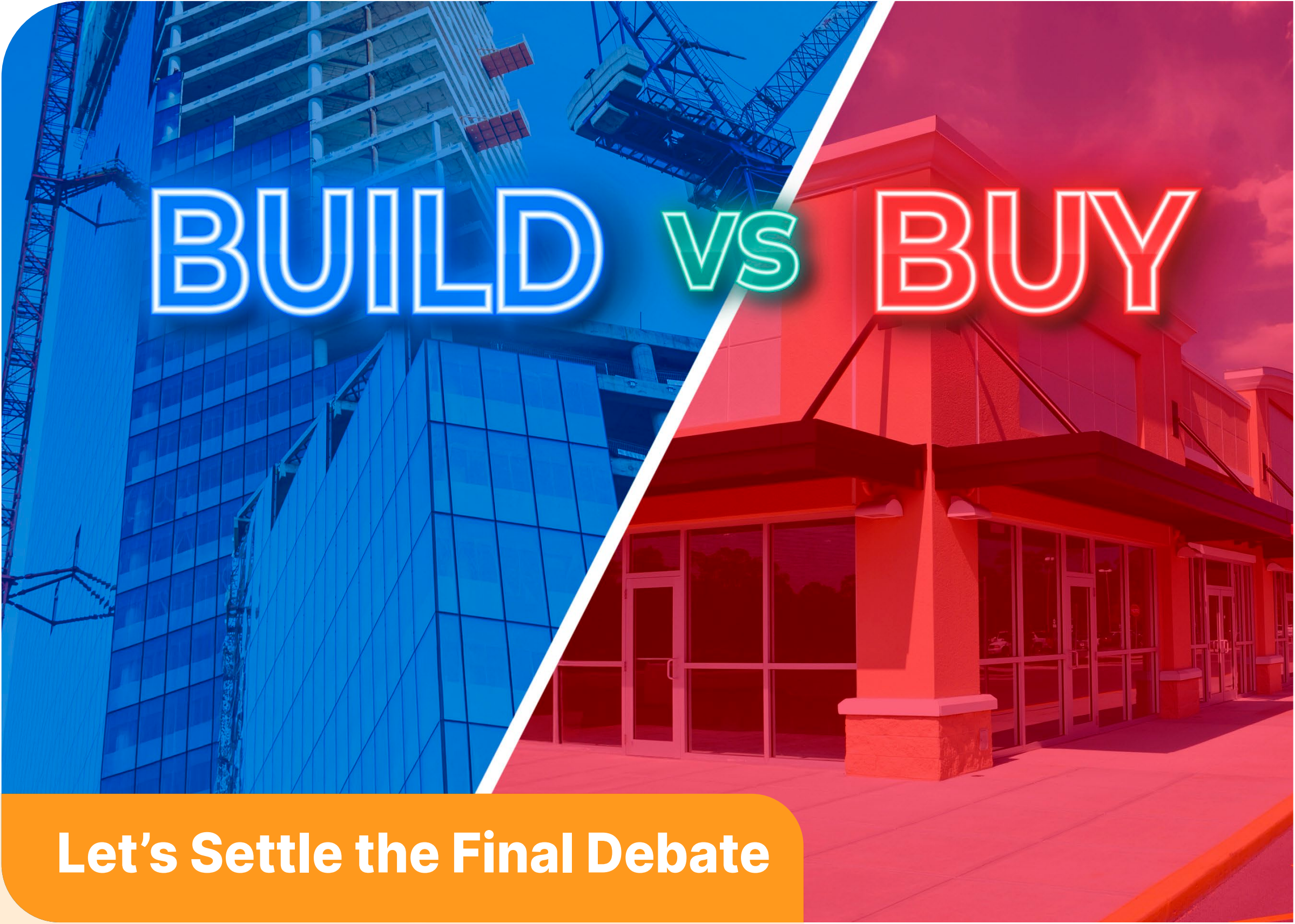




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In construction, one debate has been going on for decades—and no, it's not whether pineapple belongs on pizza.

