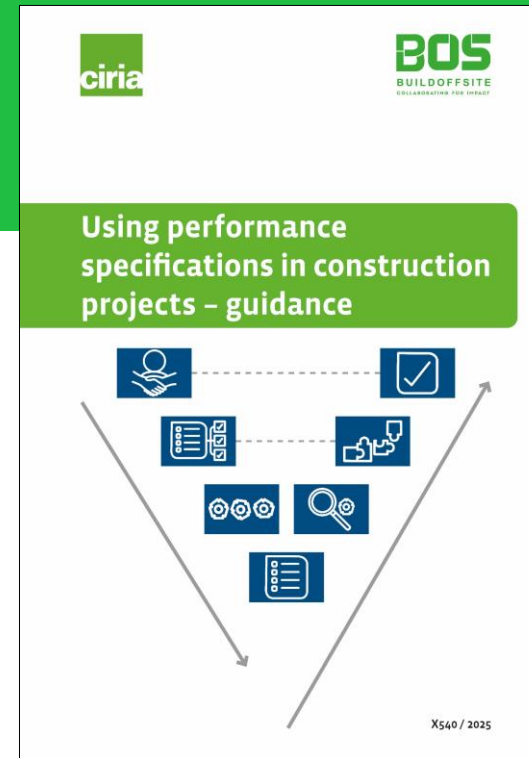


Reducing barriers to MMC – new CIRIA/BOS guidance

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Welcome and member update



Dirk Vennix

Executive Director
BUILDOFFSITE

Thank you to our host



Programme

15:00 Welcome and member update

Introduction to *Using performance specifications for offsite construction projects – guidance (X540)*

15:15 Client perspective

15:35 Designer perspective

15:55 Manufacturer perspective

16:15 Project delivery perspective

16:35 Interactive discussion and Q&A

16:55 Closing remarks followed by networking drinks at the Canteen Food Hall and Bar

Welcome to our speakers



Nigel Fraser
BUILDOFFSITE



Calum Barrett
Transport for London



Natalia Maximova
Sheppard Robson



David Johnson
Volumetric Building Companies

BUILDOFFSITE

BUILDOFFSITE promotes, supports and increases the adoption of offsite and pre-manufactured solutions for the built environment.

Mission:

“To be the trusted independent voice of the construction industry with respect to offsite and pre-manufacturing, and to provide all relevant support to our members and other stakeholders.”

BUILDOFFSITE members




Five year BUILDOFFSITE manifesto

- Drive demand for offsite at scale, leading to increased pipeline visibility
- Put collaborative frameworks at the heart of deploying performance specifications
- Financial incentives for carbon reduction tailored to offsite methods and scaling-up low carbon innovations
- Funding and policy support for further technological integration

BUILD OFFSITE manifesto


- Incentivisation of quality assurance schemes
- More robust standards
- Appointment and training of MMC advisers
- Skills development initiative that includes offsite-specific training programmes to ensure a future-ready workforce
- A holistic and value-based approach to procurement and planning


BUILDOFFSITE guidance coming soon




The management of IP specifically relating to MMC/offsite

CIRIA and BOS guidance 'The management of intellectual property (IP) specifically relating to MMC/offsite' which will be published later this year.



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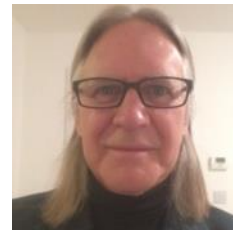
Nigel Fraser
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PAS 8700 – Our involvement

- Two BUILDOFFSITE Industry Advisors from the very beginning (January 2023)
- Contributing to the wide range of steering group skills and knowledge
- Focussed input for some sections
- “Offline” review of drafts providing structured feedback and comments
- Regular detailed steering group reviews via Teams



Ken Davie
Industry Advisor



Nigel Faser
Industry Advisor

PAS 8700 – The industry view

Guidance on how to avoid the potential pitfalls of MMC

Recommendation on MMC Adviser Role

Aid to dispelling common misconceptions

Complimenting other publications such as:

- The Construction Playbook and Trust and Productivity
- MMC Definition Framework
- BOS guidance on Performance Specifications
- BOS guidance on Intellectual Property



Other MMC standards

- CB/301 “Offsite and Modern Methods of Construction Committee
 - (Mirrors the ISO developments listed below)
- ISO/TC 59/SC 19 Prefabricated buildings
- BSi Flex 390 v2.0:2023 Built environment
 - (Value-based decision making – Specification)
- B/558/1 Circular Economy in the Construction Sector Committee
 - (Mirrors the European CEN/TC 350/SC 1 – Circular Economy in the Construction Sector)

BOPAS



- In 2013 the BUILDOFFSITE Property Assurance Scheme (BOPAS) was launched to address concerns and perceived risks associated with innovative construction.
- BOPAS was developed by BOS, LRQA, BLP and RICS.
- Over 100 companies have been accredited.
- The scheme is recognised by mortgage lenders as providing the necessary assurance that properties that are innovatively constructed or constructed using MMC will be readily mortgageable for a minimum of 60 years.



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Future BUILDOFFSITE events



17 July

Low carbon materials in
the residential sector
Webinar

3 September

The Antarctic
Infrastructure
Modernisation
Programme (AIMP)
Webinar

9 September

Low carbon materials in
social infrastructure
Webinar

16 – 17 September

BOS Summit at Offsite
Expo
Coventry

21 October

Low carbon materials in
transport infrastructure
Webinar

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