed to make the Housing Alliance a **success** at all levels?

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Thomas Wobben

Director for Legislative Works

European Committee of the Regions

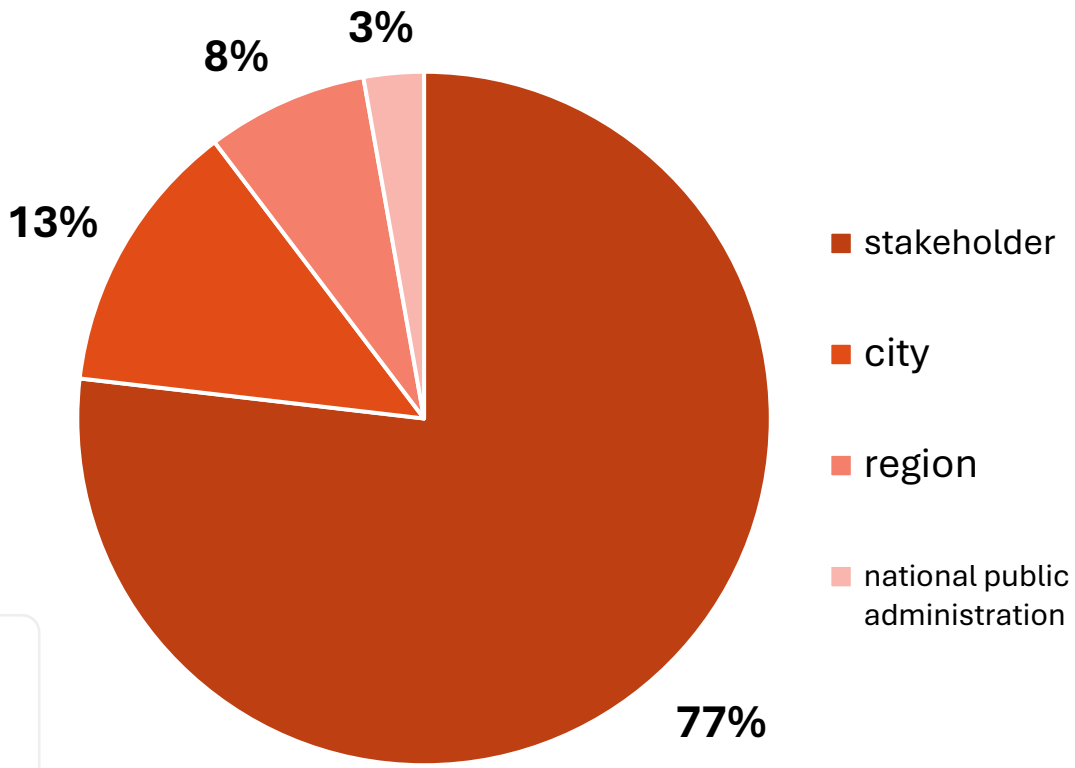
Open discussion

→ What are your key expectations from the Housing Alliance?

Who Registered - overview

~ 650

Organisations registered



100 **EU-level umbrella organisations**

+ other organisations are distributed across Europe - see next slide for the geographic breakdown

