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## "THE POST - OCCUPANCY DIGITAL TWIN"

A Quantitative Report on Data Standardisation and

**Dynamic Building Performance Evaluation** 

for Irish Construction

Delivering **better outcomes** 

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### Research Area: Digital Twin Technologies



### The aim of my research was to determine if...

Replacing existing information exchange processes with Digital Twin Technology can

- a) Improve building to operations information transfer
- b) Improve efficiency in the post-occupancy operational phase of BIM Level 2 projects in Ireland?



### **Research Objectives**



### Critical analyses of...

- Soft Landings Framework 2018 & RIBA Plan of Work 2013
- Comparison of actual & proposed building performance data
- BIM Level 2 information exchange requirements & deliverables

### Methodology

Literature Review, Interview Questionnaire, Online Survey, Roadmap





Term has become popular over the past few years

Gartner Emerging Technology List: 2017-2020

### What is a Digital Twin?

Developed by NASA in the 1960's as "Mirrored Systems"

Associated with BIM & IoT since 2010, New buzzword relating to BIM 2020?





"A virtual model of a process, product or service"

"Pairing of the virtual & physical worlds"

### How do you define a Digital Twin?

"Real time digital representation of an object or system"

"Virtual representation of a physical object or asset across its life-cycle"



### Digital Twin = Real-Time Monitoring & Analysis



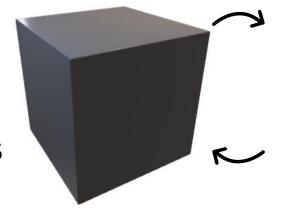
### Elements required for Digital Twin

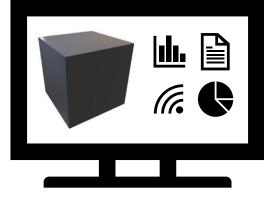
- 1. Physical object
- 2. Virtual representation of object
- 3. Interconnecting network of sensors

#### "The Performance Twin"

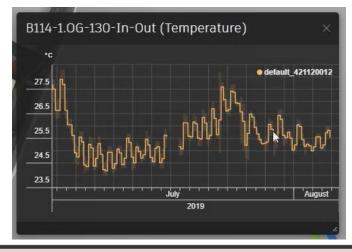
### Sensor data viewed in Dasher 360

- Bi-Directional Updating of Data
- Virtual and Physical (Mirrored)





Temperature (Degrees)



Timeline (Months)





Assets are delivered in compliance with BIM Level 2

Alignment with PAS 1192, ISO 19650

### Is BIM classified as a Digital Twin?

One requirement of a Digital Twin is a physical asset

BIM enables the virtual representation of a physical asset



### Requirement 1: Physical Asset



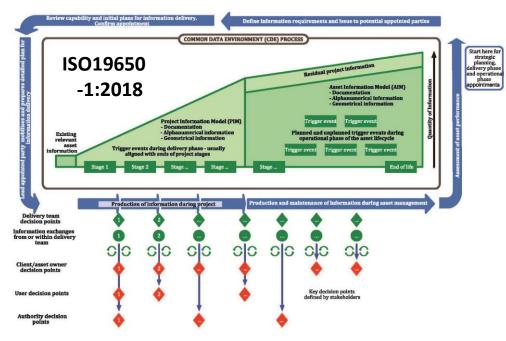
#### **RIBA Plan of Work 2013**

### Information Exchanges (Data Drops)

- PDF: Drawings, reports, specifications
- Excel spreadsheets
- IFC: Interoperable file format

#### Static Information

- Does not represent current conditions
- DT requires Bi-Directional updating of data.



