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### **ICC and BPI partner to advance building professionals' training in Texas** *New agreement facilitates a greater focus on the training curriculum*

**ARLINGTON, TEXAS** – The [International Code Council](http://www.iccsafe.org) (ICC) and the [Building Professional Institute](http://www.bpi-tx.com) (BPI) announced a new partnership that will advance training for building professionals in Texas. Under the new agreement, the Code Council will manage the registration, administration and outreach for trainings while BPI will focus on the curriculum to better serve the needs of building professionals in Texas.

Originally established at the University of Texas at Arlington in 1992, BPI conducts four annual regional events that offer quality education and training for building professionals, including building officials, municipal inspectors, real estate inspectors, architects, engineers, builders, plumbers, fire protection personnel, code enforcement, permit technicians, contractors, electricians, and environmental health and safety personnel. BPI is an [ICC Preferred Provider](#) and coursework done through these training events earn valuable Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to help attendees maintain necessary professional certifications.

“BPI is excited about the opportunity to partner with ICC on one of the key elements of our educational program,” said BPI Officer Charles Clawson. “This partnership will reduce our administrative responsibility and allow BPI to concentrate on our long-standing tradition of quality education.”

The new agreement allows BPI to leverage the Code Council’s expertise and resources to elevate its own exceptional training services. “I am pleased that our longstanding ICC-BPI partnership is expanding to better serve the training needs of the building community,” said ICC Executive Vice President and Director of Business Development Mark Johnson. “Strengthening our partnership will benefit all building professionals in Texas and lead to building safer, more resilient communities.”

The Code Council will begin supplying registration and outreach services for BPI’s October 2017 [Central Texas](#) event in August. Other BPI events occur each year in Arlington, Houston and Brownsville. Learn more about upcoming BPI training events at <http://bpi-tx.com>.

**About the International Code Council**

The [International Code Council](#) is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets [choose the International Codes](#).

**About the Building Professional Institute**

The [Building Professional Institute](#) was originally established at the University of Texas at Arlington in 1992 by the Building Officials Association of Texas and the Construction Research Center at the University of Texas at Arlington. The Institute is typically an annual week-long program of quality education and training for building professionals.

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