# Systems Engineering Rigor Needs an Interoperability Framework



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## **Craig Brown, Executive Consultant**



PLM Leader (Retired) General Motors

- 40+ years of experience, 29 at GM, in systems engineering and embedded control software and the digital tools needed, both in the automotive and aerospace industries
- Appointed PLM Leader at General Motors in 2012 governing planning and execution of key PLM initiatives (Retired 2019)
- Lead Powertrain Simulation Methods Team leading to new techniques for math-based controls & calibration, tribology modeling predictions, balancing laboratory/ field/simulation practices moving work to the left. Earned Boss Kettering Award for Remote Diagnostics Patents (US and Europe)
- Joined the CIMdata team in 2019 systems engineering, PLM governance, various PLM consulting engagements, enterprise process modeling / execution, authoring eBooks, commentaries, and white papers. Invited PLM / MBSE speaker
- Earned a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering and DFSS Black Belt



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Needs Interoperability Framework providing seamless access to concurrent information

- Product complexity is increasingly a system-of-systems problem requiring effective, efficient systems engineering management solutions from product inception through operations.
- Requirements must be written well, with no ambiguity. They must be shared as they are refined. Duplication of requirements leads to confusion, wasted time, and in extreme cases poor product performance.





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- Models of all sorts (logical, functional, structural, electrical, mechanical, equational, etc.) must also be authored well, with no ambiguity. They must also be shared as they are refined. Copies of any engineering items produced within the system engineering digital thread leads to confusion and wasted time.
- Maintaining the systems engineering thread is difficult as the necessary technical processes are digitalized within organizations using many software tools (among them, existing PLM solutions), each with its own file management capabilities which causes copies of requirements lists.



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Needs Interoperability Framework providing seamless access to concurrent information

 Researchers have developed ontologies that provide precise languages and standards when authoring and refining requirements, model elements, assemblies, parts, tests, and other relevant data. Computer databases can help enforce semantic clarity when an engineering item's grammar is defined and precise. Authors can then use these solutions to author the best requirements, models, and associated datum—resulting in clear, concise, precise, and measurable information.



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Needs Interoperability Framework providing seamless access to concurrent information

• The Reuse Company (TRC) provides solutions for knowledge gathering, classifying, and sharing, quality enforcement, across many disciplines each with their own specific solutions, e.g., requirements databases, Logical Modeling, CAD, CAE, ALM, etc. TRC ensures interoperability by integrating with these solutions. They provide systems engineers with their SES ENGINEERING Studio—a platform that assures requirements, models, tests, parts, equations, and many other engineering items are authored correctly and shared in a controlled manner keeping them visible all the time.

TRC's SES ENGINEERING Studio is such a framework



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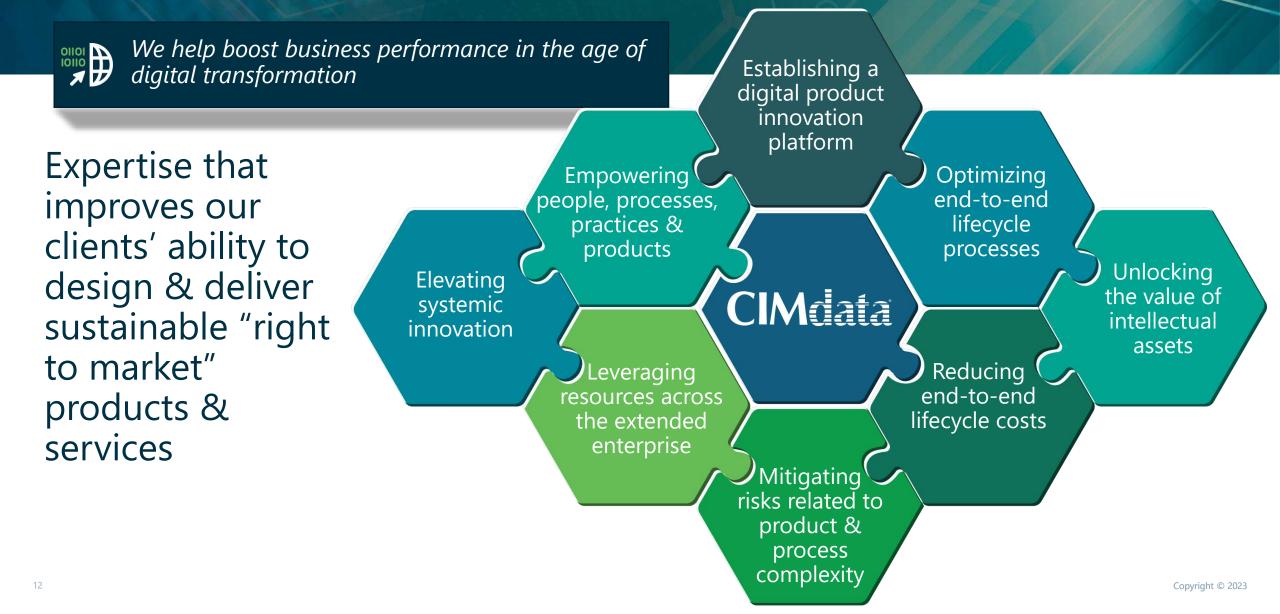
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### What We Do





