

## **LEED Certification Update**

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### **ABSTRACT**

The LEED Certification Update will include an overview of key certification statistics and a description of comprehensive program improvements such as the introduction of LEED Coach and further development of the Proven Provider programs that are focused on value-add personalized, direct engagement with project teams before submitting for review. This update will also include a description of new program certifications that are now part of GBCI's repertoire, including LEED for Homes and a preview of new certification options for LEED project teams. If you are unable to attend this session, please visit the LEED Certification Work Zone where you can discuss your LEED projects and interact face-to-face with our LEED review staff.

### **BIOGRAPHY**

Richard Kimball is a LEED Certification Reviewer with the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI). During his time at GBCI, Richard has been involved in the certification review of nearly 300 projects pursuing LEED Certification, including nearly all types of projects in locations throughout the world. As a member of GBCI's in-house review team, Richard is responsible for performing quality evaluations of contract reviewers, developing CIR responses, and addressing LEED customer service inquiries. Prior to joining USGBC, Richard worked as a Mechanical Engineer for Bergmann Associates in Syracuse, NY. In that role, he developed energy models for over 100 projects pursuing LEED Certification and provided support to various utility incentive programs. Richard is a Professional Engineer (NY), LEED AP, and President-Elect of the ASHRAE Central New York Chapter.