



**We are glad you are here and  
will begin shortly.**

# LEED v5: European Comments & Open Forum – 21 June @ 10:00-11:30

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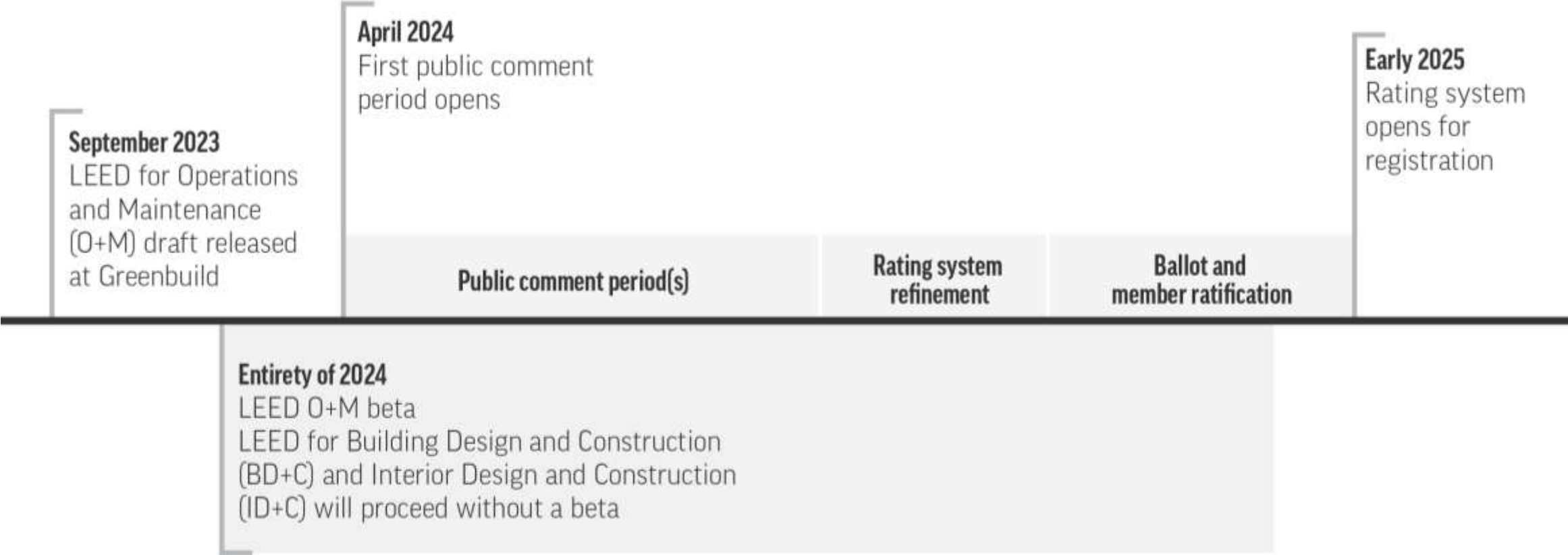
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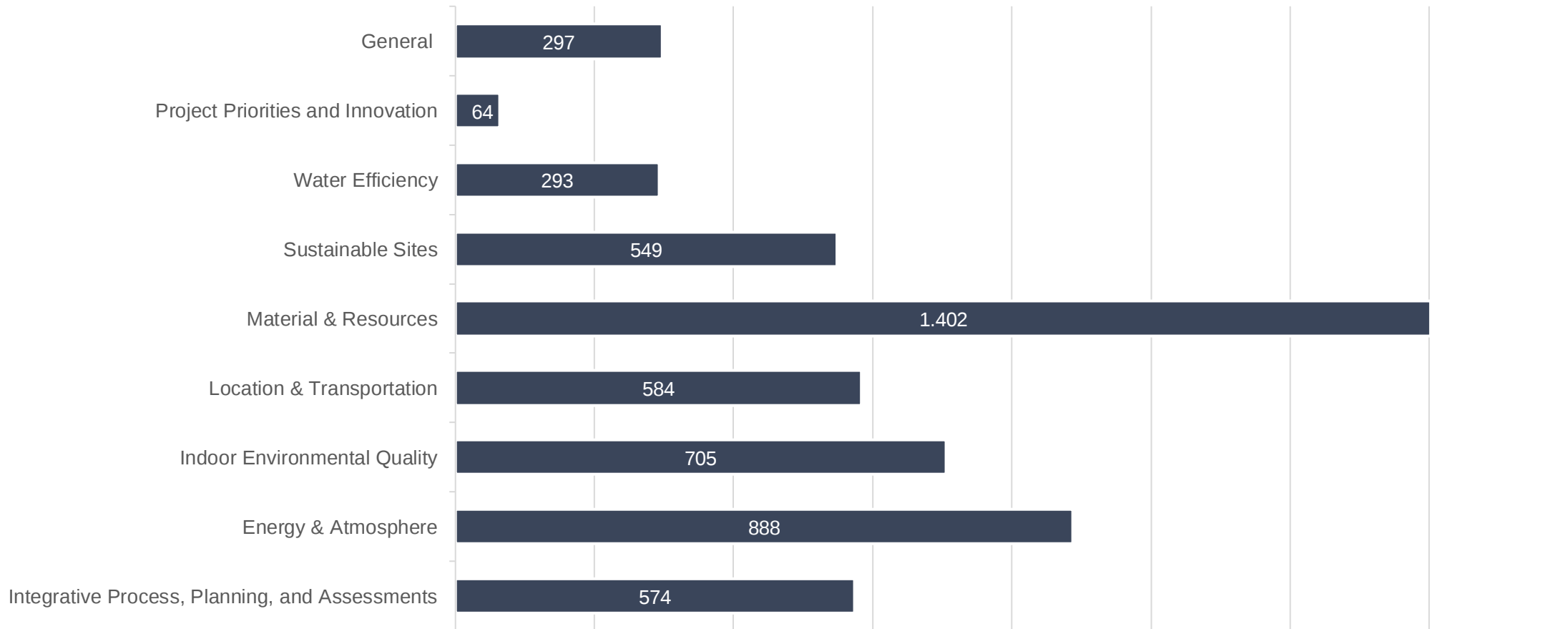
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# LEED v5 DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE



