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Factory-X  
Use Cases



Manufacturing-X

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M-X Port



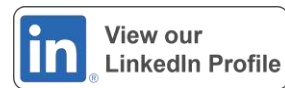
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# Factory-X

The Digital Ecosystem for  
Factory Outfitters and Operators



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# The Factory-X Consortium



## Industrial Partners

**AS** ARVATO SYSTEMS | **BASF** We create chemistry | **Lenze** | **codewerk** | **DMG MORI** | **Empolis**  
**ePLAN** | **FESTO** | **GEC** | **hilscher** | **ifm** | **igus**  
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**August-Wilhelm Scheer Institut** Digital Research | **Fraunhofer**  
**IFW** Institut für Fertigungstechnik und Werkzeugmaschinen | **ISW**  
**RUHR UNIVERSITÄT BOCHUM** | **RUB smartFactory**  
**Catena-X** | **ESTANIUM Association**  
**LNi4.0** LABS NETWORK INDUSTRIE 4.0 | **VDMA**  
**zvei** electrifying ideas

## Associated Partners

**ARENA2036** | **bayern innovativ** Innovation leben  
**BECKHOFF** | **BOSCH**  
**Digital Data Chain Consortium** | **EVIDEN**  
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**STANDARDIZATION COUNCIL INDUSTRIE 4.0** | **zvei** electrifying ideas

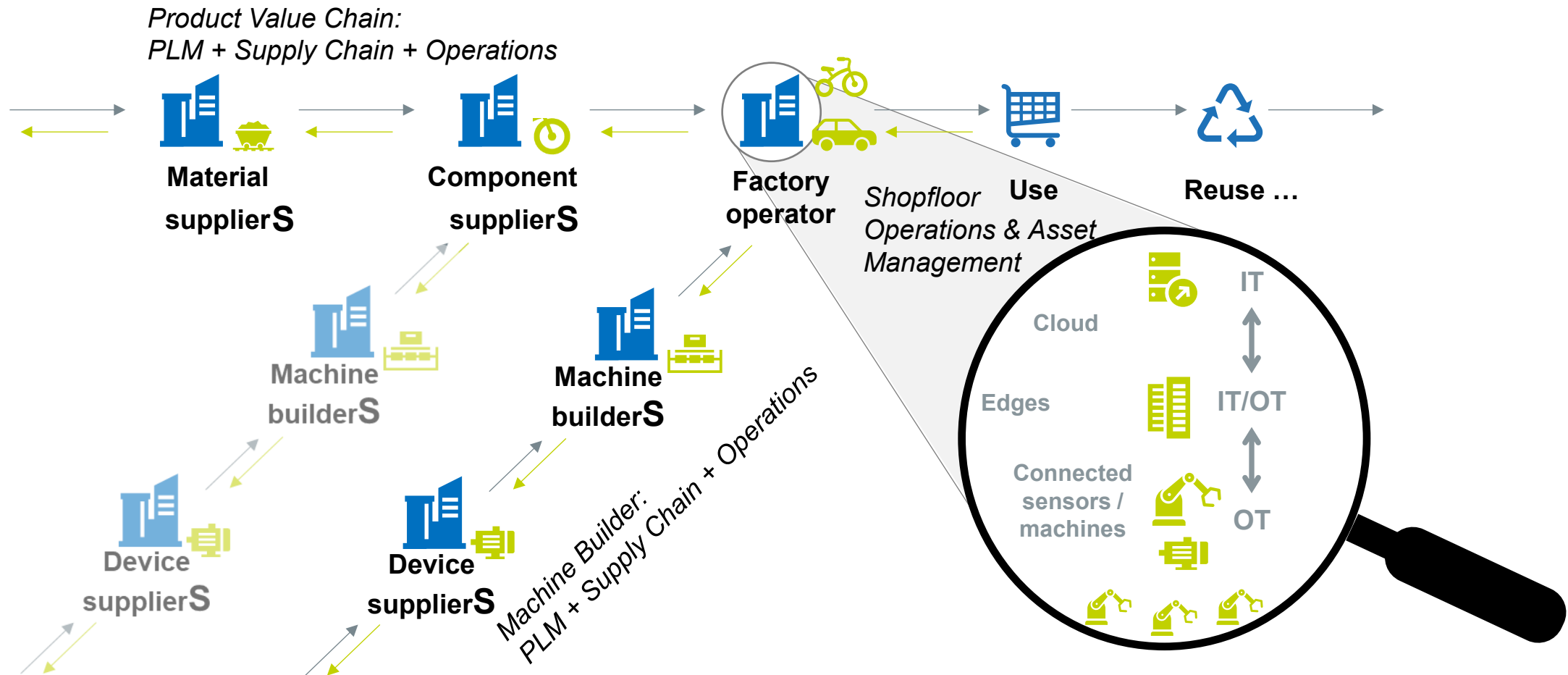


# Factory-X

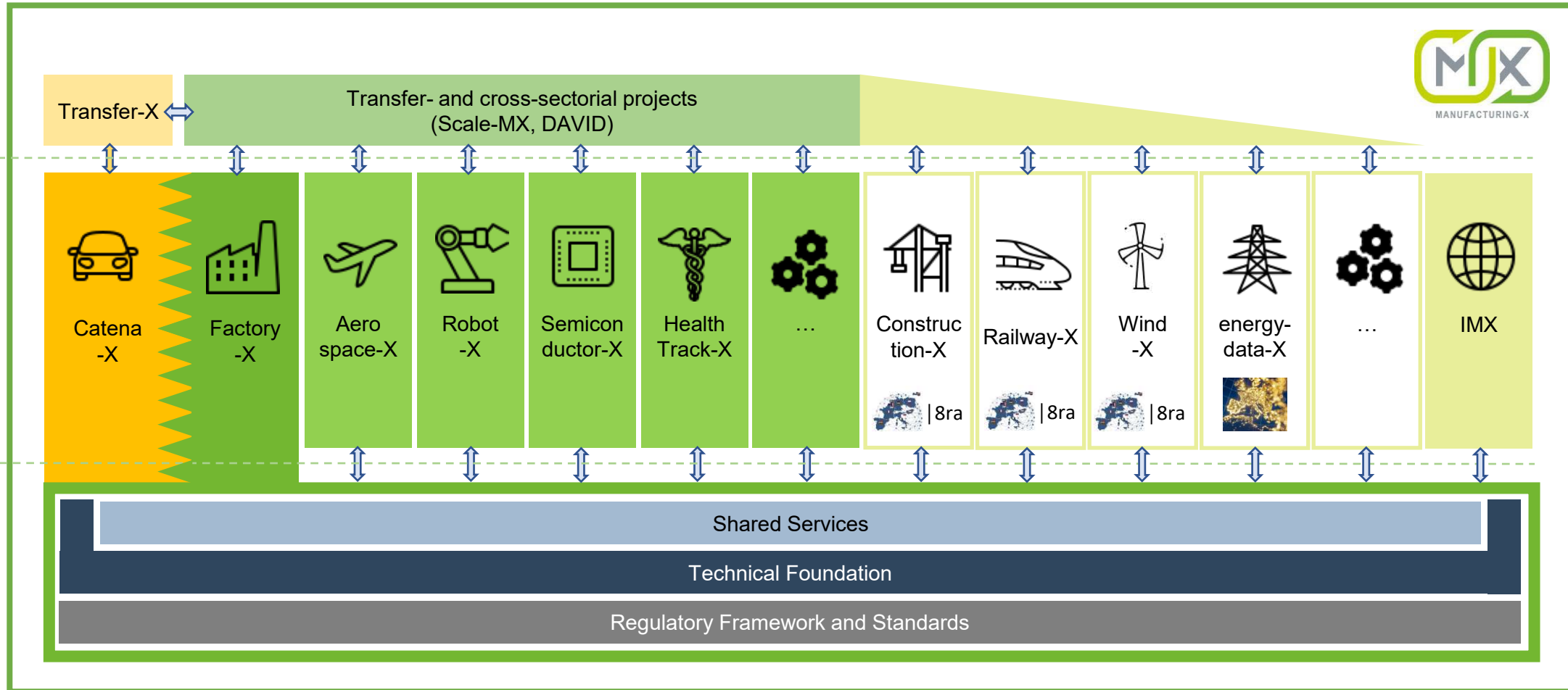
## Our Scope and claim



Building the foundation of an open and collaborative digital ecosystem for factory outfitters and operators!



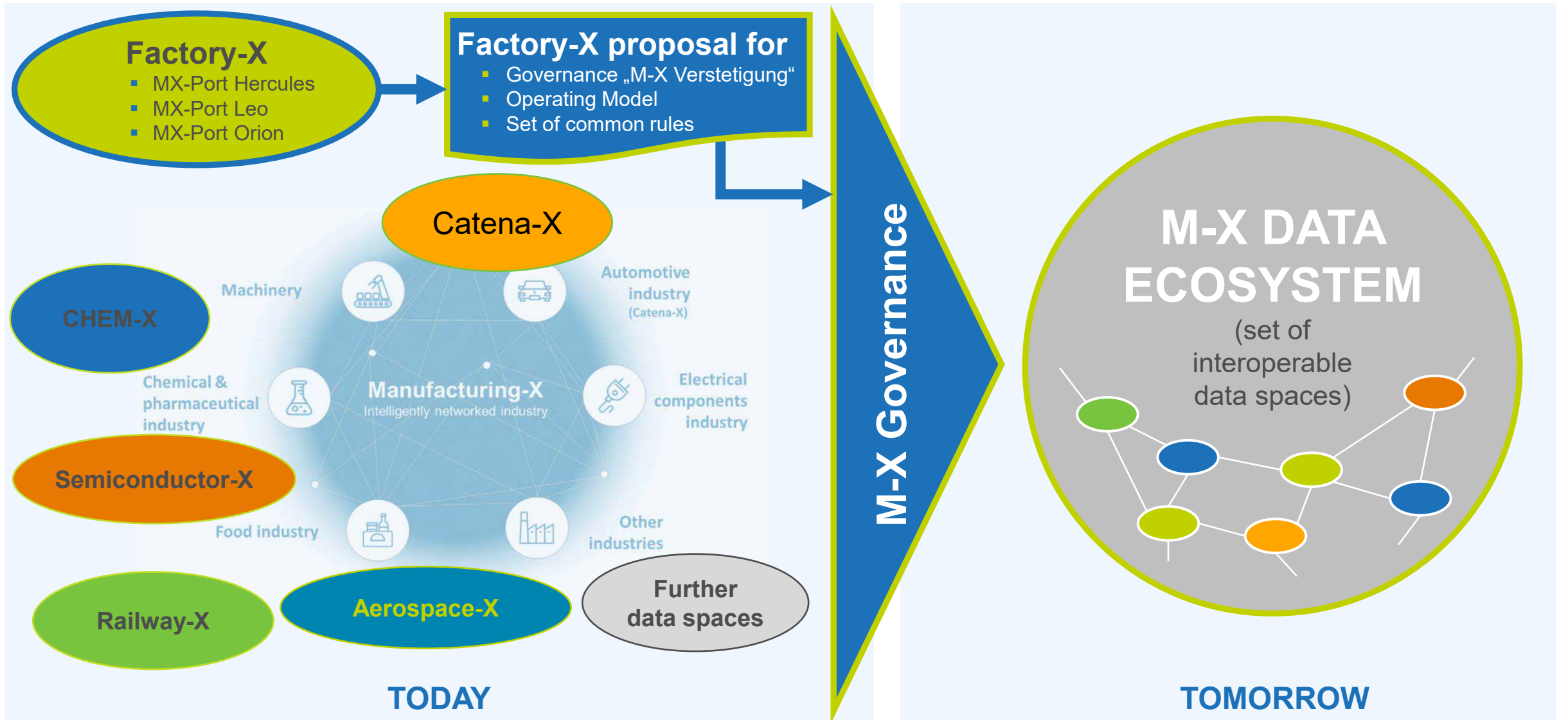
# Germany Cooperation between the projects



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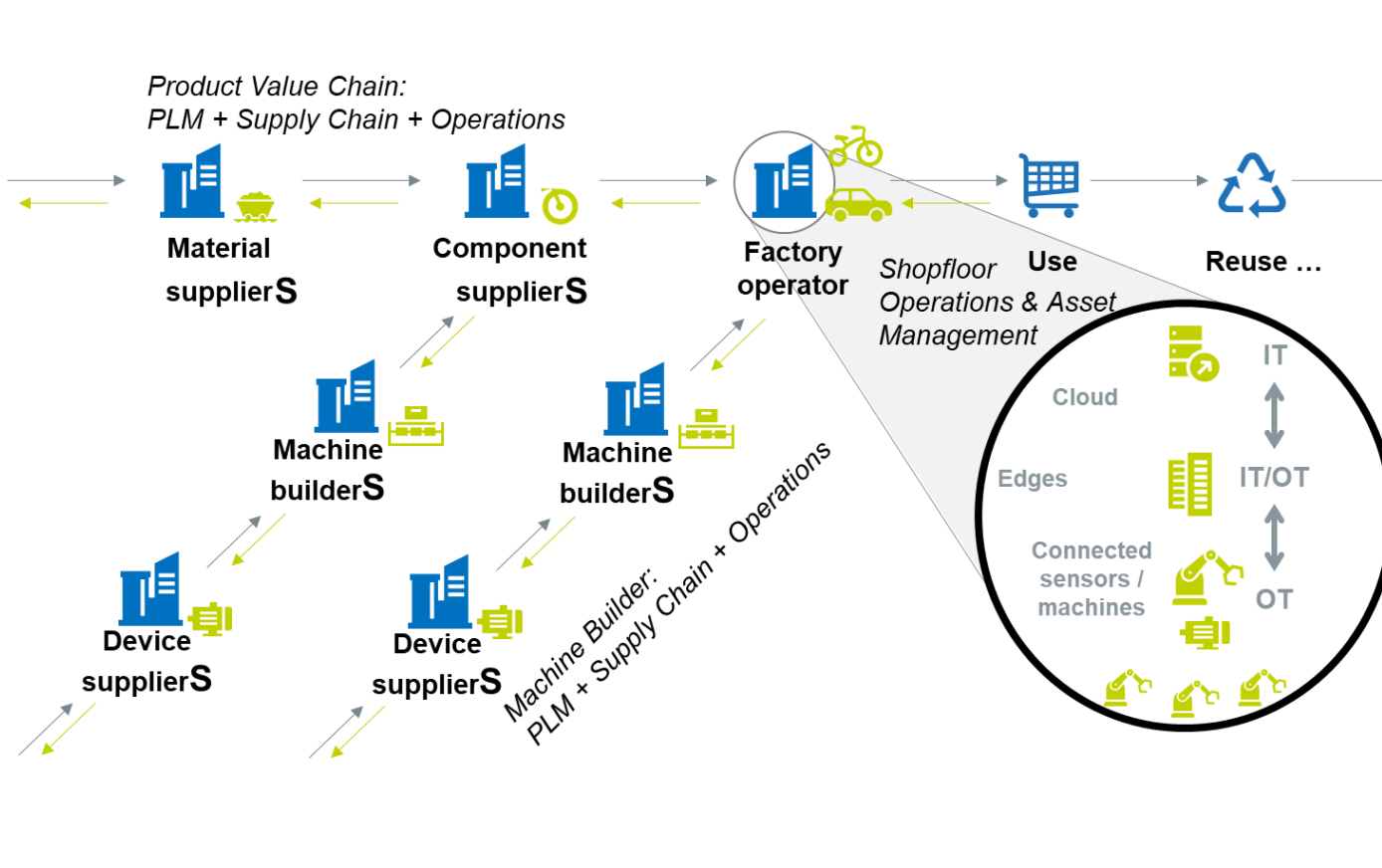
# Way forward to M-X DATA ECOSYSTEM



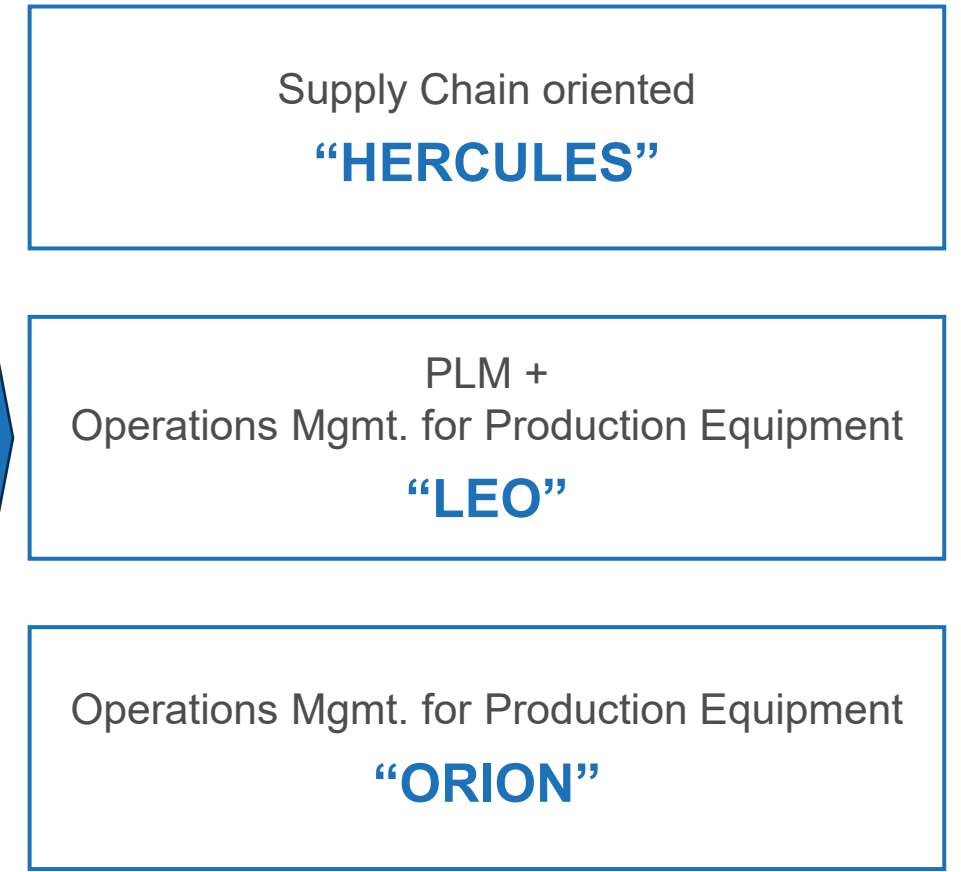
# “One size fits all” does not work. We need a modular approach to achieve interoperable data spaces



## The Factory-X Continuum



## Foci of MX-Port Configurations



# Factory-X Use Cases Generate Business Benefits For Participating Companies Through Cross-Company Data Sharing



<p>11 Use Cases for data transfer along product and production system supply chain</p>	<p>Int. Toolchains &amp; Collab. Engineer.</p> <p>optimization of engineering of a product</p>	<p>Inform. Update and Change Service</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>	<p>Collaborative Information Logistics</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>
<p>Condition Monitoring led Services</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>	<p>Modular Production</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>	<p>Manufacturing as a Service</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>	<p>Autonomous Operation as a Service</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>
<p>Traceability</p> <p>optimization of supply chain</p>	<p>Energy-Consump. &amp; Load Mgmt.</p> <p>optimization of operations</p>	<p>Carbon Footprint Management</p> <p>optimization of supply chain</p>	<p>Circular Economy</p> <p>assessment of remaining life</p>



# MX-Port: a common technical concept that can be implemented in different ways

## MX-Port as common technical concept for cross-company data sharing

Layer	Purpose
MX Discovery	... is used to find business partners, data assets (e.g. devices) or business applications.
MX Access & Usage Ctrl.	... is used to ensure that data providers can define and restrict the data access and usage of the provided data.
MX Gate	... is used to exchange data in a uniform way.
MX Converter	... provides the semantic model for the data to be exchanged.
MX Adapter	... enables any business application to use the MX-Port.

## Different MX-Port configurations implementing the MX-Port concept

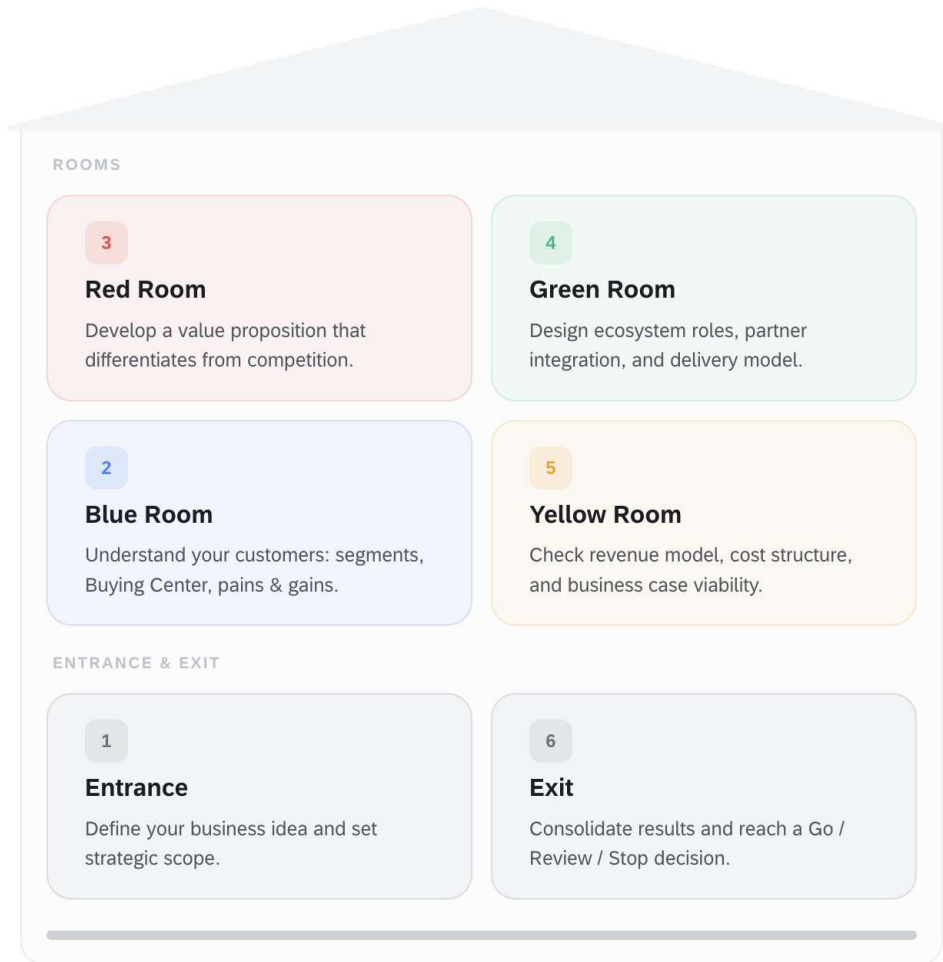


Implementation mainly driven by requirements of the use cases

# Business Models

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## Our Scope

We help to adapt business models to increase revenue with data:

- We provide a methodology to develop data- and service-oriented business models
- We deliver the supporting implementation tools

## Key Results

The science-based so-called "house-building logic", which can be applied independently in three different ways with our provided tools:

- 5-day workshop format
- Hybrid workshop with AI-assistant
- Only with an AI-Assistant (single-prompt or agentic)

Use case oriented demonstrators

# Business Models

## AI Assistant for Business Models



### What It Does

- Works with any standard AI engine
- Uses the structured “Housebuilding Logic”

### How You Use It

- Interacts via intuitive, chat-like guidance
- Let you progress at your own speed

### Why It Helps

- Faster business model development
- Consistent structure and higher quality
- No external data transfer → full confidentiality

**\*\*Hello and welcome to the House-Building Logic for developing Business Models!**

Would you like to learn more about the House-Building Logic? Then write "Method"! Or would you like to start immediately? Then write "Start"! \*\*

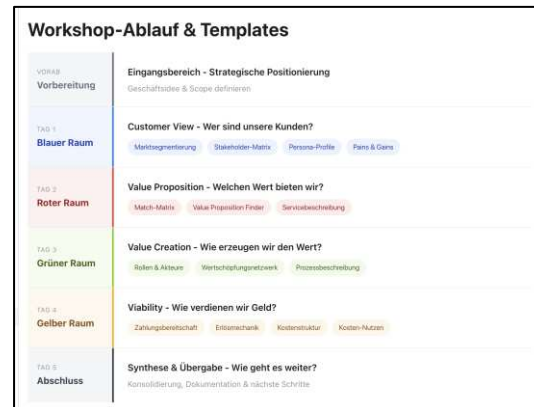
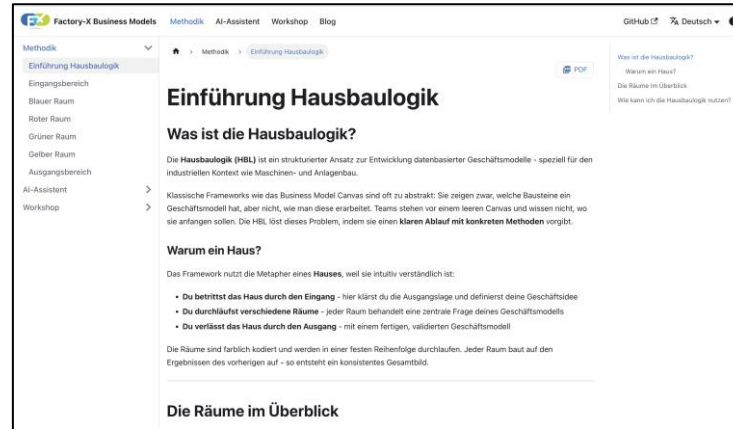
Please reply with **Method** or **Start**.



### Description

Documentation website showcasing the House Building Logic methodology for data-driven business models.

- Hosts full methodology with interactive navigation, templates, and quality gates
- Integrates an AI assistant directly usable via ChatGPT, Claude, or Copilot
- Provides downloadable workshop materials and multilingual content (DE/EN)



### Benefit

Single entry point for practitioners to learn, apply, and scale business model innovation.

- Combines documentation, AI tooling, and workshop resources in one place
- Self-service access – no training required, just follow the guided structure
- Open source (Apache 2.0 / CC-BY-4.0), ready to fork and adapt

# Operating Model

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# Operating Model

*Enabling multi-lateral collaboration*



The Operating Model as a playbook for multi-lateral collaboration

## Our Scope

Define a guideline for a **governance framework** that **enables** and fosters **multi-lateral collaboration** and ensures alignment among participants by establishing **shared principles, structured processes and clear compliance rules** for roles and services to facilitate mutual understanding, cooperation, and trust across the Manufacturing-X ecosystem.

## Key Results

Guidelines for:

- **Fundamental principles** or golden rules to ensure quality characteristics (e.g. interoperability and sovereignty).
- **Processes and workflows** required for the effective and efficient operation of the data space (e.g., standardization, certification).
- **Role definitions** as well as their associated **rights and responsibilities** within the MX data ecosystem.
- **Governance**, which ensures **operational continuity and compliance** with all rules through binding guidelines and policies.



