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spotlight on ecospecifier #51

'Australia's leading online ecological and healthy building materials & technologies knowledgebase'



product listings update:

Want to know what's happening inside Ecospecifier? Take a look at our recently added products...

Following is a list of recently added products from April and May to date:

Briggs Veneers- GECA ecolabel Certified- FSC Certified eco-cert™ Veneers

Smorgon- LiteSteel™ (LSB™) beam

Aladdin's- Xlerator Hand Dryers

James Hardie- Internal Linings

Gunnerson - element™ MDF Panels, LG HI-MACS Acrylic Solid Surfaces

Whittle Waxes – Treatex® Hardwax Traditional 1100

Verosol- Trevira cs Metallised Fabrics, Silverscreen Fabrics

Glosswood- Pre-finished and Raw Lining Boards

Herman Miller- Aeron Chairs, Celle Chairs, Mirra Chairs, Caper Chairs, Resolve Systems,

Abak Environments

Please [click here](#) to have a look at this month's recently added products in full on the **ecospecifier** website.

Education and Training

Practical Sustainability National Seminar Series

The nationwide presentation of Part Two of ecospecifier's Practical Sustainability Seminar Series is underway. Seminar Part Two's Topic is Building Rating and Materials Issues Solutions. Please refer to the events section for specific venues and dates and a copy of the Seminar Registratin Form.

Some feedback on Seminar Part Two so is:

"I found the presentation [BUILDING RATING & MATERIALS ISSUES SOLUTIONS] informative, well balanced and a must for anybody involved in ecological sustainable design."

Anthony Milostic – James Hardie

Collect your new Sustainable Materials Reference Guide

Each Seminar Part 2 participant receives one of 4 parts to the new ecospecifier Sustainable Materials Reference Guide displayed in an **ecospecifier**, easy to store, recyclable binder. The Manual will be an invaluable source of unique information on specifying sustainable materials. There are still seats left in Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth so call on 1300 669 997 for more information.

Information Sessions for Manufacturers and Subscribers

Dont forget that Ecospecifier will also continue to present Information Sessions for Manufacturers and Subscribers in each capital city we visit for our Seminar Series. For a current list of Information Session dates and venues please [click here](#).

In-house Training and Education

ecospecifier regularly provides in-house education and training on a range of topics for a wide variety of commercial and government clients. Content can cover all aspects of sustainability associated with ecologically sustainable development (ESD), products, materials and technology, rating tools and Life Cycle Analysis.

Training can be organised and delivered to address information suitable for a range of participants including directors, management, marketing managers, sales representatives & agents, consultants, clients and prospective clients.

IN-HOUSE TRAINING COSTS

\$150 per person for up to 3 hours of In-House Training

(a 3% processing fee will apply to payments by credit card, all prices are excluding GST)

Costs for in-house training are based on a minimum of 10 attendees. Training is between two and three hours, depending on the topic chosen. Additional costs include presenter's airfare if outside of Brisbane and transfers.

TO FIND OUT MORE:

Email marketing@ecospecifier.org

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Subscriber and Manufacturer News

ecospecifier Shortlisted to Finalist in the UN World Environment Awards

The United Nations Association of Australia announced **ecospecifier** as one of only three finalists for this year's World Environment Day Awards in the category of "Business Enterprise" - Best Specific Environmental Initiative last week. **ecospecifier** is very proud of this achievement and I am sure you will wish us all the best for the Award Ceremony in Melbourne next Friday 1st June. For more information please visit

<http://www.unaavictoria.org.au/pages/awards-program/world-environment-day-awards.php>

ecospecifier Joins infrastructure Australia 2007

Infrastructure Australia 2007 trade exhibition will take place from 6-8 September 2007 at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. The exhibition focuses on supply of products and services to commercial, industrial and major projects.

This year, **ecospecifier** joins Infrastructure Australia 2007 to promote environmentally preferable products used in various projects such as buildings, parks, streets, ports, waste management and so on. Members of **ecospecifier** are invited to be part of the Infrastructure Australia 2007 exhibition. Members will receive special discounted pricing negotiated with the organisers. For more information, please visit www.infrastructureaus.com.au.

New Technical Guide added to ecospecifier!!

Technical Guide 4: Thermal Mass & its Role in Building Comfort and Energy Efficiency. Thermal mass elements in buildings assists in the reduction of energy consumed in heating and cooling in most climate zones, can significantly reduce the ecological impacts of burning fossil fuels due to energy production, as well as reduce costs, improve comfort and reduce or eliminate the need for air conditioning.

This Technical Guide seeks to explain thermal mass, its benefits and limitations to enhance an understanding of mass and its uses in common buildings and provide guidance in areas where even the sophisticated 2nd generation thermal modelling tools do not deal adequately with the thermodynamics of vegetated high mass and green roof structures.

Please view the full Technical Guide for further details and information.

http://www.ecospecifier.org/knowledge_base/technical_guides

New Allied Partners

ecospecifier is proud to announce the inclusion of two new Allied Partners to join our elite Allied Partnership Program. We are very proud to welcome them aboard!



The Natural Edge Project



Alternative Technology Association

For more information on ecospecifier's new and existing Allied Partners please [click here](#).

upcoming events:

May

ATA Greywater seminar - ATA - May 31 - Space 39, Level 2, 39 Little Collins St, Melbourne

Contact Wendy Clarke on ph:(03) 9631 5407 or email: wendy@ata.org.au

June

Designbuild – June 3-6, 2007, Sydney

www.designex.info

GREX - June 1-3, 2007, Sydney

www.grex.com.au/newsletter04/newsletter04.htm

www.grex.com.au

Building and Home Improvement Expo - June 1-3, 2007, Melbourne

www.buildexpo.com.au

Collaboration, Consultation and Communication - AGDF - June 7 - South Brisbane

www.agdf.org.au

Sustainable Development Update - AGDF - June 12 - Byron Bay

www.agdf.org.au

Ecospecifier's Brisbane Subscriber and Manufacturer Information Sessions - June 13, 2007,
Brisbane

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

Ecospecifier's Brisbane Practical Sustainability Seminar Part 2 - June 14, 2007, Brisbane

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

Clean Site Demonstration Day - Keep Australia Beautiful Queensland - June 15 - Marsden

For more information and RSVPs email stuart@kabq.org.au

Ecospecifier's Adelaide Subscriber and Manufacturer Information Sessions - June 18,
2007, Adelaide Town Hall

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

Ecospecifier's Adelaide Practical Sustainability Seminar Part 2 - June 19, 2007, Adelaide
Town Hall

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

Noosa 'Glossies' Awards - Living Smart Noosa - June 22 - Noosa
www.livingsmartnoosa.com

July

Ecospecifier's Perth Subscriber and Manufacturer Information Sessions - July 9, 2007, Perth Home Ideas Centre

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

Ecospecifier's Perth Practical Sustainability Seminar Part 2 - July10, 2007, Perth Home Ideas Centre

[Please click here for a Registration Form](#)

About ecospecifier

ecospecifier is a knowledge base of over 3000 environmentally preferable products, materials and resources. Linking independent information with a powerful search interface, ecospecifier does your materials research for you, delivering innovative solutions with a unique difference.
