



Thermal Comfort Performance based Design Standard for Affordable Housing in India

First Expert Group Consultation

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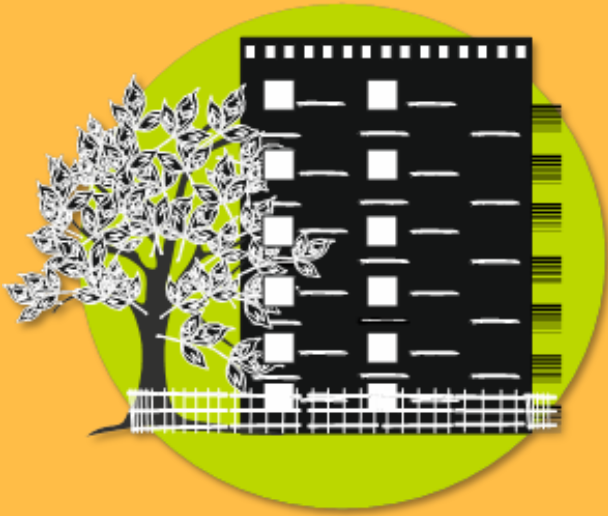
Research and Development
in Building Policies,
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Affordable Housing Design
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Affordable Housing Policies
& Strategy Formulation,
Micro Finance, Urban
Renewal



Context and background

Outlines the guiding principles and conceptual approach towards standard development.

Context

- 1** India is rapidly urbanizing.
 - Urban population will nearly double by 2051 to 880 Million
- 2** So is the demand for affordable housing.
 - Nearly 90% of affordable housing demand is unmet.
- 3** Inadequate housing increases vulnerability to climate change
 - about a quarter of India's urban population—live in informal settlements, vulnerable to climate risks

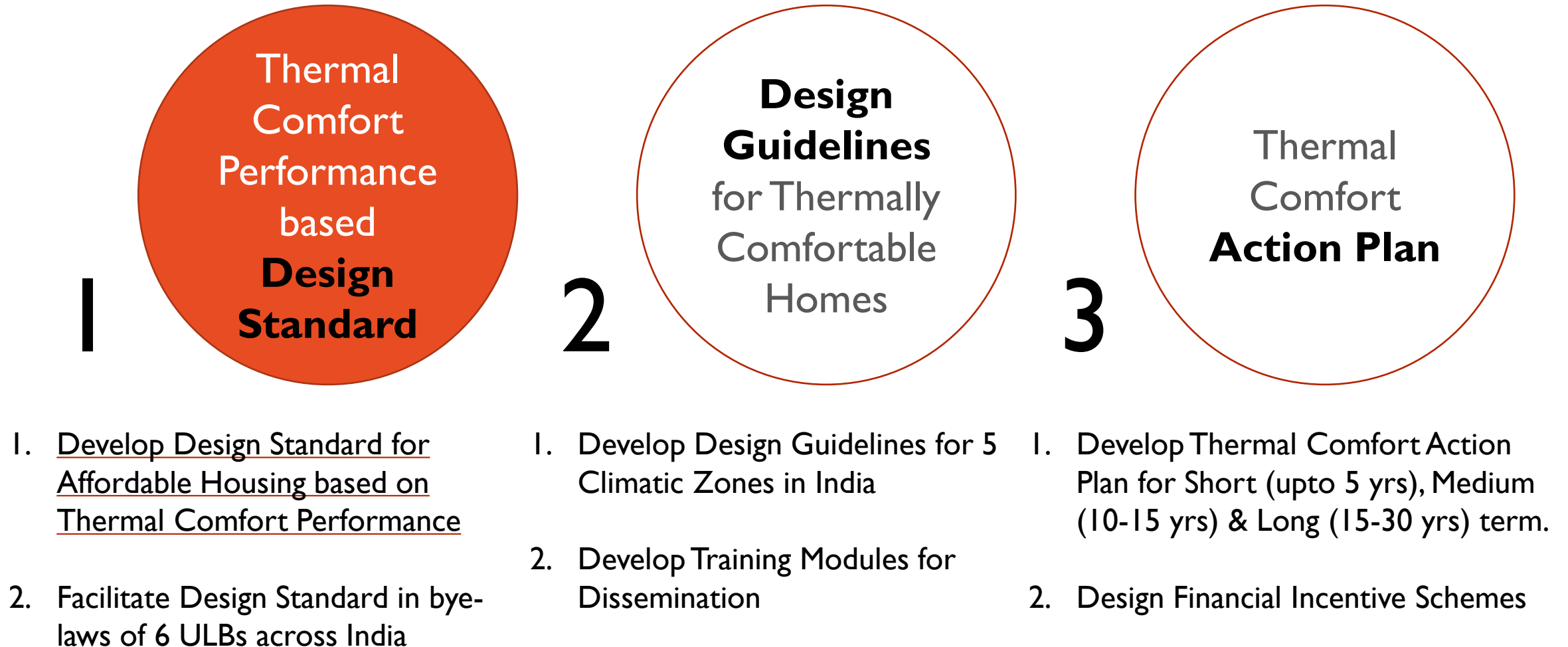
Affordable, low-carbon, climate-resilient housing is critical to improving quality of life and supporting economic development in cities around the world.