# Distribution of Public Comments

5.356 comments have been submitted to the USGBC from around the world.





# Comments – high level summary

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- Most comments aim on more technical clarity (LEED Rating System vs. LEED Reference Guide)
- A lot of comments share a similar intent; the detailed suggestions vary.
- Approx. 6% of currently reviewed comments are from European stakeholders.
- Limited amount of comments which directly address the EU Taxonomy.



# Comments – next steps

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- Rating system will be revised based on major comments per credit category.
- A second round of public comments will follow in late summer/fall.
- Based on the received comments further technical guidance will be developed as basis for the LEED Reference Guide.
- Further technical guidance will also include European specific content either as part of the credits or through ACPs (EU Taxonomy, F-Gas regulation,...).



# Top 3: Location & Transportation

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- More alternative transportation modes should be added to better reflect site and location specific circumstances.
- Focus only on electric vehicles is questioned. What about hydrogen, etc.?

## **Discussion:**

How about using WalkScore in Europe?



# Top 3: Water Efficiency

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- Should points for project without water towers be awarded?
- Credit language still unclear if water sense is required outside US.
- EnergyStar appliances hard to procure outside US (e.g. dishwashers, icemakers)

## **Discussion:**

Should EU Taxonomy thresholds be used for European project?

# Top 3: Energy & Atmosphere

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- How is district energy treated in decarb planning and modelling?
- How are biobased fuels (e.g. wood?) treated?
- Envelope testing requirement suitable for all projects?.
- Is Minimum Energy Efficiency too stringent or not ambitious enough?

## Discussion:

Should the European F-Gas Regulation be the baseline for the refrigerant credits in Europe?

