



Green Star SA Accredited Professional courses – New Dates!

The first Green Star South Africa (GSSA) Accredited Professional courses were held in Cape Town in November, following the successful launch of the GSSA Office v1 Rating tool at the inaugural GBCSA Convention & Exhibition. Over 200 delegates attended the four courses, taking the first step towards becoming Green Star SA Accredited Professionals. Due to the high demand, a second round of two courses was run in Johannesburg in early December for an additional 100 delegates.

The Green Building Council is now pleased to announce the dates for the next round of courses:

Cape Town: Wednesday, 18 February 2009 at the Vineyard Hotel, Claremont
Johannesburg: Wednesday, 25 February 2009 at The Forum, The Campus, Bryanston
Durban: Friday, 27 February 2009 at Sica's Guest House, Mayville

Please note the following course requirements:

- Each course can accommodate a **maximum of 50 delegates**.
- Registrations are done **online** and are taken on a **first come first serve basis only** and no reservations can be made. Registrations are confirmed on receipt of payment.
- A **cancellation fee of 50%** is charged for cancellations made less than 7 days prior to the course.
- A **maximum of 5 delegates from each company** can be accommodated. This is done so as to ensure a variety of disciplines and experience amongst course participants and to ensure that maximum potential is made of the diffusion of ideas during the group work and associated networking opportunities of the courses.

To date course participants have come from a range of backgrounds and have included professional engineers, architects, property managers and developers, product manufactures and suppliers as well as landscape architects and interior designers.

The courses aim to provide professionals with an understanding of the Green Star SA rating system and the ability to apply the Green Star SA rating tools to local projects. The full one-day course incorporates lecture-style teaching, case studies and a multidisciplinary small group exercise. Topics covered include the history and operation of the GBCSA, the Green Star SA rating system and the certification process.

For more information on the course content and requirements visit <http://www.gbcsa.org.za/education/education.php>

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