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# SINGAPORE'S CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTIVITY JOURNEY

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# SCOPE OF PRESENTATION



# Singapore's Construction Industry is Transforming

#### Key Trends driving our transformation



#### Greater Urbanisation and Increasing Manpower Squeeze

• Need to adopt more advanced construction technologies (e.g. DfMA)



#### Gearing towards Digital Revolution

• Integrated Digital Delivery (IDD) as key enabler of DfMA adoption



#### Dealing with Climate Change

Greater focus on sustainable construction practices

# Singapore's Construction Industry Transformation Map (ITM)



# **Design for Manufacturing and Assembly**



Adopting Prefabrication
Modular Design

**DfMA** 

# **DfMA Changes the Way We Build**

## **Continuum of DfMA technology**

Components: Incremental Improvement				Integrated Assemblies: Game-Changing Improvement
	Prefab components	Advanced Prefab Systems	Integrated Sub-assemblies	Fully-integrated Integrated Assemblies
Structural	Precast	Structural Steel / Advanced Precast / Hybrid	Mass Engineered Timber (MET)	Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction (PPVC) 40%
Architectural	On-site Dry Applied Finishes	Prefinished Surfaces	PBUs	
MEP		the state of the s		

Flexible Water Pipe/ Sprinkler Dropper Prefab Ceiling Module/ Prefab Plant Prefab Module with Platform/ Catwalk



DfMA

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# Establishing a Robust DfMA Ecosystem

**Key Objectives:** 



- 2. Reduce cost premium for sustained adoption
- 3. Sufficient capacity and capabilities to support adoption

**DfMA** 



# **Creating Lead Demand for DfMA**

## Taking the lead - Public sector projects adopting DfMA



#### Prefabricated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing

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# **Creating Lead Demand for DfMA**

Public sector taking the lead, in close collaboration with industry

DEMAND



# **Creating Lead Demand for DfMA**

## DEMAND

## Government Land Sale (GLS) Sites

Specifying DfMA technology adoption

## Total number of sites to date

## PPVC

20 residential GLS sites

## **Structural Steel**

2 commercial GLS sites



Note:

**1** residential GLS site



More sites to be launched

#### **Private developments**

Voluntary DfMA technology adoption



#### **PPVC residential**



Brownstone



Singapore Sustainability Academy

Funding support for voluntary DfMA adoption by private sector

PPVC – Prefabricated and Pre-finished Volumetric Construction

MET – Mass Engineered Timber

# **Competent Suppliers**



Accredited suppliers listed on BCA's website

## **Building Innovation Panel (BIP)**

- Ensuring *design* complies with regulatory requirements

PPVC Manufacturer Accreditation Scheme (MAS)

- Ensuring high quality in PPVC production



# **Suppliers Capabilities Established**

#### Highly automated facilities for production, quality ensured

 $\checkmark$  Multi-storey prefabrication hubs with automation and mechanization

- $\checkmark$  Improved quality control in factory production
- Considerably reduce labour usage on-site for higher productivity

More wil complete in the next 3 years

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**SUPPLY** 



Courtesy of: GREYFORM

Automated Steel Reinforcement Fabrication





Teambuild



Soilbuild

Automated Pallet Circulation Plant

# **Competent Suppliers**

24 SUPPLIERS (Through Building Innovation Panel)



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**Concrete PPVC** 

**DfMA** 

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**Steel PPVC** 

## **PPVC – Most Promising DfMA Technology**

DfMA Digital Engineering

## PPVC yields significant productivity improvement

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## Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction (PPVC)

DfMA Engineering

#### What is PPVC?



# **Completed PPVC Unit**

No different from conventional construction, but better quality finishes

Digital

Engineering

**DfMA** 



# **Types of PPVC**





**DfMA** 

**Digital** 

Engineering



Wall: Steel frame with lightweight walls Floor: Concrete or Lightweight Flooring System

# **Singapore PPVC Projects**

Digital Fngineering

**DfMA** 

**ON-GOING** 

## Wide range of project types done in PPVC

# **PPVC**

- **31** projects
  - (6 completed, 25 on-going)

