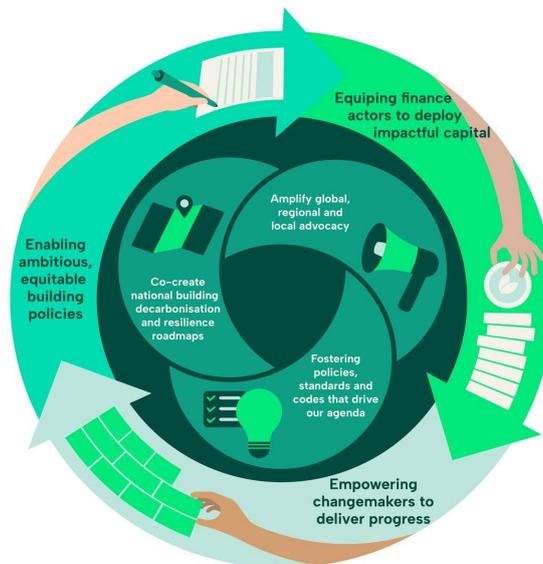




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WorldGBC launches a new strategic plan for 2025–2027



On 16 April 2025, the global network joined us in launching the [World Green Building Council \(WorldGBC\) 2025–2027 strategy](#).

Our strategy offers a tangible roadmap for every stakeholder across the building ecosystem to drive impactful change, and catalyse collective action, supported by a global network of [over 75 Green Building Councils \(GBCs\)](#).

Learn about our vision for the future of the sustainable built environment and how we will support the world in getting there, in this [thought leadership piece](#) from WorldGBC's CEO, Cristina Gamboa.

[Explore the full 2025–2027 strategic plan now](#)

WorldGBC joins 130+ organisations to call for a modern definition of energy security

As the [IEA](#) and the UK government convened the Energy Security Summit on 24–25 April 2025, WorldGBC joined over 130 private sector organisations to call on governments for a modern definition of energy security that anchors renewables, efficiency, storage and grids at the core of national energy plans and policies.

These energy solutions deliver benefits far beyond emissions reductions: cutting costs, creating jobs, and protecting economies from price shocks. In order to achieve energy security and reap the benefits it offers, the built environment's critical role must be addressed in these plans.

[See the supporters and read the statement](#)

Across the regions

How GBCs are working with governments to update national NDCs

Hosting the first of several regional roundtables during March and April 2025, GBCs from the Africa and Americas regions met with key partners, stakeholders and members of government to talk about how they can strengthen national-level policy on the built environment, and take their national climate action plans (NDCs) to the next level using [WorldGBC's NDC Scorecard tool](#). Below, we explore their highlights.



Americas region

On 24–25 March 2025 during [Chile Green Building Week](#), GBCs from across WorldGBC's Americas Regional Network met in Santiago, Chile, co-hosted by [Chile Green Building Council](#). Key takeaways included:

- Framing practical solutions, such as aligning countries' economic development with sustainability strategies within the NDCs, is of critical importance.
- Government officials highlighted the importance of subnational governments in establishing local regulations and incentives, as well as science-based adaptation and mitigation scenarios, and aligning with data from other sectors.
- GBCs, and over 20,000 of their members, are uniquely placed to be “articulators” within their countries. They can help different stakeholder groups to understand the role of the construction sector in NDCs, and the opportunities and priorities.

[Find out more](#)



Africa region

On 3–4 April 2025, WorldGBC's Africa Regional Network of GBCs, local stakeholders, government and international organisations convened in Port Louis, Mauritius, co-hosted by [Green Building Council Mauritius](#). Key takeaways included:

- [Trilock Bhunjun](#), Officer in Charge of the Construction Industry Authority in Mauritius, gave a key address on how the Mauritian government pledges to #BeBoldOnBuildings by elevating the building sector priorities.

— Africa’s urban development is a global opportunity, and we need greater and more creative financing solutions to drive policy reform.

— Tools such as the [Sustainable Energy for All \(SEforALL\)](#)’s Open Building Insights (OBI) can provide accurate building energy data.

[Find out more](#)



Nebula project welcomes six new clusters

On 6 March 2025, six Prospective Built4People Innovation Clusters (B4PICs) signed the Built4People (B4P) Innovation Cluster Charter at the Nebula project’s ‘Shaping Sustainable Futures’ event in Brussels, Belgium.

The Prospective B4PICs are [AEICE Cluster of Efficient Habitat](#), Spain, [Association of Balkan Eco-Innovation](#), Serbia, [Habitech](#), Italy, [e-CODOMH](#), Greece, [NEB Forum BiH](#), Bosnia and Herzegovina, and [Venetian Green Building Cluster](#), Italy.

[Find out how this network is catalysing the research and innovation agenda.](#)

WorldGBC reacts to proposed reporting delays in EU Omnibus vote

On 3 April 2025, European policymakers voted on a proposed delay to reporting requirements in the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD).

