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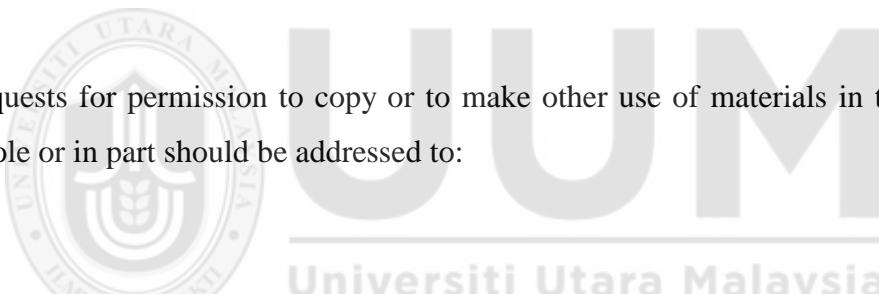
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Abstrak

Penerimaan perisian Permodelan Maklumat Pembinaan (BIM) telah terbukti bermanfaat kepada industri pembinaan bagi meningkatkan rekabentuk, analisis, pembinaan, operasi dan pengurusan data. Disebabkan pelbagai jenis perisian BIM di pasaran, proses pemilihan perisian BIM yang memenuhi keperluan projek dianggap rumit. Kajian terdahulu telah mendedahkan bahawa kebanyakannya pemilihan perisian adalah berdasarkan populariti dan cadangan daripada syarikat lain. Justeru, pemilihan yang tidak tepat boleh mengakibatkan penggunaan perisian BIM yang tidak sepenuhnya dan memberi kesan negatif ke atas pelaburan perisian BIM. Berdasarkan tinjauan literatur terdapat kekurangan pendekatan yang sistematik dalam pemilihan perisian BIM bagi memenuhi keperluan projek tertentu. Ini menekankan keperluan untuk alat pembuatan keputusan bagi memilih perisian BIM yang bersesuaian. Penyelidikan ini bertujuan untuk membangunkan Sistem Sokongan Pemutusan (DSS) yang dinamakan topsis4BIM yang mengintegrasikan antaramuka pengguna, pangkalan data bercirikan BIM, Fuzzy TOPSIS dan alatan Web 2.0. Projek pembinaan sebenar telah digunakan sebagai kajian kes untuk demonstrasi dan pengesahan rangka kerja DSS. Hasil kajian menunjukkan penggunaan topsis4BIM dapat memperbaiki proses pemilihan perisian BIM berbanding amalan sedia ada. Selain itu, ia juga telah menghasilkan satu rangka kerja baharu untuk pembinaan DSS masa hadapan dengan menggunakan alatan Web 2.0. Kajian ini memperkenalkan satu pendekatan pembuatan keputusan yang inovatif dan ekonomikal yang boleh menjadi garis panduan untuk meningkatkan penggunaan BIM dalam kalangan pengamal pembinaan.

Kata Kunci: Permodelan maklumat pembinaan, Sistem sokongan keputusan, Pembuatan keputusan pelbagai kriteria, alatan Web 2.0

Abstract

The adoption of Building Information Modelling (BIM) software has proven to be beneficial to the construction industry to improve the design, analysis, construction, operation and data management. Due to the variety of BIM software on the market, choosing the right BIM software in construction projects is deemed to be a complicated decision making process. Previous studies revealed that software selection is mainly made based on popularity and recommendation from other companies. Consequently, inaccurate selection would lead to the underutilised features and negative effect the investment on the BIM software. Based on literature, there is a lack of systematic approach to select the right BIM software for specific project requirements. This highlights the needs for decision making tools to select the appropriate BIM software. This research aims to develop a Decision Support System (DSS) named topsis4BIM which integrates graphical user interfaces, BIM features database, Fuzzy TOPSIS and Web 2.0 tools. A real construction project was used as a case study for demonstrating and validating the DSS framework. The findings indicate that the use of topsis4BIM improves the BIM software selection process compared to the current practice. In addition, it also produce a new framework for the next generation DSS using Web 2.0 tools. The study introduces an innovative and economical decision making approach that can guide construction practitioners towards the betterment of BIM adoption.

