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Enabling Digital Engineering with Federated PLM – Experiences from the Heliple-2 Project

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- Multiple parallel projects
- International operations and interoperability
- Exports
- International collaboration
 - Multi-site Development & Production
- More stringent international regulations
- Speed!
 - Product development
 - Enabling system

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Agenda

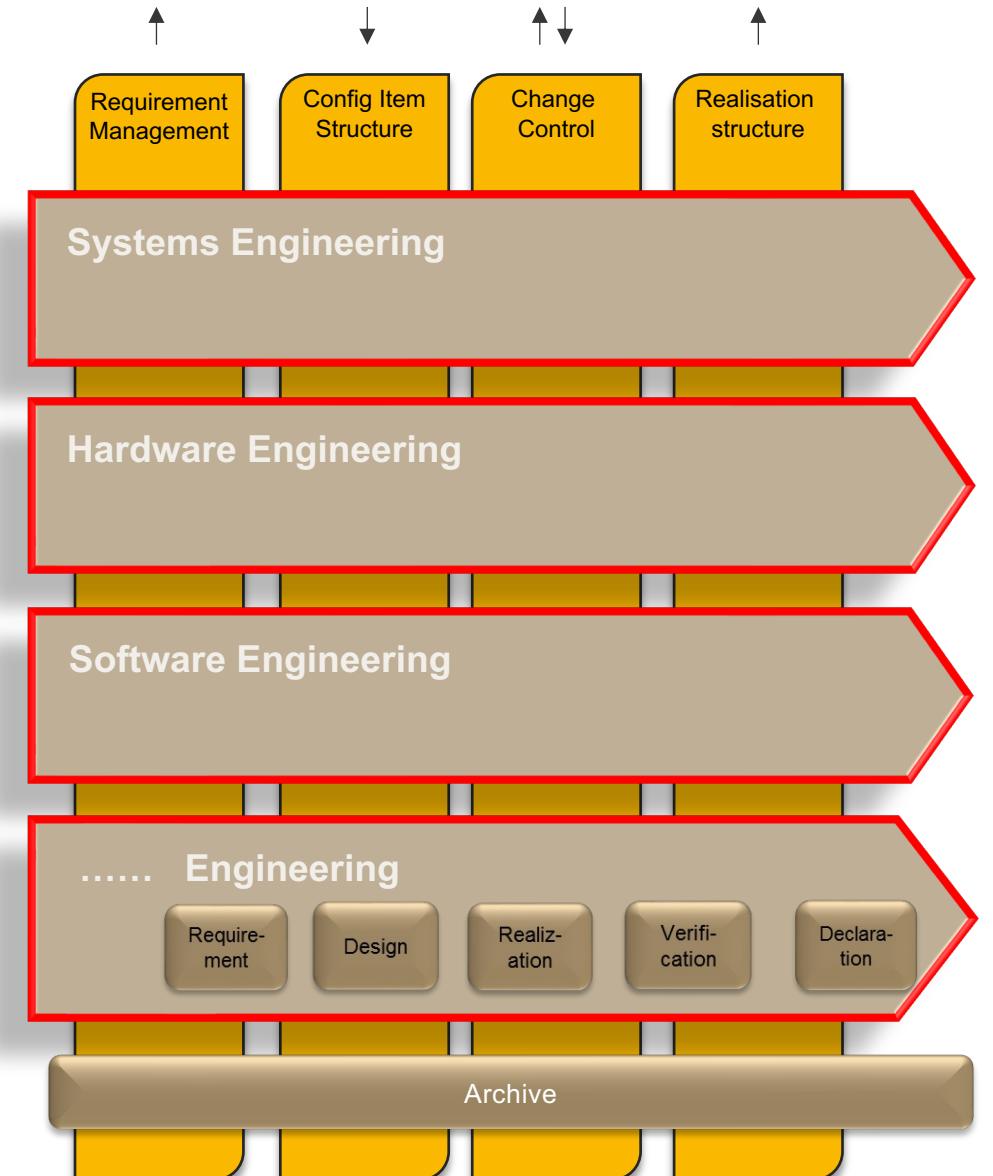
1. Enabling Digital Engineering with Federated PLM
2. Configuration management challenges
3. Implementation Experiences
4. Conclusions and next steps



