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### Coordinating the Development of a Wider Set of Strategic Standards for Design, Supply Chain and Support

### The ASD SSG Radar Chart

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#### Introduction

- The Strategic Standardisation Group (SSG) was set up in October 2008 by ASD, with the support of a group of European manufacturers and defense agencies in order to share a common strategy for the development and deployment of interoperability solutions all along the product life-cycle.
- The SSG is a working group of the ASD association, reporting to the ASD Services Commission.
- Interoperability of information processes is seen as key for both industrial performance and operational performance of aerospace and defence (A&D) products. Our approach to interoperability is based on the broad adoption of standards, not on the selection of a particular technology or tool.
- The ASD SSG aims to support effective governance, at European level, of the development and validation of information interoperability standards and solutions for A&D industries.







#### How the SSG coordinates standards

- Identifying and specifying A&D industry needs in regards to information interoperability along the product life-cycle.
- Proposing and applying governance tools at strategic and technical level (e.g. radar screen, interoperability framework, assessment process).
- Developing ASD standards policies and recommendations and publishing these through the SSG website.
- Encouraging IT vendors to implement these solutions and assessing the quality of those implementations.
- Developing a network of experts.
- Developing liaisons with all relevant associations (e.g. AIA in the U.S.) and standardization organizations (e.g. ISO/TC 184/SC 4, OMG, UN/CEFACT).

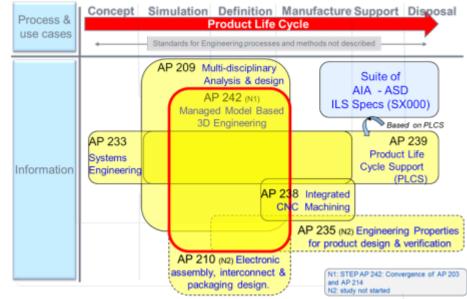






### But why this work?

- In the past, different standardization organizations worked isolated, without any attempt to integrate their specifications with those that did not belong to their own group (and sometimes not even between them).
- This lead to redundancy of specifications and –even worse– at inconsistencies both at process and data level.
- With the current competitive trend towards digitalization across the whole life-cycle, it is no longer possible to ignore other standardization bodies, much less to maintain incompatible standards.
- The SSG explores existing standards and specifications and assists in ensuring the convergence of existing standards or promotes new standards to fill possible gaps.



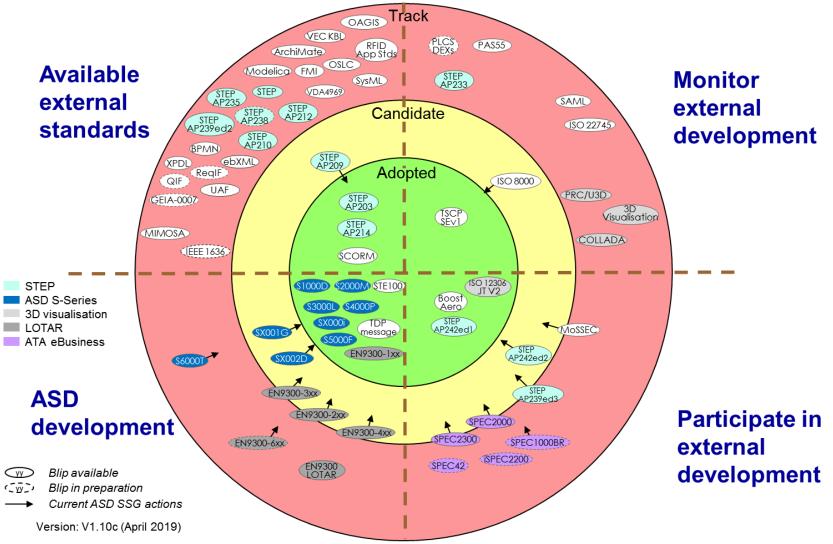
#### Stand-alone and non-interoperable standards are doomed in the midlong term!







#### **Radar Chart**



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#### Strategy for interoperability

- The ASD vision of through life-cycle interoperability is that 'All players of the global aerospace value network will be able to share digital information securely throughout the life of the products and services'. T
- This vision is implemented by a set of recommendations:
  - 1. Strengthen the STEP architecture approach to 1) ensure interoperability between STEP standards and 2) provide unambiguous implementation methods (including for new information technologies, e.g. OSLC).
  - 2. Ensure 3D visualisation format standards used in the industry are consistent with STEP standards
  - 3. Ensure the common data model for the ILS specifications is consistent with STEP AP239.
  - 4. Promote the ASD-AIA ILS suite of specifications and seek to manage coherence with ATA specifications where needed by the industry.
  - 5. Participate in the development, and interoperability testing of the next generation of PDM/PLM web services.
  - 6. Facilitate data interoperability in the Aerospace and Defence Supply Chain and align business process between Supply Chain stakeholders.
  - 7. Supports the setting-up of implementer forums (e.g. PDM implementer forum) to test and validate the implementation of the standards-based solutions.

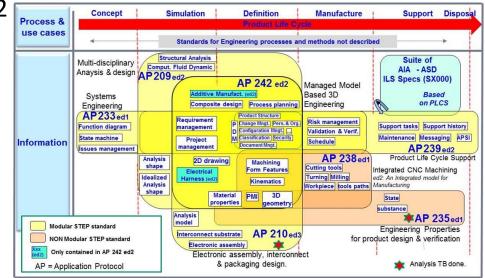






### Technical work

- The SSG participates in a significant number of projects or includes members from this projects, in order to drive future interoperability:
  - Modeling and Simulation in a Systems Engineering Context" (MoSSEC)
  - LOng Term Archiving and Retrieval (LOTAR)
  - ISO 10303-242 "Managed Model Based 3D Engineering" edition 2
  - ISO 10303-239 "Product Life Cycle Support" edition 3
  - ISO JT ("Jupiter Tessellation") Ed. 2
  - New STEP architecture
- The SSG also promotes implementer forums:
  - CAx Implementer Forum (CAx-IF)
  - Product Data Management
    Implementer Forum (PDM-IF)









#### More information: SSG website and newsletter









# Thank you for your attention!

## **Questions?**

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