

David Eisenberg –Bio

David Eisenberg co-founded and leads the non-profit Development Center for Appropriate Technology (DCAT) in Tucson, Arizona. His three decades of building experience range from troubleshooting construction of the steel and glass cover of Biosphere2, to building a \$2 million structural concrete house, a hypoallergenic structural steel house, and masonry, wood, adobe, rammed earth, and straw bale structures. Since 1995 David has led the effort to create a sustainable context for building codes. A former two-term member of the U.S. Green Building Council Board of Directors, he founded and chairs the USGBC Code Committee.

David has presented workshops, seminars, keynote addresses and lectures at dozens of conferences and universities in the U.S. and abroad. He was lead author for the 2009 report, "Code, Regulatory and Systemic Barriers Affecting Living Building Projects" for the Cascadia Region Green Building Council. He has written for Building Safety Journal (magazine of the International Code Council), co-authored The Straw Bale House book, and has written dozens of published articles, forewords, book chapters and papers. David and DCAT received the 2007 International Code Council (ICC) Affiliate of the Year Award and a 2007 USGBC Leadership Award.

David just completed his service on the ICC Sustainable Building Technology Committee creating the First Draft of the International Green Construction Code, to be part of the family of 2012 I-Codes. Recent presentations include keynotes at the Green Building Focus Conference in Birmingham, Alabama and the 2009 European Straw Bale Conference in Belgium. David presented in two sessions at Greenbuild 2009 in Phoenix, Arizona, and gave the opening talk and helped facilitate the Bright Futures Workshop on energy policy for local governments in the Kansas City, Missouri for the Mid America Regional Council. 2009 international presentations included a public talk for the Hastings, England Borough Council and the Hastings Trust, and at universities, for public officials, and engineering and design organizations about green building, alternative materials, water conservation, and building regulation in Amman, Jordan, Riyadh, Dammam and Jeddah in Saudi Arabia, and in Tel Aviv, Israel.