The Genesis PLM architecture

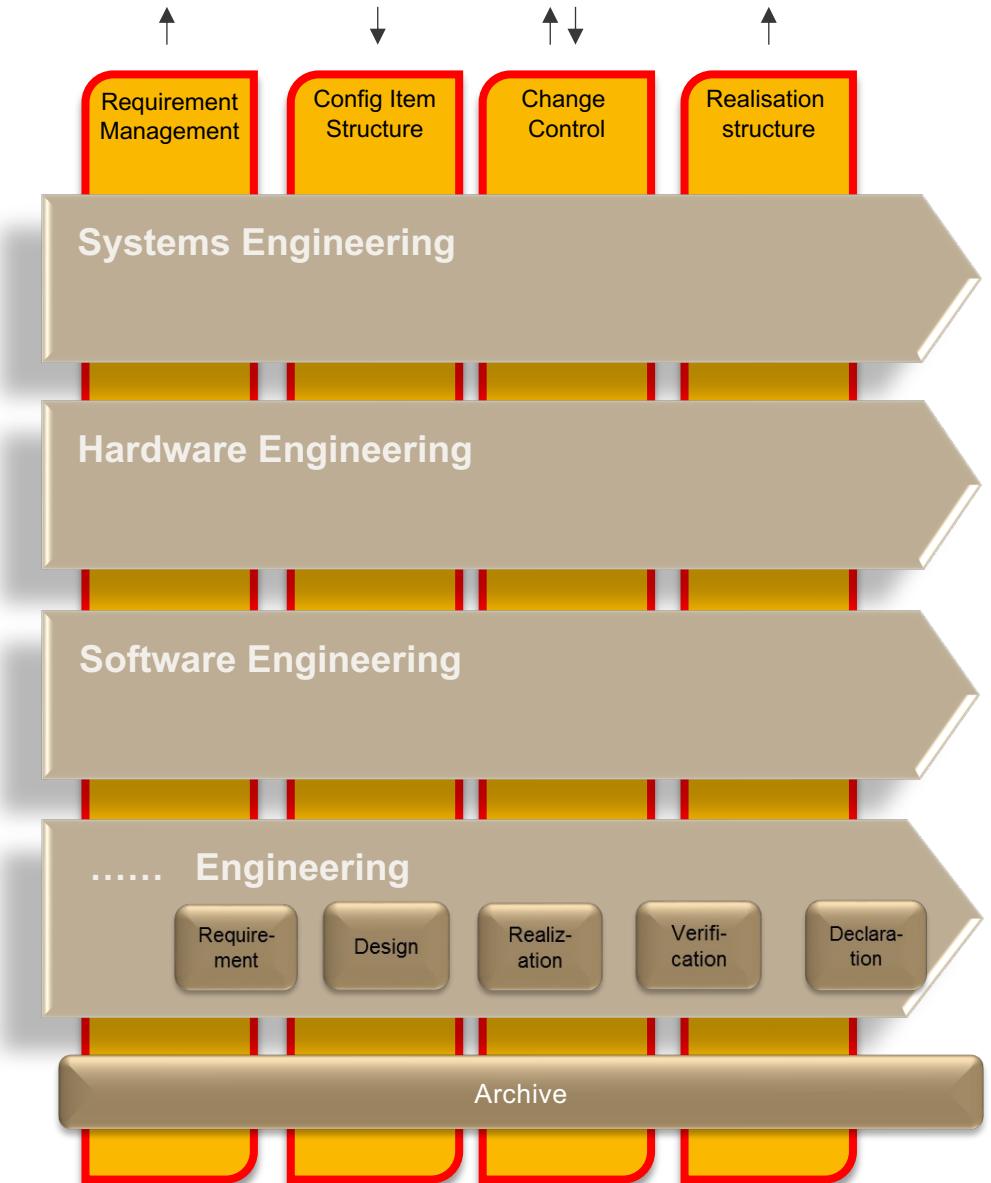
Modularity

- Optimise support for each engineering discipline
 - Maximise automation, as provided by the supplier
 - Minimise application family switching
- Bring together management and engineers in a single environment
 - E.g., Change management and Status reporting
- Ability to upgrade individual capabilities independent of others
- Redundant capabilities accepted
- Ability to replace environment without upsetting the complete PLM landscape



Traceability

- Need capability to ensure traceability and integrity of product data
- Traceability dimensions between engineering discipline environments
 - Requirements
 - Configuration item structure
 - Change management
 - Realization
- **Configuration Management** capability required for Requirements Traceability, Configuration item structure and Realization structure
 - Versions and baseline capability
- The OSLC standard offers the desired capabilities
 - Exploit for low cost and high quality integrations

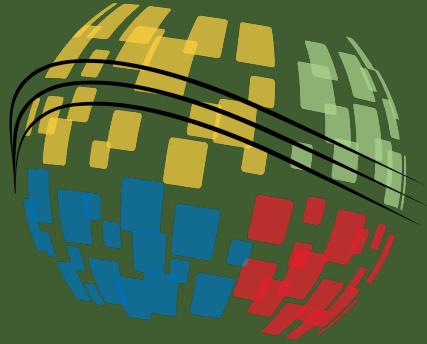


Evaluation criteria

Federated PLM – feasibility dimensions

- Technical feasibility
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Configuration management challenges



OSLC Configuration management

Targeted lifecycle phases = Requirements & ALM
Explicit configurations
Baselines

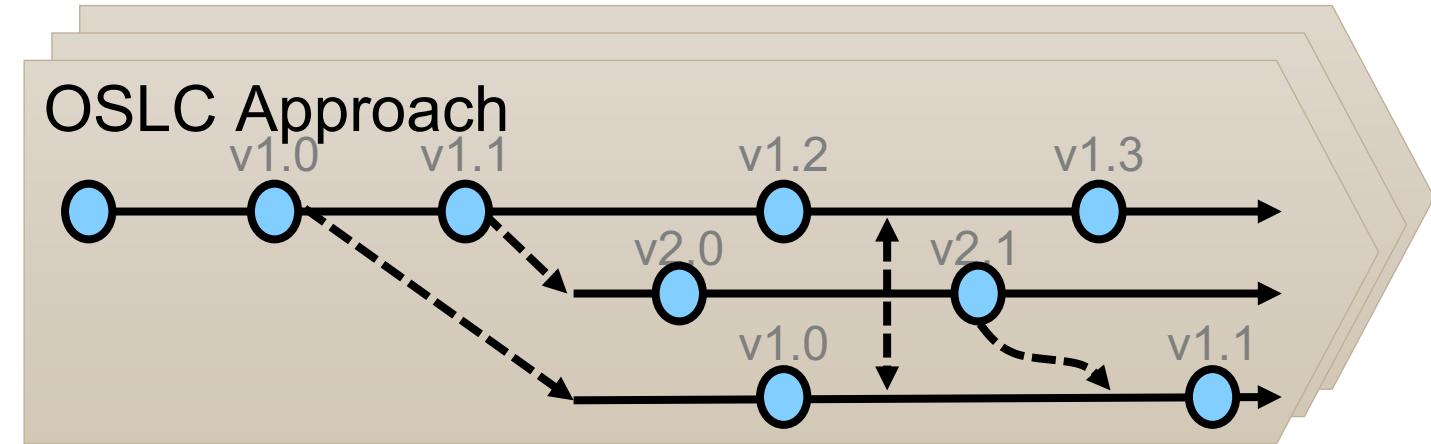


Configuration Management : OSLC approach



Stream →

- **Mutable** – for ongoing work
- Linking to latest artifacts
 - **implicit** - versions hidden
- **Merge** changes from other streams or baselines



Baseline ○

- A **frozen** record of a stream at a point in time
- Linking to artifacts at the time of freeze
- **Branch** into new streams

A stream (baseline) can be a contribution to other streams (baselines)



