

# BIMcreds: Recognising BIM Skills Excellence



#### **Discussion**

- buildingSMART Australasia
- Why is the BIMcreds platform needed?
- How is the BIMcreds platform structured?
- What is the scope of the BIM Fundamentals test?
- Where and when can you do the BIM Fundamentals test?
- What is the future for BIMcreds?



## buildingSMART Australasia

#### Not-for-profit Industry-led Organisation:

- 1994 Industry Foundation Class (IFC) as a neutral product model
- 2017 openBIM to reduce risk, reduce waste and be more productive
- Australia and New Zealand

#### • buildingSMART International:

- technical standards development work
- Global experience, information and resources

#### Australia and New Zealand:

- Advocate for open standards, collaborative processes and integrated practices to:
  - Govt and Industry
  - Building and infrastructure

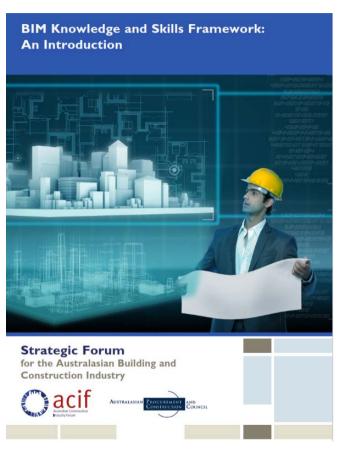


# Why is the BIMcreds platform needed?

- Successful BIM experiences and up-take rely upon skilled people.
- There is no specific qualification to rely upon yet.
- It's very difficult for:
  - Building owners to assess which organisations employ skilled BIM personnel.
  - Employers to assess the BIM skills of job applicants.
  - Skilled BIM individuals to differentiate themselves from the pack.
  - Industry to measure its BIM skills and skill development needs.
- Its similar to the early days of Sustainability:
  - Registered Greenstar Professional



## **How is the BIMcreds platform structured?**



http://buildingsmart.org.au/bim creds/bim-knowledge-andskills-framework/



- APCC/ACIF BIM Knowledge & Skills Framework, released 7
   March 2017 (BK&S Framework) comprises:
  - Stakeholder groupings Five modules:
    - 1. Client BIM users ie owners, client rep, project manager, QS, etc
    - 2. Design BIM **authors** ie architect, engineer, etc
    - 3. Construction BIM **consumers** ie builder, subbie, QS, program, etc
    - 4. Manufacture suppliers, fabricators, etc (**future** development)
    - Facility site, facility and asset managers, etc (future development)

# **BIM Knowledge & Skills Framework?**

 Grading levels are used to define the expected level of knowledge and skill required for each example role.

**Knowledge Areas:** The most popular being Project Management Body of Knowledge – PMBOK. Mapping to this structure resulted in the following Knowledge Areas:



- 1.000 Introduction
- 2.000 Start Up
- 3.000 Initiation
- 4.000 Planning
- 5.000 Execution / Operation
- 6.000 Monitoring And Controlling
- 7.000 Closeout / Handover / Commissioning

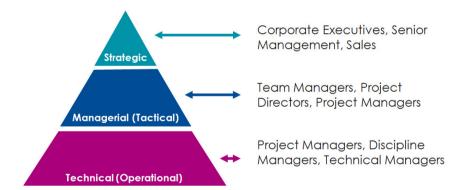
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## **BIM Knowledge & Skills Framework?**

- Responsibility levels **Three sub-modules** that follow the traditional business pyramid functional hierarchy:
  - 1. Strategic
  - 2. Managerial (tactical)
  - 3. Technical

 Developed through practitioners with a diverse experience profile









BIM Development Manager, BIM Academy



Australian Institute of Architects and Global BIM Manager, Opus Inc



Australian Institute of Building representative and Project BIM Manager, PDC Group

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## **BIM Knowledge & Skills Framework?**

#### **Concepts and Descriptors**

Provide thought direction



# **Descriptors for Each Hierarchy Level**

Delineation relevant to role

# Strategic



# Managerial



# Technical

Identify and define the Project Performance requirements mapping BIM Uses to those requirements.

