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Exciting news from CU-Boulder's Engineering for Developing Communities (EDC) program:

We have received all necessary approvals and the building permit has been issued for our Field Laboratory for Appropriate and Sustainable Technologies (<http://www.edc-cu.org/FLASTlab.htm>). Construction is scheduled to begin in mid-February, and our students will be working in the field (literally) by March. If you or your company is interested in making an in-kind contribution to this sustainable technology learning lab, please contact Bernard Amadei ([Amadei@colorado.edu](mailto:Amadei@colorado.edu)).

On January 21, our newly formed internal advisory board met for the first time. The group, including faculty from several engineering departments and programs, enthusiastically supports EDC's goals, and look forward to working with us to solidify and expand the program within the College of Engineering and Applied Science. The first meeting of our external advisory board will be in late April.

Dr. Amadei helped to organize a multi-organizational meeting in Washington, DC in order to discuss the upcoming reconstruction needs of areas devastated by the December 26, 2004 tsunami in South Asia. The meeting was held from January 26-28 at the National Academy of Engineering.

EDC faculty will be hosting visitors from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology on February 11<sup>th</sup> to share information about developing their own program. The visitors will also be touring and studying programs offered by the college's Integrated Teaching and Learning Laboratory.

Dr. Bielefeldt will be representing the EDC program at an NSF grant recipient conference in Washington, DC, February 16-18, 2005. Angie was the principal investigator on the department-level reform planning grant received in August 2004.

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