

From Tender to Project Controls: How AI Minimises Risk at the Source

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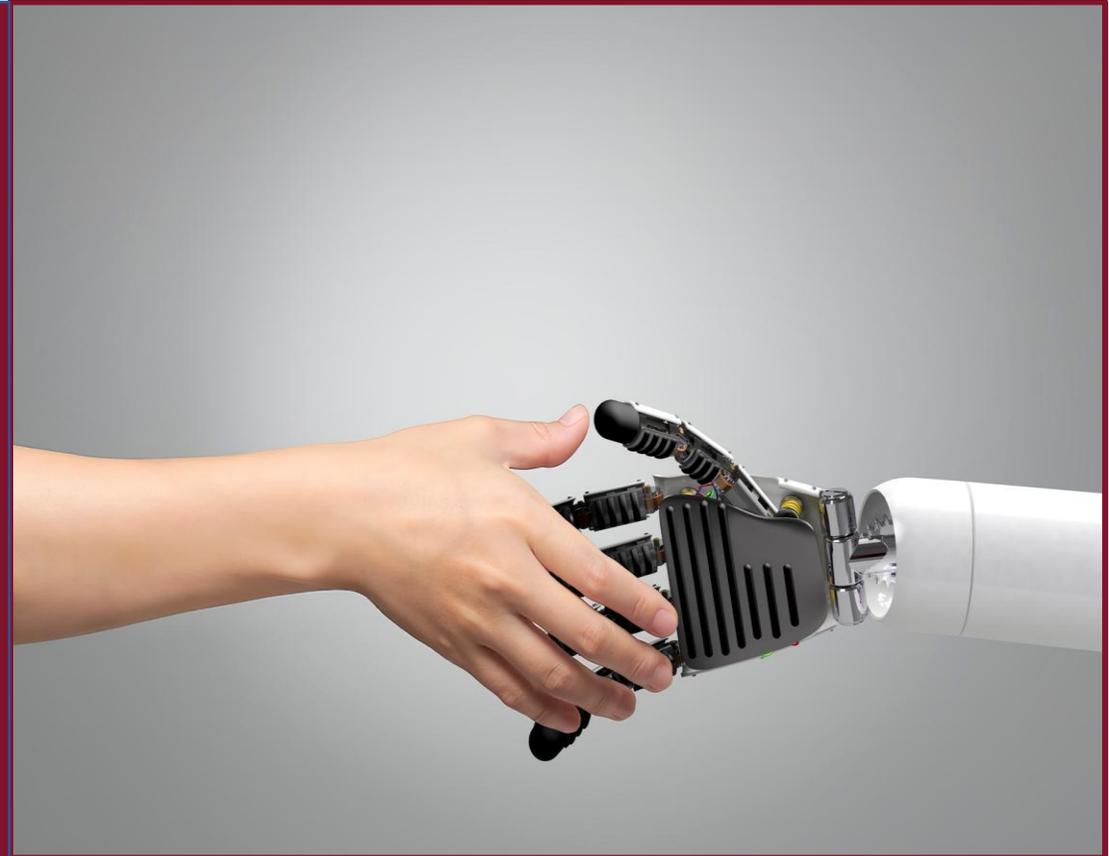


Introduction

Most project risks don't appear on site, they begin in procurement.

When tenders aren't evaluated thoroughly, the issues resurface later as delays, overruns, or disputes.

By bringing clarity to evaluations from day one, we close those gaps early and give project controls a stronger foundation.

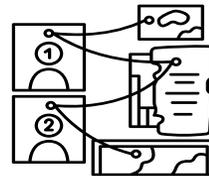


The Challenge

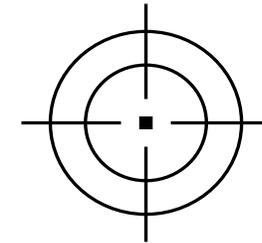
\$1.6 trillion is lost every year in construction as a result of the productivity gap



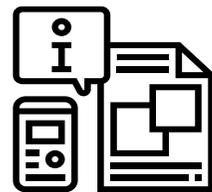
Human bias



Missed risks in fine
print



Unrealistic supplier
promises



Information overload



Why it matters

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Projects run
over budget
and behind
schedule

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Fair,
transparent
decisions build
trust