When you need a project management information system (PMIS),

do you **BUILD your own**
or **BUY one off the shelf?**

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Buy Off the Shelf

If this “move-in ready” option were a building, the HVAC, electrical and other assets would already be installed, and the keys are yours.

With an off-the-shelf project management solution, you get standard workflow templates, generic best practices, maximum cybersecurity controls and vendor support from day one.

Your team can start using the system right away. Regular updates, security patches, and feature releases keep things fresh without you lifting a hammer.

The trade-off? You might have to live with the vendor’s taste in design ... or in this case, workflows, reports and dashboards. Off-the-shelf systems are built to fit many different construction project management use cases—so getting them to match your exact processes might require support tickets or feature requests that go into a long queue of tasks and getting the environment “close enough.”

Buying out-of-the-box project management software is often a good option for organizations that want to get up and running quickly, that are OK with conforming to workflows and processes based on the system, and have limited access to in-house development teams. Notch some quick wins with the initial phase of implementation.

Build Your Own

Think of this as the “custom” approach. You pick every detail: the building footprint, the structural composition and color of the paint.

When building the system from the ground up, you can build workflows, dashboards and processes that match your unique way of doing business and the needs of your team and stakeholders today, with an eye to future changes.

And when the rules change—new regulations, new funding sources or a new, more complex project—you can make large and small updates yourself without waiting on someone else’s schedule.

But just like custom projects, building your own PMIS solution to your exact needs takes time, money and a crew with time and the right expertise. It could be months and even years before the first team logs in, and the punch list never ends. Every new tweak means retraining users, throwing a wrench in productivity.

And if you’re scaling your system for more complex capital programs and projects? That’s like replacing the electrical system without knowing if it’s up to code.

Building your own project management solution is often a route taken by large enterprise organizations that have internal development teams and resources to spend on development.

But what if there was a third option, where you don’t have to choose between buying an off-the-shelf tool or building your own?

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With Kahua, you get the best of both worlds

The Kahua Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS) offers the reliability and time-to-value of a move-in ready build, with the flexibility to customize and expand like a home built just for you.

It's the best of both worlds.

Start Fast: Plug and Play

Go live quickly with preconfigured and industry specific processes, workflows and dashboards that have been battle-tested by some of the world's largest capital programs. Begin managing projects from day one, supported by built-in training, secure cloud hosting and regular enhancements that keep your system up to date and compliant.

Flexible Enough to Evolve With You

Kahua's platform is built to grow alongside your organization. With kBuilder, our low-code environment, you can adapt workflows, cost codes, and processes as your needs change without waiting on the next release.

Extend your capabilities even further with Kahua's partner network of industry experts, third-party integrations, and purpose-built apps. And because Kahua takes an Asset Centric Project Management®, you can be sure every project delivers a seamless, digital handover linking construction asset data from the beginning of the project through handover.

Scale with Confidence

From a single project to a global portfolio, Kahua grows with you. Our platform supports projects of all sizes from a team in the single digits to large, distributed teams with high performance, and seamless integration with internal and external data and systems.

And no matter how big your ecosystem is, each stakeholder has complete data ownership, so no there's no data hunt, ever.

Now you can focus on project delivery, instead of protecting sensitive data or cyber defense. Kahua's platform powers capital projects throughout the Department of Defense, delivering the visibility, compliance and agility needed to support national security.

Security and Compliance Built In

Kahua is built to safeguard your information and meets or exceeds some of the most stringent government security standards in the world. This includes FedRAMP and GovRAMP authorization, and SOC 2 compliance; the U.K.'s Target of Assurance, Cyber Essentials Plus and GDPR compliance; plus local security authorizations like the California Consumer Privacy Act and TX-RAMP.