#### **Our Services**

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Strategic advice & counsel through a comprehensive & integrated set of services





# **Select Transformation Clients**

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#### **Auto/Transportation**





Fab & Assembly

#### **High-Tech**





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# **Defining PLM**



Digital transformation of the lifecycle, enabled by the product innovation platform

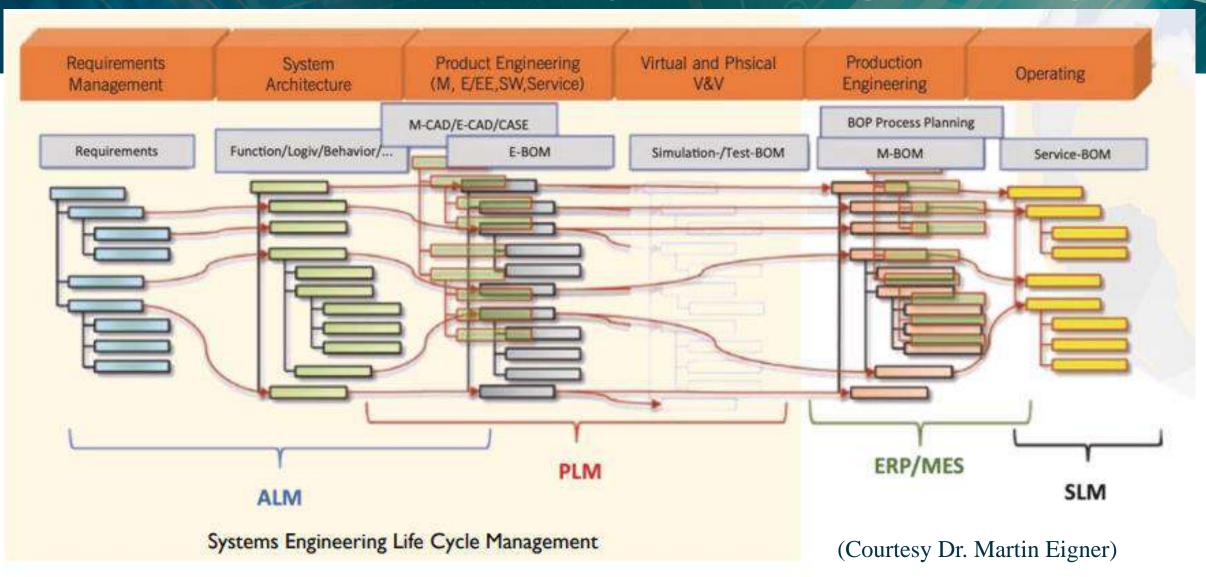
#### PLM is...

- A strategic business approach powered by a consistent set of solutions
- Enabled by product innovation platforms that support the extended enterprise
- An approach that spans the full lifecycle, from idea through life
- Enables a set of evolving functional domains orchestrated by an extended enterprise-level "systems of systems" approach





### **Product Development Systems Engineering**





### **PLM's Critical Role**

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Spans the full lifecycle: from concept through launch and beyond

PLM is the collaborative creation, use, management, and dissemination of product-related *intellectual assets* 

AEC, MCAD, EDA, ALM, SE, requirements, simulations, analytics, portfolio, formulas...

