



## News Release



### Green Roofs Professional Designation Launches in Canada Exam establishes green roof professional viability in growing industrial sector

*TORONTO, ON – October 1 2009* - Green Roofs for Healthy Cities (GRHC), the North American Green Roof Industry Association, is pleased to announce the Canadian Green Roof Professional (GRP) Accreditation launch on October 19, 2009 at the CitiesAlive World Green Roof Infrastructure Congress in Toronto, Canada, hosted by GRHC, the City of Toronto, and the World Green Roof Infrastructure Network.

Candidates will have the opportunity for the first time in Canada to register for the exam and complete the newly launched Green Roof Professional (GRP) Accreditation Exam. The deadline to register for the GRP Exam at the CitiesAlive Congress in Toronto is Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> 2009, midnight (EST). To register, visit [www.greenroofs.org](http://www.greenroofs.org).

The exam covers the key areas of knowledge expected of a Green Roof Professional and encompasses five areas of concentration including pre-design, design, contract management, quality assurance and support, and maintenance. GRP accreditation will verify the designated GRP has attained a level of the interdisciplinary knowledge needed in the design, installation and maintenance of green roof systems. GRP accreditation also provides continuing education credits for AIA, ASLA, APA and LEED.

Toronto has enacted a Green Roof Bylaw that goes into effect January 31 2009. CitiesAlive delegates can learn more about the Toronto bylaw at the Congress. For more information about the CitiesAlive World Green Roof Infrastructure Congress, and to register, visit [www.citiesalive.org](http://www.citiesalive.org).

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About Green Roofs for Healthy Cities: Green Roofs for Healthy Cities (GRHC) was founded in 1999 as a small network of public and private organizations. GRHC is now a rapidly growing not-for-profit industry association of green roof experts in North America. Its mission is to increase the awareness of the economic, social and environmental benefits of green roofs and green walls, and other forms of living architecture through education, advocacy, professionalism and celebrations of excellence. [www.greenroofs.org](http://www.greenroofs.org).