

**project details ... PROJECT LOCATION ...** Level 11, 120 Collins Street, Melbourne **CLIENT ...** BHP Steel – Jim Burrough **DESIGN ...** Geyer – Claudette Leeming, Kelly Hall, Fiona Fox, Mark Bedford, Prue Pascoe, Fiona Winzar **SCHIAVELLO VIC FITOUT ...** Gary Edwards, Tom Virgato **SCHIAVELLO VIC SYSTEMS ...** Tony Grech, Andre Caruana, Kristian Missen, Gary Russell **AREA ...** 1800 m<sup>2</sup> **PRODUCTS ...** Ultimet workstations, glass partitions combining MK10A frames + u-channels, glass sliding door, Ornamech panelling to lift lobby walls, utility + storage spaces.



Above ... Reception ceiling + angled walls in BHP steel Colorbond sheet.



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Above [1] ... Work areas with Schiavello MK10A glass partitioning and workstations featuring Ultimet with System 55. [2] ... Glass partitions combining MK10A frames and u-channels opposite steel mesh screen.

Australian identity is the theme of BHP Steel's new corporate headquarters in Melbourne. The recently publicly listed company wanted its new premises to display its products and demonstrate its Australian identity by maximising the use of Australian products and materials within its fitout.

The BHP Steel Centre was designed to showcase the best of BHP Steel products within a modern, open and accessible work space.

In meeting the Australian content criteria for the fitout, suppliers used BHP Steel in the manufacture of their products wherever possible. Whenever BHP Steel could not be used, design firm, Geyer sourced only Australian-made materials.

Geyer incorporated the use of BHP Steel materials throughout the fitout, applying traditionally perceived exterior products to interior elements. Schiavello was introduced to the project as Construction Managers and were able to ensure that the project delivery milestones were achieved.

When entering the new interior, the BHP Steel brand is prominent. Galvanised Ornamech panelling to lift lobby walls and BHP Steel signage makes a clear statement for visitors on arrival. In the reception area

and in the breakout space, recycled BHP Steel from the inside of wheat silos is used in joinery elements. Miniorb is used both outside the boardroom and in the creation of the 'water tank', a screen to a HR meeting space. COLORBOND® steel in 'off white' is used to clad joinery fronts in executive meeting spaces and reception. Ornamech is again used in screens to utility and storage areas.

The work areas reinforce a more collaborative and team based culture that is open and bright, with all full height environments contained against the building core. Schiavello Systems worked with Geyer to fine-tune the Ultimet product into a flexible and modular 'kit of parts' that responds to the users' workstyle. The workstation combines Ultimet with System 55 and features the warmth of Australian Myrtle timber accents that contrast with the steel. The system maximises the use of BHP Steel with tiles of perforated BHP Steel and is raised off the floor to reduce its mass, and to maximise a feeling of space and openness.