E.g. Financial: Reduced Energy Performance - BIM energy modelling concept to operation. Map the Project
Performance
requirements, linking the
BIM Uses. Further define
the BIM performance
requirements.

E.g. Business: Quality
Assurance - Laser
Scanning pre, post and
during engagements.

Map BIM technical needs to assist in defining the BIM performance requirements.

E.g. Financial: O&M -

Technical handover requirements for integration into O&M systems.



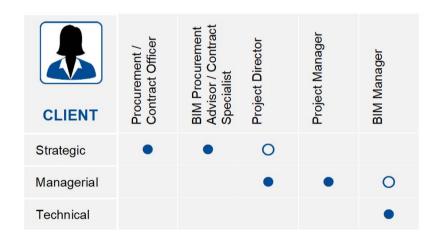
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#### Three modules:

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- Design
- Construction

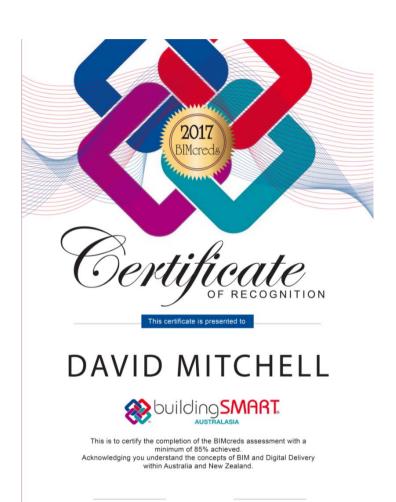
# ■ Three sub-modules (50 questions):

- Strategic
- Managerial
- Technical



## What is the scope of the BIMcreds – BIM Fundamentals test?





## Tests an individuals existing knowledge:

- At a point in time
- Provides a certificate of completion to:
  - Generate proof of expert knowledge
  - Gain CPD (Continuing Professional Development) points
  - Strengthen their resume.

# Two attempts allowed:

- 60 mins duration each
- 80% pass rate

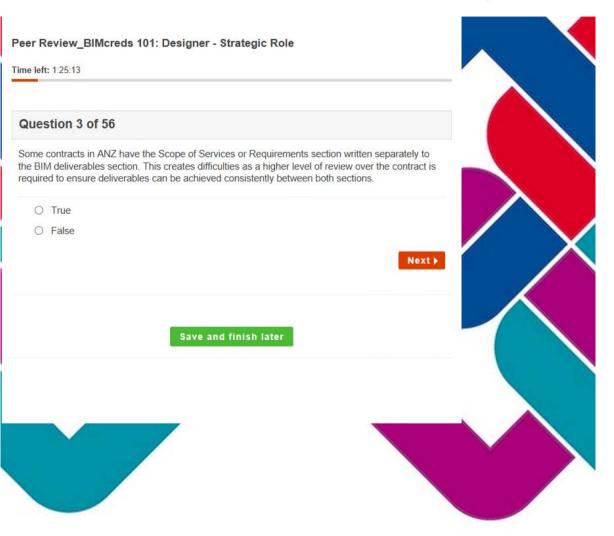
#### It's not a:

- · teaching or learning tool; or a
- Certificate of competency as an Architect, Engineer, etc



# Where and when can you do the BIM Fundamentals test?





- Subscribe now to bSA at
  - http://buildingsmart.org.au/support/
- Register your interest now at:
  - http://buildingsmart.org.au/bimcreds/
- BIM Fundamentals:
  - Design Released Jun 2017
  - Client & Contractor Planned release date Sep 2017



#### What is the future for BIMcreds?

#### Establish a custodian group that is responsible for:

- BK&S Framework
- Curating BIMcreds tests and question banks
- Developing "Scout Badges" ie 4D, 5D, .ifc
  - Identifying and developing new skill tests
  - Creating a skills development community
- Establishing result reporting
- Distributing results to Universities, RTO's and industry

#### Consider exam expansion into:

- Project examinations
- Business examinations

#### Being mindful and working with others:

- buildingSMART International
- BIMexcellence.com
- BSI Group



#### What is the future for BIMcreds?

#### • Move toward international certification:

- buildingSMART international accreditation project
- Update with changes in the international landscape





Programme Scope & Phases



# Thank you

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