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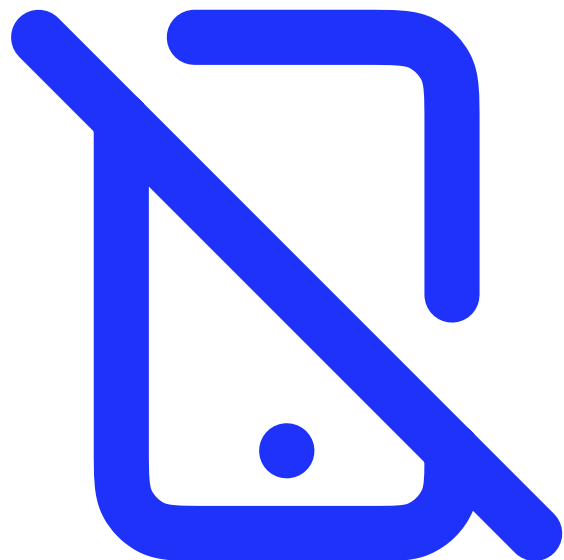
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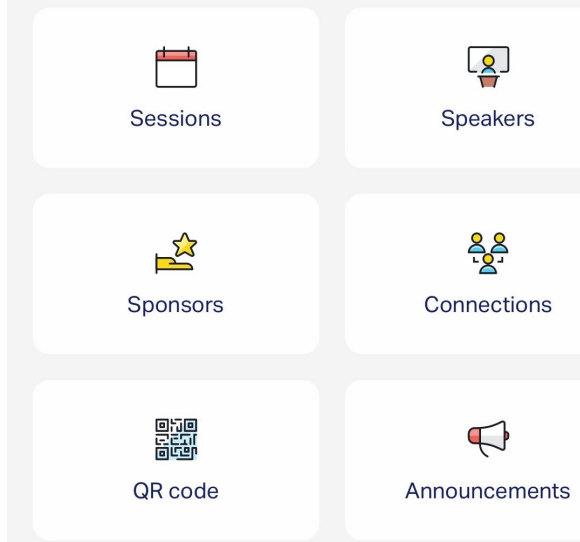
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Tuesday 23 June

18:00 - 19:00 CET (1 hour)
Networking Cocktail Reception

Wednesday 24 June

08:00 - 09:00 CET (1 hour)
Welcome Coffee

09:00 - 09:10 CET (10 minutes)
Opening and Welcome
Milan-Venecia

WMES App, Q&A & Survey.

From crisis to constraint:
The new normal for the
aviation supply chain

Wed 24/06, 09:10 - 09:30 CET
20 minutes

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Stuart Fox
Director Flight and Technical
Operations, IATA

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Korean Air's PdM Journey: A Real Airline Perspective

Jonghoon Oh,

General Manager, Head of Predictive Maintenance, Korean Air

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World Maintenance Engineering Symposium (WMES)
Madrid, Spain
June 2026



Next- Generation M&E:

Predictive Maintenance and AI Digitalization at Korean Air

Presenter: Jonghoon OH, GM / Head of Predictive Maintenance, Korean Air



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About Us.

Founding Date

 **MAR 1, 1969**

Employees

 **19,425**

Engineering : 4,743 (24%)

Operating Fleet

 **163 A/C**

PAX : 140 / CGO : 23

Destinations

 **40 Countries**
111 Cities

PAX Traffic

 **23M PAX**

Cargo Traffic

 **1.5M Tons**

Journey Together



KOREAN AIR



ASIANA AIRLINES



**163 A/C → 200+
A/C**



About Us.

Building a Unified Aviation Ecosystem



Total Integration

Beyond the FSC merger, our LCC subsidiaries—Jin Air, Air Busan, and Air Seoul—will also integrate into a single powerful LCC platform.

Market Leadership

This consolidation will create Korea's largest LCC, providing a comprehensive network that covers both premium and budget segments.

Operational Synergy

A unified fleet and shared infrastructure will maximize efficiency and set a new standard for operational reliability across the entire group.

Setting the Stage: Airline Workshop - April 2026

- **Focusing on Operational Reality** : Shifting the conversation from standard product features to sharing real-world experiences from airline operators.
- **Global Collaboration** : Over 80 industry experts from several global airlines came together in Seoul to share insights and build consensus. (22 Airlines Registered)
- **A Paradigm Shift** : Recognizing that Predictive Maintenance is more than a technology upgrade—it requires a fundamental transformation in how we operate and maintain aircraft.
- **Collective Goal** : Building transparent partnerships across the industry, sharing both our successes and valuable lessons learned.



Operationalizing PdM: The KE Journey



2023 - IT Integration

Expanded the team. Critical addition of IT and Data Engineering experts to build data pipelines and infrastructure for in-house modeling.

2025/26 - Scaling Up

Expanded OEM coverage across all fleets (Boeing & Airbus) while refining in-house models. Achieved over 120 prevented Operational Interruptions in 2025.

2023 - The Task Force

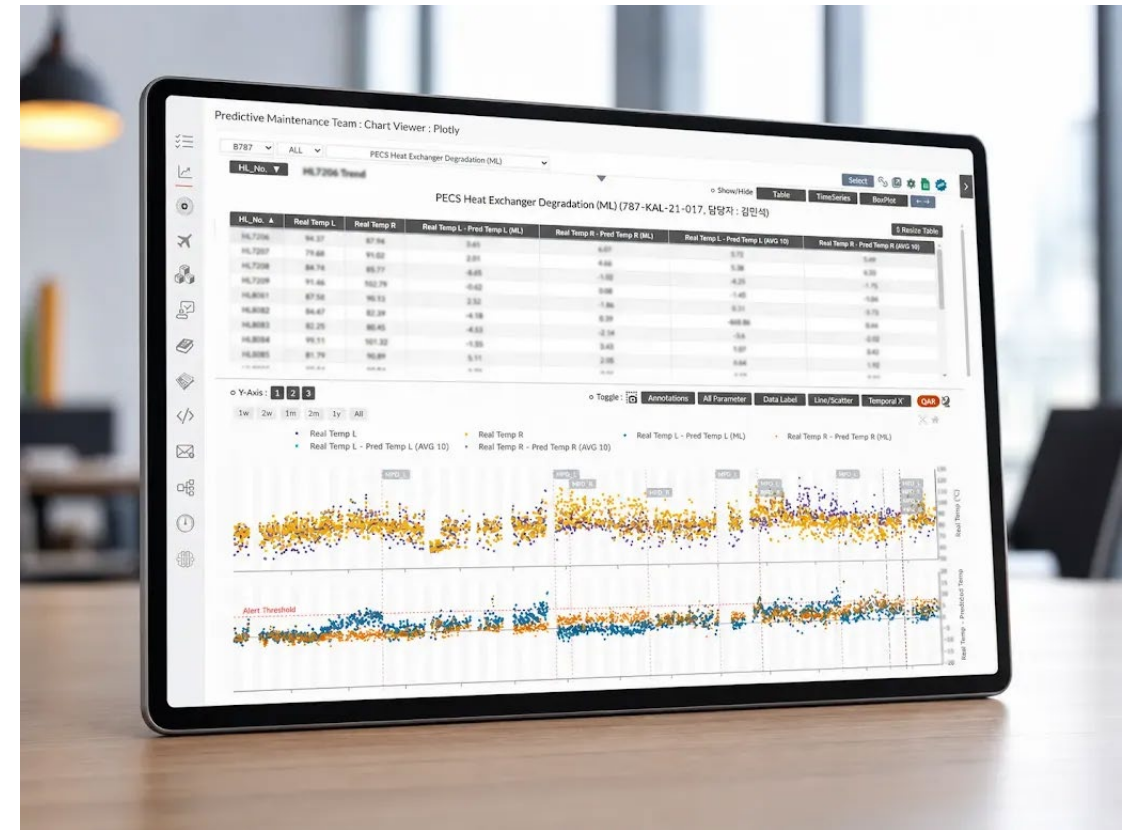
Launched with 7 members from Engineering, MCC, and Reliability. Focused on benchmarking, breaking data silos, and securing C-Level support.

2024 - KEPredix Launch

Successfully launched our in-house, no-code platform. Enabled custom alert modules, trend visualization, and unified alert management.

In - House Innovation : KEPred iX

- **Chart Builder** : A no-code based interface allows engineers to easily create custom model trend charts tailored to specific failure modes.
- **Custom Alerts** : Empowers the team to set distinct thresholds and trigger customized email alerts based on their domain expertise.
- **Alert Management** : A single pane of glass for processing engineering reviews, issuing work orders, and recording shop findings.
- **Performance Management** : Integrates comprehensive alert statistics, KPI tracking, and cost evaluation to continuously measure and optimize the true operational value of our Pdm strategies.



Redefining Success: From Alerts to ROI



Shifting KPIs

We are no longer just counting alerts. Leading carriers have moved away from traditional lagging metrics like IRRE and Turnaround Time, toward proactive indicators.



Measuring "Cost Avoidance"

The true metric of success is quantifiable cost savings, measured primarily through prevented AOGs (Aircraft on Ground).



The Dual-Layer Framework

Balancing Operational Efficiency (Alert Acceptance Rate & Precision) with Direct Business Impact ensures model performance translates to the bottom line.



Cross-Functional Synergy

Proving ROI requires seamless integration between "Domain Experts" (Engineers) and "Data Experts" (Data Scientists). A dedicated PdM organization is essential.

Beyond Technology: Culture & Trust



Building Trust on the Hangar Floor



Beyond Algorithms

True breakthroughs happen on the hangar floor. Breaking down silos is the foundation of PdM success.



Targeting "Quick Wins"

Focusing on high-impact systems first to prove the technology's value to frontline mechanics early.



High Explainability

Mechanics must understand the 'why' behind an alert. Technology must be a trusted partner, not a black box.

AI in M&E (1): Upgrading Predictive Analytics



➤ Overcoming Limitations

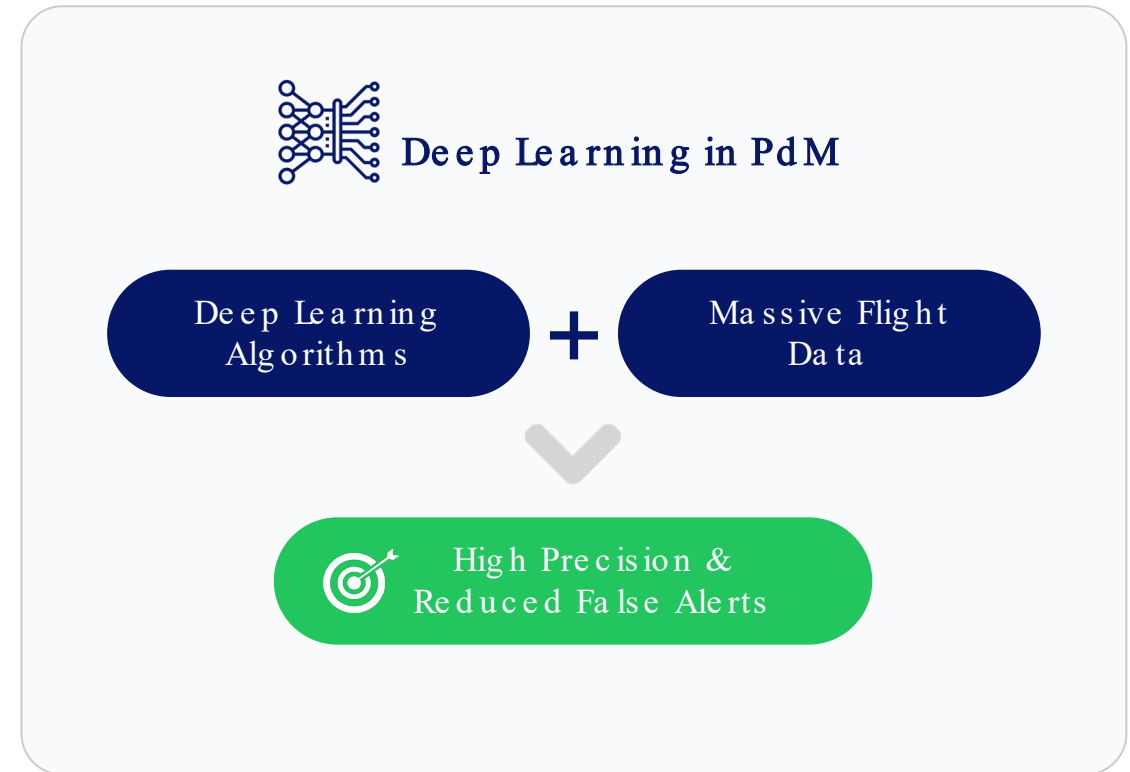
Moving beyond the rigid constraints of traditional physics-based models and standard rule-based algorithms.