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Enabling SME
participation
and delivering
on Net Zero

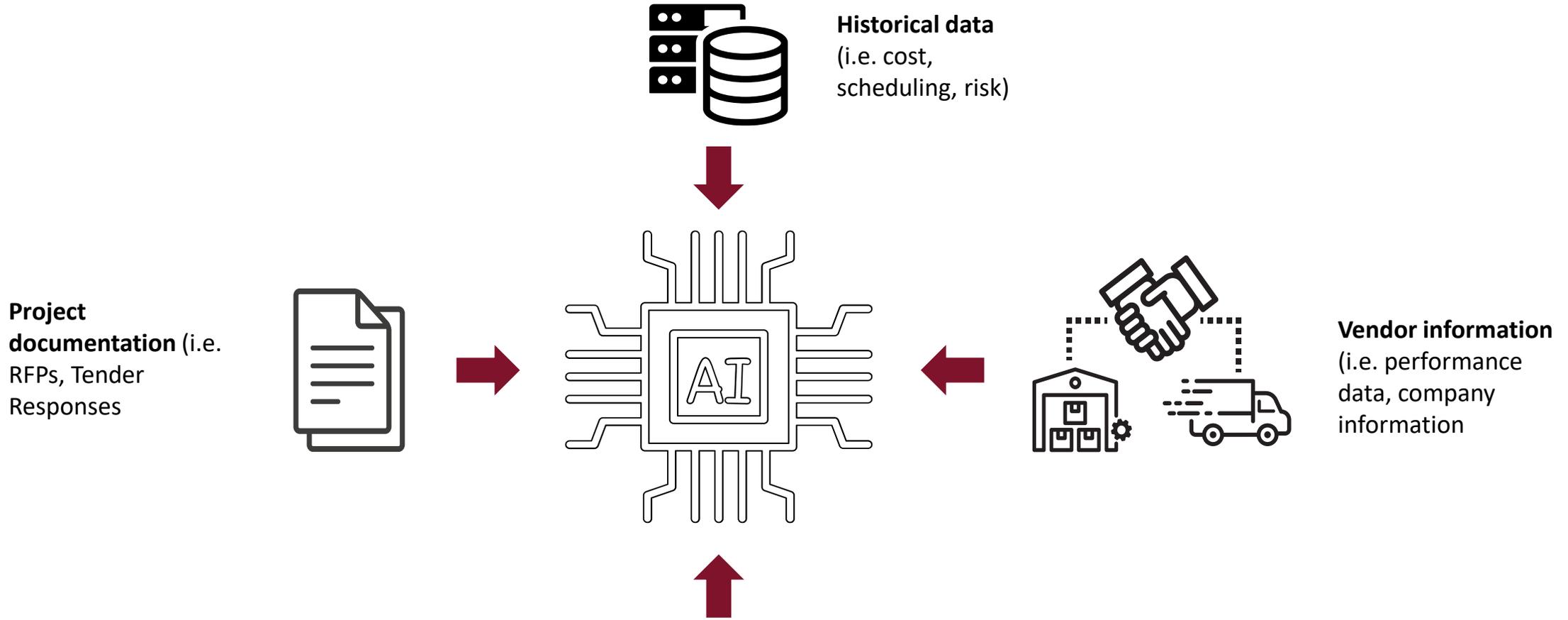


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Where AI Fits



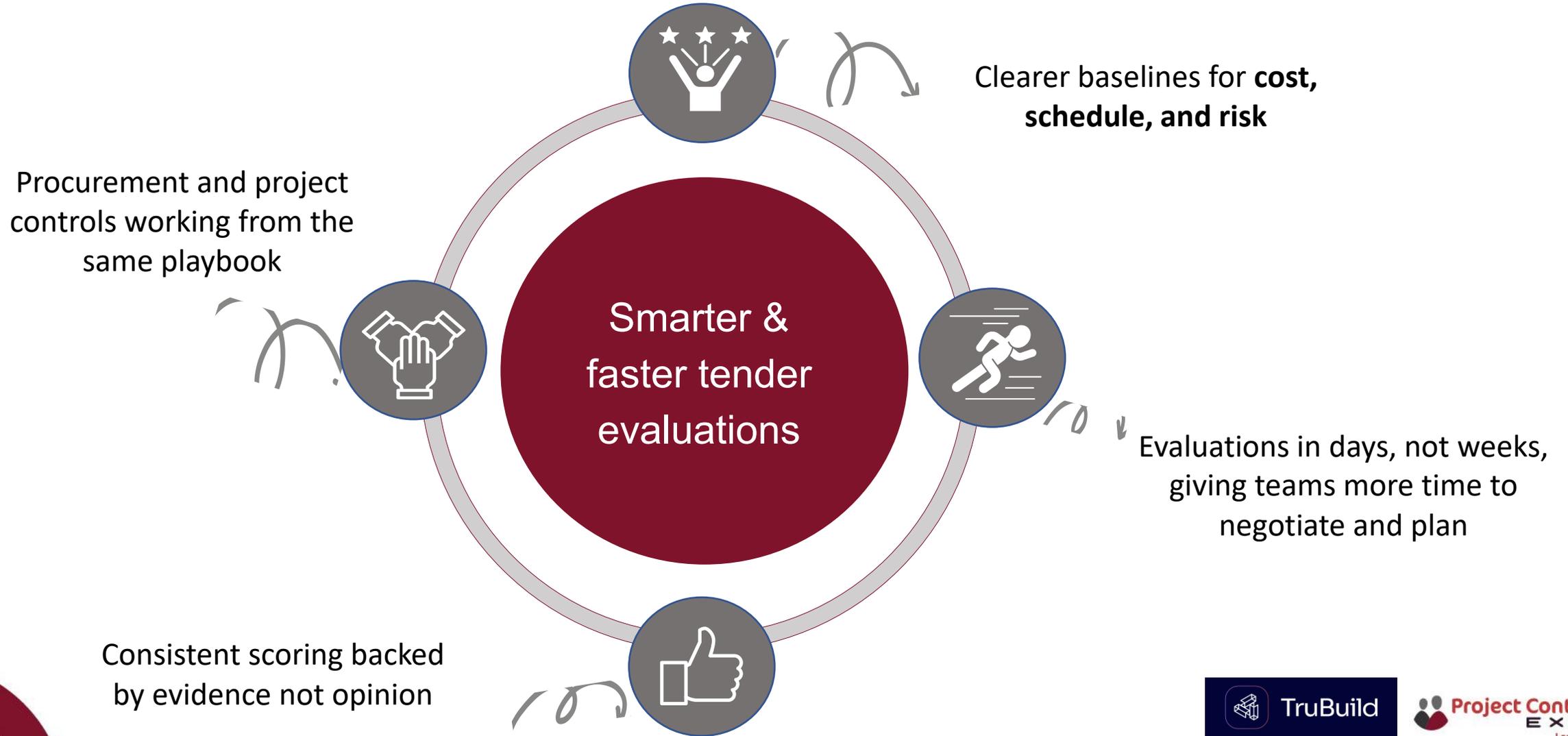
NLP
To scan supplier responses

Predictive Analytics
To forecast risks

ML
To score suppliers objectively



Benefits for Project Controls



Practical Applications

From Pilot to Practice

Case studies show the impact:

Time: Evaluations cut from 4 weeks to 4 days, with scoring completed in just hours .

Resources: Frees teams from weeks of manual review, so they can focus on leading projects and making decisions.

