This year marked the 10-year anniversary of Leonardo Academy's Cleaner and Greener® Certification Program offsetting emissions for the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo. In fact, 100% of the carbon emissions were offset for this year's Greenbuild. (See our Greenbuild Virtual Booth for more information and photos.)

Thinking back on the last decade a lot has happened for sustainable standards. In 2000 the first buildings were certified under LEED for New Construction and the development of LEED for Existing Buildings was just beginning. In just ten years, LEED has gone from being on the fringes to being mainstream best practice.

Over the last several months, two new Leonardo Academy standards were approved as American National Standards by the American National Standards Institute: standards for Sustainable Gaming Machines and Emissions Inventories, Offsets, and Reduction Credits. And the development of the Sustainable Agriculture and Environmental Declaration (LCIA) standards are underway.

We look forward to the benefits of these new standards becoming mainstream over the next 10 years.

Leonardo Academy's press releases from September-October:

Wednesday, 05 October 2011
Greenbuild 2011 Conference to be Cleaner and Greener® Certified for Offsetting 100% of Carbon Emissions

Tuesday, 04 October 2011
Call for Applications to Join Product Category Rule Subcommittee on Type II Life-Cycle Impact Profile Declarations for Materials, Products, Services and Systems

Thursday, 15 September 2011
Advanced Environmental Metrics Demonstrated for Green Building

Thursday, 15 September 2011
ANSI Approves LEO 8000 - Standard for Sustainable Electronic Gaming Machines as an American National Standard

Friday, 02 September 2011
National Sustainable Agriculture Standards Committee Drives Development Toward Final Phases

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