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Circular to Professional Institutes

Dear Sir / Madam,

\$5 MILLION INNOVATION GRANT FOR GREEN BUILDINGS

Objective

1 Building and Construction Authority (BCA), with the funding support from Ministry of National Development (MND), is rolling out a new initiative, a 2-Stage Innovation Grant (iGrant) 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 The iGrant will focus on providing assistance to help industry to conduct fast track Proof-of-Concept type of R&D projects for subsequent quick deployment in a fast moving environment.

Funding Support

3 The incentive scheme 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. Examples of areas supported by the iGrant are indicated in the Green Building R&D Framework, with focus on energy efficiency and resource efficiency.

Application

4 The scheme is effective from July 2013 and will last 3 years or till the \$5 million is exhausted, whichever comes first. Firms can submit their proposals to BCA at any time within this period.

5 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.

6 We would appreciate it if you could convey the contents of this circular to your members.

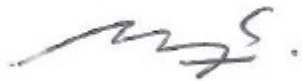
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