



Call for Reviewers

Application Deadline: Friday, January 13, 2012, 4:59 p.m. EST

The U.S. Green Building Council is seeking peer reviewers to evaluate session proposals for educational sessions at the next Greenbuild International Conference and Expo. Peer reviewers help maintain the outstanding reputation of USGBC conferences by identifying exceptional and timely presentations for the educational programs. 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 all programs.

Basic Requirements for Reviewers

- Expertise in subject(s) covered by one or more program topic areas
- Previous experience reviewing proposals for related conferences or publications
- Commitment to complete review of all assigned proposals (typically 20-25) by February 17th deadline

How to Apply

All applicants must complete the electronic reviewer application online at <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22DVL46GTM6>. Faxed or mailed applications will not be accepted.

Schedule

11/14/11	Call for Reviewers opens
1/13/12	Deadline for Reviewer Applications is 4:59 p.m. EST
1/23-1/27	Reviewers receive notification of acceptance
2/1/12	Reviewers receive review assignments
2/17/12	Deadline to complete review of all assigned session proposals is 4:59 p.m. EST

Reviewing Policies

Each reviewer will receive electronic access to a range of 20-25 submissions by January 30 and will need to complete on-line evaluations no later than February 17, 2012 at 4:59 p.m. EST. **Please note that serving as a reviewer represents a significant time commitment and responsibility for ensuring timely and thorough reviews of all assigned proposals.** Reviewers are eligible to present at the conferences. They are prohibited from reviewing session abstracts submitted by professional colleagues employed by the same organization. Those who complete their assignments for the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo and related tracks will receive a \$100 discount off of a Greenbuild Full Conference registration. This discount is non-transferable and may not be combined with any other discounts. Individuals who have completed assignments as reviewers in previous years are encouraged to apply.

Program Theme

Greenbuild International Conference & Expo: @Greenbuild

Greenbuild 2012 will represent the intersection of technology, building and the global sustainability movement.

The @ is more than an icon of computer technology, it's a symbol of place and location—both physical and virtual, encompassing the global scale and integration of the contemporary green building movement and green technologies. Greenbuild 2012 will bring together the voices and ideas of the green building community as well as cutting-edge technologies – technologies that are critically important to advancing the green building mission. And what a better place to hold Greenbuild than in San Francisco – the globe's nexus of technology and success. What will you do @Greenbuild?

Scoring System

Your responsibility as a reviewer will be to read a series of session proposals and presenter biographies and render a score for each using a 20-point scale. These rankings will be used by the Greenbuild Program Committee to select presenters and sessions for the final program. Reviewers will rate each proposal using the scoring system below:

Greenbuild International Conference & Expo and Related Summits & Forums:

VALUE CRITERIA

- 5 points:** Thoroughly and effectively addresses current and relevant issues in the green building industry.
- 4 points:** Includes qualified presenters with relevant experience, as demonstrated by presenter bios and speaking experience.
- 3 points:** Session offers unique geographic and professional perspectives and topics.
- 3 points:** Session offers innovative and interactive presentation styles and formats.
- 3 points:** Includes achievable and meaningful learning objectives that will further the participant's education.
- 2 points:** Compelling presentation that you (the reviewer) would want to attend.

Greenbuild Research Track:

VALUE CRITERIA

- 6 points:** Represents a fundamentally new contribution to a timely and important topic of interest.
- 5 points:** Includes a balanced mix of qualified presenters with topic-relevant experience, as demonstrated by presenter bios, and speaking experience.
- 4 points:** Includes a previously unpublished, journal quality research abstract (500 words) that describes innovative research in advancing green building understanding and practice.
- 3 points:** Proposal places emphasis on the collection of new empirical data; development and application of practical solutions; and/or critical evaluation of practices.
- 2 points:** Fits within and contributes to identified session topics.

Preference is given to presenters and topics which have not been featured previously at Greenbuild or other industry conferences; in-depth educational sessions that address how to apply the latest advancements; and case study proposals featuring actual performance data. Selected reviewers will be provided with additional information on scoring and programming direction in January before receiving their review assignments.

Presentation Topics

The Education Events Working Groups will build session tracks for the conferences using the topics listed below. During the application process, you will be asked to indicate in which topic area you would like to review sessions. The following descriptions are representative of the proposals that could be addressed in each topic.

Greenbuild International Conference & Expo Topics

- Building Performance
- Energy Efficiency
- Finance, Insurance, and Appraisals
- Government and Policy
- Green Jobs
- Human Behavior
- Indoor Environment
- International Challenges & Opportunities
- Legal Issues
- Materials Science
- Process
- Regenerative Design and Construction
- Residential Building Methods
- Residential Finance and Market Development
- Residential Policies, Programs and Codes
- Residential Research & Data Collection
- Residential Responsive & Adaptive Design
- Residential Sites, Neighborhoods & Communities
- Residential Systems
- Residential High Performance Buildings/Building Science
- Site Issues
- Smart Grid/Smart Buildings
- Social Responsibility, Community Action and Engagement
- Thought Leadership
- Water

Greenbuild Research Track Topics

- Energy and Carbon
- Health and Human Experience
- Green Technologies and Materials
- Water

Questions

For assistance with questions or technical support regarding the Call for Reviewers, please email program@usgbc.org.