## Static Information (Outdated)





Smoother transition period following building handover

3 Year POE phase following project handover

### What are Soft Landings?

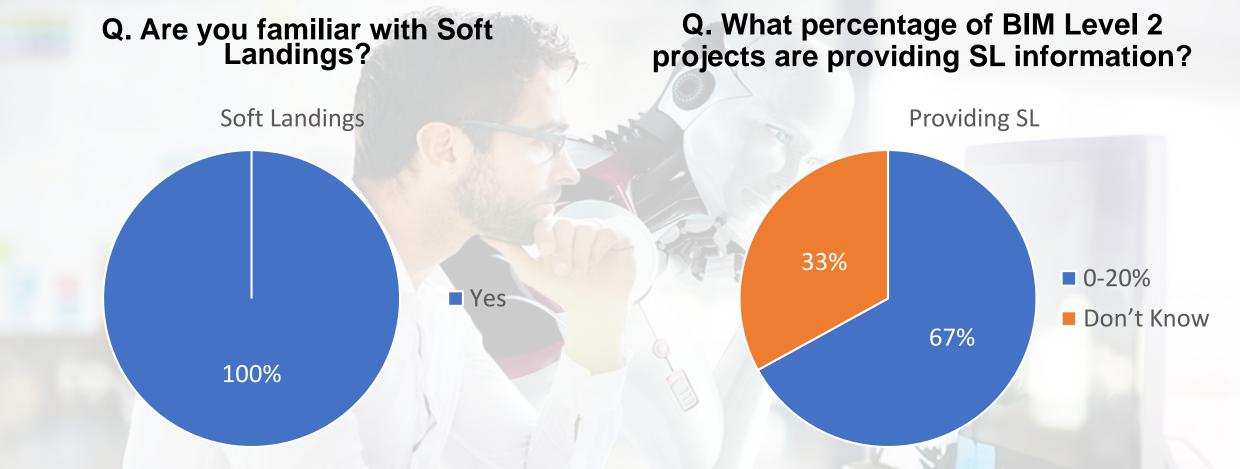
BPE to analyse building operational data

Outdated evaluation methods producing static information



### Interview Results: Soft Landings







### Requirement 2: Virtual Representation



### The Gemini Principles

### Centre of Digital Built Britain

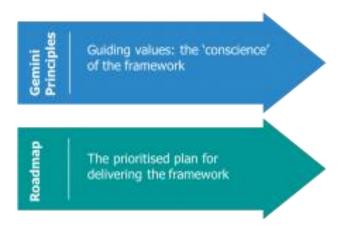
- Published: December 2018
- Roadmap: May 2019

### 3 Categories, 9 Principles

National Digital Twin

### Principle No. 5: Openness

- Interoperability (ISO 16739:2013)
- Classification (ISO 12006-2:2015)



THE GEMINI PRINCIPLES		
PURPOSE	TRUST	FUNCTION
1. Public Good	4. Security	7. Federation
2. Value Creation	5. Openness	8. Curation
3. Insight	6. Quality	9. Evolution