Virtual Products

Planning, design, production, operation, support, decommission, recycling...

virtual Processes



### **Simulation-Driven Systems Development**

#### **Practice Overview**



Director: Don Tolle

#### Mission

• Enable adoption of Model-Based Engineering (MBE) processes and tools focused on the expanding intersection of emerging model-based systems engineering (MBSE) methods with best practice and technologies in Modeling, Simulation, and Analysis

#### Areas of Focus

- Providing management consulting services to industrial organizations and PLM/MBE solution providers in the effective implementation of model-based technologies, integrated processes, and industry best practices
- Research and thought leadership publications on market trends, technology gaps, industry standards, and best practices for integrating data, processes, and tools to enable MBE/MBSE



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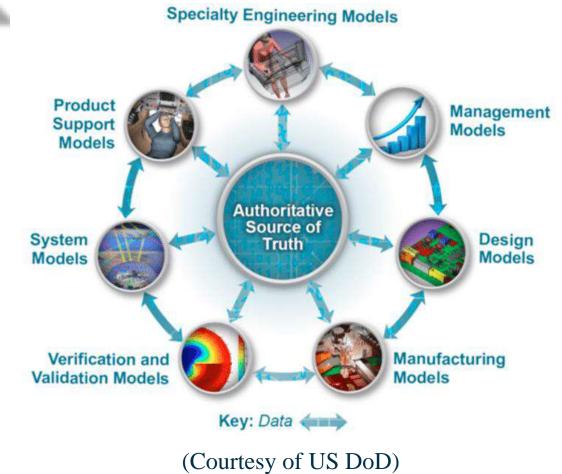


# **CIMdata Foresight Model-Based Enterprises**



Using Models with Known Contexts Improves Products Decisions

- Requirements Discovery
  - Balancing Wants and Desires with Needs
  - An agreement across products & enterprise
- Authoritative Source of Truth
  - Defined by DoD Digital Engineering Policy
  - Datum comes from many models
- Ontologies provide Rosetta Stone
  - Enables better systems understanding
- Interoperability Solutions Streamline
  - Collaborative access when needed
  - Refinement in near real time

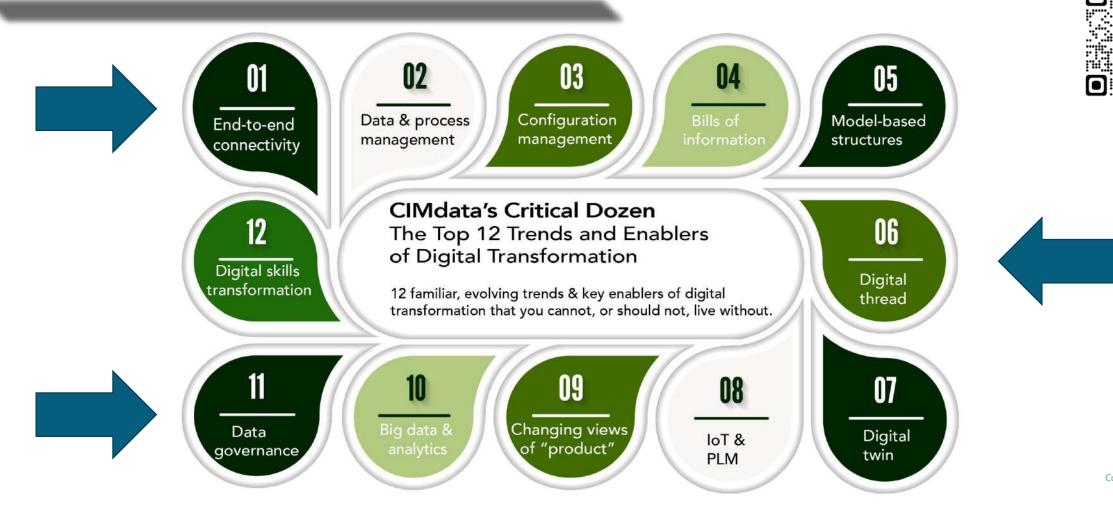




### **Interoperability Across Enterprise**

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12 critical elements of a successful digital transformation—digitalization is at the core