STEP Configuration management

Targeted lifecycle phases = PLM to Asset management

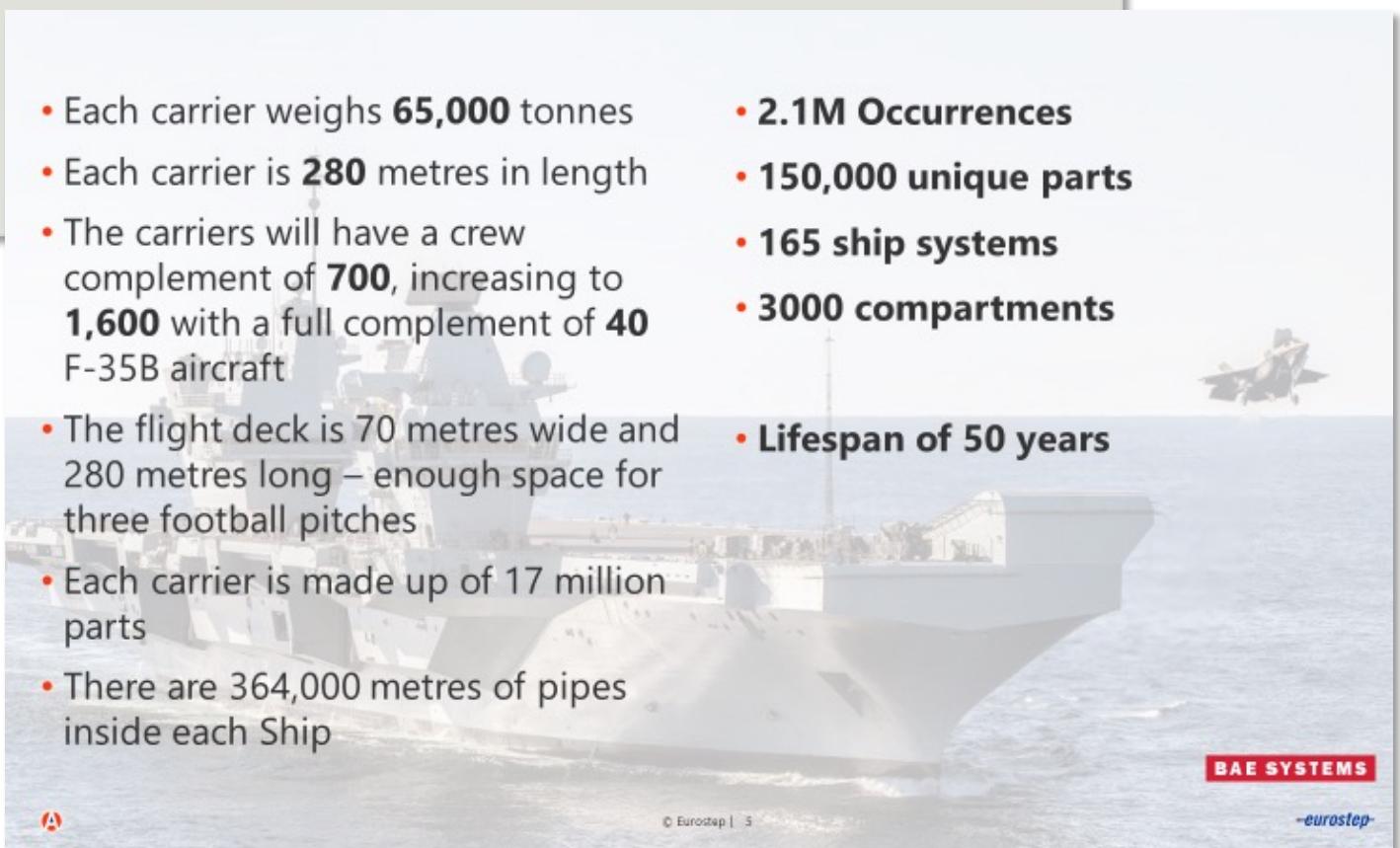
Implicit configurations

Continuous

Planned & Actual



- Each carrier weighs **65,000** tonnes
- Each carrier is **280** metres in length
- The carriers will have a crew complement of **700**, increasing to **1,600** with a full complement of **40** F-35B aircraft
- The flight deck is 70 metres wide and 280 metres long – enough space for three football pitches
- Each carrier is made up of 17 million parts
- There are 364,000 metres of pipes inside each Ship
- **2.1M Occurrences**
- **150,000 unique parts**
- **165 ship systems**
- **3000 compartments**
- **Lifespan of 50 years**



Configuration Management : STEP approach

Links can be **implicit** (“latest”) or **explicit** (to versions)

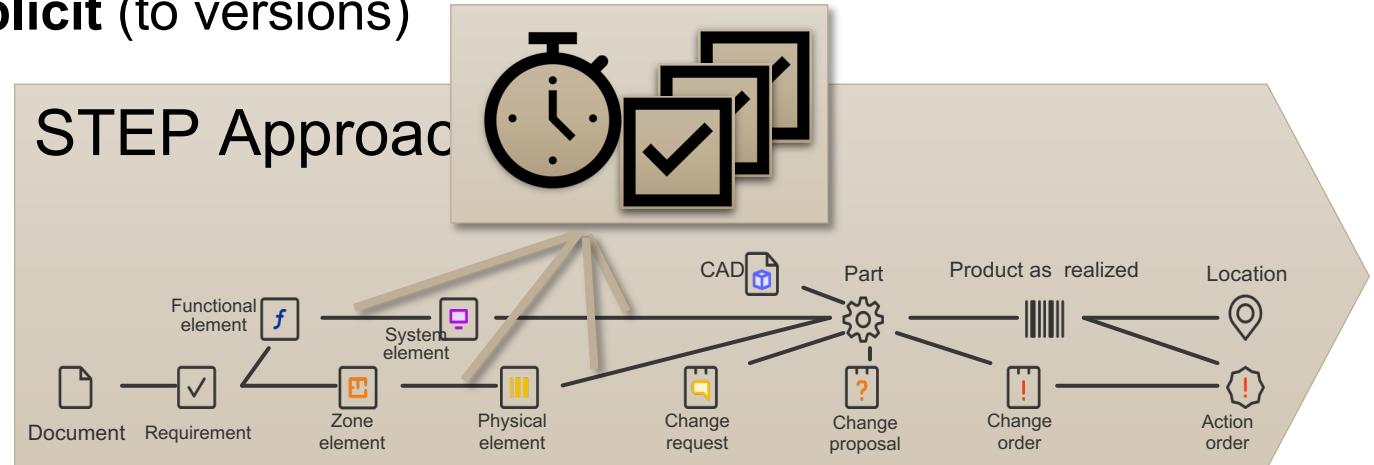
Date effectivity 

- Every **link and property**:
 - start date, and optional end

Object effectivity (applicability) 