Source:

[1. Affordable And Quality Housing Is Still A Dream For Many In India](#)

[2. Resilient and affordable housing for all: Lessons on house building from Kochi and Trivandrum, India, Coalition for Urban Transitions](#)

Program Overview

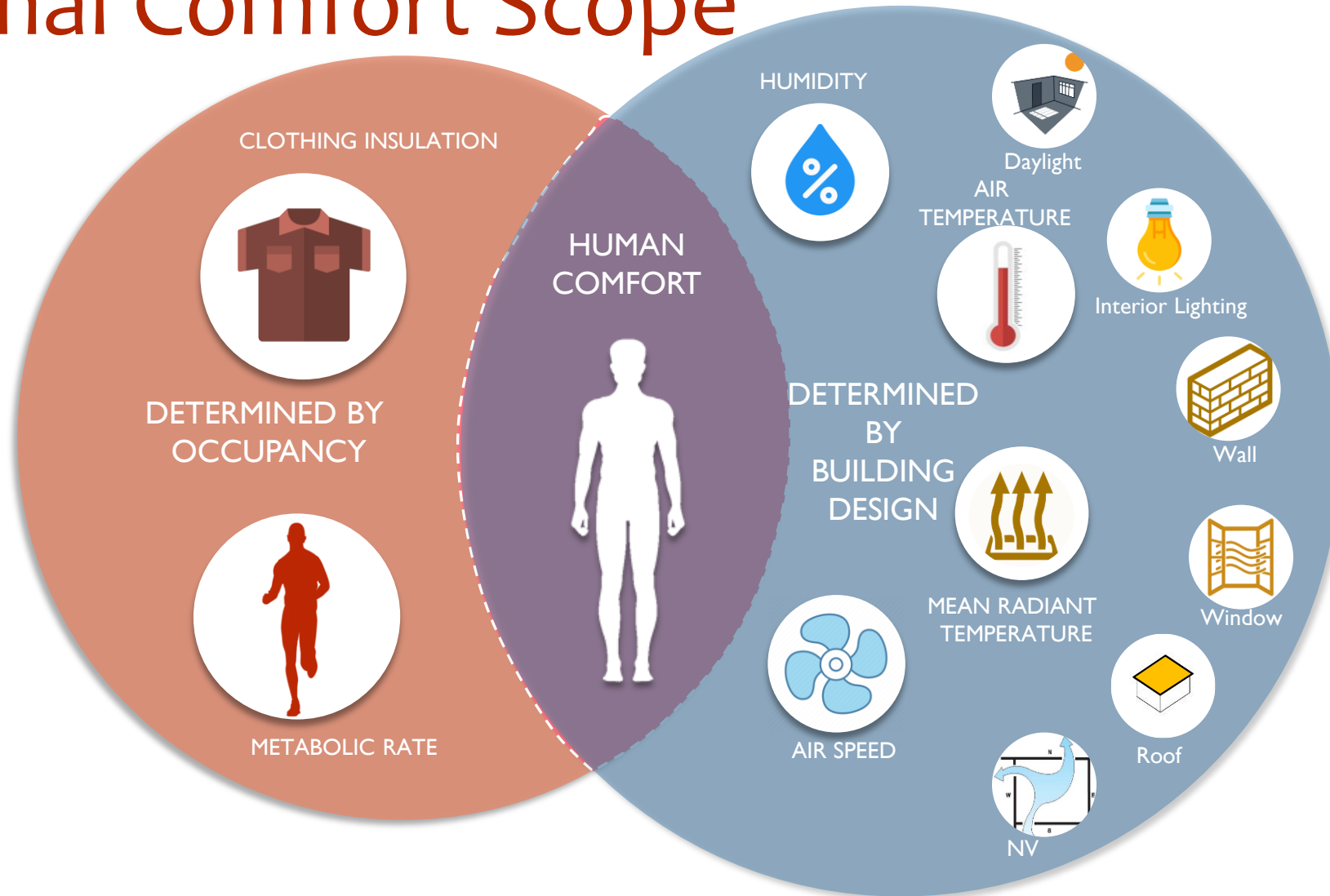


Workshop Objective

Review and feedback on:

1. Approach for Development of Design Standard for Thermally Comfortable Affordable Housing
2. Affordable Housing Characteristics
 - Affordable Housing Typologies
 - Affordable Housing Material Characteristics
3. Thermal Comfort Standards and Indices

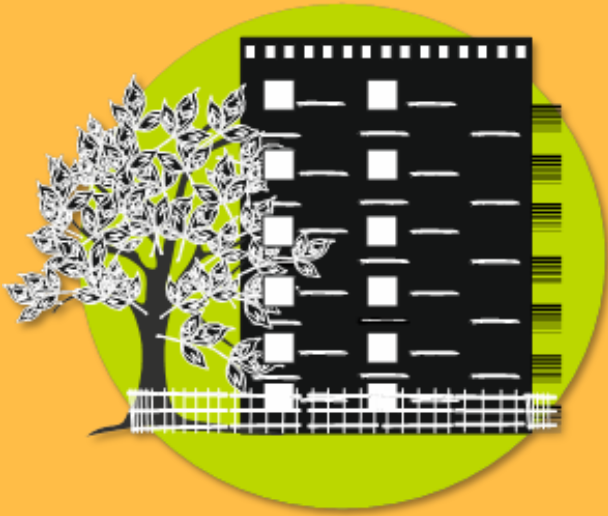
Thermal Comfort Scope





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APPROACH & METHODOLOGY FOR STANDARD DEVELOPMENT



Development Approach

Outlines the guiding principles and conceptual approach towards standard development.

Guiding principles for developing standard

- 1) Target **enhancing thermal comfort by 50 %** (over existing performance)
- 2) Employ **passive design** strategies to enhance comfort (i.e. without mechanical conditioning systems)
- 3) Through standard promote use of,
 - **local building materials** (also low in embodied energy),
 - **low or 'No' cost strategies** to enhance comfort, and,
 - **expeditious construction** techniques/technologies

