

# General Assembly Meeting December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025, Vienna





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13:00 – 13:30	Collaboration with CEN TC442 (Peter Kompoltschek)
13:00 - 13:45	Update Working Groups, Workshops since last General Assembly
13:45 - 15:00	Members updates: how can we support each other?
15:00 - 15:15	Networking Coffee break
15:15 - 15:45	Members updates continued
15:45 - 16:45	<ul> <li>EU BTG planning 2026</li> <li>Workshops, Working Groups, focus activities, organizational issues, internet, etc</li> <li>Steering Committee and Chairs</li> </ul>
16:45 - 17:00	Wrap-up and closing
19:00	<b>Dinner</b> together <i>at your own expense</i> in Restaurant Wirtshaus Herlischk <a href="https://www.herlitschka.wien/">https://www.herlitschka.wien/</a>





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# EU initiatives supporting the digitalisation of the construction ecosystem

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**Policy Officer** 

Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship & SMEs



# **Affordable Housing Plan**



# End of year package on affordability



A comprehensive approach to correcting housing imbalances by acting simultaneously on supply, demand, social protection and access to finance.

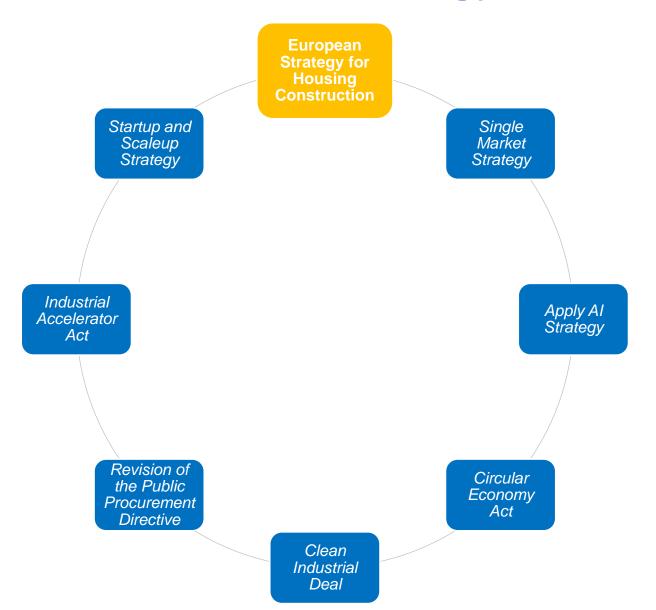
Improving delivery will requires closer cooperation across all levels of government and across departments, as well as structured engagement with stakeholders



# **European Strategy for Housing Construction**



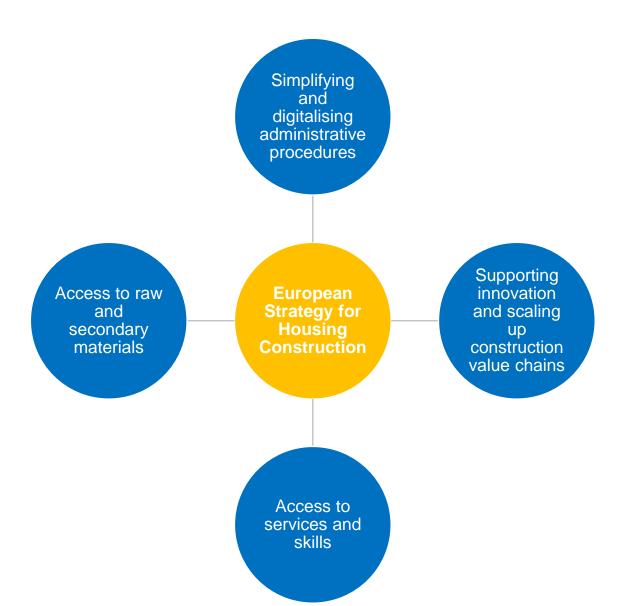
# **European Strategy for Housing Construction**



The European Strategy for Housing Construction is not a standalone document. The Strategy links to ongoing initiatives such as the Single Market Strategy and the Clean Industrial Deal. It anticipates planned initiatives such as the Industrial Accelerator Act, the Circular Economy Act and the Revision of the Public Procurement Directive.



# **European Strategy for Housing Construction**



This strategy aims to unlock the full potential of the construction ecosystem by simplifying and digitalising administrative procedures, supporting innovation and scaling up in construction and construction value chains, securing access to raw and secondary materials and by ensuring access to services and skills





# Digitalisation of the ecosystem as part of the ESHC

- Lack of digitalisation in the construction ecosystem widely seen as a main barrier towards accelerated housing supply
- Improving interoperability between Digital Building Logbooks (DBLs), Digital
   Building Permits (DBPs) and the Digital Product Passport (DPP)
- Digital Pre-demolition audits



# Building permit systems in the EU

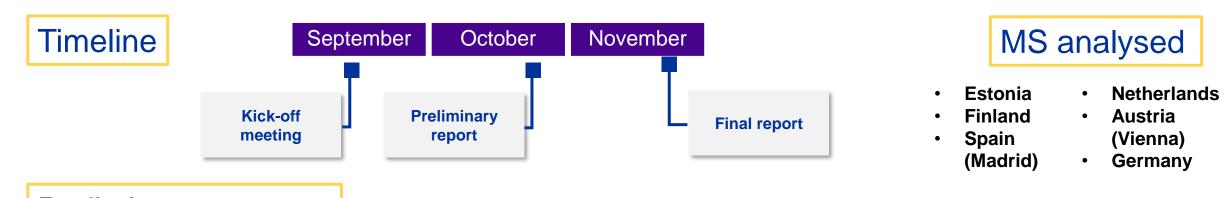


#### **Current situation**

- Layers of overly restrictive housing rules and regulations substantially increase costs across design, compliance, and project delivery phases.
- The time to obtain a building permit in the European Union varies significantly, from a few weeks to several months.
- Long and uncertain permitting procedures have a substantial financial impact on construction projects in the EU.
- Uncertain permitting procedures contribute to increase in construction costs and limit housing supply by reducing construction plans and developments
- Digitalisation is a key component of a number of EU countries' efforts to streamline building permit processes, with considerable differences across the EU.
- Digitalisation can offer economic benefits and efficiency improvements.



## Ongoing study on digital building permits (DBPs)



# Preliminary outcome

- DBP systems reduce processing time, staff hours, and error rates, directly lowering administrative costs
- Efficiency gains shorten project lead times, enabling lower financing costs, and faster housing completion, improving housing affordability and supply.
- Transparent digital workflows also reduce disputes and resubmissions.
- Most advanced: Estonia (national live system) and Finland (binding legal mandate by 2026).
- Regulatory impediments: lack of legal recognition of IFC as binding (Austria); fragmented building codes (Germany); non-machine-readable rules (Netherlands, Spain); municipal staffing and funding shortages (Finland, Spain).
- Technical barriers: unclear data requirements, legacy document systems, limited GIS integration.
- Non-technical barriers: organisational change, training deficits, cybersecurity and data-governance concerns.

The study will **provide data and policy recommendations** that enable advancing the objectives of the ESHC



# Study on the state of play of building permits for housing in the EU, and impact of implementing measures to streamline, shorten and digitalise the process

#### Scope:

- Assessment of permit systems in all MS for new buildings, renovations and repurposing for projects with one housing unit and multiple residential units
  - Analysis of the effects of the legislative and technical requirements on the supply of housing and on the competitiveness of the construction sector
- 7 case studies: cost-benefit analysis
- Recommendations with concrete actions to digitalise building permit systems and reduce the lead times

- steps
- lead times
- level of digitalisation



- regulatory overlaps
- inefficiencies
- administrative burden





# Revision of the legal framework on Public Procurement





## Revision of the Public Procurement Directives

- <u>Survey:</u> 83 responses, need to make BIM mandatory for public procurement in certain sectors (Construction) and for contracts of specific types and values and aligned implementation strategies in Member States.
- Call for Evidence and an open public consultation launched soon.
- Impact Assessment under preparation. Several complementary studies to provide data on impacts of potential policy measures.





# Study

- To assess the potential impact of introducing mandatory BIM use in public procurement and defining thresholds based on contract value, focusing on implications for businesses.
  - •Evaluate economic and operational effects on companies, especially SMEs.
  - •Identify opportunities and barriers to market access and competitiveness.
  - •Generate evidence to inform proportionate and effective policy options.
- Results by end of February 2026, final report beginning of March 2026.



# Thank you!



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# WHO? WHY? WHAT?





Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine

# WHO? WHY? WHAT?



European group of **public clients and policy makers** who bring together the collective <u>expertise</u> and <u>purchasing power</u> for a **successful implementation of BIM** in Europe. We support public clients responsible for the built environment to implement **digital transformation** in practice.



Public authorities + Public clients





ENABLERS (CEN, ISO, bSI, OGC, ...)

### WHO? WHY? WHAT?





Ensure the best value for public money



Improve transparency and outcome of public projects



Support a productive + sustainable EU Single Market



Ensure seamless exchange of digital information



Foster public authorities dedication to open BIM





#### STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL ROADMAP

05 key objectives19 proposed activities



#### **BENEFITS OF BIM**

- A1. Cost benefits analysis
- A2. Pilot project results
- A3. Measurement



# RELIABLE INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

- **B1.** Guidelines for public procurement
- **B2.** Advise EC on PPD
- **B3.** EU BIM webside development
- **B4.** BIM innovation reward



#### STANDARDISATION

- **C1.** Liaison communication plan
- C2. Open BIM
- **C3.** Common classification system



#### **KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER**

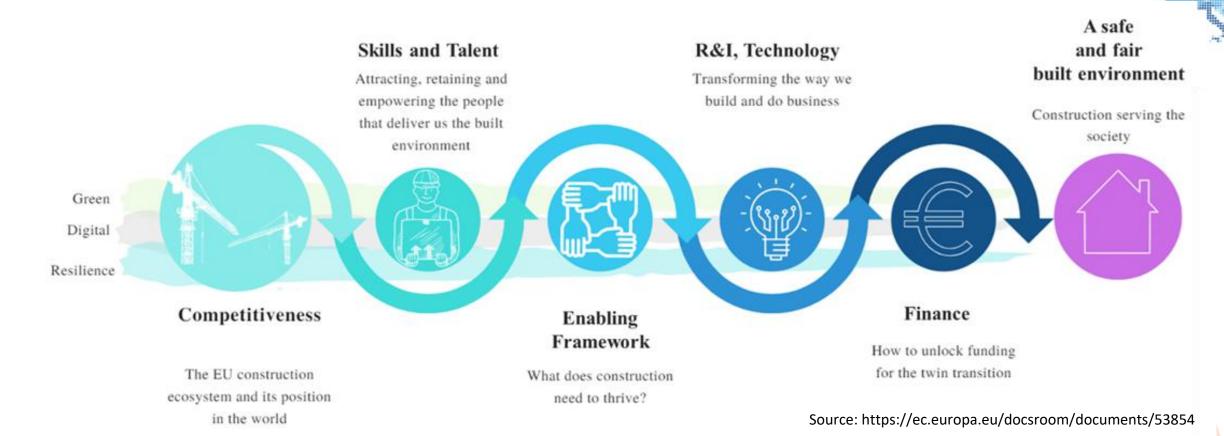
- **D1.** Regular meetings between members
- **D2.** BIM conference for public procurers
- D3. Legal entity
- **D4.** Network of who is who with expert pool



## SUPPORT MEMBER STATES INITIATIVES

- E1. Unified Digital Platform
- **E2.** Better Funding
- E3. Data Security
- **E4.** Built environment Data privacy
- **E5.** Knowledge transfer workshops