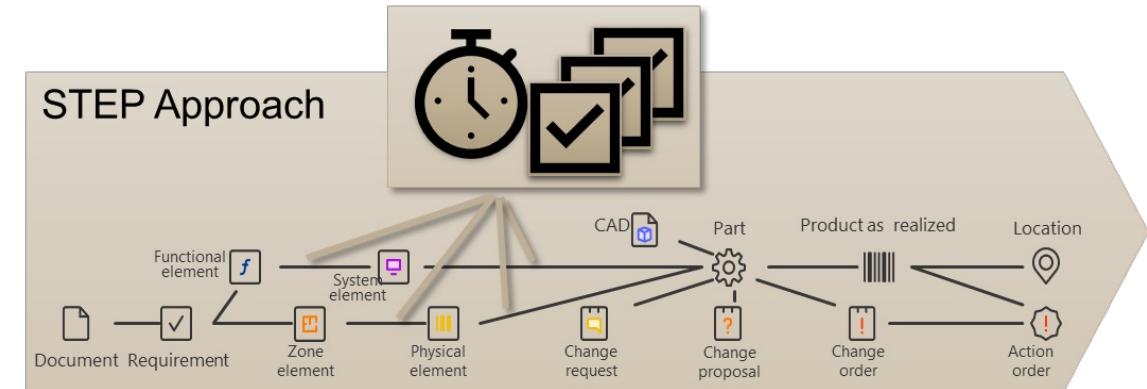
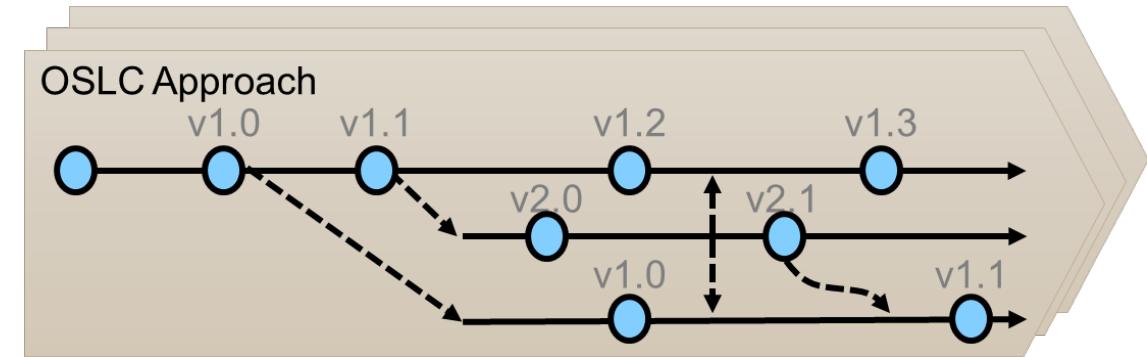
- Every **artifact and link** can have effectivity in relation to other artifacts, with conditions (no effectivity = always applicable)
- These can also have date effectivity

Now, or at any time in past, can **filter** to get the structured artifacts.



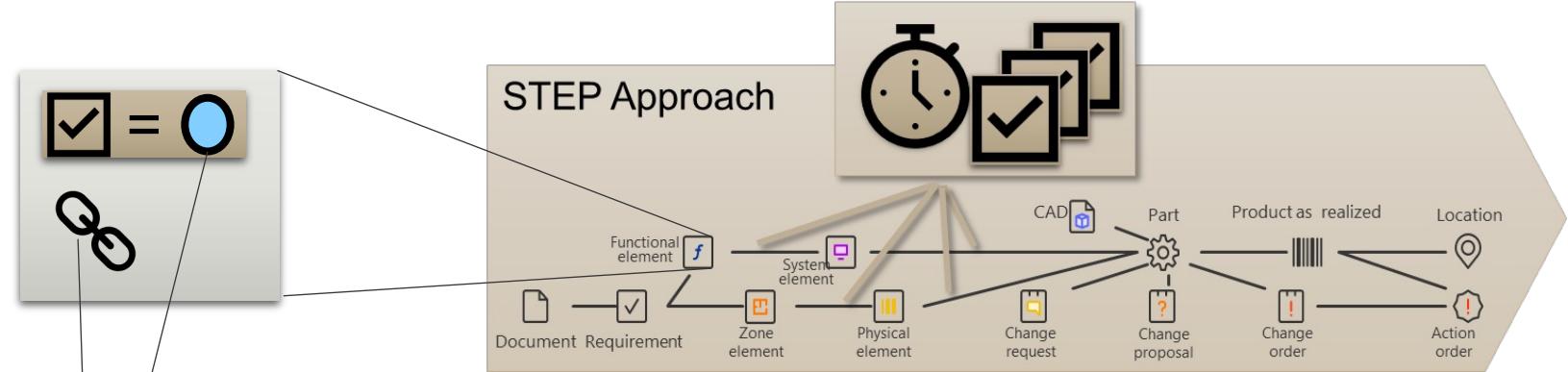
OSLC inviting STEP to play (read only)

OSLC	Equivalent in STEP
Stream →	<p>A set of object-effectivity, (with any conditions).</p>  <p>Time = now</p> <p>Filter to get structure/view</p>
Baseline ⌚	<p>A set of object effectivity, (with any conditions)</p>  <p>Time = freeze time of baseline</p>  <p>Filter to get structure/view</p>

