

# ***South African Aerospace Preparedness and Impact of Digitalisation***



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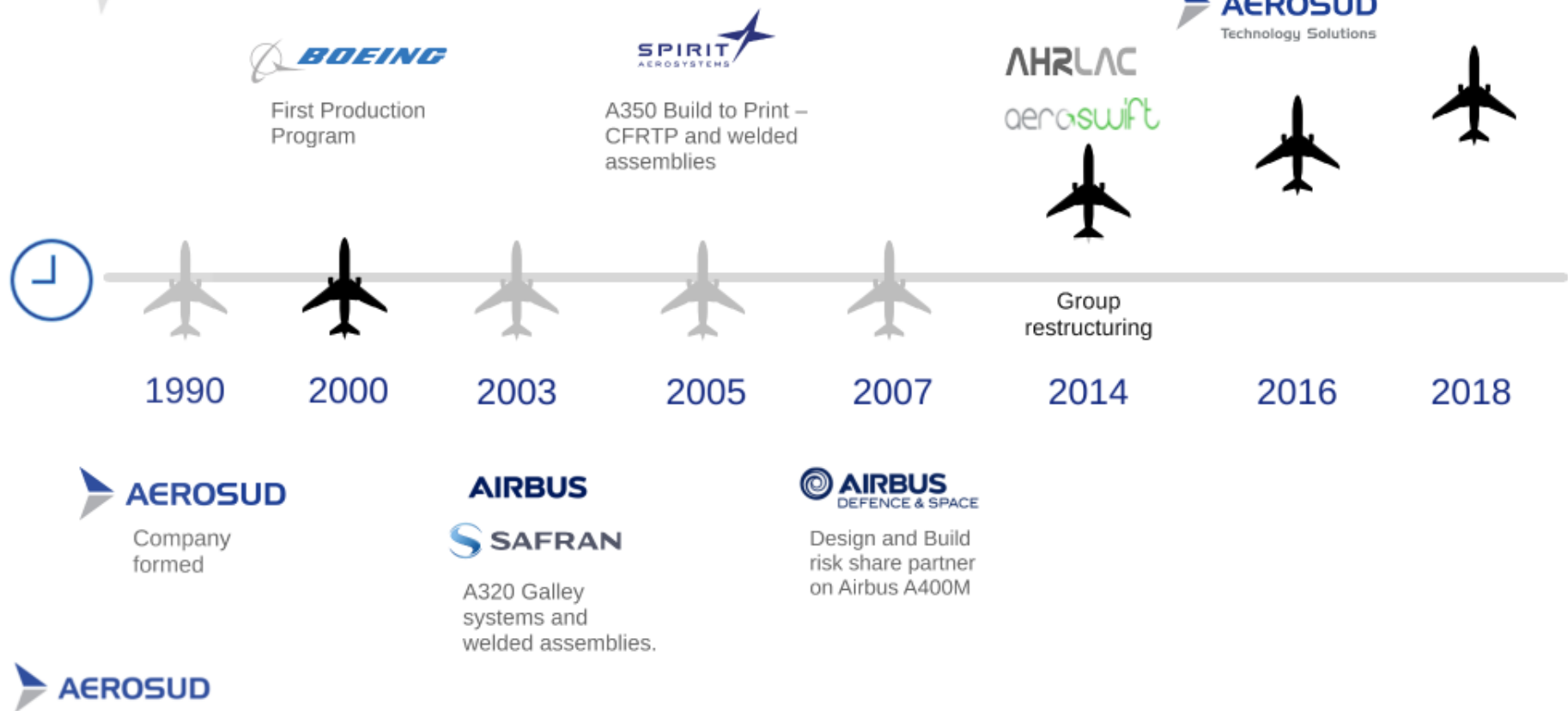
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BUILT ON  
PASSION





# Company Timeline





Built  
to fly



employ **660**  
people



**70 Mil**  
annual  
turnover

investment in  
R&D

**6%**



**15**  
local sub-tier  
suppliers



**28 years**  
experience

**300**

international &  
local suppliers



**100 %**  
Export

local added  
value

**40%**

**2016** - DTI Manufacturer of the year

**2017** - DTI Exporter of the year

**2018** - SADC Quality Award

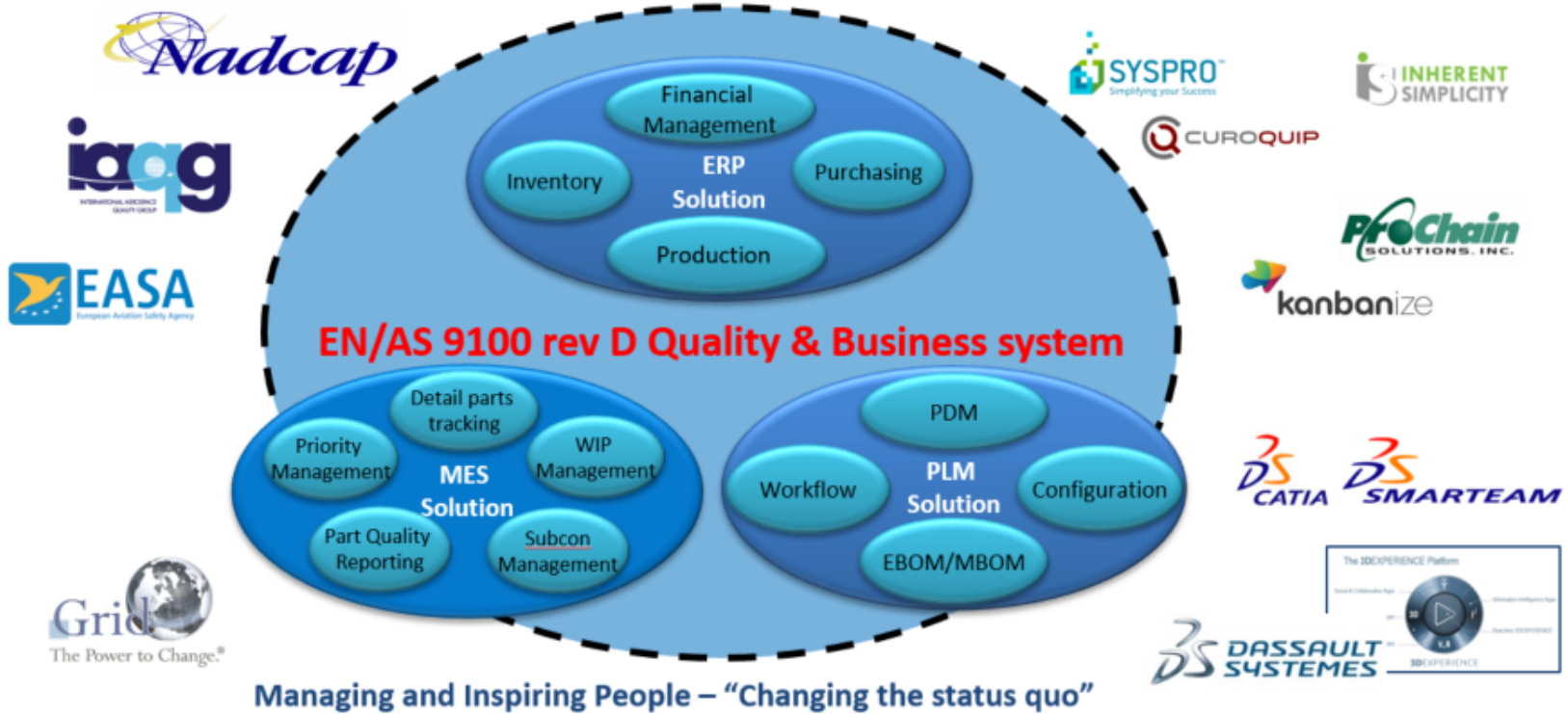


Build smart.  
Fly further,  
faster

A smart supplier  
built on decades of  
innovation and  
versatility



# Integrated Systems



Managing and Inspiring People – “Changing the status quo”