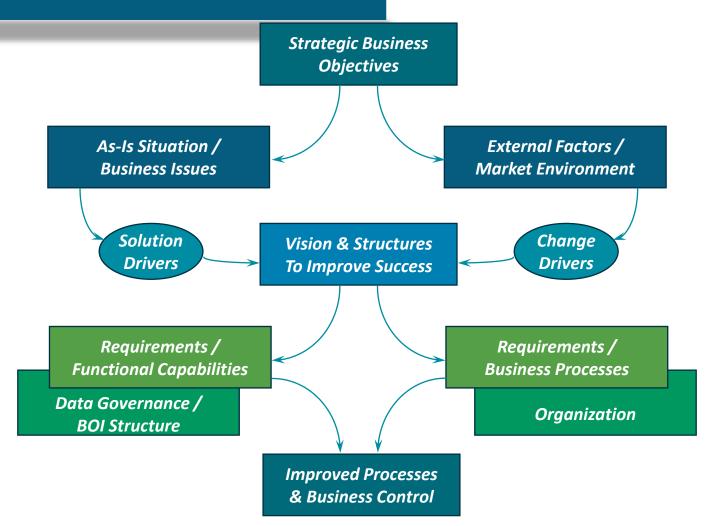
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### **Best Practice for Digital Transformation**

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To improve business performance, start with strategy & end with measurable results





# **Building & Keeping Trust Is Crucial**

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How can Digital Engineering help trustworthiness?

- Collaboration across organization silos is essential
- New product technologies and empirical data analytics are allowing new entrants into industries
- Virtual, contextual views of a product correlated with its usage data improves confidence as creators acquire knowledge of their customer's usages
- Requirements Engineering manages changes during development
- ALM/PLM solutions must embrace *Interoperability*, especially in Systems Engineering



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# Introducing SES ENGINEERING Studio



SAFRAN Aircraft Engines, an early adopter, is using this Interoperability Framework

- Requirements Engineering & Quality
- Verification & Validation
- Traceability Discovery
- Knowledge Management and Patterns
- Test Cases Generation from requirements

SMART Traceability, Davy Masson (SAFRAN Aircraft Engines) and Jose Fuentes (The REUSE Company), at 2022 INCOSE International Symposium (June 2022 Detroit, USA)









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- Systems Engineering Professor at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (Spain)
- INCOSE
  - Former President and Technical Director of AEIS (INCOSE Spain)
  - Member of INCOSE RWG / PLEWG / KMWG
  - CSEP / ESEP
- PhD in Industrial Engineering with SW Reuse as topic





# ENABLING Smart systems Engineering.



We promote the digitalization of the system life cycle management ...

guided by reuse, driven by a knowledge-centric + model-based approach ( => supporting the authoritative source of truth concept), integrating Document Centric views inside MBSE

#### By...

stating an Integration Hub, providing connectivity to all siloed tools in the ecosystem, enabling unlimited interoperability among tools, offering full support to technical management processes for all connections (as defined in ISO 15288) digitalizing the life cycle management workflow empowering Microsoft Productivity tools as pure SE solutions