# **CURRENT FOCUS – EU TRANSITION PATHWAY**



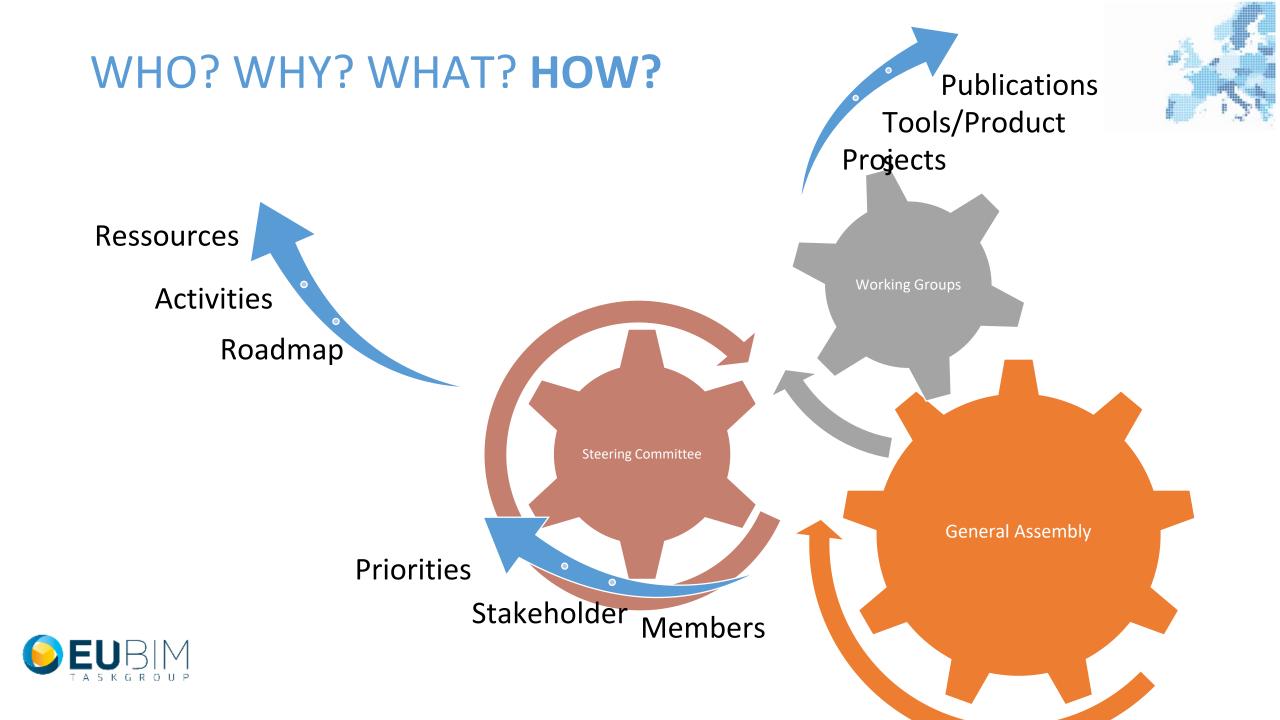


Building Permissions with BIM

Design and Construction with BIM

Operation with BIM

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# RECENT WORK – Working Groups –



After GA 2024

#### **BIM for Public Procurement:**

Dmijtris, Cinzia, Pietro, Guillermo, Jorge, André

#### **BIM for Digital Building Permits:**

Chris, Peter, Liana, André, Angelo, Wolfgang

#### Handbook 2.0 on BIM for Twin Transition:

Antonio, Souheil, Milena, Wolfgang

#### **BIM for Digital Building Logbooks/Passports:**

Milena, Wolfgang

#### **BIM for Affordable Housing**

<u>Davitt</u>, Aidan, Angelo, Irene



# RECENT WORK – Projects –



#### Before GA 2024

 Cost-Benefit-Analysis for the use of BIM in Public Procurement: methodology and tool

•High Level Construction Forum (HLCF): contribute to the co-creation of the green, digital and resilient transition pathway for the EU construction industry ecosystem.

#### After GA 2024

•High Level Construction Forum (HLCF): contribute to the co-creation of the green, digital and resilient transition pathway for the EU construction industry ecosystem.

•Study for Digital Building Permits/Affordable housing

•Study of the Economic impact of BIM on companies in the EU



# RECENT WORK – Workshops –



#### After GA 2022

**WS 1:** OpenBIM in procurement and practice (*Jun 23/Dublin*)

**WS 2:** Common Data Environment (*Sep 23/Prague*)

**WS 3:** Impementation of BIM, organisational aspects (*Nov 23/Rome*)

#### After GA 2023

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WS 5: Green IT (May24/Nice)

**WS 6:** Human Factor (*June 24/Athens*)

WS 7: Classification Systems (Sept 24/Šibenik)

#### After GA 2024

**WS 8:** BIM-Implementation and Training Opportunities (*Nov 24*/Budapest)

**WS 9:** BIM for Digital Buildig Permits (Feb/25, Tallinn)

**WS 10:** Data Interoperability in the Built Environment (*July/25, Bern*)

**WS 11:** BIM for Infrastructure (*Oct/25, Rome*)

**WS 12**:BIM Data Standard Dictionary and Technical Standards (*Jan26*/Prague)

**WS 13:** Scaling BIM Down: Making BIM Work for SMEs and Small Projects (*Feb/26, Nicosia*)



# RECENT WORK – Knowledge Transfer –





Bringing together national efforts into a common and aligned European approach to develop a world-class digital construction sector..



#### Our Vision

Europe's public procurers, policy makers and public estate owners recognize the positive and transformative effect that digitalization brings to both public works and the construction sector. The Task Group's vision is to encourage the common use of BIM, as 'digital construction', in public works with the common aim of improving value for public money, quality of the public estate and for the sustainable competitiveness of industry.

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WS2 - CDE



WS3 - Org. Strategy

Rome, 7 November 2023



WS4 - BIM in FM



WS5-Responsible digitalization



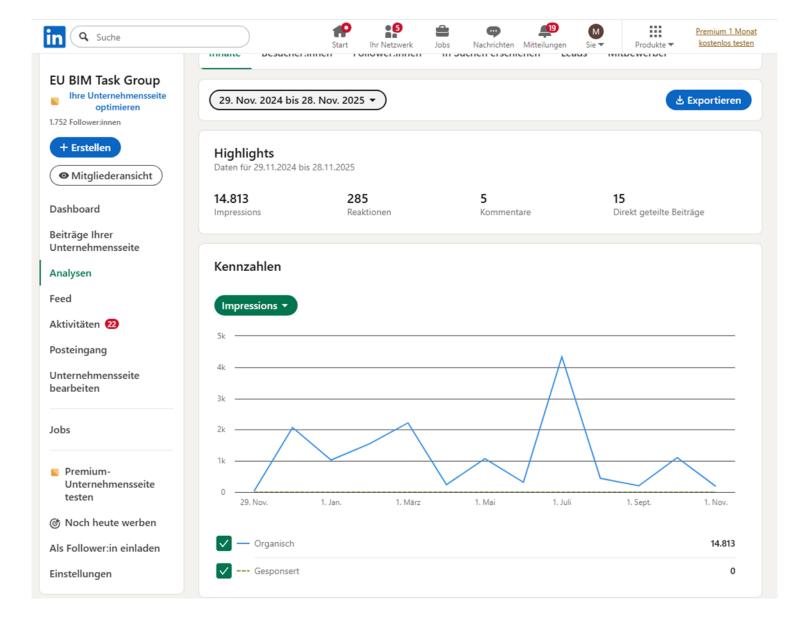
WS6-Challenge of the change



Prague, 25 September 2023

Strassbourg 20th-21st February 2024

# RECENT WORK - Network -







# RECENT WORK – Presentations with Public Impact –



- •BAU Munich Jan 2025
- •HLCF Meeting, online March 2025
- •EU BIM Public Officials Group Meeting, Warsaw April 2025
- •Finish Building Permit Ecosystem Online, May 2025
- •DBP Congress, Giessen May 2025
- HLCF Meeting, online May + Oct 2025
- BIM Day Prague, bsl, Sept. 2025
- BIM Conference Athens, Oct. 2025





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Collaboration with buildingSMART WG "openBIM" Proposal Leoš Svoboda

openBIM Harmony – Steen Sunesen PCERT – Cornelius Preidel



## Working Group "openBIM" Proposal



#### **Objective of the Working Group:**

- Collaboration with buildingSMART (bSI) European openBIM Forum (EOF)
- Identification of key EOF programs supporting EU BTG goals:
  - buildingSMART openBIM Harmony Framework
  - buildingSMART Professional Certification Program (PCERT)

#### Leader:

- Leoš Svoboda
  - Ministry of Industry and Trade, Czech Republic
  - buildingSMART Czech Republic, EOF

#### **Timeline:**

- 06/2024 EOF Manifesto supported by the EU BTG published
- 12/2024 WG "openBIM" proposal
- 03/2025 EOF openBIM Harmony framework introduced
- 06/2025 EOF adopted openBIM Harmony by 21 out of 22 Chapters vote
- 09/2025 Collaboration agreement with Harmony and PCERT leaders at bSI Summit in Berlin
- 12/2025 WG "openBIM" Harmony and PCERT collaboration proposal at EU BTG GA



supported by:



# European openBIM® Forum Initiative: Advancing openBIM® Standards for a Digitalised and Sustainable Future



39 Chapters

## buildingSMART International



## Interim results: BIM mandate overview across EU

#### •weden

2015: For all infrastructure projects, but there is no similar initiative in public building projects

#### Denmark

2011: For all local and regional infrastructure and transport projects > EUR 2.7m

2013: For all public building projects and subsidised housing

#### Austria

2018: For budget control in the construction of new public buildings

#### reland

2025: Established milestone for large-scale construction contracts > EUR 100m

#### Germany

2017: For all public projects > EUR 100m 2021: Horizontal mandate for all public projects

#### Netherlands

2018: For large-scale public projects > EUR 20m

#### France

2023: There is a new obligation of a housing information digital book, where BIM use for public buildings is currently strongly recommended

#### Spain

2025 -2027: For all public contracts > EUR 5.38m, in the design and construction phase 2030: For projects with a budget between EUR 2m and 5.38m, in the design and construction phase

#### Portugal

Defined 2030 as the year for mandate BIM in public projects, without specific proposed budget conditions

#### Finland

2007: All public buildings > EUR 1m 2015: Horizontal mandate in all infrastructure projects

#### Estonia

2024: Regarding the building permits process, it has been possible to apply for the building permit by uploading the BIM model to EHR (Estonian Building Registry), open format (IFC) by meeting ÜBN BIM requirements

#### Latvia

2025: Established milestone for the all the new public buildings

#### Lithuania

2021-2022: For all the project's phases of buildings > EUR 5m; For engineering structures, movable assets > EUR 10m; For renewal (modernisation) projects in urbanised areas > EUR 5m

#### Poland

2023: For projects > EUR 10m however, this milestone has not yet been reached.

2030: Horizontal mandate

#### Czech Republic

2024: For public projects > EUR 6.28m in the construction phase and > EUR 250,000 in the design phase

#### Slovenia

2021: For projects documentation in public buildings (procurement)

#### Bulgaria

2027: Established milestone for all public projects > EUR 50m 2030 onwards: For all public projects > EUR 20m

#### Italy

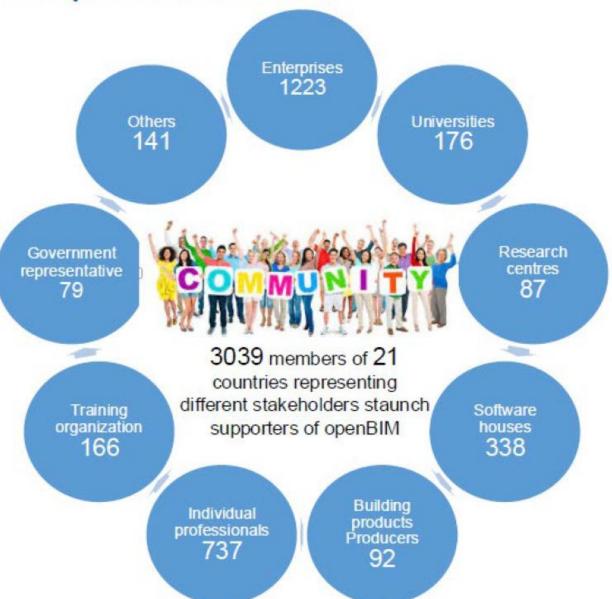
2023: For all public projects > EUR 5.4m 2025: For all public projects > EUR 1m





## The European openBIM forum





#### **EU BIM Task Group European openBIM Forum buildingSMART Chapters EU BIM Task Group members** EU treaties require national **National level EU** level Implementation of EU documents into national documents Translate EU Initiates Writes Write/adopt standard EU standards National standards **National laws EU** directives Content is DIN/BS/ ... EN ... identical National standards are **EU Official Journal** linked to national laws Links EN standards To EU directives



September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025 buildingSMART International Summit

Peter Bo Olsen DK, Steen Sunesen NO



## THE TEAM BEHIND openBIM HARMONY



Marta Campos buildingSMART Portugal

Charlie Boon-Bellinaso buildingSMART Benelux

Peter Bo Olsen buildingSMART Denmark

Steen Sunesen buildingSMART Norway



## THE CHALLENGES

- Challenging for SME to adopt BIM.
- Lack of competence both clients and delivery teams.
- Unclear information requirements.
- Different ways to require and follow-up on requirements.
- Many standards and norms to observe.



