

# CONSERVATION CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY SOBRIETY IN HISTORIC HOUSES

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#### CHANGING MENTALITIES:

Overcoming the dichotomic approach...



Limestone sculpture, Italy, inherent degradation and climate interaction, © Danilo Forleo/ Château de Versailles



**CONSERVATION** 



CLIMATE &

Sustainability



Se Premier Ministre

Paris, le 13 avril 2022

Mesdames et Messieurs les ministres délégués Mesdames et Messieurs les secrétaires d'État

opérateurs et accompagnement des projets en cours permettant

Référence	6343/SG
Date de signature	13 avril 2022
Emetteur	Premier ministre
Objet	Réduction de la consommation de gaz naturel pour le chauffage des bâtiments de l'État et de ses opérateurs
Commande	Consignes de chauffage des bâtiments de l'État et de ses opérateurs, et mise en œuvre rapide des projets en cours afin de réduire la consommation de gaz naturel
Action à réaliser	Vous veillerez à l'application des mesures prescrites par la circulaire pour ajuster la température de chauffage des bătiments de l'État et de ses opérateurs. Vous inciterez les collectivités tentrioriales et les acteurs économiques à appliquer des mesures similaires. Enfin, vous encouragerez l'achèvement rapide des travaux déjà engagés permettant de réduire les consommations de gaz, ou plus largement d'énergies fossiles d'il c'Îhtver prochain
Echéance	Effet immédiat
Contact utile	Direction générale de l'aménagement, du logement et de la nature (DGALN), Direction de l'immobilier de l'État (DIE).
Nombre de pages et annexes	4 pages – 1 annexe

Le contexte international actuel a un impact sur les conditions d'approvisionnement du pays en gaz naturel, et doit conduire à une vigilance immédiate de l'ensemble des acteurs sur son utilisation. Le recours à cette énergie représente en effet environ 40 % de la consommation

la consommation énergétique globale du parc immobilier tertiaire à l'horizon 2050, tels que fixés par l'article 175 de la loi n° 2018-1021 du 23 novembre 2018 portant évolution du logement, de l'aménagement et du numérique (dite « loi ELAN »).

L'État – et plus largement l'ensemble des acteurs économiques – doit prendre toute sa part dans la réduction du recours à cette énergie fossile et contribuer à réduire <u>dès à présent</u> sa consommation pour réduire les possibles tensions d'approvisionnements l'hiver prochain. Er effet, tout volume de gaz qui n'est pas consommé en cette fin d'hiver 2021-2022, pourra être

**Circular no. 6343-SG of 13 April** 2022 on adjusting heating conditions in State buildings (...) to reduce gas consumption