#### Classification



### **Uniclass 2015**

Code: Group\_Sub Group\_Section

### Example

Complex: CO\_Gr\_SG\_Se

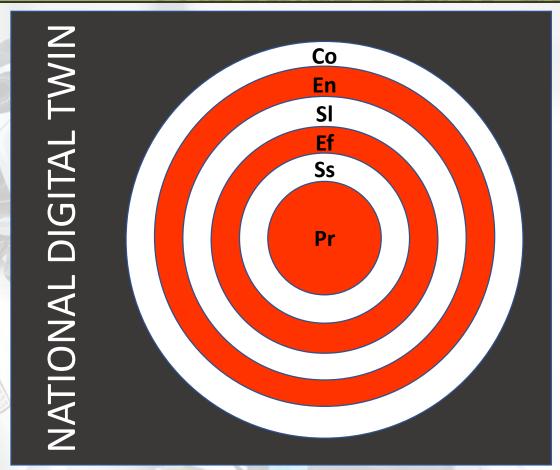
• Entities: EN Gr SG Se

Space: SL\_Gr\_SG\_Se

Elements: EF\_Gr\_SG\_Se

Systems: SS\_Gr\_SG\_Se

Products: PR\_Gr\_SG\_Se





#### **Standardised Product Data**

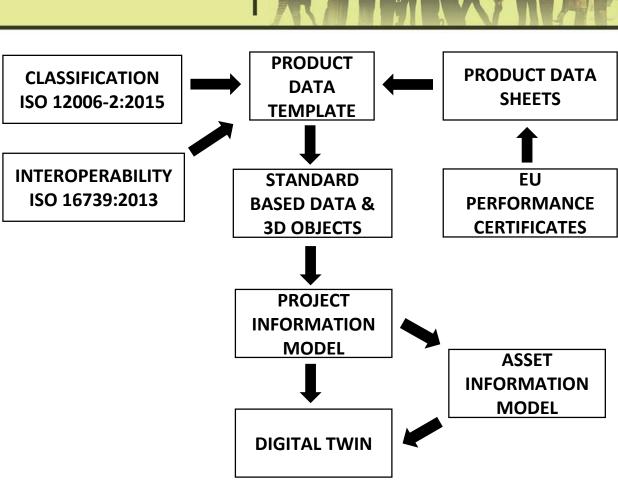


### **Product Data Templates**

- International Definitions
- Performance Certificates
- International Standards
- Product Information

### Standardised Data and Objects

- Project Information Model
- Asset Information Model
- Digital Twin





#### **Common Language**



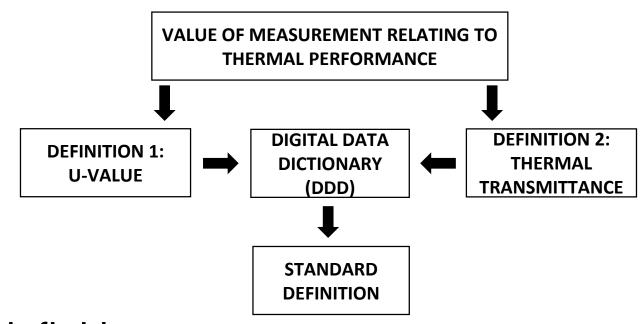
### **Digital Data Dictionaries**

#### A value is defined

• Example = U-Value

#### Different definitions

- Ireland = U-Value
- Europe = Thermal Transmittance



Common Language / Standard definition



### Requirement 3: Interconnected Devices



### **Internet of Things**

Industry 4.0

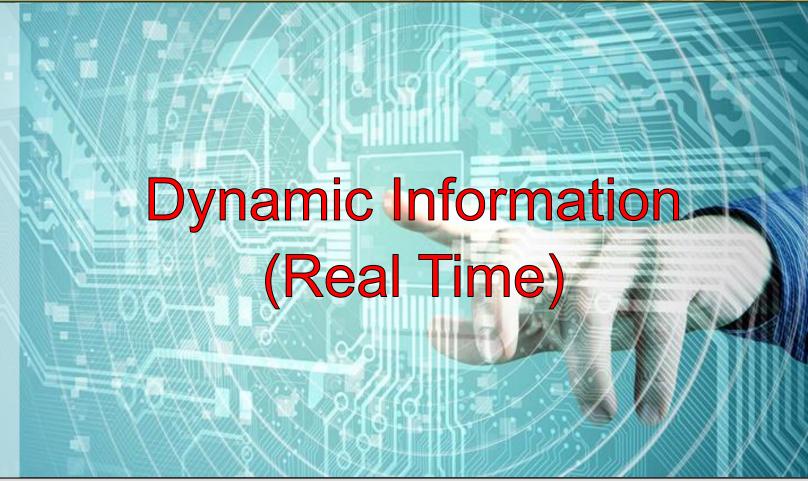
2020: 20 - 50 billion

connected devices

April 2019: World

Population = 7.7 billion

4 - 7 devices per person





### **Addressing the Performance Gap**



### **Cognitive Environment**

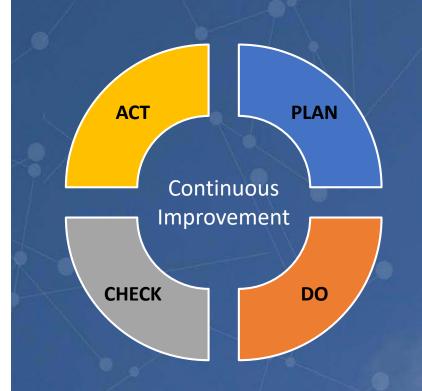
Static (BIM) + Dynamic (IoT) data

### Preventative Maintenance

- Adapting and reacting to surroundings
- Continuous learning from previous tasks
- Predicting when elements require maintenance

### **Actual vs Proposed Performance Data**

Real-time environmental conditions.