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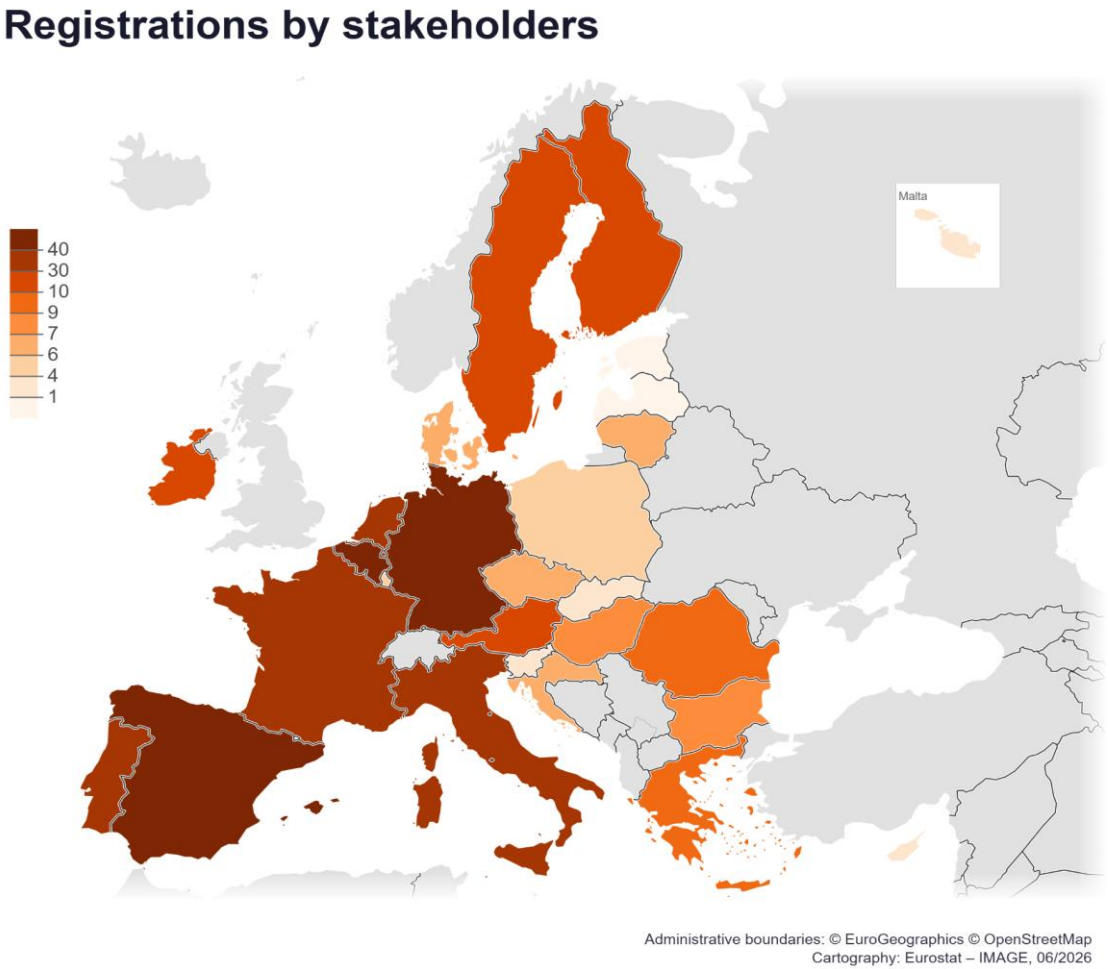

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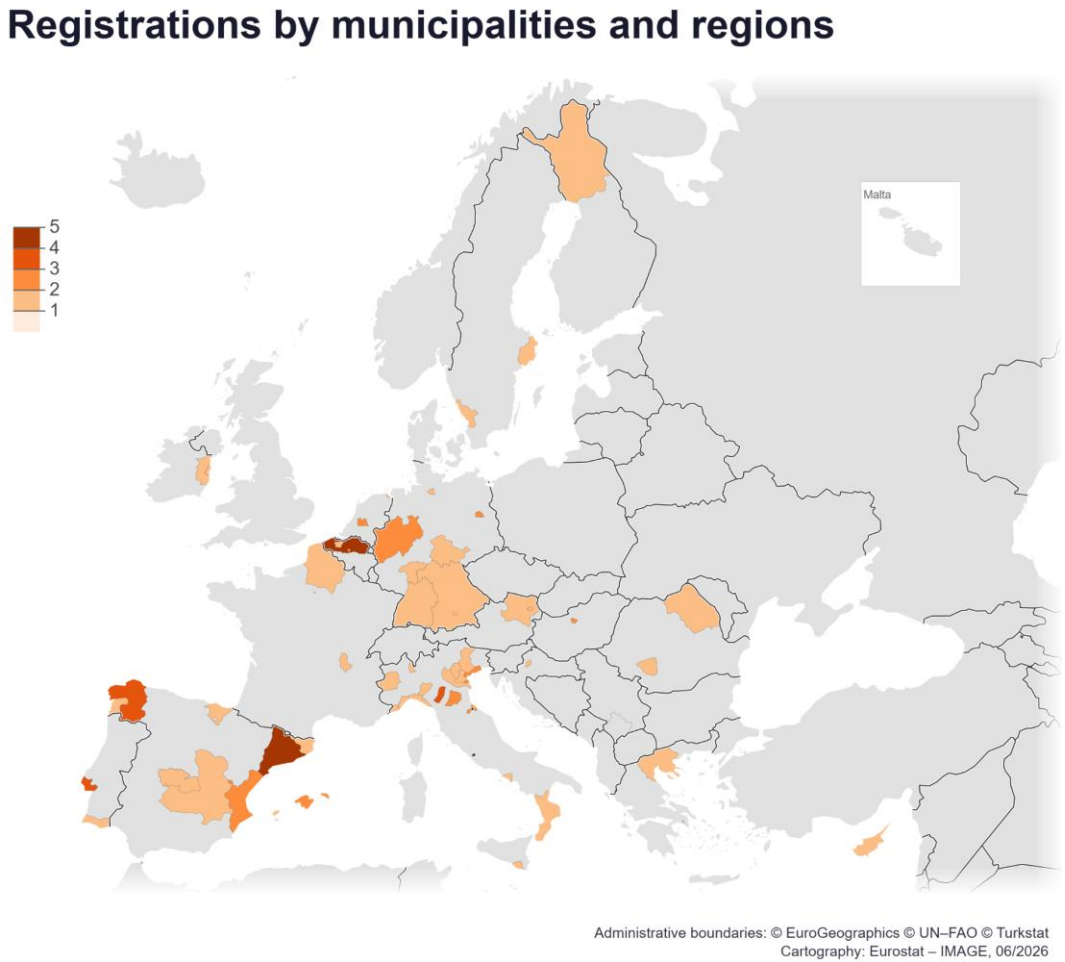

