

Green Building Award for Brazil's Sustainability Champion

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San Francisco (Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012) - An architect responsible for transforming Brazil's built environment has been presented with the second annual World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award.

With more than half a century working in the construction industry, Professor Siegbert Zanettini is a pioneer in the use of new clean technologies and building systems.

Presenting the award, founder of the WorldGBC and U.S. Green Building Council, David Gottfried said that "Professor Zanettini was selected for his distinguished lifetime contribution to the development and growth of Brazil's sustainable construction sector. Professor Zanettini has worked on more than 1,200 projects, from offices and schools, to hospitals and sports arenas, and his sustainability principles are now widely used throughout the region."

The award was presented during the annual WorldGBC and Lend Lease reception, held as part of the U.S. Green Building Council's Greenbuild International Conference and Expo. This year marks the tenth anniversary since the WorldGBC's establishment in 2002.

Speaking at the cocktail reception, Lend Lease's Group Head of Sustainability, Joe Van Belleghem, said: "Lend Lease has proudly partnered with the World Green Building Council for five years to co-host this event, which honors the outstanding contributions being made by our green building leaders. Mr Zanettini is a well-deserved recipient of this prestigious award for demonstrating that buildings can be high-performing, comfortable, healthy and environmentally-sustainable spaces."

"The global green building industry currently represents more than 20,000 companies in 92 nations. Today, we have more than 10 billion square feet of green registered space around the world, and Professor Zanettini's contribution to this achievement cannot be understated," said the Chief Executive Officer of the WorldGBC, Jane Henley.

"This award recognizes that Professor Zanettini has challenged the property and construction industry to strive for higher sustainability standards not only in Brazil, but throughout the world," Ms Henley concludes.

DAVID GOTTFRIED GLOBAL GREEN BUILDING ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARD

The David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award was named in honor of the founder of the WorldGBC, who also served as the first president of the U.S. Green Building Council and was one of the founders of the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) green building rating system. The award was presented in 2011 to David Gottfried, and is now an annual award honoring lifetime achievement and contributions to the development and growth of the green building industry through leadership, dedication and innovation.

WORLD GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

Established in 2002, the World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) is the world's largest organisation influencing the sustainable built environment. The WorldGBC connect the leaders of the green building movement and, through the 20,000 organisations it represents, is creating sustainable buildings, communities and cities. By collaborating with its 92 member green building councils, the WorldGBC fosters the growth of GBCs by providing them with the systems and strategies to transform their local markets. The WorldGBC drives collaboration between international governments and not-for-profit organisations, advocates green building policies and provides a common voice for a growing industry. Visit: www.worldgbc.org

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