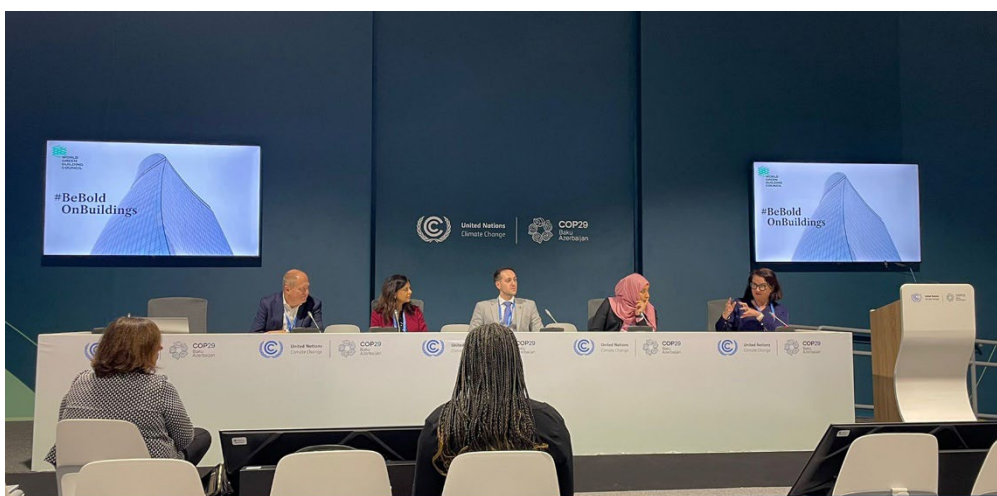




November 2024

We called on governments to #BeBoldOnBuildings at COP29



At the [UN Climate Conference COP29](#) in Baku, Azerbaijan, the World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) represented the voice of our global network as we called on international governments and industry to [#BeBoldOnBuildings](#).

The headline announcement was the New Collective Quantified Goal on Climate Finance (NCQG). Whilst this deal remains insufficient to meet the needs of developing countries, it marks a step forward in recognising the scale of what's needed, and creates a foundation on which to build.

Read [our round-up article](#) where we unpack all the summit's successes and areas for further development for the built environment community on the road to COP30 in Belém, Brazil.

Thank you to all of you who joined in our global campaign. The future has not yet been decided — and we can still get back on track to meet the 1.5°C target if we can be bold on buildings.

[Read our round-up](#)

Highlights from COP29



Urbanisation, Transport and Tourism Day presents milestones for the green building movement

The built environment was the focus of attention on 20 November 2024, as Ministers and leaders recognised that the sector presents an immense opportunity to address the climate challenge. Building sector emissions have decreased to 34% of global total — but more needs to be done.

[Highlights from the day](#)

Breakthrough for built environment in ‘Baku’ Priority International Actions

The Breakthrough Agenda launched the Priority International Actions across a range of sectors, including buildings, to accelerate progress on climate change.

WorldGBC is leading on Priority Action B1 of the Buildings Breakthrough focusing on “Standards and Certification”.

[Find out more](#)

GlobalABC and WorldGBC begin new era of partnership

The Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction ([GlobalABC](#)) and WorldGBC signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU).

Our partnership aims to accelerate the transition towards sustainable and resilient built environments, by leveraging the strengths of our networks, and building on the policy progress from the last 12 months.

[Find out more](#)



Pictured above (from left): Gulnara Roll, Head of Cities Unit, United Nations Environment Programme, and Audrey Nugent, Director of Global Advocacy, WorldGBC.

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#Mission2025

It's not game over — it's game on, with Mission 2025

On 18 November 2024, world leaders gathered for the G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro.

Mission 2025 — a cross-sector coalition inviting governments to ratchet upcoming national climate plans in line with the Paris Agreement — released a call to the G20 leaders,

**WOMEN
LEADING
ON CLIMATE**

#WomenLeadingOnClimate

#WomenLeadingOnClimate campaign for gender equality

On 21 November 2024, the COP29 theme challenged us to explore the link between climate change and gender.

WorldGBC's CEO Cristina Gamboa supported a letter, coordinated by the #WomenLeadingOnClimate initiative, laying out actions for every government to increase ambition,

supported by WorldGBC and global business networks.

[Read the letter](#)

take action and seize the economic opportunities.

[Find out more](#)

Across the regions



Winners of Asia Pacific Leadership in Green Building Awards

Meet the winners of WorldGBC's 2024 Asia Pacific Leadership in Green Building Awards (AP Leadership Awards), which were honoured at an awards ceremony in Bengaluru, India, on 13 November 2024.

Pioneers were chosen for demonstrating dynamic innovation and expertise in driving the green building movement across the region.

[Find out more](#)

Take action



HOLCIM FOUNDATION AWARDS

Open for submissions: International Holcim Foundation Awards

WorldGBC partners Holcim have opened their prestigious competition for sustainable design.

Entry is free and submissions are accepted until 11 February 2025. The selected winning entries will be showcased across global channels and share a prize pool of 1 million USD.

[Find out more](#)

Learn

Ready to transform your building portfolio? Find out how

Join the WorldGBC Climate Action team on 5 December 2024 for our webinar 'Introduction to the Net Zero Carbon Buildings Commitment'.

Open to all businesses aiming to decarbonise their portfolios, attendees will learn the key requirements of the Commitment and how it can guide them in meeting their goals.

[Sign up here](#)



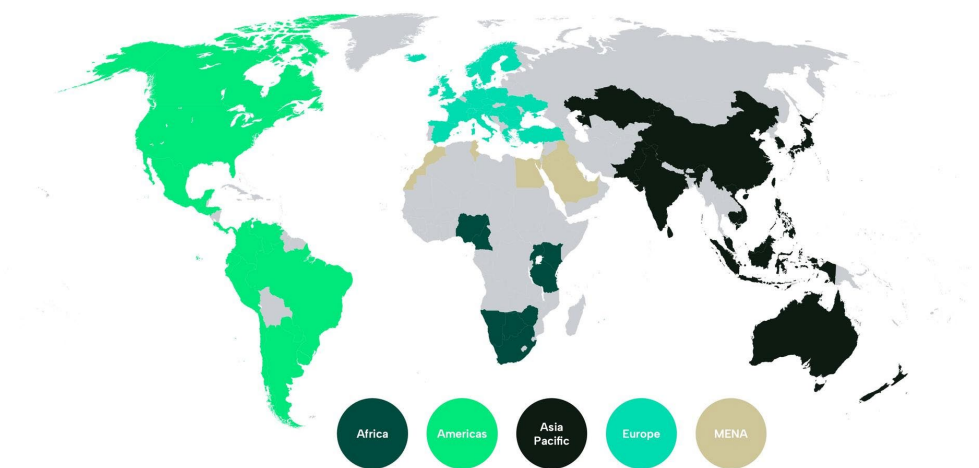
Find the latest sustainable building events

Don't forget to visit our [calendar](#) for sustainability and building events from across WorldGBC and our global network of Green Building Councils, partners and more.

If you missed any of our past events, check out our [YouTube channel](#) for webinar recordings.

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