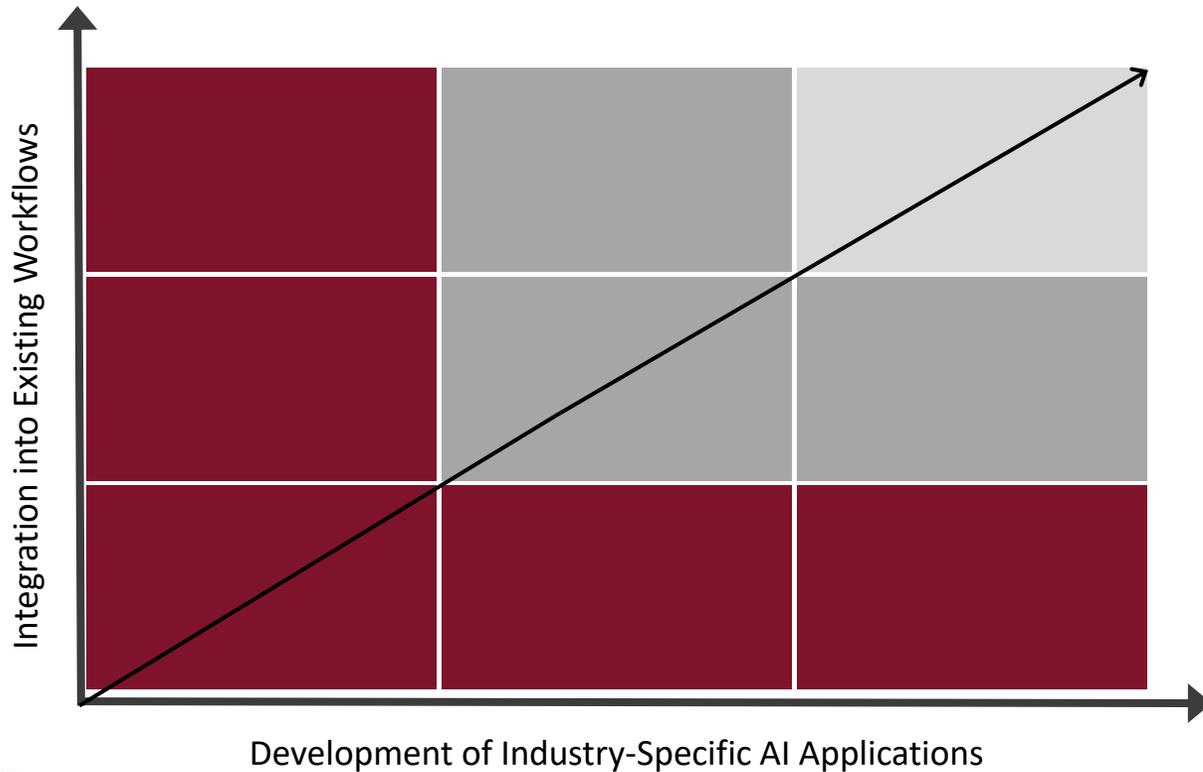
Governance: Every decision backed by clear evidence, building trust and reducing disputes.

Flexibility: Human oversight always in control, with AI accelerating the process.

The screenshot displays the TruBuild software interface. The top navigation bar shows 'TruBuild' and 'IBM's Workspace' with 13 members. A sidebar on the left contains navigation options: 'Start a new project', 'Overview', 'All Projects', 'Reports', 'Vendor Database', and 'Commercial Database'. The main dashboard features a summary of 425 Defined Packages, 18 Packages under Evaluation, 1400 Packages Awarded, and 1 week average evaluation time. Below this, 'Recent Projects' are listed, including 'Riyadh Metro', 'Neom City', and 'Mars Project'. A 'My First Project' section is also visible, showing 'Private Projects / My First Project' and 'RFP Evaluation' details. A 'Report Summary' section highlights 'Lowest Bidder Wrapped' by UDE Global Construction with a lowest cost of SAR 306,811.00, a cost advantage of 45%, and an inclusion score of 97.3%. A table titled 'Lowest Item Price Comparison Across Vendors' shows item names, quantities, benchmarks, market benchmarks, and UDE Global Construction prices with percentage differences.

Item Name	Qty	Benchmark	Market Benchmark	UDE Global Construction
TL-01 BOH Floor Tile	199 m ²	SAR 290.00 UDE Global Construction	SAR 287.00	SAR 290.00 -6.3%
D-05 Back Corridor Tile	103 m ²	SAR 294.00 UDE Global Construction	SAR 292.00	SAR 294.00 -3.5%

Looking Ahead



As tools mature and teams gain confidence, procurement will no longer slow projects down, it will set them up for success.

The future is about combining human judgement with AI that learns from every project and integrates seamlessly with the systems we already use

Continuous learning → smarter evaluations over time

Generative AI suggesting mitigation or negotiation strategies.

AI integrated with industry specific solutions



Conclusion

Most project risks start long before work begins on site.

By closing the gaps in tender evaluation, spotting scope issues, assessing contractor capabilities, and aligning risks early, we give projects a stronger foundation.

The result? Fewer disputes, fewer delays, and projects delivered with confidence.



Q&A

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