**Development** types: Hostel, Nursing Home, Hotel, Dormitory and Residential



**10-Storey Brownstone Executive Condo** 



13-Storey **NTU Hostel** 



Residential

**12-Storey Wisteria Commercial & Condo** 



9-Storey Dormitory JTC Space @ Tuas



**36-Storey Parc Riviera** Condo





**10-Storey Crowne Plaza** Hotel Extension



# **Nursing Home**



Photo: MOHH

9-Storey Woodlands **Nursing Home** 

# **Teambuild - A PPVC Pioneer in Singapore**



# **Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel Extension**

• Made possible by a strong project team, comprising architect, engineer, contractor and fabricator



#### 6 months time savings, 44% manpower savings

STEEL PPVC

**Developer: OUE Airport Hotel Pte Ltd Architect:** WOHA Architects Pte Ltd **Structural Engineer: RSP** Architects & Planners Pte Ltd **M&E Engineer:** Surbana International Consultants Pte Ltd Main Contractor: Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd **PPVC Supplier:** Unitised Building Consulting (Aust) Pty

**DfMA** 

# Industry Breakthroughs in PPVC

## • PPVC for high-rise developments



40-storey condominium (World's tallest concrete PPVC building)

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#### **Developer:**

Singland Homes & UOL Venture Investments Architect: ADDP Architects LLP **Structural Engineer:** Tham & Wong LLP **M&E Engineer:** J Roger Preston (S) Pte Ltd **Main Contractor:** Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd **PPVC Supplier:** Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd

# Industry Capabilities developed in PPVC

**PPVC Video** 



# Case Study 4 Industry breakthroughs in PPVC



**Designing open-concept PPVC systems** 

Consultants design capabilities made open-concept PPVC design possible

## Woodlands Nursing Home

3 months time savings,24% manpower savings



#### Developer: MOH Holdings Pte Ltd (MOHH) Architect, Structural Engineer, M&E: Surbana International Consultants Main Contractor:

Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd **PPVC Supplier:** Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd



## JTC Space @ Tuas

Developer: JTC Corporation Architect: SAA Architects Pte Ltd Structural Engineer: Aecom Singapore Pte Ltd Main Contractor: Tiong Seng Contractors Pte Ltd PPVC Supplier: Tiong Seng Contractors Dte Ltd

Tiong Seng Contractors Pte Ltd

STEEL PPVC

Courtesy of: JTC

# **Open concept PPVC systems**



Courtesy of: Dragages

## JTC Space @ Tuas (Dormitory)



# **PPVC projects achieving variety of building forms**

• With capable architects on board, creative building features can be achieved



Courtesy of: Victoria Hall **19 STOREYS** 

#### **Singapore PPVC Projects**

**Crowne Plaza Hotel Extension** 



Wisteria Condominium



Mixed residential and commercial

## Prefab Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (MEP) Systems



## **Benefits of Prefab MEP Systems**



Photograph courtesy by DSG Modular, Newcastle, England, UK

# Upfront detailed design

#### Improved Quality and Productivity

Working in a factory environment and at ground level improve productivity



Easy to install (lifting one subassembly instead of multiple ducts, pipes, etc.)



# **Case Study - Global Switch Data Centre**

# Up to 70% productivity improvement



**Developer:** Global Switch Singapore **Architect:** AWP

## **M&E Engineer:**

Aurecon Main Contractor:

Gammon

**MEP Module Supplier:** 

Gammon Project Period:

October 2017 – November 2018

## **Adopted Prefab MEP Systems**

- Horizontal module
- Roof cooling tower modules
- Riser modules

- Plant room modules
- External modules with catwalk

## Enhanced Collaboration through Digital Engineering

Championing of DfMA is supported by Digital Engineering

# Digital Design

Collaborative and coordinated DfMA design using BIM/VDC or other computational tools

# Digital Assembly

Using real-time Info-Comm Technology (ICT) to deliver and install on-site



## Digital Manufacturing and Fabrication

**DfMA** 

Integration of BIM/VDC for off-site production through automation, robotics

*Note: IDD – Integrated Digital Delivery* 

Digital

Engineering

## **Digital Design - components**



Digital

DfMA

## **Digital manufacturing and fabrication - components**



Digital

DfMA

## **Digital Construction and Assembly - components**

## DfMA Digital Engineering



## An IDD Scenario



IDD Platform: Data Storage, Data Exchange, Data Processing, Data Mining, Analytics Engine/Machine Learning

# Where to next?

## CHANGING THE WAY WE BUILD



Government

Industry

**Require close Partnership & Collaboration among Stakeholders** 

Industry

# **Thank You**