➤ Deep Learning Models

Applying advanced AI neural networks to discover complex, hidden patterns within massive datasets of historical flight data.

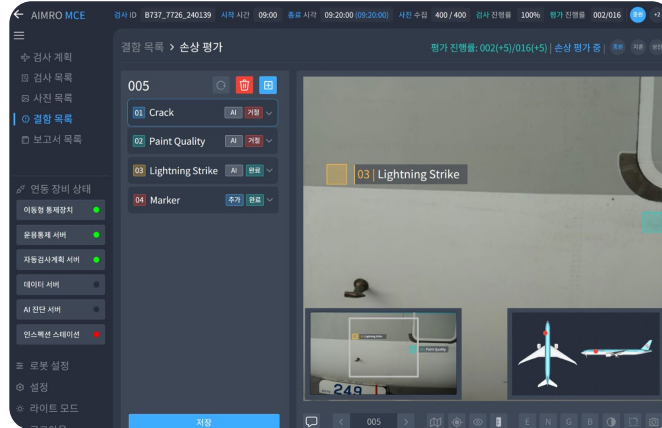
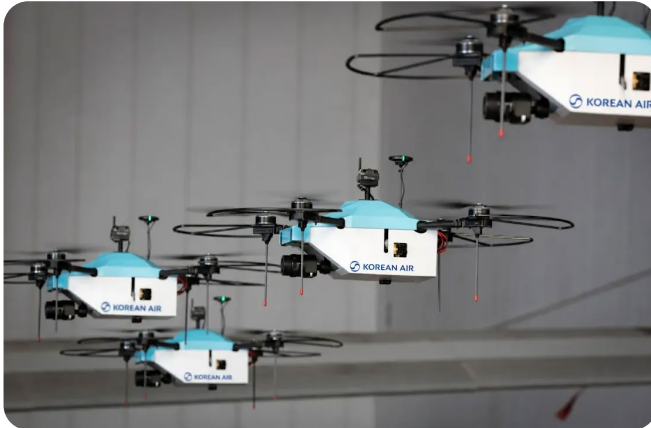
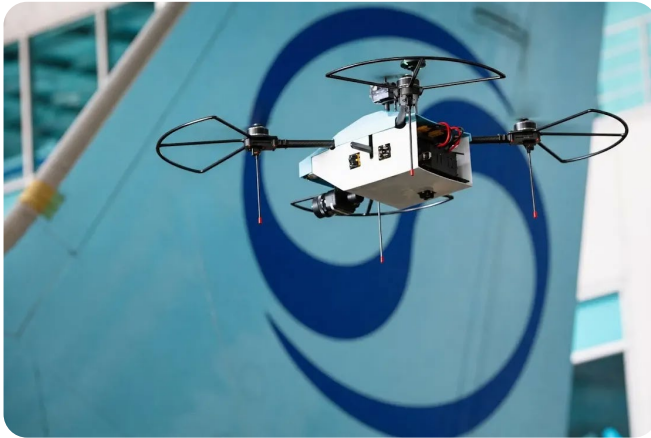
➤ Operational Impact

Achieving significantly higher alert precision, predicting failures earlier, and drastically reducing false positives on the hangar floor.



AI in M&E(2): Autonomous Visual Inspections

Target: H2 2026



1

Autonomous Robots

Deploying advanced drones and rovers to execute self-driving exterior aircraft scans.

2

Swarm Control System

Operating a centralized system to seamlessly command and coordinate multiple robot swarms.

3

AI Defect Analysis

Utilizing computer vision to automatically analyze scan graphics, detect structural defects, and instantly alert mechanics.

Redefining Component Support Partnerships

As predictive maintenance evolves, the industry faces a critical two-step challenge regarding PBH repair coverage.

Step 1: Guarantee Vendor PdM



Vendor PdM Alert Triggered



Part Removed & Sent



Officially guarantee PBH coverage
for vendor-generated alerts.

Step 2: Cover All PdM Alerts



Early Degradation Detected



Preemptive Removal



Accept removals based on shared
criteria for early degradation.



Questions?

Thank you for joining Korean Air's PdM Journey.

Predictive Maintenance Team



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The Endeavor and Vision

Advancing Maintenance through Innovation





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Takuma KOGA

All Nippon Airways Co., Ltd.
Tokyo Haneda, Japan (HND)

Engineering
Planning & Administration

Role:

Leading predictive maintenance
initiatives in ANA

Background:

Powerplant mechanic
Powerplant engineer

About ANA: Company Introduction

Corporate Name

ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS CO., LTD.

Date of Foundation

December 27, 1952

Number of Employees

14,983 employees
(47,826 employees, consolidated basis)

Principle Purpose

- Air transportation business
- Aircraft and aircraft parts sales, leasing and maintenance
- Airport ground handling services

Flights (as of August 1, 2025)

	Routes	Destinations
Domestic	142 (25*)	61 (15*)
International	55 (18*)	41 (11*)

Number of Aircraft

240 (38*) including 88 Boeing 787
(as of June 2025)

-Launch customer of the Boeing 787
-Major fleet in ANA with all variants
(Rolls-Royce and GE engine powered)



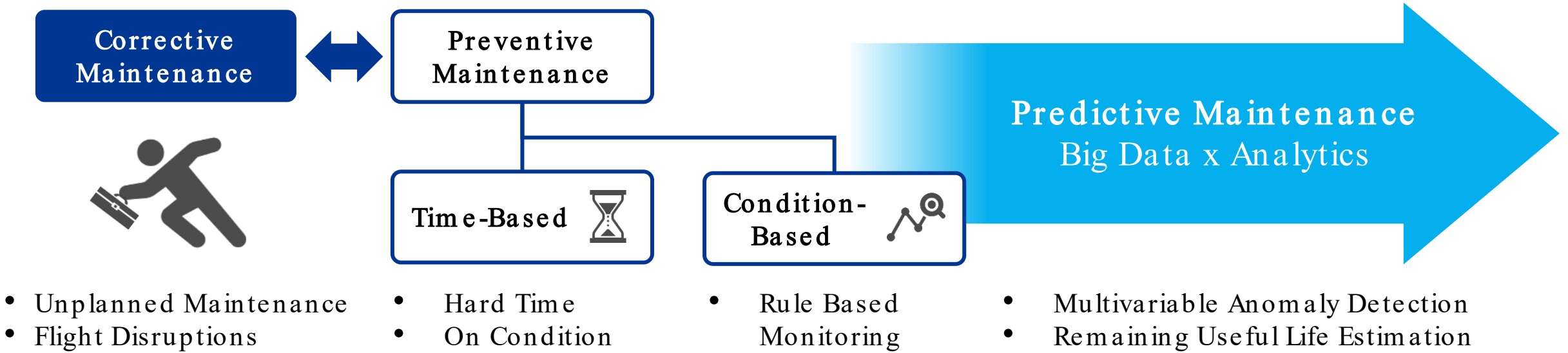
*Peach Aviation and Air Japan



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Corrective Maintenance vs. Predictive Maintenance

- **Corrective maintenance** remains inherently **unscheduled**, heavily consuming additional cost and resources
- **Predictive maintenance** minimizes flight disruptions by **converting unplanned events into scheduled tasks**
- Transitioning to predictive maintenance demands robust big data infrastructure and advanced analytics

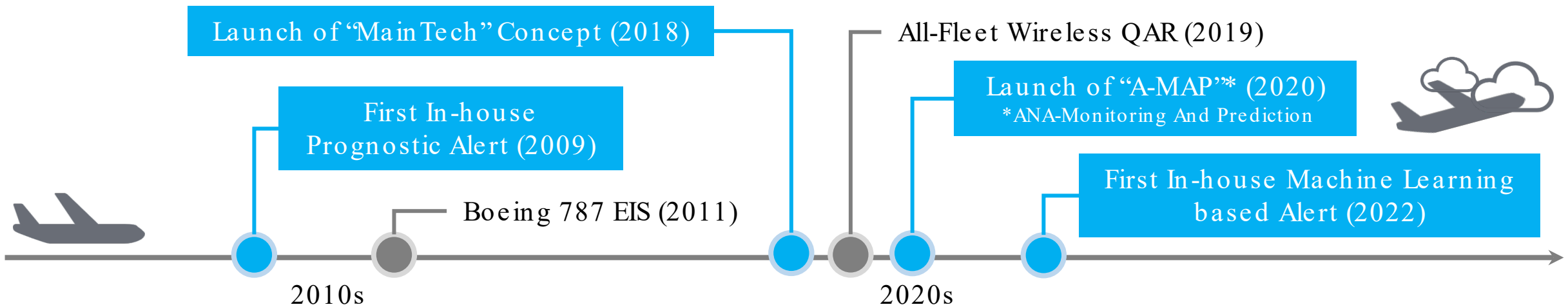


Maintenance Cost
- Labor, Parts, Equipment ,etc.

