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Facade Tectonics Hosts Forum in Seattle

Facade Tectonics will hold its next forum, "Material Matters: Emerging Strategies and Design Practices for Facade Systems, Buildings and Urban Habitat," in Seattle, July 16, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the University of Washington, Kane Hall Auditorium.

"The building façade system uniquely impacts both performance and appearance at the combined scales of building and metropolis," say organizers. "The outcome of a new façade program or renovation largely determines the lifecycle success of a building, and together these buildings largely define the ongoing success of urban habitat. Nothing in architecture has seen more applied innovation over recent decades than the building skin. Yet, navigating the implementation of a contemporary façade program remains the single most challenging component of building design and construction.

Escalating code requirements, increasingly complex designs, an expanding materials palette, novel delivery strategies, convoluted supply chains and a constantly morphing risk environment combine to challenge the most savvy and experienced design and building teams. The Facade Tectonics Institute brings its celebrated Forum to Seattle as industry and academic thought leaders explore the facade effect on buildings and urban habitat."