# FASBA's straw building activities ESBG 2015 Dipl.- Ing. Architekt Dirk Scharmer, In de Masch 6, 21394 Südergellersen, www.architekt-scharmer.de

### LEGALIZE IT





#### THIS IS A STORY OF ...

Quality.

Evidence.

Responsibility.





#### THE SYSTEM

*Undermine it?* 

Change it.

Use it.

achieve the one without abandoning the other





#### **QUALITY**

#### as a material and in building:

- pure golden straw
- long, oriented fibres,
- a certain density
- certain dimensions
- nothing else, right?





#### **EVIDENCE**

**Tests** of flammability **Tests** of thermal conductivity **Tests** of ...

Usability **certificates**, such as ETA's, which **translates** scientific and laboratory work to **building reality**.

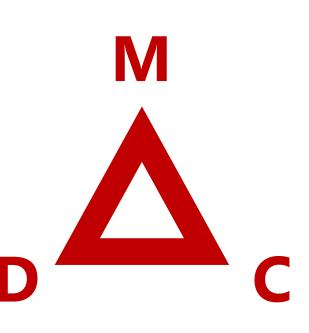




## RESPONSIBILITY TO CLIENT AND SOCIETY

Manufacturer for material, Craftsmen for installation and Designer for suitable application

Don't break that magic triangle!







#### **MANUFACTURER**

#### straw (from the field)

**In house** monitoring: meeting basic properties/ requirements

**Initial** inspection/ **external** monitoring: all relevant properties

periodically retention samples





#### **CRAFTSMEN**

# **Installed straw**Declaration of compliance

for density, thickness and other requirements of the usability certificate (e.g. ETA)

Training/ approved abilities





#### **DESIGNER**

## Compliance to range of application

referring to rules, standards, guidelines, approvals

Training/ approved abilities





#### LET'S DISCUSS IT!

#### Thesis 1

A general approval/ usability certificate such as ETA on european level or ABZ (national/german) is a nonbureaucratic, minimal invasive in-system-way to build with straw





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Thesis 2
An ETA/ ABZ document the state of science & Technology and our common knowledge





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Thesis 3

Published knowledge has influences on many levels. It is not evil itself but the way people use it may be.



