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Specification and Architecture of a System Factory for Space Systems Using Capella

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PROJECT CONTEXT
MOTIVATION

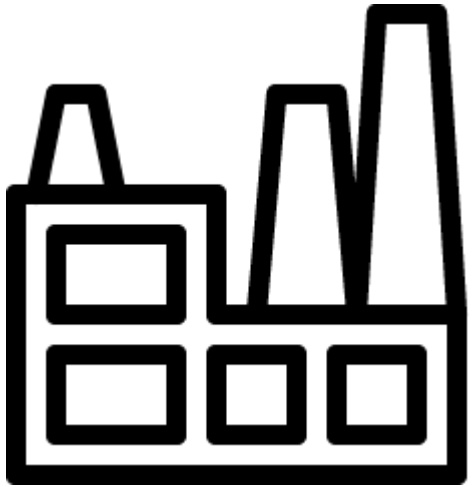
Enable the deployment of
Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)
in Space Projects

Ensure **interoperability**
with the MBSE community

Create a System Engineering supporting infrastructure, i.e. ***System Factory***

PROJECT CONTEXT
SYSTEM FACTORY

- The *System Factory* represents the reference system engineering modelling infrastructure for developing Space systems
  - Key element to **deploy Model-Based Engineering**
  - It (together with the usage of an Ontology) will **enable exchanging engineering data** among organizations
  - One of its main elements is the **Data Hub**
- The architecture shall be agreed by the community



Specification and architecture of a System Factory (SASyF project)

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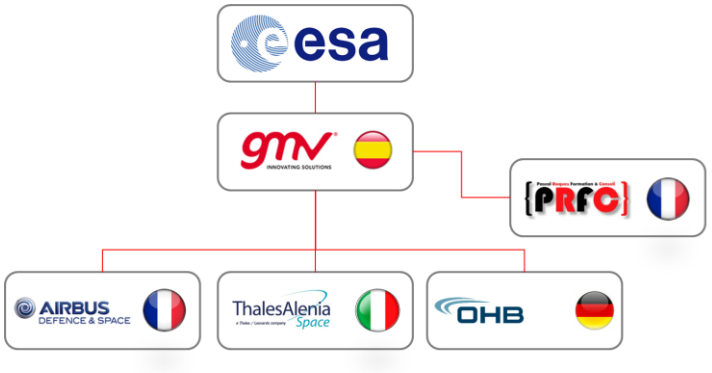
SASyF PROJECT

- **Objective**

Specification and architecture of a MBSE infrastructure for Space System Engineering, i.e. *System Factory*

- **Consortium**



- **Schedule**
  - Started on January 15th, 2020
  - Expected completion in August 2021

INTRODUCTION TO SASyF ACTIVITY

WORKING METHOD

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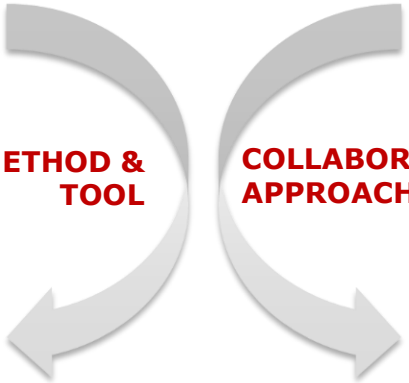

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USAGE OF CAPELLA IN SASyF PROJECT

Capella used to develop a **(reference) system** that allows later to develop **real systems**

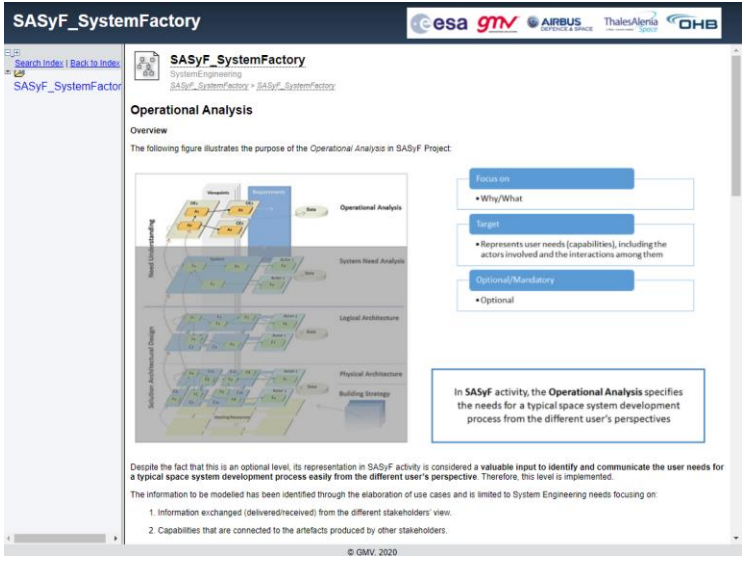
- Capella:
  - V1.4.0
  - Two add-ons are needed:

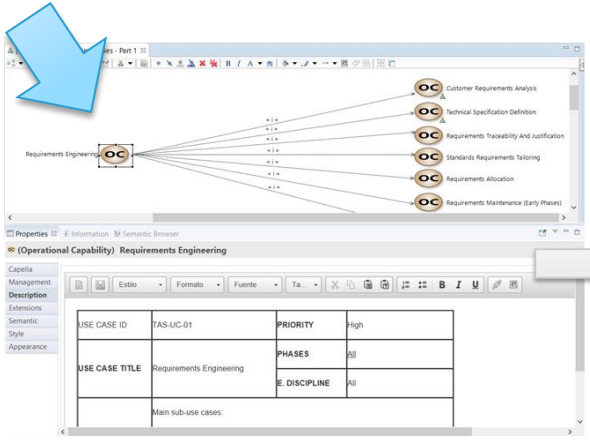
Add-on	Contact	Licence	Version	Description
XHTML Documenation Generation	Thales	EPL	V1.4.0	Add-on used to generate the HTML documentation from the Capella model
Requirements Viewpoint	Thales	EPL	V0.11.0	Add-on used to define requirements directly in the Capella model.