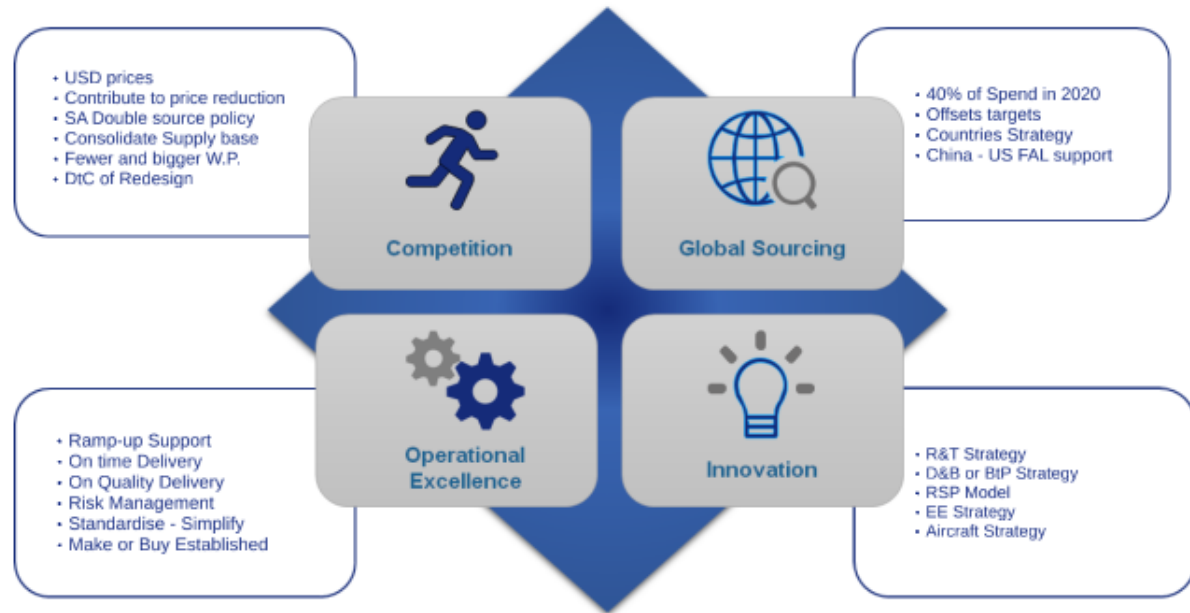






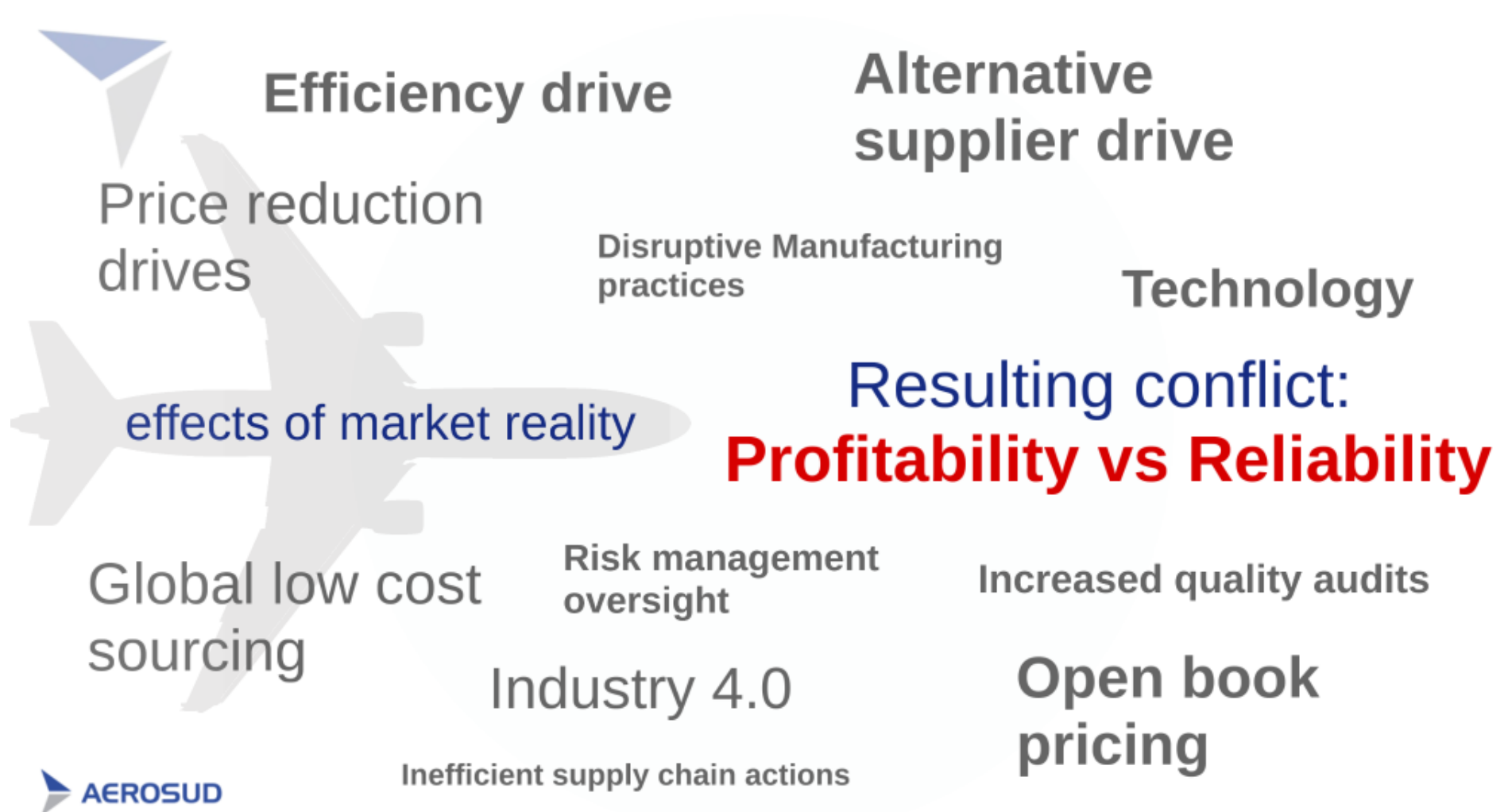
# The Market Reality


- 40% Rate Increase
- 20% Cost reduction drive
- Global Collaboration
- Innovation