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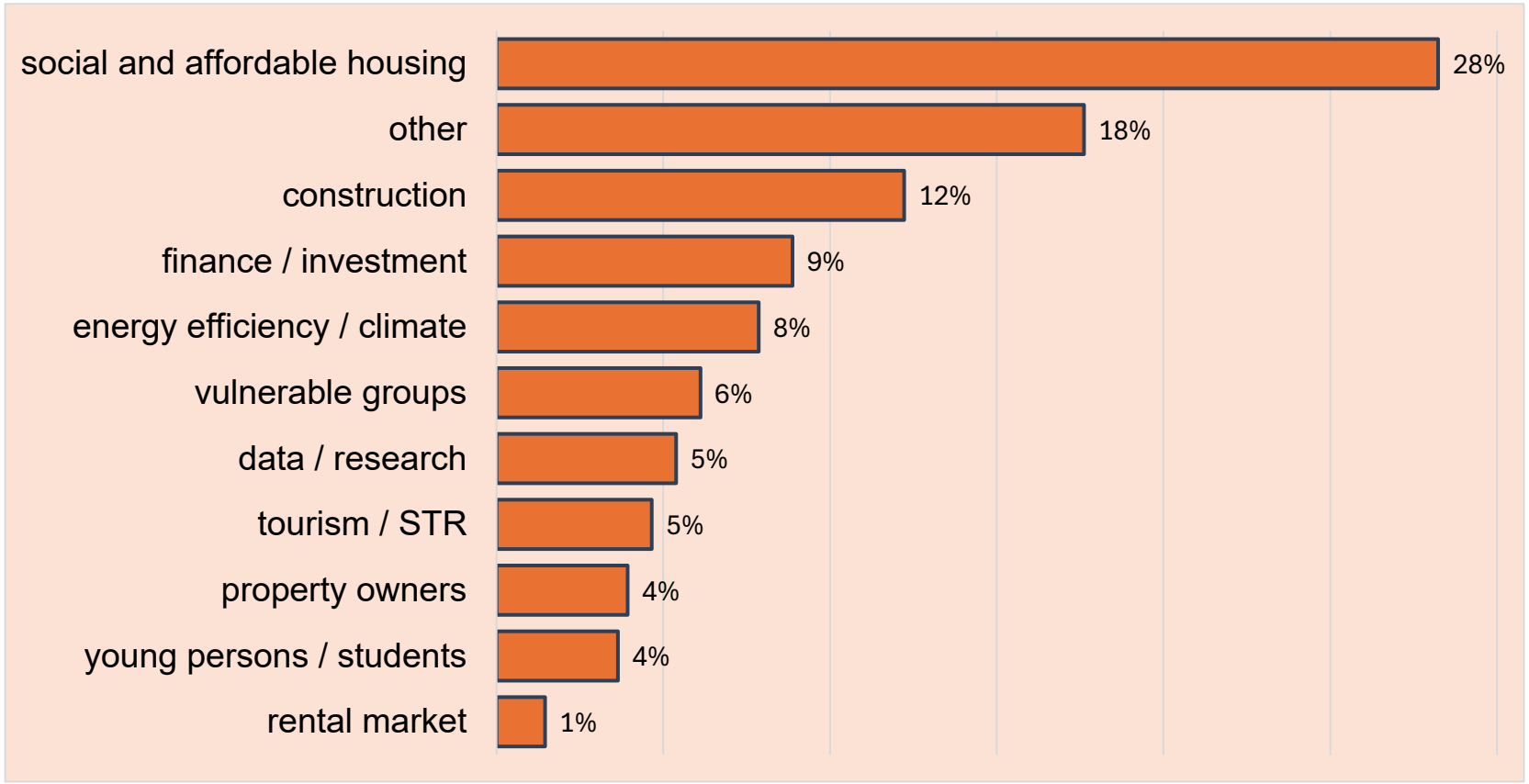

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→ **Are we missing someone?**

→ **What operational steps are needed?**

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Questions

- **What** are the most **urgent topics** to work on?

