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A message of solidarity to our global community

As we share this month's Global Update, World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) invites you to join us in acknowledging that members of our global community are currently facing significant challenges, including conflict, instability, and energy insecurity in parts of the world. Our thoughts are with all those affected, and we stand in solidarity with colleagues, partners, and communities experiencing hardship during this time.

The strength of our network has always been rooted in our global unity. We bring together knowledge, leadership, and expertise from across regions in pursuit of a shared mission. Even in uncertain times, our collective goal remains clear: to accelerate the transition of the built environment towards a sustainable future where people, communities, and the planet can thrive.

At its heart, our movement is about people. That's why WorldGBC remains committed to collaboration, and to the future we are building together.

WorldGBC and C40 partner to drive city-led climate action around the world



Cities are where climate action can move fastest — that's why World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) has signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with [C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group \(C40\)](#).

By linking C40's network of nearly 100 mayors with WorldGBC's global community of over 85 Green Building Councils, the partnership will help turn ambition into real-world impact — supercharging efforts for low-carbon, resilient and equitable buildings across cities worldwide.

The agreement builds on our strong existing collaboration, including the [Net Zero Carbon Buildings Commitment](#) and C40's [Net Zero Carbon Buildings Accelerator](#). Together, these initiatives have already delivered measurable emissions reductions across cities.

Running to 2027, the collaboration will focus on delivering the BEERI Plan (Building Efficiency, Electrification and Renewable Integration), supporting national and city decarbonisation roadmaps, and strengthening cooperation between governments and the building sector, to show that when cities connect, solutions scale.

[Read the story](#)

WorldGBC Global Solutions Forum

**Scaling today's progress
into tomorrow's built realities**

London, 22 June 2026



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Tickets for the WorldGBC Leadership Summit 2026 now live

The countdown is on for one of the standout moments in the WorldGBC calendar.

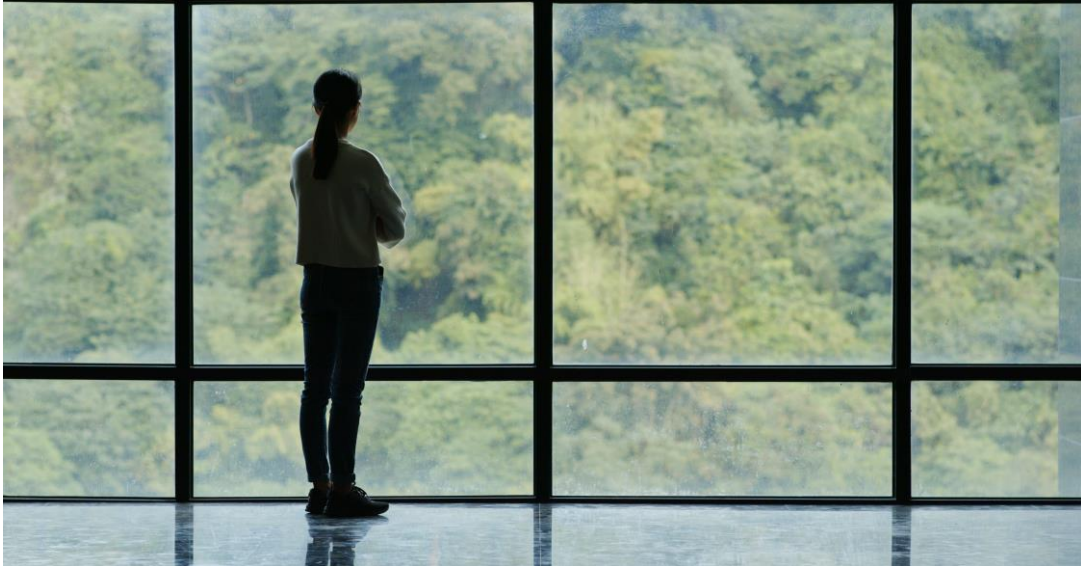
From 21–24 June 2026, the WorldGBC Leadership Summit will take place in London, UK, bringing together the global green building movement at a time when collaboration and action have never mattered more.

At the heart of the programme is the **WorldGBC Global Solutions Forum**, on 22 June 2026, delivered in partnership with [UKGBC](#) as part of [London Climate Action Week](#). The day is open to the public, and more than 200 leaders from over 50 countries will come together for keynotes, showcases and interactive discussions focused on turning ambition into real-world solutions.

Tickets are now on sale, and we encourage you to book your place early for what promises to be an inspiring and impactful event.

[Book your place here](#)

Across the regional network



Green Building Councils lead on nature-positive and low carbon solutions

Across the network, Green Building Councils (GBC) continue to show what's possible when local leadership and global collaboration come together. In the latest guidance from GBCs in Australia, Singapore and the UK, national and regional expertise is helping deliver nature-positive, low-carbon solutions — with global impact.

- [Green Building Council Australia](#) has released a [new nature roadmap](#) for the built environment, which lays out clear targets and timeframes to help the sector protect, restore and regenerate nature.
- In Singapore, the [Building and Construction Authority \(BCA\)](#) and [Singapore Green Building Council \(SGBC\)](#) have published the '[Built Environment Decarbonisation Technology Roadmap](#)', outlining technologies and strategies to support the transition, and showing how innovation, policy and industry collaboration can accelerate national climate goals.
- [UKGBC](#) has launched its '[Framework for a Nature Positive Built Environment](#)', setting out practical steps to help the sector move beyond minimising harm to actively restoring nature, with clear guidance on how buildings and infrastructure can support healthier ecosystems while delivering for people and communities.