Approach to standard development

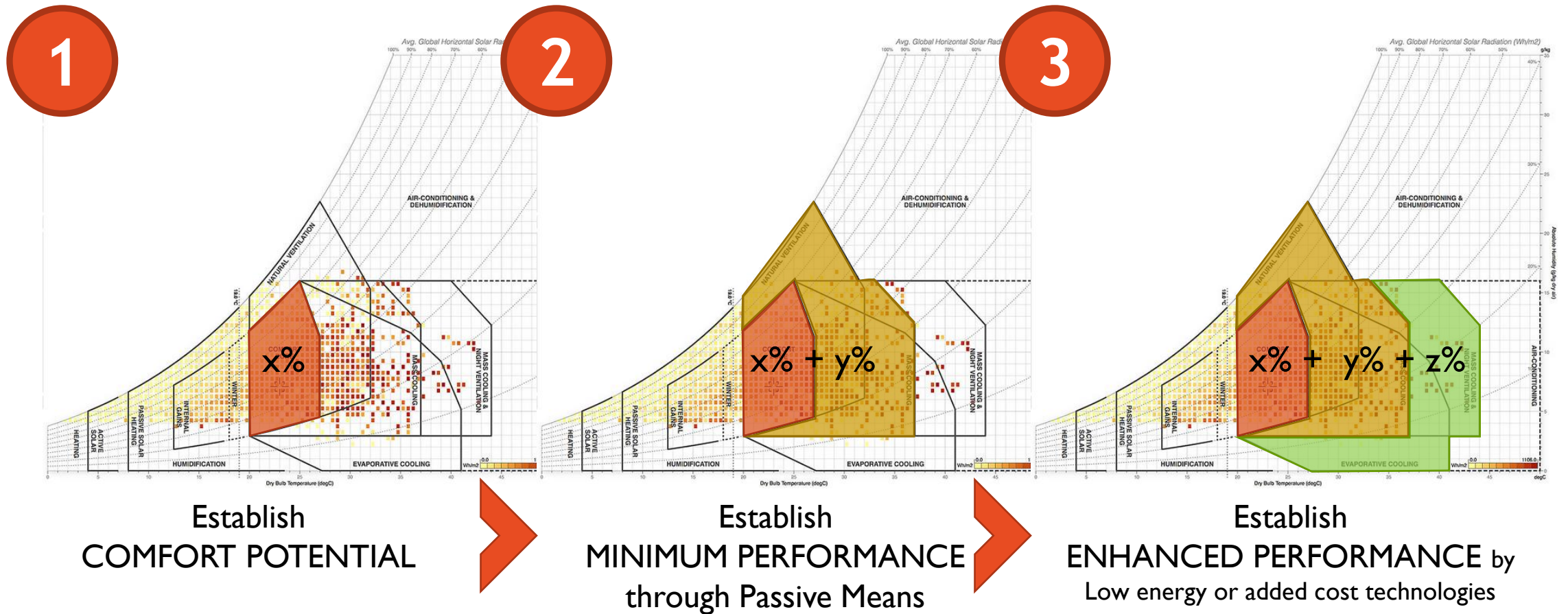
