



## Leveraging Technology to Eliminate Communication Delays and Streamline the Design Processes

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Who: Amar Hanspal, vice president of Autodesk Collaborations Solutions, Jonathan Knowles, global collaboration strategist for Autodesk and Darren Rizza, digital design director of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP will speak at the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat (CTBUH) 2006 Conference in Chicago, IL.

What: Hanspal, Knowles and Rizza will offer insight into how organizations are using technology to collaborate more effectively and better manage the design processes to ensure that the right people have the right information when and where it is needed. The presentation will outline best practices to meet the challenges of increasing complexity and finite resources. For example, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, one of the world's leading architecture, urban design, engineering, and interior architecture, is streamlining digital approval processes to help eliminate communication delays, allowing project teams to work together better and complete projects on time -- without compromising the accuracy, security or intent of design information. The presentation will look at Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP's use of Autodesk Collaborative Project Management solutions and Autodesk Design Review to maintain its leadership in the industry.

When: The presentation is scheduled to begin at 12:10 p.m., Thursday, October 26, 2006 in the Herman Union Building Auditorium at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Where: The Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, IL.

To view Autodesk's panel at CTBUH 2006 Conference, visit:

[http://ctbuh.org/htmlfiles/chicagocongress2006/CTBUH\\_Chicago\\_2006\\_sepaker\\_schedule.pdf](http://ctbuh.org/htmlfiles/chicagocongress2006/CTBUH_Chicago_2006_sepaker_schedule.pdf)

The theme for CTBUH's 2006 Conference is Thinking Outside the Box -- Tapered, Tilted, Twisted Towers. In many cities around the globe, work is underway on buildings that reject the conventional limitations of skyscraper design, with structures that taper, tilt and twist in ways never before imagined. The speakers, events and activities are dedicated to exploring the challenges that face designers of irregularly shaped structures, and understanding the promise they hold for the future of tall buildings.

For more information or to schedule an interview with Amar Hanspal or Jonathan Knowles, contact Marie Domingo at 415-547-2487 or [marie.domingo@autodesk.com](mailto:marie.domingo@autodesk.com).

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