Building and ever flourishing  
Aerospace company

## Adopting Theory of Constraints as a business methodology

**Reliability Model = Stability + Growth**

### Key Implementation steps:

- TOC adopted in all aspects of the supply chain
- Comprehensive **Goal Tree**
- **Logical Thinking tools**
- **Critical Chain Program Management**
- Use of Throughput Accounting
- Consumption based replenishment (DDMRP)
- Management in full Supply Chain
- Deployed GRID to influence **Cultural behaviour**

### Key Results achieved:

- Production **lead time reduction from 50 to 17 days**
- WIP and **SOH reduction by 30%**
- High reliability in new part Industrialisation and
- On time project completion
- **Increased Throughput by 20%**
- Reduced intervention and expediting
- Initiation of new strategic growth and Investment areas
- New Service offering









### Purpose:

Growth-Bilateral between Government and Industry to significantly boost SA Commercial Aviation Manufacturing Exports through:

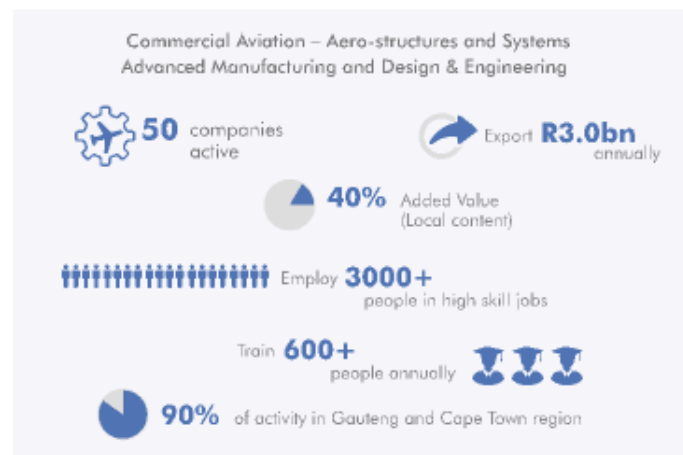
- Integrated Industry Growth Plan
- Expanding Advanced Manufacturing
- Future-orientated competitiveness (IoT, Ind 4.0)

and in particular

Promote direct partnerships with international Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM's) and/or Technology partners, to demonstrate and showcase local industry capabilities and capacities to collaborate.  
Forging stronger ties with the global Aviation Manufacturing.



### Commercial Aviation Manufacturing Industry in South Africa



# CAMASA - Domestic Collaboration



Aerospace Industry Support Initiative and  
Centurion Aerospace Village (the dti)



Provincial & Regional Economic  
Development Agencies



Titanium powder Production &  
Additive Laser Manufacture  
(ALM)



Scientific & Industrial Research and  
Innovation



International  
Partnerships with OEM's  
Tertiary Education



Advanced manufacturing &  
Tooling skills



Cross sectorial Composite  
Industry capability



Transport and Manufacturing  
sectors skills development



# CAMASA - Centurion Aerospace Village

Gauteng  
Province



- Contribute 43% of GDP
- 25% of SA's mineral production
- World class Industrial infrastructure, roads, communication
- Main manufacturing center – 50% of all factories in SA

## Aerospace Manufacturing Industry Requirements

- **Apprentice Training Centre** 1 000 - 2 000 sqm
- **SMME & Incubation centre** 200 - 2 000 sqm
- **Attract 5 – 10 SMME's to expand** 500 - 2 000 sqm
- **Advanced Manufacturing Showcase** 3 000 - 5 000 sqm
- **Surface Treatment and Painting facility** 1 500 – 3 000 sqm
- **Hard metal machining facility** 1 000 – 2 000 sqm
- **Large assembly facility** 10 000 sqm
- **Central Logistics & Warehousing** 10 000 sqm





# BRICS Collaboration

BRICS countries encompass 42% of the world's population and cover 26% of the world's territorial area. Additionally, Intra-BRICS trade now accounts for approximately 18% of global trade, and its young people make up 47% of the world's youth (aged 15-24).

With their economic aggregate covering 23% of the world's total, the five countries of the BRICS, along with other emerging-market countries, have become the main engines of global growth. The immanence of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and the rise of the digital economy loom over each BRICS country; both are full of promise and peril.

## Agreed focus areas for BRICS Aviation Work stream

### Regional Aviation Seminar:

- Public Policy and Regulations
- Airline Business models
- Infrastructure
- CNS/ATM

### Skills development & Qualifications:

- Pilot training
- MRO Engineering and Technicians
- Aviation school

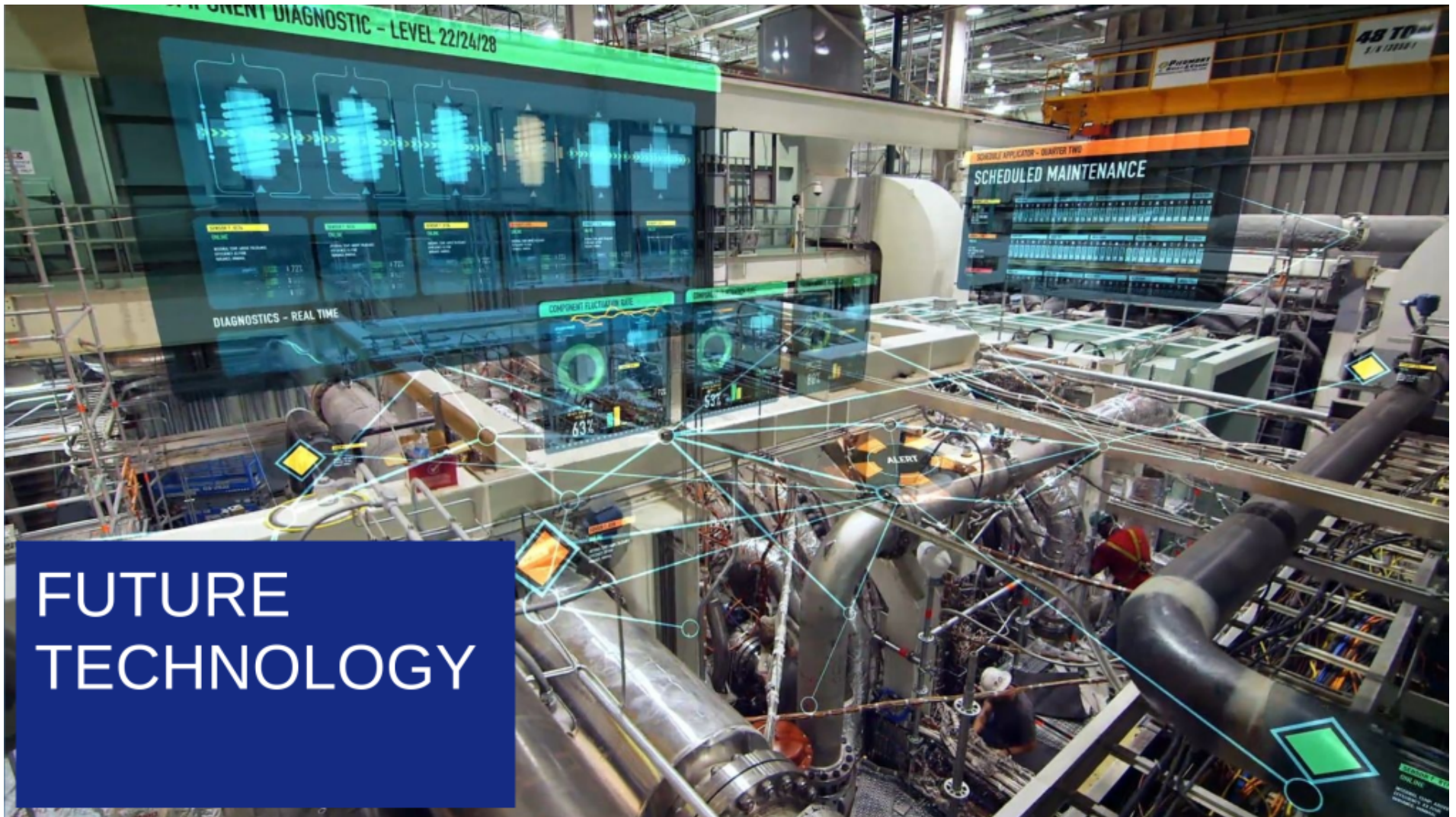
### B2B Supply Chain Development :