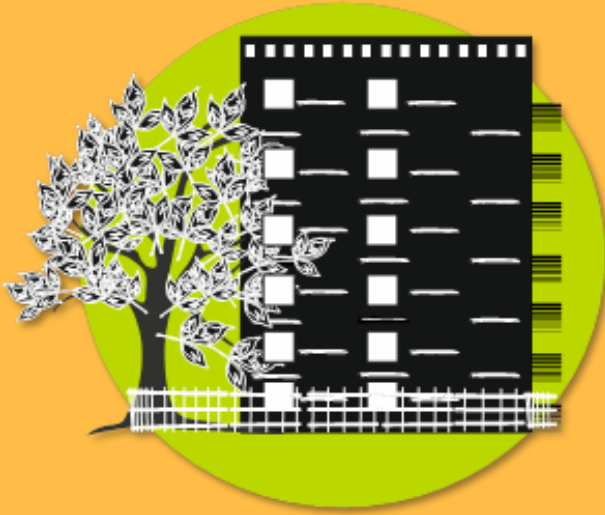
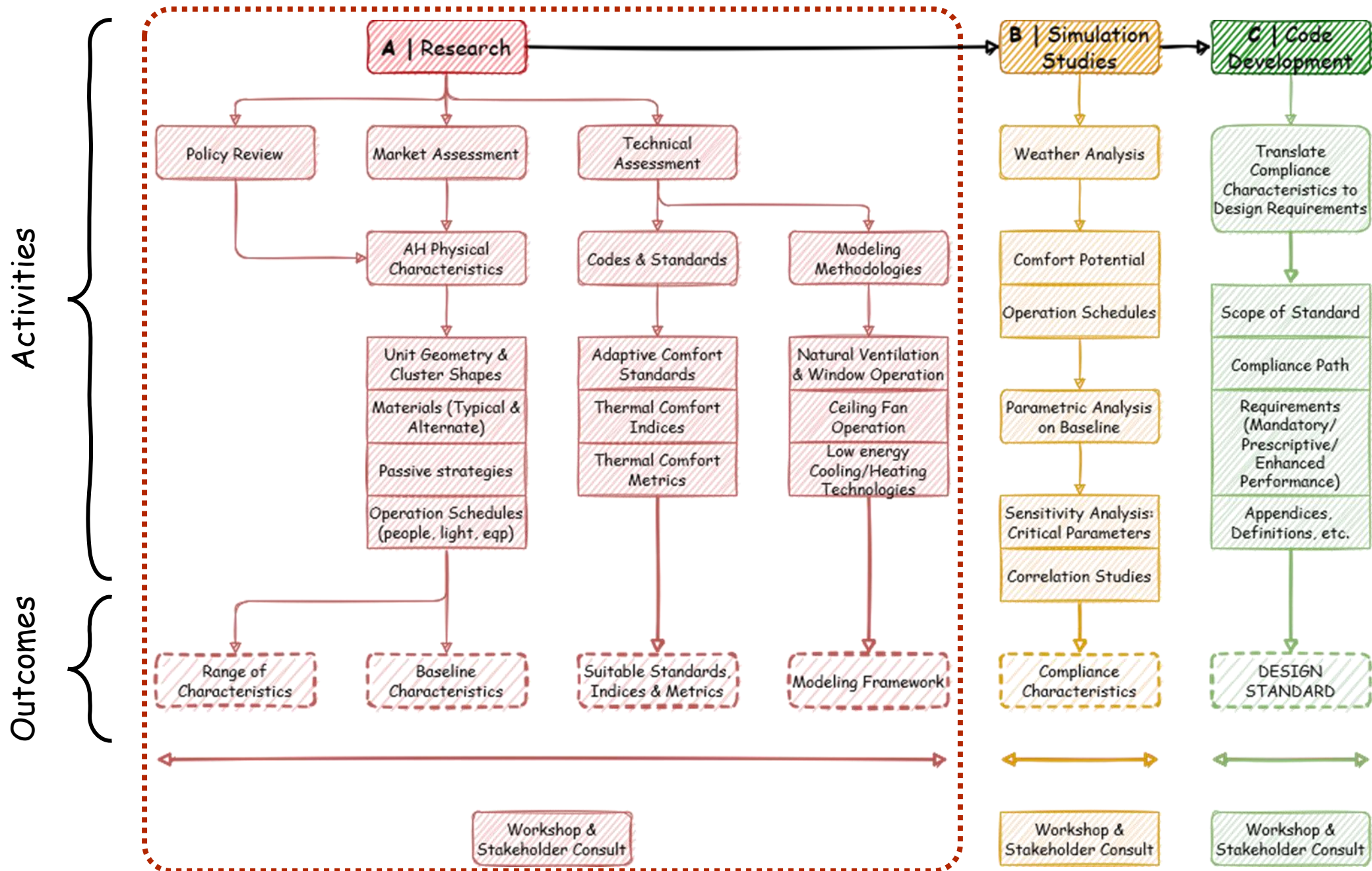