# Operating Model

## Our Key Benefits



**Establish a legally binding and accepted ground** for all participants of the data ecosystem



**Agreement on common guidelines** and rules to share data between different vertical industries



**Avoidance of lock-in effects** by enabling **barrier- and -discrimination-free business models** for all participants



**Enable scalable & interoperable solution offerings** by integrating Hercules, Leo and Orion

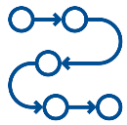


**Enable Co-Evolution and Co-Innovation** over time without losing **compatibility and interoperability** within Factory-X and Manufacturing-X and with other data ecosystems

### Key Components:



**Fundamental principles** to assure the quality characteristics



**Processes and procedures** that are required for the effective and efficient operation of the Data Space.



**Technologies and fundamental enablers** (e.g. MX-Port) required to ensure compliance with the fundamental principles.



**Role definitions and the associated rights and responsibilities** within the Factory-X Data Space.

### Objectives:

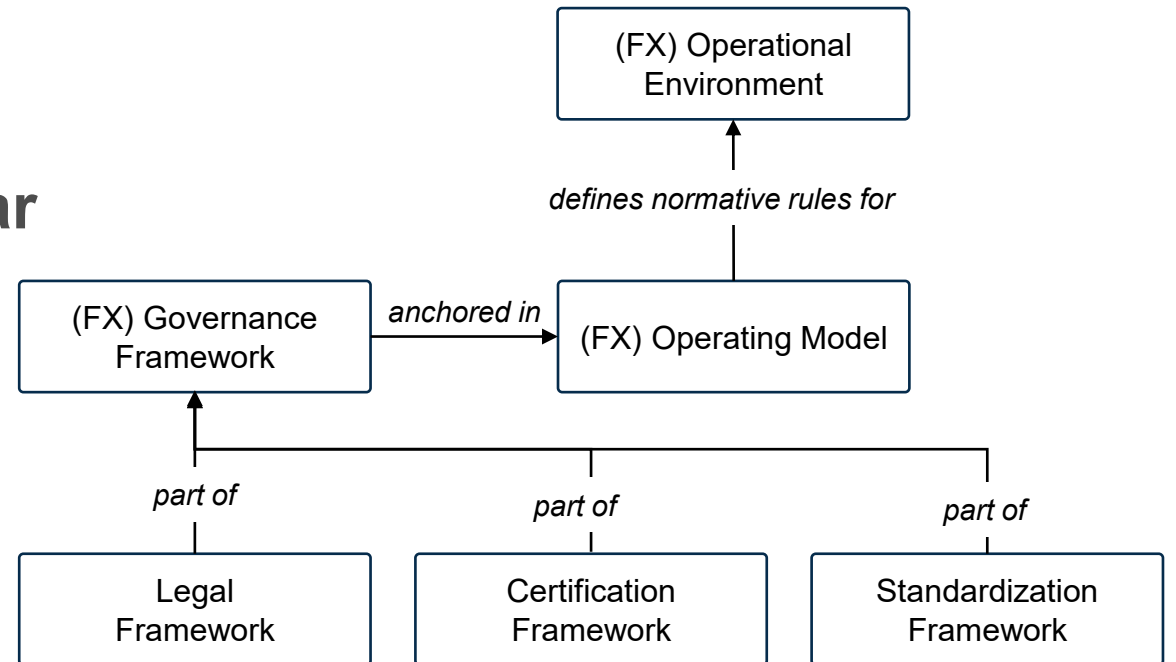
- **Establish shared principles** as the foundation for mutual understanding
- **Establish a collaborative framework** that ensures alignment among participants
- **Establish structured processes** to enhance efficiency and assure legal compliance
- **Establish clear compliance guidelines** for all roles and services to maintain transparency and trust

### The Operating Model anchors the Governance Framework of a given Dataspace and its compliance mechanisms with the

- Legal Framework
- Certification Framework
- Standardization Framework

### as its foundation and extends it with clear

- overall organizational structure
- roles and responsibilities,
- their collaboration mechanisms,
- their mandatory services and
- the lifecycle / release management

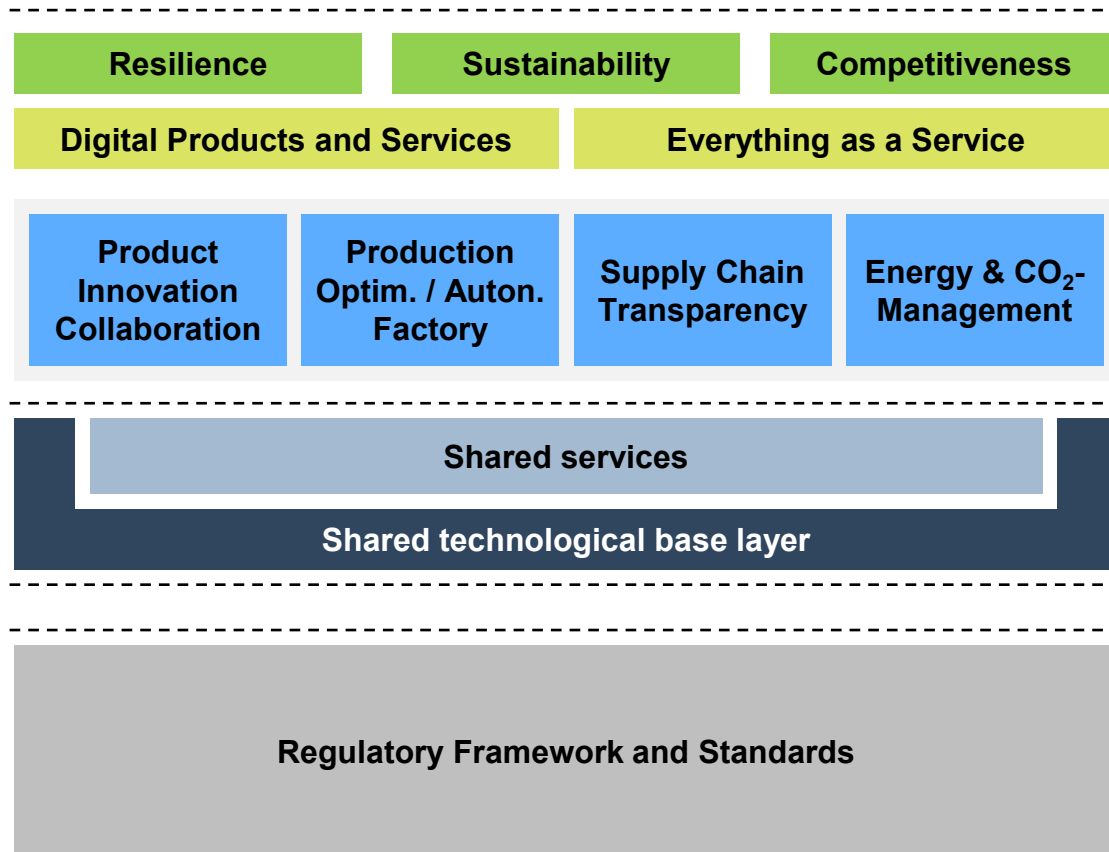


	Standardization Framework	Certification Framework	Legal Framework
		Technical Compliance	Legal Compliance
Main responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Technical specifications</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Technical compliance</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Legal compliance</b></li> </ul>
Main objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a collaborative environment to jointly create technical specification / standards while assuring legal compliance (e.g. anti trust and intellectual property)</li> <li>• Enable interoperability and compatibility between independent implementations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof and assure interoperability and compatibility between independent implementations</li> <li>• Proof and assure compliance with the value proposition and quality requirements of Factory-X</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure compliance with relevant legislation (such as data protection)</li> <li>• Provide contractual frameworks to assure (e.g.) legal accountability and data sovereignty accepted by all participants</li> </ul>
Main challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieve and maintain interoperability over time while enabling technological evolution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimize certification costs while assuring compliance and reliability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish clear, predictable liability rules and data usage conditions to mitigate risk and encourage data sharing</li> </ul>

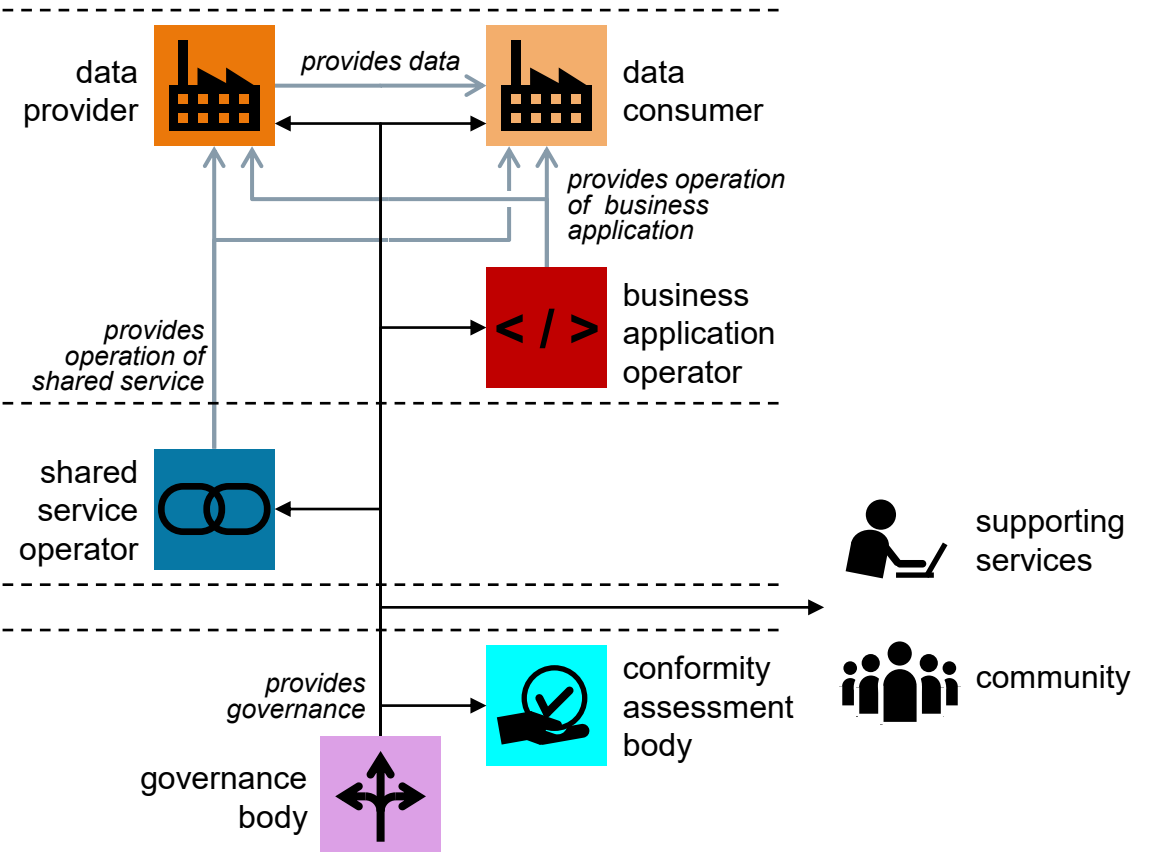
# Scope of Business Roles in Relation to the Foundational Framework for Manufacturing-X



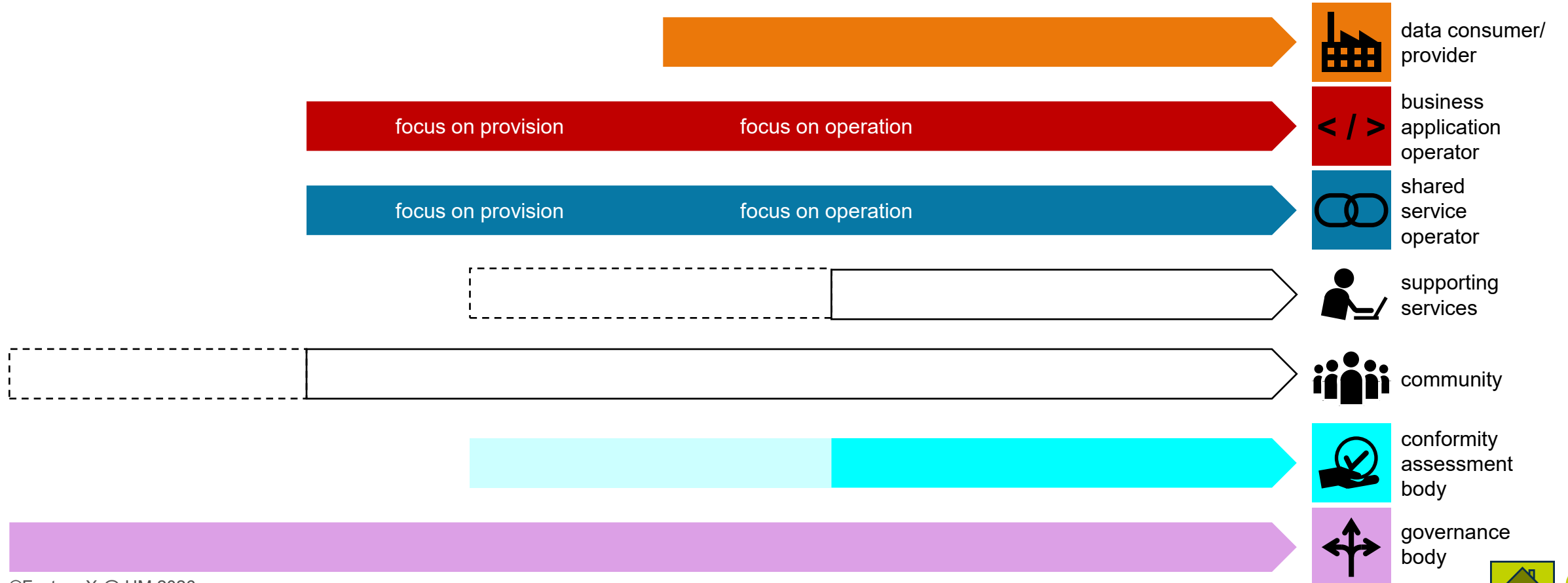
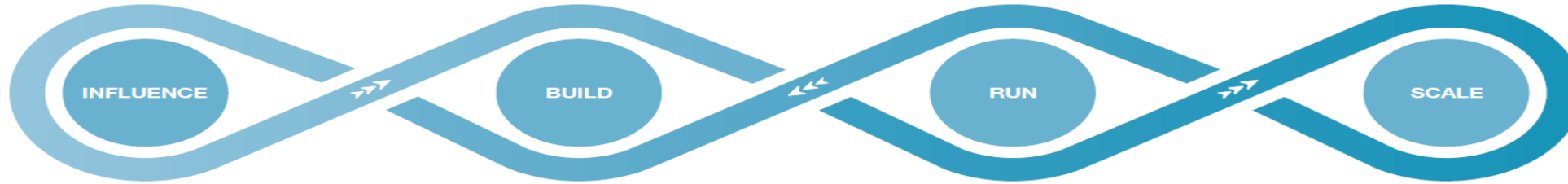
## Foundational Framework for Manufacturing-X



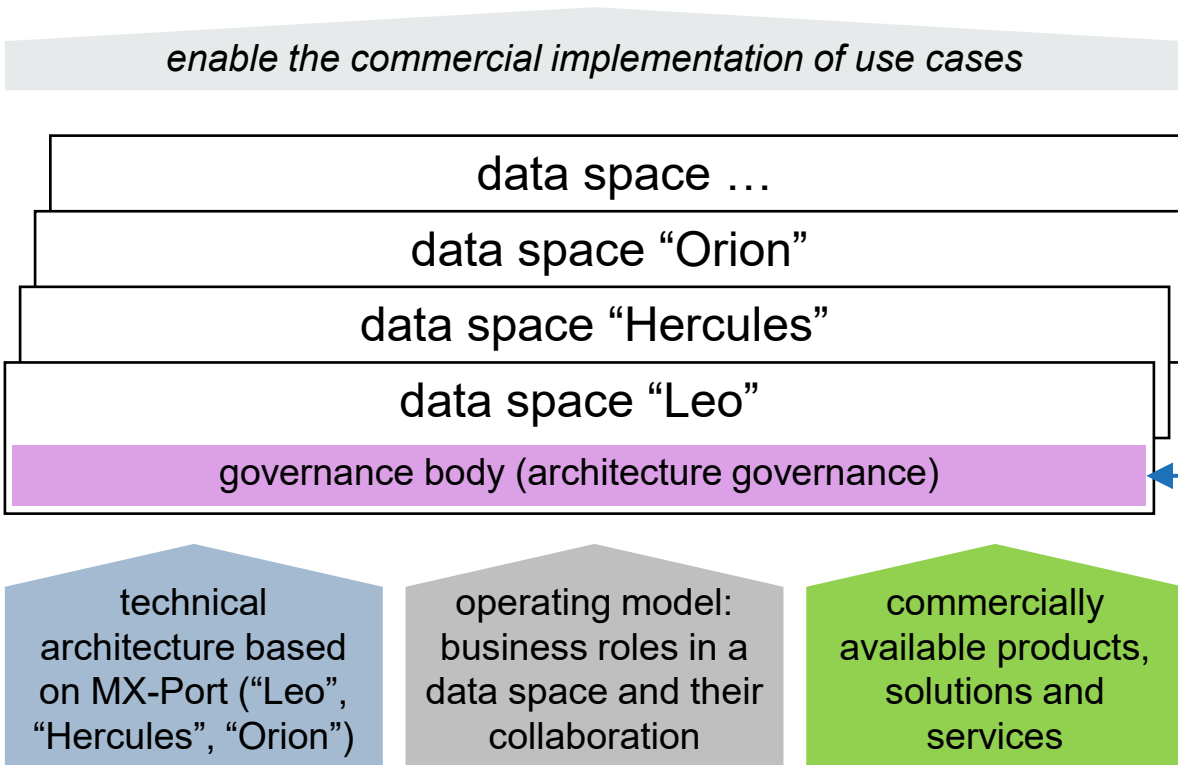
## Business Roles of Manufacturing-X



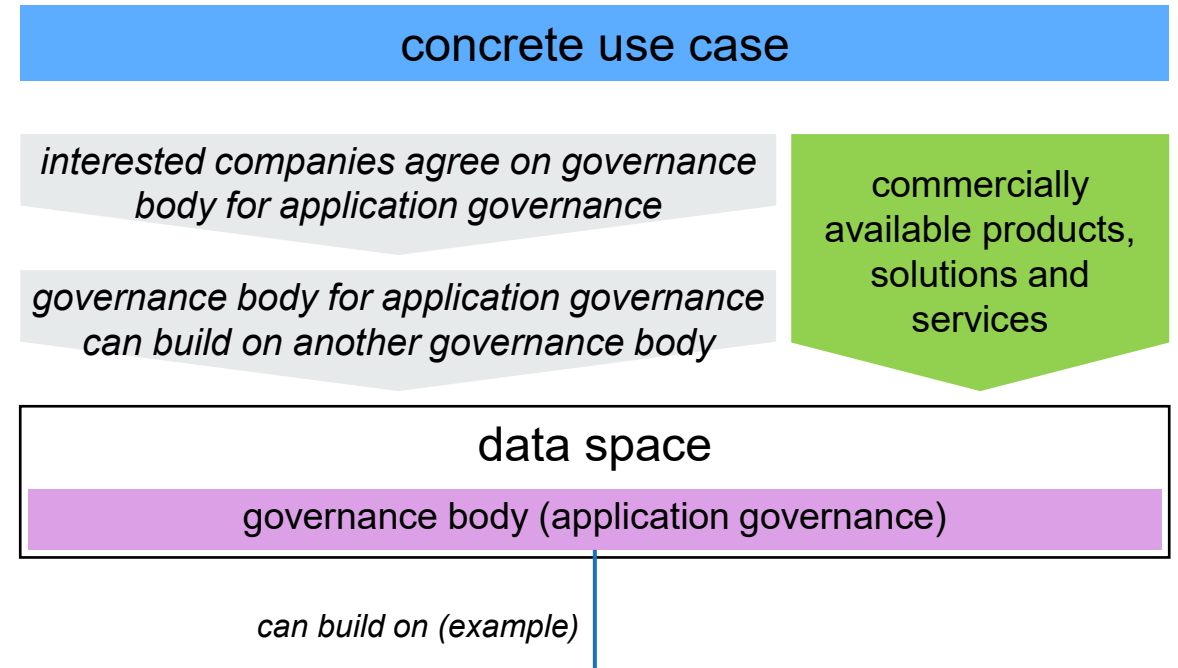
# Main Scope of Business Roles in Relation to Development of Industrial Data Ecosystems



## Establishing data spaces (bottom-up)



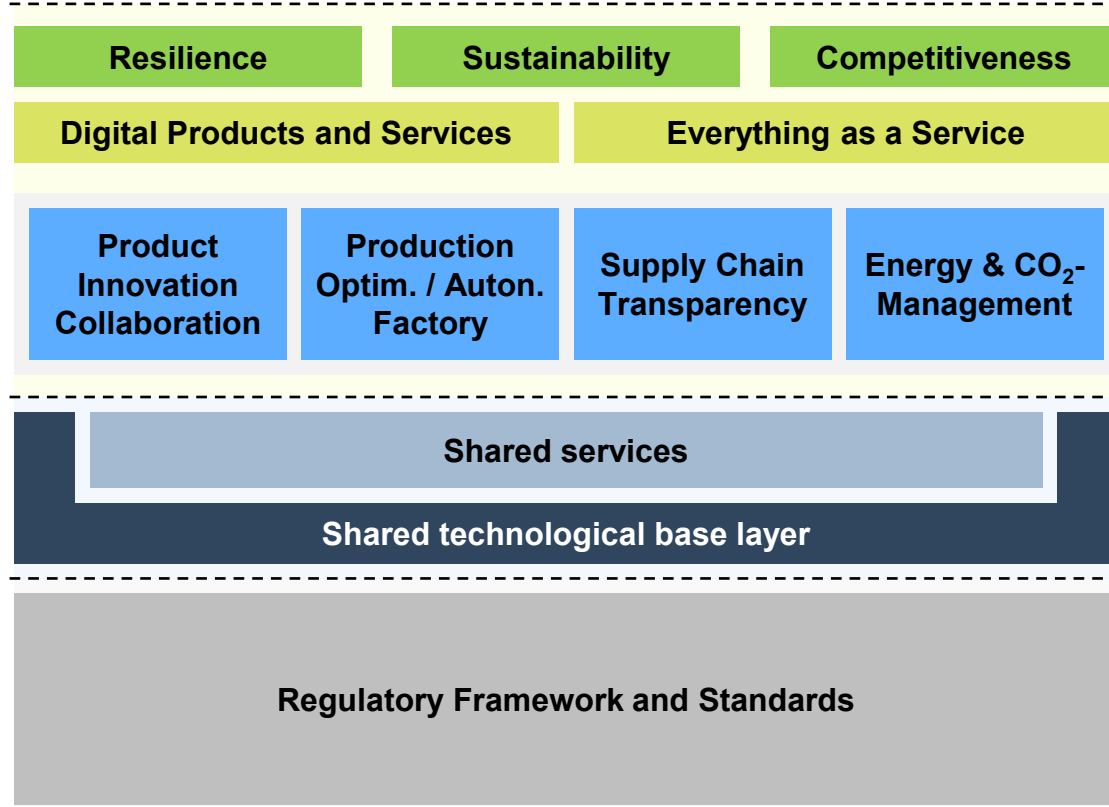
## Implementation of use cases (top-down)



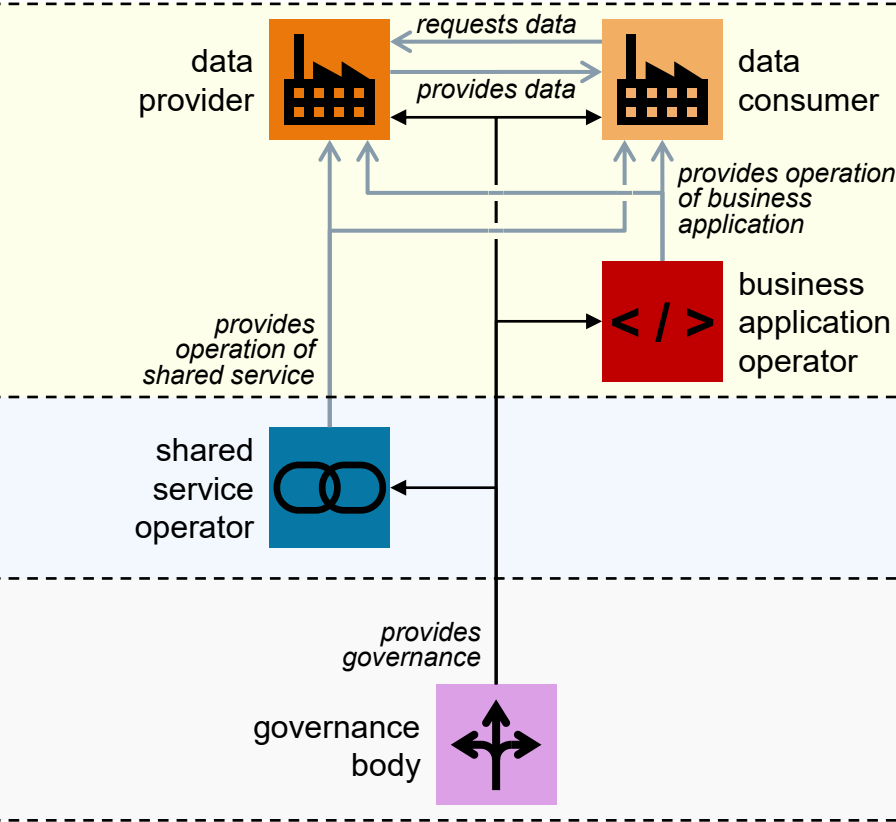
# Standardized cross-company data sharing requires a well-defined interplay between different business roles



## Foundational Framework for Manufacturing-X



## Business Roles of Manufacturing-X



A company must **strategically decide** in which **business roles** it wants to operate within data ecosystems



# Transfer Measures

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# Transfer Measures

Bringing Factory-X solutions to the industry!



Building community: Factory-X Day 2025

## Our Scope

Transferring project results to the public:

- clearly communicate content, added value and benefits of the Factory-X data space
- develop FX-specific transfer packages, formats, and methods for adoption by multipliers

## Key Results

A set of tested and applied transfer tools including videos, events, demonstrators, and more!

- Factory-X Day 2025 and 2026
- Workshops with use cases using LEGO® Serious Play®
- XR platform with avatar and videos on use cases
- Slide decks, e.g., on value proposition of Factory-X
- Fair representation and demonstrators





# Cross-Use Case Demonstrator

Consistent, smart, interoperable: MX-Port "Leo" for AAS-based data exchange



## Description

The demonstrator shows how the AAS-based MX-port "Leo" can be used to realize **continuity and interoperability in data exchange** in the areas of Smart Products, Smart Engineering, Smart Production, Smart Operation, Smart Services, and Smart End of Life

- Experience the demonstrator virtually: [Factory-X Demonstrator](#)



## Benefit

Data exchange along the entire product life cycle improves transparency, efficiency, and value for products and services.

- AAS data can be retrieved through scan of QR-Codes on devices
- Videos of software demonstrations showcase several use cases in Factory-X





# Transfer Measures

XR-Demonstrator - Experience the FX use cases in a game-like environment



## Main features of the XR-Demonstrator

- User journey through all Factory-X use cases
- Immersive experience via interactions and 3D models
- Gamification-based learning
- Personal guidance by Colette (AI Avatar)
- Integrated glossary of Factory-X relevant terms

**Visit the XR demonstrator here at the Hannover Fair and try it out for yourself!**





# Elevator pitches

Presentations of 11 Use Cases



## Description

Short video statements of POs of the Use Cases describing their work.

Watch the video statements on the Factory-X website:

[Videos - Factory-X](#)



Elevator pitch - Information Update and Change Service



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## Benefit

- Quick overview of the use cases
- Get to know the responsible leaders of the projects





# Elevator pitches

## Presentations of 11 Use Cases



### Description

Slidedeck that makes the benefits of Factory-X tangible, relatable, and easy to understand for non-technical audiences!

