

GREEN BUILDING AND BEYOND

Transitioning to
Sustainability

A SUSTAINABLE BUILDING FORUM with Keynote Speaker **David Eisenberg**

Wednesday,
October 29th, 6:30 PM

Poinsettia Pavilion
3451 Foothill Road
Ventura, CA

Today, many changes are taking place in how buildings and developments are designed and built as well as how they are regulated. **Green building, Smart Growth, and Sustainable Development** are becoming commonplace terms; Yet there is still a **disconnect** between the level of the changes in codes and standards and the programs being put into place, and the level needed to adequately respond to what the scientific community tells us is needed today.

Faced with the realities of a **lower-carbon future**, and growing concerns about the supply of critical resources, we need to look beyond the old assumptions. No sector contributes more to the problems or presents greater opportunities going forward than the built environment. A **new dialog** is needed, which must be able to cut across the artificially constructed boundaries between disciplines and areas of regulatory responsibility—to create a **regulatory system** that is as deeply integrated and comprehensive in balancing risk and innovation as the leading edge projects that are being planned and designed to surpass the current minimum standards. If you have something to contribute to this dialog, please join us in this process.

Panel discussion to follow keynote, Featuring:

Brenden McEaney, Green Building Program Advisor for the City of Santa Monica
Jim MacDonald, CBO Director of Building and Safety for the County of Ventura
Brandy Gallagher, founder and developer of O.U.R. ECOVILLAGE
Paula Baker-Laporte, FAIA author of "Prescriptions for a Healthy Home"
Robert Laporte, Natural Builder, co-founder and steward of the EcoNest Company



David Eisenberg is an internationally renowned speaker, author, and ecological builder. For more than a decade, he has led the effort to create a sustainable context for building codes. A two-term member of the Board of the U.S. Green Building Council, he founded and chairs the USGBC Code Committee. He is co-founder and Director of the non-profit **Development Center for Appropriate Technology (DCAT)** based in Tucson, Arizona. He is co-author of The Straw Bale House book and has written dozens of published articles. David and DCAT were named 2007 International Code Council Affiliate of the Year and received a 2007 USGBC Leadership Award.

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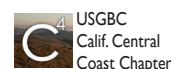
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