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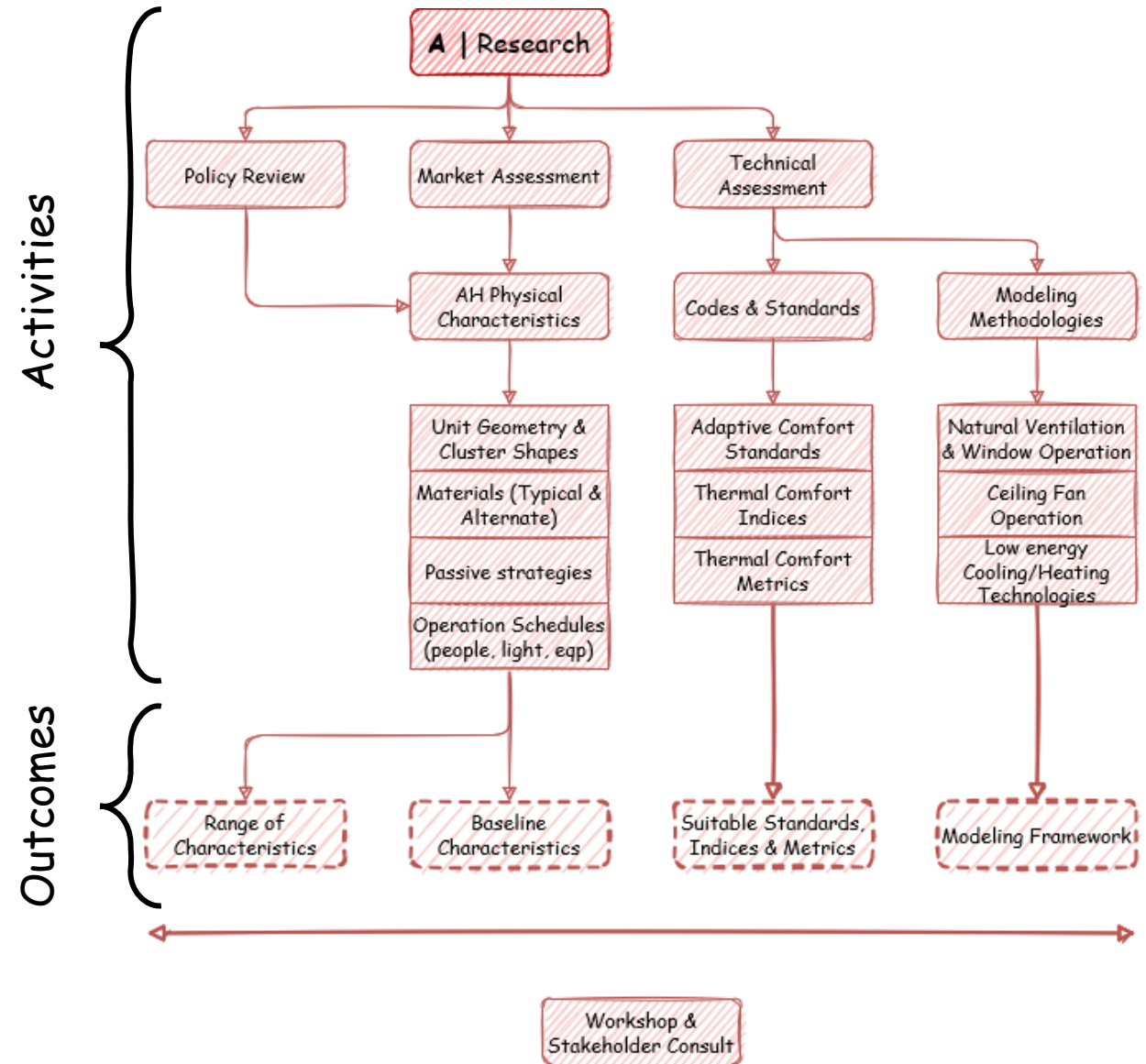
Development Methodology

