Apartment Building in Staufen, CH

PROJECT SUMMARY
Housing renovation in two stages
1st stage: building envelope
2nd stage: building services
Reduction of primary energy: 65%

SPECIAL FEATURES
110 m² PV installation on the roof

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Advanced Housing Renovation with Solar & Conservation
BACKGROUND
This apartment building from 1967 suffered from mildew and thermal bridges. The owner, Guido Erni, wanted to solve this through a systematic renovation. His main objectives were:
1. A sustainable, energy efficient building
2. Improved comfort in the apartments
3. Retirement income from the photovoltaic roof

SUMMARY OF THE RENOVATION
• Insulation of the building envelope:
  attic floor (140 mm), facade (200 mm)
  basement ceiling (100 mm)
• New roof cladding
• Enlarged balconies (from 5.9 m² to 12.6 m²)
• New entrance
• New ventilation system (HRC 85 – 90%)
• Heat pump as replacement of the oil heating
• Renovation of bathrooms and kitchens
**CONSTRUCTION**

**Floor construction**  \( U\text{-value: 0.15 W/(m}^2\text{K)} \)

=top down

Floor elements with mineral wool 156 mm  
Wooden panels (existing) 20 mm  
Expanded polystyrene EPS (existing) 80 mm  
Reinforced concrete (existing) 140 mm  
Expanded polystyrene EPS (existing) 20 mm  
Interior plaster (existing) 10 mm  
Total 426 mm

**Wall construction**  \( U\text{-value: 0.17 W/(m}^2\text{K)} \)

=interior to exterior

Interior plaster (existing) 10 mm  
Modular clay tile brick (existing) 125 mm  
Cork panels (existing) 3 mm  
Modular clay tile brick (existing) 125 mm  
Mineral wool insulation 200 mm  
Exterior stucco 10 mm  
Total 473 mm

**Basement ceiling**  \( U\text{-value: 0.20 W/(m}^2\text{K)} \)

=top down

Cement mortar (existing) 40 mm  
Reinforced concrete (existing) 140 mm  
Polyphenolharz-rigid foam panels 100 mm  
Total 280 mm
### Summary of U-values W/(m²·K)

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* including frame (replaced already 1994)

### RENEWABLE ENERGY USE

The 110 m² PV installation on the south-facing roof has a nominal output of 14.7 kWp and produced 14'300 kWh electricity in 2006. The electric power is fed into the utility grid. The PV installation will be amortised within 20 years.

### ENERGY PERFORMANCE

Space + water heating (primary energy)*

- Before: 154 kWh/m²
- After: 54 kWh/m²
- Reduction: 65%

*Swiss Standard: SIA 380/1: 2001

### BUILDING SERVICES

During phase II (in 2007) the existing oil heating (28.6 kW) will be replaced by an air-water-heat pump (12 kW) with a COP of 3. Domestic hot water will be heated in a central boiler instead of in decentral electric boilers in each apartment. A new centralised ventilation system with heat recovery (efficiency 85-90%) with a cross-flow heat exchanger will be installed. The necessary penetrations of the façade were completed during phase I of the renovation. The ventilation system electric requirement amounts to 4.68 kWh/m²a.

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