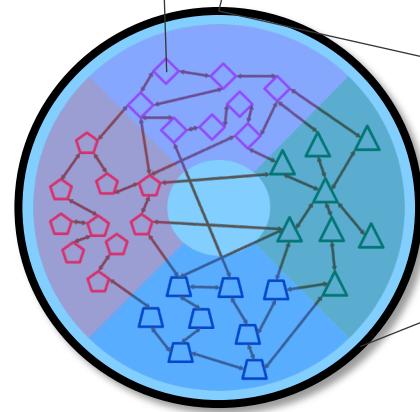


STEP inviting OSLC to play (read only)

STEP PLM resource
with object effectivity



OSLC resource URI
+
OSLC Configuration



Response from OSLC:

- Configuration = baseline → fixed version
- Configuration = stream → latest version



Implementation Experiences

Early Experiences

OSLC Specification

- OSLC Core – useful capabilities
- OSLC Domains
 - Scope aims at ALM
 - Many optional properties
 - imprecise/incomplete documentation
- Freely available

OSLC Development

- Requires competence of many technologies
 - W3C RDF <https://www.w3.org/RDF/>
 - Web development
 - Browser security issues
 - Authentication
 - ...
- Eclipse Lyo Project
 - Useful test clients and servers
 - Good support for Java
 - Open Source
- Little or no support for non-java development

Development Needs

OSLC Specification

Specify new or extend existing OSLC domains

OSLC Development

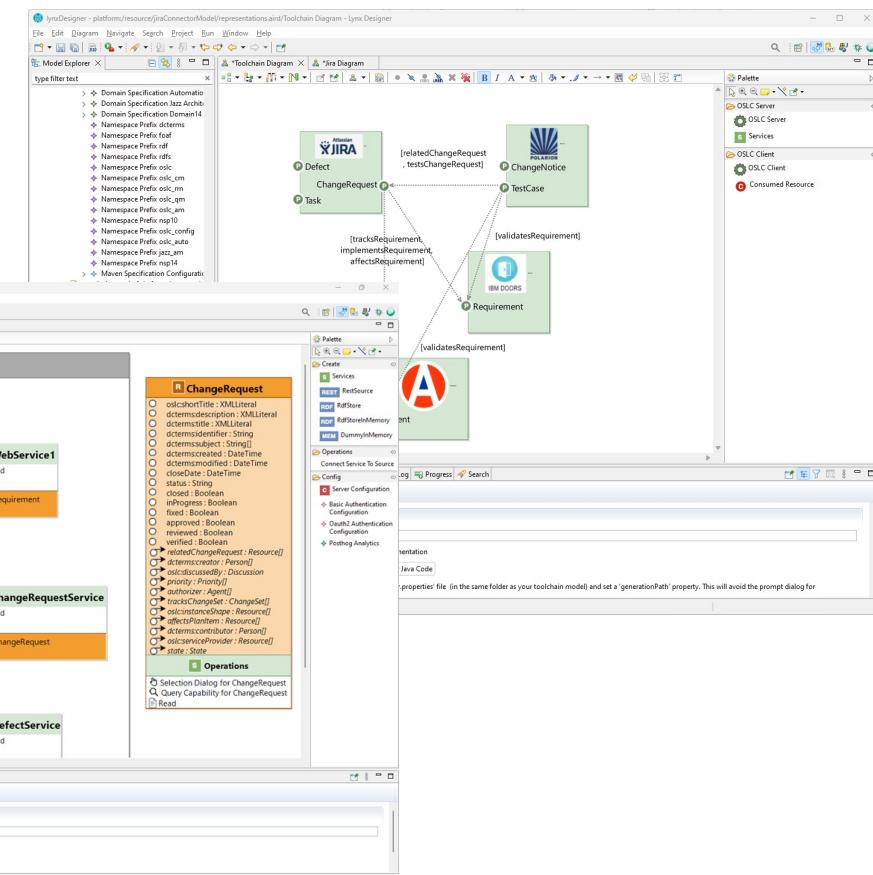
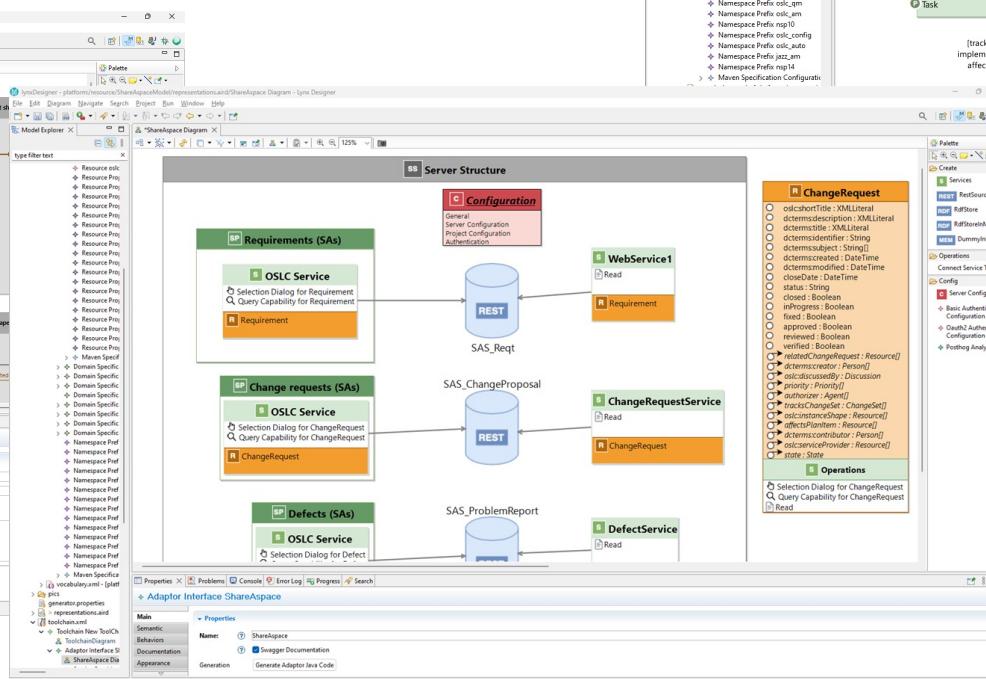
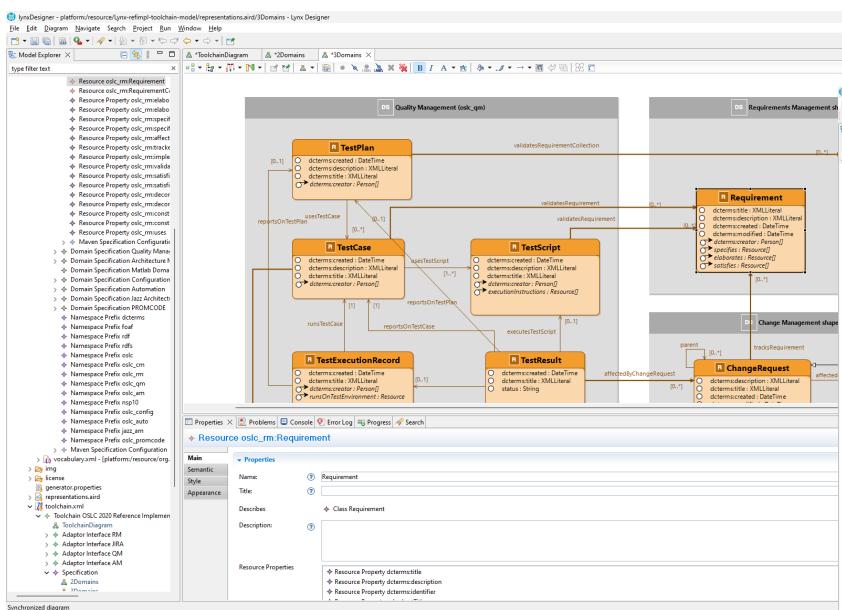
Support in handling the underlying technologies

