

CeBIT : Green IT

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CeBit is the place where advancements in the international IT industry coalesce and crystallize. This year, the trade fair focuses its attention on a single topic of great importance. IT companies from every corner of the globe are working on the issues of energy efficiency and climate protection. To reflect that trend and encourage its positive outcome, CeBit focuses on green IT.

The innovative powers of developers can blossom into strange fruit under the banner of "green IT". Some concepts are interesting, but others can be labeled as "bizarre". These are some green gadgets:

- Eco Book: PC manufacturer Asus tried years ago to strike an exclusive tone by adding a leather cover to high-end notebooks. Today the Taiwanese are giving it a try, using sustainable raw materials to create computer covers: the prototype Eco Book is housed in a casing of laminated bamboo strips. The concept is clear: bamboo is flexible and sturdy, regenerates quickly and is widely available (in Asia at least).
- Voltaic System's solar-powered backpack: Voltaic system has gone one step further with its product: this American outfit has introduced a solar-cell backpack to the market specifically for electronic gadgets. The new bag is made from recycled PET bottles and included rechargeable batteries.
- Recycling PCs (green PC): Fujitsu Siemens is the first IT-vendor to offer a complete range of environmentally conscious products among them the SCALEO Li 2405 green edition, the first green PC for consumers. It's characterized by: energy saving, halogen free mainboard, very low noise emission.