Outline key steps/tasks in developing standard.



A| Research

1. Review policies to outline affordable housing typologies and their attributes (area, family characteristics, etc.)
2. Conduct market analysis through data in public domain (journals, industry & technical reports, project information – pvt. & govt., case studies) to outline:
 1. typical building characteristics,
 2. range of attributes
 3. exemplary building practices
3. Review technical documents (codes, standards, peer reviewed journals, technical reports, etc.) to outline suitable:
 1. adaptive comfort models
 2. thermal comfort indices & metrics
 3. energy modeling best practices

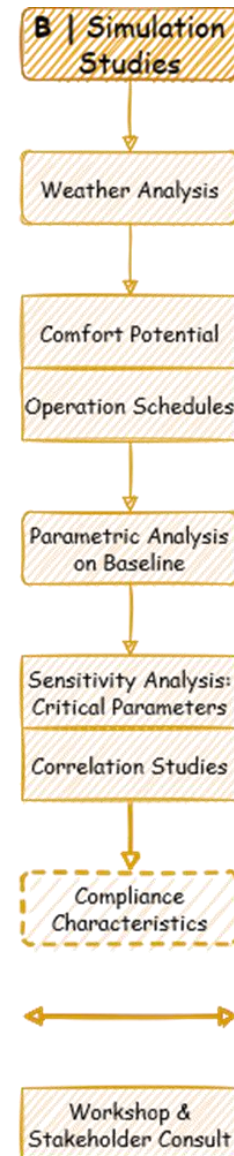


B| Simulation Studies

1. Weather analysis to
 1. realize comfort potential for climate zone
 2. outline natural ventilation and window operation potential
2. Parametric studies to identify
 1. Sensitivity and Correlation of building parameters to comfort performance
3. Establish minimum and enhanced performance characteristics

Activities

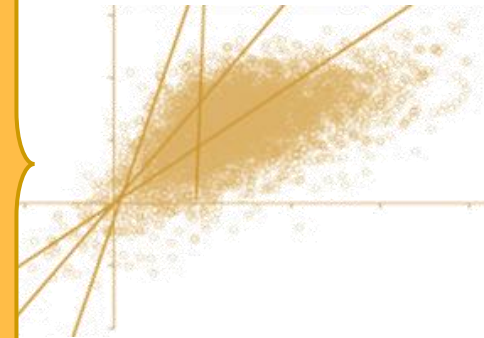
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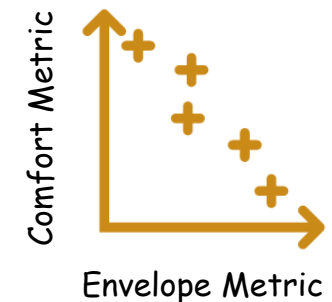
Parametric Studies