- Focus on your domain and application

LynxDesigner

A solution for the lifecycle management of a Federated Engineering Environment

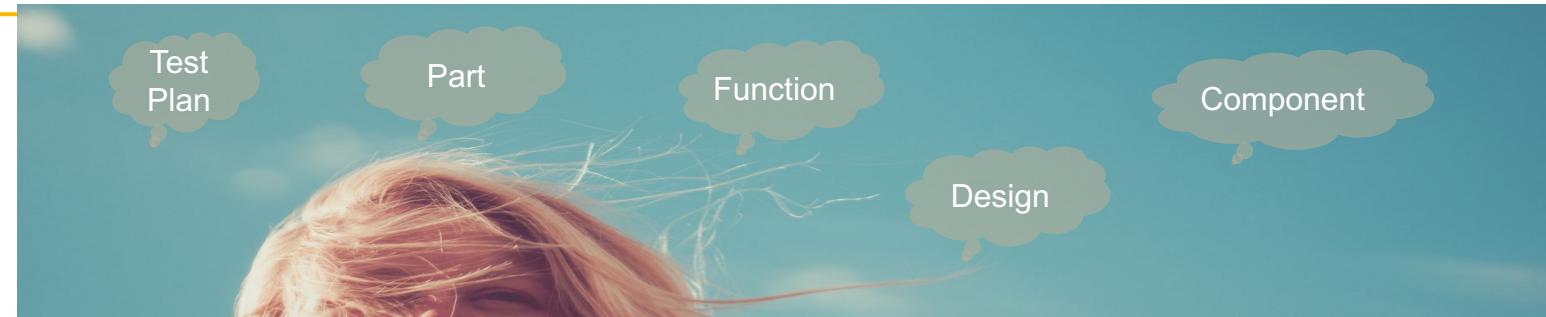
1. Information models
2. Application interfaces
3. Overall architecture



