## Innovative display technique for the building envelope A research on electrowetting as new glazing method





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## THE FAÇADE DREAM













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Architectural





## THE FAÇADE DREAM





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Mood & Health

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Architectural

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## Smart glazings

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## Energy efficient

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# **Boundary conditions**

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## **Responsive Building Concept**

### Interest in the topic

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Dynamic Adaptive

Multi functional

Intelligent

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## Multi functional

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## Multi functional

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## Will electrowetting be different?

# **Research question**

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What are possible applications of electrowetting for the building envelope and could those applications be **feasible** with regard to user comfort, energy performances and architectural interventions?

# **Electrowetting basics**

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## WATERDROPLET ON A HYDROPHOBIC SURFACE

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[1]



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## WATERDROPLET ON A HYDROPHOBIC SURFACE

## [2] APPLY VOLTAGE

[1]

etting basics





#### WATERDROPLET ON A HYDROPHOBIC SURFACE

#### [2] APPLY VOLTAGE

[1]

THE INTERFACE (BETWEEN DROPLET AND [3] SURFACE) BECOMES CHARGED







#### Waterdroplet on a hydrophobic surface

#### [2] APPLY VOLTAGE

[1]

[3] The interface (between droplet and surface) becomes charged

#### [4] The droplet spreads







[1] WATERDROPLET ON A HYDROPHOBIC SURFACE

#### [2] APPLY VOLTAGE

- [3] The interface (between droplet and surface) becomes charged
- [4] The droplet spreads
- [5] REMOVE VOLTAGE, SURFACE TENSIONS RETURN TO STATE 1











## Electrowetting basics

# Colour gamut



## Electrowetting basics













Velocities of technologies for manipulation of liquids in mm/s







#### Velocities of technologies for manipulation of liquids in mm/s



# Gravity







# Transparency

# Mechanisms



# Triple layer method













Single layer method































BISTABLE





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# Prisms & lens



# BIOMETRICS High resolution focus





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# Building functions




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LIGHTING COMFORT (47%) ENERGY (27%) ARCHITECTURE (27%)

#### 'Guess who?!'



#### Energy potential



#### Lighting potential



#### Control preferences







#### 'Guess who?!'





Desired display resolution









## Conclusions

#### Smart glazing?

#### Multi functional?



#### Conclusions



Conclusions













User value







# **Future perspective**

#### Billboards



#### Billboards



### 2016 Future perspective

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### Thank you!