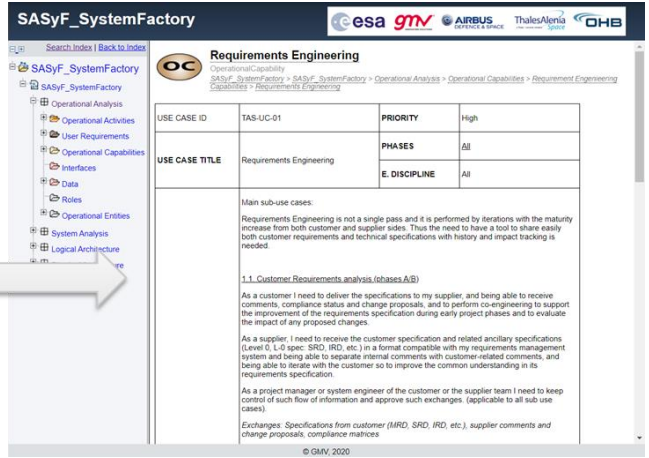
INTRODUCTION TO SASyF ACTIVITY

DOCUMENTATION VS MODEL

- SASyF will produce as output:
  - A set of deliverables (Word + PDF)
  - Capella model + Documentation automatically produced from the model (HTML + Excel)
- Ideally:
  - All the information shall be included in the Capella model
  - The HTML/Excel are also needed for people not familiar with the toolset







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WORK LOGIC

- The **Operational Analysis** specifies the needs for a typical space system development process from the different user's perspectives.
- The **System Need Analysis** defines the needs when the *System Factory* is used (as a black box, not how it is implemented)

- The **Logical Architecture** represents the decomposition of the *System Factory* in its constituent parts, detailing the logical implementation. It is a logical solution, stable in time and technology independent.

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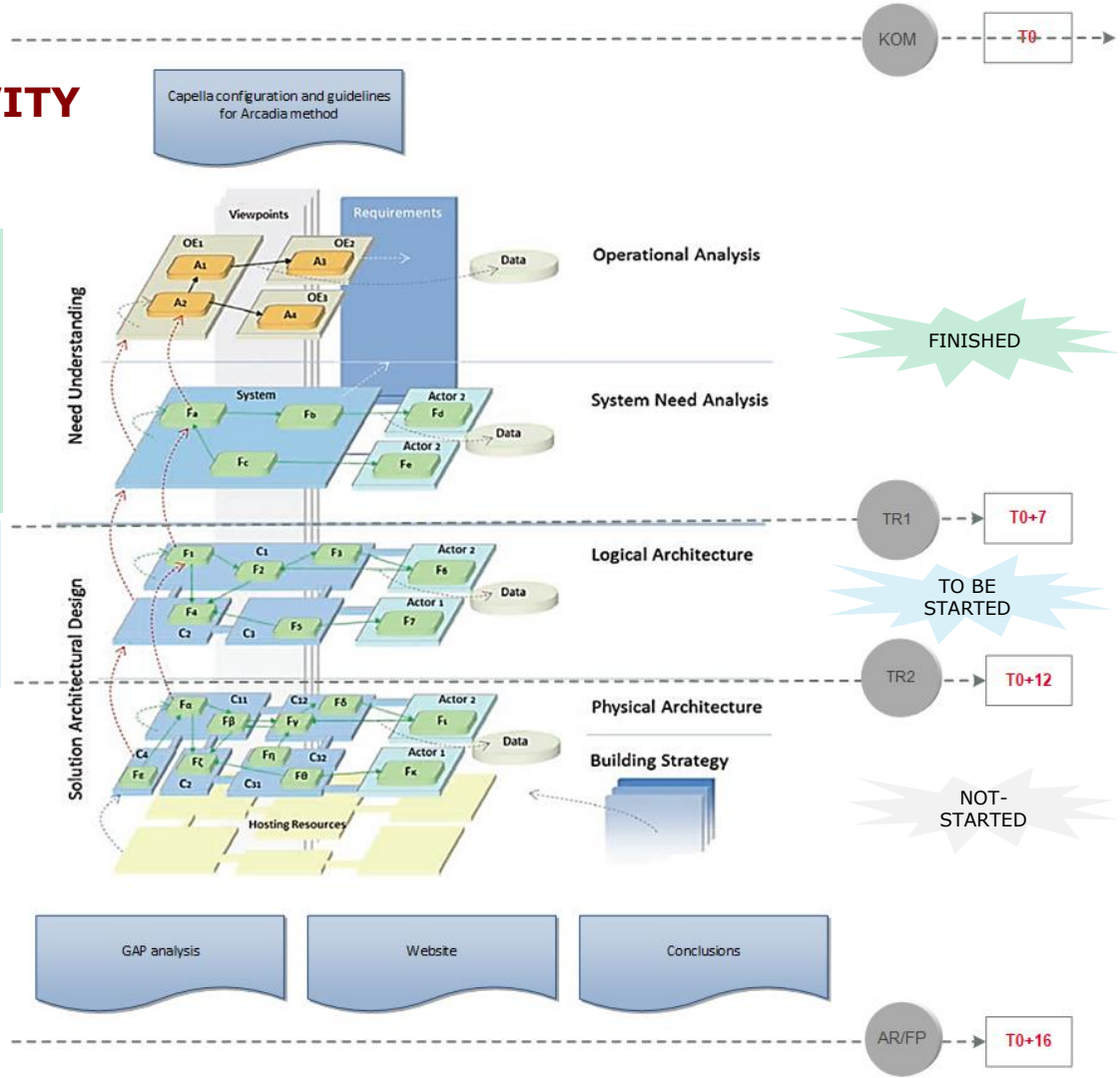
- The **End Product Breakdown Structure** manages industrial criteria and integration strategy. This layer will be used to describe the existing tools that already exist.