## PURPOSE OF HARMONIZING REQUIREMENTS

- A more uniform approach to how to specify and agree on information requirements will:
  - Help clients to specify their information requirements.
  - Improve predictability for designers, contractors and software vendors.
  - Help SMEs to succeed with openBIM.

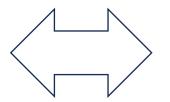


## **OVERALL PRINCIPLES – RESPONSIBILITIES**

The appointing party (client, contractor)

This specifies the information requirements

Exchange Information Requirements (EIR) The lead appointed party (responsible party for appointed parties: architect, engineer, contractor, subcontractor)



BIM Execution Plan (BEP)

This specifies the delivery team's approach on how to deliver on the information requirements



## **EIR AND BEP**



REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION

VERSION 1.0 18 March 2025

European openBIM Forum

#### openBIM Harmony

PART 2.1 EXCHANGE INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS
 BUILDINGS



#### PLAN TEMPLATE

VERSION 1.0

18 March 2025

European openBIM Forum

#### openBIM Harmony

PART 3.1 BIM EXECUTION PLAN

BUILDINGS

#### Contents

- General
- BIM Execution Plan
- 3. Common Data Environment
- Responsibilities and routines
- 5. Setup Project Information Model

#### Explanation of color and type

Black text = Part of framework. Can be distributed as is. Red text = Example. Shall be changed to project information before distribution Red falia: text = Guidance to fill out information. Shall be deleted before distribution



## openBIM HARMONY DOCUMENTATION

#### Part 1

Harmony\_1\_ReadMeFirst\_V1

Introduction Read me first

Guideline

#### Introduction

How to read and use the documents

#### Part 2

Harmony\_2\_AppointingPartysBasi sForBIM V1

Appointing Party's Basis for BIM Project

Guideline

#### Part 3

Harmony\_3\_AgreementProcess\_V

The Agreement Process

Guideline

#### High-level

Explanation of the processes and responsibilities.

#### **Part 2.1**

Harmony\_2-1\_EIR\_V1

Exchange Information Requirements

Requirements specification

#### **Part 2.2**

Harmony\_2-2\_EIR-BEP\_V1

Exchange Information Requirements (EIR) and BIM Execution Plan (BEP) Spreadsheet version

Requirements specification Templates

#### **Part 2.3**

Harmony\_2-3\_CommonDataEnvironment\_V1

Common Data Environment

Guideline

#### **Part 3.1**

Harmony\_3-1\_BEP\_V1

**BIM Execution Plan** 

Guideline Templates

#### **Detailed**

Information requirements with guidance and templates.



### **PRODUCT NAME**

## openBIM + HARMONIZATION









## A Digital Future for the Built Environment

But What Do We Need to Make It Work?

EU BIM Task Group 01. December 2025

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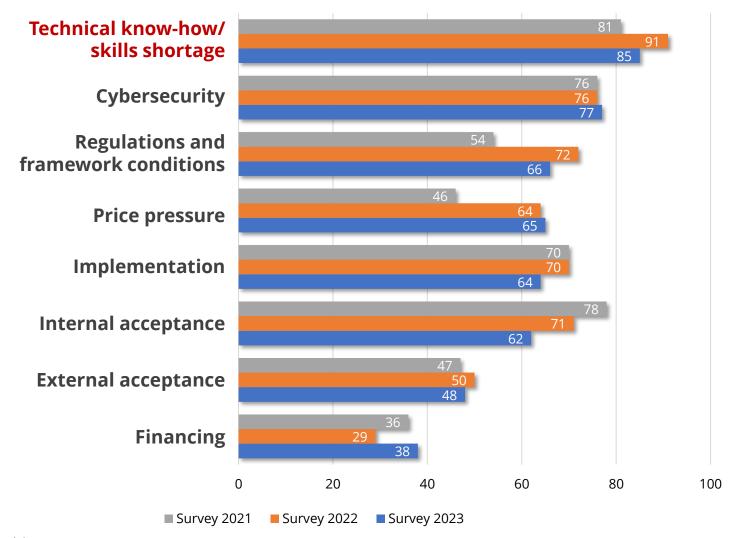


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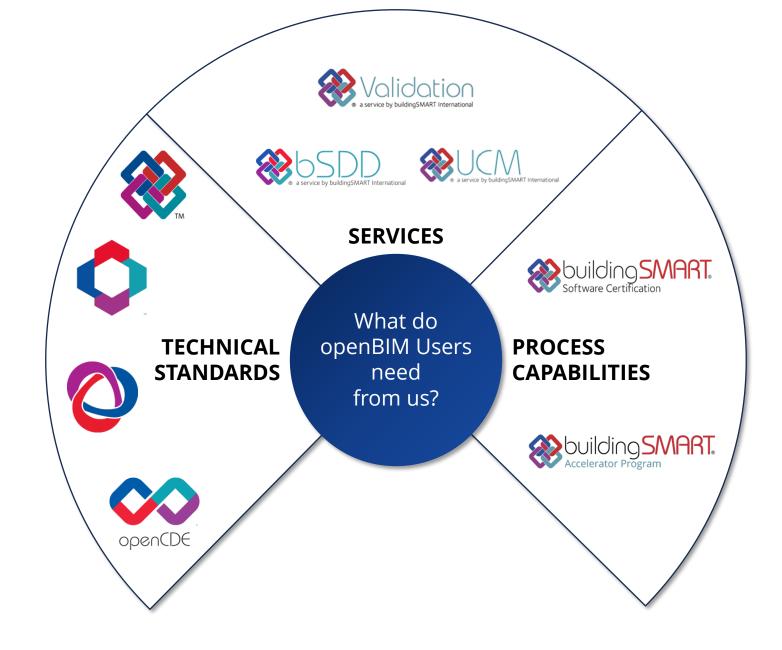
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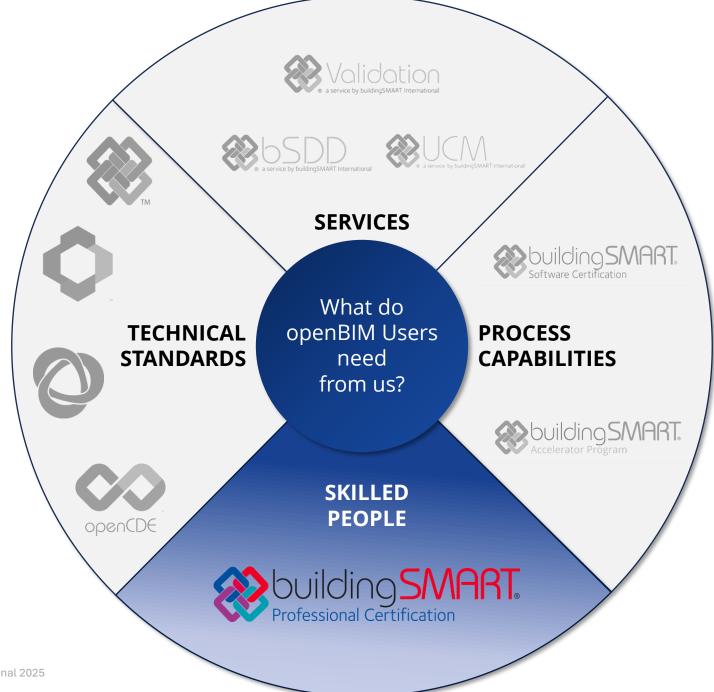
## **Top Challenges** in Digital Transformation of the Construction Industry













**PCert - How does it work?** 

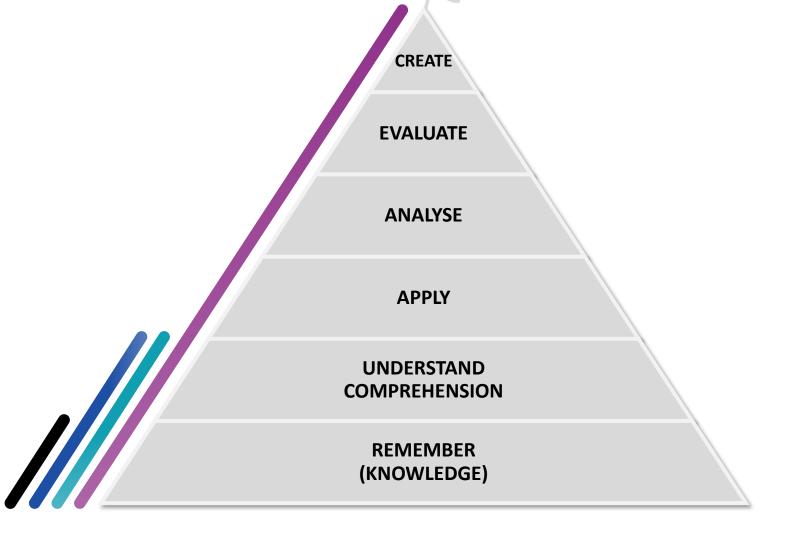


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Applied learning/
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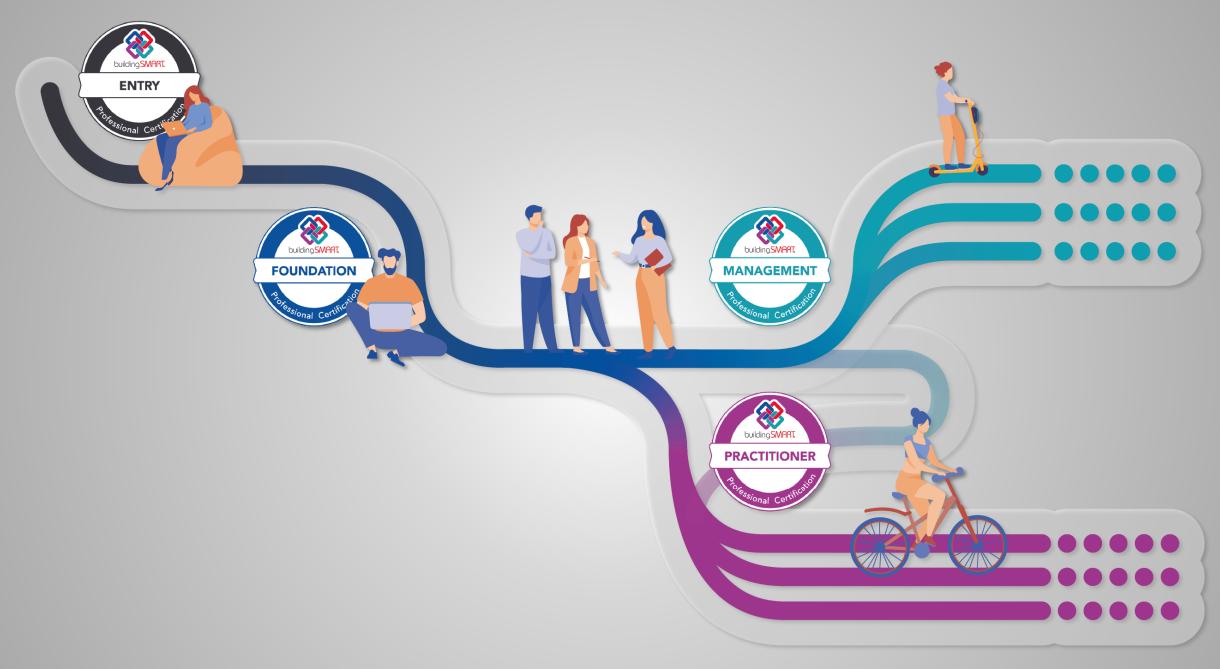
MANAGEMENT Advanced Knowledgebased learning

> FOUNDATION Knowledge-based learning

ENTRY Knowledge-based self-learning













## **Professional Certification**



## Interested?

#### **GET IN TOUCH WITH US!**



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## IFC4Handover - Interoperability for the Entire Asset Lifecycle

Vienna - 1. Dezember 2025

A proposal to establish future-proof, interoperable building documentation for owners, operators and authorities.