Necessary Data

ANA's Journey: From Monitoring to Predictive Maintenance

- **Early 2000s:** Consistent utilization of onboard ACMS for data monitoring
- **Boeing 787 EIS:** Exponential growth in data volume, surpassing traditional spreadsheet capacity
- **A-MAP Launch:** Initiated a dedicated project to accelerate predictive maintenance at ANA



ACMS* based Condition Monitoring

*Aircraft Condition Monitoring System

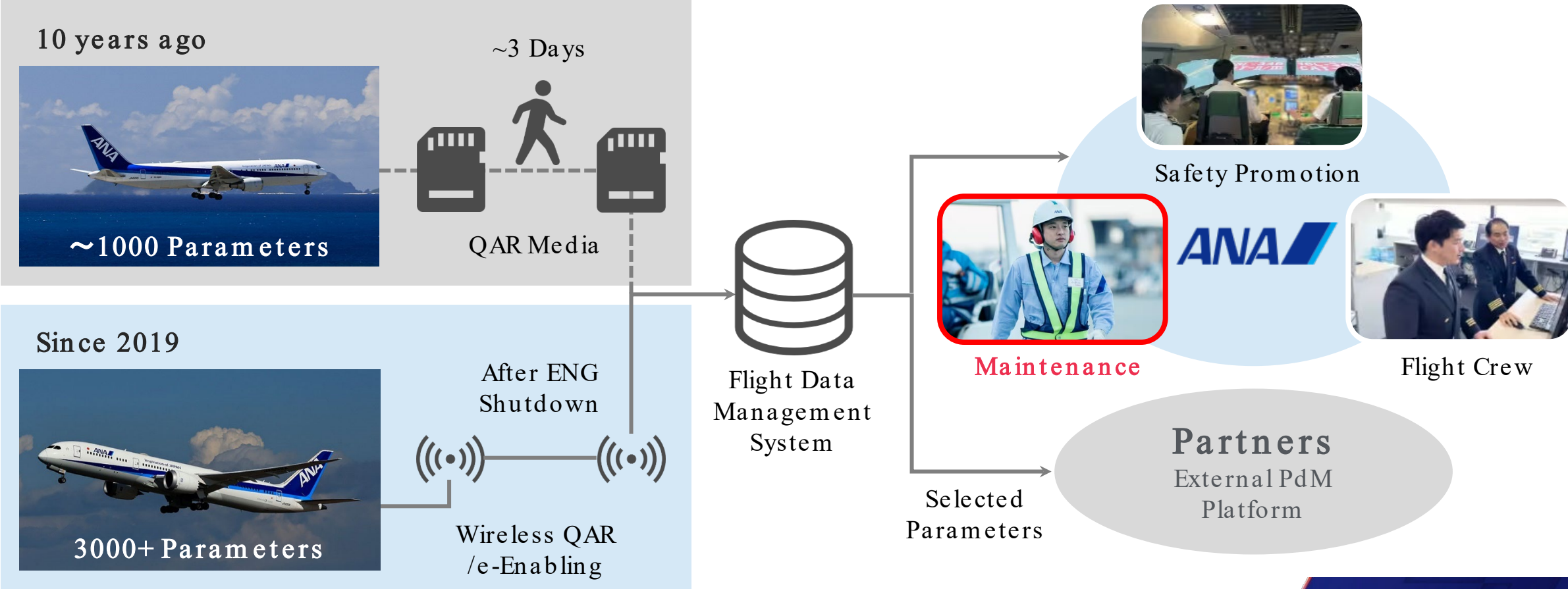
- In-house ACMS Logic/Report Development
- Rule-based Alerts

Flight Data based Predictive Maintenance

- Multivariable Anomaly Detection
- Machine Learning

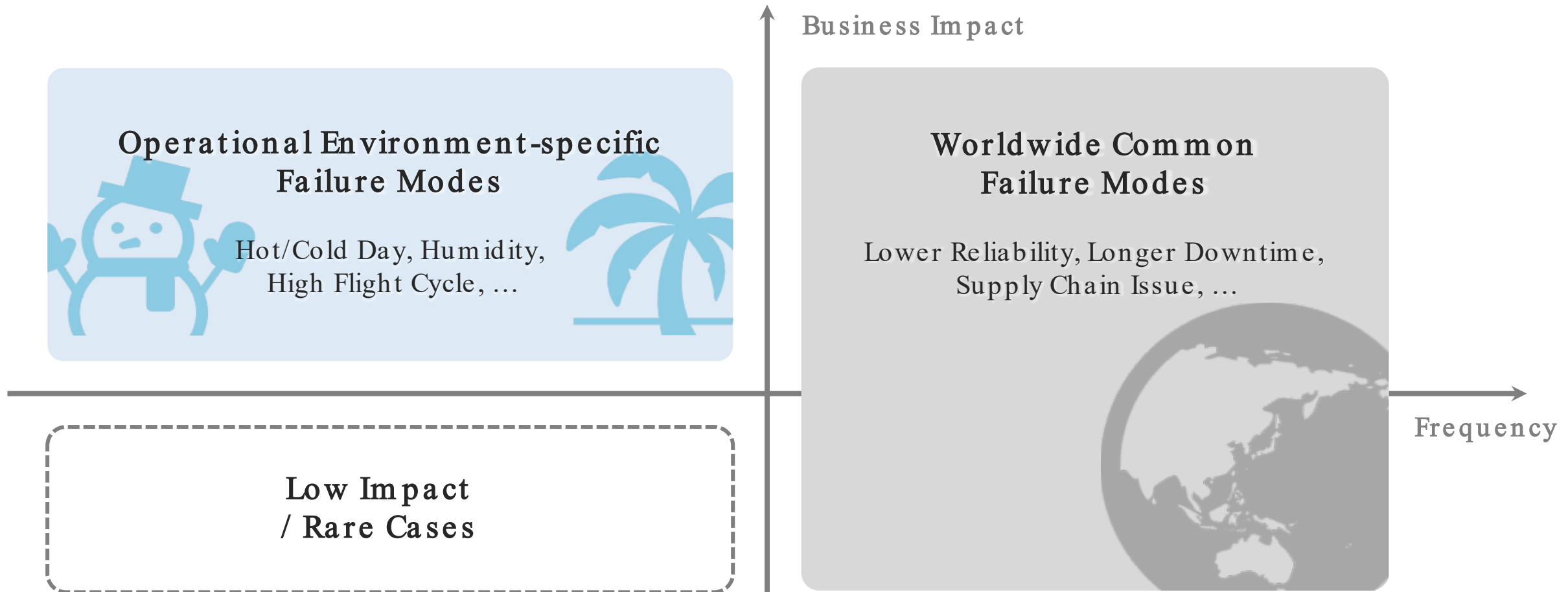
Flight Data Processing / Data Pipeline

- **Legacy System:** High-latency data uploads via physical card media (every few days)
- **2019 Upgrade:** Fleet-wide transition to wireless QAR systems via aircraft retrofits
- **New Capabilities:** Dramatic data growth unlocking advanced analytical applications



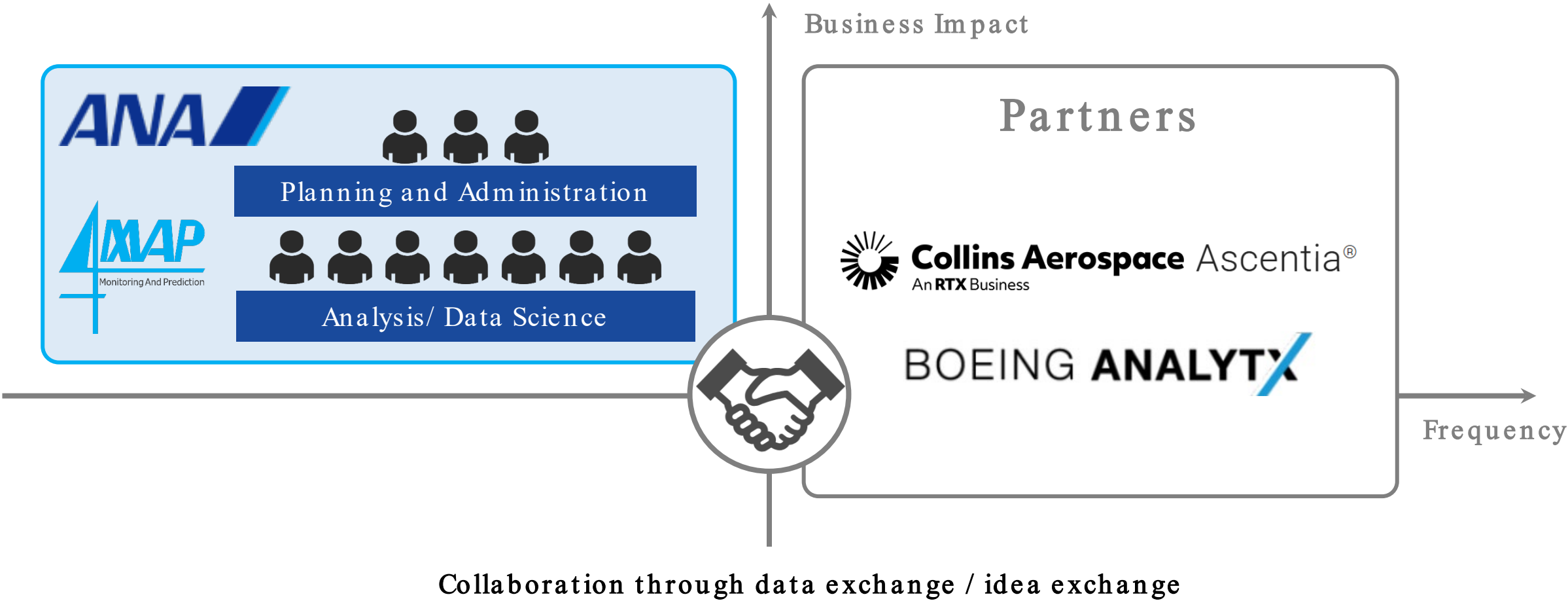
Mapping Airline Failure Modes

- Airlines face various failure modes that can be classified by **frequency and business impact**
- These include operational environment-specific failures and worldwide common failure modes



Resource Focus: ANA and Partners

- **In-House Focus:** Targeting internal resources toward **unique, operational environment-specific** challenges
- **Partner Synergy:** Leveraging external solutions for **high-impact, high-frequency** failure modes





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The core policy of the ANA brand's Mid-Term Corporate Strategy sets forth the vision of
“Digital by Default × Human Premium”

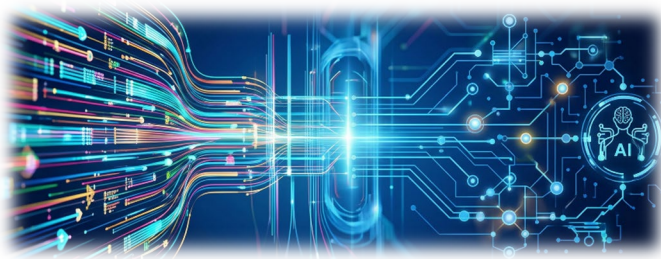
Digital by Default

Comprehensive Digitization:

Fundamentally redesign business processes to transition manual operations to digital.

The Prerequisite for Growth:

Moving beyond basic efficiency by leveraging technology to boost quality and cross-functional synergy, setting the stage for our next leap forward.



Human Premium

Uniquely Human Value Creation:

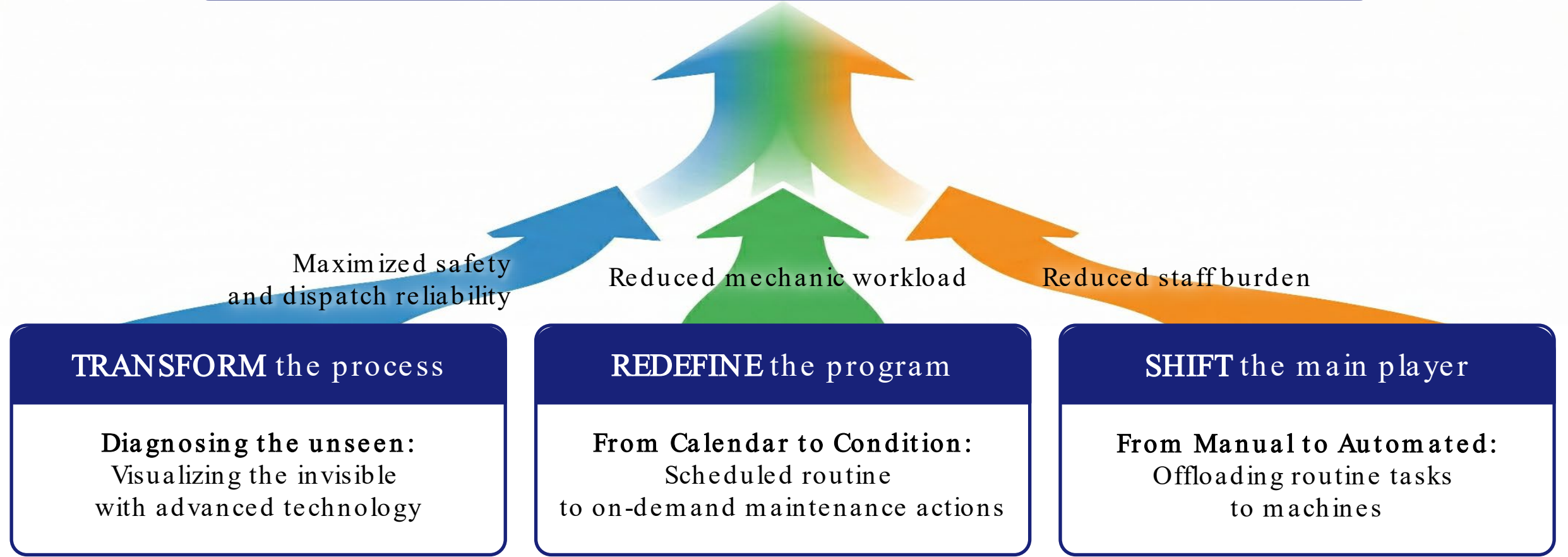
Driving future-oriented business transformation and the relentless pursuit of safety and quality that only human can achieve.