INTRODUCTION TO SASyF ACTIVITY
REMARKS

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The *System Factory* represents the infrastructure within a company. Exchanges with other infrastructure are identified by the interfaces with the corresponding stakeholders (Customer, Contractor, Supplier(s)) as exchanges with external actors or entities

The Physical Architecture will define the **physical elements that are envisaged to be used in the LSIs' organizations**, with their allocated physical functions. Indeed, several physical architectures could be proposed and checked against the logical architecture

We will identify tools that already exist and tools to be developed, i.e. **GAP analysis**

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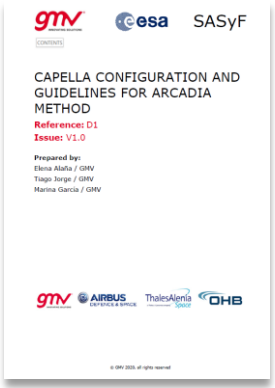
FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
Approach

- Support document



Capella configuration and guidelines for Arcadia method

- Introduces the **Arcadia method** for defining the *System Factory*
- Specifies the **Capella set-up** (e.g. version, add-ons and validation rules to be used) and the configuration control method (**Git**)
- Provides **guidelines and tips** for the design of the *System Factory*
- Includes an **example** to check the recommendations
- Includes the **Capella configuration file** for this activity
- **Recommended diagrams** for the Operational Analysis and System Needs Analysis
- Clarification on the **information to be defined** at Operational Analysis level and at System Needs Analysis level

Approach

- Scope risk

Description	Mitigation
The scope of SASyF use cases is huge. It is important to agree on the level of detail, areas not be covered, stop criteria, etc, guaranteeing that the goal of the project is fulfil.	Early and continuous feedback: ▪ Intermediate deliveries ▪ Review the uses cases in the Progress Meetings ▪ Present results to the MB4SE WG

Approach

- Scope

Follow ECSS-E-ST-10C (System engineering general requirements), in particular:

- Project **phases**
- Project **activities**

9 Use cases identified and agreed (3 for each LSI)

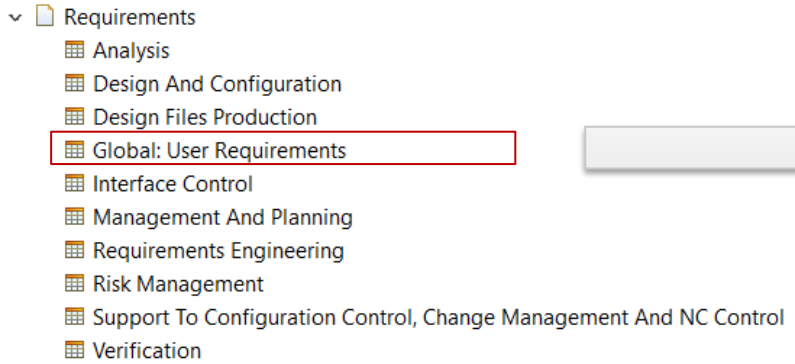
- One use case per each System Engineering Activity
- Convergence ensured during cross-review process

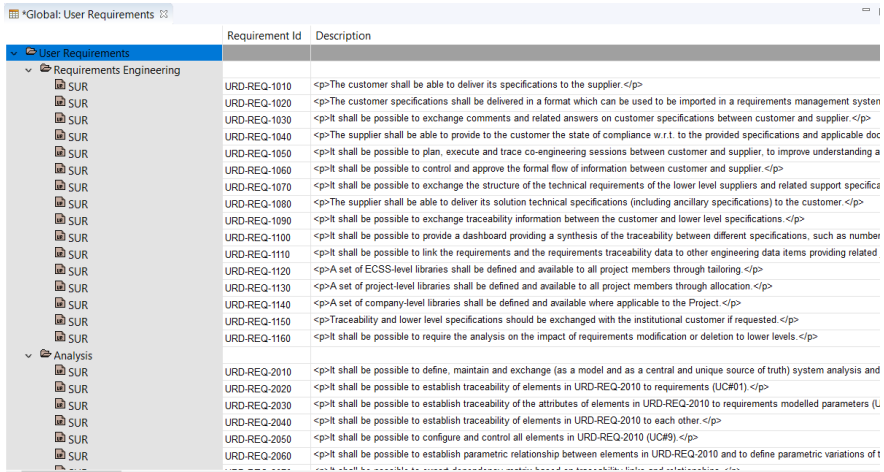
Requirements engineering
Analysis
Design and configuration
Verification
Management and planning
Interface control
Design files production
Risk management
Support to configuration control, change management and NC control