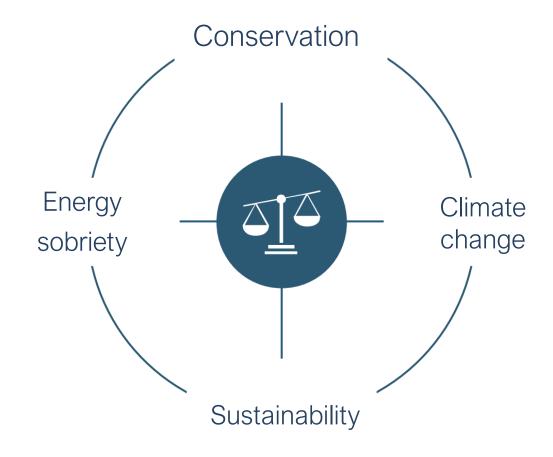




#### CHANGING MENTALITIES:

Overcomes the dichotomic approach towards a systemic approach









### CULTURAL HERITAGE & CLIMATE CHANGE:

Current state of knowledge

### ipcc

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https://www.ipcc.ch/about/

+ 2°C

expected temperature increase compared to pre-industrial times

→ Catastrophic effects on CH

+ 1.5°C

is the target for mitigating the effects

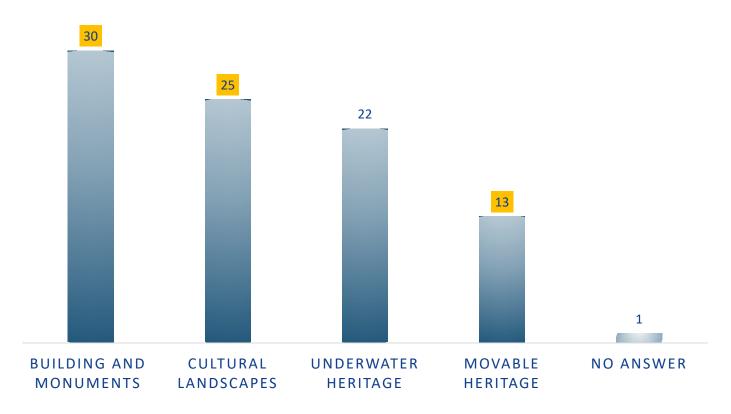
→ Carbon neutrality by 2050





#### CULTURAL HERITAGE & CLIMATE CHANGE:

The risk by type of heritage: the UE assessment









Examples of historic houses: buildings, gardens, collections

- © Domaine National de Chambord
- © ToucanWings/ Wikipedia,
- © Christian Milet/ Chateau de Versailles

#### Results of 83 case studies from 26 EU countries

State of play, with the number of responses from the OMC expert group members concerning policies addressing cultural heritage (CH) and climate change (CC) [1]





#### A SPECIFIC CONSERVATION SYSTEM: HISTORIC HOUSES AND PALACE-MUSEUMS



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### With high potential: 75% of EU Historic buildings could improve their energy efficiency





















<sup>©</sup> Screenshot of the website of The Network of European Royal Residences







Initial findings of the assessment results in the European partner of the EPICO program



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### OUTLIINE

- 1. International et National policies
- 2. Results of EPICO assessments
- 3. Goals of the new EPICO programme





#### REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL POLICIES

### Consequences of rising temperatures

- Increased pressure on air handling systems
   (risk of using of air conditioning instead of investing in insulation)
- Capillary rise and crystallization of salts
- Increased pest and biological contaminants
- Cracking of organic porous materials
- Cracking of decor due to clay soil movement
- ..









Examples of climate-related risks and damages, © Danilo Forleo/ Château de Versailles





#### REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL POLICIES

A convergence of intents

- → Assess
- → Raise awareness
- → Rediscover traditional methods
- → Focus on passive methods
- → Transdisciplinary approach

 $\rightarrow \dots$ 

International agreements and cooperations



European working groups





National agreements and cooperations



International non-governmental organizations















### EPICO METHOD

European Protocole in Preventive COnservation for Historic Houses

13 APPLICATIONS

5 EU COUNTRIES

150 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

6.588 DIAGNOSTICS

1.207 OBJECTS EXAMINED



- specific to historic houses
- systemic approach
- cause /effect relationship
- provide comprhensive vision
- be replicable/ transferable











