



# The Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton to Keynote USGBC's Greenbuild 2013

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Washington, D.C. (May 29, 2013) – Today, the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) announced that Former Secretary of State **Hillary Rodham Clinton** will give the opening keynote address at its 2013 Greenbuild International Conference and Expo. This year's conference will take place November 20-22 in Philadelphia at the LEED Gold-certified Pennsylvania Convention Center. Registration opens June 5, 2013.

Hillary Rodham Clinton served as the 67th U.S. Secretary of State from 2009 until 2013, after nearly four decades in public service. Her "smart power" approach to foreign policy repositioned American diplomacy and development for the 21st century. Clinton played a central role in restoring America's standing in the world, reasserting the United States as a Pacific power, imposing crippling sanctions on Iran and North Korea, responding to the Arab Awakening and negotiating a ceasefire in the Middle East. Earlier, as First Lady and Senator from New York, she traveled to more than 80 countries as a champion of human rights, democracy and opportunities for women and girls. Clinton also worked to provide health care to millions of children, create jobs and opportunity, and support first responders who risked their lives at Ground Zero. In her historic campaign for President, Clinton won 18 million votes.

"USGBC is deeply honored that Secretary Hillary Clinton has accepted our invitation to speak at Greenbuild 2013. She is a respected global leader whose body of work over the years has championed initiatives that are aligned with our movement — nation-building, social justice, economic equality and children's health and well-being. While she was Senator for New York, she was a powerful voice for sustainability as an economic development driver. She joins a lengthy list of cutting-edge thought leaders who have inspired our movement from the Greenbuild plenary stage," said Rick Fedrizzi, president, CEO and founding chair, USGBC.

Greenbuild is the world's largest conference and expo dedicated to green building, attracting 30,000 attendees and 1,000 exhibitors annually from across the green building sector, spanning commercial and residential professionals, architects, building owners and operators, students, advocates and educators. This year's theme, *Greenbuild Nation*, celebrates green building as a global movement. Today's green building leaders unite behind a shared sense of how a sustainable built environment can contribute to a healthy, prosperous future.

Previous keynote speakers have included *Morning Joe's* Mika Brzezinski and Joe Scarborough, Twitter Founder Biz Stone, Thomas Friedman, Ret. Gen. Colin Powell, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Al Gore and President Bill Clinton. They join an impressive roster of master speakers and hundreds of building experts who share their knowledge and their ideas, their passion and their vision with the growing global green building movement.

Greenbuild 2013 features three days of networking, educational sessions, green building tours, master speakers and plenary events. For more information on Greenbuild, visit [greenbuildexpo.org](http://greenbuildexpo.org), follow [@Greenbuild](https://twitter.com/Greenbuild) on Twitter and tweet hashtag #Greenbuild to join the conversation.

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#### About U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC)

USGBC is committed to a prosperous and sustainable future through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. USGBC works toward its mission of market transformation through its LEED green building program, robust educational offerings, a nationwide network of chapters and affiliates, the annual Greenbuild International Conference & Expo, the Center for Green Schools and advocacy in support of public policy that encourages and enables green buildings and communities. For more information, visit [usgbc.org](http://usgbc.org), explore the Green Building Information Gateway (GBIG) and connect on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

#### About Greenbuild

USGBC's Greenbuild International Conference & Expo convenes the industry's largest gathering of representatives from all sectors of the green building movement. Three days of extensive educational programming, workshops, a vast exhibition floor and ample networking events provide unrivaled opportunities to learn about the latest technological innovations, explore new products, and exchange ideas with other professionals. Greenbuild is the three-time recipient of IMEX Green Meetings Award and the 2013 show will be held Nov. 20-22 in Philadelphia. For more information, visit [greenbuildexpo.org](http://greenbuildexpo.org) and follow us on Twitter [@Greenbuild](https://twitter.com/Greenbuild), and Facebook at [facebook.com/Greenbuild](https://facebook.com/Greenbuild).

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