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Welcome New GlobalABC Members

AAPi Design
EC&D
Cyprus Department of Public Works
Global Building Network
Lalitpur Metropolitan City
Qatar Foundation

If you're interested in getting in touch with our new members, please contact us.

News from the GlobalABC Secretariat

New GlobalABC Report Launch Webinar

Adopting Decarbonization Policies in the Buildings and Construction Sector to support Economic Stimulus

Thursday, 11 June 2020 | 9:00 - 10:30 (CEST)

Register here:
bit.ly/webinar-adapting-decarbonization-policies

Adopting Decarbonization Policies in the Buildings and Construction Sector - Report Launch & Webinar

“Adopting Decarbonization Policies in the Buildings and Construction Sector” is the newest report from the GlobalABC and provides a review of the evidence of the impact of implementing cost-effective policy measures to reduce the carbon footprint of the buildings and construction sector. The report reflects on the most important measures that policymakers at all jurisdiction levels should consider when planning building climate actions that can deliver the most economic impact and emissions savings over the long-term.
Please join the GlobalABC and GBPN at the launching webinar for a presentation on the key findings of the report, followed by a panel discussion with experts from government and private sector:

**Thursday, 11 June 2020 | 09:00 - 10:30am (CEST)**

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### COVID-19 - More News on Building Back Better

COVID-19 has brought the relationship we have with the built environment to center stage - find below the work of our members in this topic:

- (PEEB) [COVID-19 Stimulus Spending for Green Construction means Building Back Better](#)
- (WBCSD)
  - [WBCSD COVID-19 Response Program](#)
  - [How business is responding to COVID-19](#)
  - [Business as unusual, reshaping the present and the future](#) and its [Virtual Event Series](#)
  - [WBCSD releases insights into macro trends and disruptions impacting businesses over the next decade](#)
- (BPIE): [Covid-19 recovery: Investment opportunities in deep renovation in Europe](#)
- (IEA) [The Role of Energy Efficiency in COVID Stimulus Packages](#)

Have a piece on COVID-19 and buildings? Share it with us at [global.abc@un.org](mailto:global.abc@un.org).

Visit now

**GlobalABC Member & Buildings News**

**International PASSIVE HOUSE Association**

*Are the energy savings of the passive house standard reliable?*
A report reviewing the as-built thermal and space heating performance of passive house dwellings from 1990 to 2018

COVID-19 Stimulus Spending for Green Construction Means Building Back Better

The new article from the Programme for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (PEEB) explores how short-term stimulus packages can become a double tool for economic recovery and environmental sustainability, by setting smart and effective criteria for green buildings.

Building Resilient Societies after the COVID-19 Pandemic

This document provides policy recommendations extracted from International Resource Panel research over the past 10 years to drive a resource smart recovery, generating socio-economic value while safeguarding the environment.
Webinar Recording Available - Data for Building Energy Performance

This training organised by the World Resources Institute and Building Efficiency Accelerator focuses on how to collect, aggregate, cleanse, and prepare the data necessary for use of the Building Efficiency Targeting Tool for Energy Retrofits (BETTER). It will also provide step-wise guidance to BEA and C40 participants on how to enter data into BETTER and use the outputs.

Watch Now

Webinar Recording Available - A Deeper Dive into Zero Net Carbon Schools

This webinar dives into the technical aspects of the process, spheres of influence in decision-making, and tools to successfully implement your own zero net carbon (ZNC) project. This webinar will feature case study presentations from David Kaneda and John Andary of Integral Group who will discuss their long-term success in transforming schools and districts to pursue a zero net energy and carbon outcome.

Watch Now

Upcoming Events

Construction21 MOOCs

Construction21 is offering 7 MOOCs on sustainable building! Follow the link below to find out more and register for the MOOC that interests you:

Passive and Low Carbon Buildings: Global approach through BIM
BIOMOOC: Discover the bio-based building
Construction: Technical, legal and commercial challenges
And more!

(All MOOCs are offered exclusively in French.)

Learn more
WorldGBC MENA and Africa Green Building Congress 2020

It brings us much pleasure to invite you to be part of our virtual 2nd WorldGBC MENA Green Building Congress that is organised under the patronage of the Minister of Climate Change and the Environment H.E. Dr. Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi and in partnership with Majid Al Futtaim Holding. The congress will provide participants with an excellent opportunity to learn about the latest green building market developments.

We invite you to join our two day virtual business forum to learn about the latest developments regarding:

- The global effort towards advancing net zero
- Embodied carbon in building
- The impact of buildings on Health and wellbeing
- Sustainable reconstruction in conflict zones

This paid event will be held:
Tuesday, 23 June 2020 | 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CEST)
Wednesday, 24 June 2020 | 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CEST)

Register

COP26 Dates Announced!

The Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change), with the UK and its Italian partners, agreed today new dates for the COP26 UN climate conference, which will now take place between 1 and 12 November 2021 in Glasgow.
WBCSD Virtual Event Series on Business as Unusual

The unprecedented scale of disruption brought by the COVID-19 crisis is a vivid reminder that business as usual is no longer viable. A few months ago, little did we know about the extent to which our economies and societies would be impacted. It is hard to predict the final impacts nor the speed of recovery towards the ‘new normal’.

Over the months of April through July, these featured sessions will provide the opportunity to engage across a wide spectrum of relevant and strategic topics and participate in collaborative projects. Fully complimentary (except for the Circular Transition Indicators training), the events will highlight innovative and collaborative solutions to face current and future challenges.

Calls, Initiatives & Funding

NDC Support Facility - Last chance to apply!

[Proposals by 26 June] Launched in January 2020, the NDC Support Facility for Efficient, Climate-Friendly Cooling (NDC Facility) provides funding and guidance to organizations to support governments that want to integrate cooling solutions into the next round of their country’s Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), which are expected to culminate at the 2020 UNFCCC climate negotiations (COP26) in Glasgow. It has up to US$12 million available for technical assistance (TA) to improve access to and the efficiency of cooling in developing countries. Proposals are due by 26 June 2020. To learn more about how to apply for funding, click on the link below.

Prepare your case study: the Green Solutions Awards return in September
The Green Solutions Awards, an international competition for sustainable buildings, neighborhoods and infrastructure, were not launched in March as every year. Instead, for their new edition, the kick-off will be given in September during World Green Building Week! Learn more about the application.

Learn more

WorldGBC Online Case Study Library

WorldGBC’s interactive digital case study library map showcases some of the world’s most cutting-edge sustainable buildings. Launched in November 2019, it recognizes the growing market demand to highlight the ‘best in class’ buildings that excel in key areas of sustainability, and the role of certification schemes to provide third party assurance of performance. Click the button below to learn how to submit a case.

Learn more

Would you like to see your organizations events featured in the next GlobalABC newsletter or on the GlobalABC website? Send us your updates at global.abc@un.org.

GlobalABC Flagship Products

2019 Global Status Report


Executive Summaries in other languages in this link.

Read full report

A Guide for Incorporating Buildings Actions in the NDCs

A first edition designed to address the urgent need for further extending the scope and ambition of building sector actions in NDCs. Developed with and through GlobalABC member countries.

Read full report

GlobalABC Global Roadmap

This Roadmap describes the main goals and steps for a transformation towards a zero-emission, efficient, and resilient buildings and construction sector. The GlobalABC is regionalizing the Roadmap for Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

Read full report

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