Keywords: Building information modelling, Decision support system, Multi criteria decision making, Web 2.0 tool

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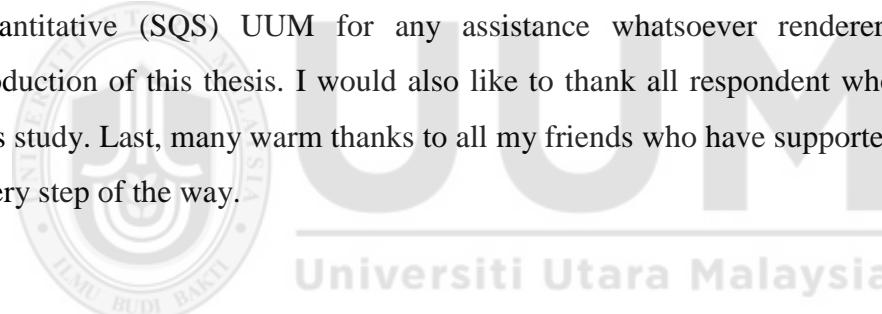


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List of Abbreviations

3D	:	Three dimensional medium
AEC	:	Architecture, Engineering and Construction
AHP	:	Analytic Hierarchy Process
BIM	:	Building Information Modeling
CAD	:	Computer Aid-Design
CGI	:	Common Gate-away interface (CGI)
CIDB	:	Construction Industry Development Board
CM@R	:	Construction Management at Risk
CMAA	:	Construction Management of Association America
CPM	:	Critical Part Method
CREAM	:	Construction Research Institute of Malaysia
DB	:	Design Build
DBB	:	Design Bid Build
DSS	:	Decision Support Systems
EIS	:	Executive Information System
ELECTRE	:	ELimination and Choice Expressing Reality
ES	:	Enterprise System
GDP		Gross Domestic Product
HTML	:	HyperText Markup Language
ICT	:	Information Communication and Technology
IPD	:	Integrate Project Delivery
MADM	:	Multi Attribute Decision Making

MCDM	:	Multi Criteria Decision Making
MIS	:	Management Information System
MODM	:	Multi Objective Decision Making
MY SQL	:	Structured Query Language
OLAP	:	Online Analytical Processing
PDM	:	Project Delivery Method
PHP	:	Personal Home Page
PKK		Contractor Service Centre
PMBOK	:	Project Management Book of Knowledge
POM	:	Production and Operational Management
PROMETHEE	:	Preference Ranking Organization Method for Enrichment of Evaluations
PWD		Pubic Work Department
ROC	:	Rank Order Centroid
SAW	:	Simple Average Weight
TOPSIS	:	Order Preference by Similarity to an Ideal Solution
TPS		Transaction Processing System
TQM	:	Total Quality Management
UTHM	:	Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia
UUM	:	Universiti Utara Malaysia
VIKOR	:	VIseKriterijumska Optimizacija I Kompromisno Resenje

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Research Background

Construction sector is one of the main contributor in Malaysia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) within the years of 1991 to 2010 with average of 4.09 % GDP, and 3 % to 5.7 % of national economy (Khan, Liew, & Ghazali, 2014). This is due to the role of construction sector who provide initial infrastructure and building for other sector such as manufacturing, industrial and even tourism sectors (Yong & Mustaffa, 2012). Therefore, the construction sector is significant in social-economy development in Malaysia.

Realising the importance of construction sector, several government agencies have been established such as Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB), Ministry of Work, the Contractor Service Centre (PKK), the Board of Engineer, the Board of Architect and the Board of Surveyors (Kamal, Haron, Ulang, & Baharum, 2012). Numerous efforts have been taken by these agencies in order to enhance the development of construction sector. Since 2007, CIDB has been actively promoting the use of a new technology which is Building Information Modelling (BIM) via seminars, workshops, development of roadmap for BIM adoption in Malaysia, and other promotional programmes. Since the introduction of BIM, it has been recognised in the industry as a significant technology that can enhance construction project management.

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