Sensitivity Analysis



Correlation Studies

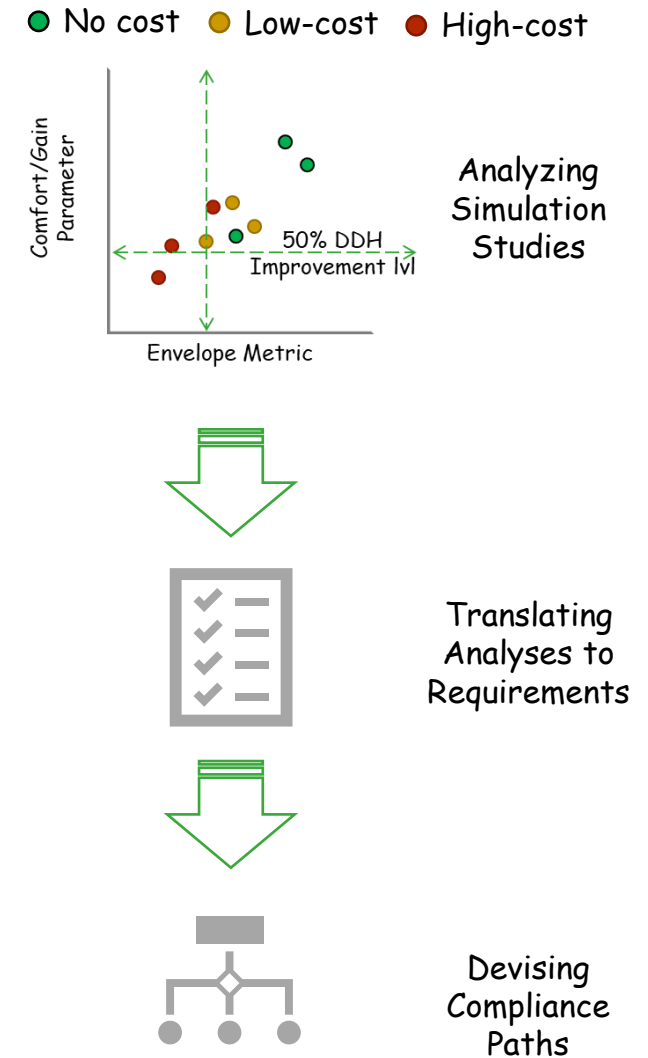


C| Code Development

1. Translate performance characteristics to Design features
2. Frame prescriptive Requirements
3. Devise compliance paths and adapt requirements for Mandatory/Prescriptive/Enhanced Performance
4. Compile Design Standard

Activities

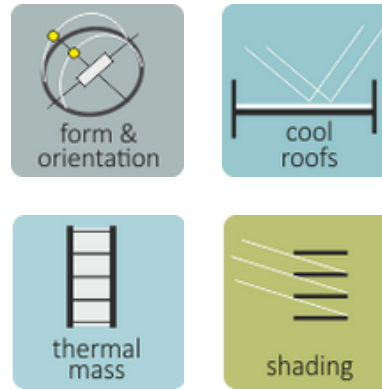
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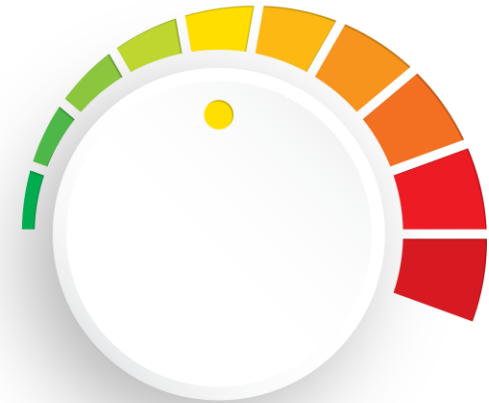
Expected Outcomes