AsiaPacific Leadership Awards inGreenBuilding



Recognising Asia Pacific's leaders in green building

Nominations are now open for WorldGBC's 2026 Asia Pacific Leadership in Green Building Awards! Now in their second decade, these awards celebrate the outstanding people, organisations, and projects driving sustainable building across the region.

The awards feature three categories:

- **Business Leadership in Sustainability:** For organisations transforming the way they operate.
- **Leadership in Sustainable Design and Performance:** For pioneering building projects.
- **Green Building Leadership Champion:** For individuals championing systemic change across Asia Pacific.

Nominations close on 26 June 2026. [Find out more here.](#)

Learning and events

Net Zero Carbon Buildings Commitment

[In this month's round-up](#), we spotlight **Corgan** delivering a net-positive corporate site, **Hibernia Real Estate Group** guaranteeing 100% Irish wind-powered electricity for their properties, **Stockland** reaching net zero for operational emissions, **Kingspan Group** cutting greenhouse gas emissions by 70%, and **Majid Al Futtaim** advancing sustainable shopping centres across the region.

These projects highlight how innovation, renewable energy, and smart design are transforming the built environment.





WorldGBC takes to the global stage at MIPIM 2026

WorldGBC was proud to represent our global network once again at [MIPIM](#), 9–13 March 2026. One of the world’s leading events for the real estate and built environment sector, held annually in Cannes, MIPIM brings together investors, developers, cities and industry leaders from across the globe.

During the week, WorldGBC staff **Matthew Black, Climate Action Manager**, and **Julie Emmrich, Sustainable Finance Lead** met with partners and stakeholders from across the sector, sharing how the WorldGBC network is driving climate action worldwide. [Find out more here.](#)

Catch up: ‘Buildings and the Clean Energy Transition’ webinar

If you missed our webinar on 'Buildings and the Clean Energy Transition' on 12 March 2026, [the recording is now available.](#)

Industry experts explored how electrification, efficiency and renewable energy can help buildings drive the clean energy transition, including an introduction to WorldGBC's new position paper, [‘Powering the Transition: Building Electrification’](#).

WorldGBC at Urban Future

WorldGBC will take part in [Urban Future](#) on 26 March 2026 in Ljubljana, Slovenia, hosting the session 'Meet Circular Inventors'. Urban Future is a leading global platform for sustainable urban development, bringing together cities, industry and innovators.

The session will showcase the six winners of the latest Call for Action, supported by the Circular Buildings Coalition, highlighting innovative ideas and tools shaping the future of circular construction. [Find out more.](#)

Final thought from Cristina Gamboa, CEO, WorldGBC



March has been a time to recognise the people who make our movement what it is. Around [International Women's Day](#), 8 March 2026, I was reminded how much progress depends on collaboration and lifting each other up. Across the WorldGBC network, women are leading change in every region — reflecting the diversity, inclusivity and shared purpose that define our work. [You can see my reflections here](#).

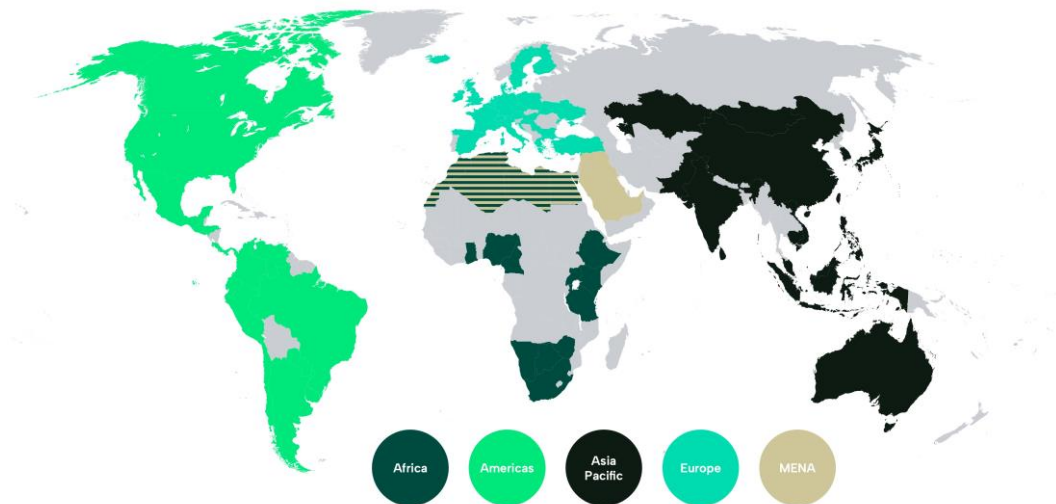
That same spirit of collaboration is what makes our network so powerful. In June, I look forward to welcoming many of you to London for the WorldGBC Leadership Summit 2026. If you have not yet secured your place, [I warmly encourage you to do so](#).

Before closing, I want to acknowledge members of our community facing hardship due to conflict, instability and energy insecurity in many parts of the world. Please know that you remain in our thoughts, and that we stand in solidarity with all those affected.

WorldGBC is more than a network — it is a global community working together to create change at a scale none of us could achieve alone. Thank you for being part of this movement.

Pictured above: Representatives from across the global network at the WorldGBC Leadership Summit 2024.

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