- Capability assessment
- Capacity Development
- SME development

### Development Funding:

- BRICS Aviation Fund
- NDB – New Development Bank
- Venture Capital (Angel network)





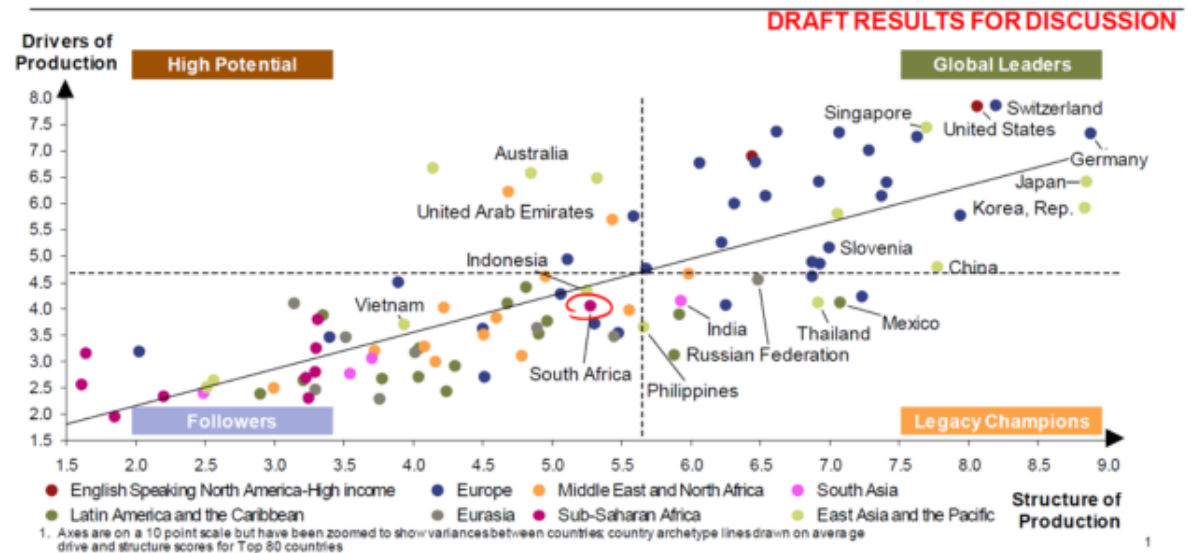
# Future of Production in South Africa

## Readiness for the Future of Production Report 2018

The country archetype framework has been applied to conduct analysis<sup>1</sup> of the 100 countries included in the beta model



In collaboration with A.T. Kearney





# Future of Production in South Africa

## Made in Africa Manufacturing and the fourth industrial revolution



### Recommendations

- ▶ Capitalising on the opportunities presented by the fourth industrial revolution will require a concerted effort from African governments that will have to lead the charge.
- ▶ Leaders in key growth-locomotive countries need to implement concrete measures such as the establishment and support of special economic zones and clear national and regional industrial policies.
- ▶ Developmentally focused leaders need to put the right incentives in place, such as export orientation, support to embryonic manufacturing, and policies to move labour and capital into more productive enterprises.
- ▶ Rapid growth in manufacturing, agro-industry and tradable services requires access to larger markets, hence the imperative of progress with regard to Africa's regional economic integration.
- ▶ Nationally, industrialisation efforts require well-administered, supportive public policies and effective administrative systems.
- ▶ Efforts to combat corruption associated with facilitating export procedures, such as removing trade friction costs due to poor logistics, require specific and ongoing attention.
- ▶ The private sector needs effective government support, such as tax incentives and institutional reforms, to lower transaction costs in customs and business regulation to offset the costs for first movers.

# A decade of development Collaboration 2008-2018

## Focus Areas and Outcomes

- Long term friendships built on research
- Programmes including 7 Fraunhofer institutes
- Deep integration in SU Engineering department

Future projects  
2019 - 2023

Heat Assisted Forming  
Benchmark study  
Composite demonstrator  
Ultra high pressure forming

 **Fraunhofer**

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iYUNIVESITHI  
STELLENBOSCH  
UNIVERSITY

 **AEROSUD**

High Performance Machining of  
Light Metals 2008 -2013



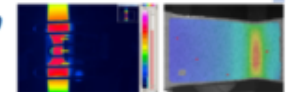
Resource Efficient Process Chains 2013- 2018



Stellenbosch Technology Centre 2016



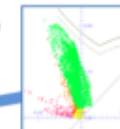
 Superplastic forming of Ti64 sheet 2016- 2019