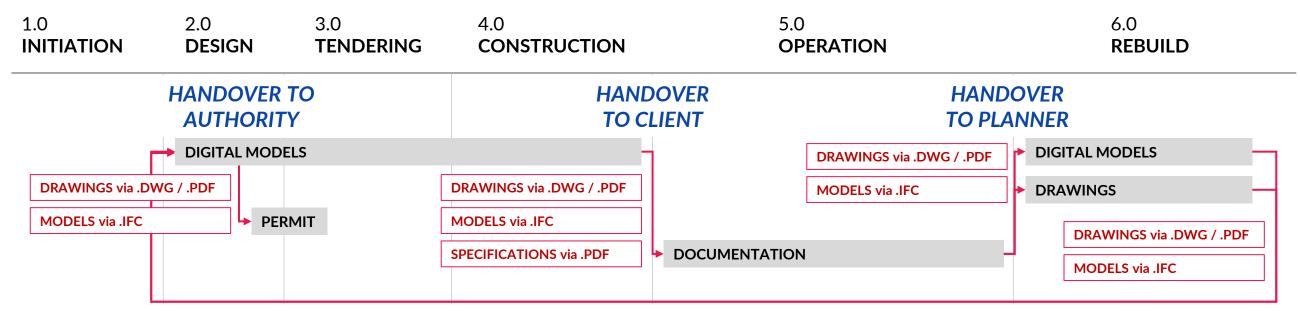
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## Why this matters now

The structural data problem for public asset owners



#### **Description of the current problem:**

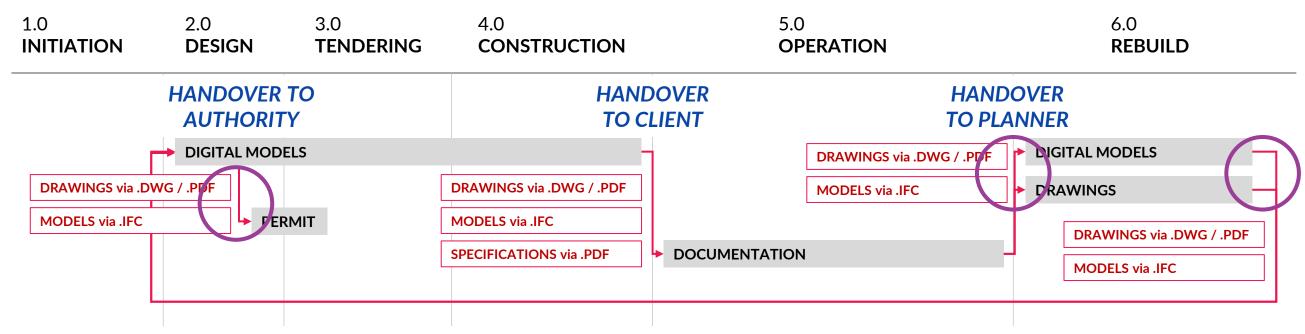
- Handed-over data is fragmented across DWG, PDFs, IFCs, native BIM files and legacy documents.
- Models and drawings lose their connection over time, making it impossible to maintain a consistent digital representation of the building.
- Consistency cannot be efficiently checked during data transfer neither between project phases nor between stakeholders.
- Authorities, operators, and planners can no longer reliably reuse data, especially for renovations, conversions, or legal procedures...
- IFC-based information cannot simply be further processed in redesign

Conclusion: Public and institutional asset owners are now at the center of a structural lifecycle data problem — one that becomes more costly and more difficult with every renovation or change of use.



## The core problem for lifecycle data

The connection between models and plans does not remain in place over a longer period of time.



#### Why plans and models are diverging

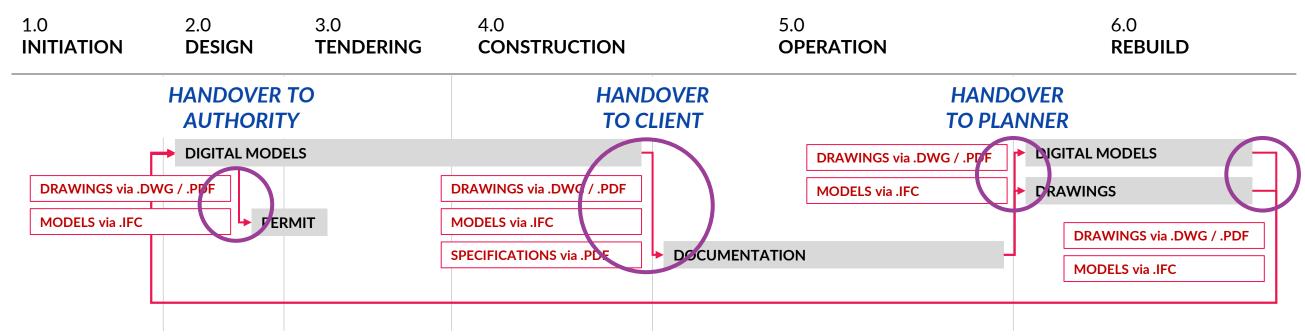
- Plans are updated manually, but models are not resulting in two parallel, unsynchronised data sources.
- Model changes are not reflected in legally relevant plans, creating inconsistencies in safety-, operations- and compliance-critical documents.
- Authorities require labelled, dimensionally accurate plans (fire safety, evacuation, construction permits).
- BIM tools cannot currently provide these requirements in IFC, because associative dimensions and plan layouts are missing.
- Over the lifespan of a building, this results in a permanent media discontinuity between digital models and plan documents.

Conclusion: This divergence is the root cause of lifecycle costs, risks, delays, and inefficiencies — particularly for renovation and conversion projects.



## Where IFC needs enhancement

Missing functionality for lifecycle data management based on IFC.



#### What IFC cannot yet provide:

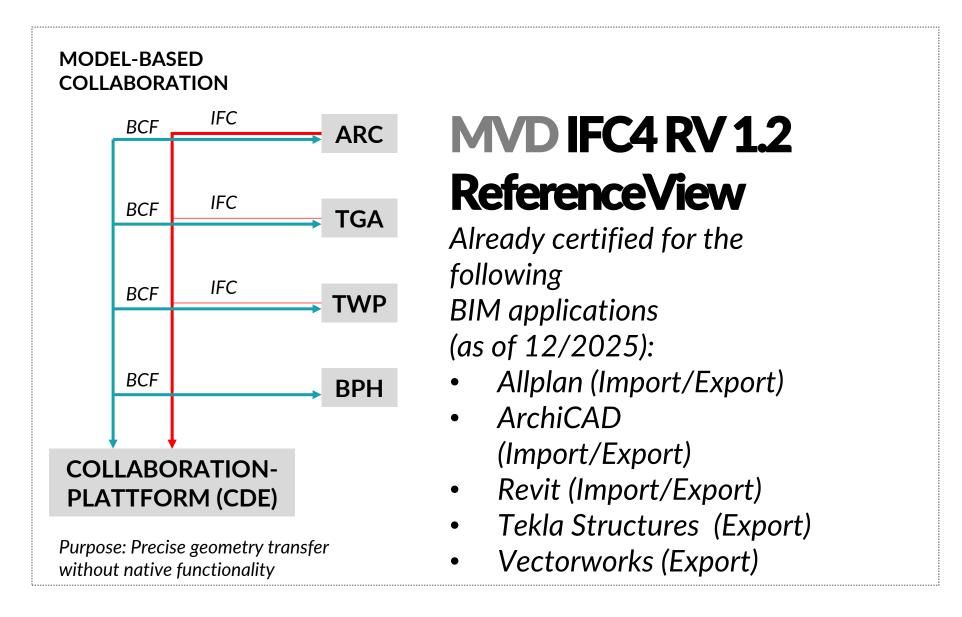
- No standardized representation of plan layouts (title blocks, drawing areas, symbols, plan frames).
- No associative 2D/3D dimensions linked to model geometry  $\rightarrow$  essential for authorities, permit processes, safety documentation, and technical drawings.
- No mechanism to keep plans and models connected over decades  $\rightarrow$  IFC today cannot preserve the relationship between design intent and plan derivations
- No support for multiple room representations (e.g., usable area, rentable area, legal area definitions such as ÖN B1800, MRG, GIF).
- Weak support for lifecycle updates → IFC does not provide a robust roundtrip workflow for updating or reusing data without re-modelling.

Conclusion: To use IFC as a long-term asset information format, key lifecycle functions must be added — otherwise IFC remains a design exchange format, not a reliable basis for operation, renovation, or regulatory processes.



## What IFC is currently capable of

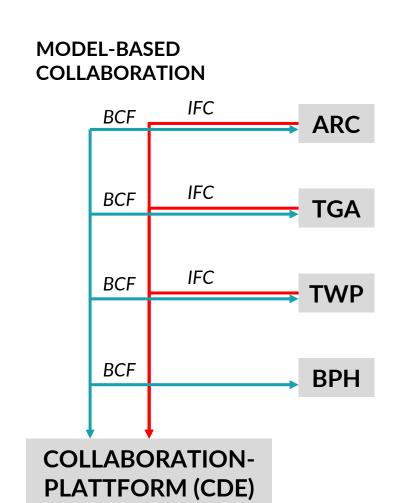
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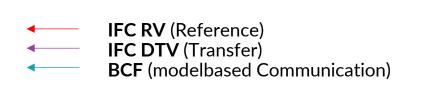


## What IFC is currently capable of

Description of the currently specified range of functions.



Purpose: Precise geometry transfer without native functionality



## **MODELREFERENCE BCF ARC IFC BCF TGA IFC BCF TWP IFC BCF BPH COLLABORATION-**PLATTFORM (CDE) Purpose: Model transfer while retaining native functionality

## MVD IFC4 DTV 1.2 **DesignTransferView**

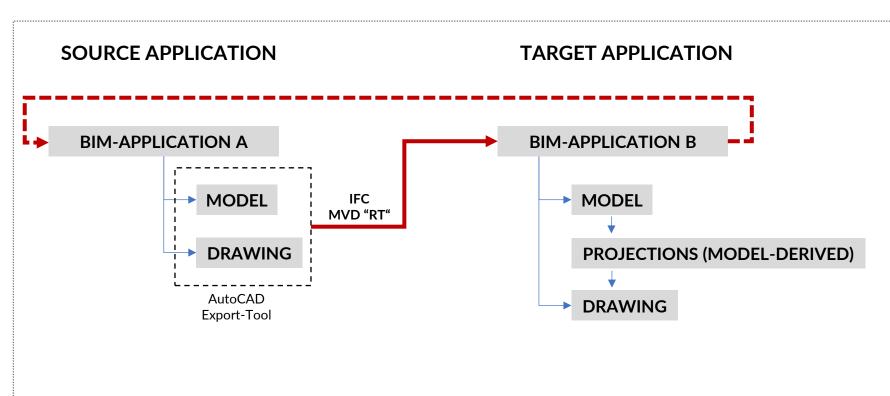
**Current functionality under** development.

IFC DTV 1.2 aims to reliably transfer building elements, structure, geometry and key annotations between BIM tools.Full lifecycle-relevant content such as drawing layouts, associative dimensions and room representations is not yet supported and remains a critical gap for operators and authorities.



## What IFC has already covered in a project for the Austrian Armed Forces

Description of the required range of functions.



Purpose: Model transfer while retaining native functionality and transferring projection planes and linked plan areas. Changes to the transferred model are updated in the derived plan.

Intended target group: Clients and operators who need to keep building information available and editable in the long term without entering into external dependencies.

# MVD IFC4 RT ROUNDTRIP AND DRAWINGS

Project finished in 03/2021. Technology demo, documentation, and source codes available.



## **Introducing IFC4Handover**

A life-cycle-oriented IFC4 Model View Definition (MVD) for reusable models, drawings, areas, and dimensions.

# 1. Interoperable drawing layouts

Transfer of sheet structures, symbols, annotations, and graphical elements in IFC.

# Reusable data across decades

Leveraging ISO-standard IFC4 (ISO 16739-1) to ensure long-term data stability and vendor independence.

2.

## Associative 2D & 3D dimensions

Dimensions linked to model geometry and plan representations (critical for permitting processes and audits).

3.

## Multiple room representations

Support for various area calculation standards (e.g., ÖN B1800, DIN277, MRG, GIF).

4.

## Bidirectional linkage between model and drawings

Ensures consistent updates across planning, construction, handover, and operation.

### **Objective**

A certifiable, interoperable MVD for handover and lifecycle management — enabling sustainable, editable, and legally relevant digital building documentation.



## Lifecycle interoperability

Consistent, reusable information from planning to renovation, conversion, or demolition.

## **Current situation**

Across decades, information fragments:

- Models evolve, but drawings don't.
- Drawings are updated manually, but models are not.
- Area data, dimensions, symbols, and compliance information diverge.
- Operators and planners lose the ability to trust or reuse past data.

#### **Result:**

Maintaining consistent asset data over decades becomes costly, error-prone, and increasingly unsustainable.

# With IFC4Handover (Lifecycle MVD)

A shared IFC representation ensures:

- **Coherent updates** model changes propagate to plan elements and vice versa.
- Reusable geometry and annotation

   areas, dimensions, symbols remain interoperable.
- Decades-long readability based on ISO-standard IFC4 (ISO 16739-1).
- A single source of truth across planning, construction, handover, operation, renovation.

## Result

Lifecycle interoperability becomes achievable:

- Data remains consistent instead of drifting.
- Information remains **reusable** instead of being recreated.
- Knowledge remains accessible across generations of software and stakeholders.