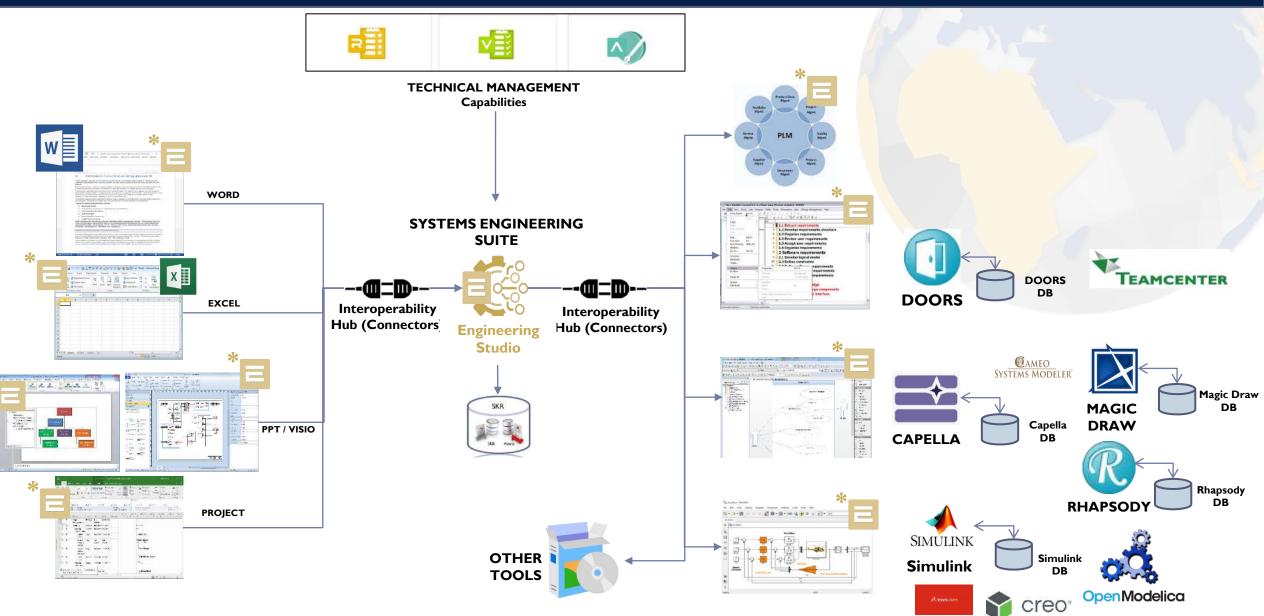




- SES is the SW solution of The REUSE Company for enabling the system lifecycle digital management by reusing and integrating the existing (or new) ecosystem of tools. This approach in based on:
  - Connecting to the different tools
  - Making them <u>INTEROPERABLE</u> and reusable. Examples:
    - Generate models in CAMEO, Rhapsody, EA, Capella from requirements in DOORS, Polarion, TeamCenter, Word, Excel, etc.
    - Generate requirements from models using the existing tools
    - Transforming models
    - Porting requirements and models between platforms (Capella,
    - o Etc.
  - Managing inside them ALL the <u>technical management processes</u> (quality, V&V, Traceability, Configuration and Change Management, etc.)
  - Providing smart authoring on the tools content
  - Creating a lifecycle workflow by defining tools/documents dependencies.
  - Enhancing MBSE by Orchestrating a Synchronized Source of Truth (SSoT) using ontologies
  - Offering MBRE (Model Based Requirements Engineering) integrating requirements and models
  - Using the Ontology to Provide smart semantic services to the architecture.

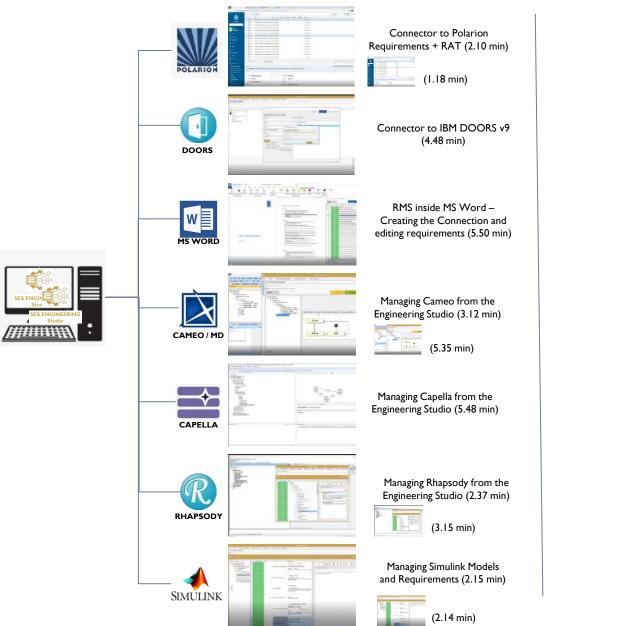


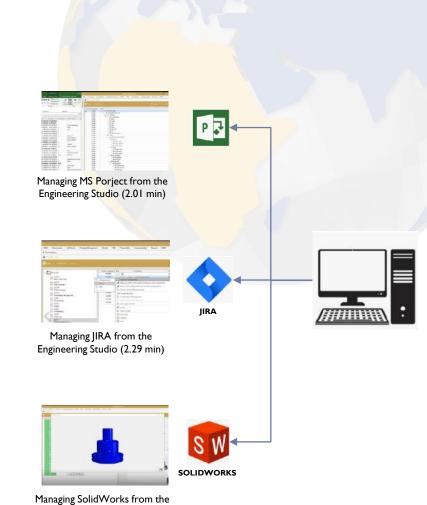
#### SES ENGINEERING Studio: Applications Architecture