MOU signed February 2018



 Metallic Forming limit curves 2018 - 2019



 Active projects



# Digitalisation of CFRTP Forming and Cellular Core Technology Development Cycle

## Focus Areas and Outcomes

### CCT Manufacturing process (cure) digitalization

MSC Marc® Non Linear simulation for design feasibility and optimisation

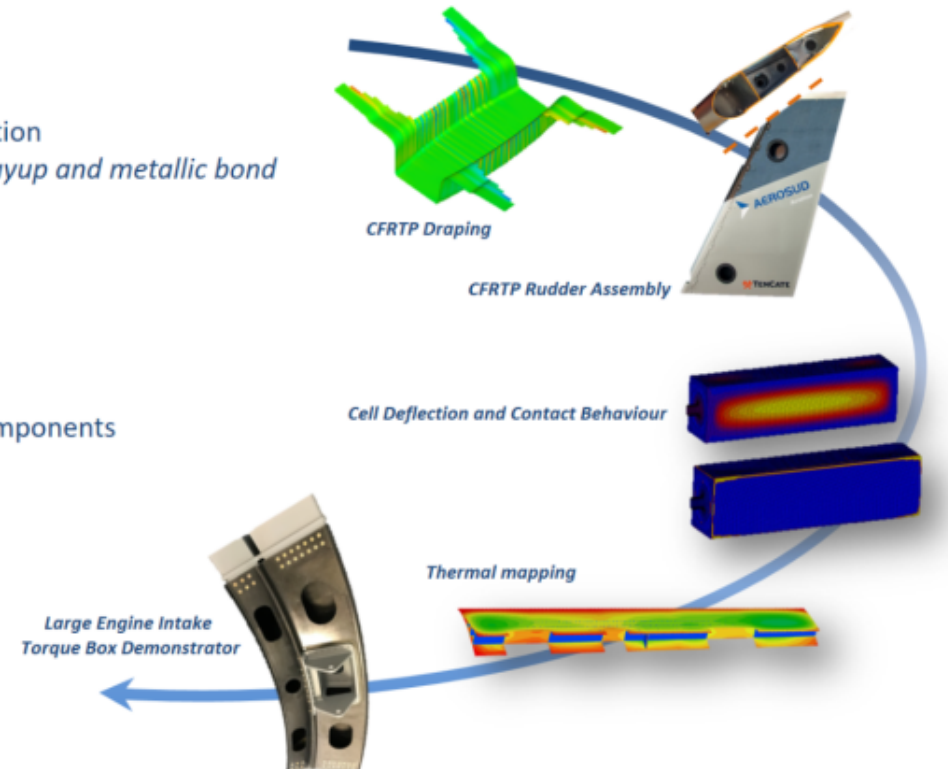
- Established interact between the thermoplastic cell, thermoset layup and metallic bond assembly tool
- Final component geometry and internal stress state
- Eliminating expensive “trial and error” prototype manufacturing

### CCT tooling and component thermal digitalisation

MSC SC Cradle® CFD simulation for thermal mapping of tools and components

- Efficient autoclave loading configuration
- Location of control thermocouples

Collaboration partners

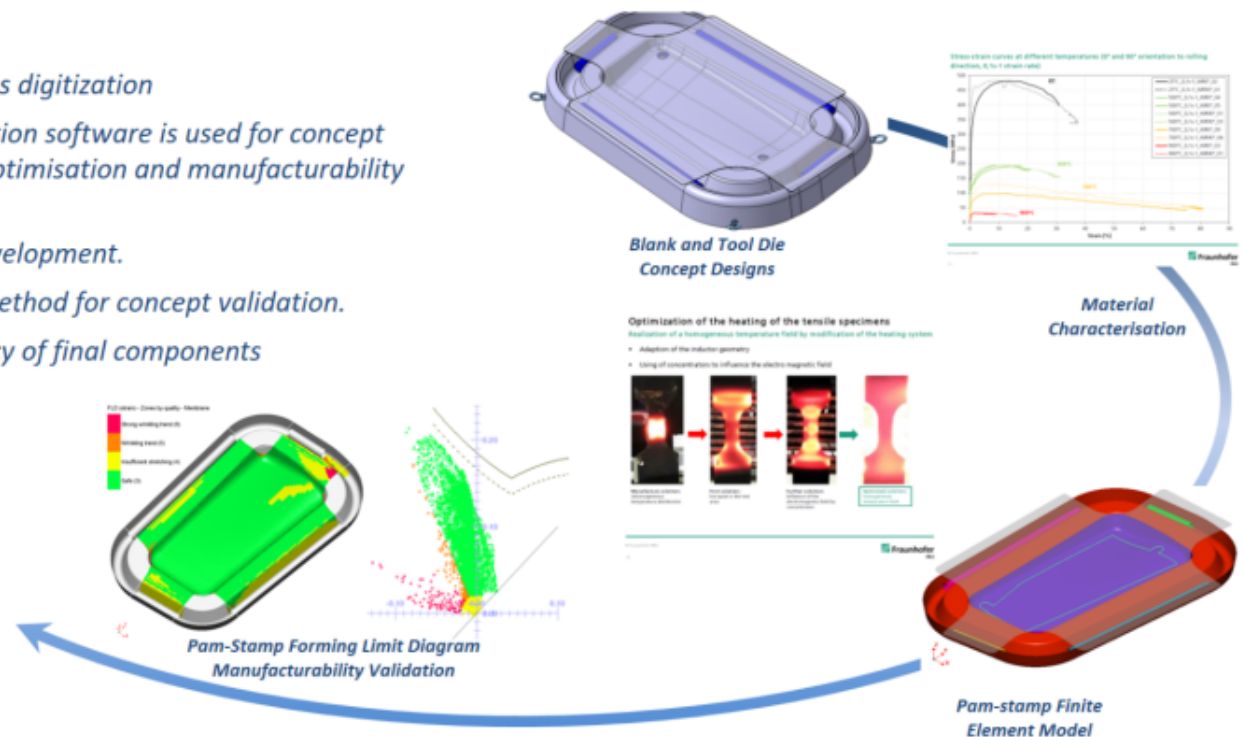


# Digitalisation of Advanced Metallic Forming

## Focus Areas and Outcomes

- *Stamping and fluid cell forming process digitization*
- *ESI Group Pam-stamp forming simulation software is used for concept feasibility studies, tooling and blank optimisation and manufacturability validation.*
- *Efficient tooling and blank concept development.*
- *Less dependant on “trial-and-error” method for concept validation.*
- *Cost saving with the improved accuracy of final components*

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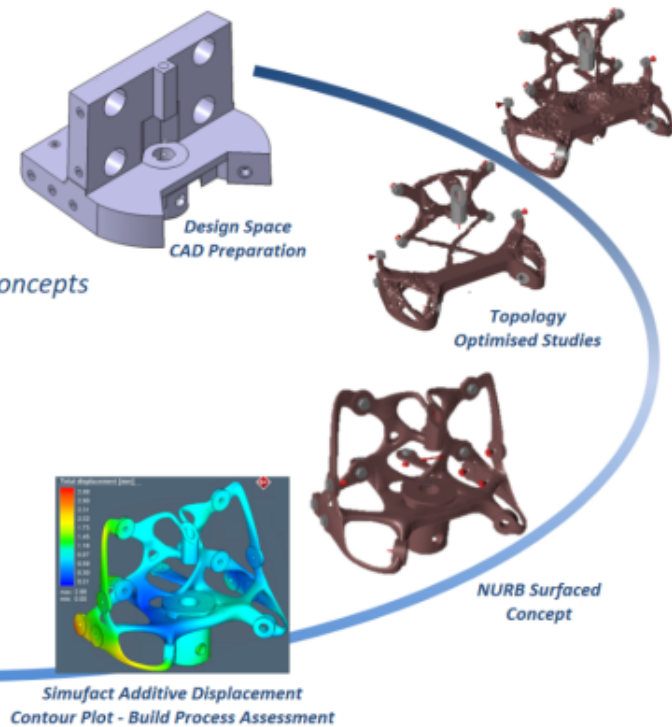