## Why IFC4Handover matters strategically for public owners: Strategic relevance

Supporting public-sector digitalisation and long-term data sovereignty.

Digitalisation of the public sector requires stable, future-proof data formats, not proprietary silos.

**Strengthens** coordination across borders because IFC is internationally standardised and maintained jointly by ISO and bSI.

**IFC4Handover enables** long-term accessibility of building data crucial for assets with 30-100+ year lifecycles.

**Reduces lifecycle costs** through reuse of data instead of repeated recreation in every project phase.

3.

**Data sovereignty** becomes achievable: public owners remain independent from individual software vendors or file formats.

**Supports EU-wide** goals such as Digital **Building Permit, energy** reporting, lifecycle assessments and circularity strategies.

#### **Core message:**

IFC4Handover gives public clients control over their data, supports European digitalisation initiatives, and ensures that investments in BIM remain usable for decades.



# A robust technical foundation based on international standards:

# **Technical foundation**

Built on IFC4.3 ISO standards with modular MVD architecture.

1.

IFC4.3 is the current ISO-standardised version (ISO 16739-1) and provides the stable basis for long-term interoperability.

**5.** 

Prepares IFC for lifecycle-critical functions such as plan layouts, associative dimensions, multi-representation rooms, and round-trip editability.

2.

IFC4Handover extends
IFC4.3 through a
dedicated, modular
Model View Definition
(MVD) designed for
lifecycle needs.

6.

Compatible with future IFC releases (e.g. IFC4.4) and parallel initiatives like the Alignment Base View (ABV) for infrastructure.

3.

Modular MVD
architecture ensures
that only relevant parts
of the schema are
implemented —
reducing complexity for
software vendors.

4.

Fully aligned with ongoing standardisation efforts, including the Joint Working Group 12 (CEN/TC 442 & ISO), which coordinates IFC's international governance

### **Core message:**

IFC4Handover is not "new technology"—it is a lifecycle-oriented extension of the existing ISO-standard, built to integrate seamlessly with current and upcoming IFC developments.



Public-sector leadership: participating clients define lifecycle requirements for models, drawings, dimensions, and compliance data

Core partnership: buildingSMART Austria, Thomas Liebich (IFC lead architect & Chair JWG12), TU Wien, KIT

A joint development across the public sector and leading IFC experts

bSI
buildingSMART
international

Software Vendors

buildingSMART CERTIFICATION

# **Project setup**

International co-creation: clients and experts shaping interoperable standards together.

ISO

INTERNATIONAL STANDARDIZATION

international implementation

**CEN** 

**EUROPEAN STANDARDIZATION** 

**JWG12 / TC442** 

buildingSMART Austria **European implementation** 

ASI / DIN / SIA

NATIONAL STANDARDIZATION national implementation



# Why public owners must lead

Only coordinated demand drives software implementation.

- Vendors only implement what the market demands. Individual requests are not enough —
  fragmented demand results in fragmented solutions.
- Public owners represent the largest, most stable market segment. Their collective requirements determine what becomes standard functionality.
- Lifecycle interoperability must reflect real public-sector needs:
  - legally compliant drawings and dimensions,
  - reusable IFC models,
  - stable data for renovations, operations, and submissions.
- Only a united group of public clients can ensure delivery:
  - Coordinated requirements  $\rightarrow$  mandatory implementation  $\rightarrow$  long-term data usability.

### **Conclusion:**

If public owners do not lead, lifecycle-relevant IFC functionality will not appear in software — and the structural data problem will persist



# Invitation to join

Shape the next generation of interoperable digital building standards.

- Join a coordinated international effort to close the lifecycle gap in openBIM.
- Co-create with leading experts
  from buildingSMART, academia, and major public owners.
- Ensure your requirements become part of future IFC standards from digital submissions to operations.
- Contribute to a unified, vendor-neutral approach that strengthens long-term data sovereignty.
- Your participation signals the software industry a clear mandate to implement IFC4Handover functionality.

### **Conclusion:**

Together, we can define the interoperable foundation public owners need for the next decades.

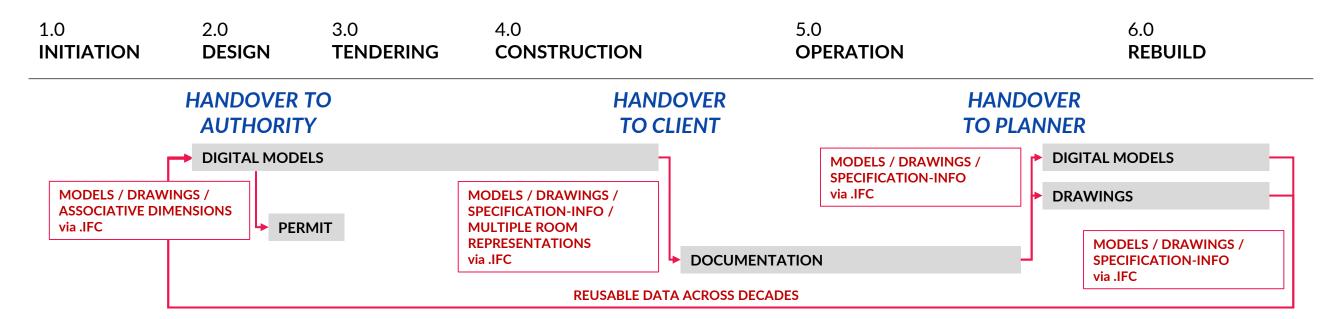




# Detailed Information available here:

# Closing message

A unique opportunity to define Europe's next decade of openBIM standards.



IFC4Handover fills a critical gap in today's openBIM landscape: lifecycle-proof, interoperable documentation for decades.

It enables consistent data for renovation, operation, and digital submission — across tools, vendors, and generations of projects.

Public owners have a decisive role: only coordinated demand ensures implementation by the software industry.

By joining forces now, we can shape the next generation of IFC standards and secure long-term digital sovereignty for the built environment.

### **Conclusion:**

This is a rare moment to align public-sector requirements and international standardisation — and to create something that will last for decades.



# Thank you very much for your attention.

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# **Building Information Modelling (BIM)**

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CEN/TC 442/WG 1 - Strategy and Planning
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CEN/TC 442/WG 10 - Strategy and planning

CEN/TC 442/WG 2 - Exchange information

CEN/TC 442/WG 3 - Information Delivery Specification

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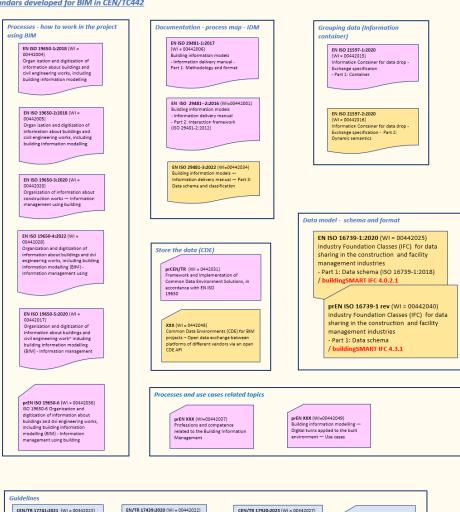
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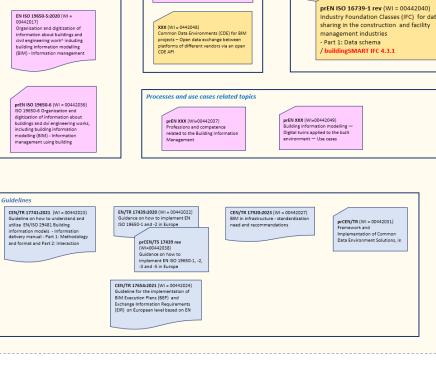
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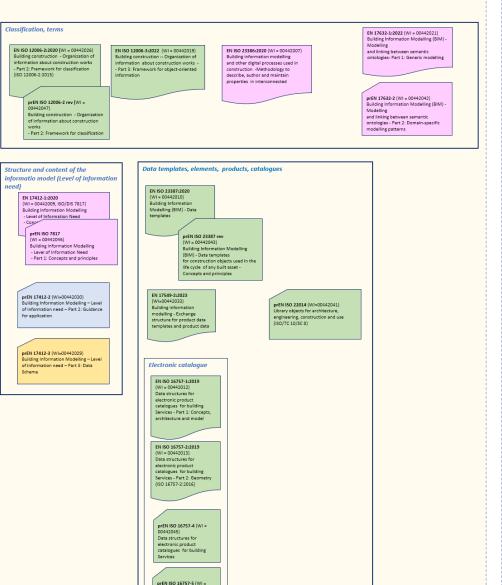
WG 11 - BIM objects for construction works

WG 12 - Digitalization of construction products performance characteristics

### Standars developed for BIM in CEN/TC442







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### Standards developed outside CEN/TC442 connected to BIM topic

ISO TR 23262:2021 GIS (Geospatial) / BIM interoperability (ISO TC 59/SC 13/JWG 14) ISO/CD 4172

ISO TS 19166:2021 Geographic information — BIM to GIS

ISO/CD TR 16214 Geospatial and BIM review of ISO/TC 59/SC 13/JWG14

(TPD) - Construction documentation -Drawings for the assembly of prefabricated Structures

ISO/CD 7519 Technical product documentation (TPD) - Construction documentation - General principles of presentation for general arrangement and assembly drawings (ISO/TC 10/SC 8)

WSCSB001 - prCWA Position markers for digital application on construction sites, structural monitoring and BIM-application

Data templates, products, properties

CWA 17316:2018 Digital declaration of performance of onstruction products (Smart CE

CEN/TS 17623;2021 (WI=00169080: BIM Properties for lighting - Luminaire

EN ISO 22057:2022 Data templates for the use of EPDs for construction products in BIM

and sensing devices

ISO 15686-4:2014 Buildines and constructed assets -Service life planning: Part 4, Service Life Planning using IFC based Building Information Modelling

ISO 16354:2013 Guidelines for knowledge libraries and object libraries

ISO 12911:2023 building information modelling (BIM)

Project information

ISO 22263:2008

Organization of information about

Framework for specification of

construction works - Framework for management of project information



# **Building Information Modelling (BIM)**

Is mirror to



# TC59/SC13

Organization and digitization of information about buildings and civil engineering works, including building information modelling (BIM)





### TC59/SC13





# JW12: Development of building data related standards

Convenor: Dr. Thomas Liebich

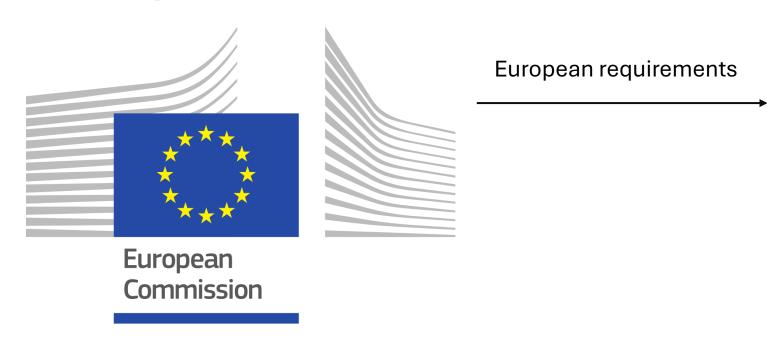
ISO-CEN-bSI connect via already established liaisons

# How do we connect?



# Technical solution

# Is it possible to link the European Commission via EUBIM to CEN/TC 442?









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# RECENT WORK – Working Groups –



BIM for Public Procurement: <u>Dmijtris, Cinzia, Pietro, Guillermo, Jorge, André</u>

BIM for Digital Building Permits: Chris, Peter, Liana, André, Angelo, Wolfgang

Handbook 2.0 on BIM for Twin Transition: Antonio, Souheil, Milena, Wolfgang

BIM for Digital Building Logbooks: Milena, Wolfgang

BIM for Affordable Housing Davitt, Aidan, Angelo, Irene







# RECENT WORK – Workshops –



WS 8: BIM-Implementation and Training Opportunities (Nov 24/Budapest)

Tibor

**David** 

WS 9: BIM for Digital Buildig Permits (Feb/25, Tallinn) Chris

WS 10: Data Interoperability in the Built Environment (July/25, Bern)

**WS 11:** BIM for Infrastructure (Oct/25, Rome) Cinzia

**WS 12**: BIM Data Standard Dictionary and Technical Standards (*Jan26/Prague*)

WS 13: Scaling BIM Down: BIM for SMEs and Small Projects (Feb/26, Nicosia)





### **Objective of the Working Group:**

Position Paper "BIM in Public Procurement"

### Leader:

Dmitrijs Kots, State Real Estate, Latvia

### **Members:**

- Cinzia Gatto, Italferr S.p.A., Italy
- Pietro Baratono, Ministry for Infrastructure, Italy
- Guillermo Costado Castaño, Ministry for Transport, Spain
- Jorge Torrico, Ineco, Ministry for Transport, Spain
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### Position Paper of the EU BIM Task Group (November 2025)

Fostering the policies to incorporate BIM in Public Procurement across the EU

### Introduction

Building Information Modelling (BIM) and in reneral Information Management (IM) as established by 150 19650 standard, has become a cornerstone of innovation and efficiency in the construction sector. Across the Asset lifecycle—from planning and design to construction, operation, and maintenance—BIM delivers substantial qualitative and financial benefits, savings estimated of 10-20%1. Information management using building information modelling also presents advantages for sustainability in the construction is one of the most resource-intense sectors with significant potential for circularity. BIM can help reduce waste volumes by up to 15% and construction waste management by up to 57%4. For public sector clients, this translates into better value for money, increased transparency, and improved project outcomes.

