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Circular to Professional Institutes/ Associations

Dear Sir / Madam,

ENHANCEMENT OF \$5 MILLION 2-STAGE INNOVATION GRANT (IGRANT) TO INCLUDE INTEGRATED DIGITAL DELIVERY (IDD)

Background

- 1. Building and Construction Authority (BCA), with the funding support from Ministry of National Development (MND), rolled out the 2-Stage Innovation Grant (iGrant) on 8 October 2013. The grant aims to help the entire value chain of the building and construction industry to conduct smaller scale R&D projects with near term commercialisation potential.
- 2. iGrant was further enhanced in 2014 to increase the scope of funding to Construction Productivity and in 2016, to further expand to include safety, quality and maintainability. This was to provide a wider coverage of support for other strategic pillars.

Extension and enhancement

3. iGrant will be available until 31 October 2020, with a total available grant of \$5 million. The existing focus areas of **Construction Productivity**, **Safety, Quality and Maintainability** will be expanded to include **Integrated Digital Delivery (IDD)**, where innovative digital solutions can be deployed to effect a seamless integration of construction-related activities and the associated information flow. iGrant would provide funding support for technology innovators and industry players keen to innovate, re-engineer its business and pilot emerging digital solutions.

Funding Support

4. iGrant operates on a co-funding basis with up to 70% for Stage 1: Proof-of-Concept study and up to 70% for Stage 2: Project Implementation. Each proposal will be evaluated by BCA on its own merit. The proposal should involve small scale R&D projects that are nearer to market adoption and when successfully implemented, would encourage wider adoption of innovative technologies.

Effective Date

- 5. The enhanced iGrant will take effect from 1 July 2018 till 31 October 2020 or till the \$5 million is exhausted, whichever comes first. Firms can submit their proposals to BCA at any time within this period.
- 6. The full details of the scheme, such as application guidelines, application forms and FAQs pertaining to the iGrant can be found on our website at http://www.bca.gov.sg/ResearchInnovation/2stage InnovationGrant.html.
- 7. We would appreciate it if you could convey the contents of this circular to your members.
- 8. For more information, please contact:

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Thank you.

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