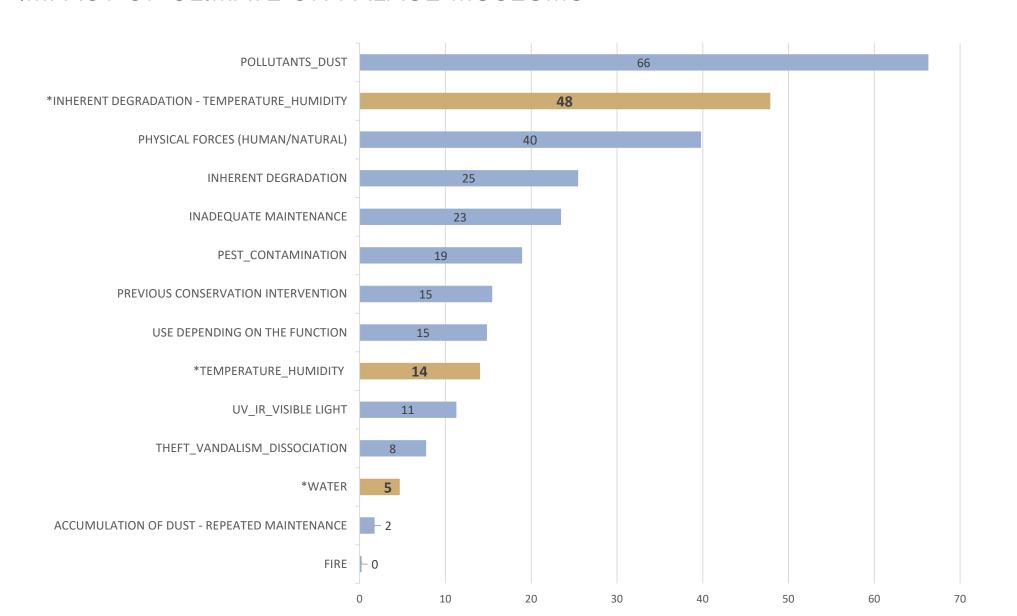


#### RANKING OF DAMAGE CAUSES

#### IMPACT OF CLIMATE ON PALACE-MUSEUMS



#### % DAMAGED OBJECTS









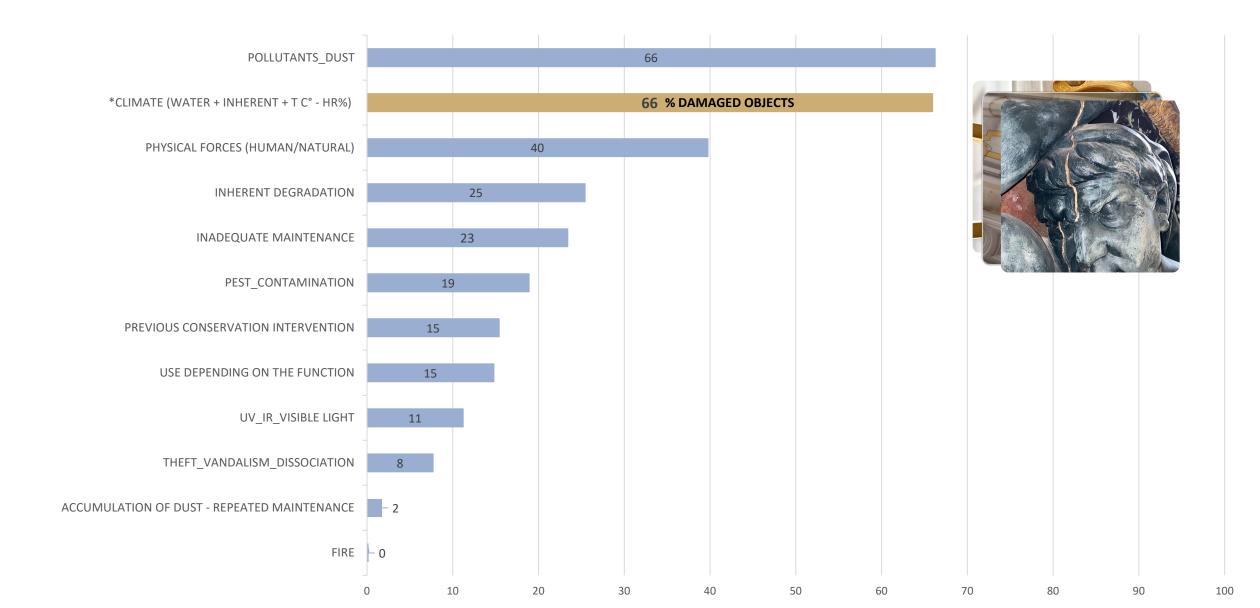
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#### RANKING OF DAMAGE CAUSES

