Closing the Loop: Evidence-based decision making

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Research Questions

- What are the conditions that explain the use of Evidence-Based Management (EBM)
- What are the current sources of evidence used by decision makers
- What is their attitude, perceived ability and normative beliefs regarding EBM
Research Objectives

Connect the relevant body of knowledge to the decision makers impacting the design of office buildings by:

- Collecting information on the current awareness and use of research findings

- Creating a model that explains the conditions under which EBM takes place

- Setting the baseline for a future study that will examine the efficacy of future interventions to increase the practice of EBM
Research Framework

Quantitative data collection:

• Test proposed model by collecting data via surveys and analyze using Structural Equation Modeling

Qualitative data collection:

• Interviews of key stakeholders

• Observational data of projects involving our industry partners
Research Challenges

Sample size:
To test the model over 200 responders will be required (2 waves to test interventions efficacy)

Variance in EBM

Lack of an established measure/scale of EBM

Access to key meetings for relevant observational data
Outcomes/Innovation/Impacts

The project aims to help connect the relevant body of knowledge (Systematic Review in process) to the decision makers impacting the design of office buildings by:

• First mapping of decision makers use and attitude regarding research findings
• Identification of barriers to EBM in the building industry
• Targeted intervention to increase informed decision-making and efficacy assessment.