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# GLOBAL UPDATE

Dear All,

Welcome to the WorldGBC November Global Update.

As we now enter what should have been the first week of COP26, our urgent efforts to postpone the climate emergency must not be delayed.

Here are the highlights from this month's update:

- Today, WorldGBC launches [Building a Better Future](#) with BBC StoryWorks
- We get ready for November's [#RaceToZero Dialogues](#)
- [Health & Wellbeing Framework](#) regional launches
- [Call for nominations](#) for WorldGBC Board 2021 is now open!

Best wishes,  
Cristina Gamboa, CEO, World Green Building Council

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StoryWorks  
Commercial  
Productions

## Building A Better Future

**WorldGBC launches [Building a Better Future](#) films produced by BBC StoryWorks.**

Building a Better Future is a series of films and articles exploring what the construction sector is doing to become more sustainable, and showcasing buildings around the world that protect the planet and help us to lead happier, healthier lives.

*WorldGBC warmly thanks BBC StoryWorks for showcasing leadership in the sustainable building and construction industry. WorldGBC is not responsible for the selection of case studies or any featured content within the film series. We hope you enjoy this series and are inspired towards building a better future.*

[Explore more on the BBC site](#)

[If you are based in the UK visit this site](#)

## RACE TO ZERO DIALOGUES

**Building to net zero together  
Wednesday 18 November 2020**

[unfccc.int/rtzdialogues](http://unfccc.int/rtzdialogues) | #RaceToZero



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**We're in the #RacetoZero!**

Taking place 18 November 8:30 AM to 14:30 GMT, the [UNFCCC Race to Zero November Dialogues](#) on the Built Environment!

Join Cristina Gamboa, CEO WorldGBC, for a high-level dialogue on 'creating a common vision for getting to net zero'.

[Register Now](#)



On the 4 November, we successfully launched our groundbreaking Health & Wellbeing Framework - a comprehensive educational tool for a healthy and equitable built environment.

[Read the live digital tool and executive report.](#)

You can also register to one of our regional Health & Wellbeing launches using the links below.

- 17 November 13:00 - 15:15 GMT  
[Africa Launch: WorldGBC Health & Wellbeing Framework Launch](#)
  - 24 November 13:00 - 15:00 GMT  
[Americas Launch: WorldGBC Health & Wellbeing Framework Launch](#)
  - 26 November 09:30 -11:00 GMT  
[Europe Launch: WorldGBC Health & Wellbeing Framework Launch](#)
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COP26 has been delayed but we cannot postpone the climate emergency.

Join Climate Action's Sustainable Innovation Forum 2020, a 5-day programme running from the 16 - 20 November.

Learn from global industry leaders what the future of sustainability looks like.

[Register Now](#)

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## JOIN OUR BOARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

WorldGBC is looking for impactful and influential leaders to join our [Board of Directors](#) for 2021.

WorldGBC is seeking Board members with the following qualities:

- **Influence in policy**
- **Fundraising**
- **Experienced leadership**

*To help us maintain gender diversity, we are particularly seeking female candidates.*

[Click here to download the Role Description and Application Form.](#)

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# **NEWS FROM OUR NETWORK**

## *GBCs AND PARTNERS*

### **News from our Partners:**

- Majid Al Futtaim launch [Q2](#) and [Q3](#) sustainability thought leadership papers
- Evora Global blog: [What is a better place, for people?](#)
- GRESB 2020 Results Events
  - [Oceania](#)
  - [Asia](#)
  - [Europe](#)
  - [Americas](#)
- Volvo Group releases positive sustainability news (in Swedish)
  - [Commitment to the Science Based Targets initiative](#)
  - [Start of launching a series of fully electric trucks](#)
  - [Launch of a green finance framework](#)

### **News from GBCs:**

- USGBC introduces several [new credits](#) to help building teams maintain a commitment to sustainability in response to the pandemic
- USGBC expands [Living Standard](#) campaign to become pivotal grassroots initiative
- Emirates GBC launch two new publications: [2020 Green Building Market Brief](#) and [Advancing Deep Retrofit in UAE](#)
- Emirates GBC host [9th Annual Congress](#), 17 & 18 November
- GBC Australia pushes to [eliminate natural gas in buildings](#)
- HKGBC "[My Green Space](#)" Student Competition 2020-21

### **News from our Network:**

- Constructions 21 [Green Solution Awards](#)
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## REGIONAL UPDATES

### REGIONAL FOCUS

- [Join the MENA and Africa Green Building Congress market research survey](#)
  - [MENA Regional Network Newsletter](#)
  - [Africa Regional Network Newsletter](#)
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#### Our Corporate Advisory Board