In recent years, we have been witnessing a major shift from traditional to integrated processes and from analog to digital systems. This transformation is fundamentally reshaping how assets are planned, designed, delivered, and managed throughout their lifecycle.

The digital evolution in the construction sector has introduced a completely new approach to the planning, design, construction and operation of public works.

It is important to note that the acronym BIM, in its literal sense, does not fully reflect the set of methodologies, processes, and enabling technologies associated with information requirements and data management. These aspects are clearly defined in the international technical standard UNI EN ISO 19650-1:2019, which positions Building Information Modeling within the broader framework of information management.

The standard refers to "Information management using Building Information Modelling", emphasizing that modelling should be understood as "digital representation," while information management relates to the overall coordination and control of processes across the asset lifecycle.

Therefore, it is essential to clarify that BIM refers not only to tools and technologies, but also to a structured methodological approach aimed at achieving defined objectives. These objectives include, in particular, jobs mitigation and management, optimization of feasibility studies, and improved efficiency in public investment. This is made possible through the implementation of methods and processes based on information requirements and the management of structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data.

Despite the growing recognition of BIM's value, there remains a significant disparity across EU Member States in terms of digital maturity and regulatory frameworks governing the use of BIM in public

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procurement. This inconsistency not only hampers the efficient uptake of digital construction methodologies across borders but also poses a risk of deepening economic disparities within the internal market.

### Current Challenges

At present, there is no unified EU-level approach to the mandatory implementation of BIM in public procurement. Some Member States have already enacted national regulations requiring the use of BIM for publicity funded construction projects. As per an EISMEA commissioned study in 2024, 12 EU countries have already introduced some form of legal mandate for BIM in public procurement. The other 15 countries either use agency-level requirements, voluntary promotion, or are in preparatory stages<sup>1</sup>. National mandates are playing a key role in facilitating the adoption of BIM in public procurement. However, the wide variation in their scope, content, and implementation highlights the need for specific actions and coordinated measures to mitigate the risks and challenges that this diversity topes for cross-border collaboration and procurement harmonisation.

Such fragmentation complicates the work of multinational firms, weakens interoperability, and undermines the goal of a Digital Single Market in construction. Moreover, countries at earlier stages of BIM adoption risk falling further behind, missing out on the economic and sustainability benefits that BIM offers.

### Position of the EU BIM Task Group

The EU BIM Task Group believes that it is essential to reduce the current disparities in BIM adoption and regulatory implementation across Member States. To support this goal, we propose the development of a unified EU-level strategy that promotes the harmonized use of BIM across all EU countries in public procurement. Furthermore, we propose that the European Commission harmonize the use of BIM by Member States within the new public procurement legal framework.

We recommend that minimum BIM requirements be complied and defined at EU level (e.g. vendor neutral openRIM is mandatory for all new construction and renovation projects of public buildings and infrastructure with a value exceeding 25 million euros). At the same time, it is important to leave the possibility for Member States to set detailed regulatory and technical requirements within a common framework.

We expect such a common framework to help national Policy Makers to design and develop strategies to incorporate BIM in Public Procurement as it would:

- Provide clarity and certainty to public clients and industry stakeholders
- Facilitate cross-border procurement and collaboration
- Drive digital and sustainable transformation and innovation in the construction sector
- Improve value for money in public procurement
- Promote more sustainable, efficient, and transparent infrastructure delivery across Europe

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Recommended Actions in Support of the Recommended Framework

To complement a <u>harmonised</u> regulatory approach, we also recommend the following supporting measures:

- Development and dissemination of standardised BIM requirements and guidelines
   Common templates and voluntary technical standards will facilitate alignment across projects and jurisdictions.
- Knowledge-sharing platforms and experience exchange events
   Conferences, workshops, and case study dissemination will help build capacity and share best
- Integration of BIM in municipal building permit processes
   Leveraging BIM can streamline permitting, improve accuracy, and reduce administrative
- Integration of BIM in public procurement processes
  agential, flies (open, non-proprietary), and interoperable format) enhance operations on the side
  of the tender participants as they can be imported into their software and public procurers may
  automatically compare quantities in project and budget documentation
- Alignment of BIM with sustainability and life cycle assessment (LCA) frameworks
   BIM should be embedded into tools and regulations supporting carbon reduction, circular economy, and environmental performance assessments.

### Conclusion

The strategic use of BIM in public procurement is not merely a technological shift. In fact, BIM & IM implementation enables the aggregation and consultation of data from multiple sources and pursues the overarching objective of serving the public interest—also through the improved efficiency of public investment. Moreover, it facilitates the analysis and selection of strategic design solutions by taking, juto geography various impacts (economic, social, and environmental) and can also contribute to making public procurement and building permitting effective strategic tools to achieve these goals.

By taking coordinated action at the EU level, <u>specially</u> from policy makers and public clients, we can unlock the full potential of BIM, support equitable digital transformation across Member States, and ensure that public investments deliver the highest value to citizens.

The EU BIM Task Group is ready to work with the European Commission to ensure the implementation of the above measures.

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<sup>1</sup> Handbook for the Introduction of BIM by the European Public Sector, EU BIM Task Group, 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Digitalisation in the construction sector, Analytical Report, ECSO, DG GROW. 2021

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EC study on "Support of the digitalization of the built environment, public procurement and SMEs in construction", EU BIM Task Group Survey for Public Clients and Policy Makers

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> PwC study "Analysis of the adoption of BIM across the EU" (June 2024) commissioned by EISMEA



### **Content and Main Ideas of the Position Pape**

Fostering the policies to incorporate BIM in Public Procurement across the EU

### **Introduction:**

• BIM & IM enable data-driven, efficient, and sustainable construction.

### **Current Challenges:**

Uneven BIM adoption across EU Member States limits collaboration and progress.

### Position of the EU BIM Task Group:

• Promote a unified EU strategy with minimum standards like openBIM.

### **Recommended Actions:**

• Standardize guidelines, share knowledge, integrate BIM in processes, and link to sustainability.

### **Conclusion:**

Coordinated BIM & IM adoption maximizes public value and digital transformation.



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# Working Group "openBIM" Proposal



### Collaboration with building SMART European openBIM Forum (EOF)

- 22 buildingSMART Chapters including 25 European countries
- openBIM Harmony framework
- PCERT Training and Certification Program

### **Support for EU BTG Priorities**

- BIM in Public Procurement
- Digital Construction and Information Management (including Building Permits)

### **Support for European Union Priorities**

- Single Market
- Affordable Housing
- Public Procurement
- Building Permits

### Next steps

- Formation of EU BTG Working Group "openBIM" by 01/2026
- Connection with EOF buildingSMART Chapters by 03/2026
- Working plan development in Q1 2026
- openBIM Harmony webinars (workshop) in Q1-Q2 2026
- PCERT webinars (workshop) in Q1-Q2 2026



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# 二. BIG

### **National Activities:**

A national perspective on BIM cannot be provided here, as BIG does not represent the Republic.

**BIG** is Austria's major owner of public real estate and a service provider for the government and governmental agencies.

- BIG is managing and administrating approx. 2.030 properties like Schools, Universities, Governmental offices, Jails, etc. with a fair value of almost 18 billion Euros.
- There are currently around 18 BIM projects underway at BIG, ranging from new buildings to renovations and extensions.

### Standards and Data Strategy:

- EIR is part of the contract and the BEP template is provided as a basis for the project.
- BIM projects at BIG are handled in openBIM based on IFC 4.0.2.1. a change to 4.3 is being evaluated.
- BIM workshop at the start of the project to establish a common understanding
- Structuring information requirements via BIMQ

### Regulations:

- BIM implementation is based on the Austrian Standards, which BIG is involved in developing.
- In addition to the European standards, the valid standards are those of the A-6241 series of standards (BIM).
   This document is currently being revised and that is one of the key activities in Austria relating to BIM at present.

### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

- The first BIM projects were completed this year and are currently being evaluated.
- The use cases for the EIR are being revised and structured more clearly in accordance with ISO.
- A system is currently being set up to integrate IFC models directly into the operational management process.

### **Useful links:**

https://www.big.at/

https://www.oiav.at/arbeitsgruppe-oeffentliche-auftraggeber/





### **National Activities:**

- The Scientific and Technical Chamber of Cyprus has appointed a BIM Scientific Committee which has prepared an extensive report with proposed actions for a national strategy for the adoption of BIM in the construction sector in Cyprus. This report has been sent to the responsible Ministries in Cyprus. EU BIM Task Group Guide for the adoption of BIM by the European public sector has been utilized for this purpose
- The Ministry of Transport, Communication and Works has submitted a proposal at the Ministries Council for the strategic planning for the promotion, implementation and adoption of BIM in public works in Cyprus, which was approved by the Council on 16.04.2025.
- A committee with representatives from the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Transport, Communication and Works, the Deputy Ministry for Research, Innovation and Digital Policy, the Scientific and Technical Chamber of Cyprus has been appointed with the scope of promoting the adoption of BIM and AI in the permitting process for proposed developments.
- The Scientific and Technical Chamber of Cyprus has submitted a proposal to the government for a development of a Grant for SME's to acquire software that can support BIM procedures.

**Standards and Data Strategy:** There is currently no framework for BIM Standards in Cyprus. Design offices in Cyprus are gradually making the transition to the adoption of BIM processes for their daily operations (including the use of BIM software and properly training personnel).

Regulations: No regulations currently exist in Cyprus regarding BIM procedures

Activities/ Projects/Use Cases: EU BIM Task Group Workshop "Scaling BIM Down: Making BIM Work for Small Firms and Small Projects" will be hosted in Cyprus on 26.02.2026. Also, seminars open to architects and engineers with the scope of promoting the benefits of BIM adoption have been held and are being scheduled for 2026.

General Assembly, 1. December 2025, Vienna Useful links: N/A

# Country overviews: Czech Republic





### **National Activities:**

- National BIM Strategy 2018-2027 implementation underway after its update in 2024
- Czech BIM Act approved and published in 09/2025
- Preparation of the Czech BIM Act implementation decree to be completed in mid-2026
- Intensive educational and training deployment for the BIM Act in public and private sectors

### Standards and Data Strategy:

- Czech Construction Data Standard (CDS) mandated by the BIM Act
- CDS based on the Czech Construction Data Dictionary with international standards including openBIM and RDS
- Implemented and managed by the Czech Agency for Standardization (CAS)

### **Regulations:**

- Czech Act No. 330/2025 Coll.
- The Act on the Management of Built Asset and Built Environment Information
- Preparation of the implementation decree underway

### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

- Implementation of 39 activities of the Czech BIM Strategy by CAS
- EUBTG Workshop on January 14-15th, 2026, in Prague

### Useful links:

- https://koncepcebim.gov.cz/





### **National Activities:**

- New Land and Spatial Development Board (MaRu): central body responsible for spatial planning, building IT systems and strategic implementation.
- First **BIM-based building permits issued**: IFC-based submissions now accepted as part of the formal permitting process.
- National DT updates: visual analytics and greenery
- Survey of Maturity of Digitalisation in Construction Industry

### Standards and Data Strategy:

- National BIM Requirements ÜBN 4.0: updated national requirements aligned with ISO 19650 and LOIN.
  - IFC4.3 adoption: enables consistent handling of both buildings and infrastructure in one logical framework.
  - Data strategy: model-based information delivery to support permitting, asset management and future analytics.
  - Integration of CCI-EE classification system

### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

- Tallinn **BIM in FM** pilot: city uses BIM models to support facility management and operations of municipal assets.
- Fully digital spatial planning data model: development of a structured, machine-readable planning model that will directly support permitting automation.

