



Green Building Council Nigeria Joins the World GBC

Green Building Council Nigeria is pleased to announce that it has attained membership of the World Green Building Council. We started this journey a year ago and are extremely excited to be officially recognized as a Prospective Member of the World GBC. This is a major milestone for us and is an avenue to add Nigeria to the global stage in the area of green building and urban sustainability.

GBCN's President, **Danjuma Waniko**, adds *"Membership of the World GBC grants Africa's most populous country and largest economy an avenue to collaborate and offer creative guidance on the peculiar needs of our environment which boasts of over US\$200 billion net worth in ongoing and upcoming projects in the real estate and construction sector. With #COP27 being hosted this year in Africa, the spotlight on efforts to address the climate crisis have turned to our continent. GBCN's membership of the World GBC is therefore timely. It allows us to add our voice to that of other national GBCs in the Africa Regional Network to present Africa-specific solutions to its unique climate challenges within the context of our rapidly growing cities."*

GBCN was founded in 2010 by experienced stakeholders as a nongovernmental organization and is currently led by a seven-member board of directors who continue to promote and advocate green and sustainable buildings and construction. Our vision is to be a catalyst for and a leader of green building practice in Nigeria as we work towards working alongside the World GBC in tackling local and global challenges like climate change, environmental pollution, natural resource depletion through locally adapted solutions and standards.

For us, building green is not about buzz, but a part of our contribution towards saving the planet and making our environment safe for the present and future generations. We recognize that we do not own, but are we are merely caretakers of the natural environment. We are committed to doing our part to preserve and protect it for coming generations to use.

We are therefore proud to be part of the global network of GBCs, as we aspire to collaborate with the government, industry stakeholders and individuals in encouraging best green building practices. At Green Building Council Nigeria, we remain committed to keeping the environment green and clean. As the result of our and other's activities, Nigeria can confidently boast of a growing number of green sustainable buildings that carry certifications that are not only globally recognized but locally effective.

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