- **Where** do you see the **main synergies** with other existing initiatives and **how** best can we put in practice?

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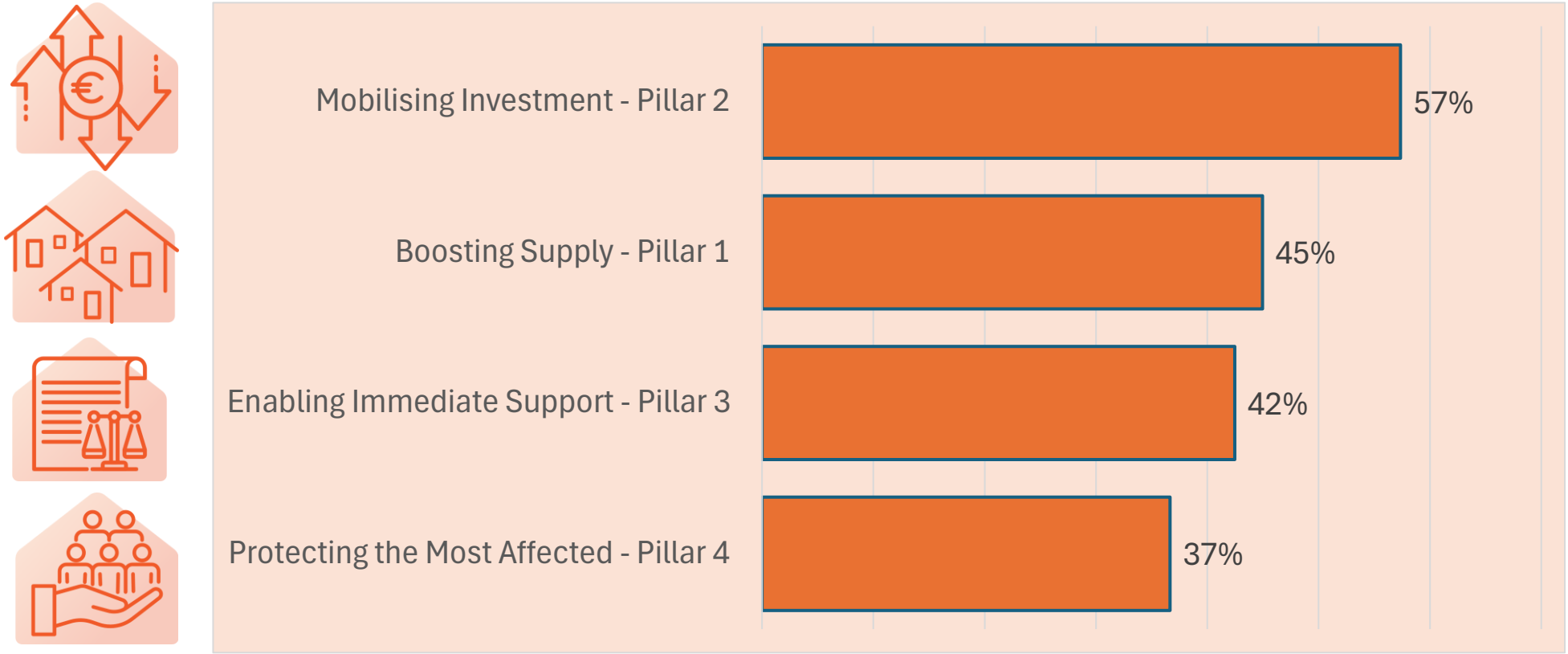
John Comer

Member of European Economic and Social Committee - Civil Society Organisations Group (IE)