### Useful links:

https://www.vanasadam.ee/en/eesti-esimese-bim-ehitusloa-sai-tallinna-sadam-koos-koko-arhitektidega/ https://www.maaruum.ee/en





- Starting at 1.1.2026 New Building permit act and Decree supports IFC format 4.3.2.0 in new and renovation projects (buildings) as a part of building permit process. Decree is now on EU Notification <a href="https://technical-regulation-information-system.ec.europa.eu/en/notification/27244">https://technical-regulation-information-system.ec.europa.eu/en/notification/27244</a>
  - The entire building sector on both public and private side is now preparing to adapt to the new law
  - Requires the main building plans to be submitted to building supervision authority as building information models or in otherwise machine-readable format
  - The adjacent Act on the Built Environment Information System requires municipalities to provide the gathered data on buildings to a new national information system from **2027 onwards**.
- BuildingSMART Finland has started the Standardisation of the Built Environment Information Modeling project program (https://buildingsmart.fi/en\_GB/rytv)
- Finnish Transport Infrastructure
  - BIM-harmonisation program going (25-27) and ISO 19650 implementation started (12/25)
  - Finnish Transport Infrastructure Guidelines: Road, rail, waterways and Bridge
- KIRAHub Digital building permit ecosystem is supporting the implementation of the new BIM-based building permit, also global members are wellcome
- After RAVA3Pro project, we have first automatically IFC checking process in implemented to use in building permit process. Also RAVA3.5 project is providing now the Decrees regulatory core information requirements of IFC propertyset





### National Activities: Status Quo and Outlook 2026

- After several years of governmental support via successive national BIM plans, BIM is now used on a majority of projects. Recent surveys and market analyses show around 70%+ of French construction stakeholders use BIM on at least one project, with rapid growth among engineering and architecture offices.
- Shift from experimentation to industrialization: BIM World 2025 discussions emphasize pragmatic use of BIM for lifecycle management, measurable ROI, and low-carbon construction.
- Outlook 2026: extending digital twins from buildings to infrastructures and territories (national digital twins, VirtualTer 2025), and connecting BIM data to climate and circular-economy goals.

### Standards and Data Strategy:

- The Strategic Steering Committee for Digital Technologies in Construction and Territories (COSNCT) was launched to provide a shared vision on data for territorial and infrastructure digital twins, aligning BIM with geospatial data.

### Regulations:

- No legal obligation to use BIM, but its use is strongly encouraged and increasingly required in public tenders
- Ongoing work on digital building logbooks and future digital building permits

### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

- Projects being set up on a unified Construction Data Space

### Useful links:

- French government policy on digital construction
- Barometer on digital and BIM use in construction
- VirtualTer 2025 and MINnD2050 national ecosystem around digital twins for buildings, infrastructures and territories





National Activities: Status Quo and Outlook 2026

- 1) BIM Deployment at Federal Level and corresponding regional authorities progressing
- 2) Expanding the Federal BIM-Portal: news functionalities, widening the client base and coordination groups
- 3) "BIM Deutschland" as a national BIM knowledge center: Knowledge Management and Expertise for the entire Sector; developing road maps and technical documents for BIM Deployment:, open standards and concepts with a focus on public clients, monthly newsletter, online Seminars, networking activities.
- 4) Building permit is rolled out in 13 states: Projects of the future Roadmap such as AI-based virtual assistance, automation of processes are going on under the construction of an digital ecosystem for the construction supply chain
- 5) Complementing support by the Federal Government through research funds, networking platforms, expert groups on Digital Twins, AI, tools for circular economy (e.g. digital building resource pass)

### **Standards and Data Strategy:**

- 1) Federal BIM Portal as technical tool and processes <a href="https://bimportal.bimdeutschland.de">https://bimportal.bimdeutschland.de</a>, providing BIM object templates, module properties, classifications, feature and EIR databases, inspection tools; Hackathon in Sept. 2025
- 2) Continued support for advancing BIM Standardization and Harmonization at national and international level
- 3) Common standards and guidelines for the BIM -based building permit based on researches are being developed

### Regulations:

BIM Master Plans set Goals and Milestones for Federal Agencies and implementing regional bodies

Activities/ Projects/Use Cases: www.bimdeutschland.de/bim-praxis

Useful links: www.bimdeutschland.de





### **National Activities:**

### Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport:

The project "Development of a strategic plan and roadmap for the implementation of BIM in Greece" has been completed. Currently auctioning 3 public works using BIM.

### **Regulations:**

### Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport:

AIR, EIR, OIR and PIR documents have been prepared.

### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

### **TCG** initiatives:

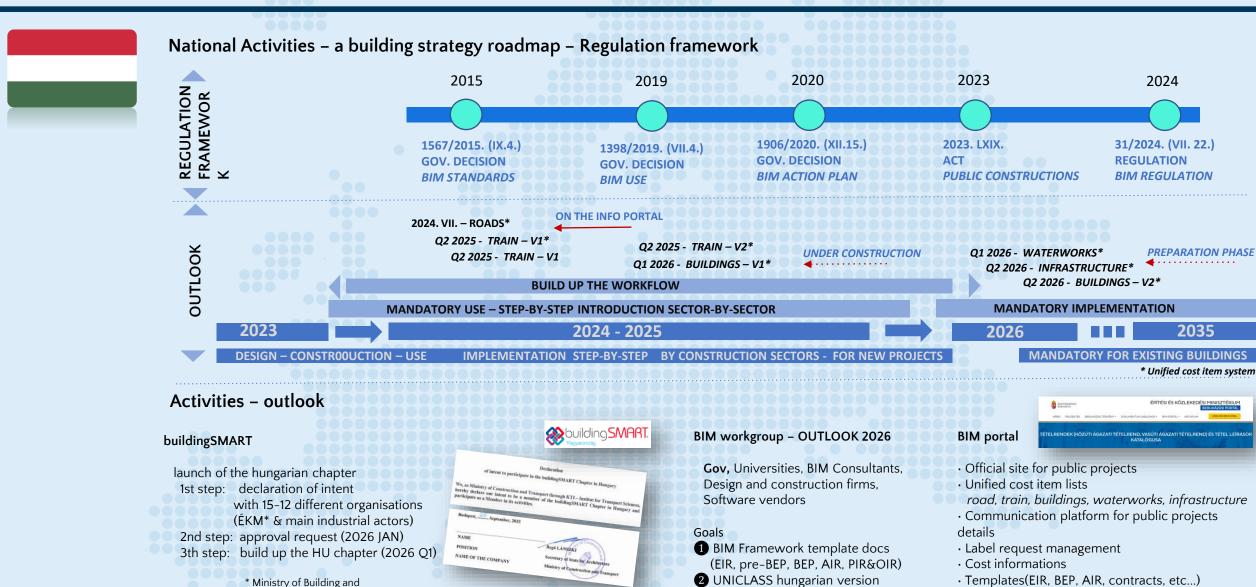
- 26 training workshops on BIM in Athens and 6 in other Greek cities. More than 2000 engineers have registered.
- The BIM Conference Organised for 5 consecutive years. More than 1,500 participants.
- Cooperation with the largest company in Greece in the water supply, sewerage and wastewater treatment sector, for the adoption of BIM.
- Cooperation with the Republic of Cyprus.
- Active participation in buildingSmart and international events.
- Use Case: "The Ellinikon".

Useful links: Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, TCG Workshops, The BIM Conference, The Ellinikon

#### Country overviews:

## Hungary





3 Launch pilots (building, road, train)

https://beruhazas.gov.hu

General Assembly, 1. December 2025, Vienna

Transportation





#### National Activities: Status Quo and Outlook 2026

- Build Digital: Driving integrated, interoperable digital data adoption across the construction sector; publishes annual survey and data dashboard.
- Construct Innovate: Ireland's construction technology center aiming to position Ireland as a global leader in sustainable construction innovation.
- Construction Sector Group (CSG): Facilitates government-industry dialogue and digital adoption to deliver Project Ireland 2040 commitments.

#### Standards and Data Strategy:

- NSAI: Coordinates TC68, Ireland's BIM Mirror Committee; upgraded ISO & CEN roles from observer to contributor.
- Workshops held on ISO 19650-1,-2,-3 drafts; further sessions planned for 2026, including review of National Annex to ISO 19650-2.

#### Regulations:

- Government's BIM mandate applies to design teams on projects >€10m; threshold extends to contractors and supply chains from Jan 2026.
- Mandates the use of ISO 19650, IFC, and ICMS 3 for public sector projects under CWMF.

#### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

- NSAI, Build Digital, and DPER's Infrastructure Division collaborate on discounted BIM standards packs and industry resources.
- Build Digital hosts ICMS 3 workshop, infrastructure conference, and publishes annual survey.
- NSAI launches ISO 19650 BIM certification for companies, projects, and individuals; Publishes BIM certification case studies and a research paper.

#### Useful links:

- 1. Irish Government's BIM Mandate: <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/capital-works-management-framework/publications/bim-and-the-cwmf/">https://www.gov.ie/en/capital-works-management-framework/publications/bim-and-the-cwmf/</a>
- 2. Build Digital: <a href="https://www.builddigitalproject.ie/">https://www.builddigitalproject.ie/</a>
- 3. National Standards Authority of Ireland: <a href="https://www.nsai.ie/certification/bim-certification/">https://www.nsai.ie/certification/bim-certification/</a>

#### Country overviews:







**National Activities:** Entered into force on December 31, 2024, **Legislative Decree No. 209/2024** — **amending Legislative Decree No. 36/2023** — introduced the following updates:

- Mandatory adoption of digital information management: confirmed as of January 1, 2025, but the minimum contract value for mandatory implementation has been raised from EUR 1 million to EUR 2 million (for cultural heritage works, the EU threshold is set at EUR 5,538,000). This adjustment primarily benefits small and medium contracting authorities, which are still in the process of digital transition.
- **Definition of Information Requirement Levels**: Annex I.7 now mandates the definition of specific information requirements for each project phase from design, to construction, through to operation and maintenance. The "Information Requirement Level" serves as a reference framework for identifying the data and information needed at each stage of the investment life cycle.
- **EIR and Specialist Report on Information Modelling:** the role of the specialist report is further emphasised. This report certifies the alignment between the information requirements set out in the EIR and those actually developed within the contract.

Pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 36/2023, in 2025 a **Monitoring Commission** was established to assess the outcomes and the difficulties encountered by contracting authorities in implementing the provisions on digital information management set out in the Public Contracts Code, as well as to identify preventive or corrective measures to overcome such issues, also with a view to enabling the updating of the regulatory framework.

The above considerations apply to all public works, covering both building projects and infrastructure works

#### **Technical Standards:**

- In 2025, Part 12 of the voluntary national technical standards series UNI 11337, specifically dedicated to digital information management for infrastructure works, was published, thereby completing and integrating the existing national regulatory framework in this domain.
- In addition, working groups are currently engaged, between others, both in updating the section of the standard devoted to Exchange Information Requirements (EIR) and in developing new parts addressing 'BIM in public procurement' and 'Digital Twin fo Infrastructures'.

#### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

According to the latest OICE survey on **BIM tenders**, in 2024 the share of procedures including an Information Requirement document (EIR) **decreased from 29.4% in 2023 to 25.2%,** calculated against the total number of tenders analysed. This decline should be interpreted in context, considering the exceptional acceleration recorded in previous years, largely driven by the boost provided by the NRRP (**PNRR**) funding.

#### Useful links:

https://www.normattiva.it/uri-res/N2Ls?urn:nir:stato:decreto.legislativo:2023;036; https://www.oice.it/903933/2025-oice-8-rapporto-sulla-digitalizzazione-e-gare-bim;





After the implementation of the National BIM Roadmap (2020–2025), BIM has become standard practice; however, it is still primarily applied in large projects and new constructions. The Latvian Construction Industry Strategy 2025–2030 includes the objective of "Digitalization of Construction." Planned activities under this objective include the implementation of digital technologies and software in companies, the development of the Construction Information System, the organization of training.

#### Standards and Data Strategy: National BIM Standard «Employer's information requirements»

Developed by the Latvian Standardization Technical Committee. Basis of the standard: BIM requirements documentation of State Real Estate (public client). Status: Development has been completed, including public consultation, clarifications and corrections. The standard is being prepared for publication.

#### **Regulations: Mandatory BIM**

From 1 January 2025: For new construction of third-group (more than 6 floors, more than 1000 m2, etc.) buildings, public financing, the architectural, structural, and relevant MEP parts of the building must include a BIM. The BIM must be uploaded to the Construction Information System in an open data file format.

#### Activities/ Projects/Use Cases: Competition: "Digital Construction Excellence Award 2025"

Organizers: State Real Estate, Riga Technical University, Latvian Standards.

Categories: BIM Project, Construction BIM, Digital Innovation.