Agree on list of **System Engineering roles**

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

User and System requirements modelled and traced

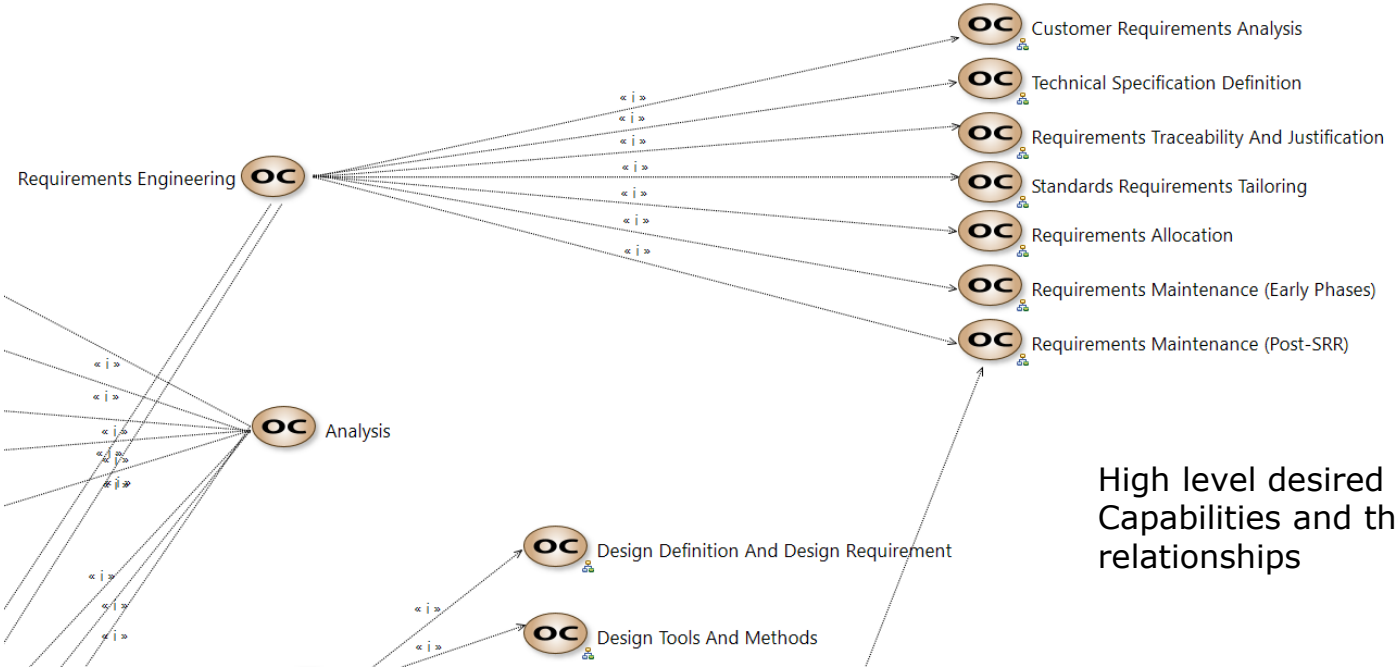




MASS VISUALIZATION VIEW to produce
traceability matrix
E.g. From system requirements to user requirements

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Operational Capability Blank (OCB)



High level desired Capabilities and their relationships

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY

OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Roles

Alignment on **specific roles** in System Engineering

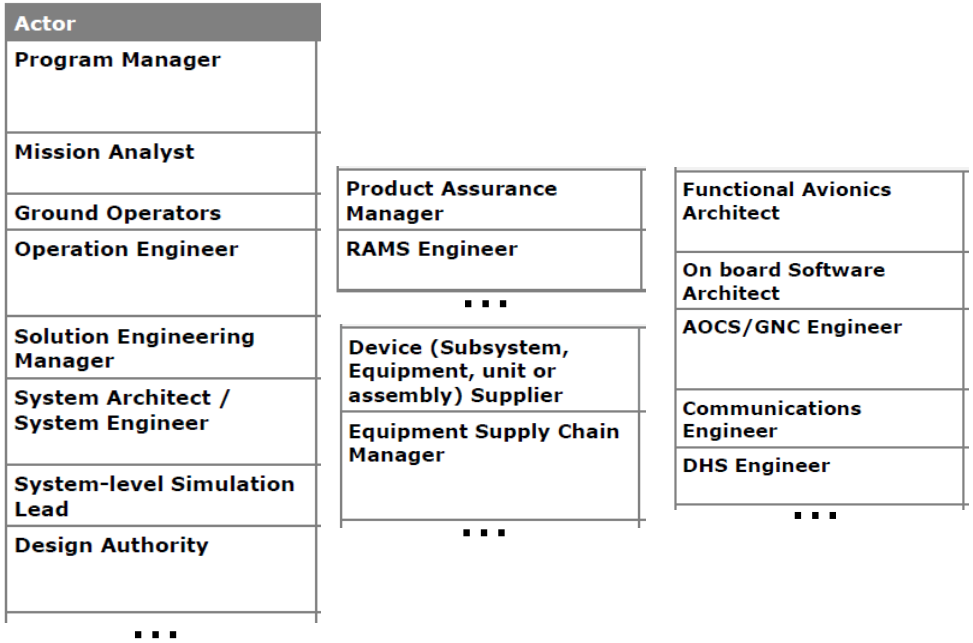
Abstract roles for the System Factory model

