

Autodesk Showcases Sustainable Design Technology at 2007 Greenbuild Conference and Expo

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Events and presentations for media and customers to demonstrate expanding industry adoption of sustainable design and green building

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Oct. 24 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that it will be a Silver sponsor of the 2007 Greenbuild Conference Expo, Nov. 7-9 at McCormick Place in Chicago, and will host three events for media, customers and attendees. The Autodesk booth in the expo hall will also be constructed using sustainable materials including chairs made from 98% post recycled airplane aluminum and rubber flooring made from 76% post recycled tires. This will be Autodesk's third consecutive year as a sponsor and exhibitor at the Greenbuild Expo and the company invites interested media to attend the Autodesk events at this year's show.

At Greenbuild Expo 2006 in Denver, Autodesk announced that it had entered into a strategic relationship with the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) to expand the use of technology to increase mainstream adoption of sustainable design and green building. The first result of this relationship is the new Autodesk Sustainable Design Curriculum, developed in consult with the USGBC's Formal Education Committee. The first version of this curriculum will be unveiled at the USGBC Formal Education Committee's Educator Summit on Nov. 6 which will bring together representatives from Autodesk, members of the USGBC's Formal Education Committee, industry and academic leaders as well as students to discuss best practices to advance sustainable design education and the required skills and knowledge architecture and design students need to succeed in professional practice.

Phil Bernstein, Autodesk Vice President of Industry Strategy and Relations, will speak at the opening plenary session on Nov. 7 and provide an update on Autodesk's ongoing collaboration with the USGBC. Following this announcement, Autodesk will host a press conference at 12 p.m. in the press conference room to further discuss results of the USGBC relationship and reveal the findings from the 2007 Autodesk/AIA Green Index, an annual survey that measures how American Institute of Architects (AIA) member architects in the United States are practicing sustainable design as well as their opinions about the green building movement.

At Chicago's Field Museum on the evening of Nov. 7, the USGBC and Autodesk will co-host the premiere of the Autodesk-sponsored e2 design season two-documentary series, airing on PBS this fall. Media and invited guests will view an episode titled, "Architecture 2030." which examines how government officials, architects, regulatory agencies and building suppliers can avoid a global warming crisis through policy change and education. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion of industry leaders including Ed Mazria of Architecture 2030, Rick Fedrizzi of the USGBC, Phil Bernstein and moderator Susan Szenasy, editor of Metropolis magazine, who will discuss the future of sustainable design practice.

If you would like more information about any of these events, or to RSVP, please email greenbuild@autodesk.com or call Elizabeth Bennett at 503-471-6831 or Noah Cole at 503-707-3872.

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