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Registration Now Open for 2022 FGIA Virtual Southeast Region Meeting

SCHAUMBURG, IL – Registration is now open for the 2022 Fenestration and Glazing Industry Alliance (FGIA) Virtual Southeast Region Meeting, to be held August 23 online. This regional virtual meeting will cover several key topics of interest to those in the Southeast, including an update on wind-driven rain research, Texas product approvals, the future of ENERGY STAR, the impact of light levels on the sea turtle population and other code adoption updates. [Register now](https://fgiaonline.org/events/299/2022-fgia-virtual-southeast-region-meeting) for access to the FGIA Virtual Southeast Region Meeting.

“FGIA has created a diverse agenda that includes both timely and engaging topics that are of interest to our industry and specifically those selling fenestration and glazing products in the Southeast,” said Florica Vlad, FGIA Meetings Manager. “During the one-day event, you will gather important information from many experts and various research initiatives that can provide valuable insight into key decisions for your company.”

**Wind-driven Rain Research**

Those at the meeting will receive an update on the wind-driven rain research conducted by the University of Florida’s College of Engineering in conjunction with the Department of Meteorology at Cornell University. This research was funded by the Florida Building Commission (FBC), and FGIA has been an active advocate of this data as it relates to water resistance testing. The research, presented by Art DeGaetano of Cornell University and Jay Crandell of ARES Consulting, can help to inform future building design and product development and testing in Florida and other hurricane-prone states.

**ENERGY STAR Updates**

A panel of industry experts from multiple window manufacturers, including Andersen, Marvin and Pella, will discuss the latest on energy performance requirements in the final draft of ENERGY STAR® Version 7.0, IECC 2024 energy code updates and their anticipated adoption, and glass technologies to support ever increasing energy requirements.

**Sea Turtle Conservation**

Dr. Robbin N. Trindell (Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission - FWC) will share the latest information available on FWC’s current research being conducted with Florida sea turtles this summer to better understand how they are attracted to various levels of light. FGIA is collaborating with the FWC on this research that will inform future recommendations for glazing that may better meet the needs of sea turtles and the people who live, work and visit structures in Florida coastal areas.

**Texas Product Approvals**

Participants will also discover keys to understanding the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) Requirements for Fenestration. TDI’s Dr. Paul Bove will cover tips for successfully submitting product approvals and will provide an update on adopted building code specifications in the state.

**Registration Fees**

Individuals can register for this virtual event for a fee of $99. To upgrade to unlimited employee access, pay a fee of $149. A primary individual registration is required before an upgrade can be purchased. Once an upgrade is purchased, FGIA staff will contact the main registrant to obtain the additional participant names and get them registered.

To learn more about sponsorship, contact Vlad at fvlad@FGIAonline.org.

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