The Extra Human Touch:

Leveraging deep aviation expertise for advanced judgment, fostering trust-building communication, and delivering that final, thoughtful care to inspire.



ANA's ULTIMATE GOAL
Maximum Aircraft Utilization with Minimum Effort



Next-Gen Aircraft Maintenance

TRANSFORM the process

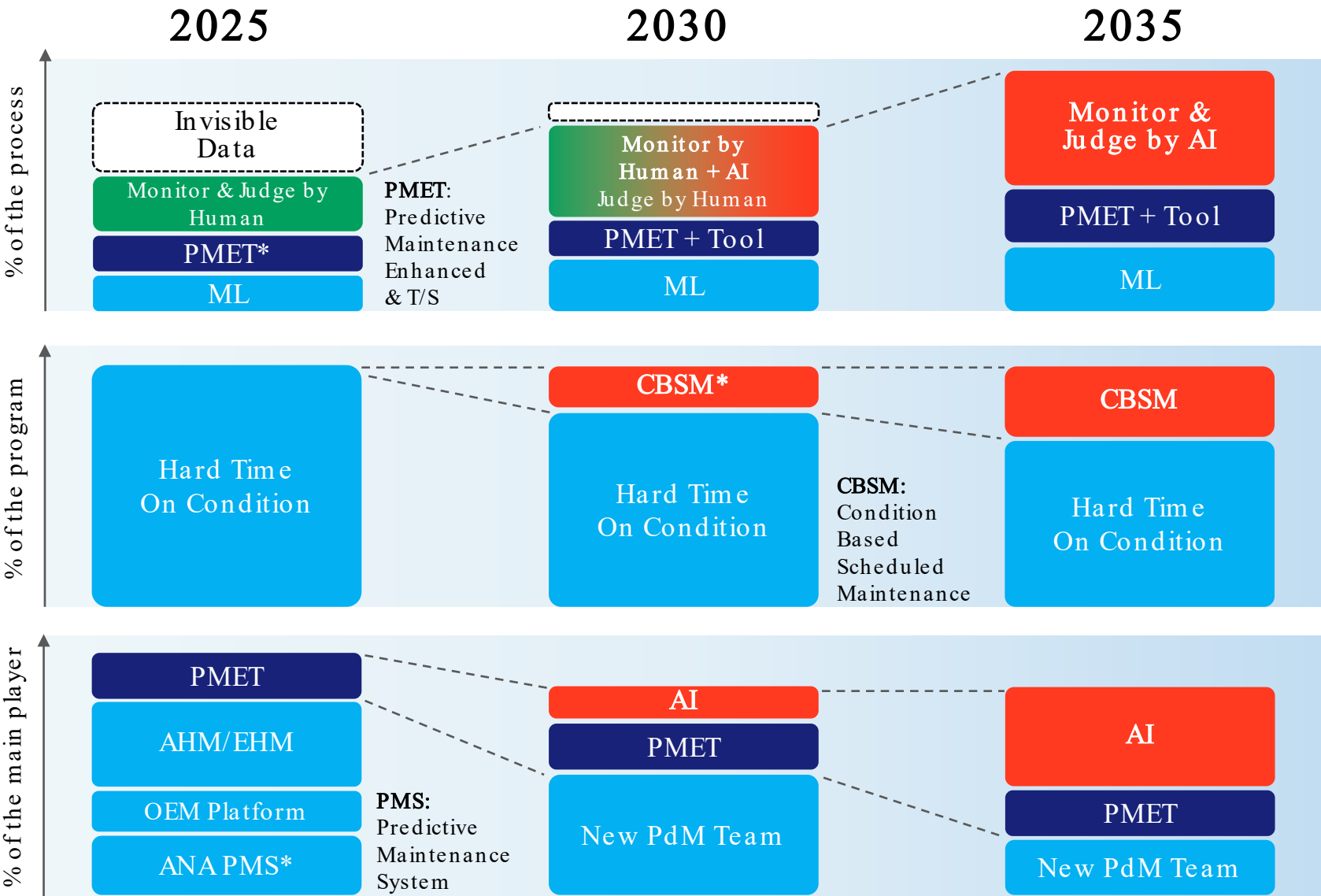
Diagnosing the unseen:
Visualizing the invisible
with advanced technology

REDEFINE the program

From Calendar to Condition:
Scheduled routine
to on-demand maintenance actions

SHIFT the main player

From Manual to Automated:
Offloading routine tasks
to machines

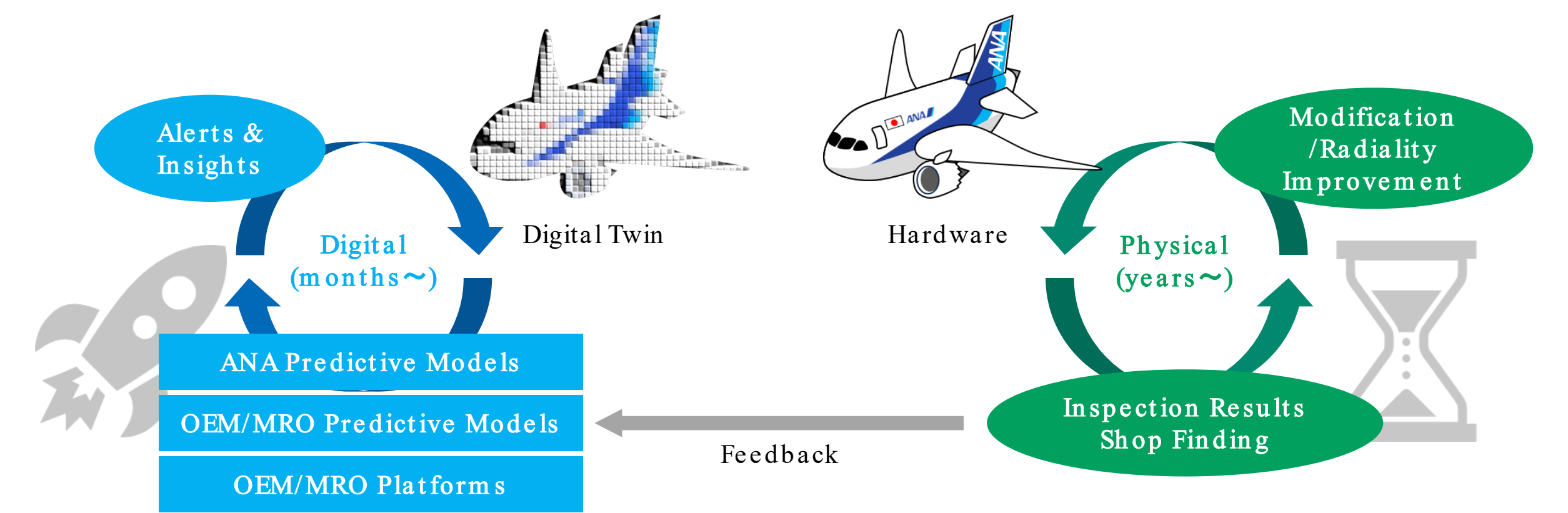


Transformation Roadmap (2026-2029)



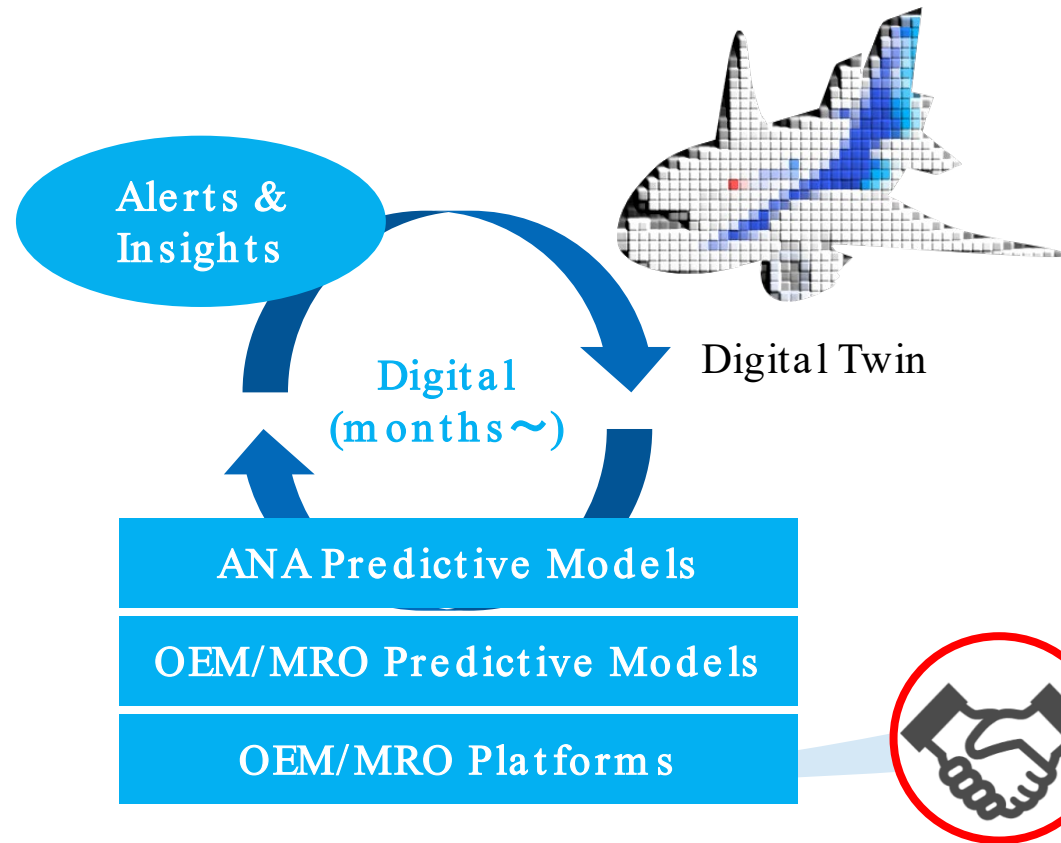
Future Vision of Our Predictive Maintenance

- **Industry Bottlenecks:** OEM and supply chain resource constraints significantly delay component modifications
- **Agile Mitigation:** Predictive maintenance offers rapid interim solutions, delivering operational speed as an advantage
- **Future Vision:** Accelerating optimization through digital twins to simulate, predict, and refine maintenance actions



Drivers of the Growth

- **Actionable Insights:** Developing **transparent and actionable** alerts is critical for driving actual PdM utilization
- **True Partnerships:** Moving **beyond mere data exchange** to build mutual understanding with external partners
- **Standardized API Integration:** Enables **seamless data flow** between PdM platforms and MIS
- **Stakeholder Alignment:** Continuously advocating the value of PdM to both internal teams and regulatory authorities



Growth of Predictive Maintenance

Model Explainability

- Transforming black-box OEM/MRO alerts into transparent insights accelerates actual implementation

