Challenges in the AECO Industry

In the architecture, engineering, construction, and operations (AECO) industry, firms often have multiple global and field offices that routinely collaborate on individual projects. Widely dispersed engineers and architects, as well as external vendors and contractors, form teams that touch all parts of a project cycle, from design to construction.

The nature of AECO work makes collaboration and mobility essential, but the PC hardware required to run high-end design and visualization applications makes mobility complex and difficult. To meet the needs of today’s distributed AECO teams, firms now turn to virtual workstations to run resource intensive applications to process large amounts of data. In the past, engineers who worked in satellite offices and project trailers had to wait up to an hour for models to load and open on their local workstations—impacting productivity and reducing billable hours.

With GPU-accelerated virtual workstations, 3D building and infrastructure models can be accessed efficiently and securely.

"With the old environment, it would take between six and eight hours to render those studies and the process would consume all of the resources on the chain. Now architects can multitask by running those simulation workloads on NVIDIA vGPU-powered VMs to get quick results, and in the meantime they can use their physical workstations to complete other critical deliverables.”

— Michael Smith, Director of Infrastructure, HKS, Inc.

AECO Use Cases for NVIDIA Virtual GPU

- **3D Graphics** - AECO firms can deliver superior graphics performance to architects and engineers on virtual desktops from the data center. Users get the same responsive experience in a virtualized environment as they would expect from a physical workstation, to view and work with large 3D models.

- **Version Control** - With NVIDIA vGPU solutions, AECO firms no longer need to worry about errors resulting from multiple copies of data residing on local workstations. Centralizing designs in the data center allows for greater consistency and control over design changes, leading to improved quality and enhanced security.

- **Collaboration on Any Device** - By enabling employees to use the device of their choice to access fully 3D capable virtual workstations from anywhere, teams can speed up the design process.

- **IT Management** - Live migration enables live VMs to be migrated without end user disruption or data loss and enables designers to work on models during the day and render at night using the same server infrastructure.
Unlock the Next Level of Performance with Virtual GPUs

GPU virtualization enables every virtual machine to get the same GPU benefits as a physical desktop. Because work that was typically done by the CPU has been offloaded to the GPU, the user has a much better experience and more users can be supported.

Virtual GPU Software for Every Workload

Our software gives you access to continuous innovation for your vGPU deployment, in addition to ongoing support and maintenance.

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<td>The NVIDIA RTX Virtual Workstation (vWS) enables access to 3D AECO applications in a virtualized environment.</td>
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<td>End-to-end management and monitoring that delivers real-time insight into GPU performance, as well as broad partner integrations so you can use the tools you know and love</td>
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Common Applications

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