



## **QATAR GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL OFFERS SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION**

*Upcoming Training Programme By Qatar Foundation Member Includes Professional Courses Led by Seasoned Experts*

**Doha, 2 December 2014:** Qatar Green Building Council (QGBC) has launched a comprehensive professional training programme aimed at enhancing the quality of green building and sustainability education in Qatar and the region.

As a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF), QGBC aligns itself with QF's mission to foster a progressive society through education, and seeks to support the Qatar National Vision 2030 (QNV2030) to create a sustainability culture in industry and within the community.

The comprehensive training programme aimed at construction, green building and sustainability practitioners, is one way to help achieve this.

"QGBC strives to raise awareness about green building and environmental sustainability by offering standardised educational courses as we continue to work with our partners, in Qatar and around the world, to ensure that QGBC provides material that is on par with international standards," said Engineer Meshal Al Shamari, QGBC Director.

"The training programme caters to construction, green building and sustainability practitioners who seek to engage in interactive, debate-like development sessions with QGBC's leading experts," he added.

Meanwhile, since Qatar continues to undergo massive infrastructural development in preparation for 2022 FIFA World Cup, adherence to international sustainability standards and green building best practices remains at the top of national agenda.

QGBC's professional development training courses, offered as part of the programme, will provide participants with Continuing Education (CE) hours associated with several international educational partners.

The upcoming training programme will feature various modules including, Building Energy Modelling; LEED training and exam preparation course as LEED V4 Core Concepts for LEED Green Associates; the Designers Guide to Green Sustainable Material; LEED V4 Building Design and Construction for LEED accredited professional "AP" BD+C; and LEED V4 Interior Design and

Construction for LEED AP ID+C, in addition to tailor made sector focused courses such as sustainability in facility management.

QGBC is a non-profit, membership-driven organisation dedicated to advocating green building solutions, leading industry research, and promoting sustainable practice in the community. QGBC offers membership opportunities to organisations, individuals and students who demonstrate support for the QNV 2030 and showcase passion for environmental sustainability.

For more information about the upcoming courses, log onto: [www.qatargbc.org](http://www.qatargbc.org).

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### **About Qatar Green Building Council:**

Qatar Green Building Council (QGBC) is a non-profit, membership-driven organisation providing leadership and encouraging collaboration in conducting environmentally sustainable practices for green building design and development in Qatar. QGBC also aims to support the overall health and sustainability of the environment, the people, and economic security in Qatar for generations to come. The council, a member of Qatar Foundation, was formally established in 2009 by a decree signed by Her Highness Sheikha Moza Bint Nasser and is helping Qatar on its journey to establish a post-hydrocarbon, knowledge economy and progressive society. Through QGBC, Qatar is part of a network of 80 countries that run active national green building councils under the umbrella of the World Green Building Council.

QGBC's members include, representatives from government, real estate developers, investors, facilities managers, consultants, constructors, manufacturers & suppliers, oil & gas, professional firms, financial services, telecom/technology, academia, NGOs & media.

QGBC is setting up operations from its HQ, organising awareness events, knowledge seminars, training, forums, and networking sessions with the like-minded. To learn more, please visit [www.qatargbc.org](http://www.qatargbc.org).

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