Alert Actionability

- Linking predictive alerts directly to specific FIM tasks within available maintenance slots

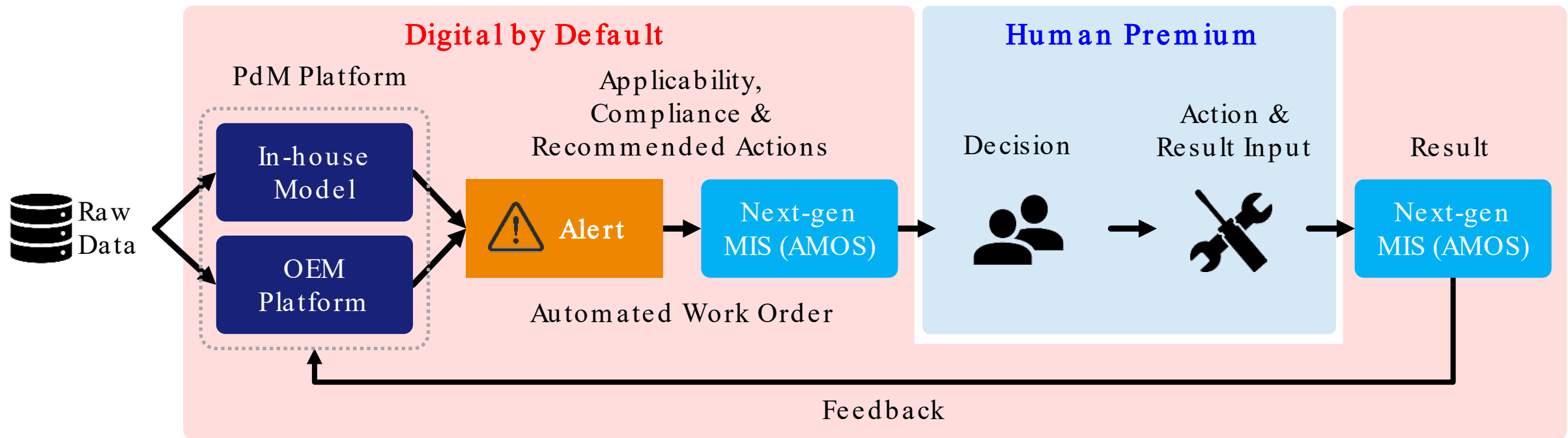
Analytics Resources Allocation

- Machine and man to analyze aircraft data
- Synergizing in-house models and OEM/MRO platforms

Effective PdM requires close collaboration of airline, OEM/MRO, and regulatory authority

Predictive Maintenance Ecosystem: Closed-Loop Concept

- **Hybrid Strategy:** Leverage both in-house models and OEM/MRO platforms for optimal coverage
- **Seamless Automation:** Predictive alerts automatically generate work orders in the MIS via seamless API
- **Human Premium:** Engineers focus on high-level judgment, prioritizing and directing the automated work orders
- **Continuous Feedback:** Maintenance results from the MIS feed directly back to improve predictive model accuracy





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Conclusions

- **Results and Challenges**

- ✓ Replacing unplanned failures with planned actions to **prevent flight disruptions**
- ✓ Data alone is not enough; **deep domain knowledge** is essential for accurate analytics
- ✓ Synergy between data insights and engineers' expertise yields the best results

- **Key Success Factors**

- ✓ Fostering **hybrid talent**: Bridging aviation engineering and data science
- ✓ Unlocking the potential of design and performance data during operational phases

- **The Way Forward**

- ✓ Industry-wide Collaboration: Building strong airline communities and **co-creating** with OEMs/MROs, and regulatory authorities.



Thank you for your attention

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AI for Aircraft Maintenance- Panel Discussion

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Artificial intelligence for Engineering and Maintenance

Supervised learning	Unsupervised Learning	Reinforcement Learning	Deep Learning	Natural Language Processing	Generative AI? Agentic AI?
Learns from labeled historical data (known input – unknown output), can use statistical learning, deep learning • Failure prediction • Useful Life estimation • Fault classification	Finds patterns in unlabeled data (statistical or deep learning) • Abnormal events • Rare failures • Hidden patterns	Learns by interacting and optimizing decisions • Maintenance planning • Spare parts allocation and optimization	Neural networks for complex pattern recognition • Computer vision inspections • BSI • Health monitoring from sensor time series	Using LLM to understand and process human language • Analyze records • Speech / notes into insights • Failure trends from text reports	Generative AI? Tools that create text, images, or videos Agentic AI? Takes initiative, plans tasks, collaborates with other systems

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Networking Coffee Break

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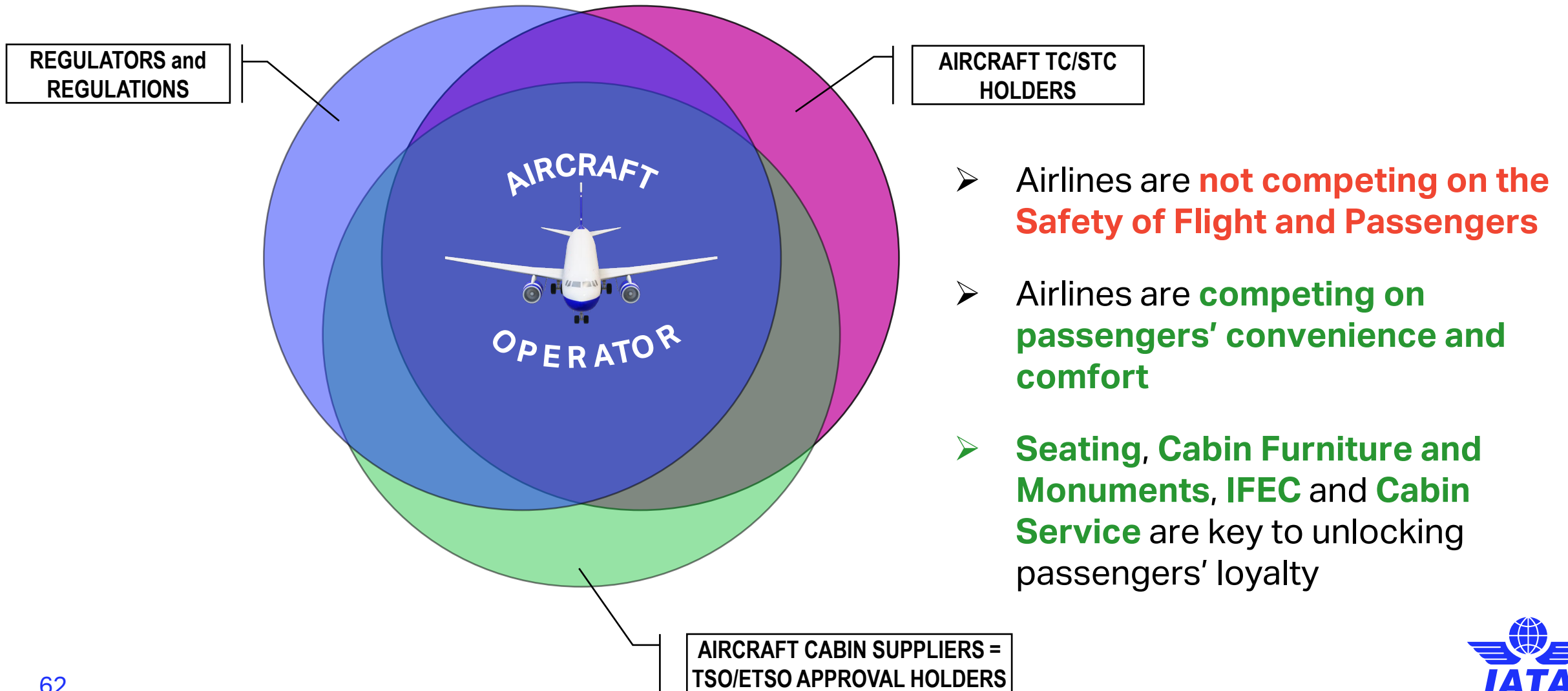
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Aircraft LOPA offer and level of cabin service



High(est) airline differentiator for most operators

NOVELTY



CREATIVITY



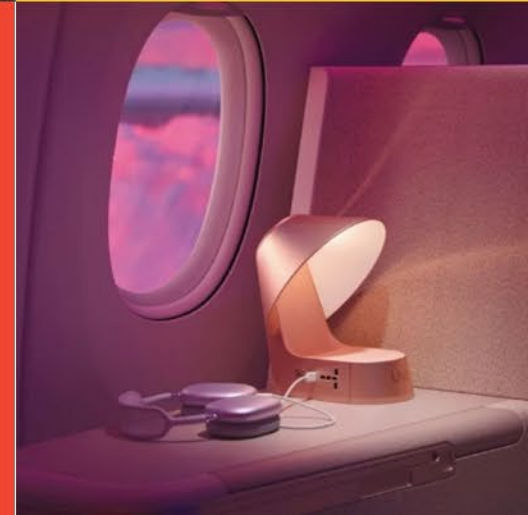
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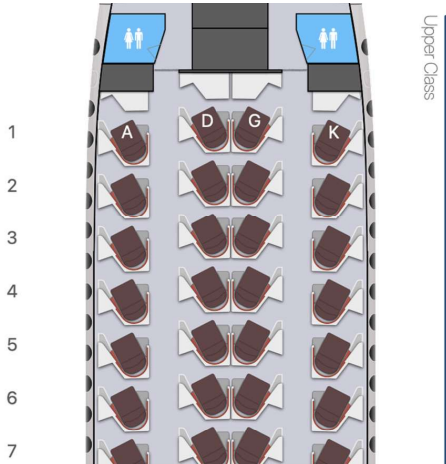


Seat Innovation & Certification Raki Islam, Safran Seats

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 **SAFRAN**

Innovation and Certification Challenges



- Oblique Seat
 - Passenger Injury Mechanism and Pass/Fail Criteria



- Business/First Class Suite with Privacy Door
 - Emergency Evacuation
 - New Certification Requirements



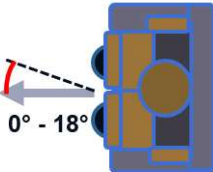
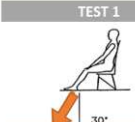
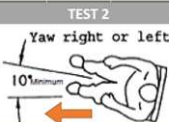
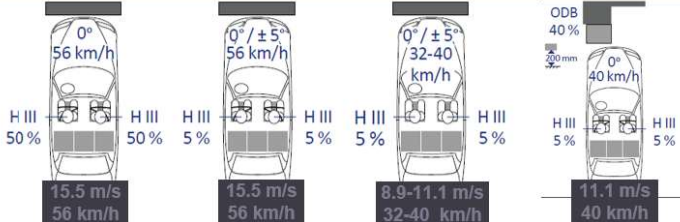
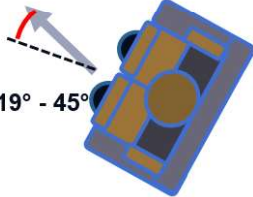
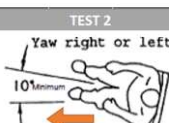
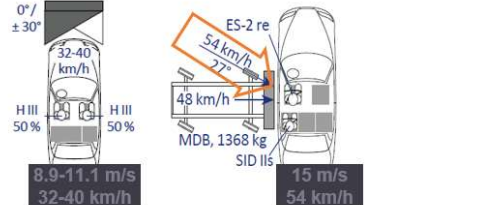
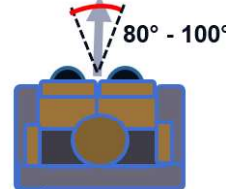
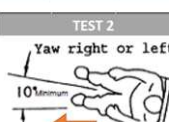
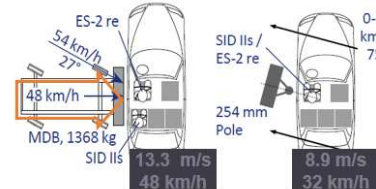
How would I certify my innovation?