Download here:

[Factory-X](#)

#### Before the dataspace

- Manual search for information from multiple suppliers
  - „translation“ of data formats
  - use of various applications
- Expensive human labor  
→ Stifled innovation

Without  
Factory-X

With  
Factory-X

#### After the dataspace

- Automated retrieval of information across suppliers
  - Interoperable solutions for data transfer and software
- Seamless workflow, fast delivery of tasks  
→ New business models and ideas



# Factory-X Use Cases

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# 11 Use Cases of Factory-X

**11 Use Cases for horizontal and vertical data transfer**

Demo-Booklet:



Integrated Toolchains and Collaborative Engineering



Information Update and Change Service



Collaborative Information Logistics



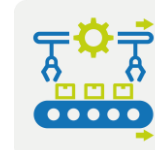
Condition Monitoring led Services



Modular Production



Manufacturing as a Service - On Demand Manufacturing



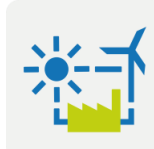
Autonomous Operation-as-a-Service



Traceability



Energy-Consumption and Load Management



Carbon Footprint Management



Circular Economy



# Integrated Toolchains and Collaborative Engineering

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# Integrated Toolchains & Collaborative Engineering

*Productivity by Engineering Data Continuity*



Productive Engineering of Machines through end-to-end Digitalization

## The Challenge

**Missing data continuity** across the multiple engineering stakeholders, tools, and disciplines involved in **factory equipment engineering**

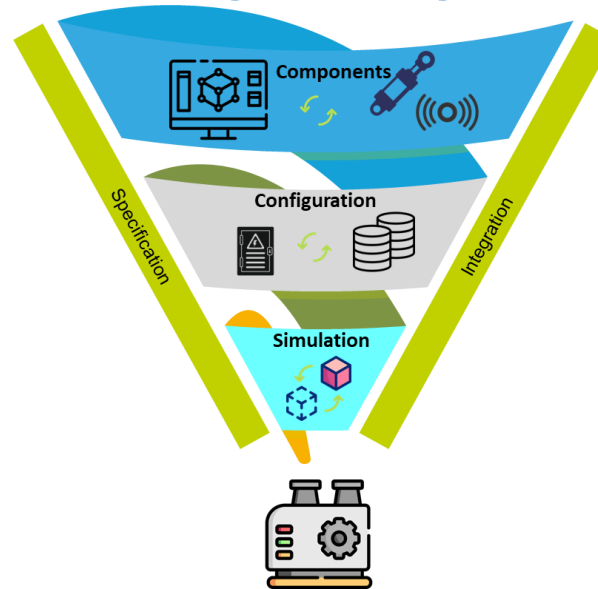
## The FX-Solution and Offering

- Data continuity along integrated vendor-independent toolchains based on **common standards**
- Collaborative use of engineering data based on a **trusted framework (MX Port)**
- **Digital twins** for simulating and optimizing production processes and systems during life cycle





## Productivity by Data Continuity across Engineering Process



### Organizational benefits

- engineering ecosystem
- collaborative use of data
- data sovereignty

### Economic benefits

- accelerated engineering
- increased productivity
- improved competitiveness

### Technical benefits

- seamless data exchange
- integrated toolchains
- standardized digital twins



# Integrated Toolchains & Collaborative Engineering

Productivity by Engineering Data Continuity

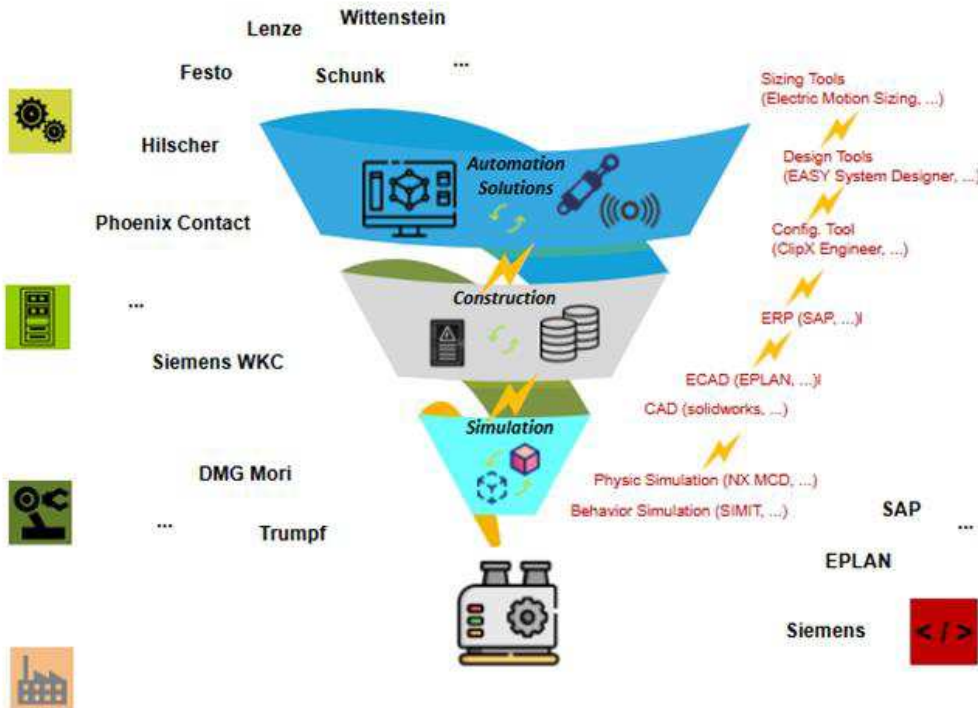


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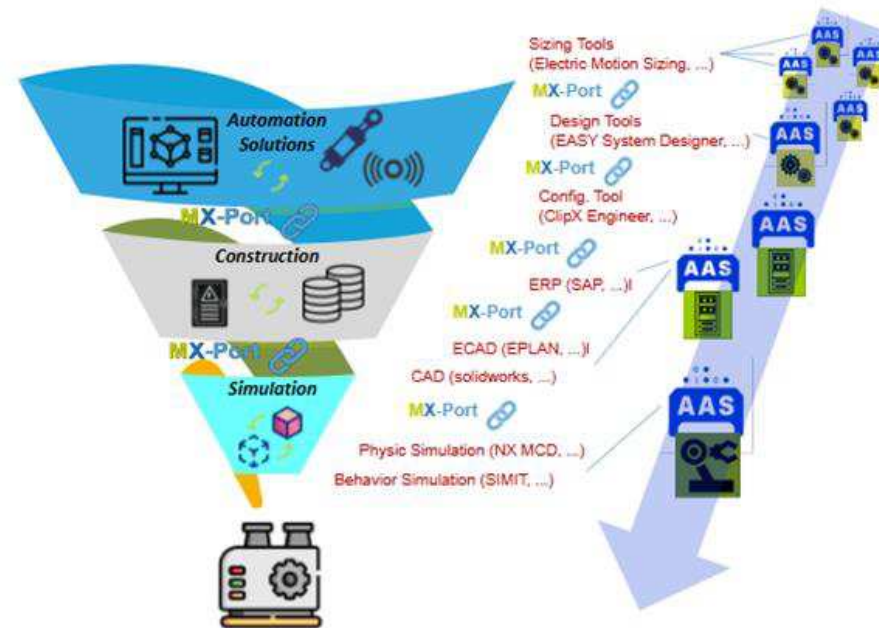
...to Solutions.



Multiple **actors** with multiple **tools** in different *phases* of engineering a machine



Productivity by Engineering **Data Continuity**





# Integrated Toolchains & Collaborative Engineering

*Need for seamless exchange of information in Collaborative Engineering*



## Information Exchange along Collaborative Engineering Partners and Phases:



Customer / User



Technical Requirements

Technical Information (Instance Solution)



Manufacturer / Supplier of automation solutions



Technical Requirements

Technical Information (Instance Subsystem)

...



Subsystems / Part solutions supplier



Technical Requirements

Technical Information (Type Component)



Components / Product supplier



Scope of MX-TG



### COLLABORATIVE ENGINEERING

Why & How to use AAS for Collaborative Engineering?

Whitepaper (Version 1)

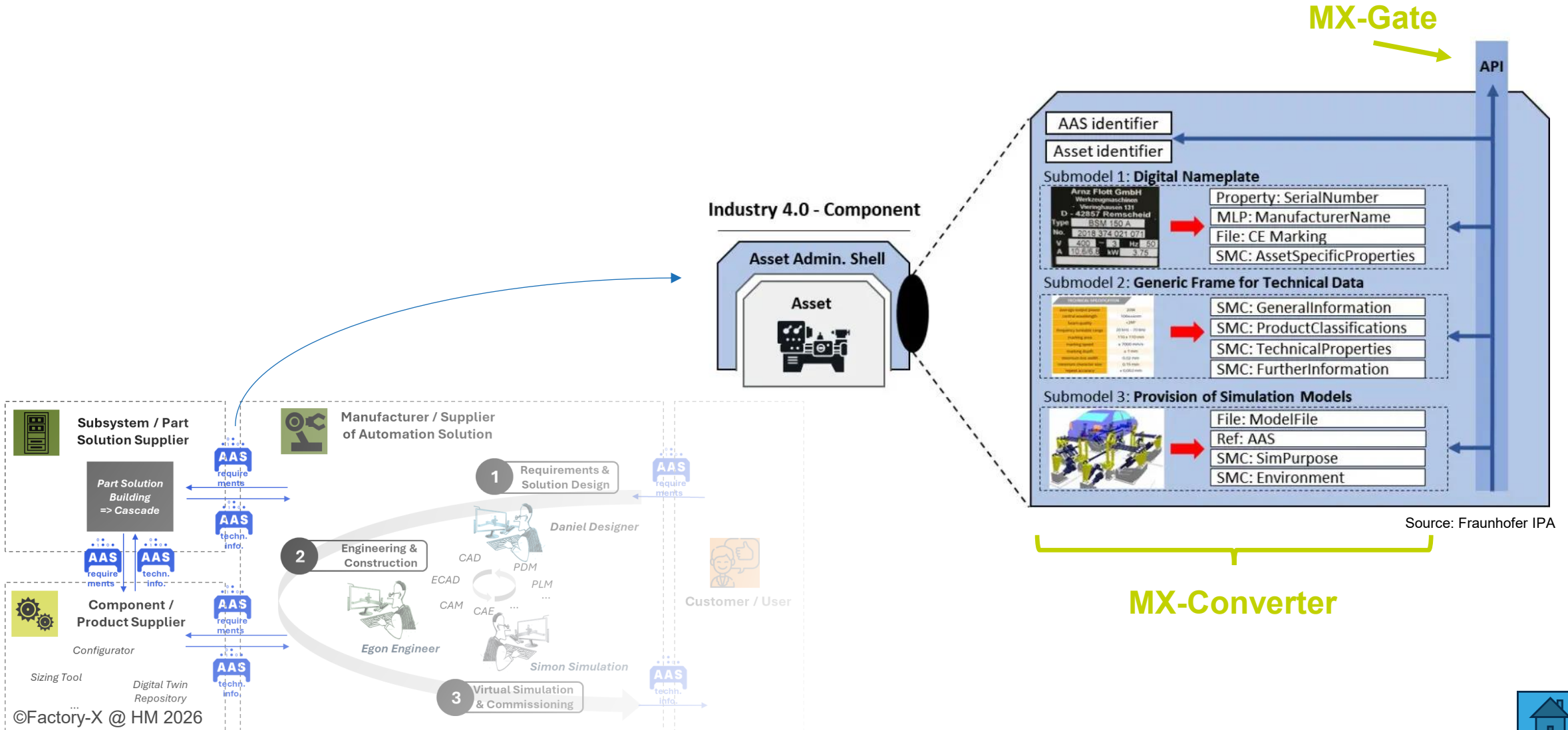
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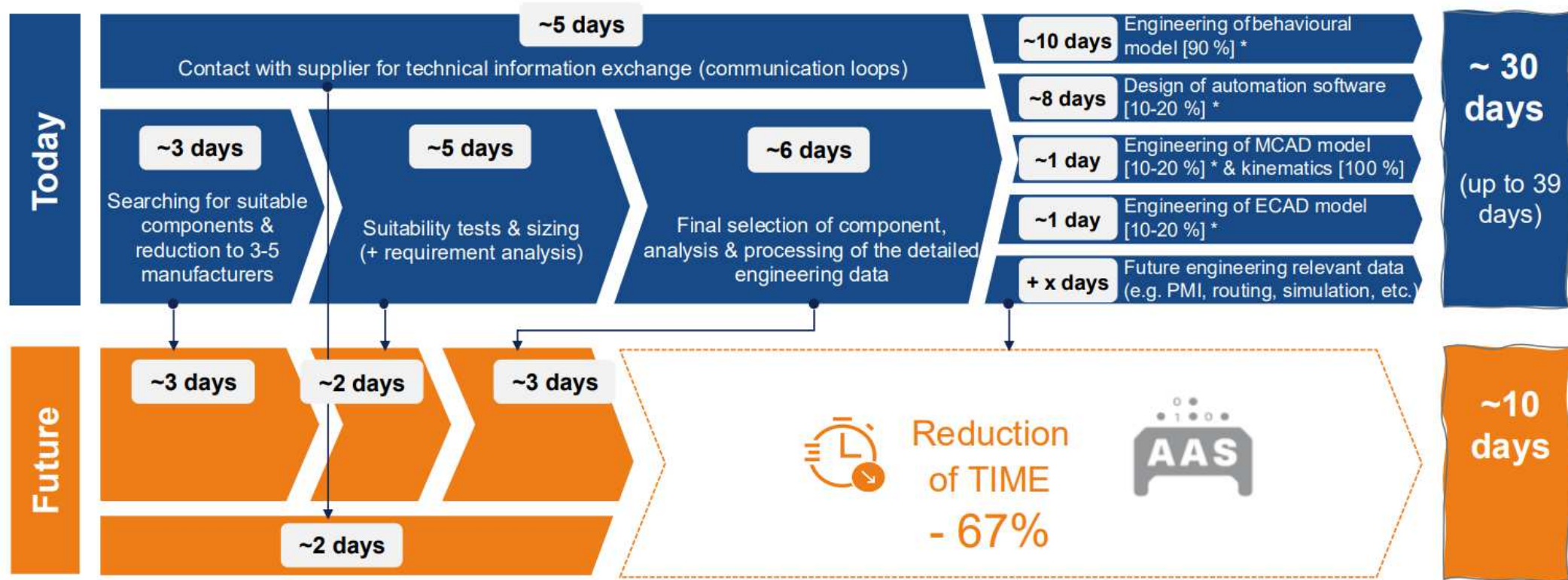
Asset Administration Shell (AAS) as standardized representation of Digital Twin





# Integrated Toolchains & Collaborative Engineering

Example of accelerated engineering process thanks to AAS



\* [Evaluation of the probability in % regarding the necessity of this work]

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# Workstream 1

## Conception and Design of Automation Solutions (AUT)

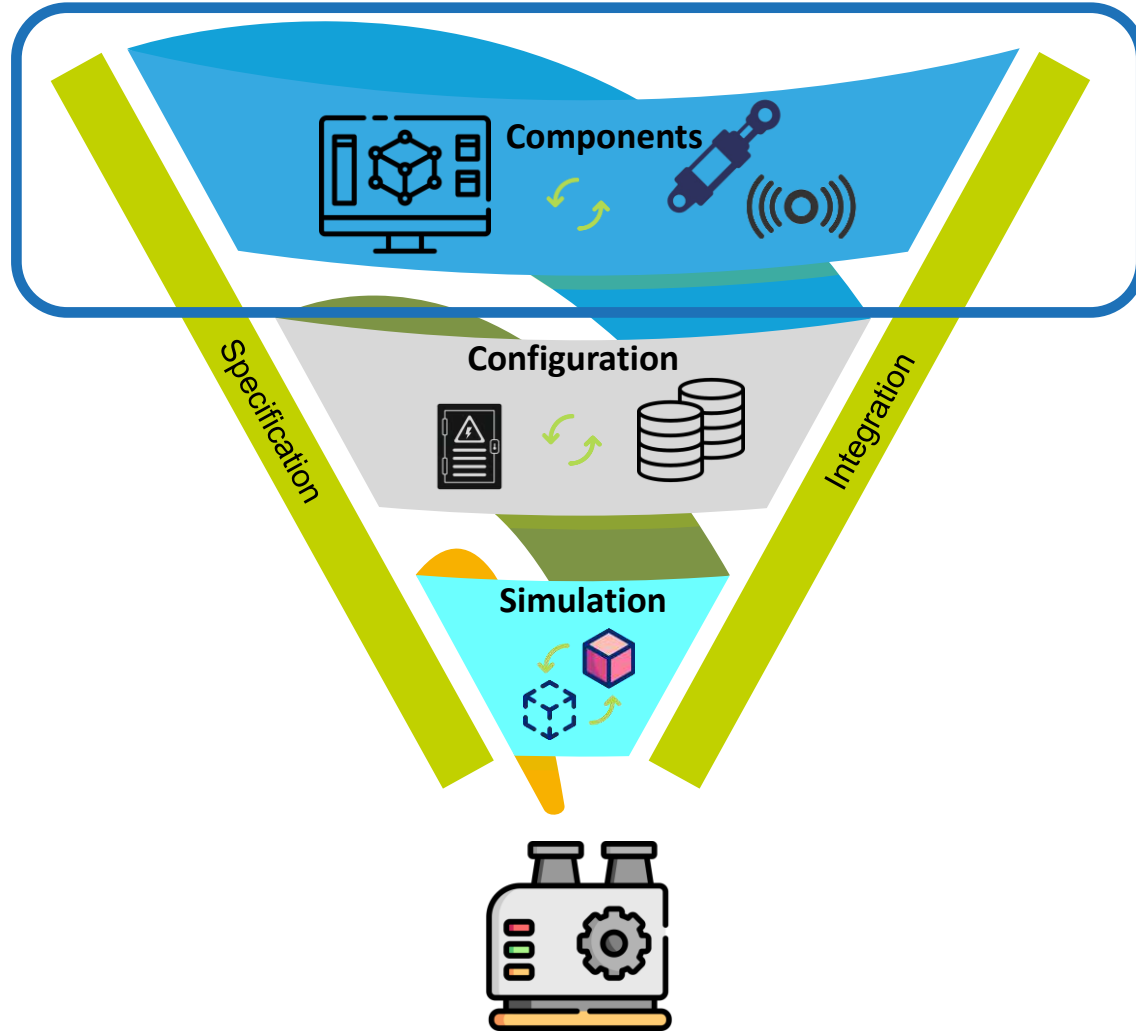
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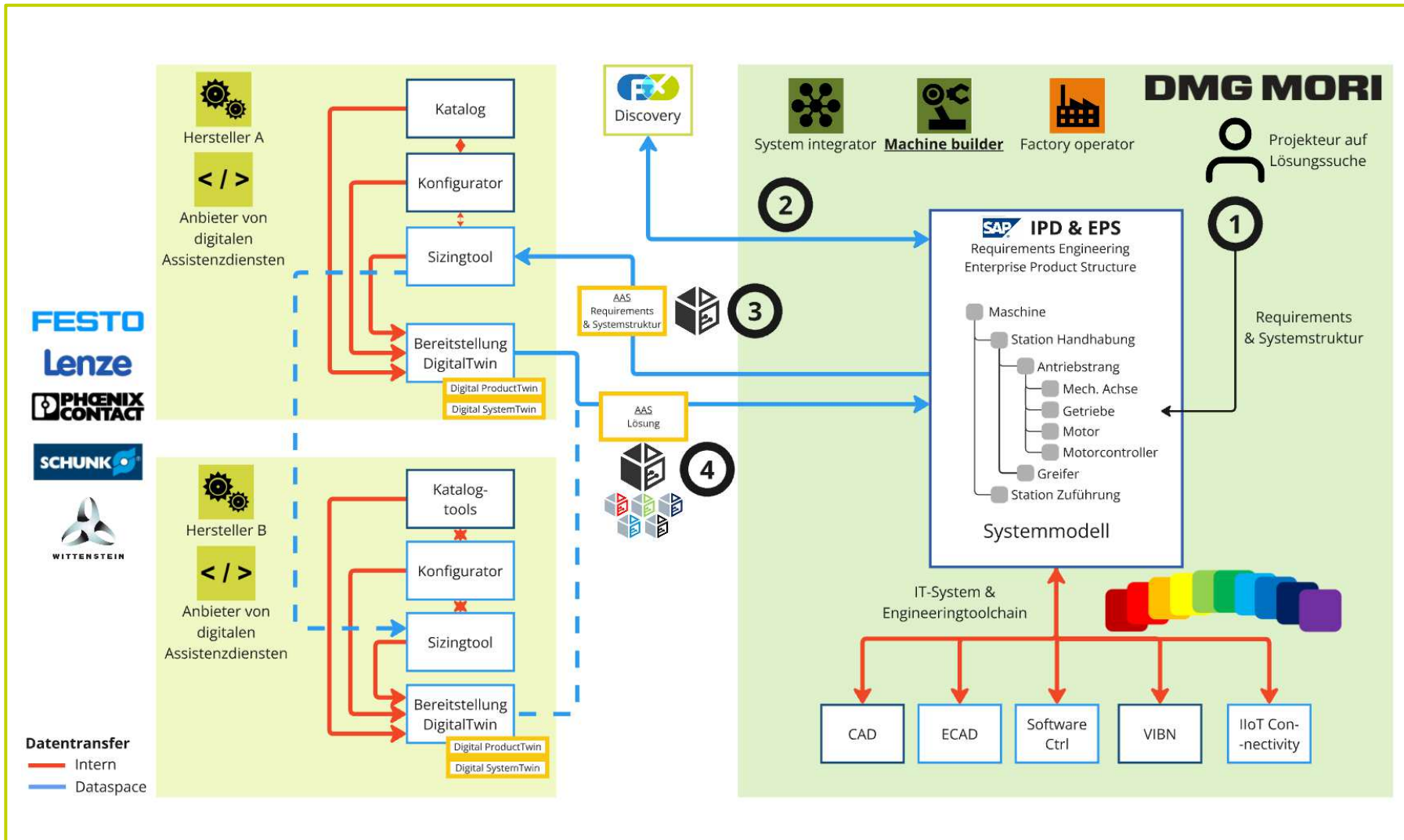
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## Workstream 1: Conception and Design of Automation Solutions (AUT)



# Workstream 1 (AUT) Overview



What?

Simple and efficient solution finding

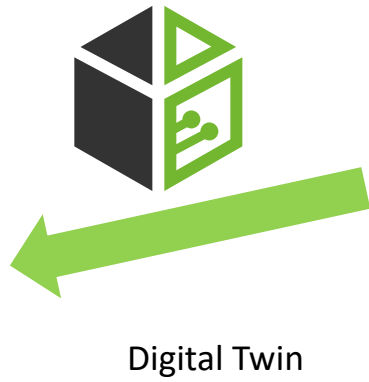
Why?

Simplicity  
Efficiency  
Quality

How?

Requirements Engineering  
Automatic discovery of vendor services  
Semiautomatic solution finding

# Workstream 1 (AUT) Overview



Digital Twin



Create system model  
based on requirements



Engineer looking  
for solution



Automation  
Problem

Lenze

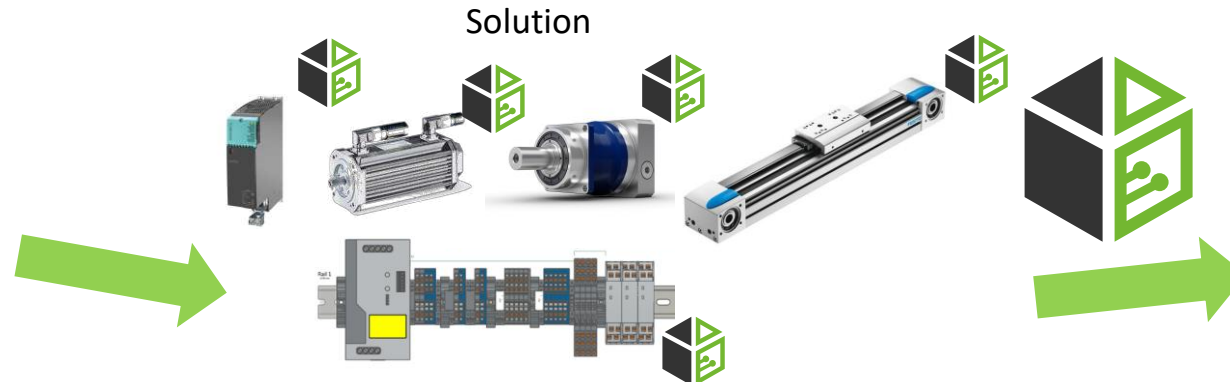
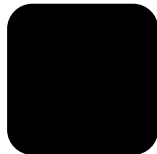


Simplified, efficient and vendor independent  
solution finding with high quality

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SIEMENS



Solution



Integration into machine  
builders IT- and  
Engineering system

# Workstream 2

## Engineering and Manufacturing of Electrical Systems (ELK)

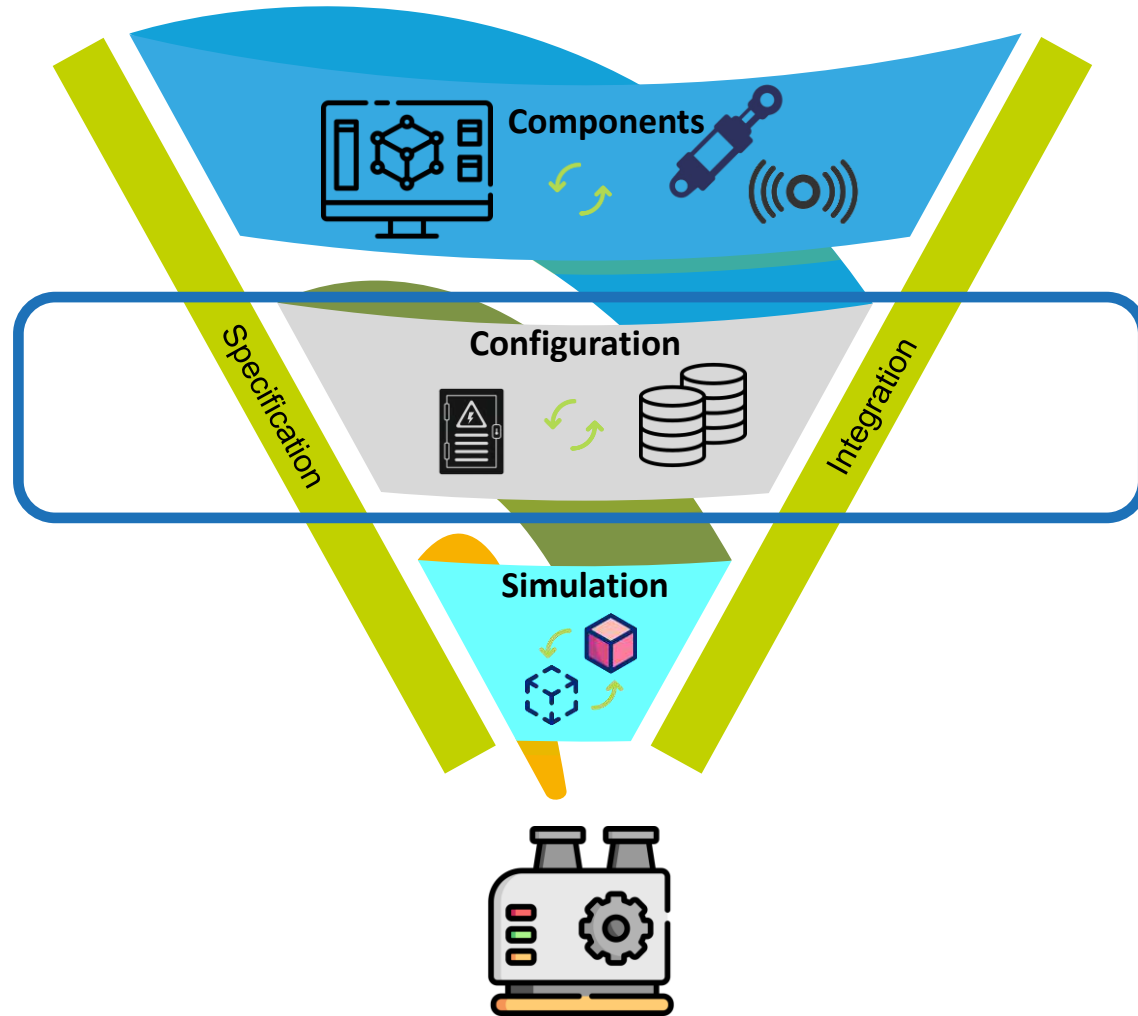
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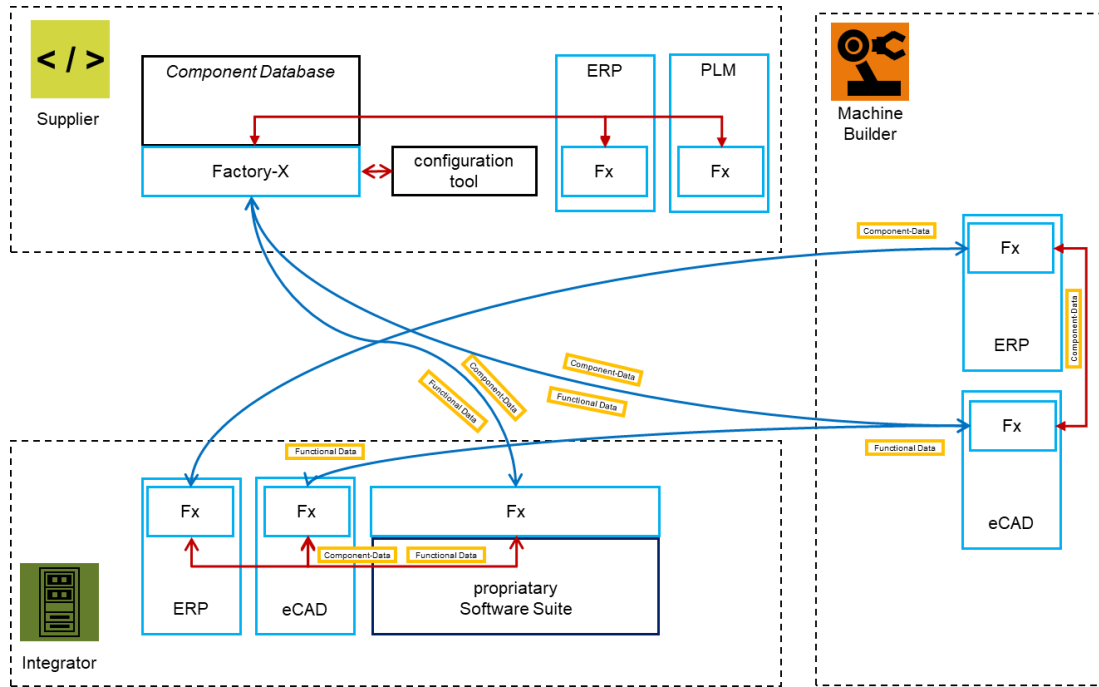


