

Revit Architecture and AutoCAD Architecture Achieve Full IFC 2x3 Certification

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Autodesk Continues Commitment to Industry-Standard Data Exchange on Revit and AutoCAD Platforms

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., May 24 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that Revit Architecture 2008, architectural software purpose-built for building information modeling (BIM), and AutoCAD Architecture 2008, software for architects based on the AutoCAD platform, have achieved full Industry Foundation Class (IFC) 2x3 certification at the IAI (Industry Alliance for Interoperability) workshop held this week. In this latest milestone in Autodesk's support for open data exchange mechanisms, both Revit Architecture and AutoCAD Architecture were fully certified for the IFC 2x3 standard. Full IFC 2x3 certification further supports the ability for architects and designers using Revit Architecture to exchange building data with other team members in the building design process, and will also enable compliance with U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) IFC delivery requirements.

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"With the increasing power of software to capture data about a building, ways of exchanging that data are becoming of increasing interest to the industry. As a founding member of the IAI, Autodesk is pleased to support the efforts of the IAI and their latest IFC data exchange standard in our architectural software," said Jay Bhatt, senior vice president, Autodesk AEC Solutions. "We will continue to work closely with the IAI on this and related standards development processes."

Autodesk is committed to supporting open, standards-based data exchange mechanisms in its products, and the IFC 2x3 certification joins other mechanisms including DXF, DWF, XML, ODBC, gbXML, and LandXML. Autodesk has played an active role in industry-standard-setting bodies including STEP and IGES and is a founding member of the IAI. In March, Autodesk hosted the first-ever North American IFC Certification Workshop at Autodesk AEC Solutions headquarters in Waltham, Mass.

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