Simplification/abstraction is performed in order to group different actors into more generic roles

Traceability from specific roles to abstract roles (and vice versa)

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Specific roles



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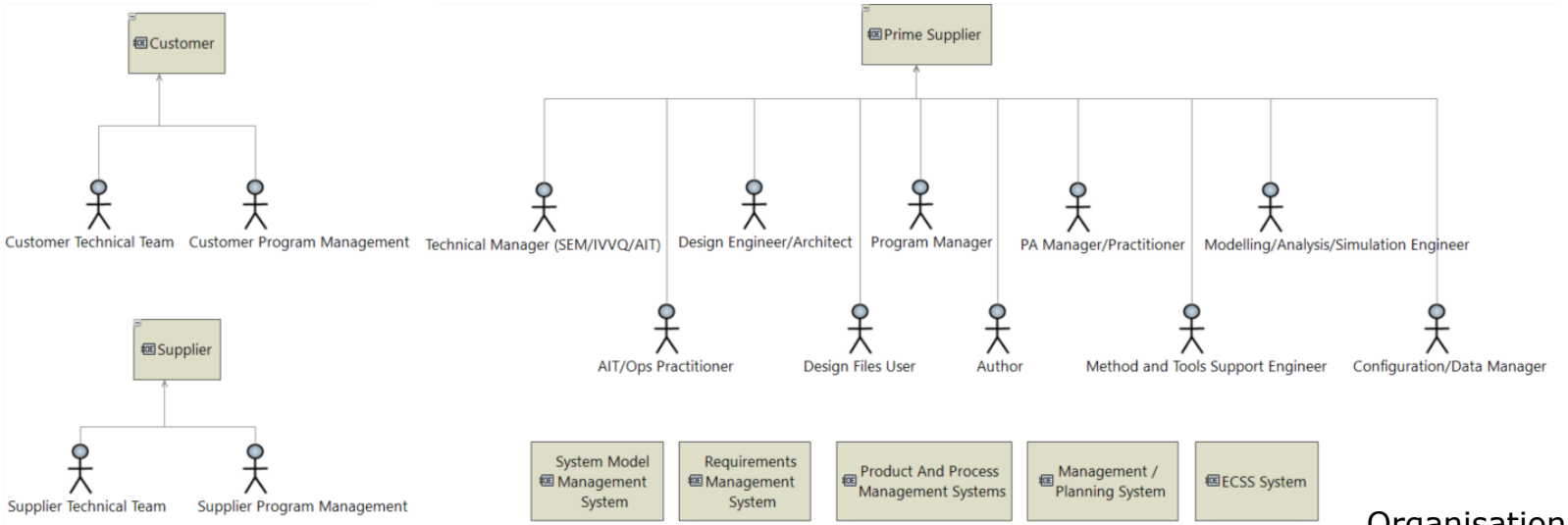
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Operational Entity Breakdown (OEBD)

Abstract roles



Organisation of Operational Actors and Entities

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Traceability

Specific roles	Abstract roles
Program Manager	Program Manager
Mission Analyst	Modelling/Analysis/Simulation Engineer
Ground Operators	AIT Practitioner/Ground Operator
Operation Engineer	Design Engineer/Architect
Solution Engineering Manager	Technical Manager (SEM/IVVQ/AIT)
System Architect / System Engineer[10]	Design Engineer/Architect Technical Manager (SEM/IVVQ/AIT)
System-level Simulation Lead	Design Engineer/Architect
Design Authority	Technical Manager (SEM/IVVQ/AIT)
Instrument Payload Engineer / Instrument Engineer	Design Engineer/Architect
Environment Engineer	Modelling/Analysis/Simulation Engineer
Physical Configuration and CAD Engineer	Modelling/Analysis/Simulation Engineer Design Engineer/Architect

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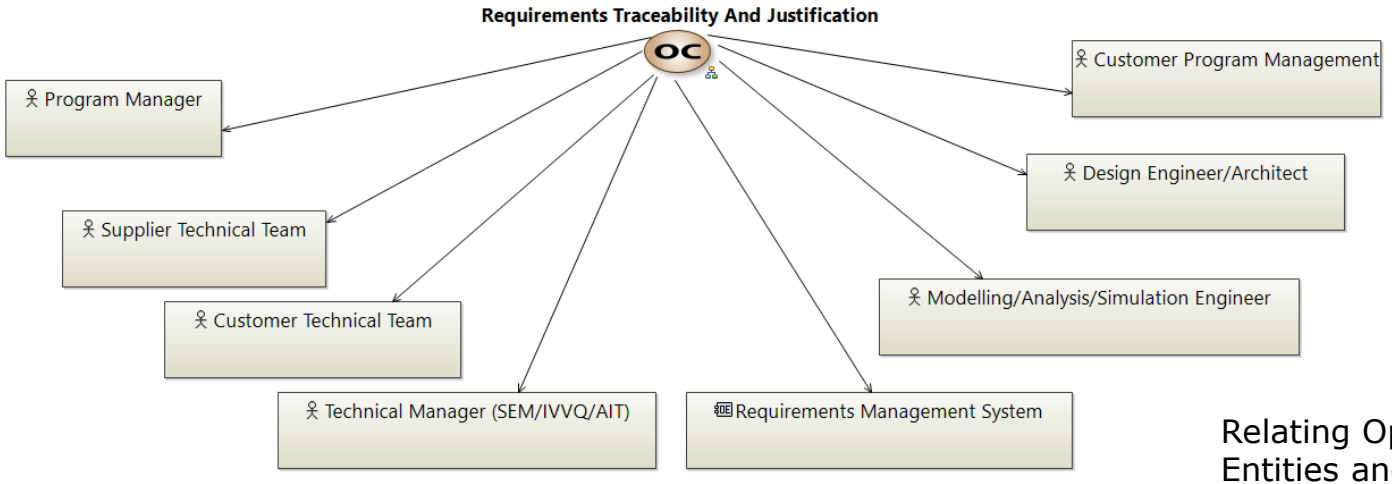
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Operational Contextual Capability (OCC)