## Workstream 2: Engineering and Manufacturing of Electrical Systems (ELK)



# Workstream 2 (ELK) Overview

## Usage View



## Why?

- increase productivity by data continuity

## How?

- based on real world user stories in electrical engineering, as-is analysis are made and the necessary target-state is derived
- clear focus on productivity raise by data continuity

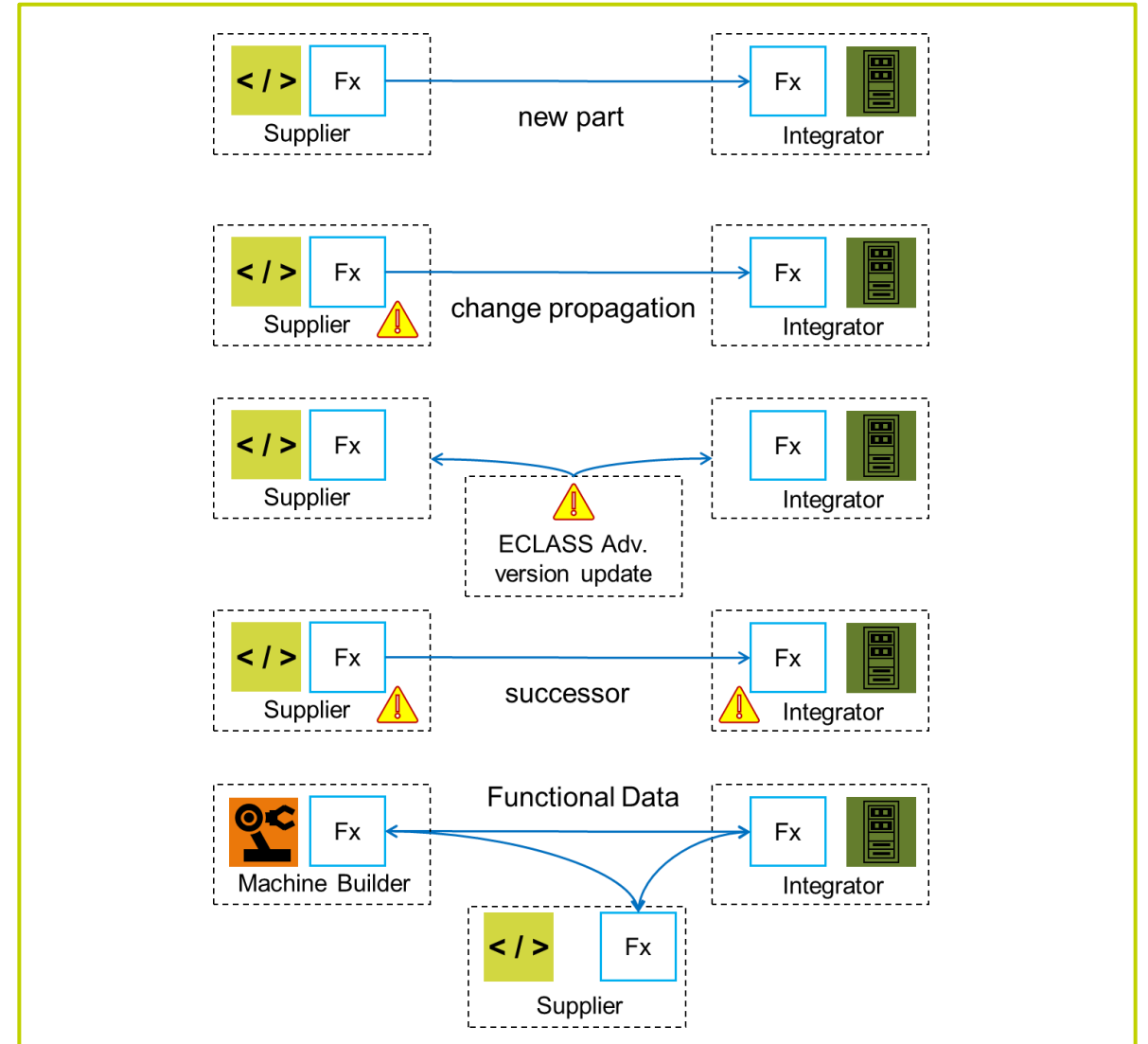
## What?

- representing the user in an engineering toolchain along different companies and different (engineering) software tools given
- What is needed in the daily life of an electrical engineer and which comfort needs a new solution to be accepted from the market?

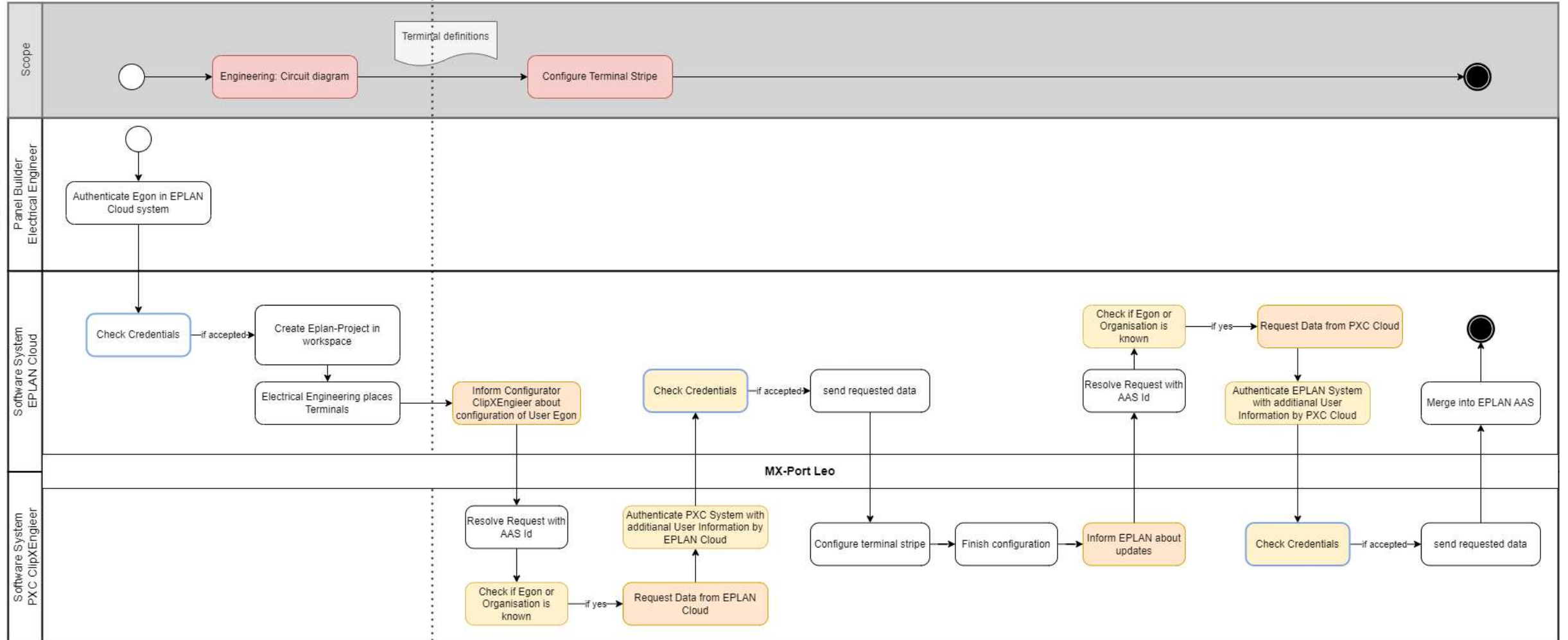
# Workstream 2 (ELK)

## Our User Stories

1. I have a new part in my project and need technical data.
2. Changes?!? A known component has been changed by supplier, wholesaler or software provider. How am I informed?
3. Semantics, e.g. ECLASS Advanced, is updated. How to handle different versions?
4. A used product will be outdated and replaced by a new one. How do I handle this?
5. I'm part of a supplier network and need to exchange functional data between eCAD systems and/or configuration tools in different legal entities. How to?



## Swimlane Diagram – from Integrator to Supplier via EPLAN using MX-Port LEO



# Workstream 3 Virtual Commissioning and Simulation (SIM)

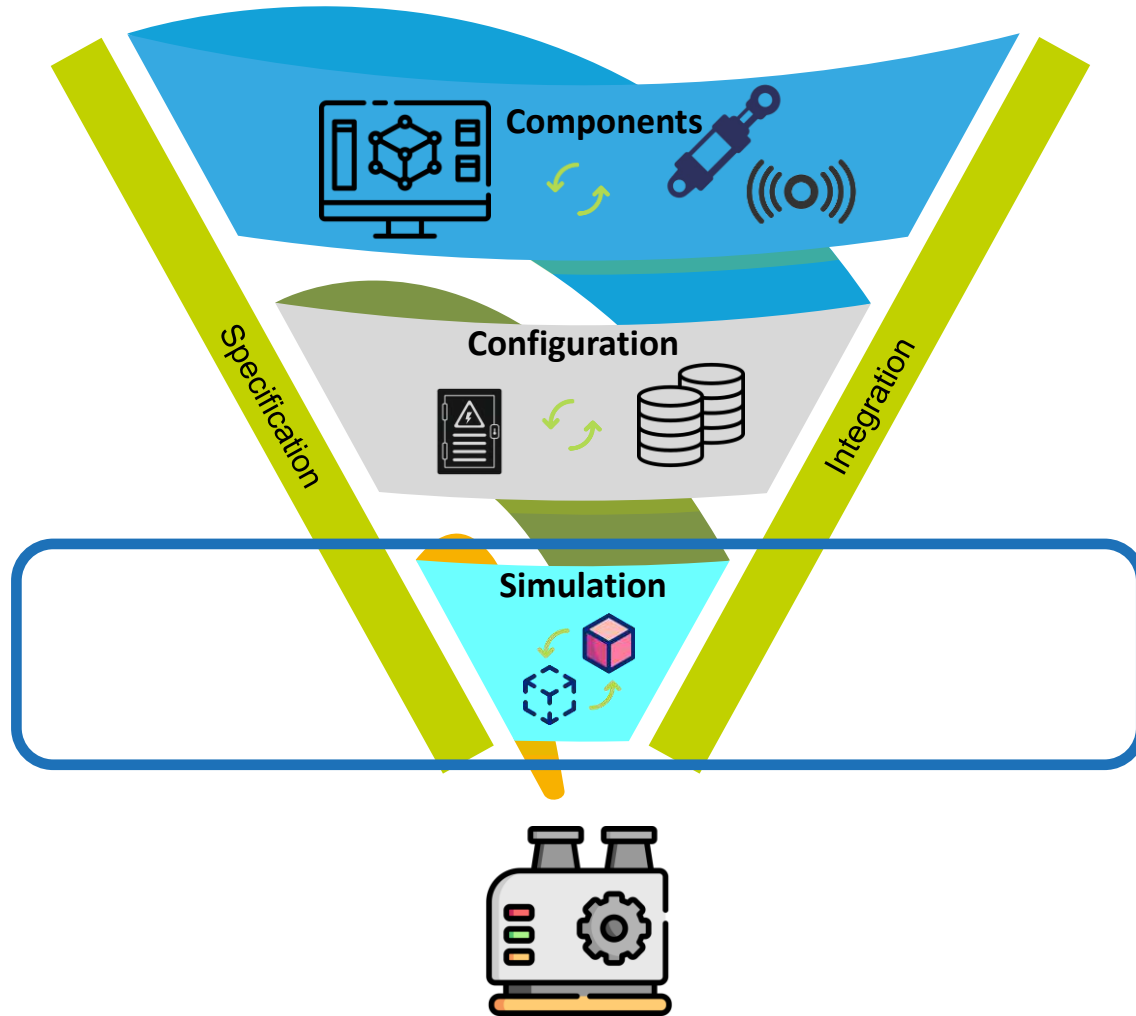
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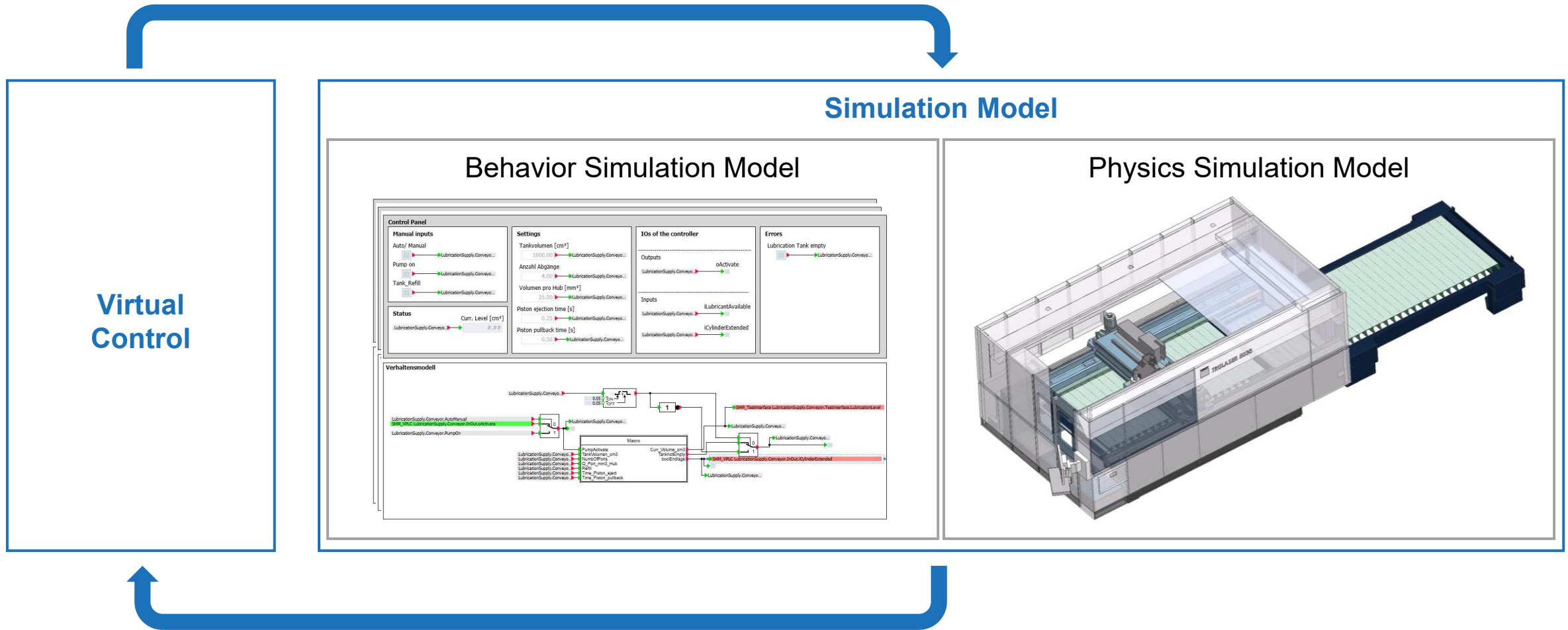
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## Workstream 3: Virtual Commissioning and Simulation (SIM)

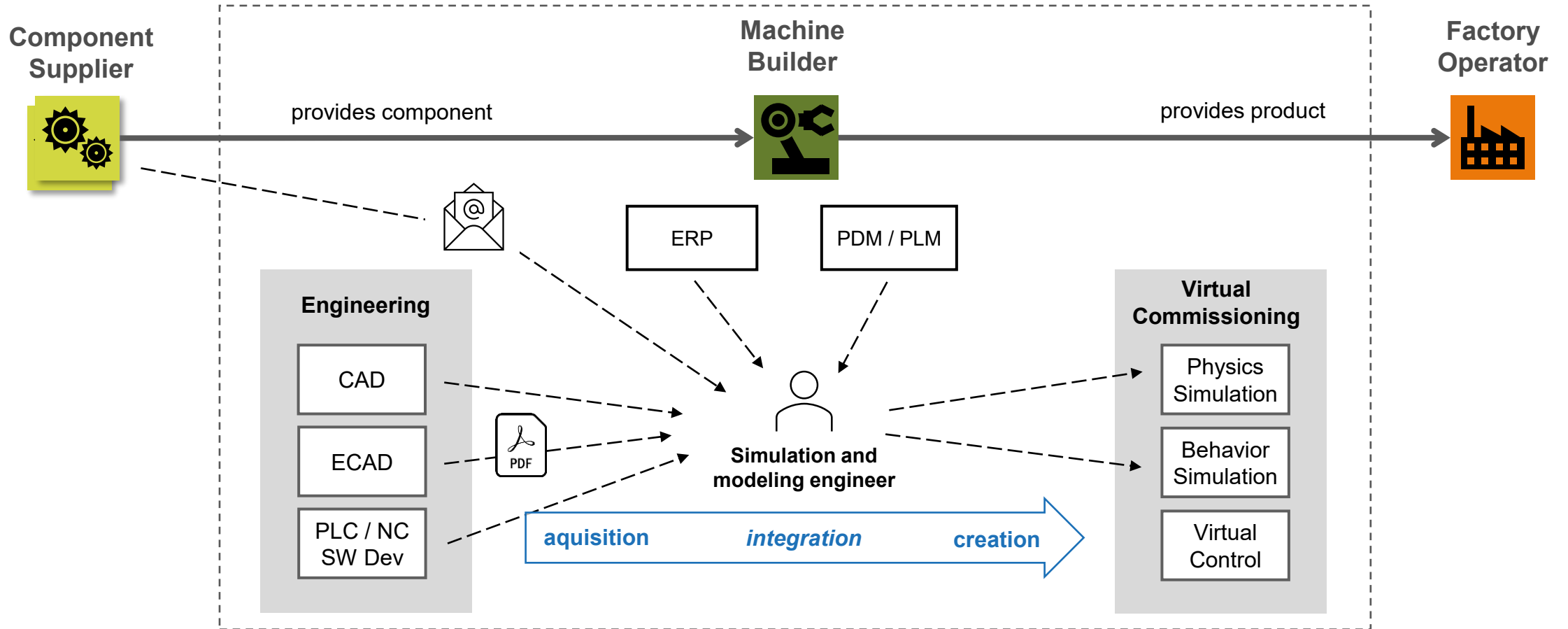
# Introduction

## Software-in-the-Loop Simulation for Virtual Commissioning



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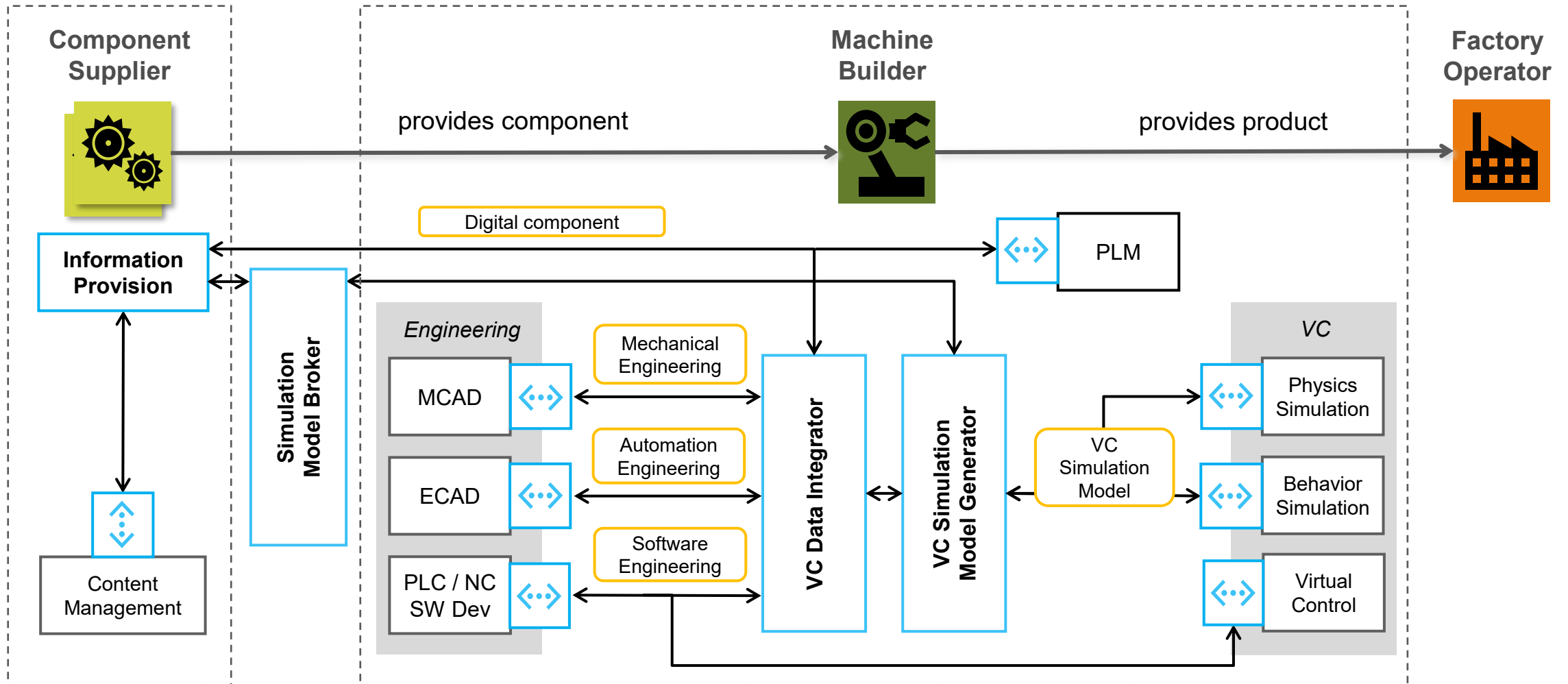
## Missing interoperability in the engineering toolchain



Elaborate effort for simulation model creation limits the potential of virtual commissioning

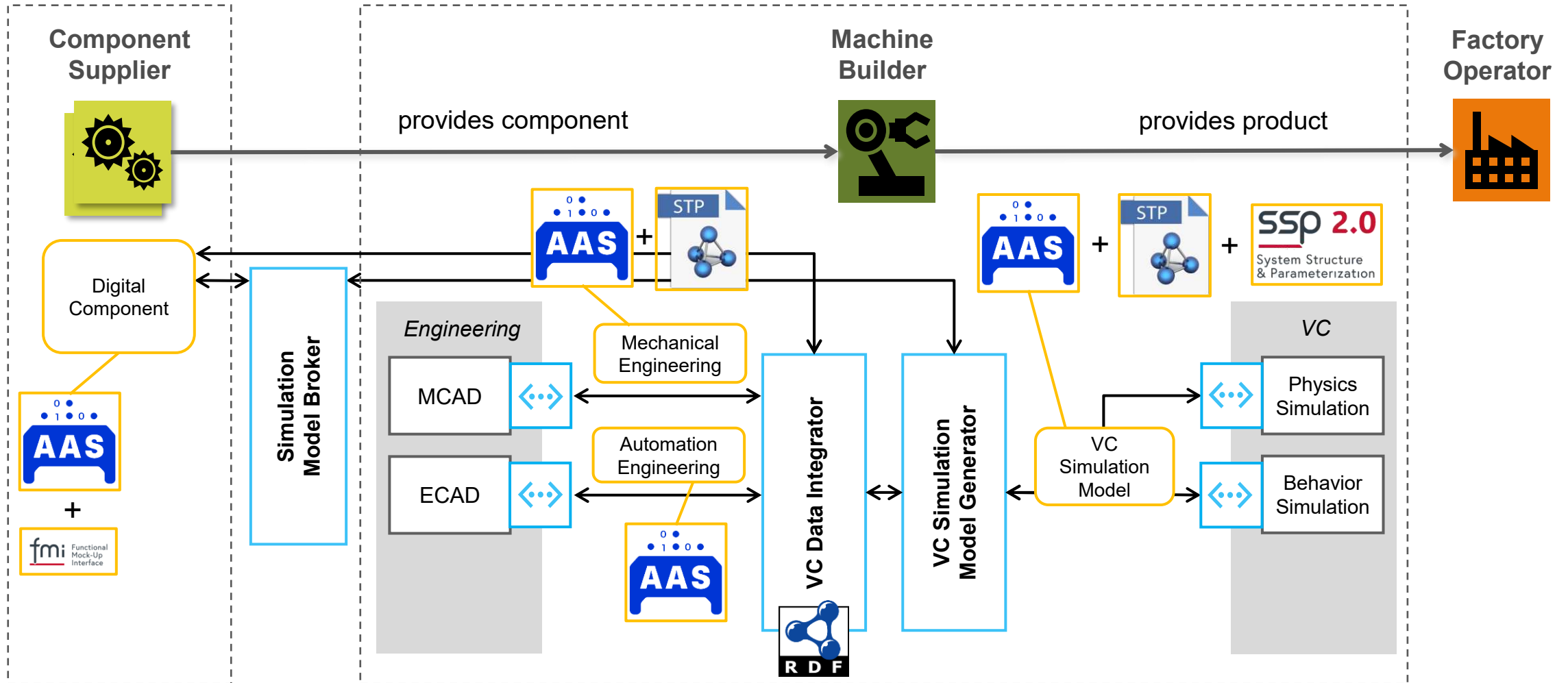
# Concept for behavior simulation model generation

## Integrated engineering toolchain



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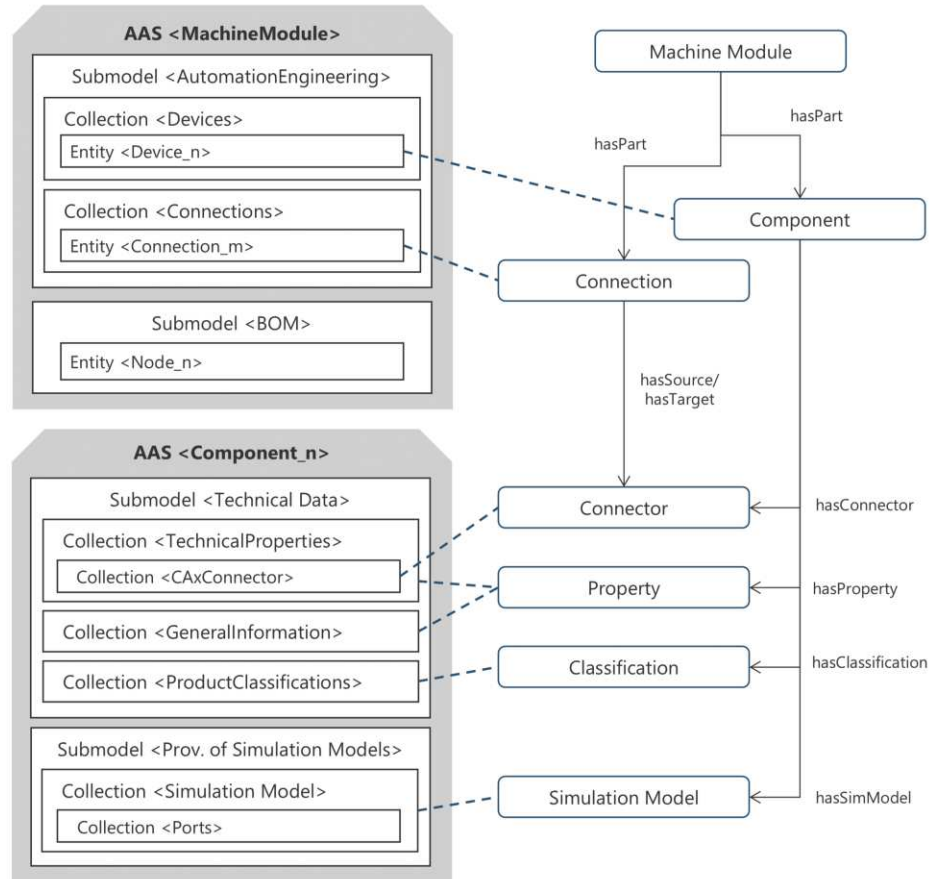
## Selected technologies, formats and standards