Priority interests by pillar of the EAHP



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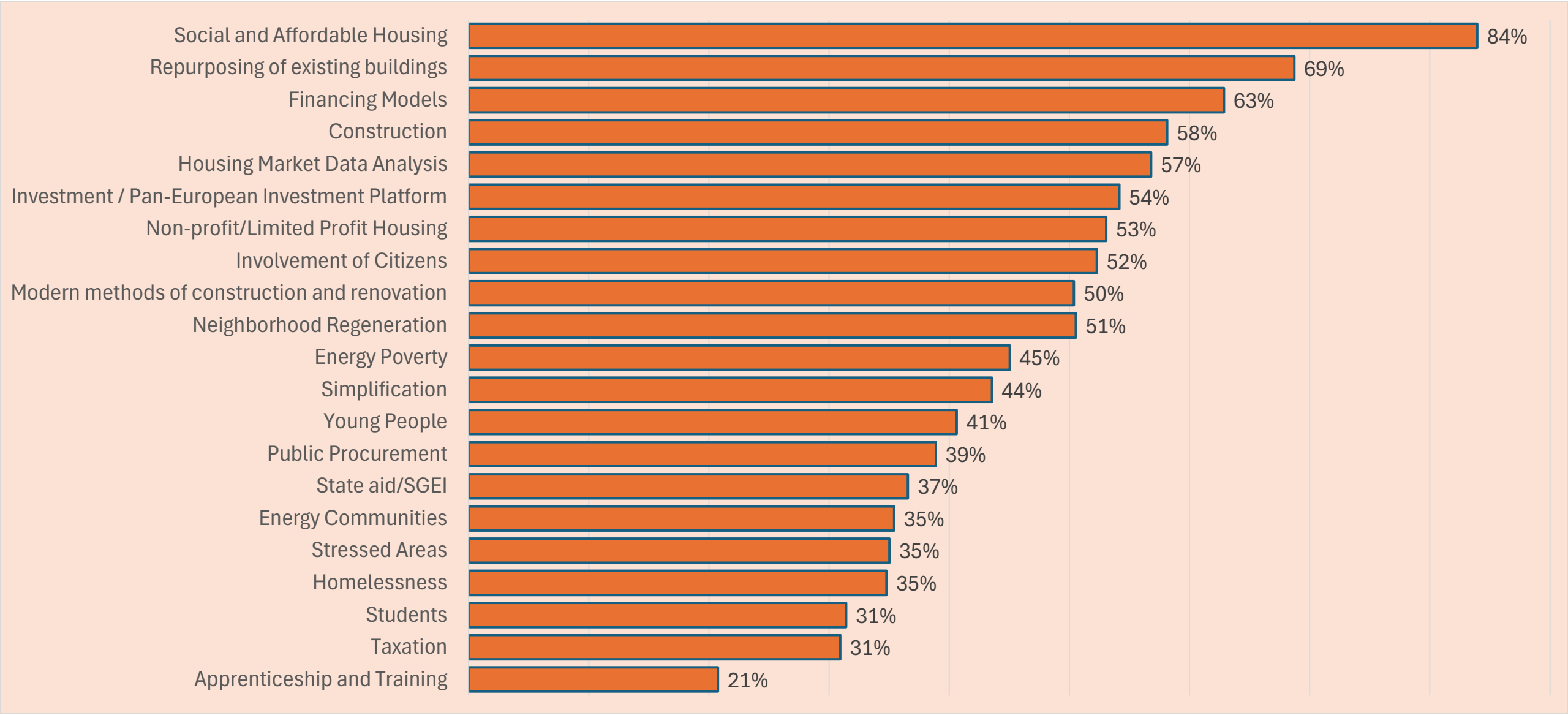