This vote, and other changes proposed, risk undermining the accountability and transparency that businesses, investors, and policymakers rely on to drive the green transition.

[Read the position of WorldGBC's Europe Regional Network.](#)

Building to COP — key updates on the road to Belém

As government, industry, and civil society prepare for 30th United Nations Conference of the Parties ([COP30](#)) in Brazil this November, London Climate Action Week (LCAW) will serve as a critical juncture on the 'Road to Belém'. Taking place on 21–29 June 2025, the event is expected to attract over 45,000 attendees across more than 300 events.

WorldGBC will be present to emphasise that, in this time of global flux, the built environment is a driving force for a new clean economy of equity, regeneration and resilience.

Look out for further updates from WorldGBC as we are [#BuildingToCOP](#).

[Discover LCAW 2025](#)



Learn



On 15 May 2025, 12:00–13:00 BST, WorldGBC is proud to host an online accelerator session as part of the [World Circular Economy Forum 2025](#)

([WCEF2025](#)), a global event dedicated to the circular economy, on 13–14 May 2025.

Join Green Building Councils from across the Americas Regional Network at ‘Retrofitting buildings: Lessons from a global network’ to explore examples in action of how retrofitting and renovation can support decarbonisation and resource efficiency, plus lessons learned from our global stakeholders.

[Register here](#)



The banner features the Climate Innovation Forum 2025 logo on the left, which consists of four interlocking circles in shades of blue and green. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'Climate Innovation Forum 2025'. Further right, there are logos for the event's partners: MASDAR (Headline Partner), LONDON CLIMATE ACTION WEEK (Flagship Event), and CITY OF LONDON (Event Partner). The Climate Action logo is also present as the organiser. Below the logos, the text states 'Connecting leaders in business, policy and finance to deliver transformative climate action' and 'Guildhall, London | 25 - 26 June 2025'. A white button with the text 'Register Now' is positioned on the right side of the banner. The background of the banner is a teal color with a faint cityscape illustration.

Book now for the Climate Innovation Forum: 25 June 2025

WorldGBC is proud to be partnering with [Climate Action](#), hosting the Climate Innovation Forum, a flagship event of [London Climate Action Week 2025](#), on 25 June 2025, London, UK.

The forum brings together over 2,000 business leaders, policy makers, investors and civil society representatives to accelerate the speed and scale of our collective efforts in driving climate action.

There are a limited number of Complimentary Passes available for our network to attend the forum. [Apply now](#) to secure your place, using code IP-WGBC25OFF for a 25% Institutional Partner discount.

[Find out more](#)

AI solutions for energy and urban development

The new Open Building Insights (OBI) Tool, which [Sustainable Energy for All](#) has developed in collaboration with [IBM](#), will help energy planners to overcome critical data gaps, inform energy access and energy transition interventions, and better deliver results for those most in need.

For example, in the Africa region, the OBI Tool is revealing accurate energy data which can support decision makers in mapping urbanisation and

identifying energy and infrastructure needs for communities in developing regions.

[Find out more](#)

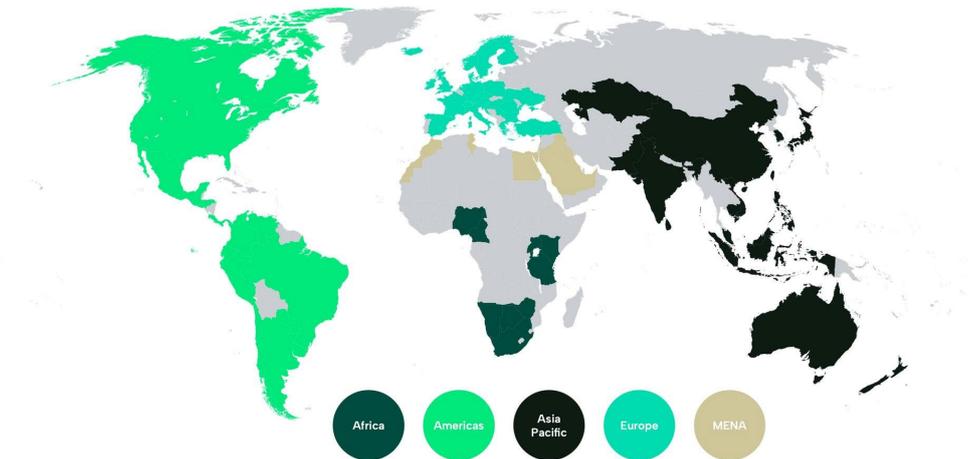
How AI, climate and equity resilience will redefine real estate's future

At an exclusive roundtable event hosted by WorldGBC partners [Skidmore, Owings and Merrill \(SOM\)](#) on 4 March 2025, attended by sustainability leaders including Cristina Gamboa, WorldGBC CEO, a growing trend was explored — Artificial Intelligence (AI).

In this article from [NLA](#), discover the key insights and questions raised on how AI can — and is — transforming the built environment.

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