



Autodesk Ranks #6 Among IT Companies on Newsweek Magazine's Green Rankings

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3D Design and Engineering Software Leader Scores #21 Overall in List of Top 500 U.S. Companies

SAN FRANCISCO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 23, 2012-- *Newsweek* Magazine this week recognized [Autodesk, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: ADSK) as one of the greenest companies. Autodesk was ranked #6 among information technology and services companies, and #21 overall in the top 500 U.S. companies in [Newsweek's Green Rankings](#).

The annual *Newsweek* Green Rankings look at the largest publically traded companies in the U.S. and globally ranks them on performance in such areas as greenhouse gas emissions, waste reduction and management of natural resources. Autodesk performed particularly well in the Environmental Impact measurement, and stood out for its green building strategy, including LEED certifications; well below average carbon emissions; and detailed policy on green procurement.

"Sustainability is at the core of how Autodesk operates and what our technology enables our customers to achieve," said Carl Bass, president and CEO of Autodesk. "We have a positive impact through greening our own operations, but also through the tools we supply to our millions of customers worldwide who imagine, design and create more efficient buildings, infrastructure and products. We're honored to be recognized alongside so many of our customers on *Newsweek's* prestigious list."

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Autodesk focuses its efforts on the areas where it can have the most positive impact on the future of the planet. A key component of that strategy is providing design software to those who create the built environment, supply energy and water, plan cities, and define manufacturing processes, in order to encourage sustainable project outcomes. Autodesk leads by example in its own operations by measuring and reducing its carbon footprint, and more efficiently using water, materials and other resources in its facilities and across the value chain. The company employs its own software using its buildings as a testing ground for new ideas, workflows and sustainable design solutions, strengthening the business and creating knowledge that Autodesk can share with others.

In addition to *Newsweek's* Green Rankings, Autodesk has been recognized for its efforts with a leadership position on the Carbon Disclosure Project's S&P 500 index disclosure rankings; inclusion in Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (DJSI); FTSE4Good Index Series; top 10 ranking in Maplecroft's climate innovation leaders; and an Environmental Protection Agency Green Power Leader listing.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is a leader in [3D design](#), engineering and entertainment software. Customers across the manufacturing, architecture, building, construction, and media and entertainment industries -- including the last 17 Academy Award winners for Best Visual Effects -- use Autodesk software to design, visualize and simulate their ideas. Since its introduction of AutoCAD software in 1982, Autodesk continues to develop the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art software for global markets. For additional information about Autodesk, visit <http://www.autodesk.com/>.

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