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New Partner APPA Brings Credentialing Program to EDspaces

(*Silver Spring, MD*) — The **Education Market Association** (EDmarket) is proud to announce that APPA is the latest Knowledge Partner for the **EDspaces Conference & Expo**. As a Knowledge Partner, APPA is bringing its Credentialing Program to EDspaces. Participants will receive a \$200 discount when they register for both EDspaces and the APPA Credentialing Course on October 29 and 30 in Tampa, Florida.

The APPA Credentialing Program allows institutions to demonstrate an internationally-accepted, requisite level of knowledge and understanding of the educational facilities field. The Educational Facilities Professional (EFP) and Certified Educational Facilities Professional (CEFP) designations provide professional credentialing for the educational facilities professional. The course is divided between two mornings to allow participants access to the EDspaces exhibit hall and social activities.

"We are excited to welcome APPA as a new strategic partner of EDspaces," says Jim McGarry, President/CEO of EDmarket. "Participants will not only be able to earn the prestigious CEFP and EFP designations, but will be able to source products, network, and learn from the many decision makers gathered at EDspaces."

School and college facility planners, superintendents, architects and business/purchasing officials come to EDspaces to help make effective decisions for their upcoming facility construction or renovation project and to take part in the discussion about how facilities and learning interact.

"It is a strategic initiative of APPA's credentialing board to expand the opportunities for professionals working in educational facilities to validate their expertise by attaining the EFP certificate or the CEFP credential," says J. Thomas Becker, PE, EFP, CEFP, APPA Credentialing Board- Chair from Philadelphia University. "We are especially pleased to provide this inaugural educational opportunity to EDspaces, and the professionals within the architecture community that provide services to education, research, and institutional facilities. "

EDspaces is the only international event that brings together all of the key stakeholders who design, equip and manage innovative learning spaces and the manufacturers, service providers and dealers who offer them solutions. EDspaces showcases the newest and most innovative products for educational facilities and includes a CEU-accredited (AIA, IDCEC, GCBI, TASBO) education conference focused on forwardthinking, sustainable design and the changing impact of environments on learning. Find out more at **www.ed-spaces.com**.

For more details on pricing, eligibility and experience requirements, as well as the online credentialing application form, see http://credentialing.appa.org/index.cfm. To register, visit http://credentialing.appa.org/currentofferings.cfm.