BRE is the world’s leading, multi-disciplinary building science organisation: an innovative group of researchers, scientists, engineers and technicians who share a common goal – to make the built environment better for all.

BRE uses independent cutting-edge research to generate new knowledge and to develop our range of products, services, standards and qualifications which are used around the world to bring about positive change in the built environment. BRE’s work helps to ensure that buildings, homes and communities are safe, efficient, productive, sustainable and enjoyable places to be, and BRE’s customers use our expertise and services to deliver their social, environmental and economic goals.

BRE’s mission and vision?
BRE’s mission is to build a better world together: to improve buildings and infrastructure, through research and knowledge generation and their application, with a vision to make an unmistakable imprint on a highly regarded built environment.

Established in 1921, BRE has been making a positive difference on the environment for nearly 100 years. BRE is owned by a charity called the BRE Trust, which delivers one of the world’s largest programs of built environment education and research, for the public good.

Our science has been applied to some of the most outstanding and iconic buildings in the world including the Bloomberg building in London, the COFCO Landmark in China, the Unilever Innovation centre in the Netherlands, the London 2012 Olympic stadia, Number 10 Downing St, the EDF Tower Paris and The Edge, Amsterdam.

BRE’s core business areas are:
- Buildings and infrastructure performance
- Life safety, property protection, fire, physical and cyber security
- Training
- Smart homes and buildings
- Health & wellbeing and healthy cities
- Construction processes, supply chain and project management
- Asset Management
- Adaptation and resilience
- Testing
- Certification

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BRE’s Unique Expertise: Our Solutions & services

**Sustainability and building performance**
BRE’s expertise in sustainability encompasses the whole life cycle of the construction industry, from planning through to refurbishment or disposal. We created the world’s first sustainability standard for buildings: BREEAM.

**Fire safety & security**
Our international LPCB certification schemes for fire and security products provide our customers with a stamp of approval which gives them direct access to trade in approximately 65 countries. These schemes are the most robust and challenging anywhere in the world. They put health, safety and wellbeing first.

**Energy**
Our range of tools and calculators provide a unique expert insight into all aspects of energy technology, design and management to commercial, public and industrial organisations. BRE set-up and runs the National Solar Centre – the UK’s centre of solar energy excellence.

**Resilience**
BRE owns the Flood Resilient House and Dementia Friendly House – two demonstration spaces on the Watford Innovation Park, aimed at showing what can be achieved to mitigate the effects of floods and an ageing population. We also work to support research into disaster relief through Q-SAND.

**Health & safety**
As well as Fire Safety, BRE also provides a range of expertise on the wellbeing of individuals within their built environments such as schools, workplaces and homes. This includes our research into Biophilic offices. BRE runs YellowJacket, the tool to manage health, safety and quality on your site, as part of the SmartSite suite of tools.

**Expert witness**
Investigation, technical arbitration, technical dispute resolution and expert witness services. BRE’s expertise across the whole built environment enables us to conduct the investigations that will help find the answers.

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