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Standards and Codes for Sustainable Construction in the Gulf

ASTM International, the International Code Council, and the U.S. International Trade Administration are partnering together to support sustainable construction as the Gulf region continues to grow and thrive. This will enhance the region’s efforts in areas such as energy efficiency, water conservation, materials management, building safety, and overall economic growth.

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Industry-driven standards and codes are the foundation for quality, safety, and sustainability in infrastructure projects worldwide.

This partnership involves unprecedented outreach and networking aimed at finding solutions to sustainable construction challenges. Efforts include:

- Seminars, workshops, and on-site training in the Gulf and the United States led by top technical experts.
- Strong outreach to Gulf dignitaries, officials, and the GCC Standardization Organization.

Now is the time to ensure that our region’s thriving cities and nations are built on world-class standards and codes. The Gulf’s future depends on it.”

Nabil Molla
Secretary General, GCC Standardization Organization and ASTM International Board Member

We are deepening the commitment that ICC and ASTM International have made to the Gulf. Working with Gulf leaders, we can ensure that technical excellence and market relevance lead to the best solutions.

ASTM International has already:
- signed memoranda of understanding with ALL Gulf nations and the GCC Standardization Organization
- engaged 150 experts from Gulf Cooperation Council countries
- been cited more than 4,000 times in Gulf-region standards and regulations, including many citations related to construction

International Code Council has already:
- provided technical support for Gulf nations who have chosen to reference or adopt the International Codes
- developed an International Green Construction Code, which provides governments with a set of enforceable sustainability regulations
- established the Sustainability Membership Council for ICC members interested in getting more involved in green and energy code enforcement

Upcoming Events

- INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP
  MAY 2015
  DOHA
- TRAINING AT GREENBUILD
  NOVEMBER 18-20, 2015
  WASHINGTON, D.C.
- ASTM BOARD MEETING
  OCTOBER 2016
  DUBAI

Exhibits at trade shows and other events attended by Gulf leaders

ONGOING THROUGH 2017
VIRTUAL SESSIONS LED BY INDUSTRY EXPERTS
ON-SITE TRAINING AT CODE HEARINGS AND STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

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