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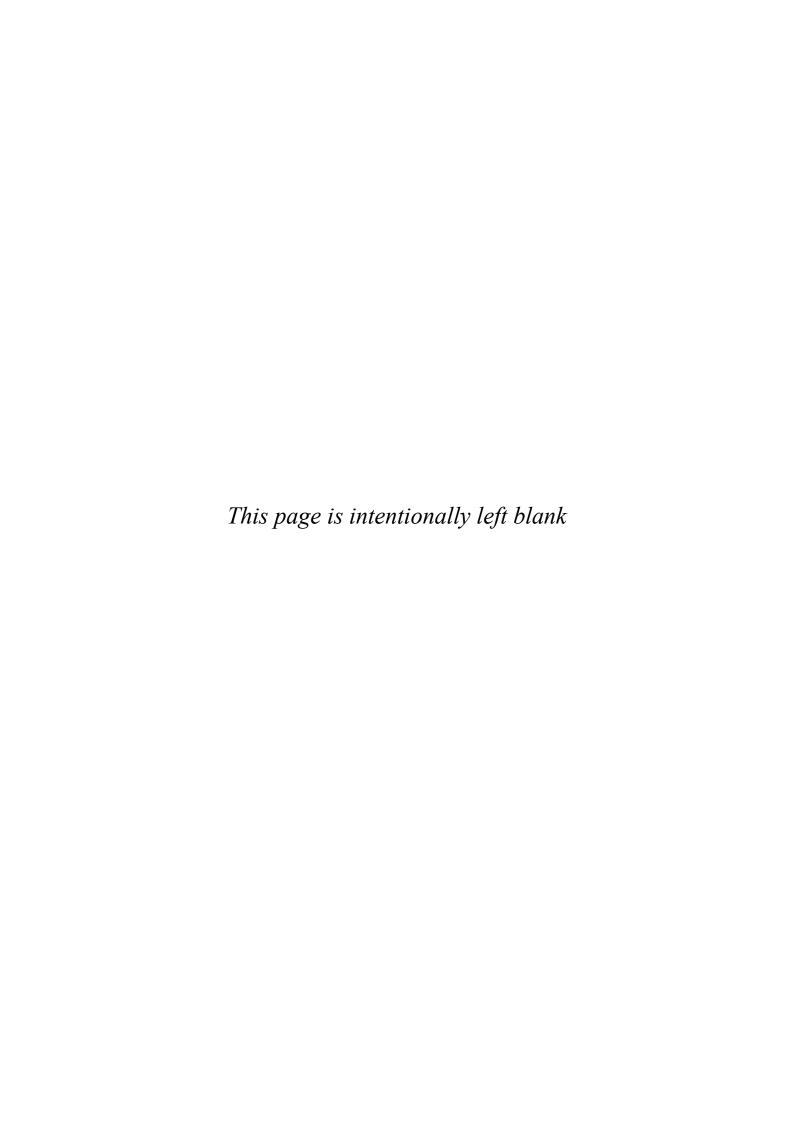
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### List of Abbreviations

ANT Actor-Network Theory

BOL Beginning of Life

CPPSS Cyber-Physical Product-Service System

CPPSSDM Cyber-Physical Product-Service System Design Method

CPS Cyber-Physical System

DSRM Design Science Research Method

EOL End of Life

MOL Middle of Life

PSS Product-Service System

SDL Service-Dominant Logic

SLR Systematic Literature Review

VCC Value Co-creation

### **Abstract**

As markets evolve, businesses recognise that customers perceive value in the utility of a product rather than in the product itself. Consequently, business strategies are being reconfigured from selling products to providing solutions. These solutions combine products and services to form systems which, with the advancement of technology, have developed into "smart" or "cyber-physical" product-service systems that provide numerous benefits to stakeholders through mutual collaboration. This research aimed to develop a service-oriented cyber-physical product-service system (CPPSS) design method that, through customer value co-creation, was adaptable to customers' dynamic needs.

The six-step design science research method used in this study helped to identify research opportunities and to develop and test the cyber-physical product-service system design method (CPPSSDM) reference model. Where earlier design methods have contributed to either actor-dynamics or service science, this study integrates the concepts of actor-network theory and service-dominant logic into a single methodological approach. This CPPSSDM consists of four stages which address how providers, managers, designers, and end-users (1) identify problems, (2) negotiate relationships, (3) integrate resources and (4) communicate solutions. At the same time, it contributes a new theory to PSS/CPPSS design literature with new research directions.

The case studies here and the practitioner feedback derived suggest that CPPSSDM facilitates continuous value co-creation for dynamic adaptation to customer needs. Further knowledge translation and improvement are suggested for the CPPSSDM through application in industry.