#### IMPACT OF CLIMATE ON PALACE-MUSEUMS





21%

**POLAND** 

2016



61%

**GERMANY** 

2020-2023

58%

FRANCE

2016-2024

39%

**ITALY** 

2017



% DAMAGED OBJECTS

69%

**PORTUGAL** 

2019

80%

70%

60% 50%

40%

30%

20%

10%

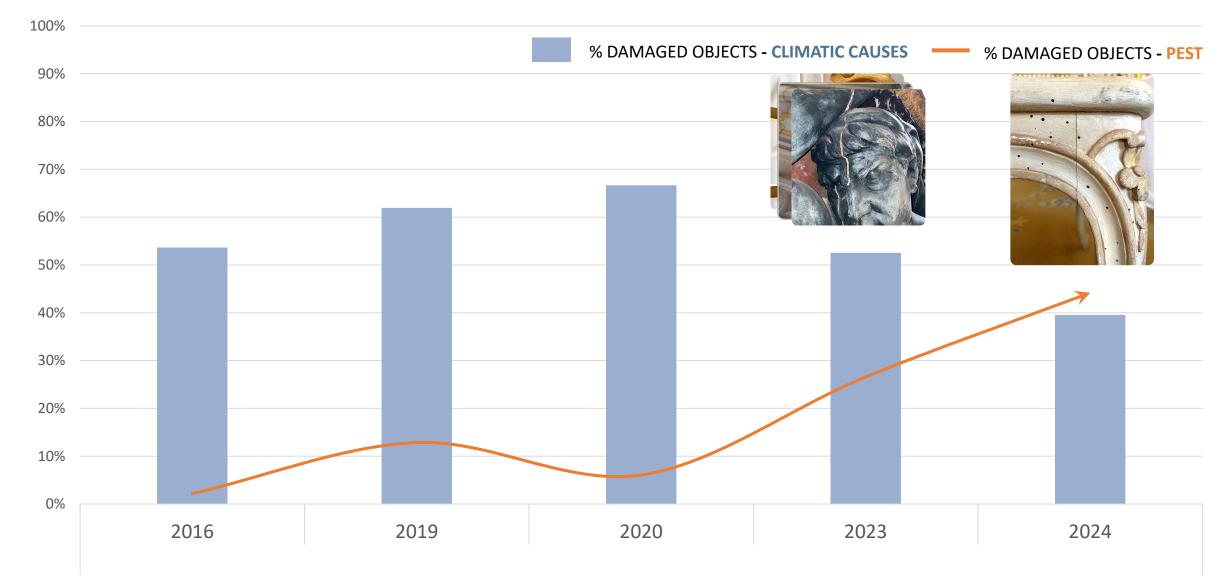
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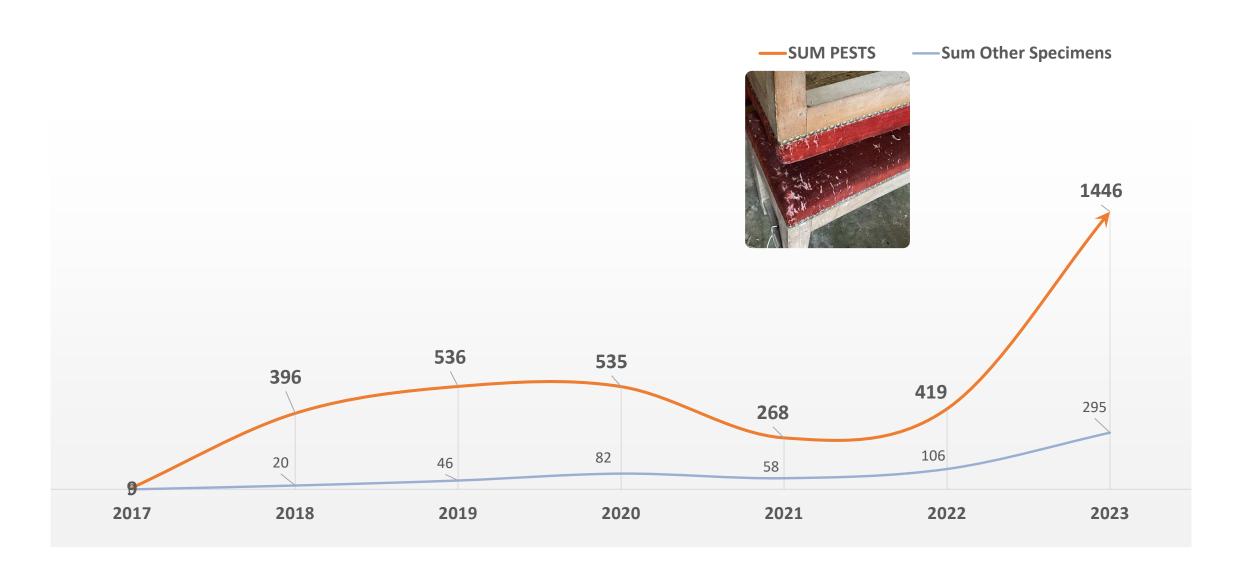
TIME VIEW: EVOLUTION OF PESTS/ OTHER CLIMATIC FACTORS