Relating Operational Entities and Actors with Capabilities

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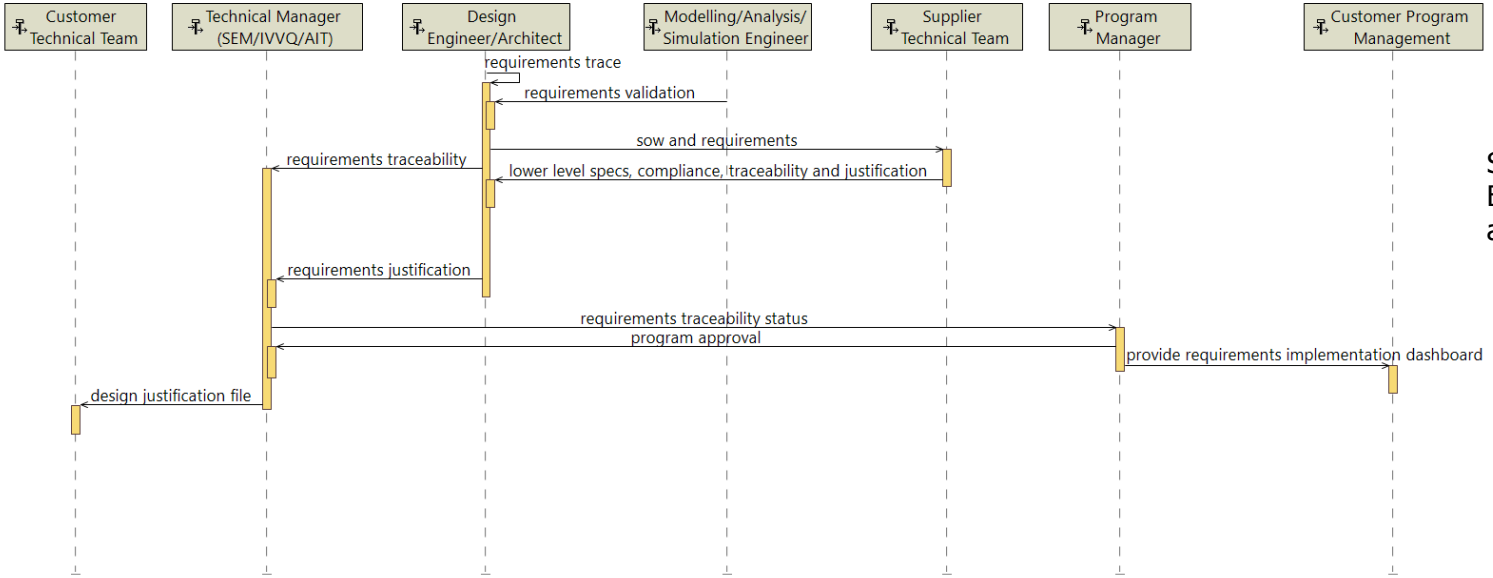
Operational Entity Scenario (OES)



Sequence of Exchanges satisfying a Capability

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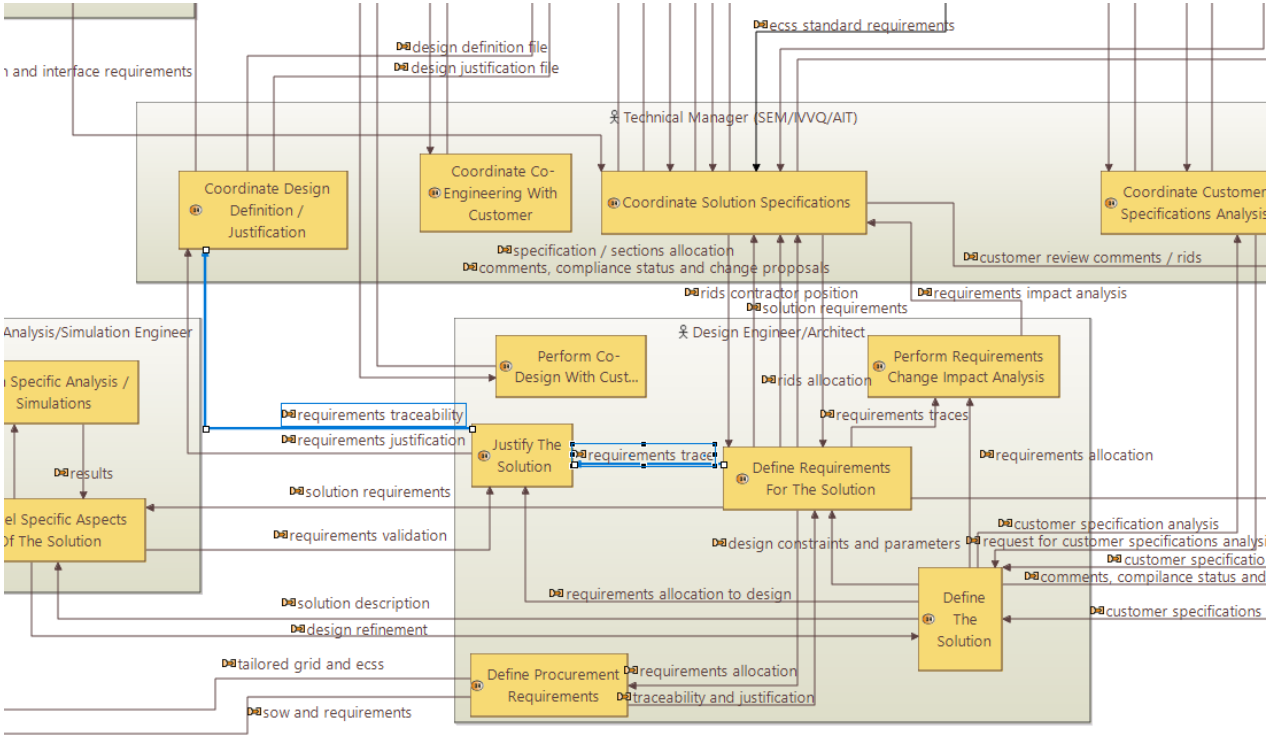
Operational Architecture Blank (OAB)



