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Driving digital transition in the South African built environment

On 24 and 25 January 2023, the Council for the Built Environment (CBE) in collaboration with the University of Johannesburg - Centre of Applied Research and Innovation in the Built Environment (CARINBE), hosted a webinar on “Driving Digital Transition in the South African Built Environment”. The webinar explored how digital transformation in the built environment can be fast tracked through a systematic and predictable roadmap.

The recently launched 3D Construction Printing for Sustainable Human Settlements Project by the University of Johannesburg is a clear demonstration of government’s commitment to increasingly employ science, technology, and innovation in the built environment.

Moreover, the digital transformation has the potential to increase efficiency throughout the value chain of the built environment, as well as to reduce resource consumption and carbon emissions. It offers the possibility to develop new processes, services, and markets. It will increasingly transform the way we build, share information, and take decisions in the built environment sector.

The perspectives obtained from the webinar will be incorporated into the position paper on Digital Transition in the South African Built Environment to be finalised and launched in the first quarter of 2023.

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About the CBE:

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The CBE was established for the purpose of instilling good conduct within the Built Environment Professions, mobilising transformation in the Built Environment Professions, protecting the interest of the public and advising the South African Government on Built Environment related issues.

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