Information Models

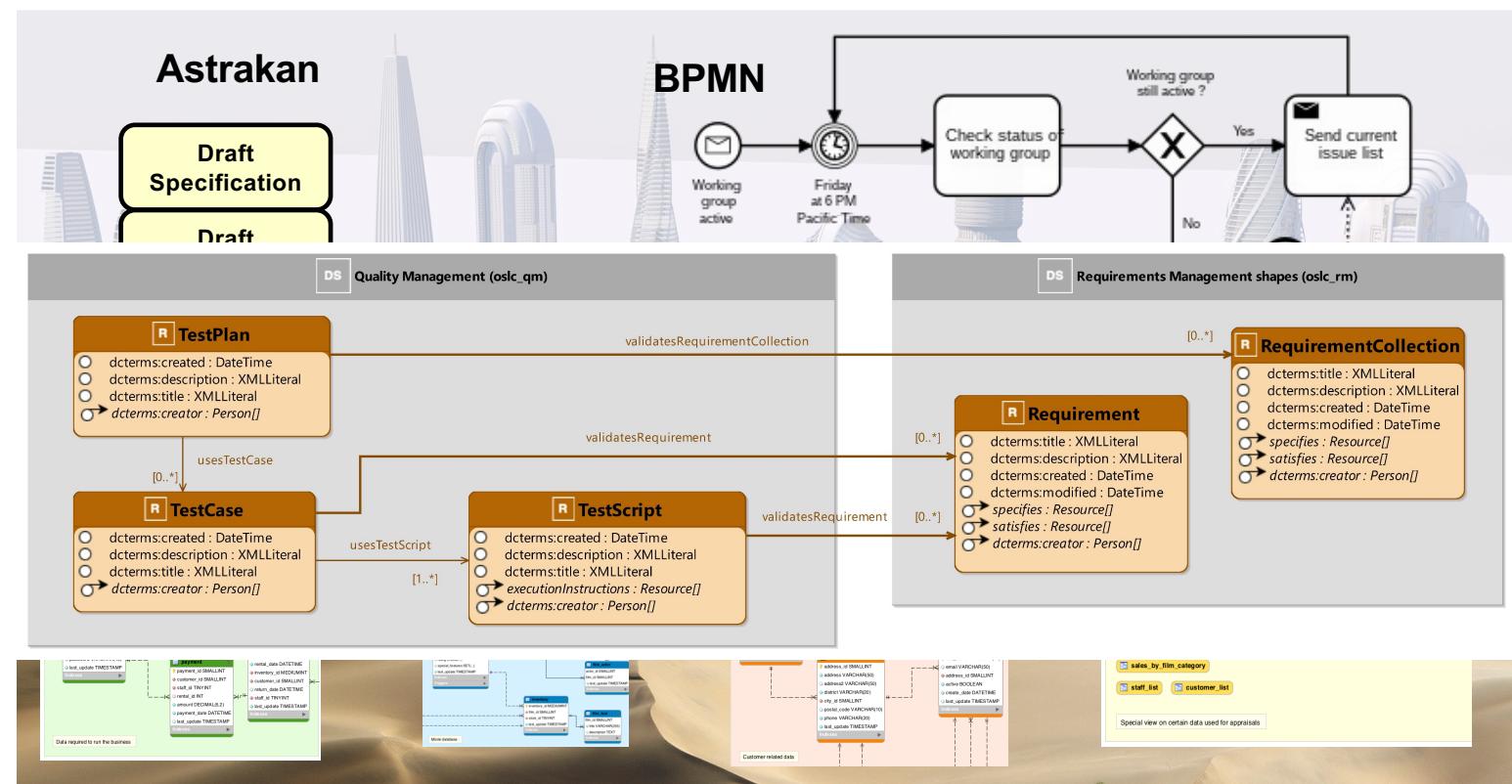
Conceptual Model

- Identifies and organizes business concepts
- Explains meaning to people
- In the collective minds of the organisation



Information Model

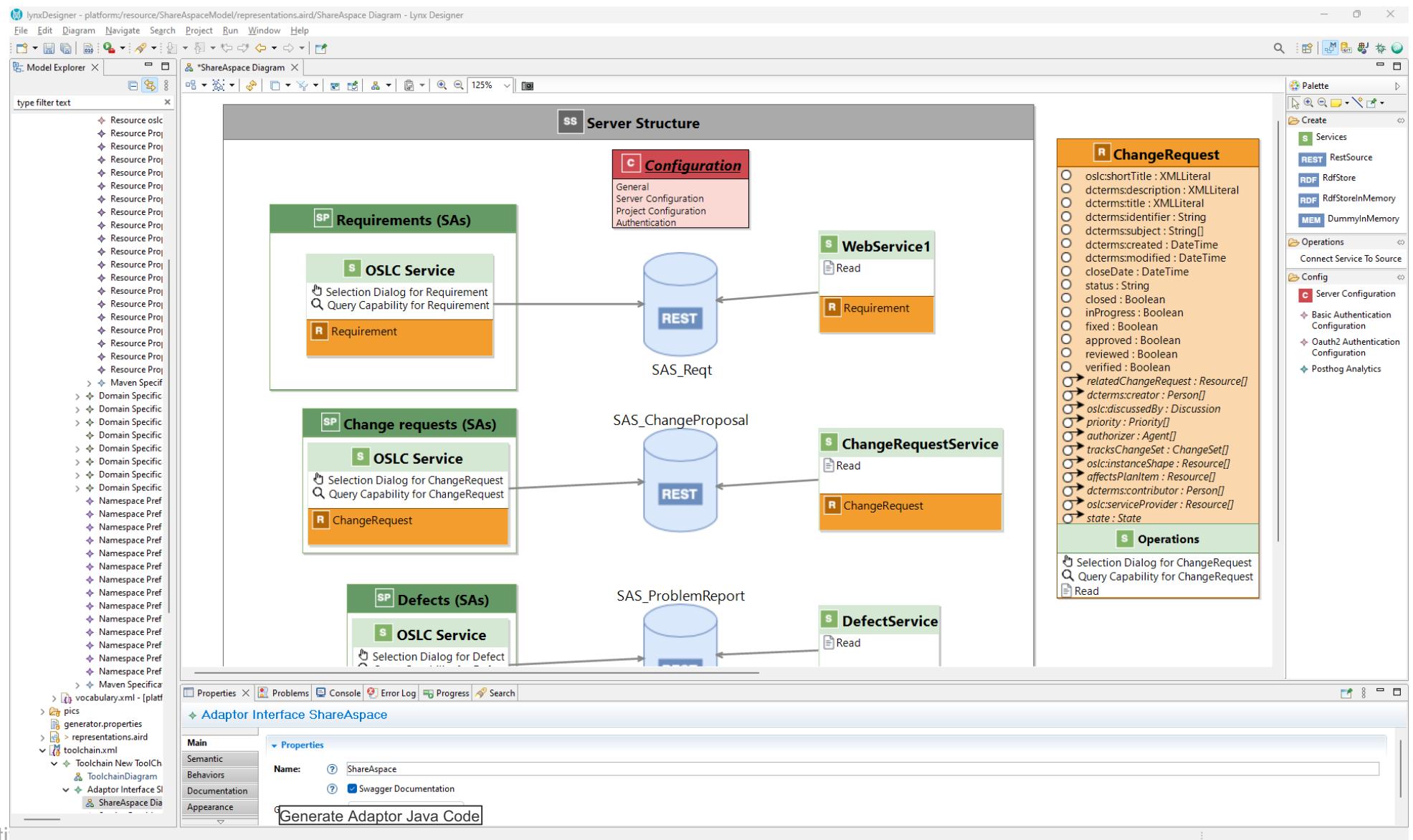
- Enterprise catch-all cross-domain terms
- Reflects artifacts delivered to/from process activities
- Platform independent
- Provides requirements on the IT-systems
- Reflect resources delivered to/from applications
- platform independent; yet more exact specification



Data Model

- Persistent in individual applications

Application Interface



Application Interface

The screenshot displays the Lynx Designer application interface, specifically the 'ShareAspace Model' representation. The main window features a 'Swagger Editor' with several API endpoints listed:

- GET /projects/{projectId}
- GET /projects
- GET /cases/CASE-{id}
- PUT /cases/CASE-{id}
- DELETE /cases/CASE-{id}
- GET /cases/CASE-{id}/largePre
- GET /cases/CASE-{id}/smallPre
- GET /exec-records/EXREC-{id}

Below the Swagger Editor, there are three cards: 'SP Defects (SAs)', 'OSLC Service', and 'Linked Work Items'. The 'Linked Work Items' card shows a list of work items, with one item selected:

DP-429
DrivePilot shall contain sensors to monitor unusual vibrations from: "chassis" ...