Activities allocated on Entities/Actors and Interactions connecting them

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY

OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

- Some model metrics

Model element	Number
System User Requirement	120
Operational Capability	56
Operational Activity	252
Interaction	416
Operational Entity	22
Scenario	48

FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

- Some model metrics

Common	20	
Class Diagram Blank		4
Functional Chain Description		5
Requirements		11
Operational Analysis	**112**	
Contextual Operational Capability		**38**
Entity Scenario		**46**
Operational Architecture Blank		**24**
Operational Capabilities Blank		**3**
Operational Entity Breakdown		**1**
System Analysis	141	
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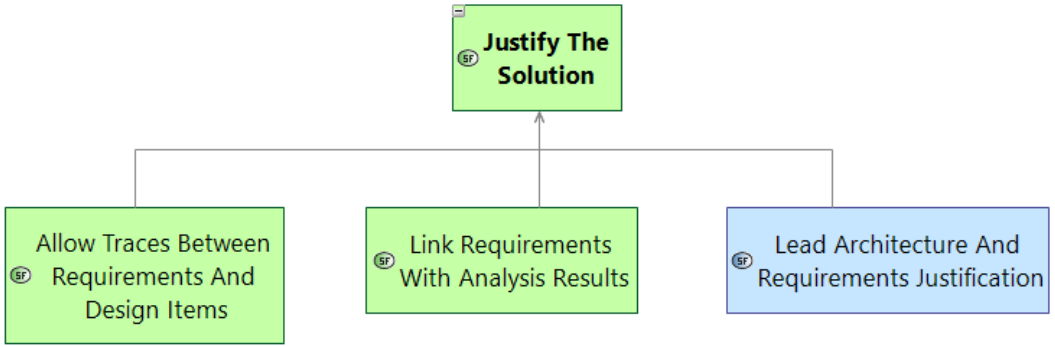
FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY

SYSTEM NEEDS ANALYSIS

System Function Breakdown (SFBD)



Refinement of Functions and allocation to the System (what it shall accomplish for the users)

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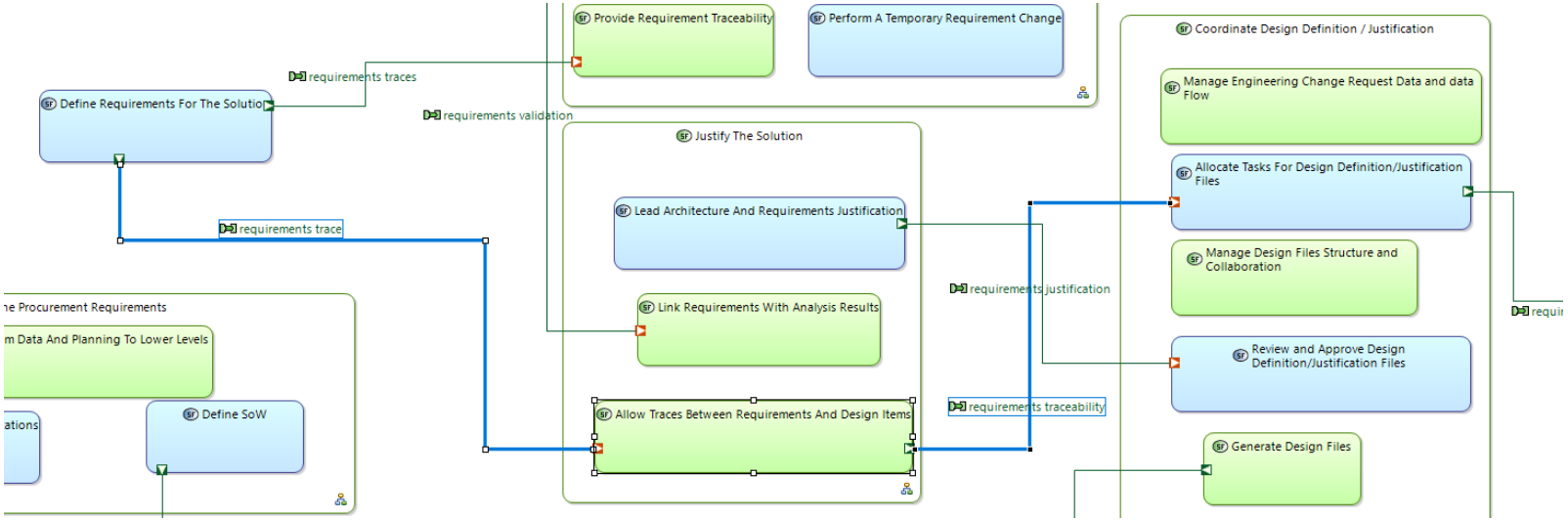
SYSTEM NEEDS ANALYSIS