Evaluation: Detailed technical criteria, including model review and site visits; professional jury composed of industry representatives. Award Ceremony (05.12.2025): Experience exchange conference including presentations by the winners (the top three in each category).

#### Useful links:

1) BIM Competence Center of State Real Estate, 2) Latvian Standards, 3) Riga 3D City Model

### Country overviews: LUXEMBOURG





#### **National Activities:**

CRTI-B: Centre des Ressources des Technologies et de l'Innovation pour le Bâtiment

Upcoming event: BIM & BAU 2026

#### Standards and Data Strategy:

#### **BIMids**

Free tools and a platform linked to the Official GIS (Geoportal.lu)

#### **Regulations:**

Since 1/01/2025: Obligation to inventory materials for deconstruction from 1200 m³ of built space and the provision of an <u>electronic inventory</u>.

#### **Useful links:**

BIMids : bimids.eu CRTI-B : crtib.lu

Digital Building: digitalbuilding.lu

## Country overviews: European Parliament (LU)





Activities: BIM for Facility Management implementation.

Three phases approach:

- Architectural model (90 % complete) of the ADENAUER building (184.000 m²) and MEP Study
- MEP model
- Connection of the architectural and MEP models with the existing building management systems.

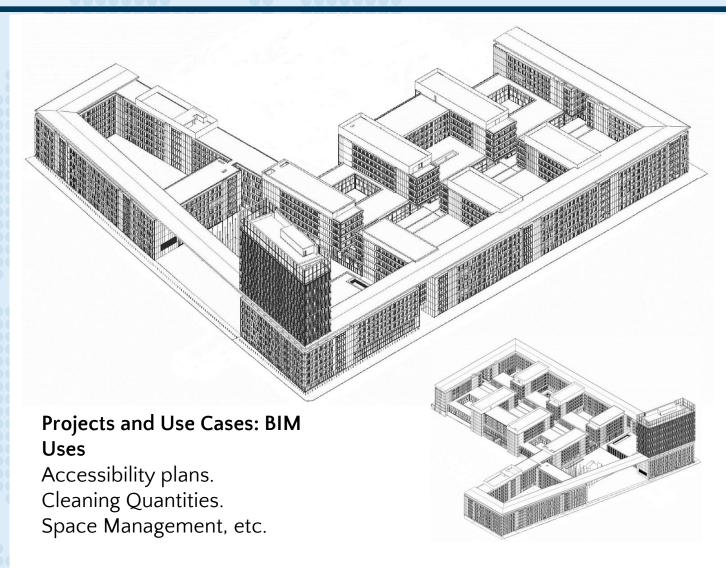
Standards and Data Strategy: ISO 19650
BEP with

LOD (200) and LOI (300)

**OIR** (Organizational Information Requirements),

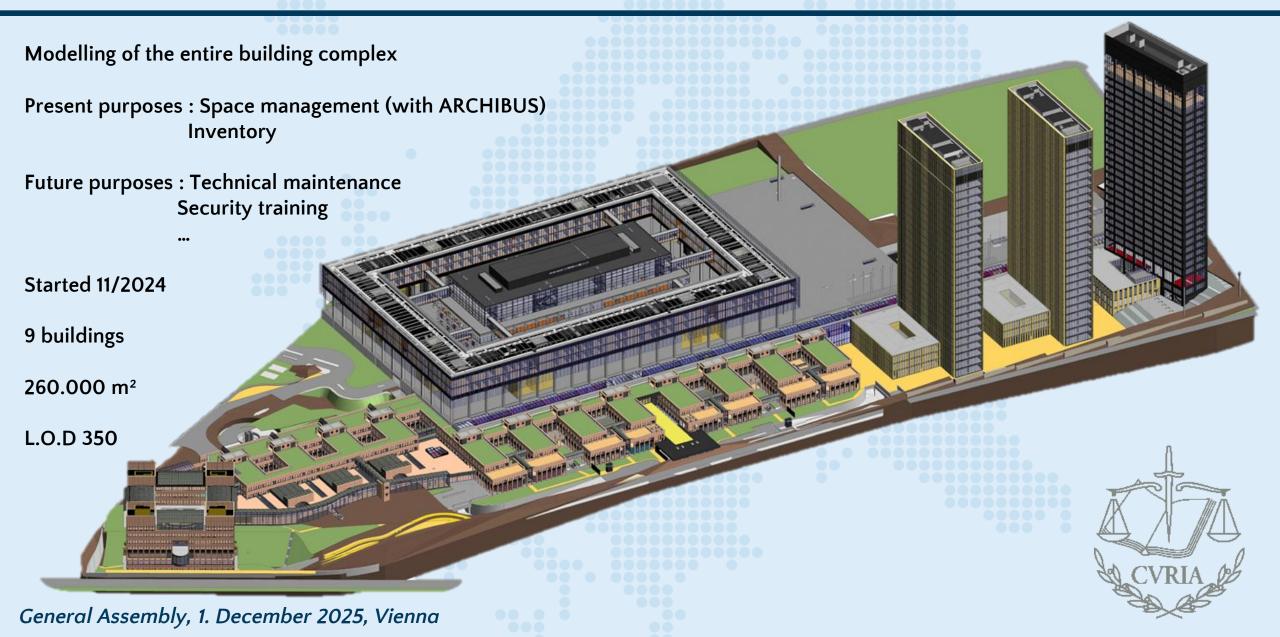
**BIM Maintenance Protocol** 

**EIR** (Exchange Information Requirements).



## Country overviews: Court of Justice of the European Union (LU)





#### Country overviews:

#### Slovakia







www.bimas.sk

**Digitization strategy of Construction sector** – road map towards 2032 (urban planning, automation of building permissions, fully digitized processes..)

The Authority for Spatial Planning and Construction of the Slovak Republic (<a href="https://stavebnyurad.gov.sk/en/">https://stavebnyurad.gov.sk/en/</a>)

National BIM Strategy – Digital Image of the Country (DOK), not supported by government yet

**BIM in public projects:** No mandate yet, although **growing number of projects** with BIM requirements (public buildings, hospitals, highways, etc.)

#### **Support of Public projects:**

- How to define BIM project EIR (https://www.bimas.sk/standardy)
- BEP template,
- Set of recommended nongraphic information,
- BIM contractual perspective.

Classification: Recommended to use IFC 4.3 Classification (ISO 16739) and RDS classification (IEC 81346) /CCI

**Education:** University level training, incorporated in several curricula. Aim is not to create separate BIM programmes.

#### **Activities:**

**BIM4FREE** - roadshow for students

BIM challenge - University students' competition

**BIM summit -** Conference for high-level management

National BIM Conference – 11th anniversary

BIM adoption survey - every year since 2017 - overal BIM adoption changed from 17% (2017) to 28,5% (2025)



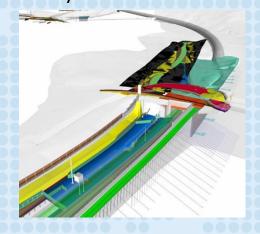


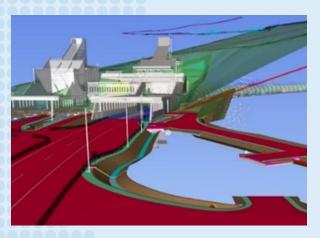
Since 1. 1. 2025 BIM mandate is applied for projects of national importance, as defined in the Building act.

The uniform technical specification are yet to be defined (obligation of Chamber of Engineers and Chamber of Architects).

#### The BIM approach has already been implemented in several infrastructure projects:

- Construction of the eastern tube of the Karavanke motorway tunnel
- New section of the Maribor- Šentilj railway line
- The second track of the Divača–Koper railway line





The Housing Fund of the Republic of Slovenia manages all its investments using BIM technology, including design, construction supervision, and maintenance.

**Several other major investments** are also being designed in BIM, as this was a requirement in public tenders (new university buildings, hospitals, etc.).





National Activities: Status Quo and Outlook 2026

BIM National Strategy boosted by Interministerial Commission for BIM implementation (CIBIM) leaded by the Viceministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility.





Widespread use of BIM among public sector clients, at all three levels of government, especially at national level.

Grants to professional associations for BIM training activities since 2018 for an amount of 1.8 M€, funded by CIBIM.

Digital Kit support (till Oct 2025) for SME's digitization in BIM

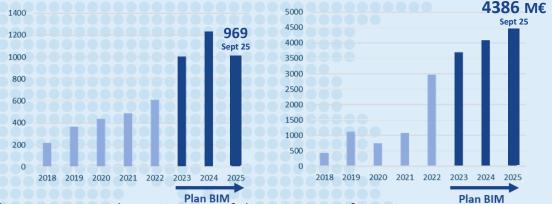
Common use of BIM among the engineering, architecture and contractor companies.

#### **Regulations:**

BIM Plan for Public Procurement in National Public Administration, elaborated by CIBIM and approved in July 2023.

Gradual and progressive BIM implementation





#### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

BIM Strategies in Roads Directorate, ADIF, State Ports and Aena, national companies of the Ministry of Transport 7 pilot projects ongoing in various Ministries aided by CIBIM

Working Group to draft the product specification "BIM integration in Urban topographic Base" boosted by IGN (Min. of Transposition of Transpos

Useful links: BIM implementation in National Public Administration <a href="https://cibim.transportes.gob.es">https://cibim.transportes.gob.es</a>





#### National Activities: Status Quo and Outlook 2026

The "Swedish industry" has through BIM Allliance Sweden published "Praxi". A common platform for guidance, smart templates and practical support for managing digital information, based on ISO 19650, CoClass and IFC

The industry is working on a revision of General Conditions of Contracts and connecting contract document templates to create a "Digital path" for digitalised working methods, based on digital model and information management.

The Swedish Transport Administration drives for the adoption of openBIM workflow together with the industry

#### Standards and Data Strategy:

Implementation of The Swedish Transport Administration Strategy (2024) is ongoing

#### **Regulations:**

Regarding ESPR and implementation of EPBD Boverket\* is working on updated regulations on climate declarations and connections to digital product passports.

#### **Activities/ Projects/Use Cases:**

Referral of the latest report from Boverket\* suggesting a national case handling system with the possibility of BIM-based building permit applications

#### Useful links:

A view on BIM-status of the Swedish Transport Administration can also be found in the NBC Yearbook 2024

<sup>\*</sup> The Swedish National Board of Housing, Building and Planning





#### National Activities:

- In 11/2024, an USAID project was launched to develop a tool for <u>Ukrainian e-construction platform</u> to automatically validate quantities in the design and cost documentation. It is on hold until new funding is secured.
- In 08/2025, the National Urban Cadastre to advance spatial planning went <u>live</u>
- A FCDO-funded project to develop a Digitalization Strategy for Construction and Urban Planning by 2031, including a national BIM implementation plan is to start in 12/2025
- A FCDO-funded project to develop procurement and project management documents/templates using BIM, to be used by the Reconstruction Agency of Ukraine (EIR, AIR, OIR, PIR, CDE, BEP, MIDP, TIDP, BIM Responsibility Matrix, Quality Assurance / Model Checking Protocol, BIM Modeling Guidelines) is to start in 12/2025
- Adoption of the BIM Law 6383 expected in H1 2026.
- Modernisation of Ukrainian e-construction platform for registration of project documentation with the ability to upload and review files in IFC format (BIM models)



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## NEXT STEPS – Workshops –



WS 12: BIM Data Standard Dictionary and Technical Standards (Jan26/Prague) Eva

WS 13: Scaling BIM Down: BIM for SMEs and Small Projects (Feb/26, Nicosia) Lydia

WS 14: ......

WS 15: ......



## **NEXT STEPS - PROJECTS -**

- High Level Construction Forum (HLCF): contribute to the co-creation of the green, digital and resilient transition pathway for the EU construction industry ecosystem.
- Study for Digital Building Permits/Affordable housing
- Study of the Economic impact of BIM on companies in the EU
- DBL/BIM/EPBD
- AI (Mashine Learning) for Construction: case studies to be discussed
- Data Security for Public Clients (CDEs)
- Digital Construction Maturity to discuss with DG GROW
- Open Souce Software (Overview status quo and needs) for the whole lifecycle
- Education support for public clients (bsl)
- **EUBIM**
- Standards fir Data Requierements (bsl)
- Governance Paper (Chris)

## NEXT STEPS – WORKING GROUPS –



**BIM for Public Procurement** (Dmitrijs)

**BIM for Digital Building Permits** (Chris)

Handbook 2.0 on BIM for Twin Transition (Antonio)

BIM for Digital Building Logbooks/Passports (Milena)

**BIM for Affordable Housing (Davitt)** 

Data Requirements (EOF) and Education (bsl) (Leos)



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