Innovation and Certification Challenges

What are the certification challenges?

- Potential unavailability of regulation or guidance to certify an innovative design/feature, especially related to passenger injury and/or evacuation.
- Industry lags developing standards (in collaboration with regulators) for new designs and technologies.
- Limited research and collaboration between regulators and industry in identification of passenger injury mechanisms and development/refinement of Injury/ Pass-Fail Criteria.
- Extensive duration of development for any new reasonable regulatory guidance.
- Acceptance of simulation for prediction and mitigation of occupant injury has been slow due to lack of industry maturity in passenger injury crash simulation.
- Unpredictable interpretations of test results for passenger injury criteria testing.

Comparison of Automotive & Commercial Aviation Impact Testing

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Cabin/Test Environment	Enclosed and compact cabin		Typically, no surrounding considered	- Uncontrolled ATD movement due to open cabin environment - Feasibility of including surroundings (sidewall, doors etc.) could induce additional complexity													
Regulatory Model	Injury/ Pass-Fail Criteria planned and developed by industry		Regulators establish Injury/ Pass-Fail Criteria	Industry is fully dependent on regulators' interpretation of current Injury/ Pass-Fail Criteria, especially on subjective criteria													

Innovation and Certification Challenges

Probable Solution(s):

- Assessment of certification strategy, approach and means of compliance during new concept development. *Certification should not be an afterthought.*
- From the very beginning of the program. early engagement with regulators and deep dive into certification risk mitigation parallel to customer reviews.
- Collaborative (seat industry & regulators) development of injury assessment process based on AIS (Abbreviated Injury Scale) which will help to identify potential serious injury for any new innovations.
- Development of a safety roadmap including Injury/ Pass-Fail Criteria for commercial aviation in collaboration among regulators and seat industry.
 - This safety roadmap will benefit both FAA and industry, long-term, in developing and certifying new technologies enhancing overall passenger safety.
 - With combined support of regulators and industry, a roadmap, will ensure a predictable path-forward towards increasing the level of passenger safety and advancement of new technologies.

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Agenda

What is Aircraft Recovery?

Different types of recovery

Two recovery environments

Recovery context, process and objectives

Work distribution

Challenges

Why care? What is reasonable? What should be avoided?



What is Aircraft Recovery?

Aircraft Recovery in broader sense

- **Getting an aircraft**
 - Outside the usual / in normal operating manuals described processes
 - On the ground
 - Back into „normal“ operating or maintenance environment



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For example

- Moving an aircraft that has left the TWY and is stuck in the ground
- Solving the problem of an aircraft that has „slipped out“ of the attachment points while jacking it for maintenance
- Lifting and moving an aircraft that has left the RWY and lost the L/H LDG



What is Aircraft Recovery?

Aircraft Recovery vs Aircraft Salvaging

- **Aircraft Recovery**
An aircraft that is economically repairable
- **Aircraft Salvaging**
An aircraft that sustained substantial damage, so the insurer considers the hull a constructive loss

→ However, that may only be known later in the process

Different types of recovery

1. Light recovery – debogging *(not always called recovery)*

The Aircraft has left the hard surface. The LDG is down and locked and the Aircraft can be towed by normal procedures

2. Medium recovery

At least one LDG is not completely extended. However, the Aircraft is expected to be moved by normal towing procedures after the recovery

3. Heavy recovery

One or more LDG are severely damaged / torn out, so that a normal tow will not be possible



What do you think ?



What do you think ?



Two recovery environments

Recovery can happen in two environments, where different rules may apply

1. Recovery of an aircraft that was in operating conditions

Taxi, take-off, landing, passengers / crew on board, ...

2. Recovery of an aircraft in maintenance/ ground status

Parked aircraft , maintenance tow, ...



Recovery context



In charge

Operations control center
investigator in charge

Recovery manager

Technical control center

Focus

Situation handling
people, authorities
investigation

Aircraft recovery
(salvaging)

Getting aircraft airworthy

Output

Aircraft cleared for recovery
(release by authorities)

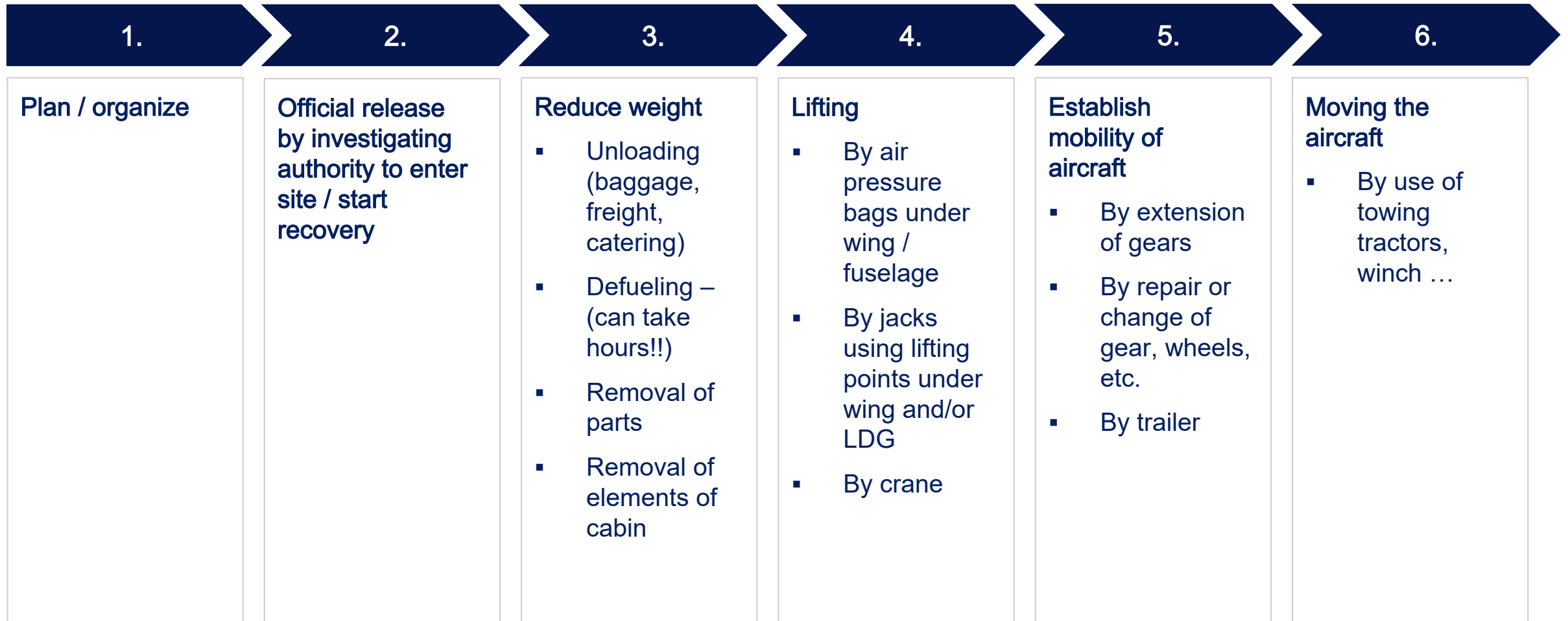
Aircraft recovered
input for CAMO/OEM to
provide required tasks
(used forces, etc.)

CRS

Stay in control of the aircraft and tasks performed !

Recovery process

(as outlined in ASM Part V)



Recovery objectives

Objectives

Safety

Avoid
environmental
damages

Avoid
secondary
damage

Precise
documentation
of actions taken,
esp. forces
used

Speed



Work distribution

Recovery manager

- Develops idea for recovery (i. e. how to lift / pull / ...)
- Focal point of action and recovery communication
- Link to recovery forces – also including contracting
- Functions as project manager

Recovery forces (touch aircraft)

- Technical staff (may be same as go-team could be station mechanic only), touch aircraft
- Lifting experts, fire brigades of airport (DACH), local MROs, contractor, own staff, helper,...

Recovery support

- Tbd. (e.g. solves fuel issue, digging, surface levelling, ...)
- Individual concept depending on case

Emergency field organization (if available)

- Arranges all surrounding actions / needs (e.g. hotel, IT,)

Recovery challenges

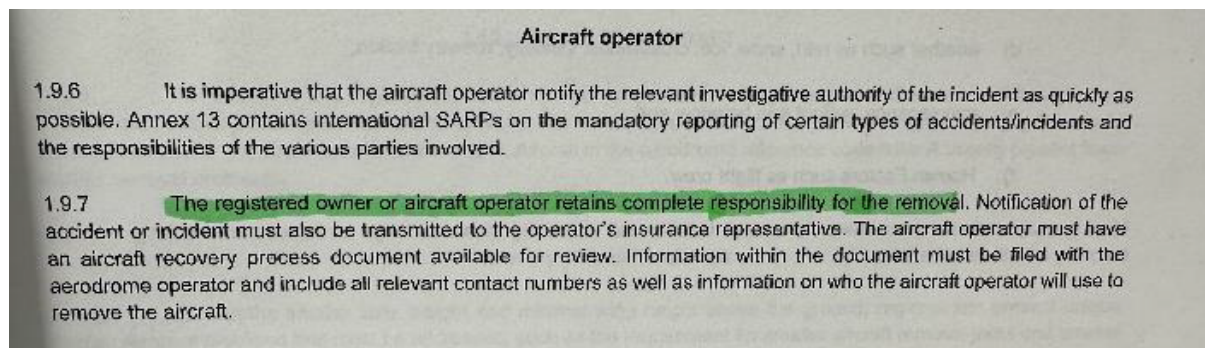
- **In the event**
 - Getting staff into the country (and work there)
 - Getting onto the airport on the site
 - Getting equipment into the country and onto the site
 - Challenge to focus on the recovery
 - Keep the “how-long” guys in control

- **Regular times**
 - Be prepared and trained
(As this occurs infrequently, a smaller group with low turnover may be more suitable.)



Why care?

- The **responsibility** for the recovery remains with the **operator / owner**



- Thus, the airline shall have an **accountable manager** for Aircraft Recovery, that decides on the internal setup
- To ensure subsequent airworthiness– the **operator** must be in **control** of the action
- The **airport** may ask, **how** the **airline** intends to **recover** an aircraft



What is reasonable ?

Two different approaches (mainly driven by homebase(s) environment)

1. Focus on recovery management (e. g. Central European carriers)

- Processes and relevant documents
- Group of highly trained recovery managers
- Aircraft specific tools

2. Complete inhouse capability (e. g. North American carriers)

- Including continuously drilled recovery forces
- Including complete sets of lifting equipment

PLUS: Be part of the “recovery networks”

- IATA Recovery Group– know the others that can help you
- Participation in the IATP – to cover your route network



What should be avoided ?

Unpreparedness

Recoveries without control/supervision of the airline

- Data required to repair the aircraft
- Hidden / unknown damage to the aircraft caused by the recovery (carbon fuselage, later incidents)

Recoveries not in control/supervision of Aircraft maintenance experienced personnel (for easy debuging may be ok)

- Recovery documentation is complex and could be misunderstood by non-AMM experienced readers, cross references to AMM (e.g. aircraft stability)

Overpreparedness

- As by now all aircraft have been recovered, the impact of disabled aircraft to the overall punctuality of air traffic is negligible



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Mission

The IATP is a convention of Airlines sharing Technical Resources to generate economic savings and support on time dispatch reliability and operational safety.