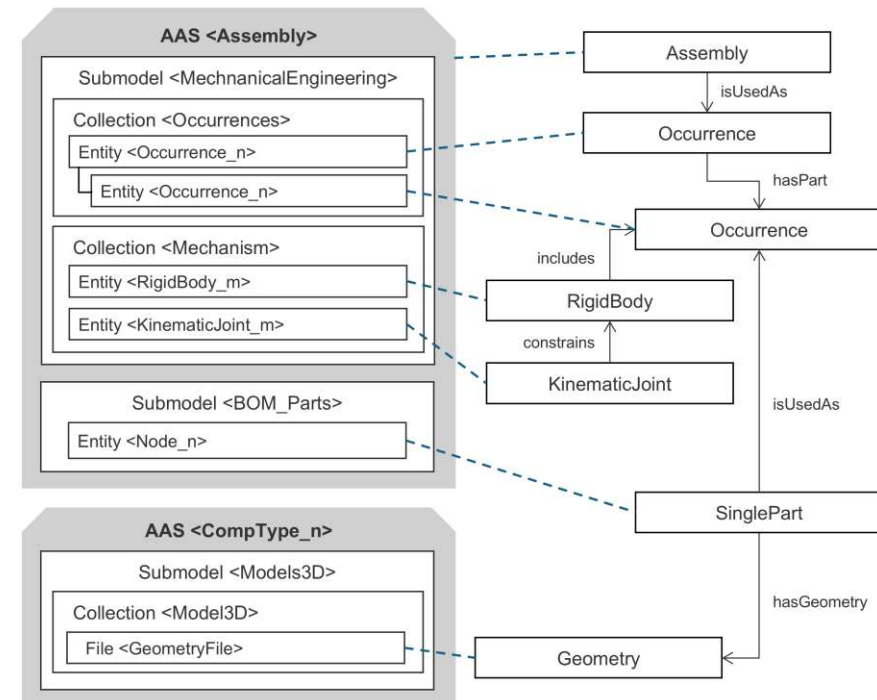
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## Ontology-based integration of mechanical and electrical engineering

### Automation Engineering (ECAD)

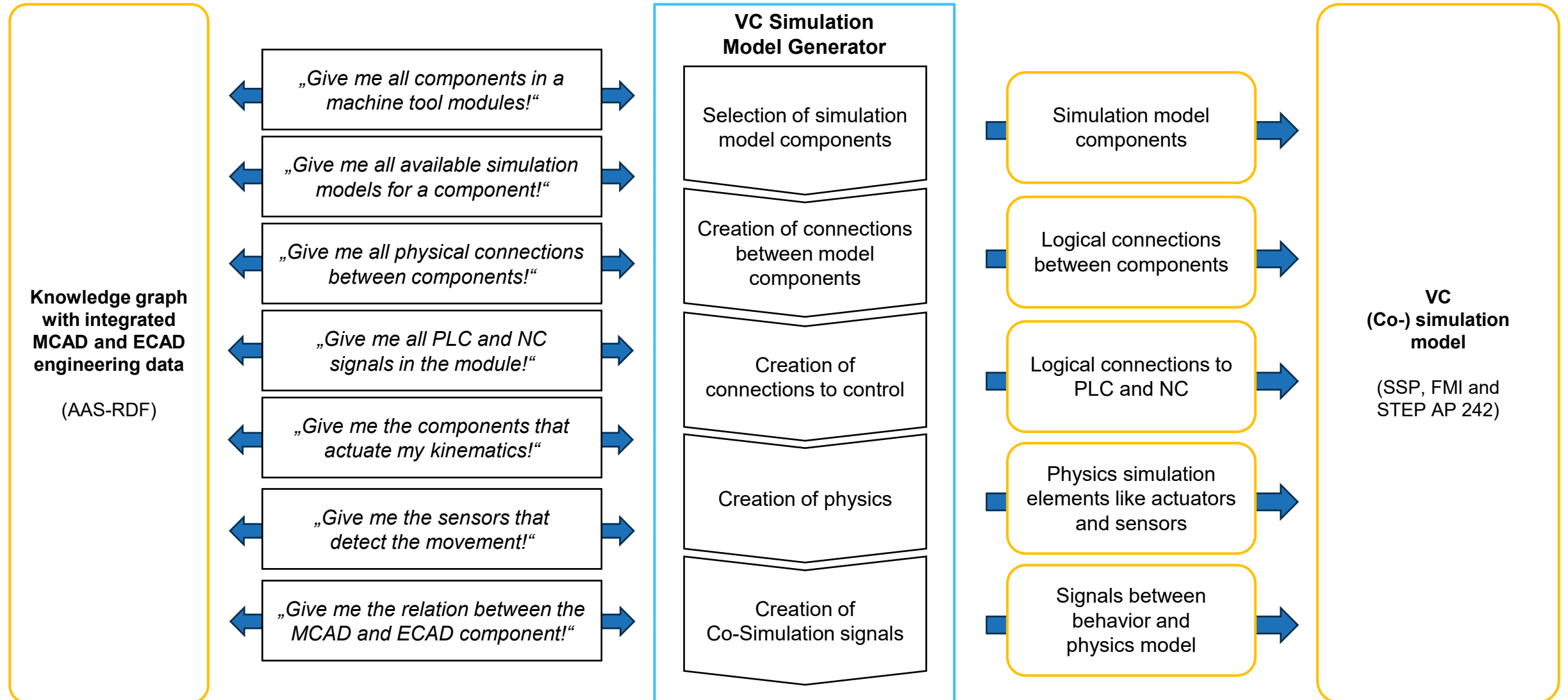


### Mechanical Engineering (MCAD)



# Concept for behavior simulation model generation

## Simulation Model Generator



# Information Update and Change Service

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# Information Update and Change Service

*Instant Update – Fast Changes!*



From cloud to factory shopfloor – updates are instant!

## The Challenge

Highly complex intelligent production systems are networked with each other.

- Regular updates across suppliers are important to ensure the factory equipment is up to date and secure.
- Updates currently need to be searched for and retrieved manually from various sources, which takes a lot of time.

## The FX-Solution and Offering

Factory-X dataspace with AAS-based MX-Port "Leo" enables seamless sharing of data incl. updates.

- Retrieval of asset (AAS) information and updates (product change notifications) via the MX-Port "Leo"
- Common Device Management System for the management of assets





# Information Update and Change Service

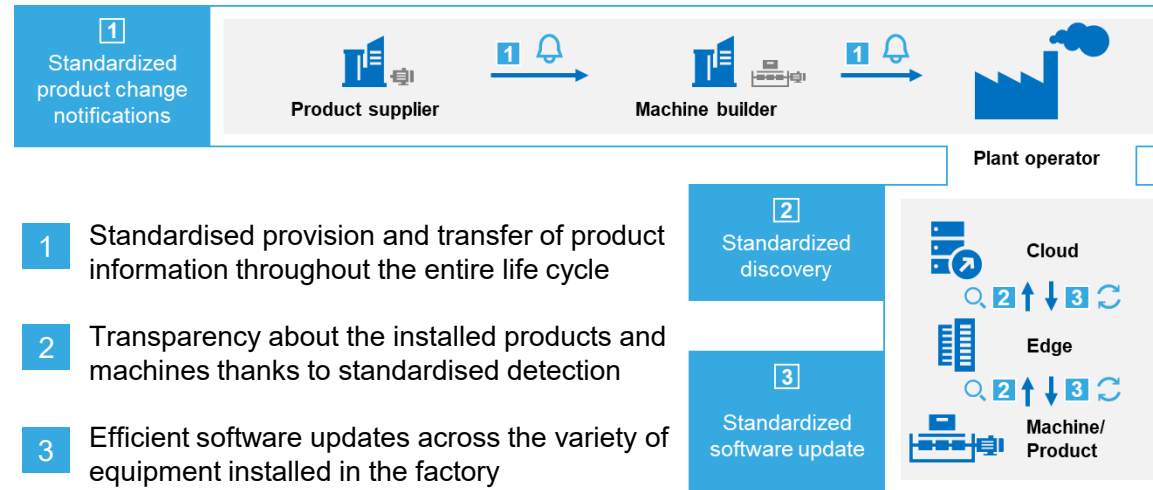
*Instant Update – Fast Changes!*



## Customer satisfaction due to efficient, interoperable data exchange for fast updates.

### Organizational benefits

- Factory operators and component suppliers can easily access information from each other and about assets in the shopfloor



### Economic benefits

- cybersecurity in a factory is improved due to standardised and fast updates
- no breaches, no down-time

### Technical benefits

- Every actor can rely on the same standardised solution





# Information Update and Change Service

Consistent, smart, interoperable: MX-Port "Leo" for AAS-based data exchange



## Description

The demonstrator shows how the AAS-based MX-port "Leo" can be used to realize **continuity and interoperability in data exchange** in the areas of Smart Products, Smart Engineering, Smart Production, Smart Operation, Smart Services, and Smart End of Life

- Experience the demonstrator virtually: [Factory-X Demonstrator](#)



## Benefit

Data exchange along the entire product life cycle improves transparency, efficiency, and value for products and services.

- AAS data can be retrieved through scan of QR-Codes on devices
- Videos of software demonstrations showcase several use cases in Factory-X





# Information Update and Change Service

## Software Demonstrator

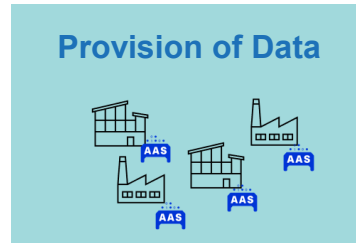


### Description

The demonstrator represents a Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) system which can import product information based on Asset Administration Shells (AAS)

### Benefit

The automated notification and provision of product information between manufacturers and users (PLM systems), which makes it possible to reliably manage changes in the life cycle. Examples include notifications about product changes and software updates.



## AAS PLM Client (Demonstrator)

**AAS PLM Client (Demo)**

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# Collaborative Information Logistics

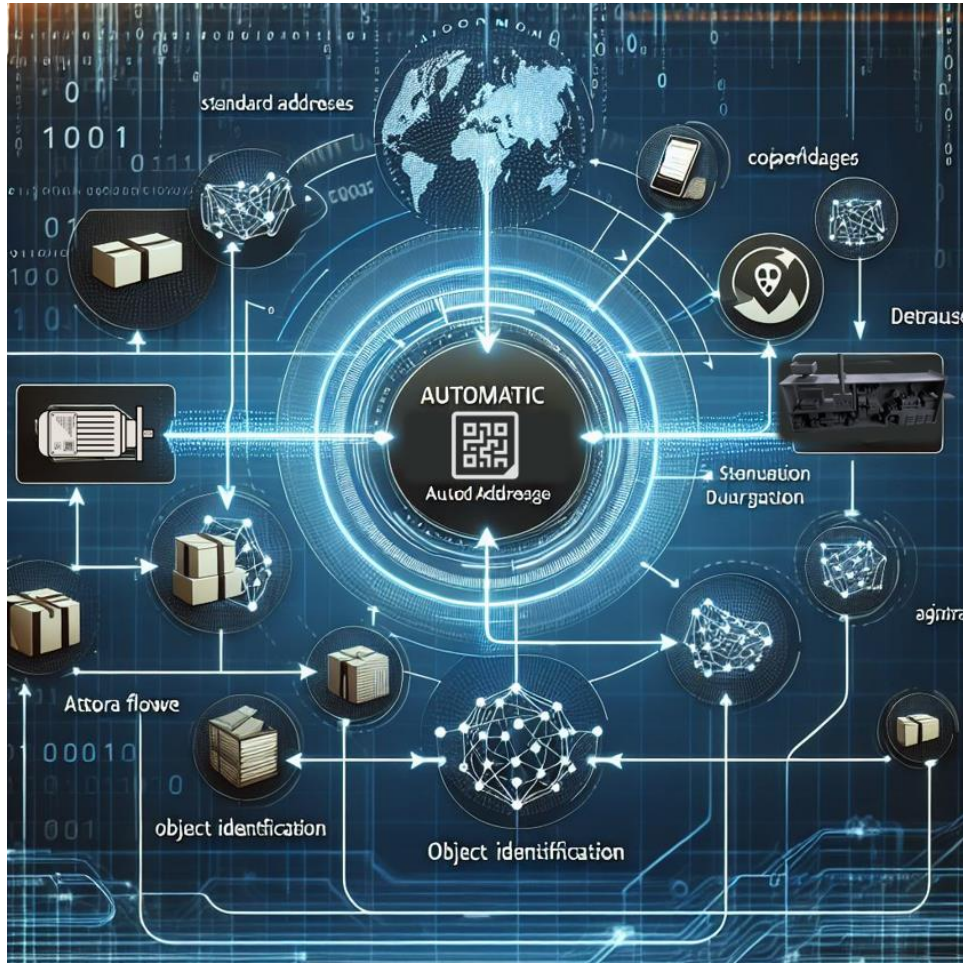
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# Collaborative Information Logistics

*Standardize Smart, Exchange Fast!*



Information exchange across business partners and applications: Standardize Smart, Exchange Fast!

## The Challenge

When information about assets is exchanged between business partners, there are high efforts required to add the information to applications and make them available to end users.

## The FX-Solution and Offering

For specific user journeys like handover documentation, inspection reports, and IT/OT there are processes described, technologies selected and validated in demonstrators. Using the MX-Port Leo we show how information can be transferred standardized and automated.

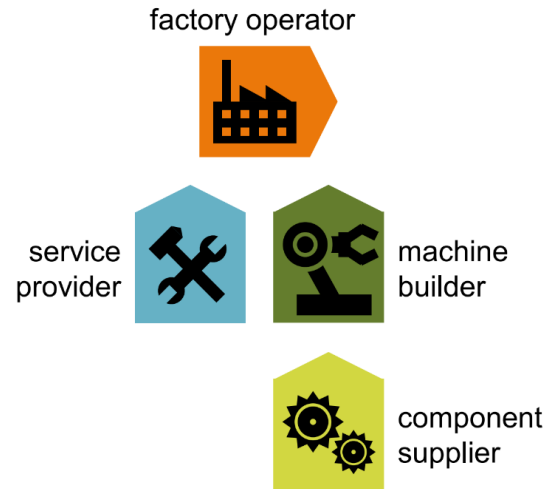




## Information exchange about assets across partners and applications without manual efforts

### Organizational benefits

- Standard use cases describe processes and data models which can be implemented in organizations
- Same understanding about process and data models across organizations



### Economic benefits

- Reduced manual efforts for information transfer
- Reduced search times
- Better information quality

### Technical benefits

- Software using standards can be easily implemented and used.



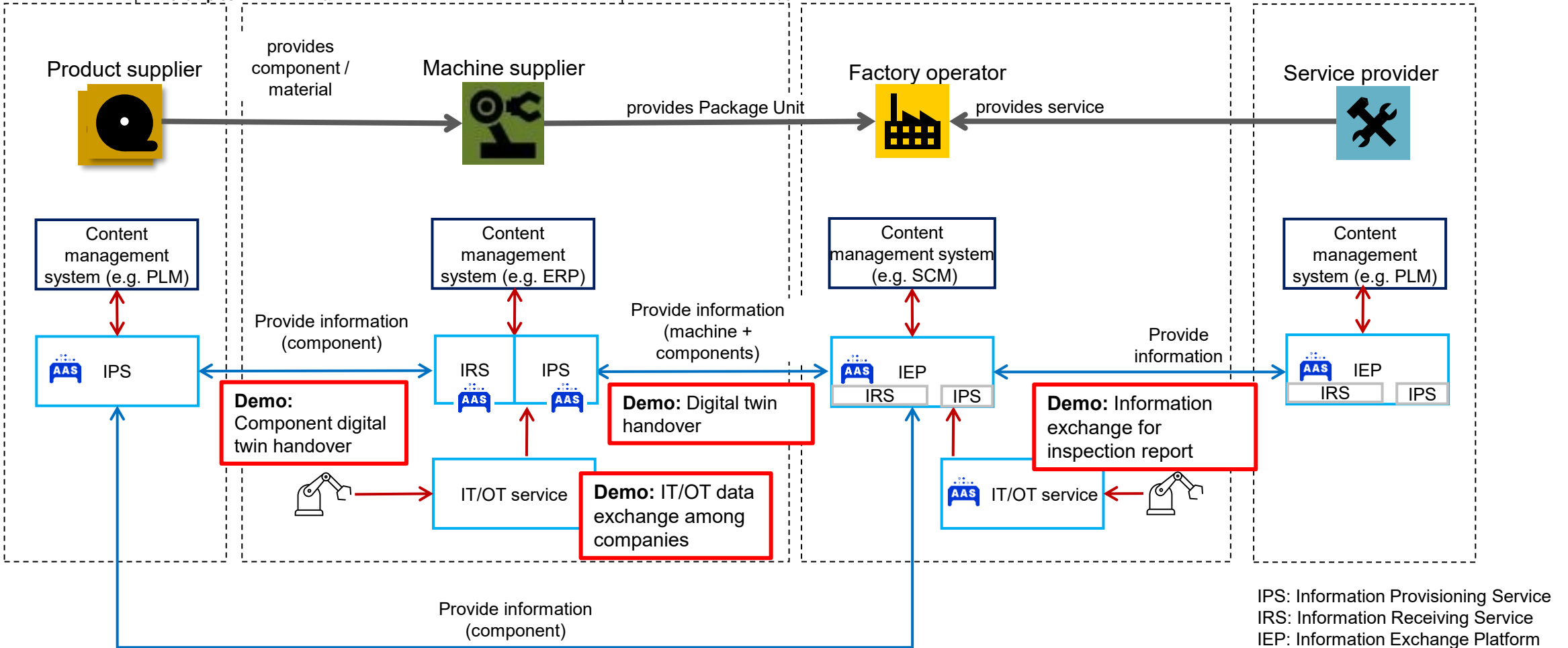
# Collaborative Information Logistics

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## Usage View

Possible and incomplete examples how the IPS & IRS services could be used and combined – possible extension via IT/OT service not shown





# Collaborative Information Logistics

## Digital twin handover - paperless documentation



### Description

The factory operator is ordering an automation system at a machine builder. After manufacturing he automatically receives a simple interoperable digital twin. The digital twin can be used in asset management processes.

### Benefit

Simplicity, standardization and scalability is important.

- Automate the process of information handover for ordered assets.
- Reduced manual efforts.
- Reduced search times
- Better information quality



**For Details, please visit the Demonstrator!**



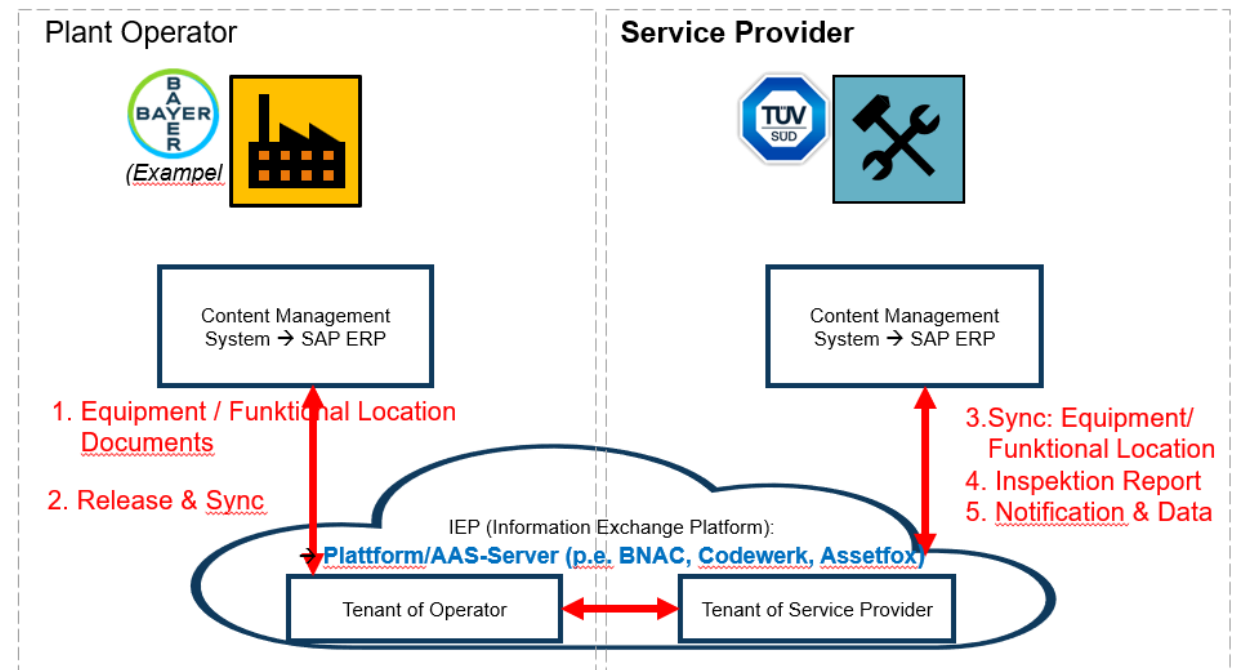


### Description

The demonstrator shows the digital information exchange between the plant operator and a service provider (e.g. TÜV) across the entire inspection process. Master data and inspection documents are prepared by the operator, enriched during the inspection, and returned as a structured inspection report. All information is clearly assigned to the technical asset and available in a standardized, interoperable way.

### Benefit

The operator benefits most: inspections can be prepared and tracked more efficiently, while coordination effort and rework with TÜV are reduced. Structured data exchange saves time and resources, increases transparency on findings and deadlines, and improves safety through clear asset identification and up-to-date limit values. Standardized digital data strengthens compliance and reduces risk.



# Condition Monitoring led Services

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# Condition Monitoring Led Services

*Enable new digital services to increase equipment availability cost-efficiently*



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## The Challenge

Technical, economic, and organizational barriers associated with cross-stakeholder data sharing have limited the widespread adoption of condition monitoring as a foundation for a new generation of proactive, automated, and remotely delivered services.

## The FX-Solution and Offering

- Simplified and trustworthy data sharing through standardized mechanisms and models
- Industry-aligned integration increases trust in implementation and fosters adoption
- Basis for data-driven, proactive, and automated services





# Condition Monitoring Led Services

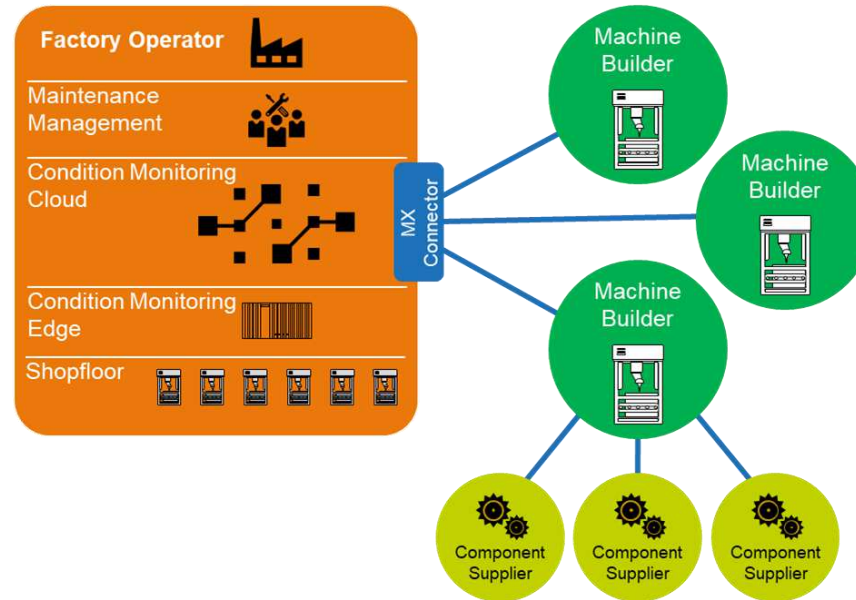
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## Industry-compliant data sharing mechanisms and standards

### Organizational benefits

- Improved cross-company collaboration through standardized data governance.
- Faster service workflows by replacing escalation chains with parallel, data-driven support.



### Economic benefits

- Lower maintenance costs through early detection and reduced downtime.
- New revenue streams from scalable digital and remote services.

### Technical benefits

- Standardized data exchange across heterogeneous equipment.
- More accurate diagnostics via shared real-time condition data.





# Condition Monitoring Led Services

## Demonstrator Ditzingen

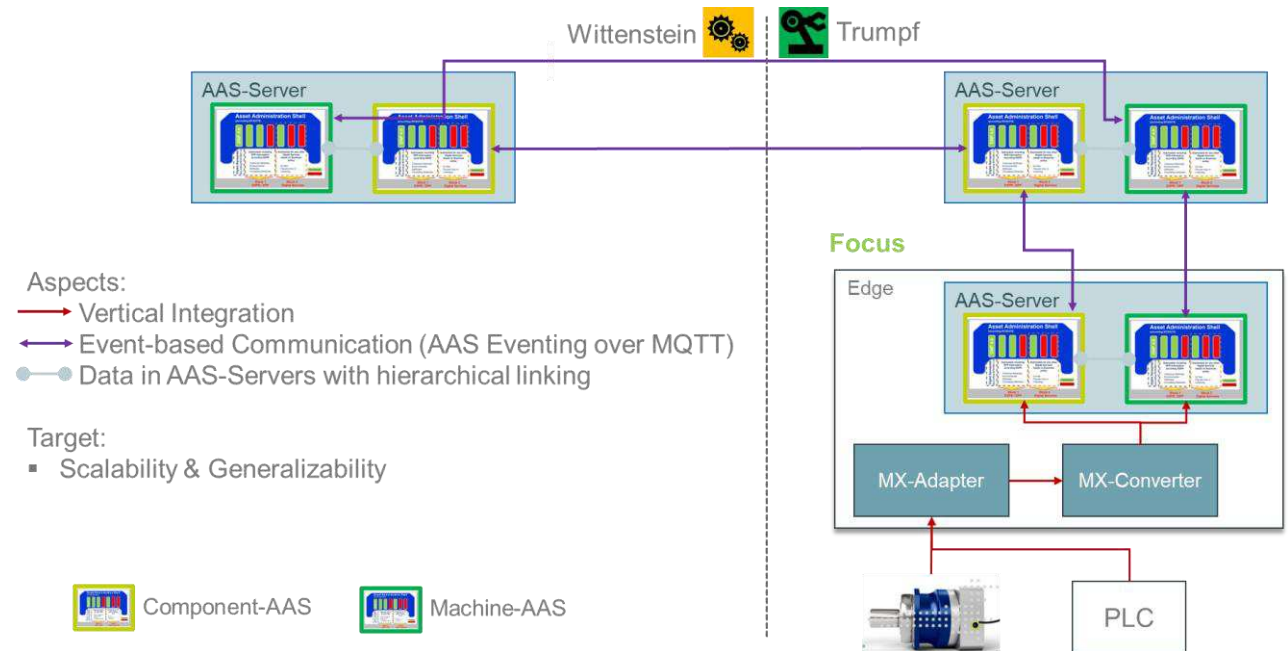


## Description

This demonstrator evaluates key AAS submodels (Digital Nameplate, Contact Info, BOM, Time Series) and cloud-to-cloud communication between component manufacturers and machine builders via the MX-Port. It also tests asynchronous data exchange using MQTT and validates the setup with TP4's Hercules artifacts.

## Benefit

The demonstrator shows how standardized AAS-based and asynchronous cloud communication enables seamless, interoperable data exchange. It reduces integration effort, improves cross-company collaboration, and supports scalable, data-driven services.