# ALM Knowledge base

## - Design and Optimisation for certification

### Focus Areas and Outcomes

- *Optimisation studies for both prismatic and biomimetic design philosophies.*
- *Internal featuring and surfacing concepts*
- *Optimisation and validation in build preparation & process through simulation.*
- *Component qualification and certification investigations and validation.*
- *Component weight saving with equivalent strength compared to traditional design concepts*
- *Reduced ALM build failure risk.*



### Collaboration partners



# Trusted Online Community



## Monthly Newsletter

### Industry 4.0 for South Africa

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#### Foundation(s) of I4.0

- IT Infrastructure
- Processes and Procedures
- Value streams
- Business Model

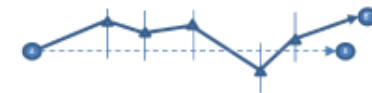


#### Pillars of I4.0

- Big Data
- Augmented Reality
- Simulation
- Internet of Things
- Cloud Computing
- Cyber Security
- Systems Integration
- Additive Manufacturing
- Autonomous Systems

#### "Soft" Issues

- Culture of the organisation
- Awareness in the organisation
- Knowledge in the organisation and or access to such knowledge
- Mind set of the people involved and affected in the organisation
- Approach to the challenge(s), i.e. a "roadmap" for the I4.0 journey



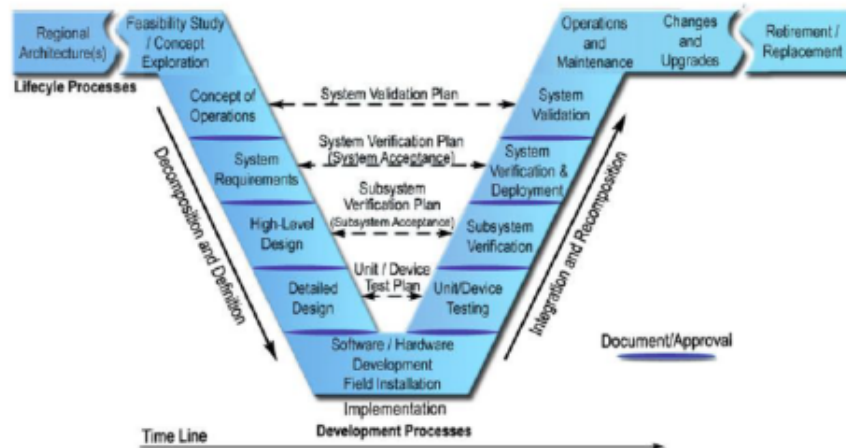






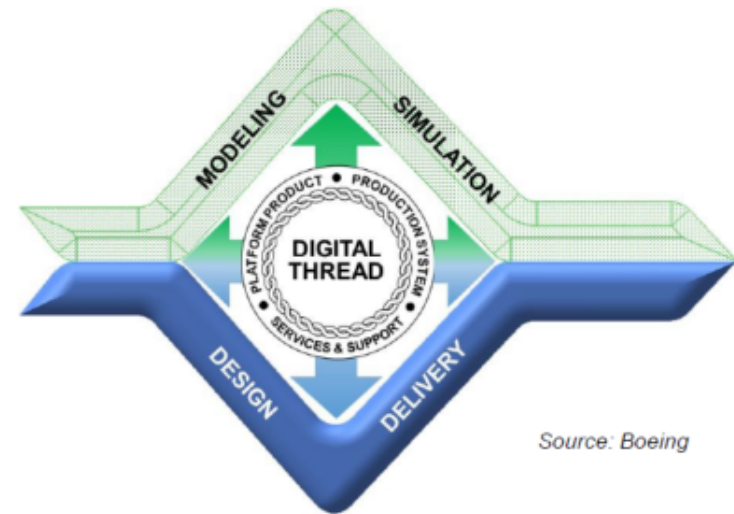
# Design for Certification

## 1990s SE V



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<https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/seitguide/section3.htm>