System Data Flow Blank (SDFB)



Data flow through the refined System Functions

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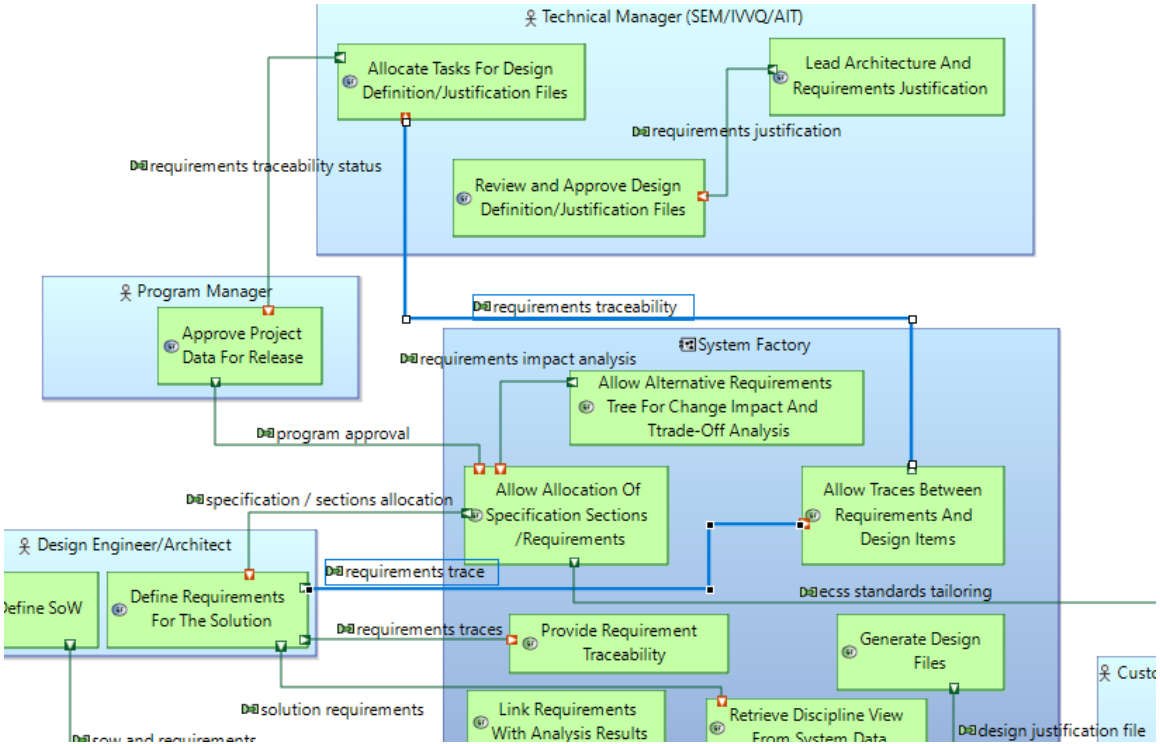
System Architecture Blank (SAB)



Function allocation and Exchanges connecting Functions

SYSTEM NEEDS ANALYSIS

- Some model metrics

Model element	Number
System Functional Requirement	133
System Non Functional Requirement	42
System Function	439
Functional Exchange	410
System Component	25
Functional Chain	36

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FUNCTIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF THE SYSTEM FACTORY
Challenges

- Mix of OA & SA levels
- Lack of homogeneity of wording and naming convention
- Lack of homogeneity of inputs (documentation and models)
- Other communication challenges (e.g. scope of exchanges to model)
- Identification of new needs
- Modelling from natural language is
    - time and energy consuming
    - is influenced by modeller understanding and personal view
- Diagram complexity and specificity easily go out of control
- Agreement on common list of abstract roles
- High number of model elements and diagrams
    - Need for both global and specific views

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CONCLUSION

- By modelling we converge to a common vision and concrete architeture for the *System Factory*.
- This convergence is challeging, mainly due to diverse background and communication challenges, requiring close coordination and review iterations.
- Capella model, its common language (and Arcadia method), and the tool mature features serve as a strong vehicle in achieving such convergence in a consistent way.
- The model size greatly impacts the modelling and review effort, a strategy being required.
- Documents still useful to e.g. agree on approach, assumptions, common language, review, etc.

- Proposed toolchain (and plugins) technical improvements (some examples):
  - Include the mass Visualization or Editing Views in the HTML export.
  - Export the requirements tables to the HTML file.
  - Bugs found, e.g. it is necessary to enable "Define interfaces and describe interface scenarios" to create the [ES] diagrams (create a new Exchange Scenario)

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