#### Sample of Connections to Technical Processes Tools (Engineering Items)

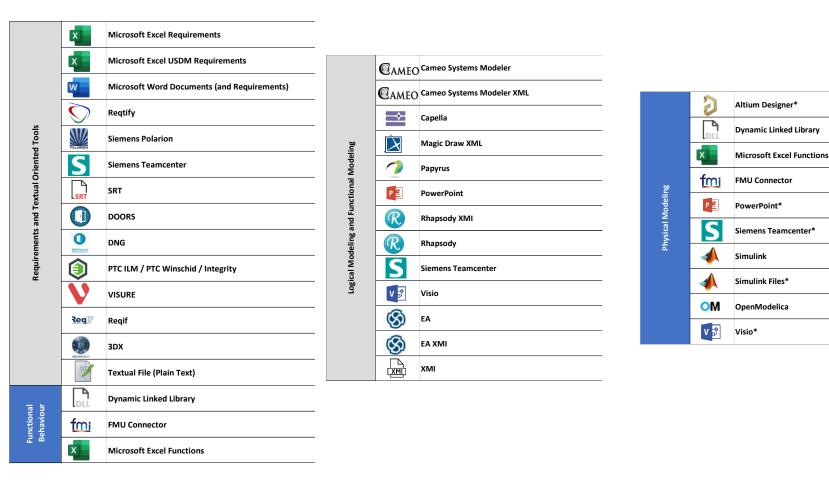




Engineering Studio (3.32 min)



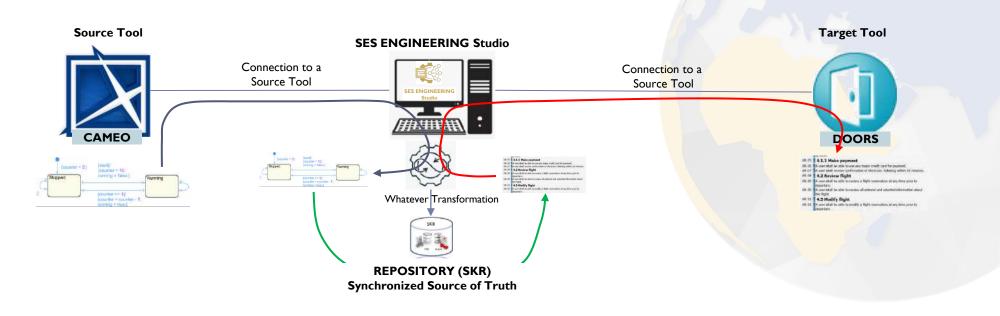
#### SES Engineering Studio: Connectors



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	Databases (Oracle, SQL Server, MySQL, MS Access)
	Textual File (Plain Text)
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#### The philosophy of the Interoperability capability

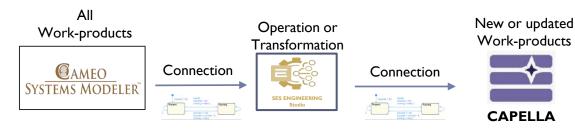


#### INTEROPERABILITY

- Possibility of connecting content (traceability)
- Connecting outputs from source connections to Inputs of Target connections Simulating requirements, sending information to simulations, etc.
- Automating the Digital Thread Changes in one engineering item automatically produce the changes in the manuals, etc..
- Creation of content in one connection from content of other connection Automatic generation of models, requirements, test cases etc.
- A Lifecycle Management Project can be created defining workflows of connections



#### I- INTEROPERABILITY AT CONNECTION LEVEL



Copy / Add Merge / Synchronize Compare / Diff All Sorts of Transformations

#### SOME EXAMPLES DEMOS



Model Round trip (Cameo->Capella) (5.55 min) and (Capella-Cameo) (3.45 min)

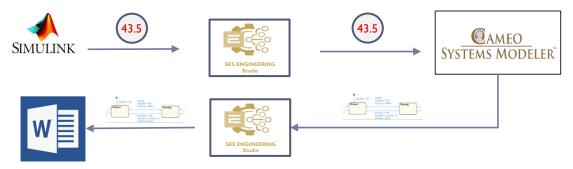
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Generate Models in Cameo from Requirements in Excel and synchronize the Model in Enterprise Architect (4.47 min)