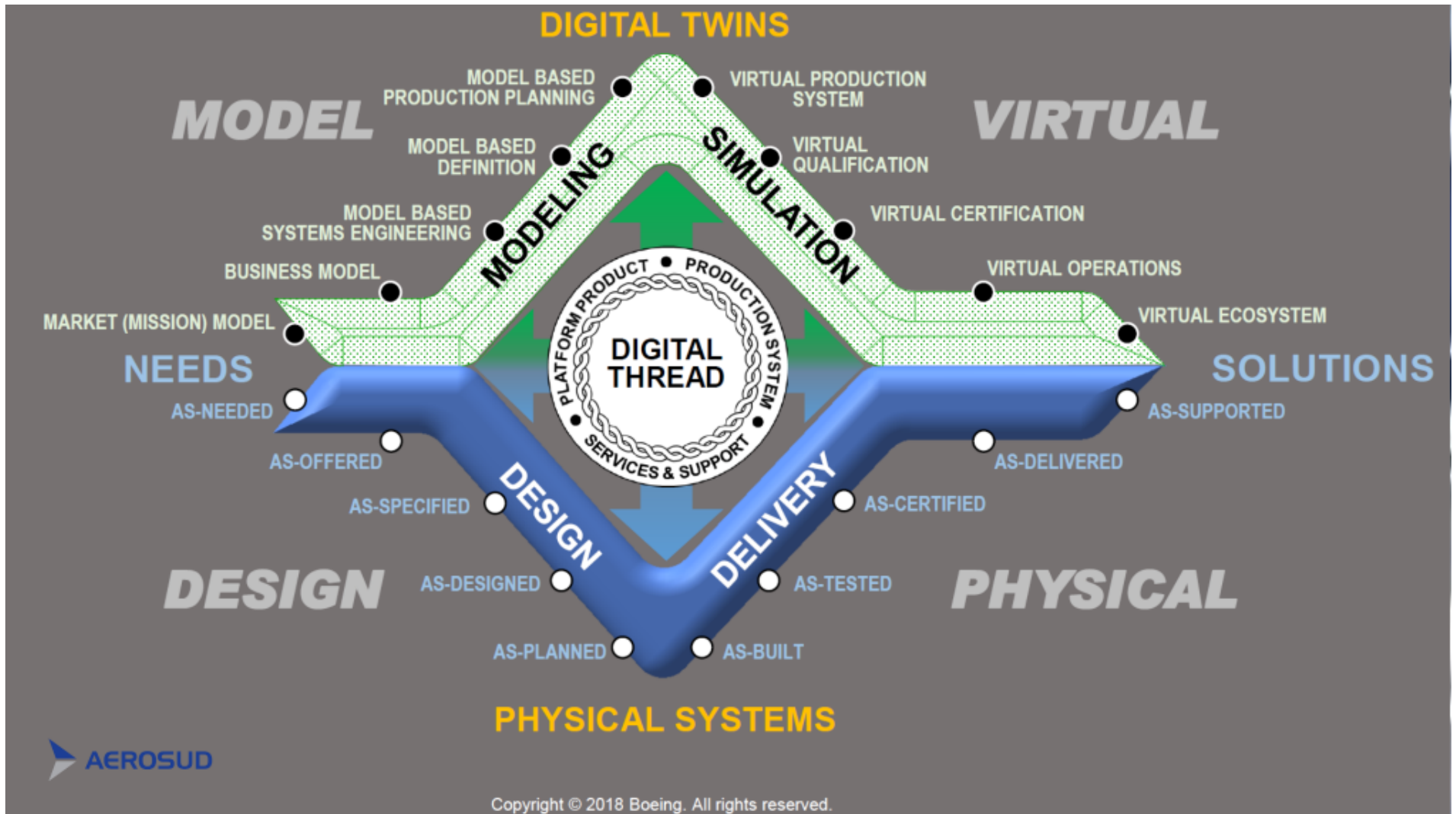
## 2020s MBE Diamond



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Transitioning from a document-focused mindset to a digital engineering mind set that leverages information flow across the lifecycle.

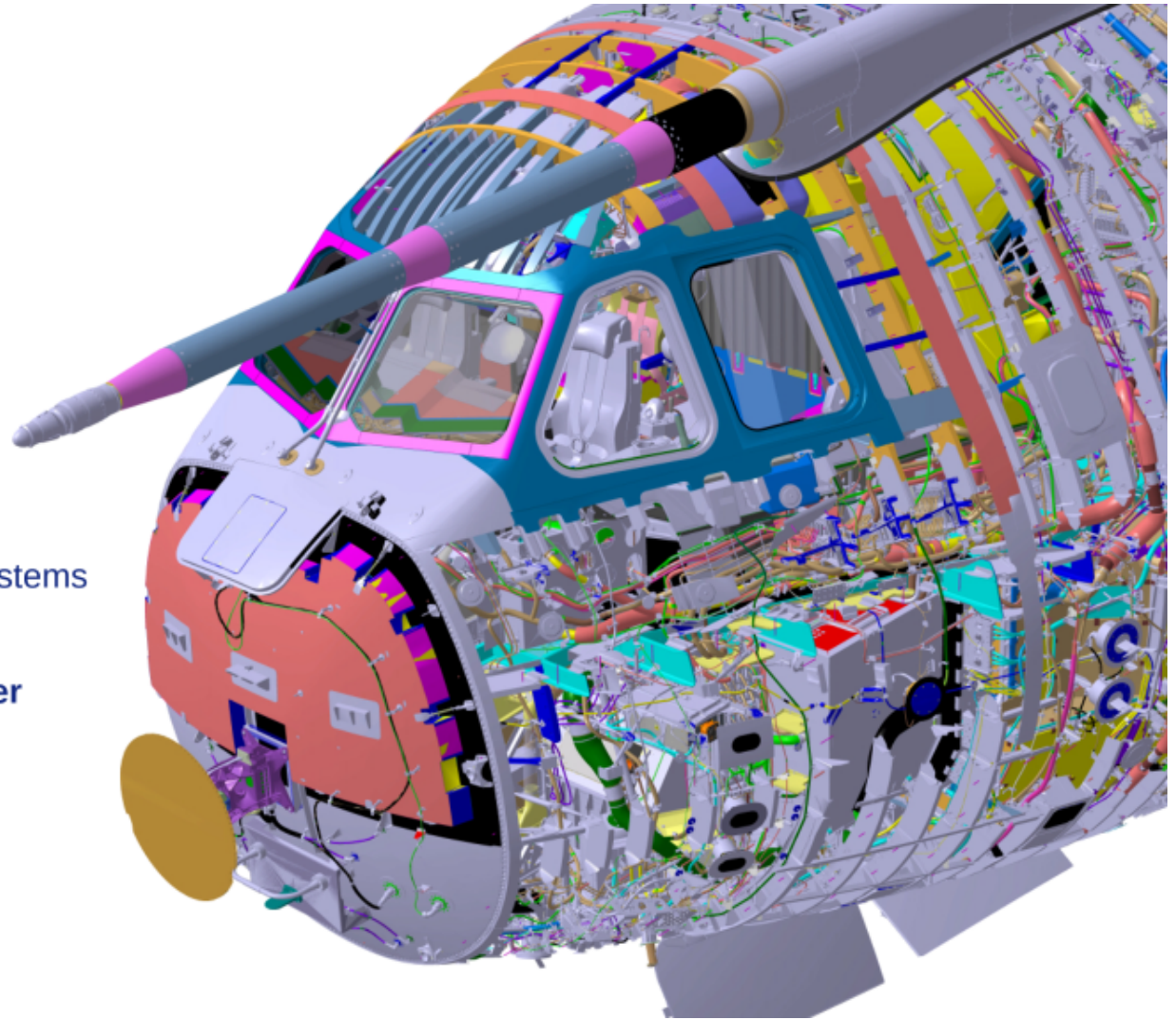


# Digital Twin

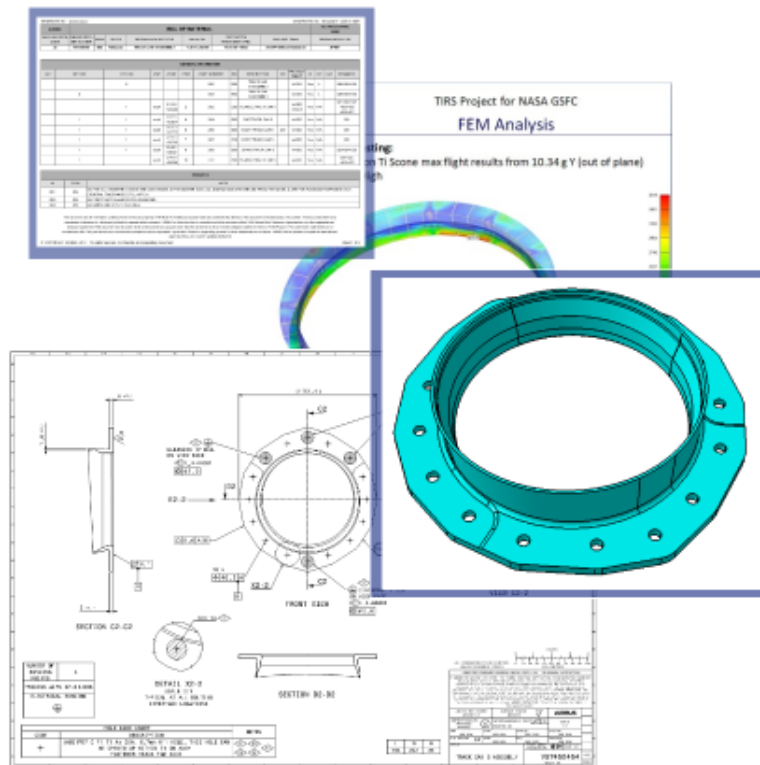
## Company Experience

- Collaborative Design
- Concurrent Engineering
- Digital Mockup
- Around the world
- Integration across different PLM systems

