



TRINIDAD & TOBAGO GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL®

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Welcome to the Trinidad & Tobago Green Building Council (TTGBC)

Dear New TTGBC Member,

On behalf of the TTGBC, I would like to welcome you to our non-profit organization. Our vision of a sustainable built environment is reliant on your membership. We are growing steadily and have a broad spectrum of interests amongst our members, both key elements necessary for achieving the green building transformation.

Your participation in our meetings, committees and networking activities is greatly welcomed as we seek to change the culture of the stakeholders within the building industry.

The TTGBC is a relatively new organization which was launched 23rd September 2010 and through the commitment of its founding members and steering committee, has been able to reach out to organizations and individuals who can influence the industry. This journey becomes easier and the objectives a reality with each participating member. We've recently reached another milestone - our first AGM, at which our new executive was elected.

Over the next year the new executive intends to accomplish greater public awareness of the Council and extended membership. In addition, our intention is to launch an aggressive training campaign for the LEED® Green Associate credential. These are some of the seminal ideas to date, more to come.

On behalf of the board of directors of the TTGBC, its members and the inhabitants of planet Earth; thank you for your commitment to green building and for being a part of the team.

Roger Salloum
President, TTGBC

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OUR MISSION

Founded in 2010, the TTGBC is a member-driven organization and the most significant advocate of sustainable design in Trinidad & Tobago. Our mission is to transform the way T&T's buildings and communities are designed, built and operated, enabling an environmentally and socially responsible, healthy, and prosperous environment that improves the quality of life. From our incorporation documents, we remain dedicated to the fostering of Green Building Practices in Trinidad and Tobago and including:

1. Development of programs to educate professionals and the general public in Green Building practices
2. Cooperating with non-governmental agencies in the promoting of green building practice
3. Advising governmental agencies on Green Building practices
4. Representing professionals involved in Green Building practices
5. Developing Green Building best practices and standards
6. Contributing to the development of codes for Green Building practices
7. Any other activities which will fulfill the aims and objectives of the company

Some of our other aims and objectives are:

- To increase public awareness of Green Buildings.
- To promote green culture amongst professional designers, operators and users.
- To advise and promote green products availability.
- To promote the use of green technology.
- To educate and certify / approve individuals.
- To create and promote interactions amongst Government, Utilities, Building owners and users.



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OUR VALUES

The TTGBC is dedicated to improving conditions for humanity and nature, honoring and enhancing the prospects for both through the creation of a built environment that is mutually beneficial. We hereby acknowledge our allegiance to these essential values:

SUSTAINABILITY

Respect the limits of natural systems and non-renewable resources by seeking solutions that produce an abundance of natural and social capital.

EQUITY

Respect all communities and cultures and aspire to an equal socio-economic opportunity for all.

INCLUSIVENESS

Practice and promote openness, broad participation and full consideration of consequence in all aspects of decision-making processes.

PROGRESS

Strive for immediate and measurable indicators of environmental, social and economic prosperity.

CONNECTEDNESS

Recognize the critical linkage between humanity and nature as well as the importance of place-based decision-making to effective stewardship.

LEED®

LEED® stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The LEED green building certification system is the preeminent program for rating the design, construction and operation of green buildings. More than 35,000 projects are currently participating in the LEED system, comprising over 6 billion square feet of construction space in 91 countries.

By using less energy, LEED-certified buildings save money for families, businesses and taxpayers; reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and contribute to a healthier environment for residents, workers and the larger community.



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EXECUTIVE ACTIVITY

- TTGBC Launch and Reception at Crowne Plaza Hotel
- TTGBC Media Launch on CNC 3
- Speaking Engagement - “Cleaning up the Mess” with Ira Mathur on CNC 3
- Speaking Engagement - TTCSI Services Week
- Presentation at Green 3 Systems Launch at the Marriot Hotel
- Attended the Ministry of the Environment consultation on HCFCs
- Presentation at the Ministry of Energy’s Energy Policy Consultations
- Presentation at the Energy Conference on Green Building and Energy at the Hyatt
- Presentation at the EMA’s Green Business Forum
- Presentation at the TT Chamber of Industry and Commerce Facilities Management and Maintenance Conference
- Presentation at the Institution of Structural Engineers Environmentally Sustainable Construction Conference
- Met with the T&T Bureau of Standards on adoption of green construction standards
- Met with the Ministry of Planning’s Town & Country planning division on green policy development
- Key Stakeholder at the Ministry of Energy’s RE/EE Policy Consultations
- Presentation on green building fundamentals to the Tobago Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- Presentation on the TTGBC to the Ministry of Housing and the Environment
- Presentation on Green Building and Sustainability at the Sylinx Building Management Systems conference
- Conducting a one-day workshop with the Tobago House of Assembly Department of Natural Resources and the Environment on green design and sustainability



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MEMBERS CODE OF ETHICS & CONDUCT

The code is intended to provide membership with standards to guide their performance and conduct.

Members should uphold the integrity and dignity of the TTGBC. All public activities associated with the TTGBC must be communicated to the Executive and approval granted. Any compensation associated with such activities must be disclosed to the executive members before the activity.

Members are not permitted to make public statements on behalf of the TTGBC unless formally approved by the Executive.

Members of the Trinidad Green Building Council agree to the following:

- To promote the principle of Green Building
- To participate and support TTGBC activities and fund raising programs
- To campaign for the wider recognition of environmentally responsible building in order to lead the market transformation.
- To support collaborative relationship with other local or global organization/ institution.



MEMBERS' BENEFITS

Individuals

- Networking with other persons who are interested or professional in the field of green building
- Obtain business referrals
- Partnering with the primary advocate for green building in the country
- Access to TTGBC certification programs
- Participating in committees, to promote green building awareness and to influence the stakeholders of the industry
- Attain information on green technology, market data and products availability
- Discounts on TTGBC activities/ program and other partner organisations
- Preferential rates for training seminars and workshops
- Assist in the development of TTGBC with an opportunity to be elected as an executive member
- Opportunity to represent, attend or make presentations at TTGBC meetings, or local and international forums
- Be part of the green building transformation and secure a sustainable future
- Voting privileges at directors/ executive election

Company

- Company representatives (quantity approved by the executive) can enjoy the same benefits as individuals
- Preferred marketing opportunities available to member companies
- Name of company will be registered in the TTGBC database as a member
- Network with other companies to better influence the development of the industry
- TTGBC company database will be forwarded to prospective clients
- Member company can sponsor and advertise at TTGBC events
- Voting privileges at directors/ executive election



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OUR ORGANIZATION

Founding Members:

Mr. Rudranath Singh
Mr. Ramdeo Maraj
Mr. Surendra Balgobin
Ms. Mandilee Newton
Mr. Devanand Ragbir

Directors :

Mr. Ramdeo Maraj,
Mr. Surendra Balgobin
Ms. Mandilee Newton
Ms. Gillian Fraser
Mr. Devanand Ragbir

Executive Officers:

President: Mr. Roger Salloum
Treasurer: Ms. Mandilee Newton
Secretary: Mr. Chad Lue Choy
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