# Condition Monitoring Led Services

## Demonstrator Bad Neustadt



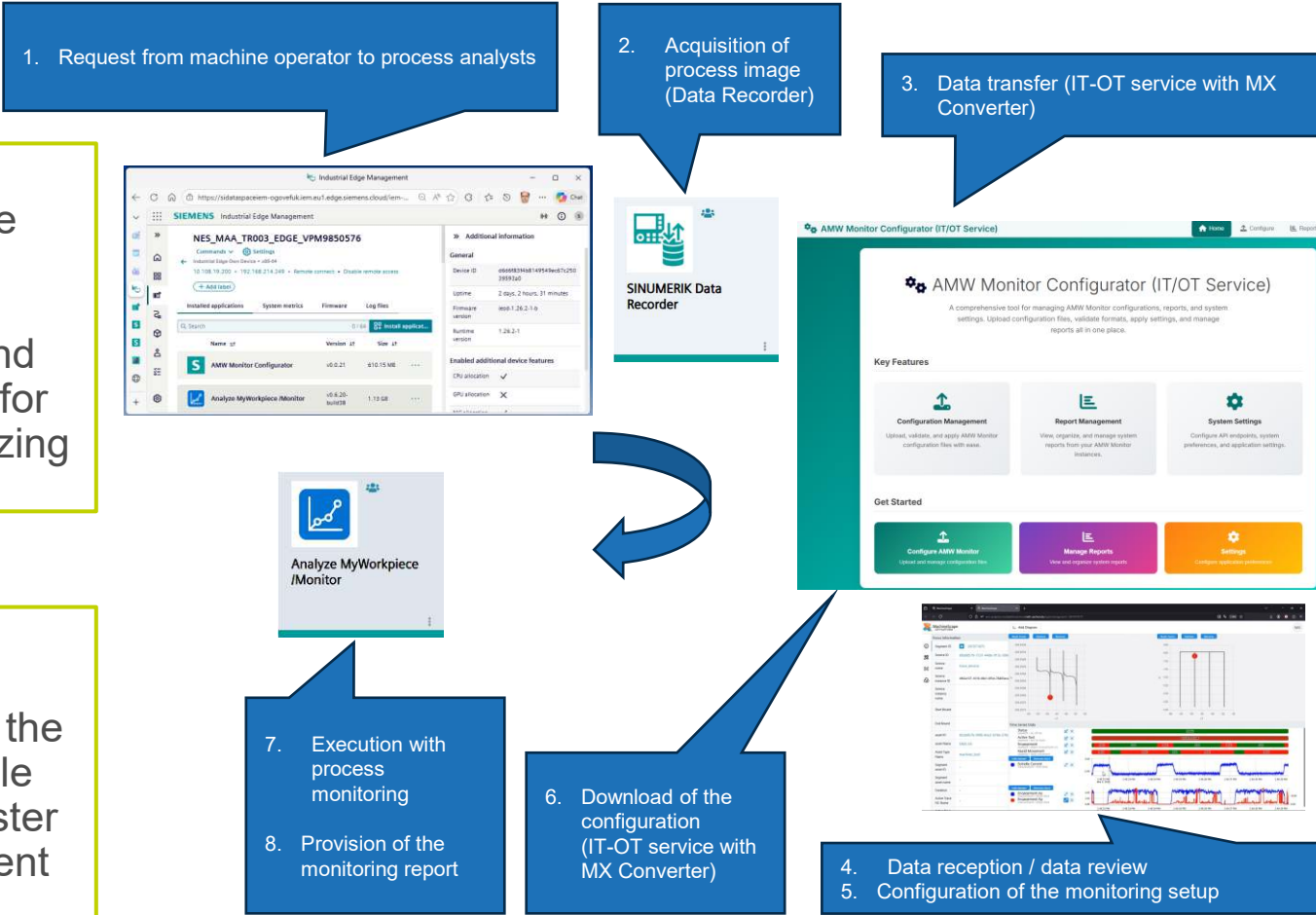
### Description

This demonstrator evaluates the Asset Administration Shell as a central data hub for the factory operator, with a focus on monitoring and analyzing machining process data via an AAS server. It was developed together with TP-2.3 and validates the practical use of the MX-Port “Leo” for configuring process-monitoring apps and optimizing machining processes.

### Benefit

The setup demonstrates how AAS-based integration simplifies process-monitoring and enables seamless data exchange. It shows that the MX-Port “Leo” supports reliable and interoperable communication for improved diagnostics and faster system integration. A key benefit is the transparent and fully traceable data-exchange process.

### Use Case Details





# Condition Monitoring Led Services

## Demonstrator Rosenheim

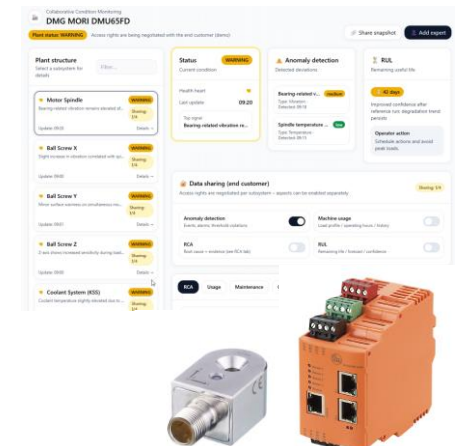
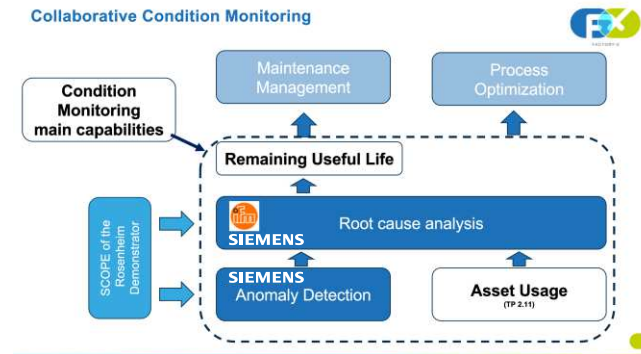
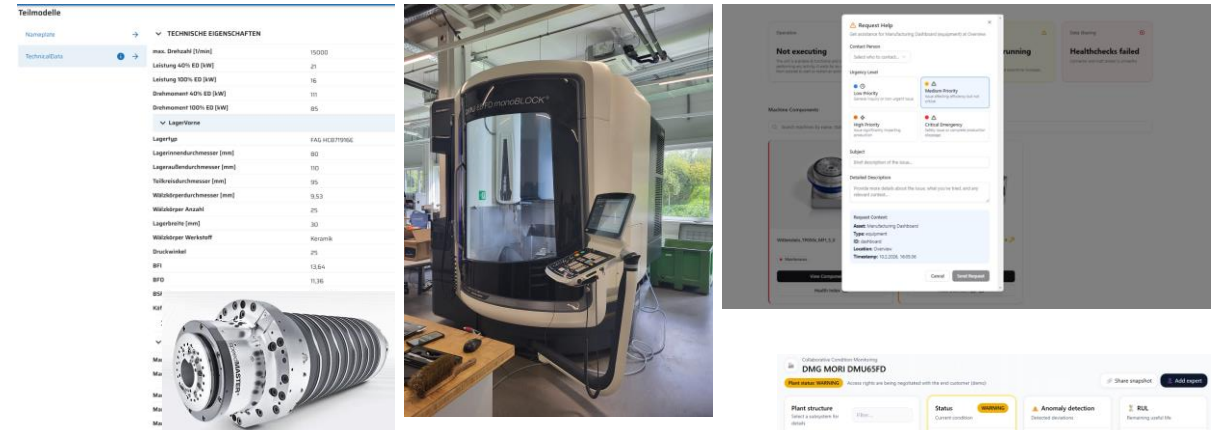


### Description

This demonstrator validates end-to-end data exchange: data is captured via an adapter, passed through PLC and gateway, and transferred to the operator's cloud. There, it is processed using predictive maintenance algorithms. All required components were installed and put into operation.

### Benefit

The demonstrator proves seamless E2E data flow from machine to cloud. It enables automated analysis for predictive maintenance, improving reliability and providing a validated reference architecture for future Factory-X implementations.





# Condition Monitoring Led Services

## Demonstrator "PacXplorer"

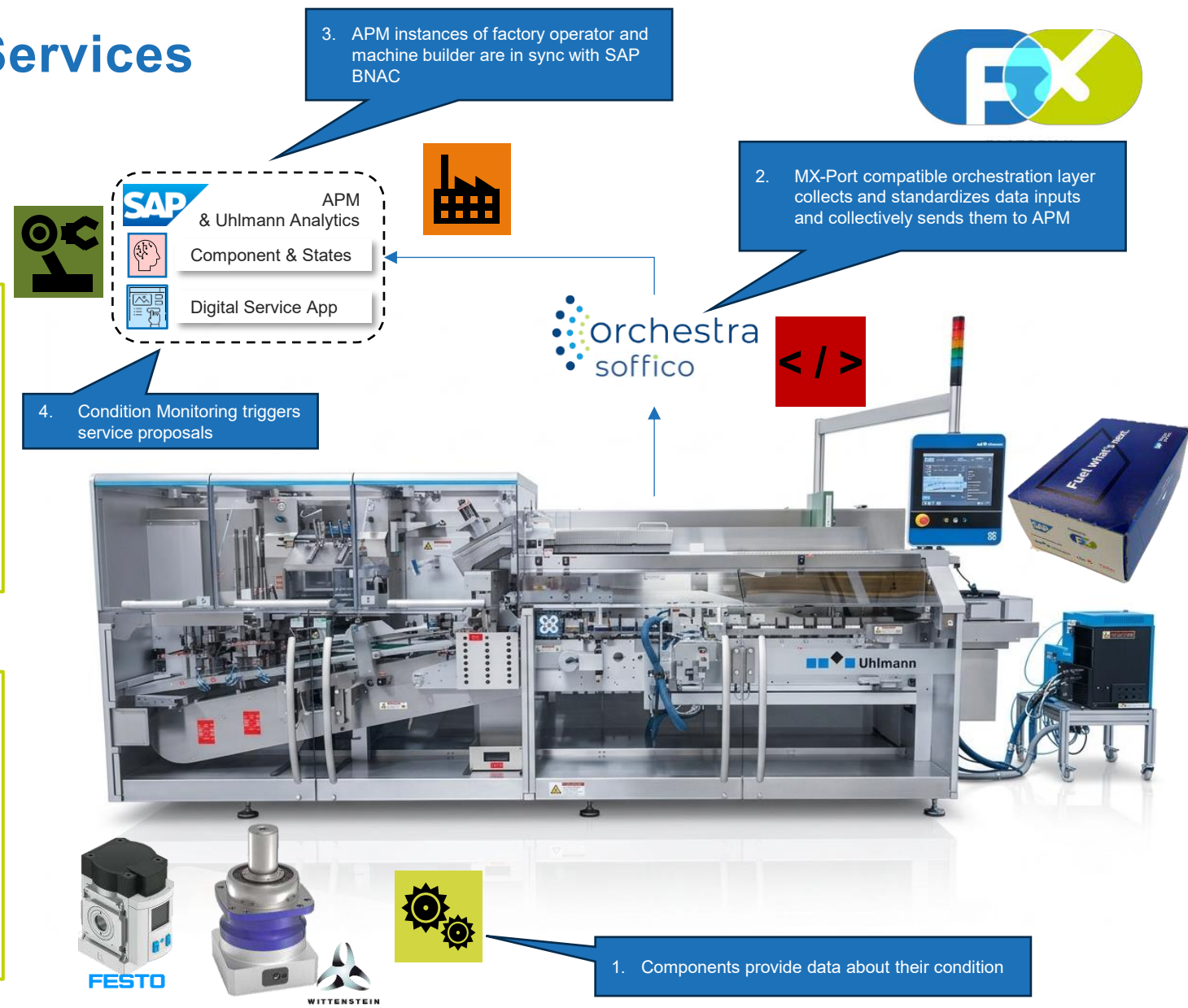


### Description

This demonstrator shows cross-company interoperability in a CMLS process. A packaging machine is integrated via OPC UA to evaluate machine and gearbox condition data. When limits are exceeded, an automated maintenance workflow is triggered and digitally documented.

### Benefit

The demonstrator proves seamless cross-company workflows: automated fault detection, automatic technician dispatching, and fully digital maintenance documentation. It highlights how Factory-X enables efficient, end-to-end service processes across all stakeholders.



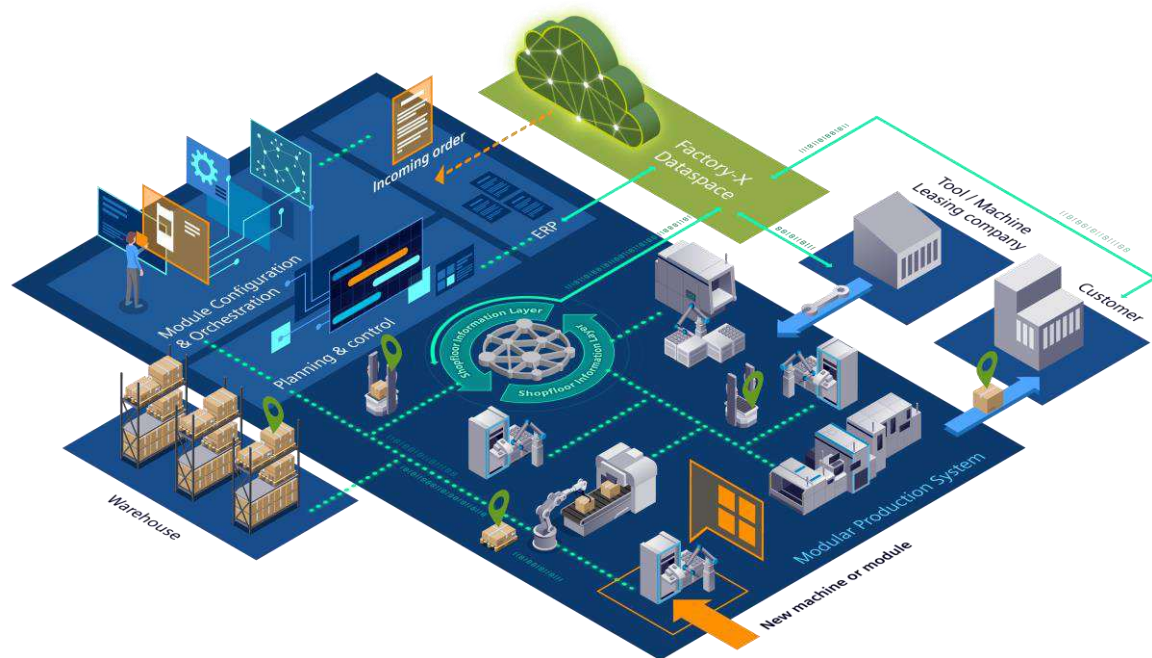
See this demonstrator live at SAP booth F08 H15!



# Modular Production

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## The Challenge

- High costs for data integration and IT/OT convergence limit production flexibility
- Missing flexibility during re-scheduling in the case of unforeseen events and no insights of the implications
- Commissioning, maintenance and change-over are time-consuming and require a high level of technical expertise

## The FX-Solution and Offering

- Modular solutions at machine level with semantic self-description and interfaces to the shopfloor
- Analysis of the current machine configuration and proposals for optimized reconfiguration
- Modular and adaptive production control to ensure an optimized orchestration of process steps and (re-)scheduling based on feedback from the shopfloor



## Increase production capacity and flexibility

### Organizational benefits

- Reduce machine setup time
- Use the existing system more flexibly
- Preliminary stage for cross-company demand and capacity planning
- Standardized capability descriptions enable interoperability



### Economic benefits

- Reduced machine setup time
- Use the existing system more flexibly
- Fast response to market demands (through adaptive production planning)
- Standardized capability descriptions enable interoperability

### Technical benefits

- Standardized interfaces for orders and resources
- Semantic mapping, automated integration process
- Fast response to market demands (through adaptive production planning)



# Modular Production

## Cross-company data-exchange of shopfloor data via MX-Port Leo

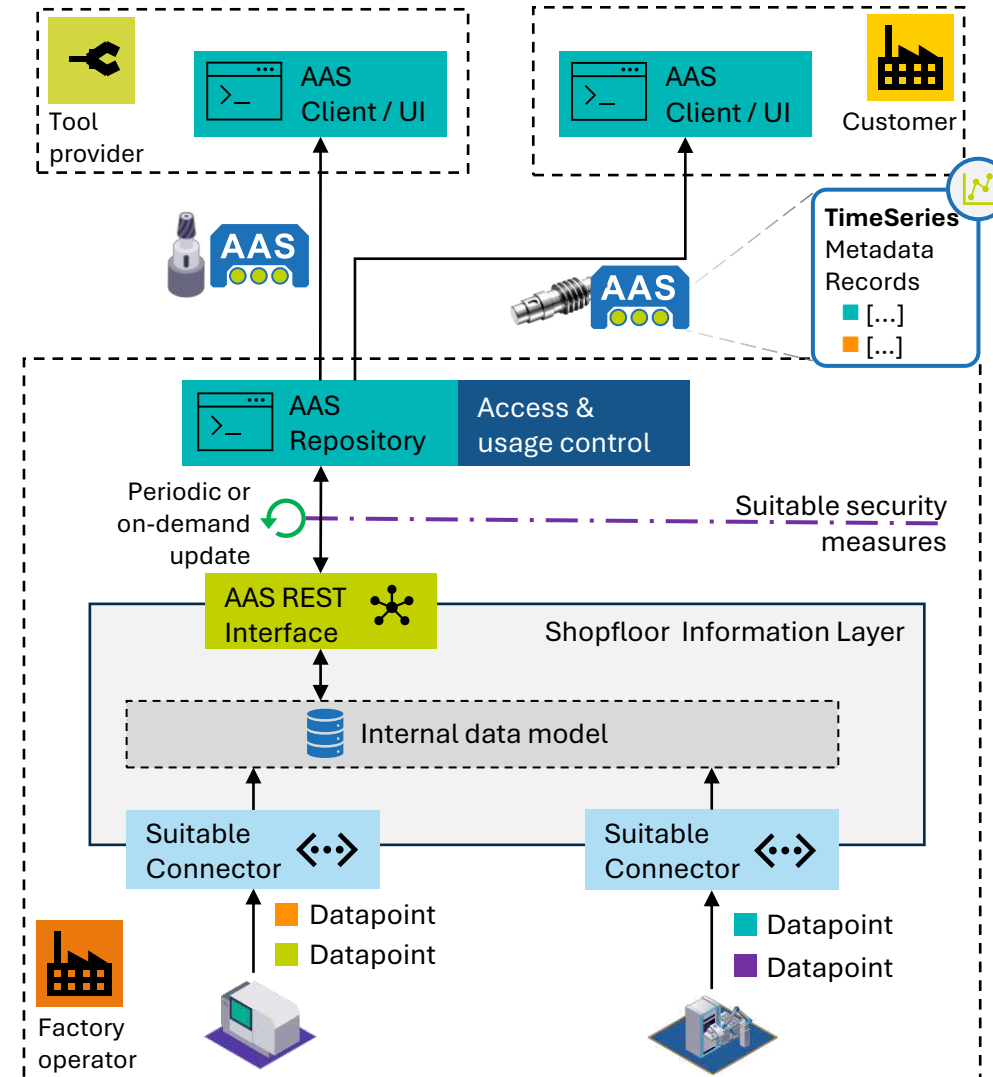


### Description

- Share machine and process information as part of product or tool-specific AAS via MX-Dataspace
- Record relevant time-series data, attach it to selected AAS and transfer the information from the shopfloor to external AAS clients
- Limit access based on the need-to-know principle and define user access for individual AAS and submodels

### Benefit

- Share relevant shopfloor data in a sovereign and interoperable manner
- Enable data provision for future applications of the Digital Product Passport (DPP)
- Cross-company data exchange based on common standards and protocols via MX-Dataspace





# Modular Production

Interaction Scenario:

Production order scheduling with automated changeover processes



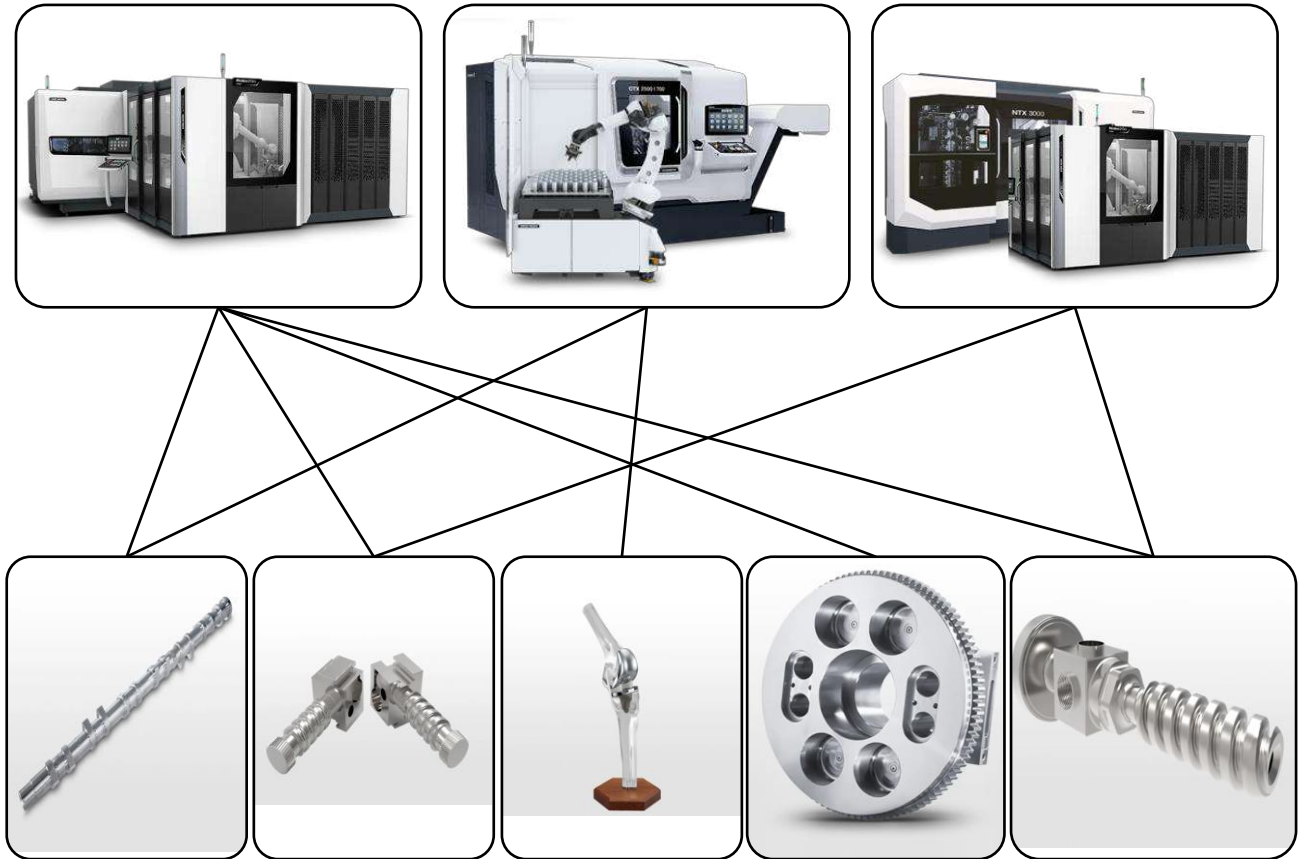
## Description

Modular production of various products on flexible manufacturing systems

- Assignment based on system **capabilities**
- **Scheduling** of different production orders
- Modular setup by **changeover assistant**

## Benefit

- **Automated** production order scheduling
- **Optimized utilization** of manufacturing systems
- **Fast and safe** changeover processes through operator assistance



# Manufacturing as a Service – On Demand Manufacturing

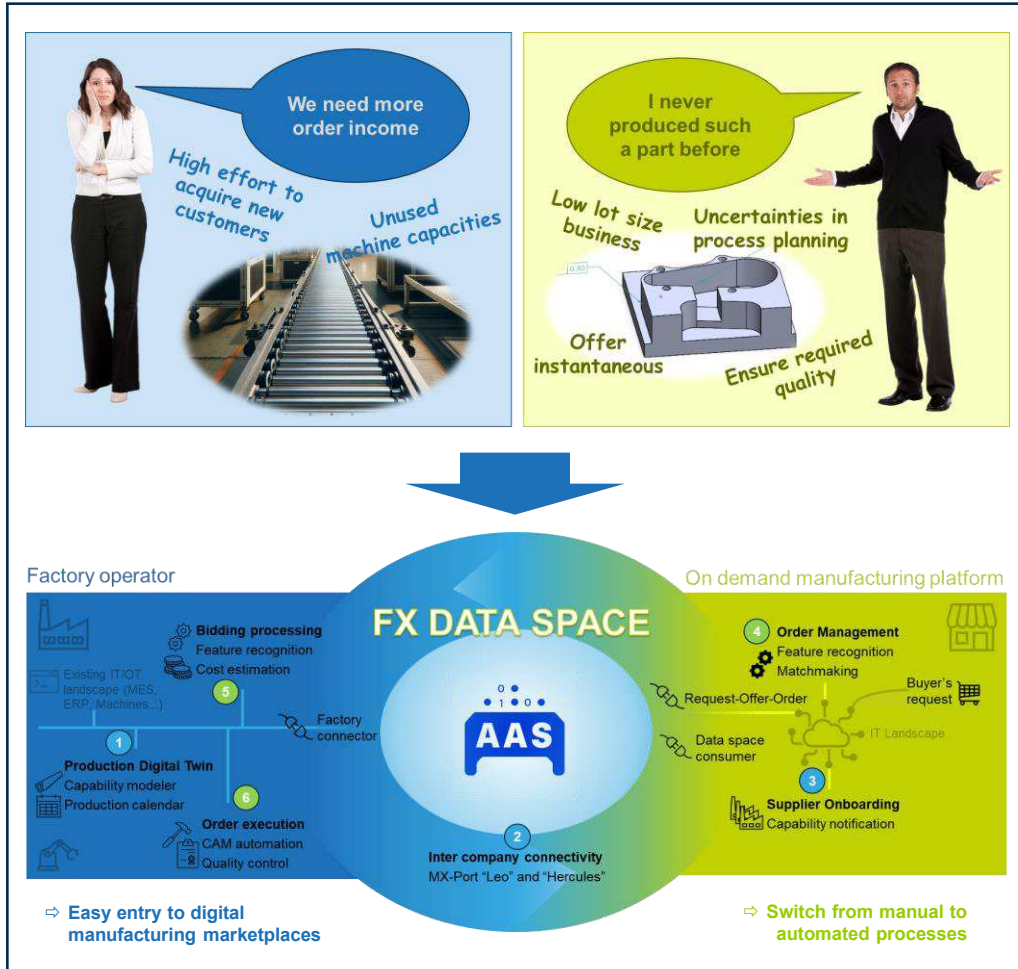
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# Manufacturing as a Service

## Shared skills – matching orders



## The Challenge



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### Mit der smarten Fabrik in die Zukunft

Flexibilität und Resilienz sind das A und O in Zeiten des Umbruchs. Industrieunternehmen müssen daher konsequent auf digitale Technologien und Automatisierung in ihren Fertigungen setzen, um nachhaltig Wachstum und Arbeitsplätze auch in Deutschland sichern zu können.

