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Up the Ante on your Office Designs: Using the Revised Bifma Ergonomic Guideline to Enhance the Occupant Experience, Monday, June 9 • 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

BIFMA recently made revisions to its Ergonomics Guideline to reflect the changing shape and size of the North American population. Of particular interest are the recommendations for office furniture dimensions/ranges. We'll discuss the relationship between this BIFMA document and LEED Pilot Credit 44 for an ergonomics strategy. Get up to speed on these issues and others, and learn how to use the guideline to enhance occupant health, comfort and productivity. Educate yourself so you are comfortable and familiar with the guideline and you'll be ready to go on the next project.

Lucy Hart, CCPE, BIFMA, certified ergonomist, The Global Group, Downsview, Ontario, Canada. • Dr. Teresa Bellingar, CPE, BIFMA, senior corporate ergonomist, Haworth, Holland, MI.

Regulatory Changes Coming: What You Need to Know to Specify Safer Furniture Without Harmful Chemicals, Including Flame Retardants, Tuesday, June 10 • 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Flame retardant chemicals no longer have the hold on us they once did! It is unfortunate that ineffective flammability standards led to widespread use of toxic FR chemicals. But now, new California (and beyond) flammability standards can be met without the use of toxic chemicals. Get up to speed on the environmental and public health impacts of FR chemicals. Prepare yourself to communicate with clients about health and educate them about the positive changes under the new regulations. Identify the environmentally preferable and safer products that meet the new regulation. Become a source of information and comfort to your clients, and learn how to specify these better, safer products.

Jean Hansen, FIIDA, LEED Fellow, CID, EDAC, AAHID, senior professional associate and sustainable interiors manager, HDR Architecture, San Francisco, CA. • Steven Kooy, BIFMA, global sustainability manager, Haworth, Holland, MI. • Judy Levin, pollution pr.

Flexible Working in the Current Economy: Fourth Biennial Global Benchmarking Study on Mobility, Wednesday, June 11 • 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

This session will review a global benchmarking study of flexible work programs, involving 169 organizations, representing 1.6 million employees. Speakers will demonstrate how leading companies stay ahead of the flexible work change curve and will discuss business drivers, values and benefits of, and barriers to flexible work, as well as leadership implications for CRE executives. The study in its sixth year, allows presenters to reveal trends on what the future workplace will be. Below are two documents to download that will accompany this presentation.

Click to download: Flexible Working in the Current Economy - White Paper

Click to download: Flexible Working in the Current Economy - NeoCon Handout

Dr. Gabor Nagy, ideation manager, Haworth, San Francisco, CA. • Dr. Jim Creighton, director, New Ways of Working, Los Gatos, CA.