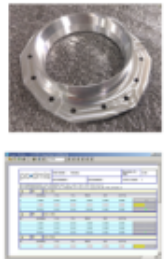
## Design & Build risk sharing partner



# Digital Twin Part



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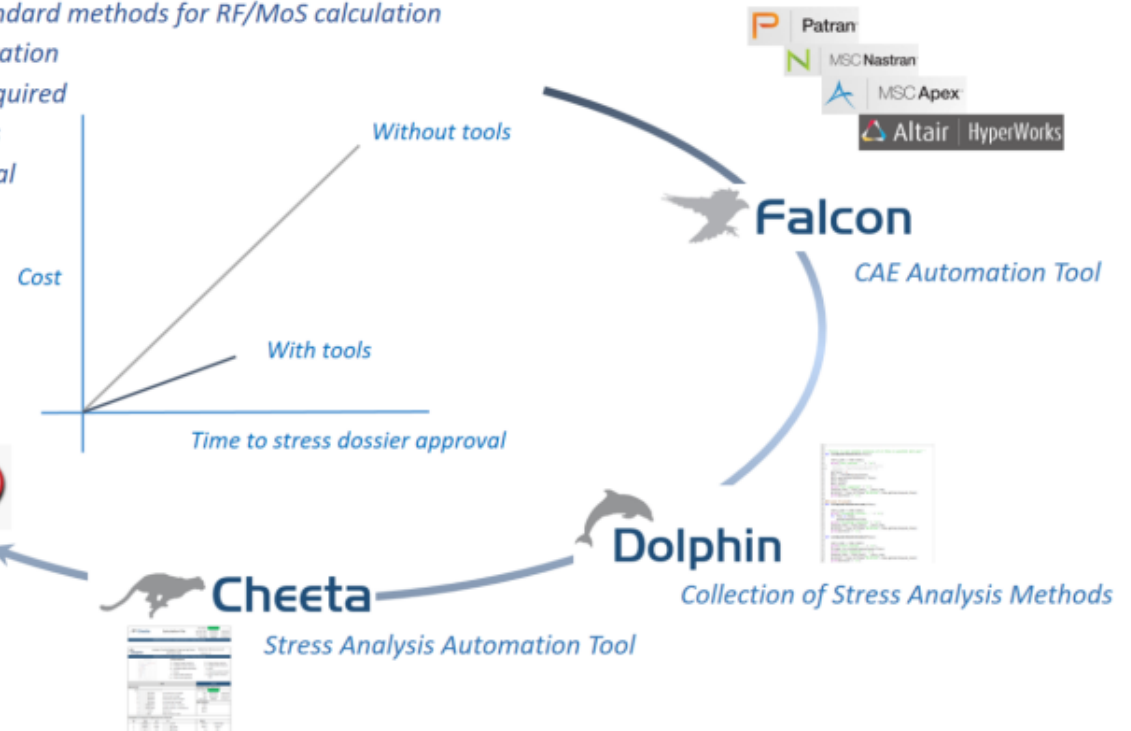
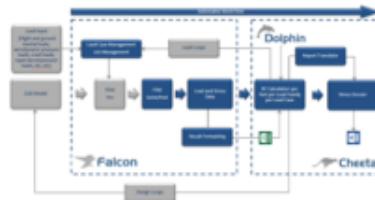




# Design for Certification

## Design Automation Tools

- Automate CAE stress analysis process to account for load loops and design loops
- Standard stress analysis process using standard methods for RF/MoS calculation
- Automate process for Stress Dossier generation
- Reduce the quantity of stress recourses required
- Fast track stress engineer learning process
- Fast track Airworthiness Authority approval





## PLM Systems on the market

### High End

TeamCenter, 3D Experience,  
Windchill, SAP PLM

- Comprehensive functionality
- Expensive
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deliver



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Local Expertise ?

# Transform to Survive & Thrive ...

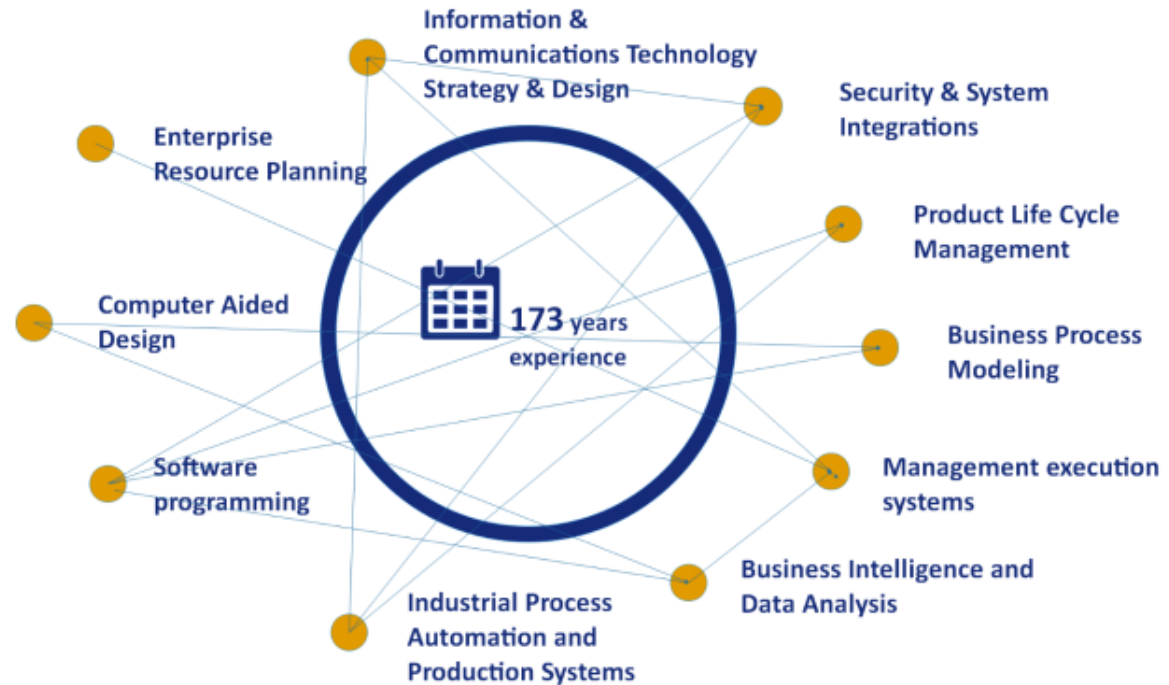
## Our origin...

We have gained our real-life skills and experience across business functions and systems over the last 10 years in the high volume manufacturing environment of Aerosud Aviation.



## Our goal...

We believe that we can share and transfer our skills and experience to other businesses in such a manner that it provides solutions to their immediate challenges so that the businesses and we can continue to thrive.





Best practice  
Mode of Operation



## Typical Roadmap

### Best practice Mode of Operation





## Best practice Mode of Operation

Digital Twin - Parts
Data Management

# Typical Roadmap

Acceptance Criteria	Data Exchange
Tool Management	Kitting
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