Organization Definition

The IATP is a non-profit, independent, non-political global organization based on a democratic culture with equal opportunities for all member Airlines and their delegates.

Technical Resources Definition

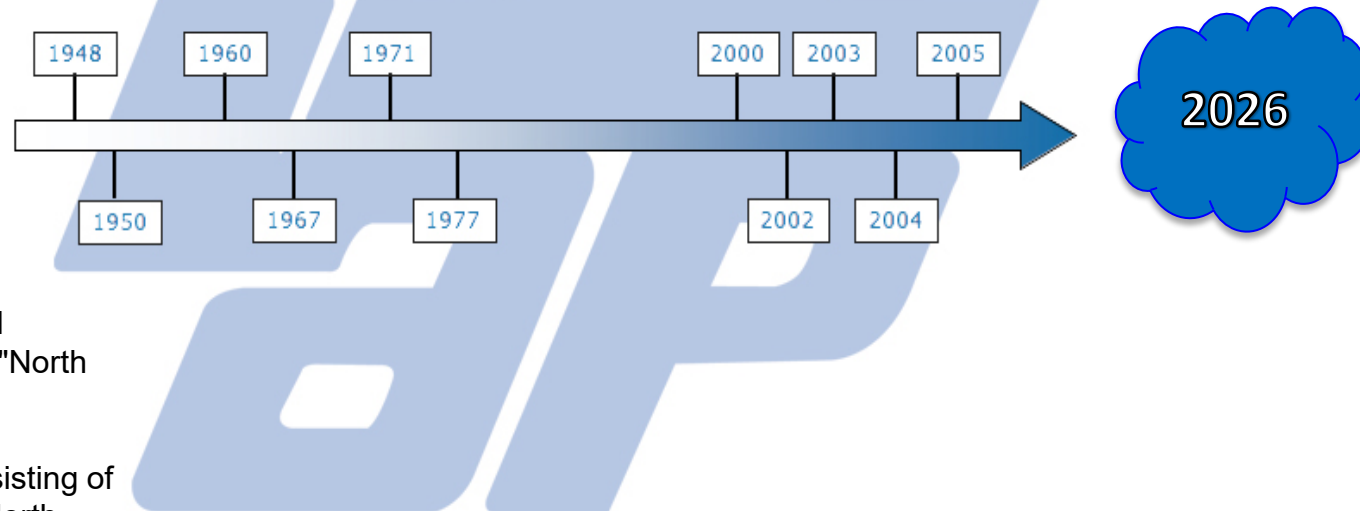
Technical Resources includes, but not limited to, aircraft spare parts, line maintenance, ground handling equipment, aircraft recovery kits, engines, and technical training.

Brief history of IATP



1948 – A few European airlines started sharing aircraft materials, equipment and manpower resources. Entirely reciprocal without financial settlement.

2005 – Opening of the IATP Corporate Office in Luxembourg with permanent, paid staff on board. Creation of the www.iatp.com website and implementation of a new on-line conference registration system.



1977 – A second organization, the "North American Airlines Technical Pool" (N.A.A.T.P.), consisting of 16 airlines from North America, merged with IATP in February 1977.

The IATP Today

- ✈️ **142*** Airline Members + **51** Equalized and Guests Airline Members
- ✈️ **45** Associate Members
- ✈️ Share **6,675** items valued at **\$ 169 M (SS2025)**
- ✈️ **Parts Pool Groups** covering all major aircraft types
- ✈️ Provide **line maintenance** pooling at **900+** stations
- ✈️ Provide **12 Aircraft Recovery** Kits worldwide
- ✈️ Provide **5** Large Kits for A-380/747-8 recovery
- ✈️ Provide info on **Technical Training** Capabilities List
- ✈️ **Engine pooling**

*6 are suspended: Rossiya (FV), GOL (G3), Fly Baghdad (IF), Ukraine Airlines (PS), Air Bridge Cargo (RU), Aeroflot (SU)

IATP Core Activities

✈️ Ensure a worldwide Airlines network founded on a collaboration spirit (exchange of support)

✈️ Bi-Annual Conferences

✈️ Pooling operations through the IATP platform, 5 pooling sections:

1. Parts
2. Equipment
3. Line Maintenance
4. Aircraft Recovery
5. Engine pooling

IATP Core Activities



Pool Groups: **Parts**

- G** - Avionics & Interchangeable
- K** - B737
- M** - B747
- P** - A220-100/300, Embraer (170,175,190,195),
Bombardier (CRJ-7/9/1000)
- Q** - All Airbus Types
- S** - B757,767, B787
- T** - B777



IATP Core Activities

Pool Groups: **Equipment & Maintenance**



E- Equipment

Samples

- B777: Wheel change tooling
- Turbine Engine Turning Tools
- Flyaway Towbar
- Flyaway Axle Jack 35 Ton Capacity

F/L- Maintenance Pools

F - Technical Facilities and Services

L - Line Maintenance



IATP AIRCRAFT RECOVERY POOL GROUP



The recovery kits are owned by:

AA(2), AF, AI, BA, DL, JL, LA, QF, QR, SA, UA

- ✈ LHR **London** (BA 51/51L), Europe 1 & 2
- ✈ CDG **Paris** (AF 52/52L), Europe 1 & 2
- ✈ ORD **Chicago** (AA 57), N. America Central
- ✈ JFK **New York** (DL 54), N. America Eastern
- ✈ LAX **Los Angeles** (AA 56), N. America Western
- ✈ HNL **Honolulu** (UA 55), North Pacific
- ✈ DEL **Delhi** (AI 60), Mid East & Indian Subcontinent
- ✈ NRT **Tokyo** (JL 58), Asia Eastern
- ✈ SYD **Sydney** (QF 53/53L), Australia
- ✈ JNB **Johannesburg** (SA 50/50L), Africa
- ✈ GRU **Sao Paulo** (LA 61), South America
- ✈ DOH **Doha** (QR 62/62L), Middle East



Types of Kits

Two types

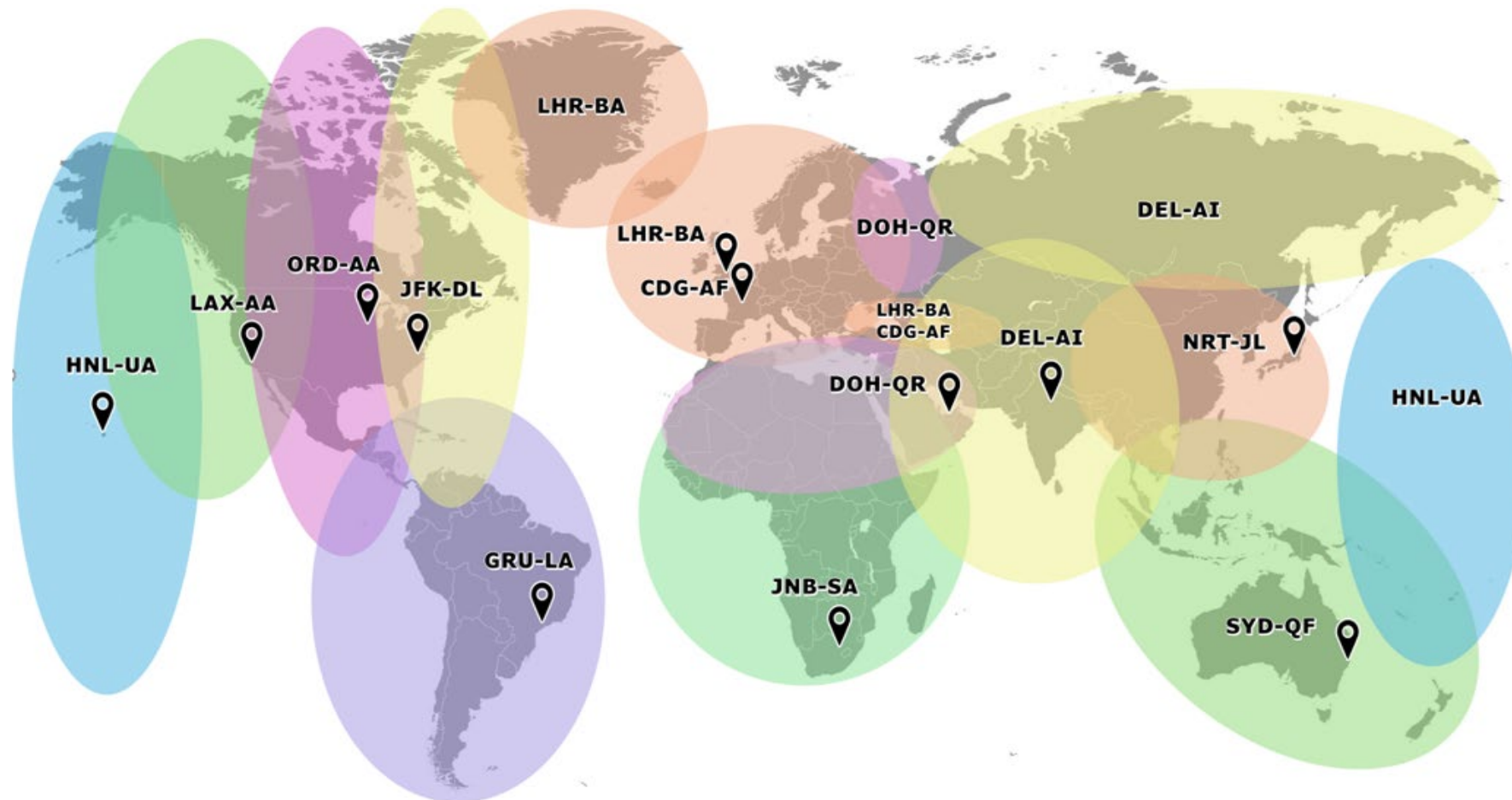
1.A **BASIC KIT** may be used when recovering an aircraft up to maximum take-off weight of 910,000 lbs. (i.e. B747-400).

2.A **LARGE AIRCRAFT KIT** may be used in conjunction with a basic kit when recovering an aircraft up to maximum take-off weight of 1,300,700 lbs. (i.e. A380 & B747-8).

