

## **Reflection**

## **Motivation**

One of the motivations for choosing this project, is the current housing situation in Spain. Europe has over 11 million empty properties, 3.4 million of which are in Spain, is more than enough to house the homeless continent's population of 4.1 million.

In this context, it is obvious that the new housing will not be a good business in Spain. However, whether it will be a good sector for the restorations and renovations. So this is the reason because I'm interested to know the world of conservation buildings.

## **Overall impression**

When I was introduced to Maarten Vieven, he proposed me the new challenge in the city of Franeker. The reason for the study was obtained from the initiative launched by a number of residents from the town of Franeker. The initiative, which operates under the name "workgroup energetic restoration Franeker" hereinafter wERF, has set a goal to give Franeker sustainable appearance.

The main purpose of the group is to look for the many monumental buildings in the downtown area and the problem that these premises entail regarding the maintenance and management of properties a solution. Many of the old historic buildings lose a lot of heat generated in the air, making homes spend much fossil fuel. This creates high costs for users and a high load on the environment. This problem calls for an adjustment of these homes in order to achieve an improvement of the energy performance. The working group is looking for ways to restore these historic buildings in a responsible manner without the loss of historic value and thereby reduce energy consumption. In this context wERF works with Office North Area. Front wERF has prepared a study by North Area Office.

I found it very interesting. It was a real project, with customers (wERF) and a common goal. Improving energy efficiency without compromising the historical value. I left very motivated after this first interview with Marteen Vieven .