



About the Africa Green Building Summit

The Green Building Council of Mauritius with the support of the World Green Building Council is proud to host the Africa Green Building Summit and Exhibition this year in Mauritius. This is the largest summit and exhibition dedicated to green buildings.

The ***Africa Green Building Summit and Exhibition 2018 (4th annual edition)*** will be held at the Intercontinental Hotel, Balaclava, Mauritius from 18th to 20th April, 2018.

The AGBS is purely dedicated to green building and will bring together local and international industry leaders, experts, professionals and suppliers of green products and services. The AGBS will cover a variety of themes through presentations, case studies and round table discussions.

Under this Summit, the Green Building Council of Mauritius (GBCM) will also host the ***World Green Building Council's (WGBC) Africa Regional Network (ARN) meeting (2nd annual edition)***, gathering the Green Building Councils across Africa (South Africa, Kenya, Tanzania, Ghana, Namibia, Rwanda, Zambia and Botswana) for meaningful discussions as well as adoption of green building strategies in the continent.

AGBS 2018 will feature two days of inspiring speakers; invaluable networking opportunities; showcase of green products and services; training on IFC EDGE and WELL rating tools and networking at the cocktail and gala dinner.

AGBS is the premier gathering for the sustainable building community in Africa, bringing together local and international industry leaders, experts, professionals and manufacturers/suppliers in the green building industry.

Themes

Smart Cities – Trends & Technologies

Green Buildings – Cost & Benefits

Green Buildings – Health & Wellbeing

Energy Efficiency

Net Zero Buildings

Renewable Energy and the Built Environment

Sustainable Urban Planning

Sustainable Local Materials

Biomimicry and Biophilia

Heritage & Green Buildings

Speakers

Speakers would be from the World Green Building Council Africa Regional Network – a network of 8 green building councils, from other international organizations, and from Mauritius and La Reunion.

1. Introduction by Lee Siang, WGBC Chairman - **confirmed**
2. Dr Okan Geray - Smart Dubai - **tentative**
3. Dr Obango – World heritage Bill - **tentative**
4. Mr Foster (Architect from Ghana)- Green Airport - **tentative**
5. Professor Rughooputh – University of Mauritius - **tentative**
6. Dr Vasantt Jogoo - Urban planning - **tentative**
7. Mr Anand - India Green Building Council - **confirmed**
8. Prof. Francois Garde - Universite de la Reunion - **tentative**
9. Zoe Rozar – Mission Verte - **tentative**
10. Indian Ocean Commission (IOC) representative for Green Schools - **tentative**
11. Health and Well Being Specialist – **confirmed** – Deepak Gulati, Green Business Certification Inc (GBCI), India (a premier organization for certification, credentialing and customer support with offices in the US, Europe and India. GBCI supports project teams and professionals in over 160 countries)
12. Farizan (Tanzania Green Building Council) - Rwanda Project - **confirmed**
13. Sharoda Rapeti – Deloitte - Blockchain & Real Estate - **confirmed**

Agenda

Conference Programme (Thursday 19th and Friday 20th April 2018)

- Morning Session 1 (09:15 to 10: 45)
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 - Speaker 2
- Tea Break (10: 45 to 11:00)
- Morning Session 2 (11:00 to 12:30)
 - Speaker 3
 - Speaker 4
- Lunch (12:30 to 13:30)
- Afternoon Session (13:30 to 15:00)
 - Speaker 5
 - Speaker 6
- Tea break (15:00 to 15:15)
- Round Table Discussions (15:15 to 16:45)

A total of 4 round table sessions for the two days.

Themes for the round table discussions are; Metro Express, Smart City, Renewable Energy, and Heritage

Education Programme (Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th April 2018)

EDGE Technical Workshop – EDGE Expert Training (full day)

The EDGE Technical Workshop will help EDGE project teams understand the EDGE standard, utilize the software application, and navigate the certification process. It will also qualify and prepare [EDGE Expert](#) candidates to take the EDGE exam.

The workshop will be presented in English by
GBCI's Deepak Gulati, LEED AP B+C & WELL AP

Workshop Agenda:

- EDGE overview
- The EDGE self-assessment and certification process
- Practical experience with the EDGE software
- Tips and resources to help sell EDGE to developers and owners

Understanding the WELL Building Standard™



Time: 4 hours (half day)

GBCI Course Code: 0920007119

AIA Course Code: WELL4CE16

Audience: Design professionals, contractors, developers, owners, facilities managers, sustainability consultants and health professionals who are interested in incorporating health into the design of the built environment.

Course Description: “Understanding the WELL Building Standard” is a half-day workshop designed to introduce the intent, key elements and requirements of the WELL Building Standard, the world’s first building standard focused exclusively on the health and wellness of the people in the buildings. Attendees will learn how to harness the built environment as a vehicle to support human health, well-being, and comfort. The ideology, structure, and certification process of the WELL program are covered in-depth, as well as the health basis for each Feature. Strategies for improving the nutrition, fitness, mood, sleep patterns, and performance of occupants through design and construction practices are explored in detail. WELL case studies are also highlighted.

The WELL Workshop – helps building professionals and owners understand their role as public health practitioners. It also helps medical professionals understand the critical role that the built environment plays in the health and well-being of occupants.

For those seeking to become [WELL Accredited Professionals \(WELL APs\)](#), this workshop helps to prepare for the WELL AP exam.

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Learning Objectives:

- Identify the purpose, key components, and structure of the WELL Building Standard
- Discuss the health basis for the Concepts and Features of the WELL Building Standard
- Understand successful strategies for meeting the requirements of the WELL Features
- Learn about WELL resources and how to become a WELL Accredited Professional



About GBCI

Green Business Certification Inc. (GBCI) is the premier organization independently recognizing excellence in green business industry performance and practice globally. Founded in 2008, GBCI exclusively administers project certifications and professional credentials and certificates for the foremost industry standards advancing sustainable business, building and communities.

GBCI administers EDGE certification in [over 120 countries around the world](#). GBCI provides its EDGE customers with trusted, quality certification; award winning customer service; best-in-class marketing and promotion support and comprehensive education services. **Learn more at edge.gbci.org.**



About GBCM

The Green Building Council of Mauritius (GBCM) is a non-profit organisation, launched in November 2010 to promote and facilitate green building in Mauritius.

GBCM is a member of the World Green Building Council. GBCM is a part of the rapidly growing African network of Green Building Councils.

The mission of **GBCM** is to facilitate and promote a **sustainable approach** to planning, design, construction and utilisation of the built environment; **mitigating its overall impact on human health and the environment.**

Our achievements have been in the front of education/awareness and legislative outreach. We have trained 150+ building professionals in the Green Star rating tool; held yearly workshops during the World Green Building Week, at the last event we had the participation of a US expert in Biophilia and Biomimicry and a professor from the Universite de La Reunion on tropical designs for sustainability; in addition, we have participated and contributed to national projects, such as, Regenerating Port Louis, UNEP Sustainable Consumption and Production Action Plan, Building Control Act 2012, and House Construction Guidebook.

Our website www.gbcm.mu is being updated.

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