Gastbeitrag von Philip Harting, Vorstandsvorsitzender, HARTING Technologiegruppe  
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Transformation

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DIGITALE TRANSFORMATION MITTELSTAND

### Warum die digitale Transformation im Mittelstand heute wichtiger ist denn je

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## The FX-Solution and Offering

Digital transformation for on-demand manufacturing

- Easy entry to digital manufacturing marketplaces
  - From heterogeneous to homogenous connectivity
- Switch from manual to automated processes
  - With semantic data models





# Manufacturing as a Service

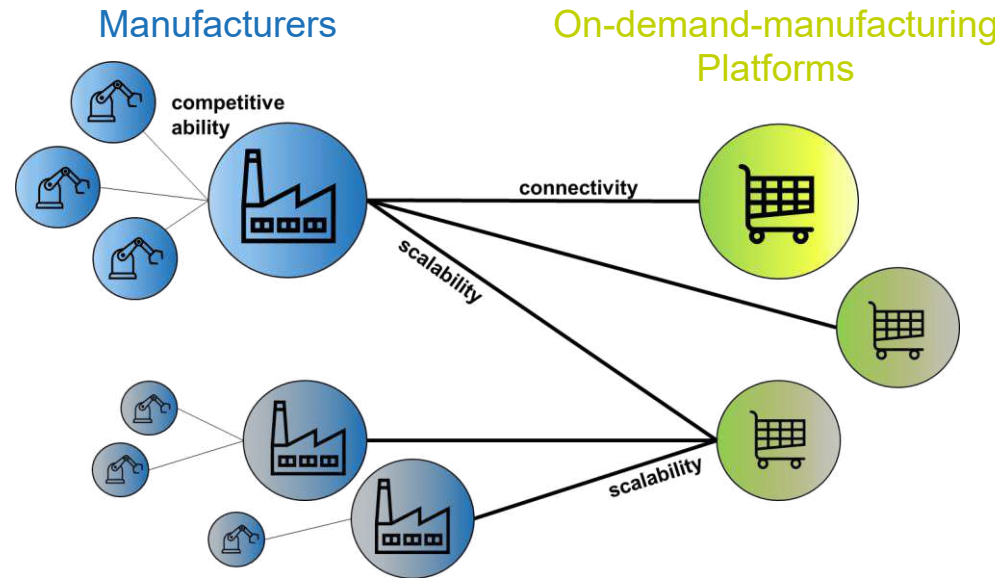
*Shared skills – matching orders*



*digitally fast*

## Organizational benefits

- Scalable visibility on digital manufacturing marketplaces
- Competitive also for low-lot-size business



## Economic benefits

- Additional order income
- Reduced effort in bidding, planning and controlling processes

## Technical benefits

- Automation of acquisition
- Automation of order execution





# Manufacturing as a Service

## Supplier Capability Notification

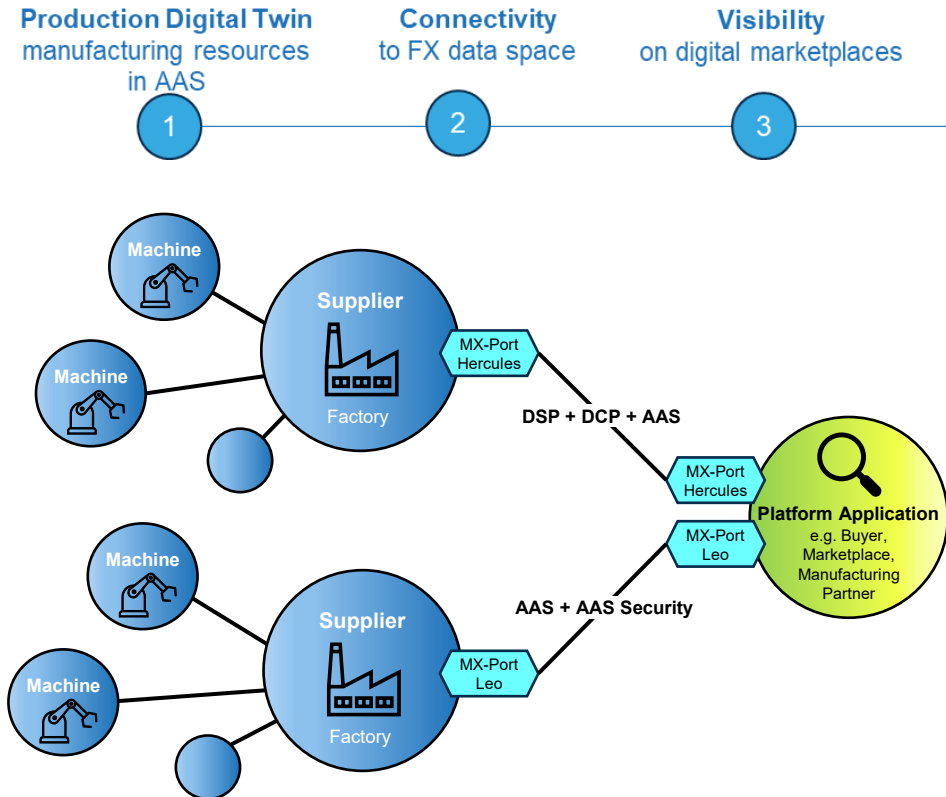


### Description

Manufacturers provide their manufacturing capabilities

- Information needs to be captured and structured
- Information needs to be accessible and processible

### ⇒ Easy entry to digital manufacturing marketplaces



### Benefit

Manufacturers are visible on digital manufacturing marketplaces

- Only one-time effort to provide harmonized data
- Multiple connectivity to different platforms





# Manufacturing as a Service

## Request-Offer-Order and Quality Control

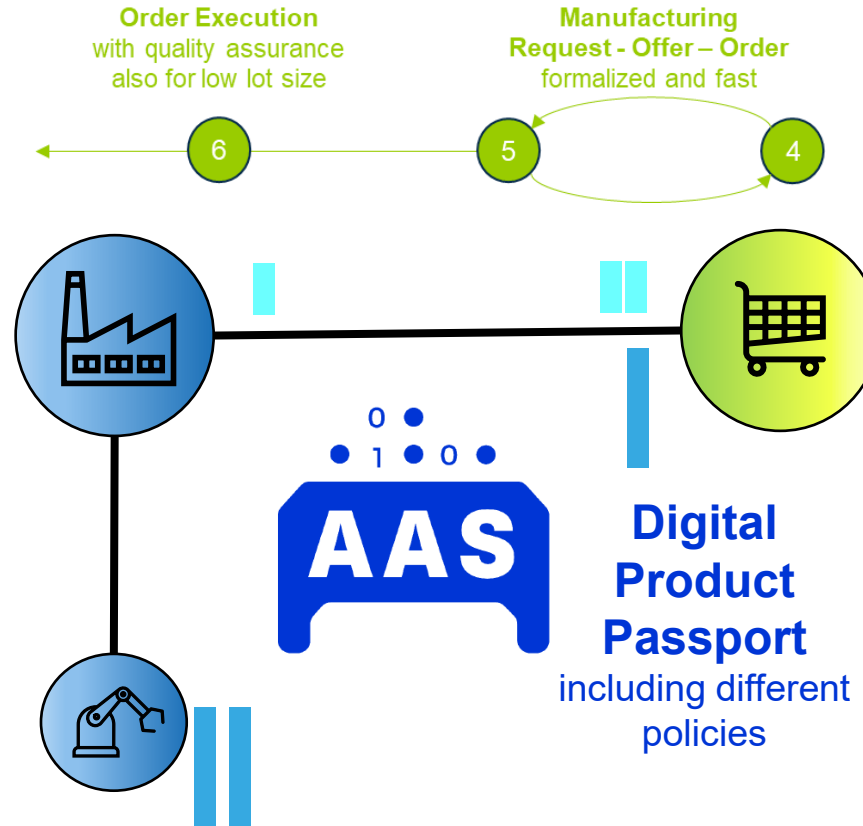


### Description

Find the right manufacturer for high quality delivery

- Formalized request, offer and order
- Automated processes to support search, bidding, and quality control

⇒ Switch from manual to automated processes



### Benefit

Being competitive on volatile markets

- Fast in quoting
- Competitive in execution



# Autonomous Operation as a Service

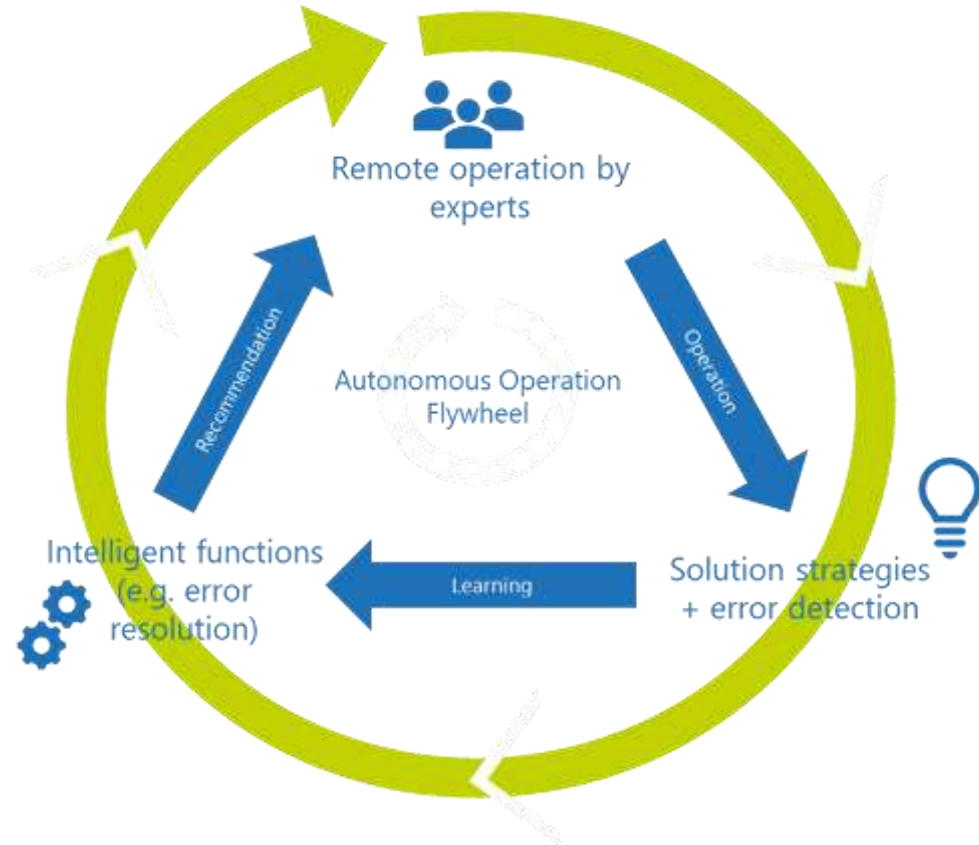
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# Autonomous Operation as a Service - AOaaS

*Remote Shopfloor automated – Service improved!*



## The Challenge

Recruiting qualified machine operators is becoming increasingly difficult. At the same time, machine owners are faced with the challenge of increasing machine productivity despite order fluctuations, while at the same time minimizing the use of resources.

## The FX-Solution and Offering

- Provide a remote monitoring and operations platform that allows manufacturers to maintain high productivity and efficiency without relying on on-site specialists.
- Autonomous Manufacturing: Despite a shortage of skilled workers, you can also manufacture productively at the highest level.
- Productive unmanned shift: Reduce downtime processing time by a factor of five – for maximum efficiency during the unmanned shift



# Summary and Benefits

## *Autonomous operation*



## Summary

- Urgent need for increased transparency and optimization of energy demand in manufacturing
- Data-driven solutions will support transformation towards autonomous production as well as performance based business models
- Use-case „Autonomous Operation as a Service“ in Factory-X provides solutions for seamless acquisition and usage of multiple data sources, enabling remote operations and adaptive control of machine tools

## Your Benefits

- Solution for **interoperable remote operations** of machine tools
- Innovative approach to remotely control machine tools via Standards
- Despite a shortage of skilled workers, you can also manufacture productively at the highest level
- **Enable productive unmanned shift:** Reduce downtime processing time by a factor of five – for maximum efficiency during the unmanned shift

***From Downtime to Uptime – Remotely and Intelligently***



# Traceability

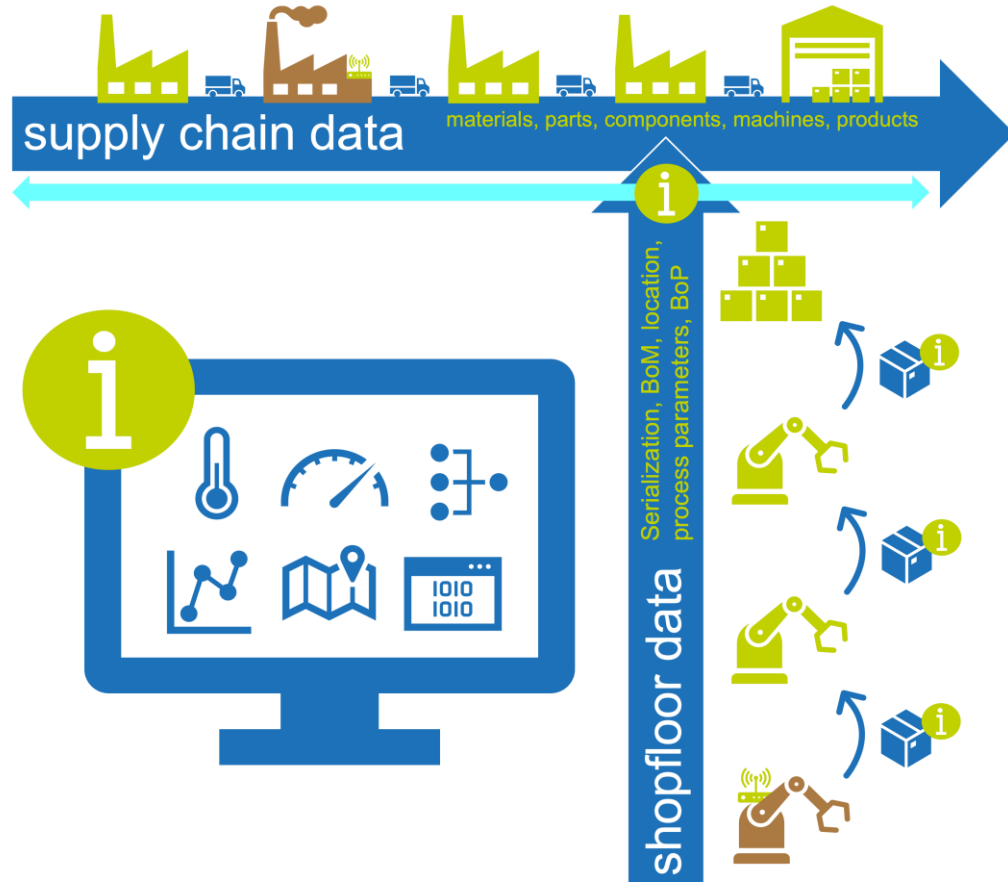
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# Use Case TP2.8: Traceability

*Trace Today, Trust Tomorrow*



## The Challenge

Late detection of quality issues drives **high costs, delays, and recalls.**

Manufacturers struggle with **fragmented data** across materials, components, processes, and partners — limiting **end-to-end transparency** and fast **root-cause analysis.**

## The FX-Solution and Offering

FX-Traceability enables **secure, standardized data exchange** along the supply chain, connecting partners and shopfloor for **full lifecycle transparency** – from materials and BoM variants to product and process traceability.





# Use Case TP2.8: Traceability

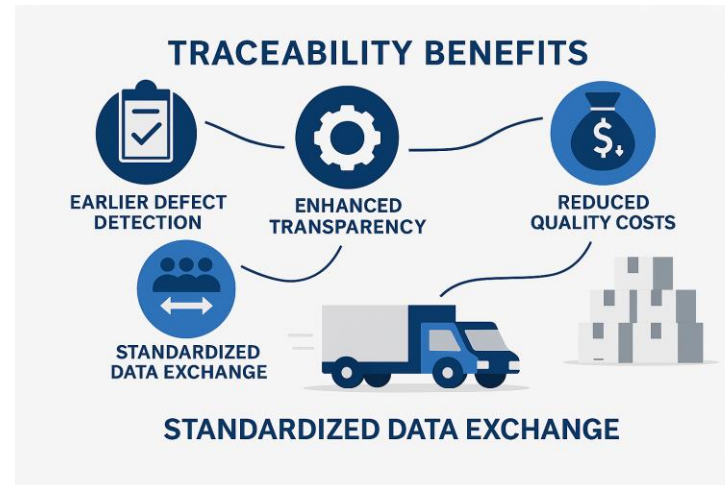
*Trace Today, Trust Tomorrow*



Quality | Transparency | Cost Efficiency | Trust | Standardization

## Organizational benefits

- Regulatory compliance
- End-to-end transparency
- Increased customer trust
- Trusted partner collaboration



## Economic benefits

- Faster root-cause analysis
- Reduced failures and waste
- New digital business models

## Technical benefits

- Standardized data exchange
- Single data transformation
- Searchable production data





## TP 2.08 Traceability

### Shopfloor Data Transparency and Traceability

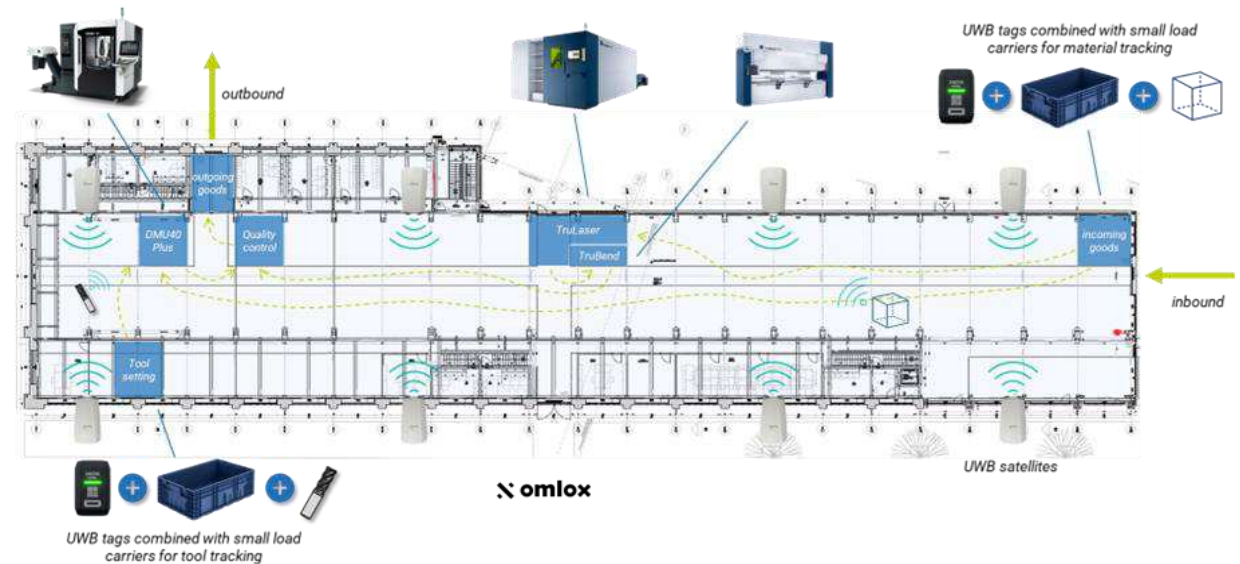


### Description

- Shopfloor Data Visualization in Digital Twin of the Production (=Virtual Factory)
- Gathering information on shopfloor level (vertically) to prepare for exchange in the right format later **across supply chain**

### Benefit

- Building foundation for quality notification exchange workflow based on Catena-X principles





## TP 2.08 Traceability

Quality Investigation and Data Exchange across the Supply Chain using MX-Port Hercules



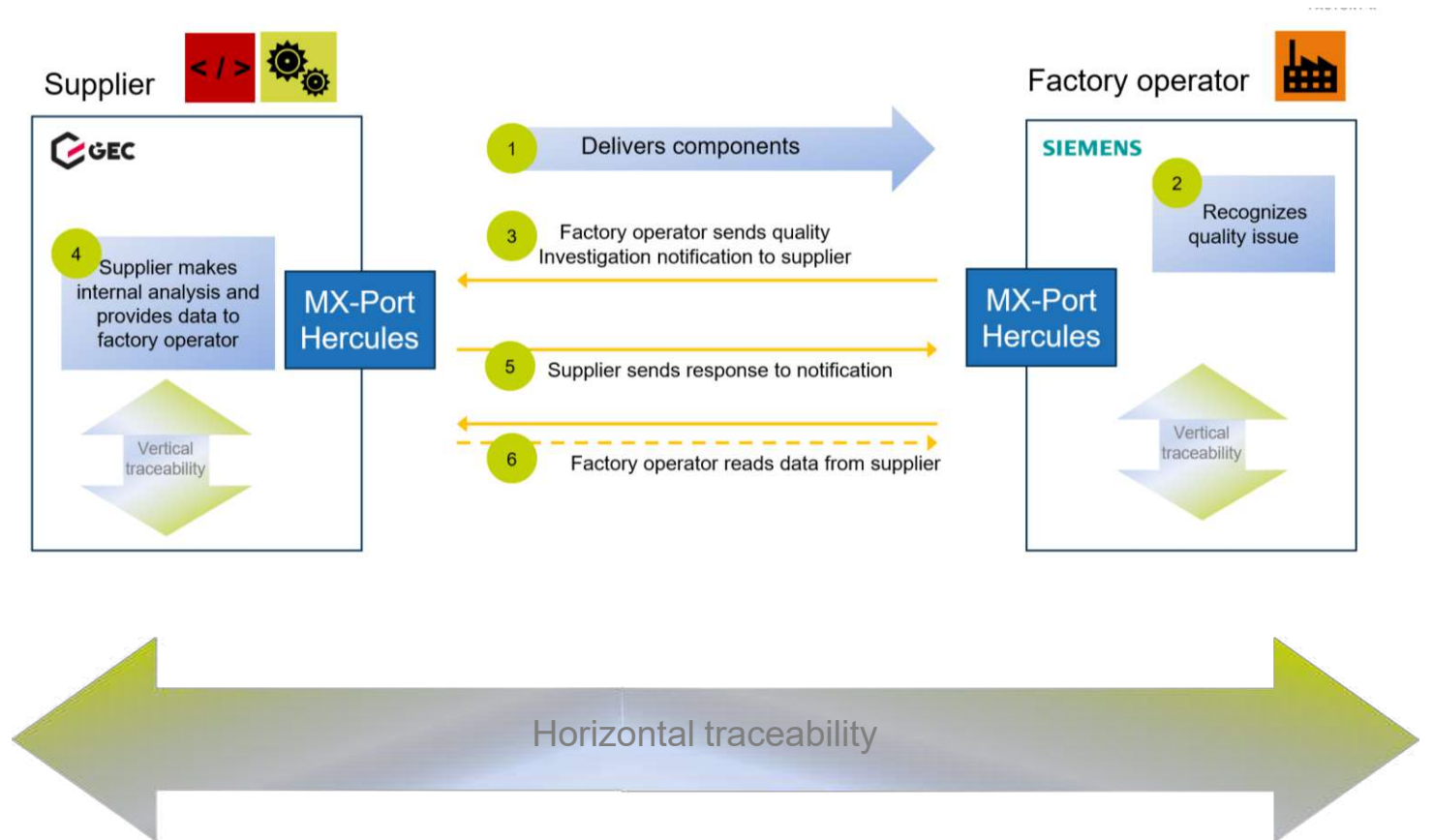
### Description

- Communication between different partners in the supply chain using MX-Port Hercules
- Exchange of Quality Notifications based on Catena-X standards
- Provisioning and exchange of additional traceability related data between the partners

### Benefit

By enabling secure and structured sharing of quality notifications and traceability data, partners can

- identify issues faster
- collaborate more effectively,
- and reduce the time and effort required for root-cause analysis.





# TP 2.08 Traceability

## From Machine Data to Cross-Factory Quality Exchange with MX Port Leo

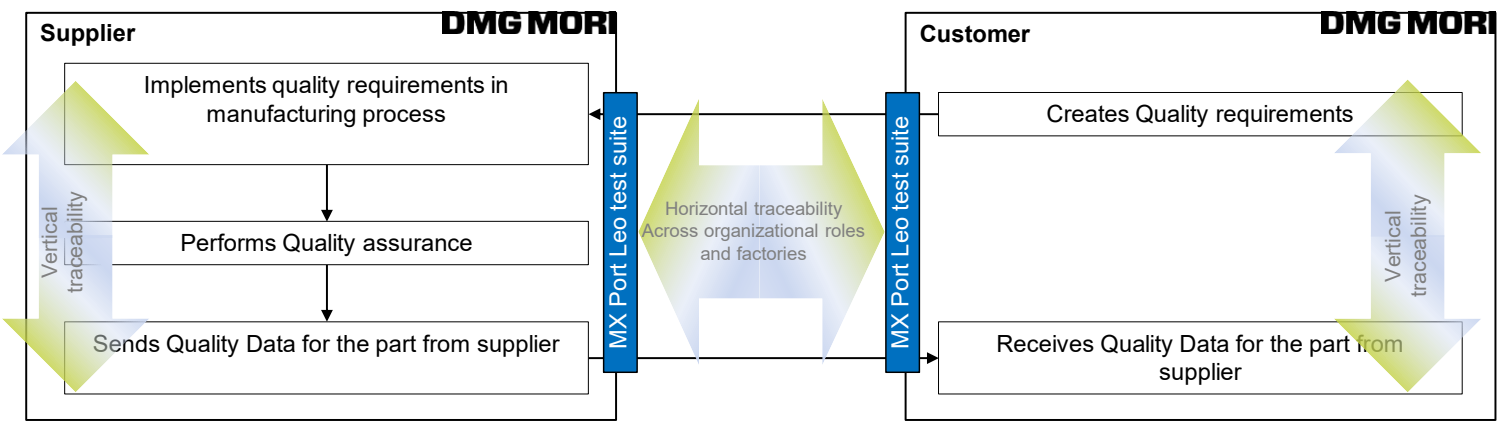
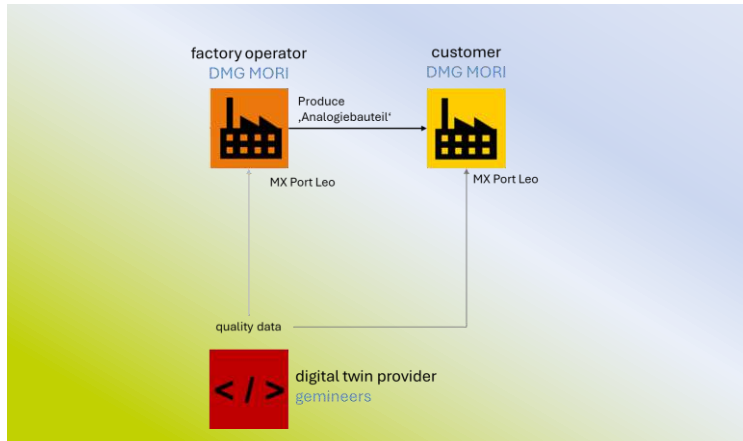
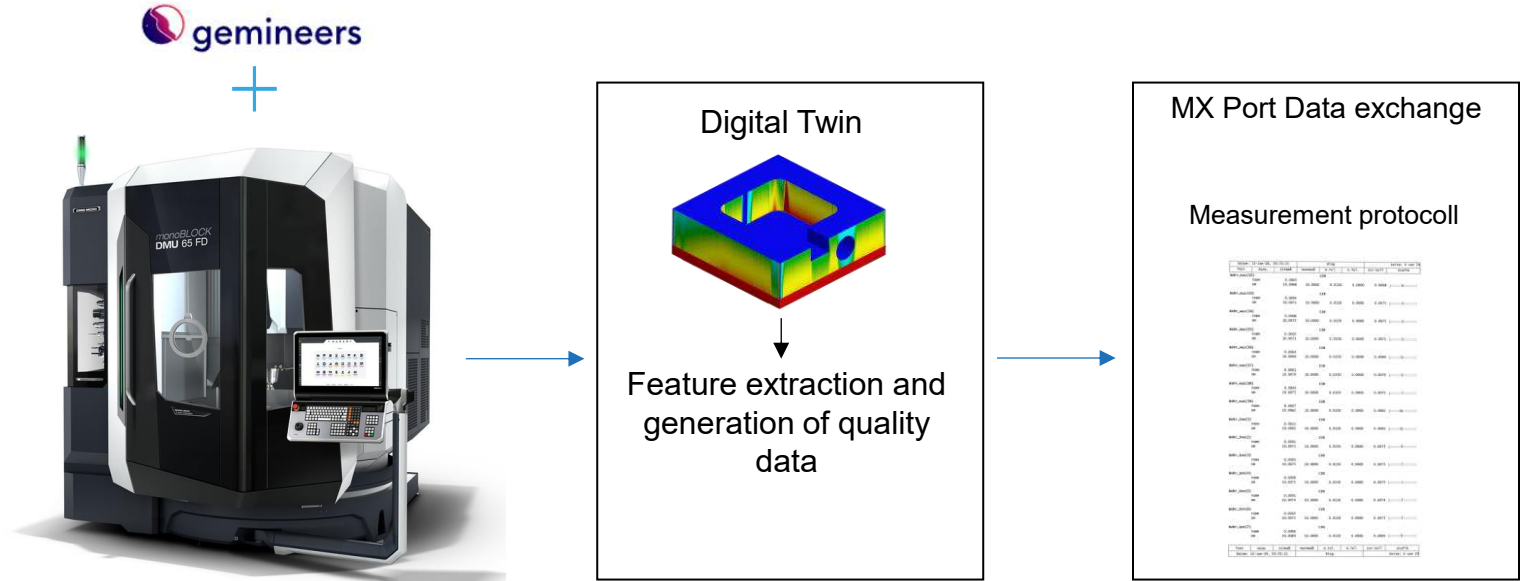


### Description

- Tracing of process data during part manufacturing
- Generating quality data from process data
- Connecting quality data to part and exchange information with customer

### Benefit

- Reducing quality assurance effort
- Validating data exchange platform between factories and connecting quality data to part





## TP 2.08 Traceability

*XR Demonstrator von LNI 4.0*

### Description

An intuitive, haptic and immersive experience brings the use case closer to the user.

