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GEZE Launches RIBA-Accredited CPD Webinar Series

GEZE UK has announced a new series of online CPD webinars taking place across April, offering architects and specifiers the opportunity to enhance their knowledge of door, window and access control systems through four RIBA-accredited sessions.

Running on the **8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th April**, the live webinar series has been designed to support architects in meeting ongoing professional development requirements while gaining practical, up-to-date insights into the specification of entrance and access solutions in modern buildings.

Each session will focus on a dedicated technical topic, providing clear guidance on compliance, safety, accessibility and performance considerations across a range of sectors. Delivered by GEZE's experienced specification team, the webinars combine technical expertise with real-world application, ensuring attendees leave with actionable knowledge they can apply immediately to projects.

Registration Now Open

All four CPD webinars are free to attend, with advance registration required. You can also pick and choose which sessions you would like to register for. There is no obligation to register or attend for all of them.

To secure you space, visit: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xhj1d4lpRDi1LglmoS2bcw

Overview of sessions

Episode 1 (8th April, 10:00am – 10:45am) - Removing Barriers to Access

This seminar provides guidance in the use and specification of door control devices in a way that does not make doors into obstacles.

- The reasons why we need door controls
- Current legislation relating to door controls
- The impact of The Equality Act, BS 8300 and Building Regulations on door controls
- Where to use automatic doors
- Which door control devices are available

Episode 2 (15th April, 10:00am – 10:45am) - Safeguarding Pedestrians from Accidents at Power Operated Doorsets (EN 16005)

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The European safety standard EN 16005 came into effect from April 2013. It is the first formalised cross European standard for automatic doors. Recognised as a more onerous standard it relates to the potential hazards and hazardous situations relevant to power operated doorsets.

This seminar explains the standard, its implications for architects and how to comply.

Episode 3 (22nd April, 10:00am – 10:45am) - Specifying, Installing and Maintaining Ironmongery for Fire Doors
This seminar explains the importance of fire safety on manual doors and their various components, it explains what a fire door is and why smoke is so dangerous.

- What is a fire door?
- What are the various components of a fire door
- How do the components work?
- Why is smoke so dangerous?
- What are the standards and regulations that apply?

Episode 4 (29th April, 10:00am – 10:45am) - Designing Effective Natural Heat and Smoke Ventilation
This seminar will give an overview of the requirements for selection and specification of natural fire and smoke venting equipment in residential and commercial properties.

- The case for fire and smoke venting
- Guidelines and standards
- Equipment location and application
- Competing technology - generic types
- Window selection, venting capacity, layout and security
- Reliability and performance
- Conclusion - the specification task

Flexible, Accessible Learning

As buildings become more complex and regulations continue to evolve, the correct specification of door controls, automatic operators, and access control systems is increasingly critical. Hosted online, the sessions allow architects and specifiers to join from anywhere, making it easier to fit CPD into busy schedules. Attendees will also have the opportunity to ask questions directly to GEZE's technical experts during live Q&A segments.

If you have any queries about these sessions, please email cpd@geze.com

Paul Wyatt, GEZE's National Specification Manager, added:

"Our CPD programme is designed not only to support compliance, but to give architects confidence in specifying systems that are safe, reliable and aligned with the needs of modern buildings," said a spokesperson for GEZE UK. "By delivering these sessions online, we're making it easier than ever for practices to access high-quality technical education."

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Note to editors:

Founded in Germany in 1863, GEZE is one of the world's leading manufacturers of door and window control systems. Investing millions in research, development and manufacture of innovative solutions, GEZE sets the global standard for advanced door and window technology. GEZE UK is the official company name and it originates from a German abbreviation, so should always be spelt in capital letters. The background: In 1901 Master locksmith Victor Gretsch joined the company and the business was renamed Gretsch & Co. GmbH. GRETSCHCO was abbreviated to **GE** for the German pronunciation of the letter G and **ZE** for the letter C.

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