Modernization Without Compromise

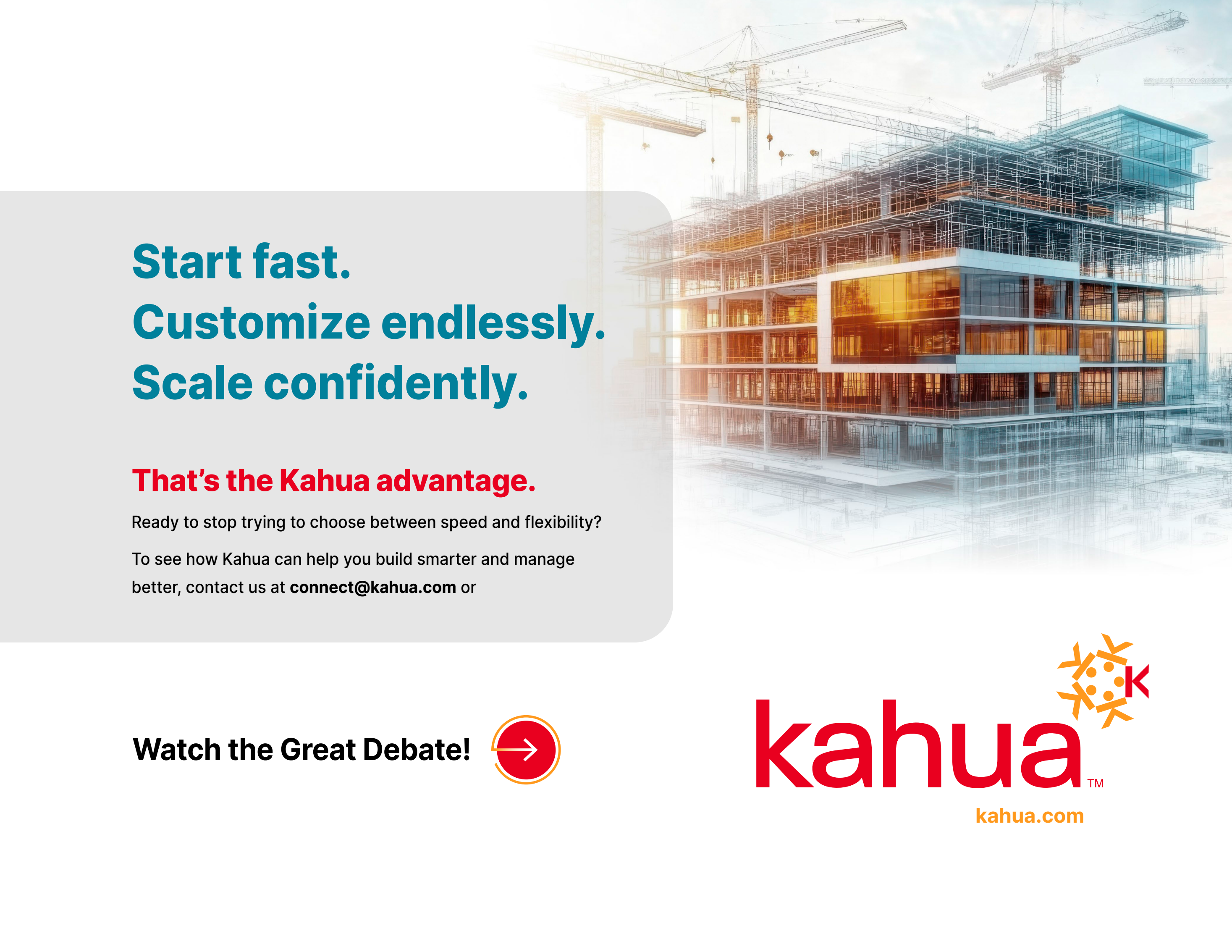
The build vs. buy debate often forces organizations into trade-offs between speed and flexibility, stability and innovation.

Kahua's flexible, low-code construction project management platform removes the compromise. You get a system that launches quickly, is primed for customization and supports your capital programs for the long haul.

With Kahua, you get
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**Start fast.
Customize endlessly.
Scale confidently.**

That's the Kahua advantage.

Ready to stop trying to choose between speed and flexibility?

To see how Kahua can help you build smarter and manage better, contact us at connect@kahua.com or

Watch the Great Debate!




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