A Standard based on
Adaptive Comfort
Models

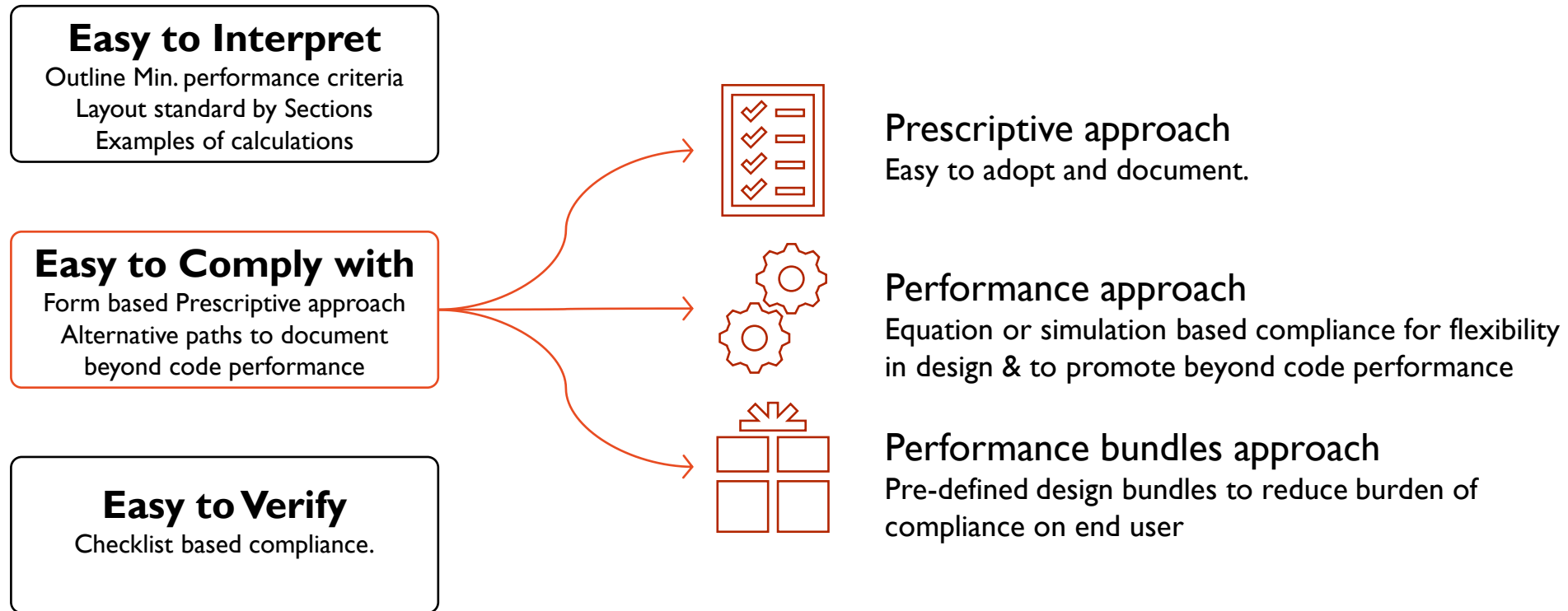


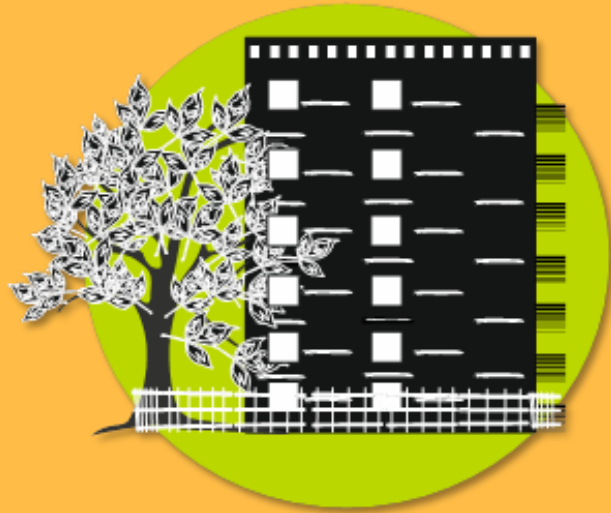
A Standard focused on
Envelope Measures &
Passive Design



A Standard that establishes
Minimum & Enhanced
Performance Criteria

Ease of Compliance – key to uptake & adoption





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