

Call for Reviewers

Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 17, 2016, 5:59 pm, Brasília Time.

Greenbuilding Brasil is seeking peer reviewers to evaluate proposals for education sessions at the 2016 Greenbuilding Brasil International Conference and Expo. Peer reviewers help maintain the outstanding reputation of Greenbuilding Brasil by identifying exceptional and timely presentations. Engaging highly qualified reviewers with expertise and experience in technical content areas defined in the Call for Session Proposals is essential to the ongoing success of the Greenbuilding Brasil Education Program.

Basic Requirements for Reviewers

- Expertise in subject(s) covered by one or more program topic areas.
- Commitment to complete review of all assigned proposals by March 04th deadline.
- Research Reviewers: Familiarity with advanced green building topics; knowledge of existing body of research relevant to one or more research topic areas.

How to Apply

All applicants must complete the electronic application online by 5:59 pm, Brasília Time, on Wednesday, February 17, 2016. *Emailed, faxed or mailed applications will not be accepted.*

Those who have submitted an education session proposal for Greenbuilding Brasil are welcome to serve as an education session reviewer. Our system will automatically ensure that a reviewer will not be assigned to review a proposal they, or anyone else from their company, submitted.

Timeline

Monday, November 23, 2015 Wednesday, February 17, 2016 Wednesday, February 24, 2016 Friday, March 04, 2016 Thursday, March 17, 2016 Call for Reviewers opens
Deadline for Reviewer Applications is 5:59 pm, Brasília Time.
First Round of Review begins.
First Round of Review ends at 5:59 pm, Brasília Time.
Second Round of Review begins and ends.

Reviewing Policies

Each reviewer will receive electronic access to a range of 10-15 submissions by February 24 and will need to complete online evaluations no later than March 04, 2016 at 5:59 pm, Brasilia Time. Please note that serving as a reviewer represents a significant time commitment and responsibility for ensuring timely and thorough reviews of all assigned proposals.

Those who complete their assignments will receive a 20% discount off of a Greenbuilding Brasil Full Conference registration. This discount is non-transferable and may not be combined with any other discount. Additionally, those who complete all reviews will receive three (3) LEED CMP CE hours in exchange for the hours they spent reviewing education session proposals.

Scoring System

All session proposals will be reviewed and scored during the first round by a team of volunteer reviewers using a 20-point scale. These rankings will be used by the Program Working Group to select presenters and sessions for the final program. Reviewers will rate proposals using the following scoring system:

Max Value	Criteria
3 points	The speakers are industry experts who have a wealth of experience and range of perspectives relevant to the topic.
3 points	The learning objectives are clear, relevant to the topic presented and challenging to the Greenbuilding audience.
4 points	The proposed session provides attendees with relevant, timely, and applicable content.
2 points	The proposed session will employ the specified session style and length in an effective manner.
4 points	This session offers innovative or inspirational content to green building professionals.
4 points	I would recommend this session to an attendee interested in the subject matter.
20 points	Highest possible score

Preferred Presentation Topics

The following five topics have been identified as priorities for the 2016 program:

- Materials
- Net Zero
- Resilience
- Social Responsibility, Community Action & Engagement
- Water

However, Greenbuild remains committed to delivering a broad spectrum of education topics to reach our diverse attendees and is represented in the full list below.

Presentation Topics

- Affordable Housing: Strategies; Leverage; Design and Construction.
- Building Performance: On-going Operational Performance; Post-Occupancy Studies.

- Codes and Certification Systems: Third Party Certifications (including LEED); Application and Impact of Codes; Local Energy Reporting; Applying Standards Internationally.
- **Community and Neighborhood Development:** Ecodistricts; LEED-ND; Urban and Regional Planning; Food Security; Transportation Systems; Community Revitalization.
- **Cultural Context:** Location-Specific Design Concerns; Historic Preservation; Planning and design that strengthens/renews the historic and social fabric of a community.
- **Design Innovation and Application**: Regenerative Design; Biophilia; Modular; Universal Design; Adaptation; Flexibility; Integrative Process; Technology.
- Energy Efficiency (New and Existing buildings): Demand Reduction; Increasing Efficiency; Building
- Systems; Lighting Design; Energy Efficiency in Historic Buildings.
- **Finance, Insurance, Legal and Appraisals**: Financial Aspects and Implications; Financial Risk Analysis; Insurance and Appraisals; Green Building Finance; Sustainable Return on Investment; Residential Finance and Market Development; Legal issues related to green building and green leases.
- Government and Policy: Policies/Programs/Codes; Impacts of Policies/Programs/Codes; Incentive
- Programs.
- Green Schools: K-12; College; Campus; Curriculum Development in K-12, Higher Ed.
- **Health and Well-Being:** Productivity; Health Issues; Human Behavior; Human Comfort; How Place Affects Behavior; Human Psychology; Ergonomics; Evidence-Based Design; Active Design; IAQ; Operations and Maintenance; Day Lighting; Acoustics.
- Market Transformation: Advocacy; Marketing; New Trends in Business Models; Consumer Education.
- Materials: Life Cycle Assessment; Resource Recovery; Zero Waste; EPDs and HPDs.
- Net Zero; Energy; Water; Waste; Carbon; Net Zero 2020.
- **Professional Development and Training**: Vocational Programs; Credentials; Mentorship; Green Jobs.
- **Renewables:** Solar; Wind; Small Scale Hydro; Fuel Cells; Algae; Utility Grid Connections; Energy Disaggregation; Energy Storage.
- Residential Development, Single Family and Multi Family: Innovative Residential Systems (e.g. water, energy, waste, IAQ); Construction Techniques; Transportation Oriented Development (TOD); Community Development; Placemaking.
- Resilience: Adaptation; Climate Changes; Vulnerability Assessments; Disaster Response.
- Site Issues: Campus Planning; Landscape; Ecosystem Services; Hydrology; Infrastructure; Roads; Ecology.
- Smart Grid/Smart Buildings: Demand Response; Intersection of Utility Infrastructure and Building Technology; Microgrids.
- Social Responsibility, Community Action & Engagement:
 Community Based Sustainability Initiatives; Community Participation, Climate and Environmental Justice;
 Social Equity; Corporate Social Responsibility.
- Water: Water Efficiency; Wastewater; Process Water; Greywater; Water Footprinting; Water Neutral; Landscape for Drought Tolerance.

For assistance with questions regarding the Call for Reviewers, please email programa@gbcbrasil.org.br