- NEW -

# Top 3: Materials & Resources

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- LCA – more clarity on baseline building is requested.
- Low-emitting-materials: too much effort for the number of points awarded?
- Should construction and demolition waste be more prominent?

## Discussion:

How can LEED better support the concept “LCA as a design tool”?

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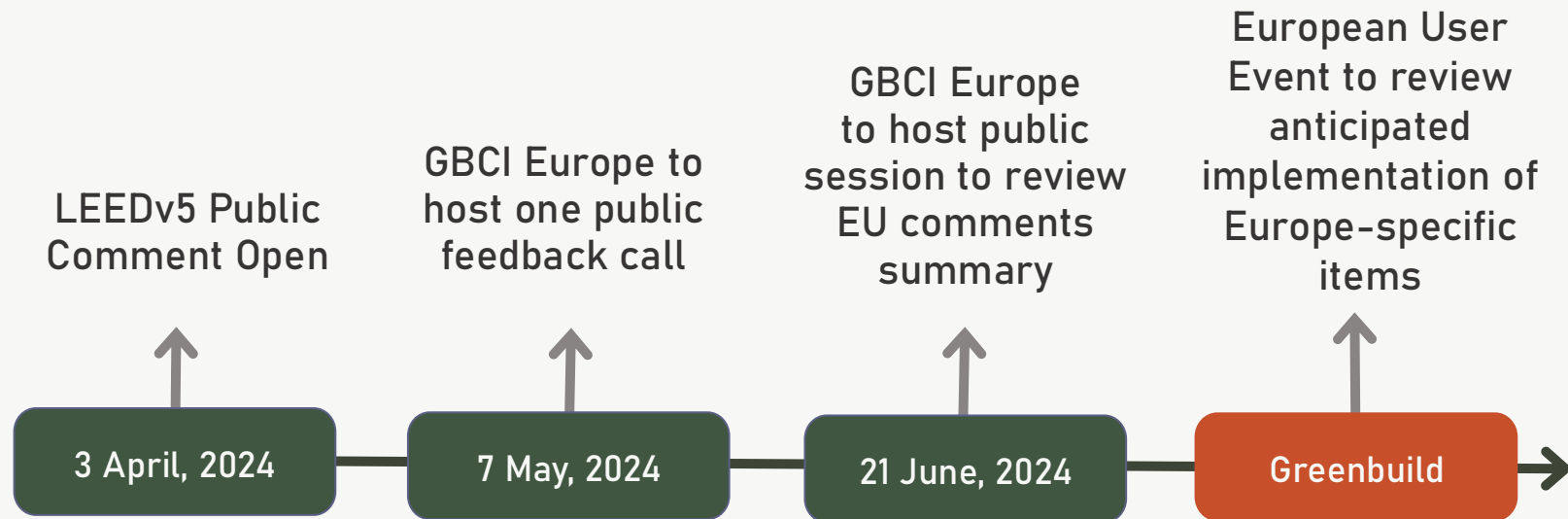
# Top 3: Indoor Environmental Quality

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- Building Accessibility – Should rather local code/standards be relevant for the credit?
- All other comments on this section are currently rather considered as “minor” and not specific to Europe.

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## PUBLIC COMMENTS



Join in and stay informed on public comments from Europe:



# LEED v5: European Open Forum Greenbuild 2024

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- 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- Exact date and time will be announced later this year. Stay tuned.



An aerial photograph of a European city, likely Prague, showing a dense collection of buildings with red-tiled roofs. A prominent church with a tall, dark spire is visible in the upper left. The entire image is covered with a semi-transparent blue filter. The word "Questions?" is centered in the image in a white, sans-serif font.