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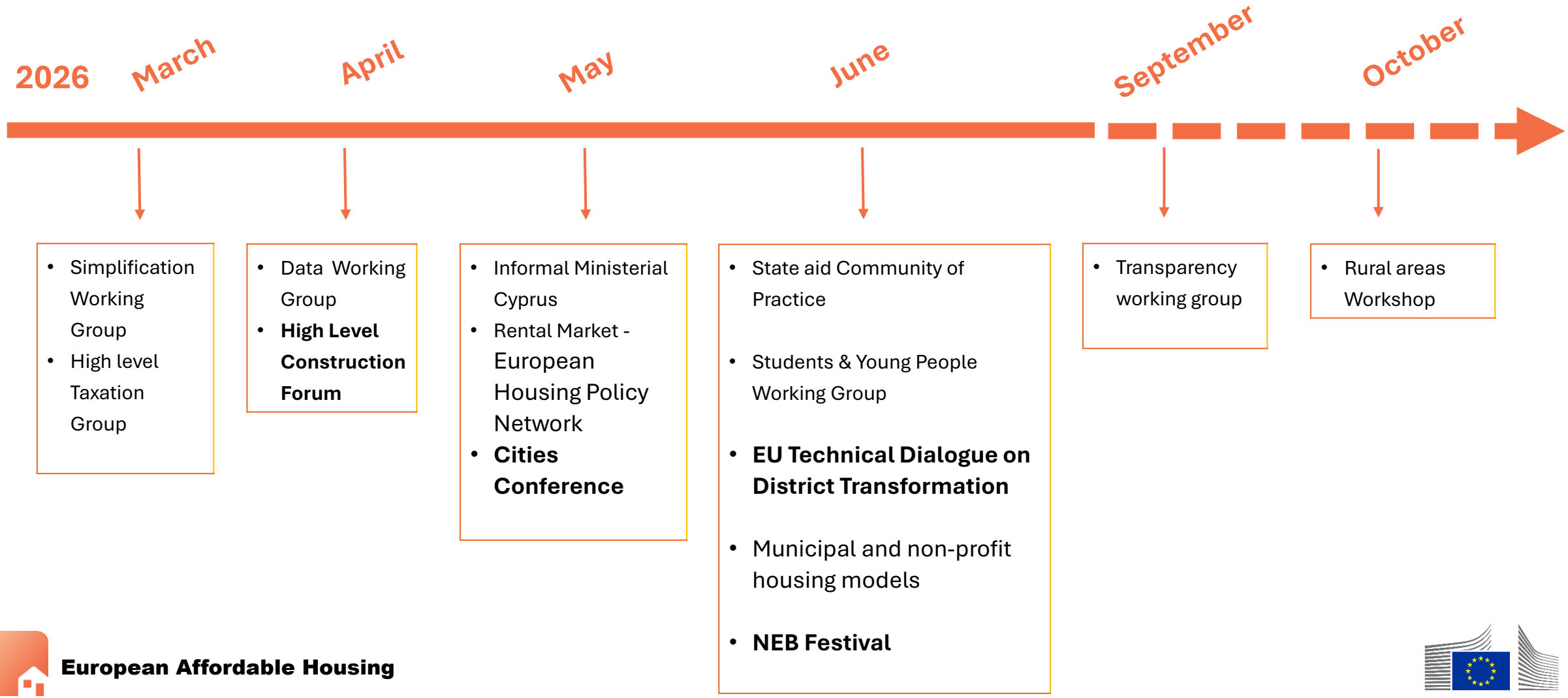

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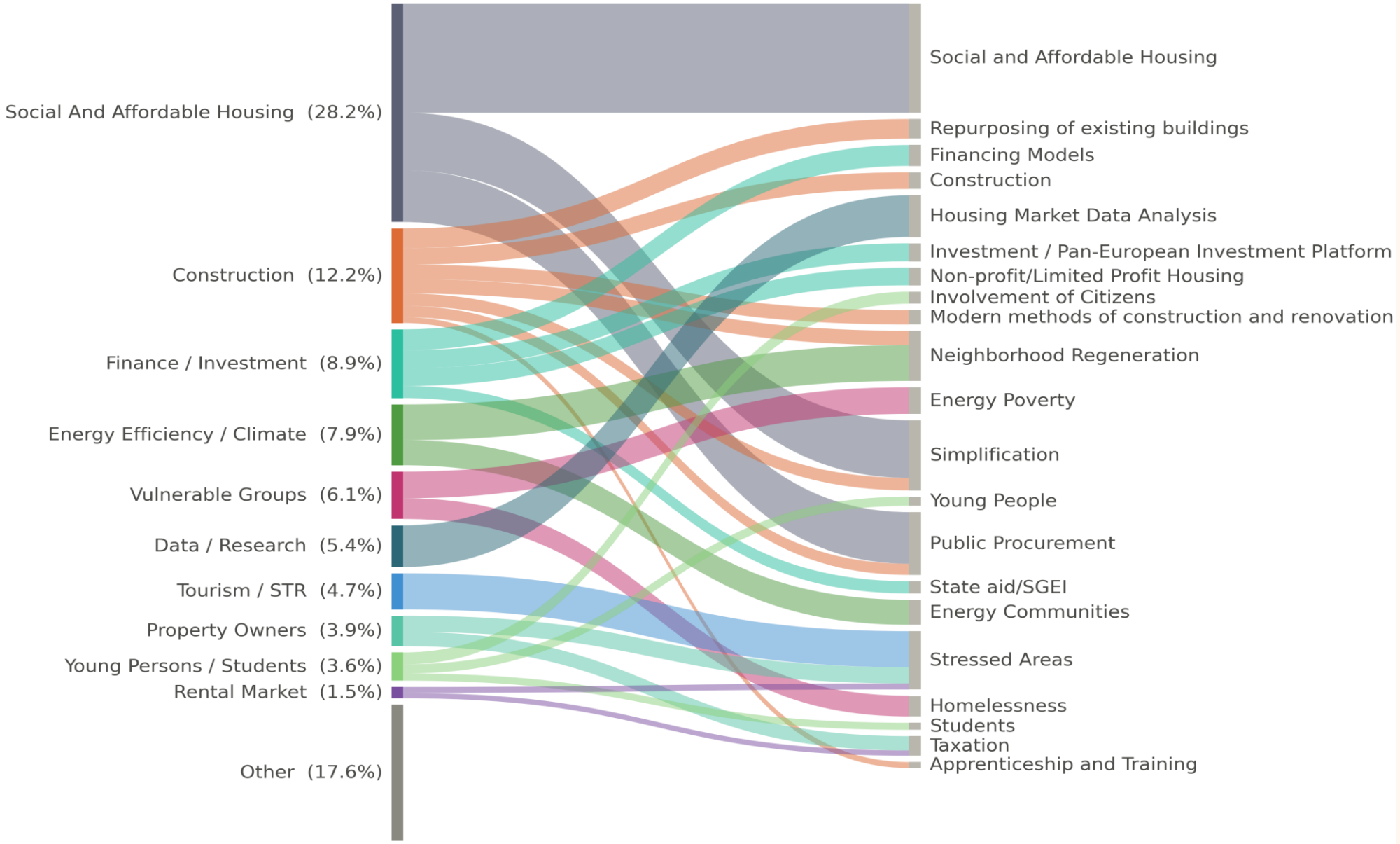
Matching Expertise with Areas of Interest