A 'Select...' dialog box is open, showing a search bar and a table with two rows of data:

Implement Warning: Accelerator pedal is manually engaged		
SHORT PROPERTIES		
Identifier:	Created:	Modified:
DRIV-25	1st Jan 23	1st Jan 23
Status:	InProgress:	State:
To Do	n/a	n/a

Implement Warning: Brake is manually engaged		
SHORT PROPERTIES		
Identifier:	Created:	Modified:
DRIV-24	1st Jan 23	1st Jan 23
Status:	InProgress:	State:
To Do	n/a	n/a

Below the dialog, there are three more sections: 'Implement Warning: Gear change apparatus is manually actuated', 'Implement Warning: User shouts "Stop"', and 'Implement Warning: Accelerator pedal is manually engaged'.

The left sidebar shows the 'Model Explorer' with a tree view of the project structure, including 'Toolchain New ToolChain', 'Adaptor Interface ShareAspace', and 'ShareAspace Diagram'. The right sidebar contains a 'Palette' with various service and configuration options.

Development Experiences

- ShareAspace configurable open architecture makes it easy to use a LynxDesigner adapter
- Effort
 - Hands-on training (~4 hours) – established basic (single service) ShareAspace Adapter
 - After 6 months “business consultant” could add new services in a few hours
- Skills
 - Basic adapter needs minimal code development skills.
 - Crossing CM paradigms needed more experienced code development skills

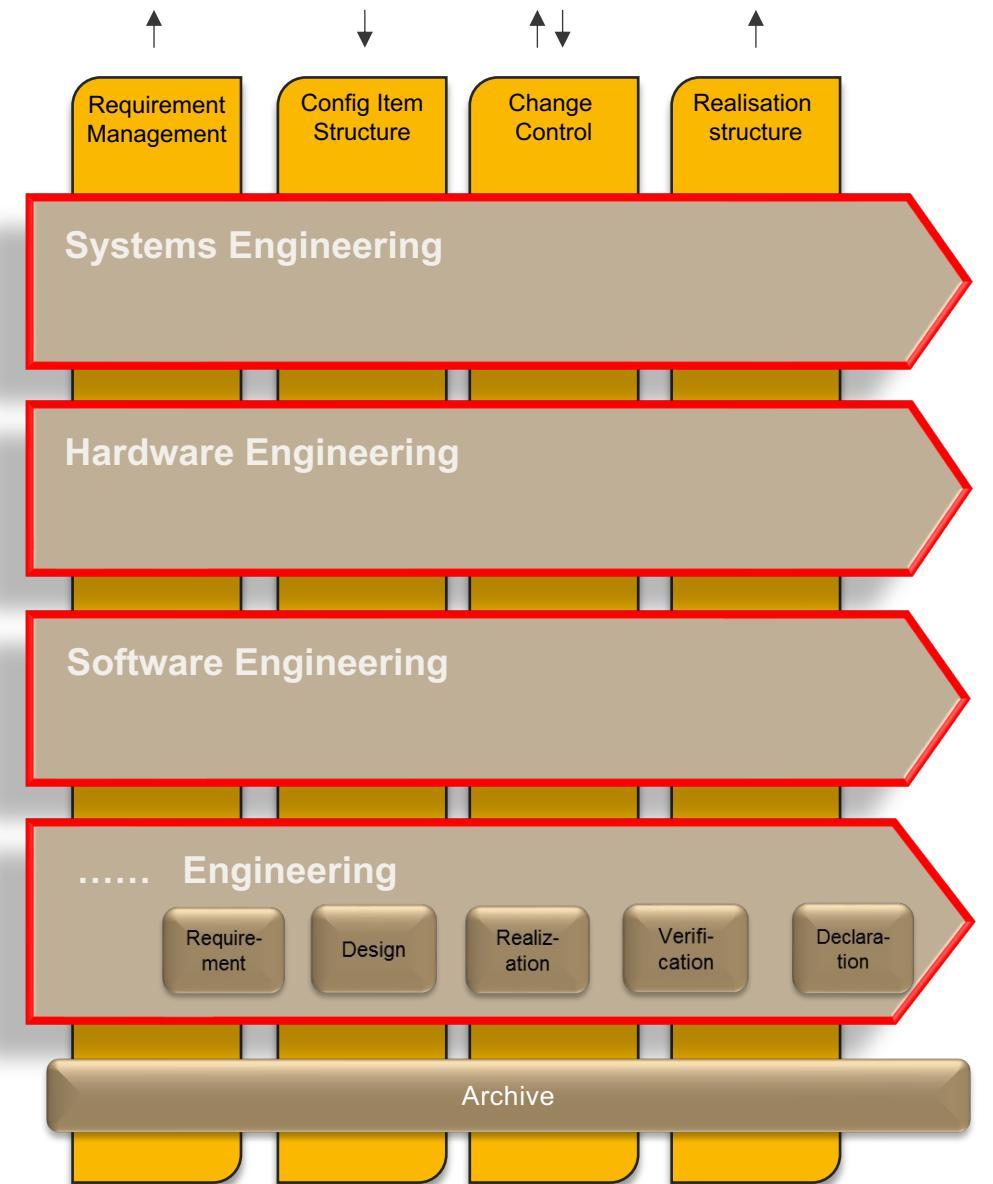
Heliple-2: Contributions

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The need for standards

- Needs:
 - Ability to link across tool boundaries
 - Ability to exchange product data
 - Ability reason about product properties managed in different environments
 - Ability to build simulations with contributions from heterogeneous sources
- Needs can only be met if end-users drive standards development



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Jos Voskuil and 3 other connections attending

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Jos Voskuil and 17 other attendees

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