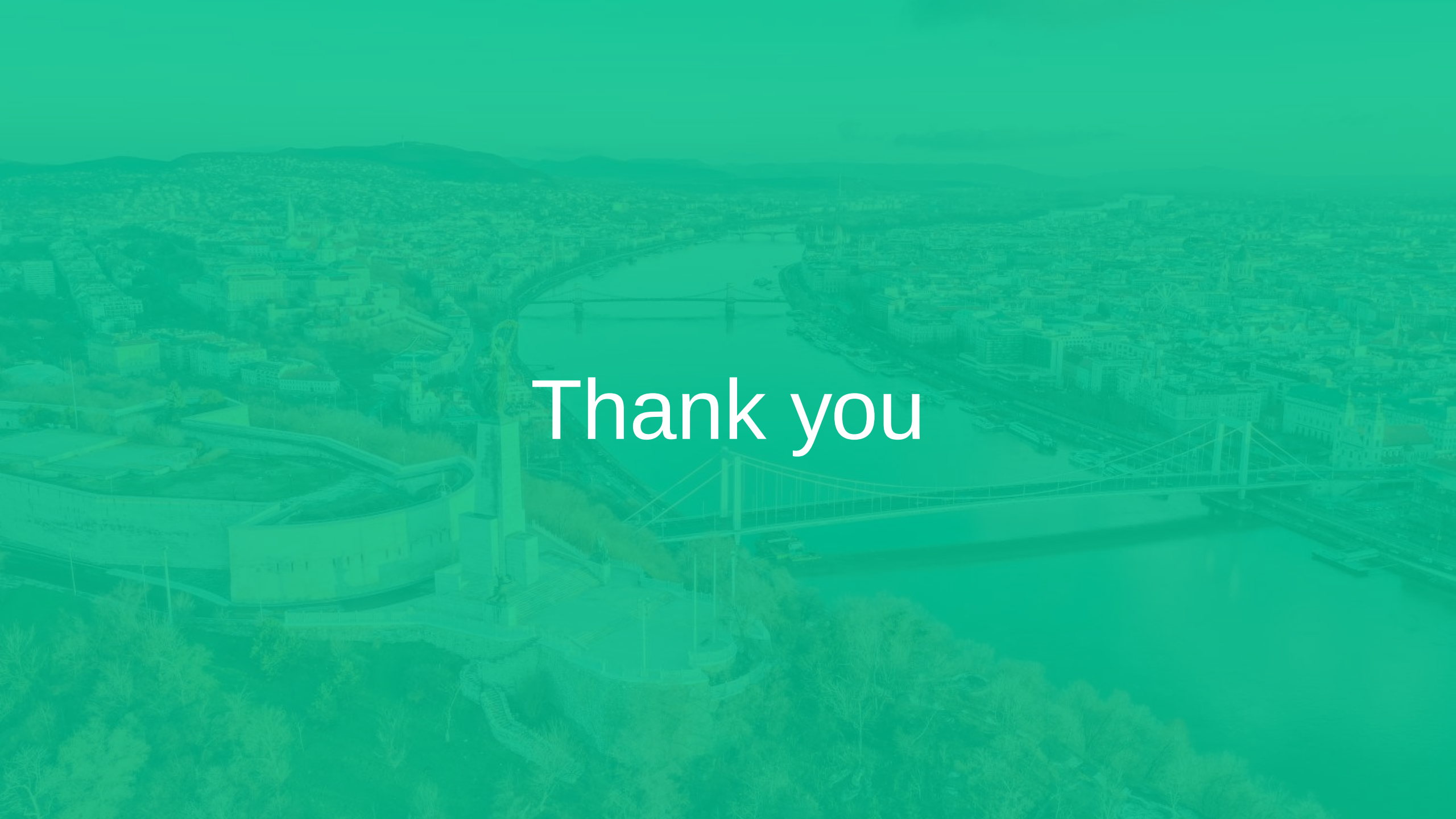
Questions?

# Mentimeter – Leave your feedback!

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- Are you happy with GBCI Europe's engagement throughout v5 public comments?
- Do you have suggestions for future European engagement activities?



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Pittsburgh, featuring a river with several bridges, including a prominent suspension bridge. The city is densely packed with buildings, and hills are visible in the background. The entire image is covered with a semi-transparent teal gradient.

Thank you