

1.1 Definitions

Below are a few acronyms used regularly while working with the BIM method:

Acronym	Term	Meaning
BIM	Building information modeling	Working method
IFC	Industry Foundation Classes	Transports data / schema
BCF	BIM Collaboration Format	Coordination of model-based issues
bsDD	buildingSmart Data Dictionary	Hosts classifications and properties in a database
IDM	Information Delivery Manual	Describes processes
MVD	Model View Definition	Translates processes into software technical requirements
LOG	Level of Geometry	Geometric requirements level
LAW	Level of Information	Alphanumeric requirement level
LOIN	Level of Information Needed	Information requirement (Request)
Pset	Property Set	Container for information units
BEP	BIM execution plan	Guideline document that defines the basis for BIM-based collaboration
GUID	Globally Unique Identifier	Unique and non-editable 128-bit identification number

Terminology:

You can find further terms on the subject of BIM in the glossary from [buildingSMART international](#).

buildingSMART is an international organization which aims to improve the exchange of information between software applications used in the construction industry. It has developed Industry Foundation Classes (IFC) as a neutral and open specification for Building Information Models (BIM)