Île de France/ Picardie



### INCIDENCE DU CLIMAT DANS LES CHÂTEAUX-MUSÉES

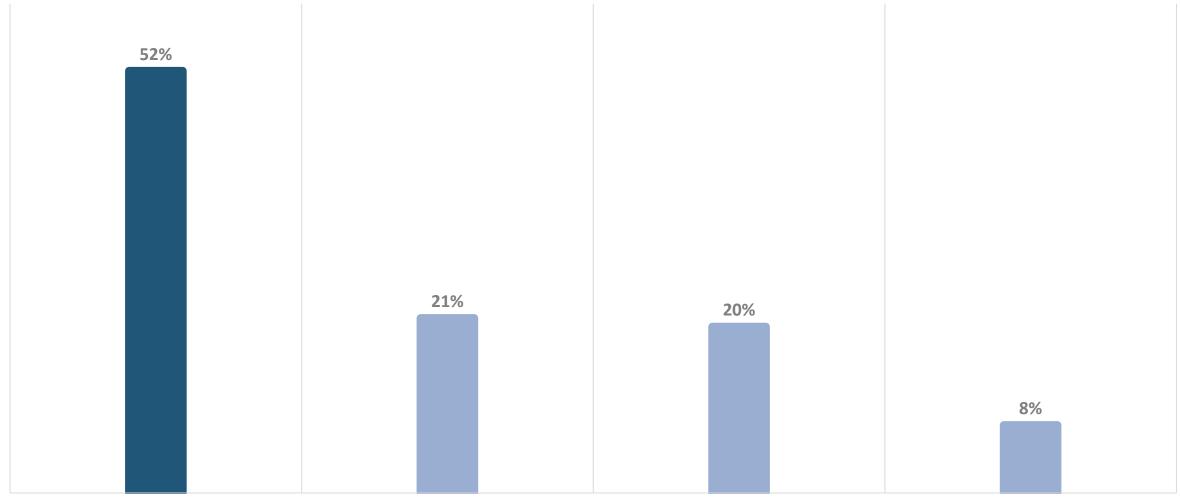
ÉVOLUTION DES RELEVÉS DES INFESTATIONS, VERSAILLES



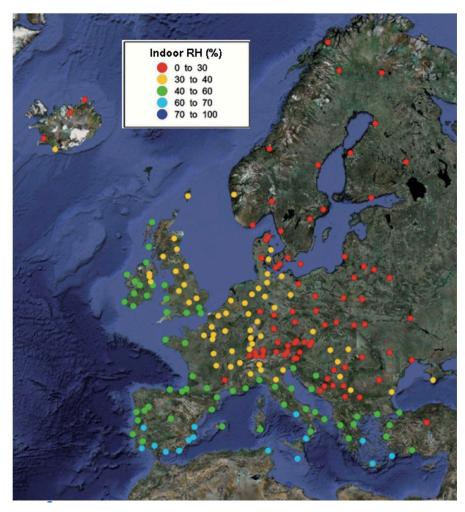


DIAGNOSTICS: LACK OF INSULATION

BY ACTIVE CAUSES: CLIMATE



### Low heating target

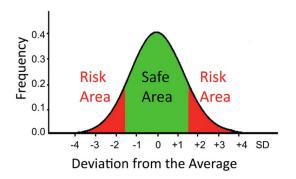


Source: From Historical Climate to Comfortable Climate in Historic Buildings. How Shall Energy Efficiency Cope with this Revolution? Camuffo, Bertolin, 2011

#### Avoids drops in relative humidity / degradation of organic objects

- → Saves on energy costs
- → Reduced ecological footprint

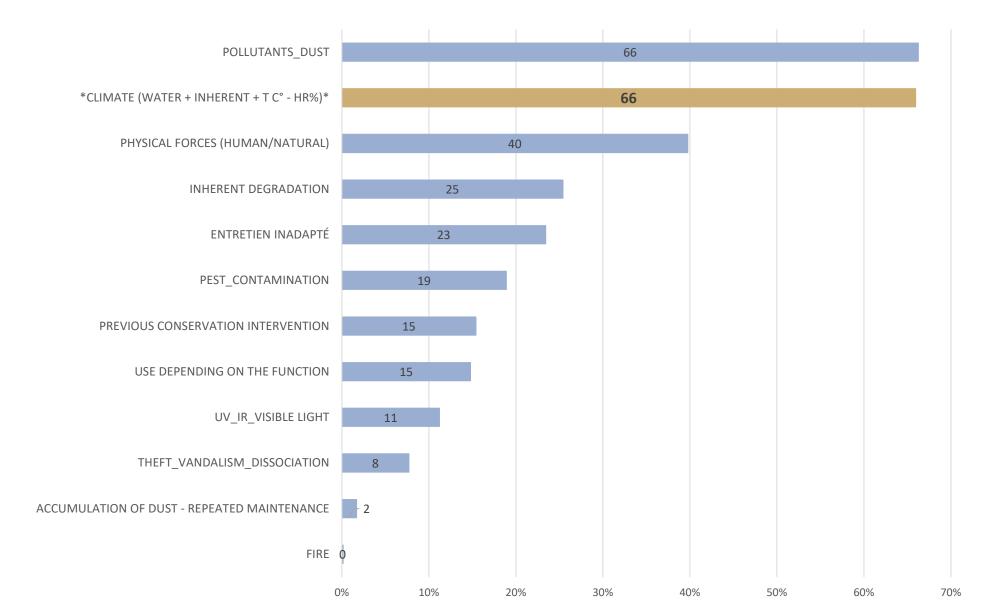
Map of Europe, showing the indoor RHin level in buildings heated at 18 °C in January, when outside the RHout level is 100%, e.g.vfog or persistent rain. If RHout=50%, then RHin is half the mapped values. In the coldest regions (On the North-Eastern side), the indoor RH drops too much with risk of permanent yield or even fracture of wooden artefacts