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Synergies – How to work together?

synergies & collaboration

- Added value of Housing Alliance
- Not to replace or duplicate other initiatives, to build on existing for and promote synergies
- Amplify reach

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Questions

- What balance between **formal events open to all** and **informal** dedicated discussion? How to keep discussions open to all and transparent, but efficient?

- What **good practices** of **multilevel governance** can we get inspiration from?

- How to effectively **link political** and **expert level** discussions?

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Karen Van Dantzig

Dutch Urban Envoy, Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations

Kingdom of The Netherlands

How to ensure transparent, inclusive and effective cooperation?

Peer learning, collaborative projects, networking are

transparent, inclusive and efficient if/when…

- **(…)**
- **(…)**

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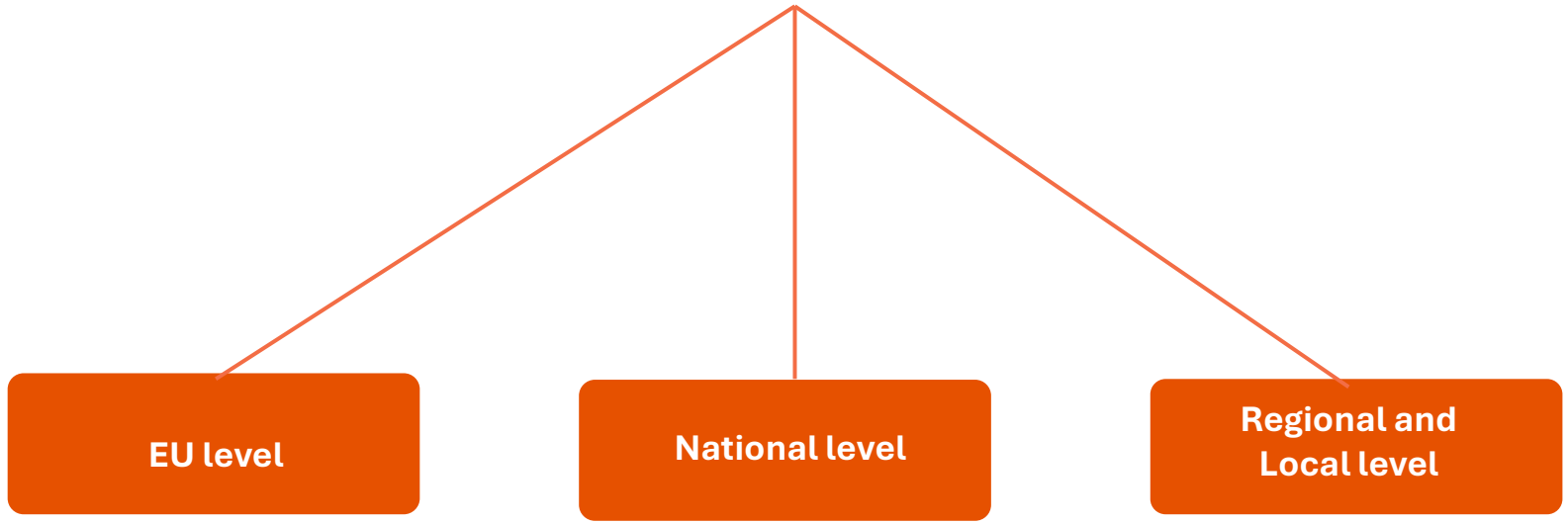