 Example, QR 62/62L

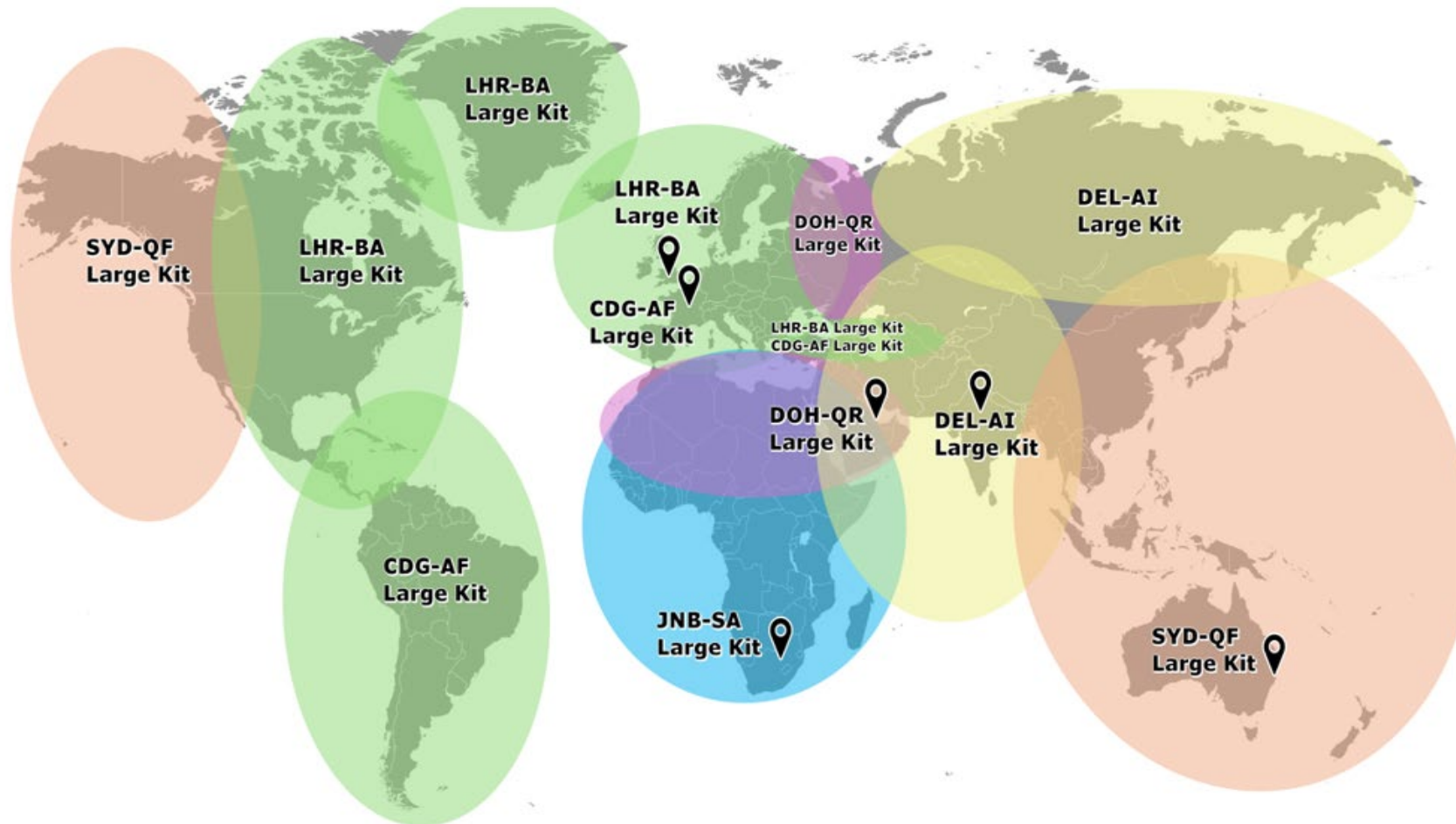
-62 is Basic kit, 62L is Large kit

IATP BASIC KIT COVERAGE MAP



*Coverage Map- Approved as of Feb.2025

IATP LARGE KIT COVERAGE MAP



*Coverage Map- Approved as of Feb.2025

Low Profile Recovery Jack – Partially Extended



Profile Recovery Jack – Collapsed



Belly Bands, Slings and Tow Cables

Airbag, Fully Inflated (Capacity 40 to 60 Tons)



Cost of Membership

- ✈ The providers of the kits are reimbursed an annual availability fee, paid for by the group members, to cover
 - ✈ investment costs,
 - ✈ interest on invested capital, and
 - ✈ ownership costs.
- ✈ In return, the Providers must ensure that their kits are in a permanent state of readiness (24x7) and fully capable of recovery of any aircraft up to B747- 400 size for basic kit and up to A380 in case of extra large capability
- ✈ Members are subject to season cost shares based on:
 - ✈ Number of landings worldwide
 - ✈ Number of kits participating in

Membership Benefits

- For A/C Recovery Pool members, provides worldwide aircraft recovery insurance giving:
 - ✈ 12 recovery Kits available in 24x7 and ready to ship
 - ✈ Global Coverage – With 12 kits worldwide, coverage is comprehensive.
 - ✈ Speed – Predefined agreements allow immediate response
 - ✈ Technical Expertise – Access to airlines' trained personnel and best practices reduces to a minimum the risk of secondary damages to the A/C
 - ✈ IATP A/R pool participation is often considered on Aircraft Insurance premiums
 - ✈ Almost Free (mandatory a 500 USD/Day for a Supervisor Engineer accompanying the Airline kit) access to the Kit(s) for up to 10 days (afterwards a charge of \$6,000 USD per Kit per day)

Membership Benefits

- For A/C Recovery Pool members, provides worldwide aircraft recovery insurance, also recognized by the Industry:
 - ✈️ Aviation National Authorities internationally recognize IATP Aircraft Recovery
 - ✈️ IATP Aircraft Recovery is reported in the *ICAO Airport Services Manual-Part 5 Removal of Disabled Aircraft*
 - ✈️ IATP Aircraft Recovery pool is advised in *Airbus & Boeing Aircraft Maintenance Manuals (AMM)*

Note: All kits are audited every two years

IATP Contractual Forms

Form 41: IATP Member Airlines

Form 41A: Non IATP Members airlines

In these Agreements are specified the details of the uplift such as provider and user, shipment responsibility, if a recovery team is required by the provider, recovery manager, etc.

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Removal of Disabled Aircraft from an Airport Perspective

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Removal of Disabled Aircraft from an Airport Perspective

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**Legal and
Regulatory
framework**



2

**Aena's Network
response strategy**



3

Next steps



1

Legal and regulatory framework



Necessity

Objective

To address the requirement for **advance planning** and **preparedness** to enable the **timely** and **safe resumption of operations** following the occurrence of a disabled aircraft, thereby minimizing the **operational and financial impact** of the incident and ensuring the maintenance of airport **safety**.

Different stakeholders, different regulations



Is it enough with coordination and collaboration?



What is established in the applicable regulations?

- **EASA/AESA: Regulation UE 2024/1400.** Requirements:
 - ADR.OPS.B.011 Removal of disabled aircraft
 - GM1 ADR.OPS.B.011 Purpose of the disabled aircraft removal plan
 - GM2 ADR.OPS.B.011 Outline of the disabled aircraft removal plan document
 - GM3 ADR.OPS.B.011 Testing of the disabled aircraft removal plan
 - AMC1 ADR.OPS.B.011(a) Disabled aircraft removal plan
 - AMC1 ADR.OPS.B.011(b) Organisations responsibilities, equipment, personnel



Applicable since
24th May 2025

Appoint a
coordinator

- Responsible to implement the plan

Implement a
Removal Plan

- Contact details
- Responsibilities, actions, lines of communication
- List of equipment / list of personnel
- Arrangements

Some questions

1

—
**Role
ambiguity**

2

—
**Lack of
binding
obligations**

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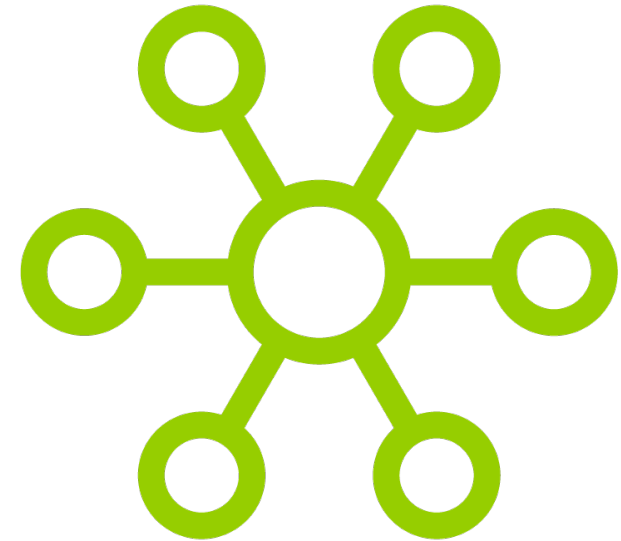
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**Operator
availability**

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**Conflict
with
airport
continuity**

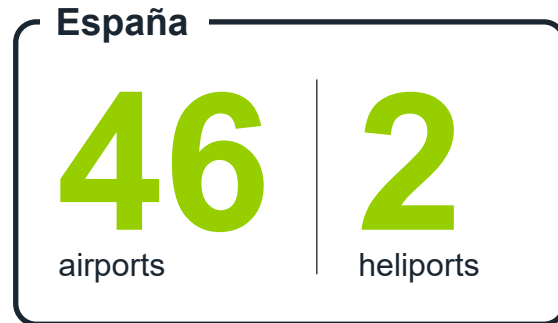
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Aena's network response strategy



Aena's network response strategy

Selected airports have been identified and equipped with dedicated resources and trained personnel. In islands or in challenging locations, they are provided with a minimum level of equipment.



Aena's network response strategy



Debogging



Body slings



Lifting bags



Tethering



Wheel dollies, turn-tables



Jacks

Aena's network response strategy

Equipment Category	Main Capacities / Types	Network Distribution	Operational Role
Dollies	5 t, 10 t, 30 t, 100 t	5–30 t widespread; 100 t only at major hubs	Aircraft support and towing during recovery
Recovery Jacks	Up to 100 t	Mainly concentrated at large airports	Structural lifting of aircraft
Pneumatic Systems	10 t, 20 t, 55 t	Medium to large airports	Controlled lifting and load distribution
Recovery Kits	Debogging, slings, low-pressure cushions	All airports	Initial intervention and aircraft release
Ground Support	~300 m ² mats, wooden sleepers	All airports (larger stocks at hubs)	Terrain stabilization and load spreading
Fuselage Cradles	Up to 55–90 t	Selected major airports	Transport of severely damaged aircraft

Aena's network response strategy

CHALLENGES:

- **Equipment:**

- Different equipment. Not adequate for every model of plane. It cannot be guaranteed that all potential situations can be addressed.
- Bulky equipment, requiring a large storage area.
- Difficult to transport.

- **Personnel:**

- Personnel training is critical, as staff are not regularly exposed to this type of situation. It also requires the use of the equipment, ideally involving an aircraft and the simulation of different scenarios.
- So far, exercises have been limited to the airport itself; however, they should involve all relevant stakeholders.
- The mobilization of personnel and deployment to another airport is an area with which we have limited experience, and for which we do not yet have mature tools.

Aena's network response strategy

CHALLENGES:

- **Relationship with air operators:**
 - Air operators are not fixed. Very variable.
 - Identifying the aircraft operator can be challenging and knowing who to contact in these situations is not always straightforward.
 - At Aena, there are currently no agreements or contractual arrangements with air operators. As a result, there is no established framework to define the conditions governing the relationship between the airport and the air operator, particularly concerning the recovery of a disabled aircraft.
 - The standard's requirement for the airport to have a procedure is therefore not sufficient. It is an airport-specific document that does not create obligations for third parties.
- **Aircraft Removal Documents:**
 - It is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to obtain the Aircraft Recovery Manuals (ARM) from aircraft manufacturers. Air operators are reluctant to provide this information in advance. Without them, the capacity of an airport to develop an adequate aircraft recovery strategy is limited.

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Next steps



Next steps

- **Procedure:**
 - Improve our procedure, working closely with aircraft operators.
 - Adapt the procedure to general aviation operations.
 - To enhance the guidance provided regarding equipment maintenance.
- **Equipment:**
 - Maintain an up-to-date inventory of existing equipment and to conduct a need assessments.
 - Procure equipment for other airports that currently lack it.
- **Personnel:**
 - Extend training to all real-time coordination staff.
 - Extend training to all Aena incident commanders, not just those based at selected airports.
- **Aircraft Removal Documents:**
 - Continue exploring avenues for acquiring ARMs from aircraft manufacturers.
- **Drills:**
 - Monitor exercises conducted at airports, capture lessons learned and leverage them to develop more realistic scenarios that take into account all relevant stakeholders.

Key messages

1

—
**Regulatory
model ≠
operational
reality**

2

—
**Airports are
first
responders,
but not fully
enabled**

3

—
**Recovery
capability
depends on
access,
coordination
and equipment**

4

—
**Need for
stronger
alignment
across
stakeholders**

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