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BREEAM Green Building Program Comes to the US

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From the Editor

Green building is nothing new in the U.K. as evidenced by the history of the BREEAM green building rating program. BREEAM was developed long before LEED, but until now has not been used in the United States. As the article below reports, an existing building in California is seeking certification as the first BREEAM building in the U.S. How widely this new-to-the-U.S. rating system will be used remains to be seen.

On a different note, The Masonry Society has announced registration for our upcoming Annual Meeting to be held in October in Raleigh, NC. I hope you will join us for some great educational programs, including presentations on sustainability and masonry. For more information check out this [link](#).

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CODES and STANDARDS NEWS

LEED continues to expand its credit library with Pilot credits. The article below provides a good summary of how pilot credit and other innovation credits can be earned. ~Tina

Innovation with LEED Pilot Credits and More

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To spur innovation and reward project teams for going above and beyond requirements, in addition to the 100 points of LEED, teams can earn up to six bonus points for innovation. However, oftentimes teams overlook these opportunities, leaving valuable points undaimed.

[This article](#) helps team navigate the lesser known innovation credits and pilot credits.

UK Sustainability Rating System Makes Way to US

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Companies seeking innovative ways to implement sustainable design have a new way to measure sustainable construction – the Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methodology, or BREEAM, certification, which is similar to LEED and has been used in the UK for the last 25 years. A Los Angeles project could be the first in the US to be BREEAM-certified. [Read more](#).

Keeping LEED and Energy Code in Sync

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How can LEED keep up with quickly strengthening local energy codes? The recently approved NYCECCC could push the building industry beyond LEED v4 requirements. Read more [here](#).

GREEN BUILDING NEWS

Market for Green Building Materials to Double by 2020

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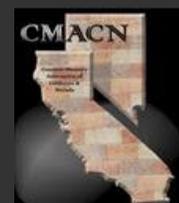
Zion Research says the market for green building materials will reach \$255 billion by 2020, about twice what it was in 2014. North America and Europe are the top consumers of environmentally friendly materials according to

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Masonry Awards Program Recognizes Sustainable and Resilient Design

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EDUCATIONAL NEWS

TMS Annual Meeting Open for Registration

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The Annual Meeting and Business Meetings of The Masonry Society will be held in Raleigh, North Carolina at the Doubletree Brownstone on October 7-11, 2016. An exciting and educational program has been planned for your enjoyment and professional development. There will be numerous opportunities to learn about new requirements affecting masonry design and construction. [Plan to attend the meetings today!](#)

Call for Papers for Masonry 2018 Symposium: Innovations in Collaborative Research, Development and Applications

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The objective of Masonry 2018 Symposium is to gather and disseminate the latest information on all aspects of the innovations in masonry materials, design, specification, construction, maintenance, and rehabilitation. It will emphasize the application of ASTM standards to those areas, and their coordination with building codes, project specifications, and international standards. The symposium will be held June 26, 2018 in San Diego, CA. For more information, please visit <http://www.astm.org/C07CFP062018>.

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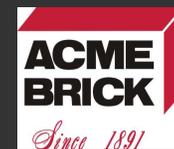


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