Interoperability: Requirements Simulation (Word-Excel) (4.47 min)

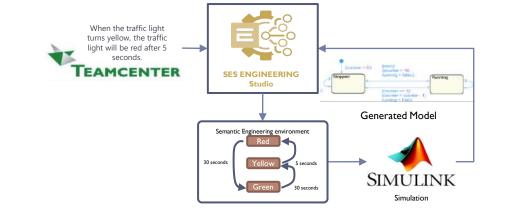
#### 2- INTEROPERABILITY AT WORKPRODUCT LEVEL (Bindings)



Binding Specific properties from the different connections



#### Interoperability at Connection Level: Demos





Automatic Generation of Simulink State Machines from Requirements (3.01 min)



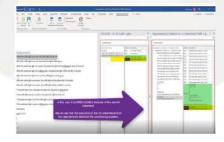
Automatic Generation of SysML from Requirements (4.03 min)



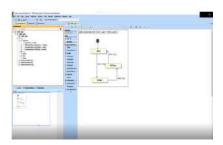
Automatic Generation of MODELICA Models from Requirements (3.52 min)

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Merge / Copy To / Add To Rhapsody 2 Cameo (2.20 min)



Automatic Generation of Linear Temporal Logic (LTL) from Requirements (3.23 min)

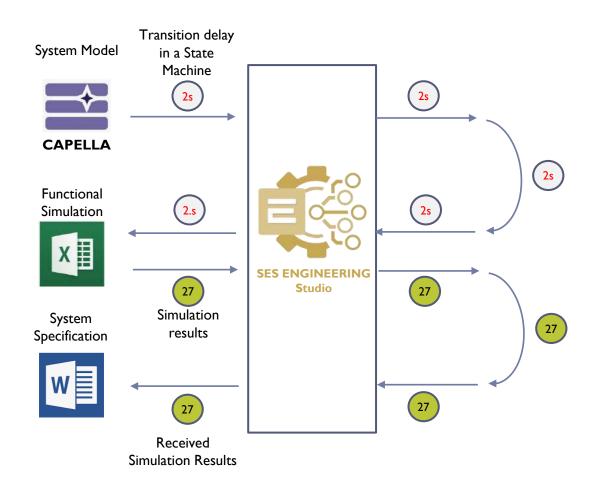


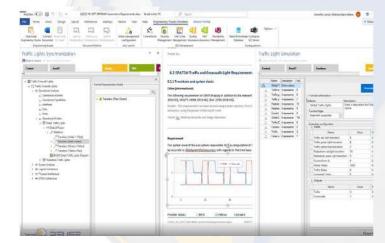
Interoperating Models: Magic Draw-Simulink (1.20 min)



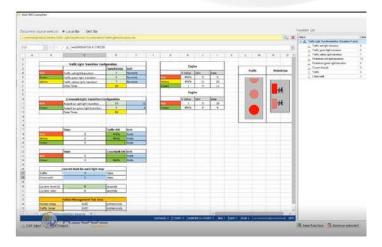
#### Interoperability at work-product Level : Demos

#### Interoperability Models / Functions / Requirements Documents





SES ENGINEERING Studio Interoperability: Models Simulation (Capella – Excel - Word) (13.15 min)



SES ENGINEERING Studio Capella – Word – Excel: Requirements Extraction and Management, Traceability, CRUD, Quality, Authoring, Simulation against Excel (24.45 min)



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#### **Boosting MS Word with Requirements Management capabilities**

- Writing high-quality requirements in MS Word (January 31 & February 2)
- Managing Requirements in MS Word
- Transforming MS Word requirements
- Propagating changes from traceability links
- Reporting Systems Engineering artifacts through MS Word

### **Questions & Answers**





What's on your mind?





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## **Closing Remarks**



To remain competitive, interoperability is paramount to digital transformation

- The most innovative organizations have diverse toolsets, especially as they pursue new technologies
- *Interoperability techniques* and solutions are needed for effective digital transformation while allowing innovators digital tool flexibility
- Trusting the sources of truth makes them authoritative "Meaningful for the next decision to be made"
- The Reuse Company has developed SES ENGINEERING Studio as the interoperability framework for all kinds product data elements

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