The green zones, safe for conserving collections, and the red zones, at risk, depend on the deviation of the relative humidity from the average historical climate.(EN 15757)

## European Protocol In Preventive Conservation

#### INVESTMENT IN INSULATION - REGULATION PROTOCOLS



#### % DAMAGED OBJECTS







90%

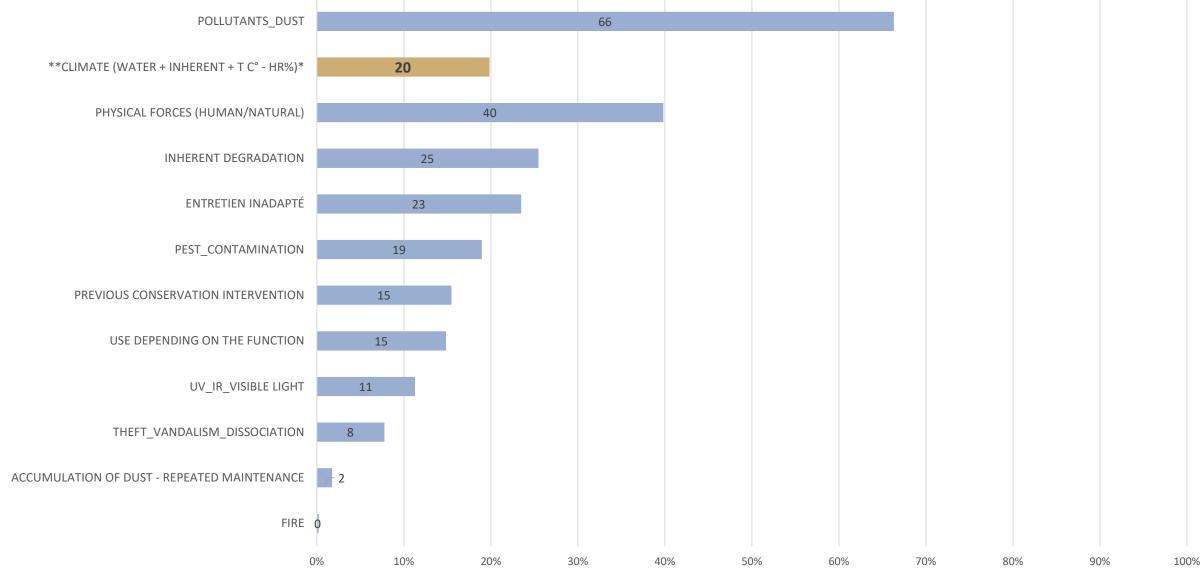
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80%

# European Protocol In Preventive Conservation

#### INVESTMENT IN INSULATION - REGULATION PROTOCOLS





### A CHART OF TRADITIONAL & MODERN CONSERVATION METHODS

FOR EUROPEAN HISTORIC HOUSES

#### A reduction in energy consumption is possible through passive interventions

- 10-40% possible reduction of energy loss by insulated windows\*
- 50-60% possible reduction in energy loss with interior curtains and shutters\*
  - \*Source: Energy Efficiency in Historic Timber Buildings, Grytil, 2011

#### Low heating target

- can avoid the use of air handling units preserving the architecture
- saving energy, protecting the collections from climatic shocks



Knole House, National Trust, UK, © Danilo Forleo



Traditional condensation draining system © https://fr.rec.bricolage.narkive.com



Use of shutters for heat and light protection, © Danilo Forleo/ Château de Versailles



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\*Combination of traditional and modern fabrics for light protection
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#### A NEW INTEGRATIVE AND MULTIDIMENSIONAL PLATFORM

#### FOR EPICO METHODE

















**HypErPICO** Hyper-spectral imaging coupled with 3D capture Identification of deterioration indicators through surface analysis









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