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## Australian Digital Built Environment Principles

The Australian Digital Built Environment Principles mark an important step in the adoption of digital technologies to improve the design and operation of our cities and infrastructure.

Released today at the Smart Cities Forum in Sydney, the development of the Principles was coordinated by industry association Consult Australia and involved hundreds of stakeholders from the public and private sectors.

Megan Motto, Chief Executive Officer of Consult Australia, says the Principles are a long-needed point of reference that projects, processes, and policies can be aligned to:

“To enable the benefits of new technology and approaches such as BIM, GIS, and Smart Cities, government and industry have needed to create a supportive policy environment.”

“The Principles are a policy tool created within a technical context that enable stakeholders to focus on those actions that will help to ensure the delivery of long term benefits.”

“They are something that can guide decision making and for which business governments and governments can express support.”

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*Australia will benefit from more liveable cities and better performing infrastructure through the use of open shareable asset information and enabling digital technologies to capture, plan, create, build, connect, and manage our built environments.*

Principles to enable stakeholders to test the above hypothesis in their particular context:

#### Beneficial

*Maximises value, skills, and competition whilst achieving improvements in productivity, environmental sustainability, and providing positive social benefit.*

#### Usable

*Maximises opportunities for adoption or involvement, and is inclusive irrespective of participant experience, size, resources, sector, or jurisdiction.*

#### Deliverable

*Supports innovation and sensible risk management, and can be achieved at a variety of scales with evidence-based solutions, available resources and delivery mechanisms.*

#### Accessible

*Accessible to relevant stakeholders, and is transparent in its operation and limitations while ensuring security and privacy.*

#### Authoritative

*Consistent across industry and government, and measurable against recognised standards, regulations, and appropriate requirements.*

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More information on the Principles [can be downloaded here](#).

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Consult Australia has undertaken significant work to further the discussion, including on how major works are financed and procured. For more visit [www.consultaustralia.com.au](http://www.consultaustralia.com.au)