#### **Data Visualisation**

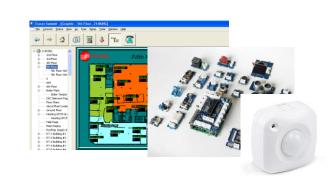


#### **Autodesk Dasher 360**

- Began in 2009 as a Research project by Autodesk
- Visualisation & analytical tools for building and IoT data
- In the context of Building Information Models (BIM)







**Project Dasher** 

As-Built BIM

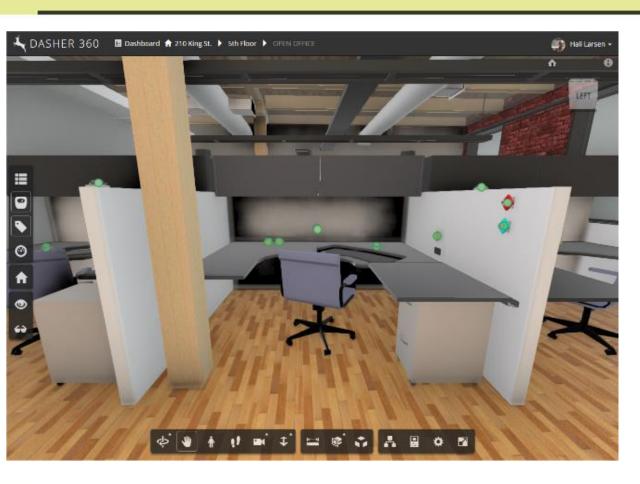
Building Data





### 210 King Street, Toronto









### Autodesk Pier 9, San Fransisco





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### MX3D Smart Bridge, Holland





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### Theory into Practice: Kingspan Innovation Centre





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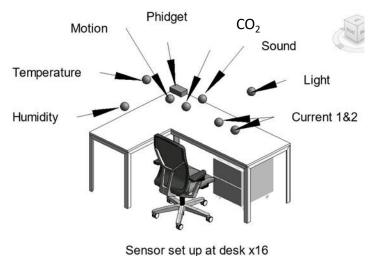
Req. 3: IoT



### **IKON Dasher: Modelled Sensors**









Sensor housing concept

IKON Sensor Arrangement Sensors displayed in Dasher 360 connect to the database and display in correct location



