

# BEST WESTERN AJACCIO AMIRAUTÉ HOTEL\*\*\*\*

At the energy forefront of the  
European accommodation industry



Ajaccio, France



*"We embarked in the neZEH project as a continuity of an engagement which really began in 2013, when the hotel was awarded the Ecolabel. Today, we wish to take this engagement further."*

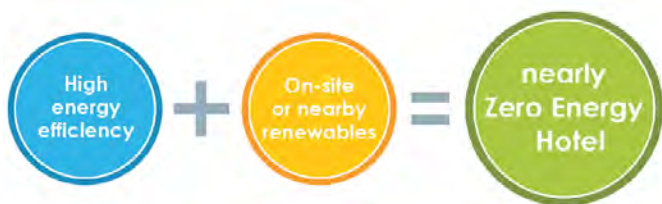
Bernard FARAUD, Co-founder

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The BEST WESTERN Ajaccio Amirauté is ideally located, close to the Congress Center, the seaside, the city center, and the airport. With its exceptional view over the harbour, this property, offers the best services of a 4-stars hotel: spa, solarium terrace, heated pool, private covered garage, Wi-Fi access, conference rooms, business corner, restaurant, front desk and snacks 24 hours. Since the opening, the founders of the BEST WESTERN Ajaccio Amirauté have asserted their motivation to create a hotel respectful of the environment.



In 2013, it became the first hotel in Corsica to be awarded the EU Ecolabel. This is a guarantee that the hotel is doing its best to limit its environmental impact.



**A nearly Zero-Energy Hotel (neZEH)** is a hotel that has a very high energy performance. The nearly zero or very low amount of energy required should be covered to a very significant extent by energy from renewable sources, including energy from renewable sources produced on-site or nearby.



## ...a hotel engaged to become neZEH

In 2015, the BEST WESTERN Ajaccio Amirauté committed to become highly energy performant by joining the neZEH European project. It has benefited from support to analyse its current energy status and to identify the potential improvements to be made to reduce its energy consumption. Innovative funding mechanisms and public support will contribute to make this ambitious target of nearly Zero Energy feasible. Through this commitment, the BEST WESTERN Ajaccio Amirauté aims to limit its environmental impact but also to improve comfort for its guests.

### What benefits for guests?

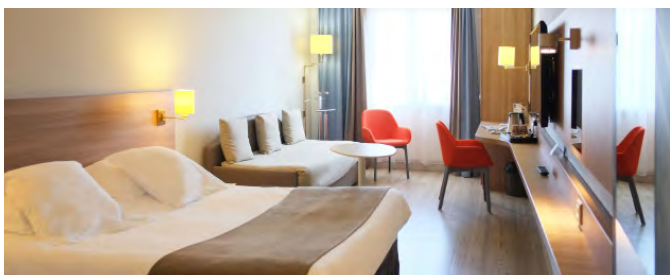
Staying in a neZEH hotel is a guarantee that the hôtel is working hard to improve the comfort of its clients: high standards of indoor environmental quality, temperature fluctuations minimized, improved air-ventilation system, etc. Clients also participate to drive changes in the Industry towards sustainability, thus enhancing environmental conservation.



## Measures towards nearly Zero Energy

Reaching the nZEB status is an ambitious target for existing hotels, and requires significant investments and time. To become neZEH, the BEST WESTERN Ajaccio Amirauté is engaged in a long-term process, involving several actions:

- Change inefficient lighting by LED
- Replace current glazing with 4/16/4 glazing with solar control
- Install solar protection
- Install a double-flow HVAC system with heat exchanger
- Install a solar hot water production and a heat recovery system on grey water
- Install a Building Management System
- Put pressure regulators to taps and showers
- Work on behavioral change: involve guests and train staff



## Help us saving energy...



Please remember to switch off the heating or air-conditioning when you open the window.

During the night, turning off the television standby save the equivalent of its use for two movies.



We change your sheets upon request or every 3 days.

Taking a bath instead of a shower consumes on average three times more water and energy



For your newspaper, cans, glass and plastics bottles, please use the wastebasket in the bedroom; for the other waste, use the wastebasket in the bathroom.

## Benefits for the environment

Our hotel saves energy, natural resources and fights climate change! Through the implementation of identified measures:



332 MWh of energy saved per year



35 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/year of Greenhouse Gas emissions avoided.



58,4 MWh of energy from renewable sources produced per year



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Through the European Initiative nearly Zero Energy Hotels (neZEH) the hotel gained access to technical expertise and received energy audits recommending technical solutions, feasibility study for decision making, advice on funding, training for staff and marketing tools.

To learn more about the neZEH project, please contact [info@energies2050.org](mailto:info@energies2050.org)



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