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Policy Updates

Pan European Investment Platform

Affordable Housing Act

Housing simplification package

Housing Simplification package

- The Housing Simplification Package (2027) is one of the 10 EAHP priorities and a key measure to boost housing supply.
- Call for evidence to be published in June and will be open until end of September for feedback.
- (if you have not yet contributed), we are looking for:
  - examples of how EU legislation impacts housing supply in specific cases, ideally specifying the relevant legal requirement;
  - practical suggestions to reduce delays and costs that affect housing supply and affordability (in EU legislation and good practices from domestic implementation and domestic simplification initiatives), including costs and delays arising from litigation, while respecting wider policy goals;
  - suggestions for increasing productivity in construction and renovation.

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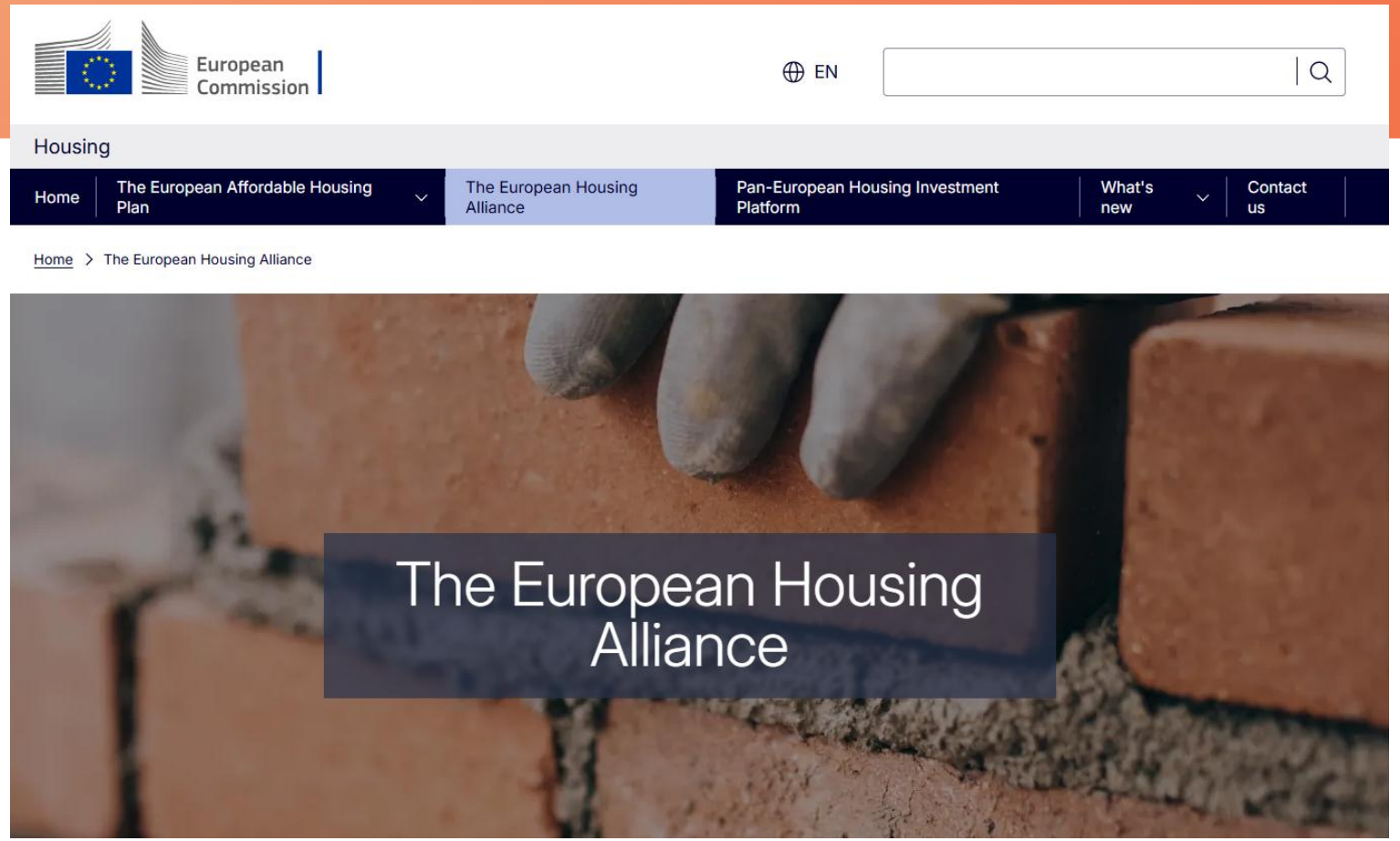

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