### IKON Dasher: Data Display Modes



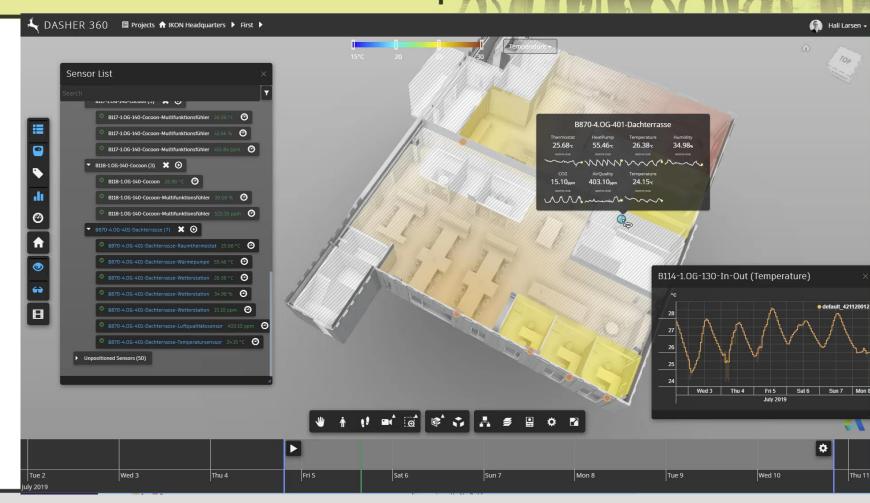
#### **Data Visualization**

### Sensor Categories:

- 1. Humidity
- 2. Temperature
- 3. Motion
- 4. CO<sub>2</sub>

### Visualisations

- Day / Hour / Minute
- Surface Shading





### **Computational Design**

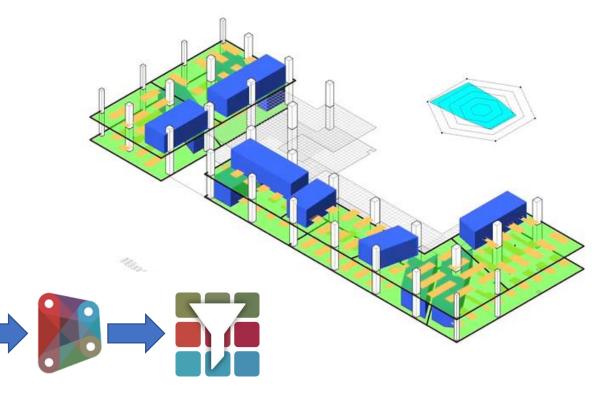


### "What is Generative Design?"

- Automated workflow
- Mass production
- Alternative options

### Generative Design Process

- Generate Revit
- Evaluate Dynamo
- Evolve Refinery





### **Generative Design: Requirements**



### To create a Generative Design:

- Input
- Output
- Design Goals

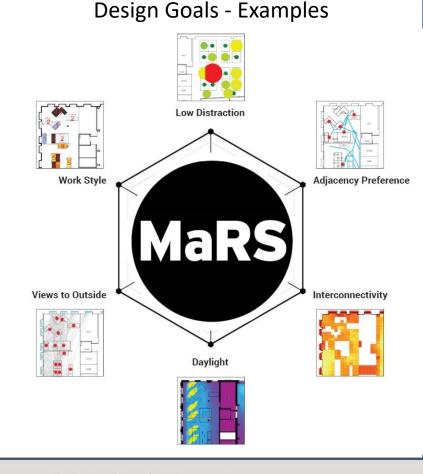
# HIGH SCORING id: 8\_16 Uses to find the Describe OVERALL SCORE:6.2 DAYLIGHT: 3.0 LOW DISTRACTION: 5.2 ADJACENCY: 4.9 VIEWS TO OUTSIDE: 3.1 INTERCONNECTIVITY: 9.9 WORKSTYLE:

### "What are Design Goals?"

Distraction, Views, Work Style, Adjacency

### **MaRS Project**

Autodesk Toronto Interior Layout



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### Dynamic Building Performance Analysis



### **Current Building Analysis Methods**

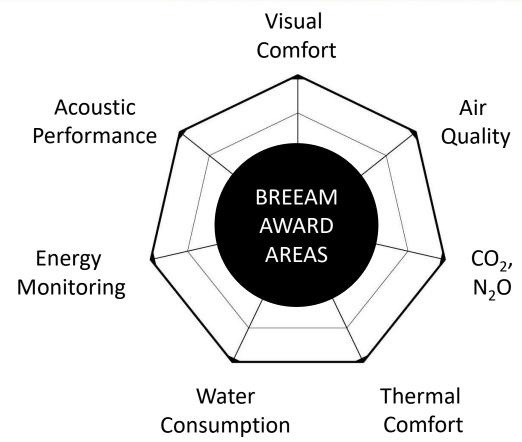
- LEED and BREEAM calculations
- Three-year re-certification period

### Pre-Determined Design Goals

- Thermal comfort, Acoustics, CO<sub>2</sub>
- Static Data = Design Goals
- Learn from previous projects

### **Dynamic Building Analysis**

Addressing the Performance Gap







Structuring and Standardisation of Data

**Bi-Directional Updating of Data** 

### **Conclusion and Recommendations**

Learning and adapting Soft Landing's information for Generative Design Goals

Underperforming Assets – Blockchain / Smart Contracts



### Thank you for your time

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