### Benefit

The user gets a lasting result through the personal interactive experience using human interfaces and the gamification approach.



# Energy Demand and Load Management

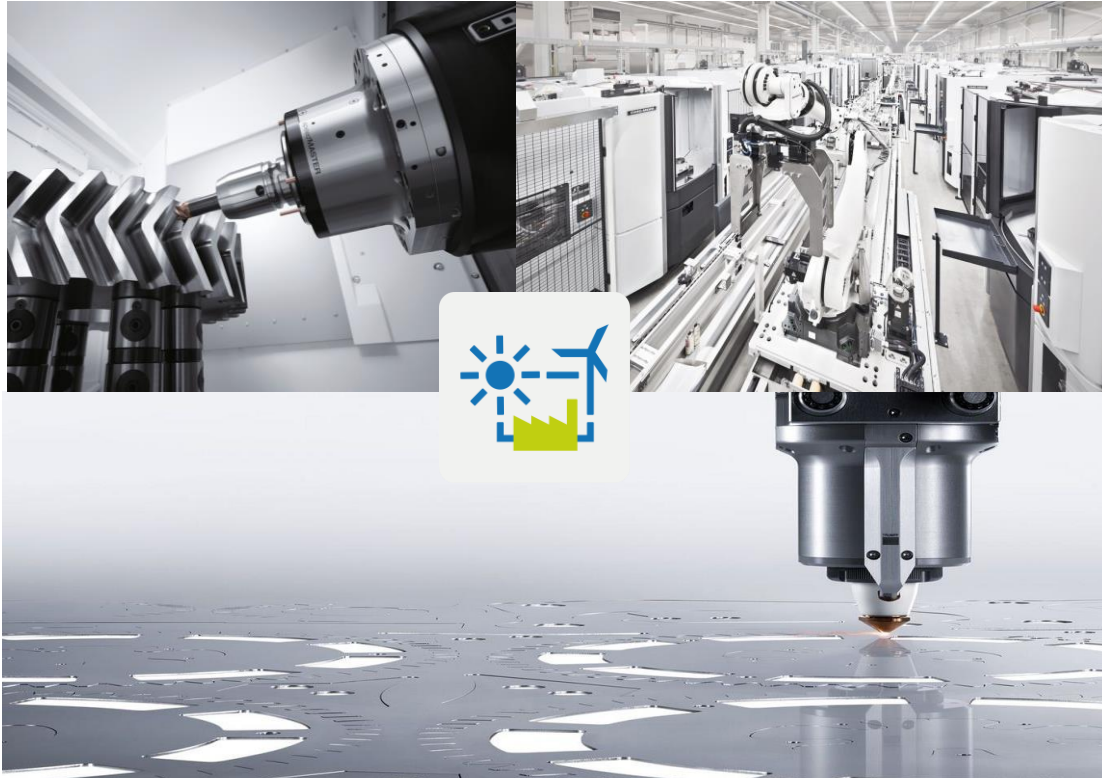
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# Energy Demand and Load Management

*Data-driven solutions for energy-efficient manufacturing*



## The Challenge

Energy-efficient manufacturing requires transparency, monitoring, and levelling of energy demand

- Monitoring makes energy use visible and enables targeted reduction.
- Adjusting machine loads to renewable availability and on-site generation cuts cost

## The FX-Solution and Offering

Data-driven solutions for monitoring and optimization of energy demand and flexibility management



# Energy Demand and Load Management

*Data-driven solutions for energy-efficient manufacturing*



## Data-based solutions for less energy consumption and improved load management



### Organizational benefits

- Solutions for interoperable energy monitoring & load management

### Economic benefits

- Reduced energy costs
- Novel business models with grid operators

### Technical benefits

- Energy monitoring & demand-based operation of units
- Digital-twin-based energy modeling
- Energy forecasting & optimized production control
- Active load management & energy flexibility





# Energy Demand and Load Management

## Energy Monitoring & Energetic Digital Twin



### The issue

Users require energy usage transparency

- Monitoring makes energy use visible and enables data-driven energy reduction
- Challenge: Data is only available locally



### The FX-Solution

- Monitoring at the component level and collection of data in an edge database
- Data is transferred through the federated dataspace (MX-Port concept): Measurements > database > AAS (visualization and reporting layer)





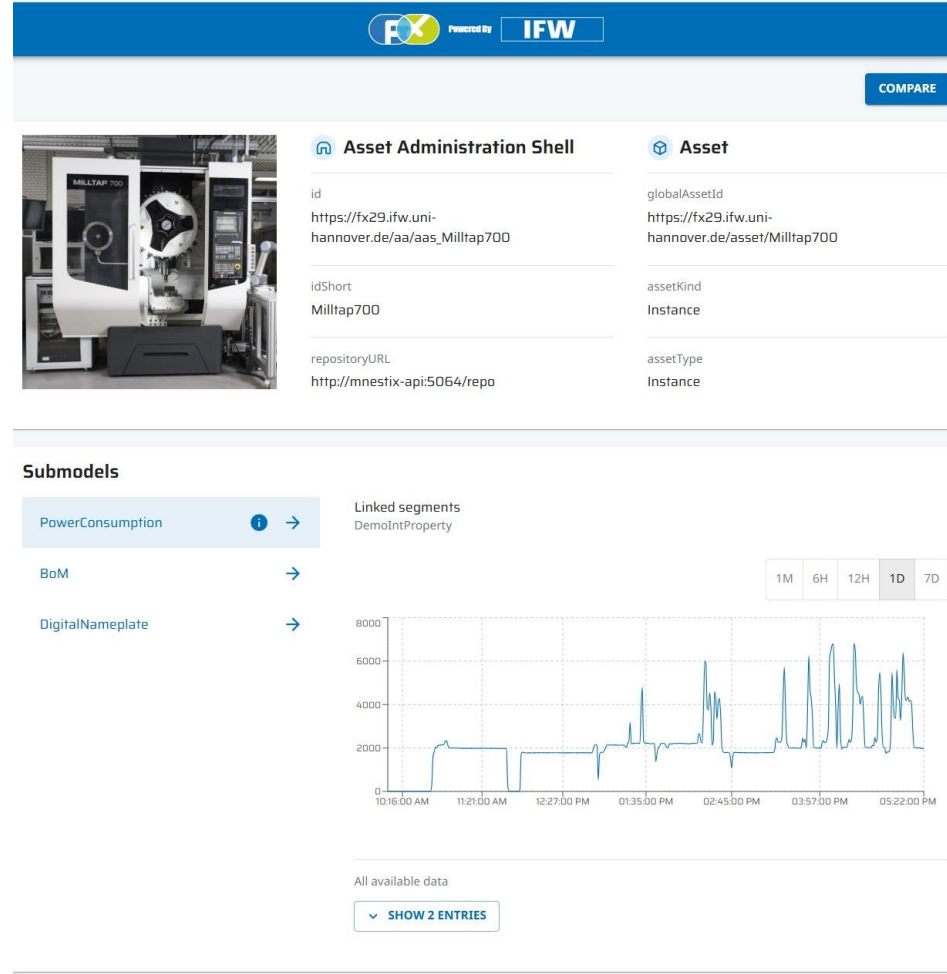
# Energy Demand and Load Management

## Energy Monitoring & Energetic Digital Twin



### Description

- Measurement of electrical energy demand and pressurized air
- Component-wise visualization of energy demand
- Data is made accessible via Asset Administration Shell (AAS)



### Benefit

- Energy demand of machine tools becomes transparent on component-level
- Energy-data can be easily transferred to other stakeholders
- Data can be integrated into calculation of product carbon footprint (PCF)





# Energy Demand and Load Management

Components-specific energy monitoring



## Benefits and Insights

- Display of total **machine energy consumption** and calculation of **CO<sub>2</sub> emissions** can be realized
- Visualization of electrical and pneumatic energy demand linked to machine status leads to identification of **status-dependent energy reduction potentials**. Therefore, energy savings through standby modes and targeted status-based adjustments can be achieved
- Component-specific view to **identify main energy consumers**
- **Order-specific energy data can be generated** through linkage of energy consumption with machine status

## Further Implications

- **Improved eco-designs** can be implemented during development of the machine based on the data
- Extended and **enhanced service offerings** are enabled





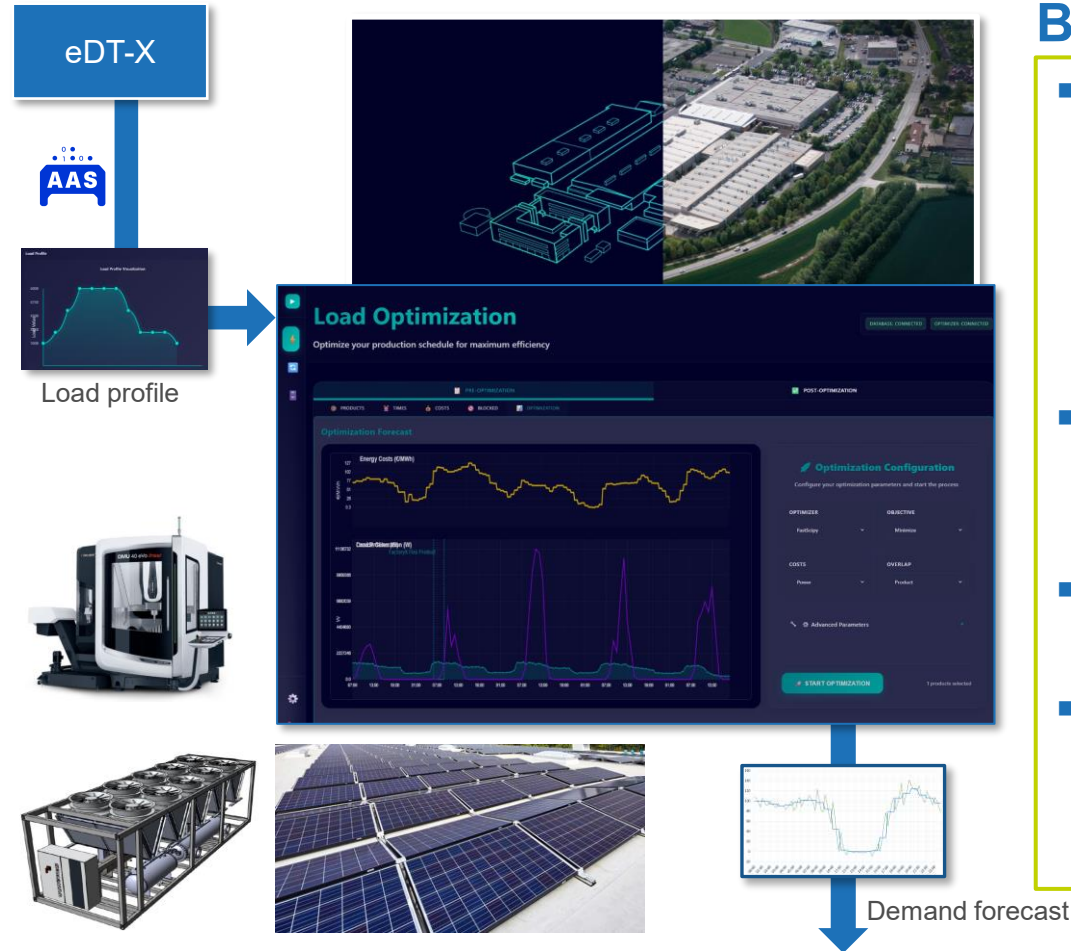
# Energy Demand and Load Management

Enflex - optimization of flexible loads



## Description

- Renewables drastically increase volatility of electricity price
- Flexibility is needed to take advantage of the cheaper prices
- eDT-X provides load profiles for machines / processes to optimize
- Enflex generate cost optimal schedule for different types of flexible industrial loads by providing optimized operating times and operating modes



## Benefit

- Reduction of energy cost through optimal schedule of production processes and adapted operation of systems with high energy demand
- More efficient use of production facilities and reduction of peak load
- Evaluation of CO2 saving generated by load shifting
- Offer power demand forecast for energy supplier & grid operator





# Energy Demand and Load Management

## Overarching energy management



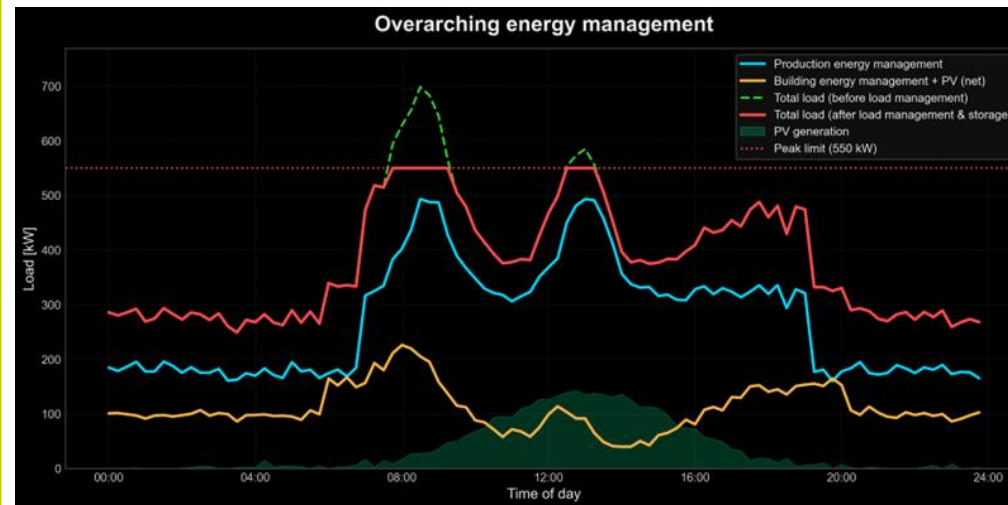
### Description

- Energy prices become an increasingly important factor for production
- Companies must optimize their energy consumption to the point that accesses the grid
- Overarching energy management optimizes energy resources within companies as well as the flexibility from production processes
- Enables communication with energy companies

Production Energy Management



Facility Energy Management



Energy Management (Energy Company)

### Benefit

- reduced costs for energy due to
  - smaller spikes in loads
  - Higher utilization of locally produced energy
- Offer power demand forecast for energy supplier & grid operator
- Communication with energy companies enables
  - better energy contracts
  - Better grid utilization→ due to better data exchange



# Carbon Footprint Management

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# Carbon Footprint Management

*Comparable & Automated Product Carbon Footprint Calculation*



## The Challenge

- Factory Operators are missing detailed guidance on Product Carbon Footprint (PCF) calculation
- Calculating PCFs is complex and resource-intensive
- Our Goal is to provide calculation guidance and business applications, that enable companies to measure and calculate their PCF with less effort, higher comparability, and higher granularity

## The FX-Solution and Offering

We will deliver Business Applications for:

- Calculation of logistics share of PCFs
- Calculation of manufacturing share of PCFs
- Management and sharing of PCFs

The Factory-X ecosystem will enable the reliable sharing of comparable PCF data between companies.

We additionally provide guidance for PCF calculation to lower the entry hurdle for KMUs.





# Carbon Footprint Management

*Comparable & Automated Product Carbon Footprint Calculation*



## Comparable & Automated Product Carbon Footprint Calculation & Sharing

### Organizational benefits

- Standardized PCF sharing & calculation
- Guidance for the PCF Rulebook



### Economic benefits

Competitive advantage by being able to share standardized PCFs

### Technical benefits

- Standardized data exchange via M-X Port Hercules
- Data models & schemas for shopfloor & logistics integration





# Carbon Footprint Management

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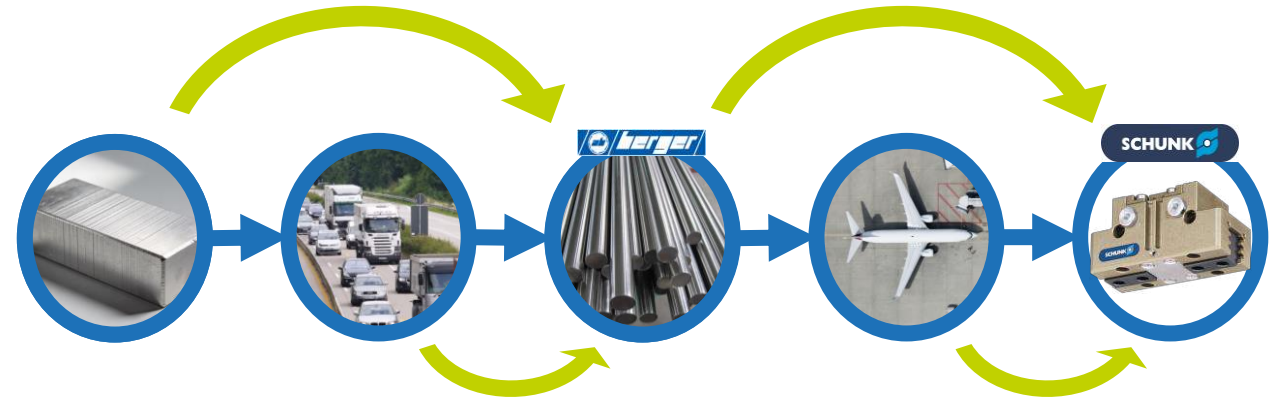
We demonstrate the calculation of a PCF across the supply chain, including:

- Logistics
- Own Manufacturing
- Cross-Company PCF exchange

## Benefit

We demonstrate:

- integration of a logistics platform and the automatic logistics CF calculation,
- integration of shopfloor systems for own-manufacturing CF share calculation
- M-X Port Hercules for PCF exchange



# Circular Economy

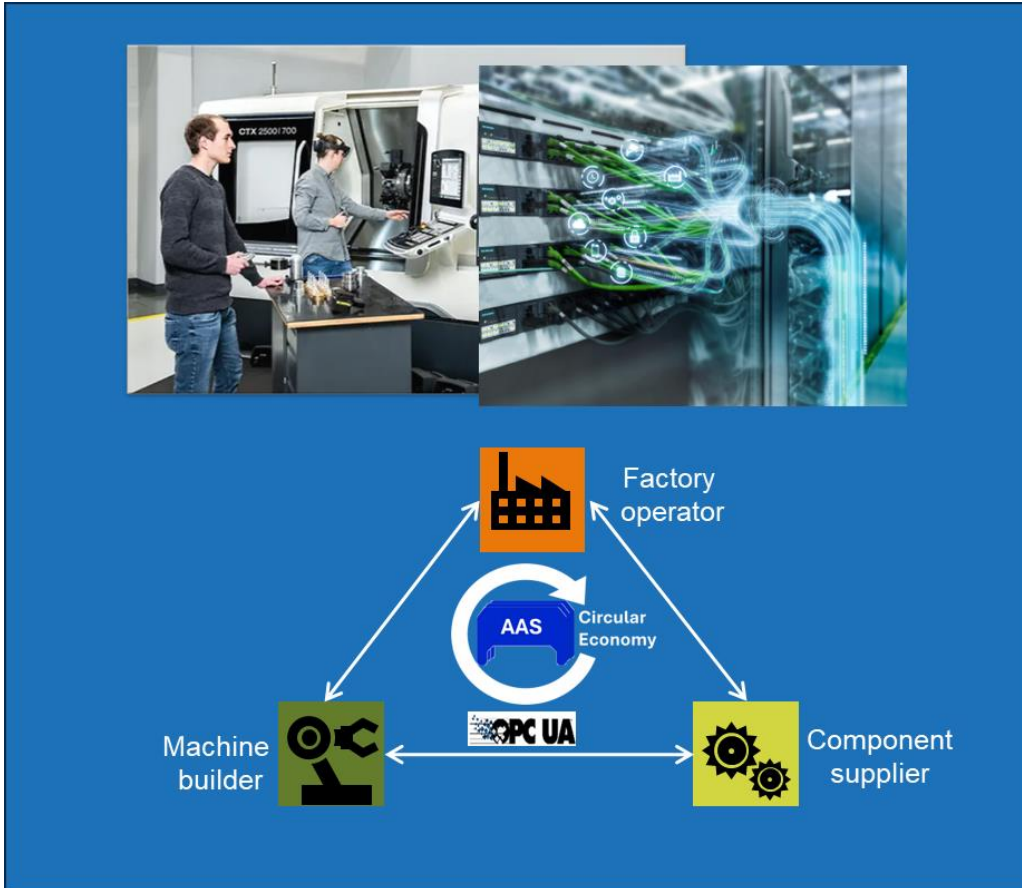
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# Circular Economy

*Close the Loop – for a Second Life!*



## The Challenge

Cost and scaling of circular economy in machine businesses

- Linear industry: take, make, waste
- Time and resource intensive Manual processes
- Experienced based evaluation

## The FX-Solution and Offering

Extending the lifetime and value of machines

- Circular industry: take, make, R-decision
- Data-driven condition assessment and R-proposals

Close the Loop – for a Second Life!





# Circular Economy

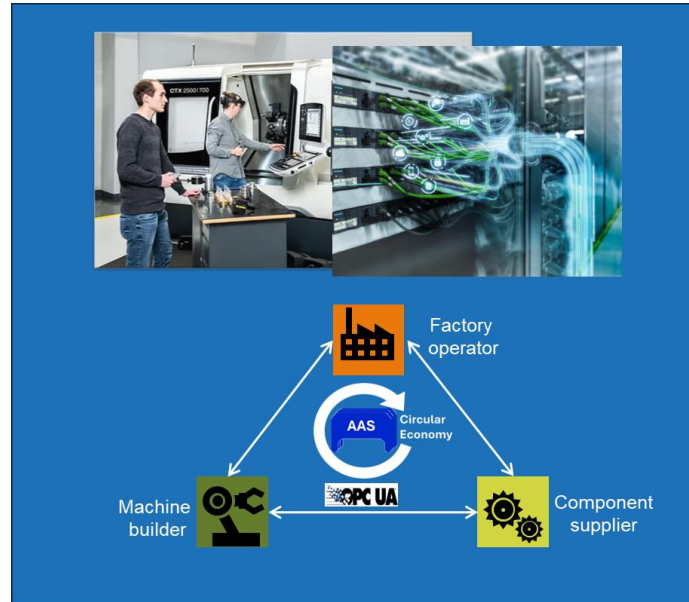
*Close the Loop – for a Second Life!*



## Scaling of Circular Economy for machine tools

### Organizational benefits

- Avoiding silo thinking by sharing all available data
- Plannable reconditioning



### Technical benefits

- Interoperability by AAS and MX Port
- Advancing data usage

### Economic benefits

- Data-based situation assessment
- Transition from an experience-based to a data-based condition assessment
- Waste reduction
- Directly at the machine location of the factory operator
- Scaling potential due to low entry barriers and sharing of anonymized and bundled data





# Circular Economy

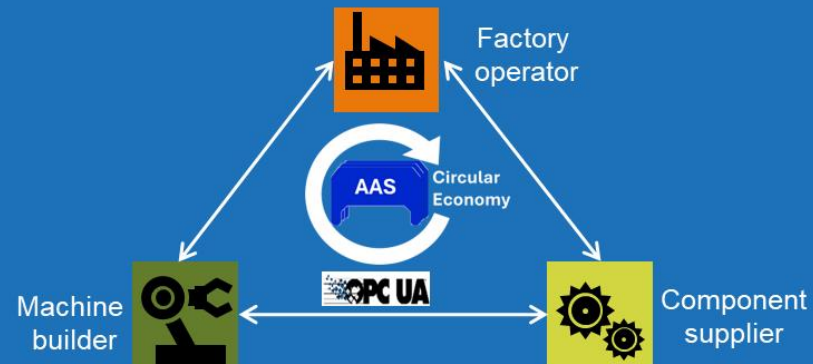
DMG MORI productive machine in Dresden



## Description

Productive machine with multiple processes for parts production

- Constant reconditioning of machines and components
- IT infrastructure available (AAS and OPC UA)
- Skilled process engineers
- Triggered high-frequency data acquisition by and condensated, anonymized interoperable data aggregation



## Benefit

Data-based situation assessment of machine and its components

- Data-based situation assessment of machine and its main components directly in Dresden
- Business triggered condition assessment of machines and main components
- Data transmission based on MX-Port Leo and standardized AAS sub models for Circular Economy

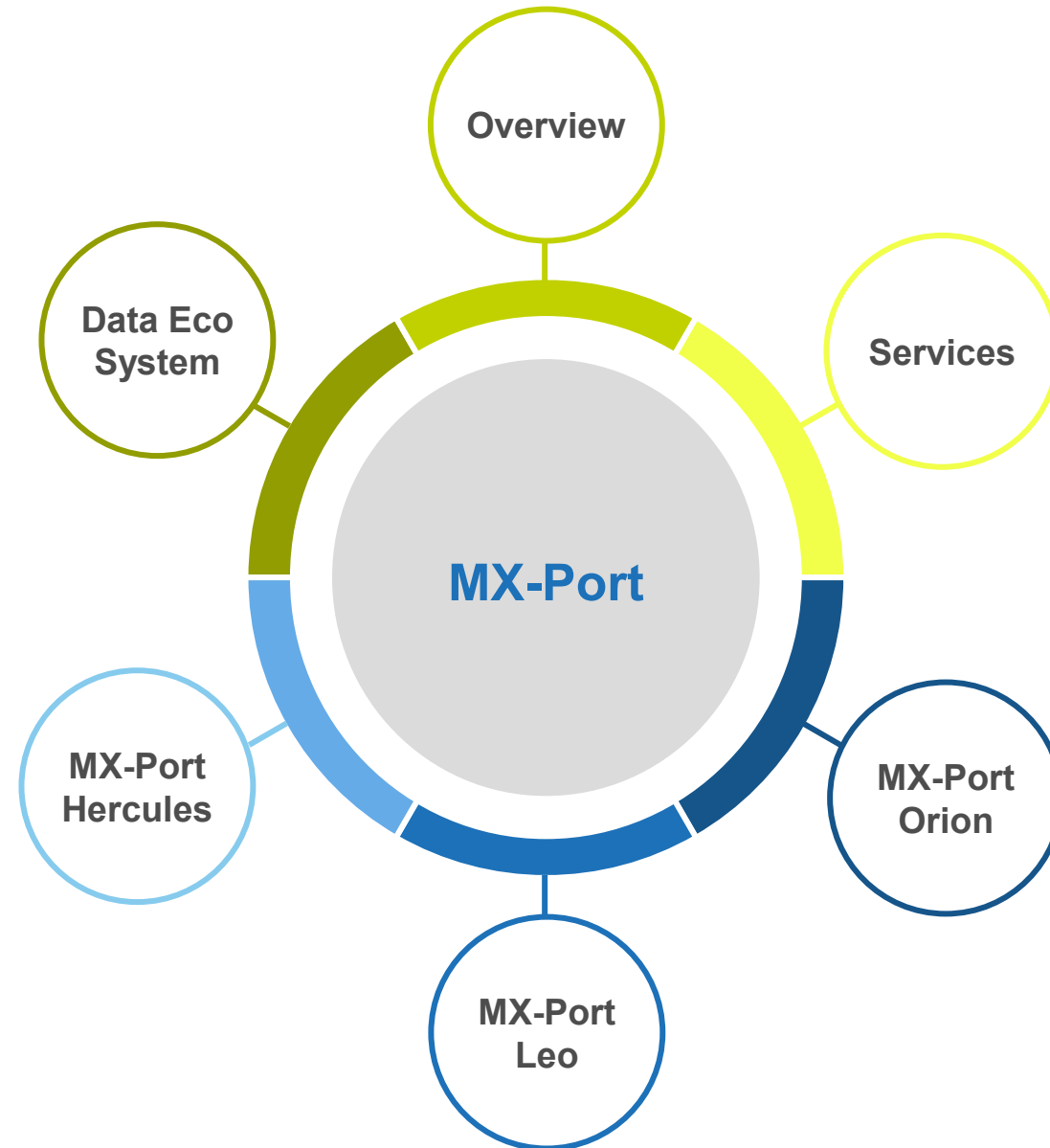


# MX-Port

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# MX-Port and its configurations



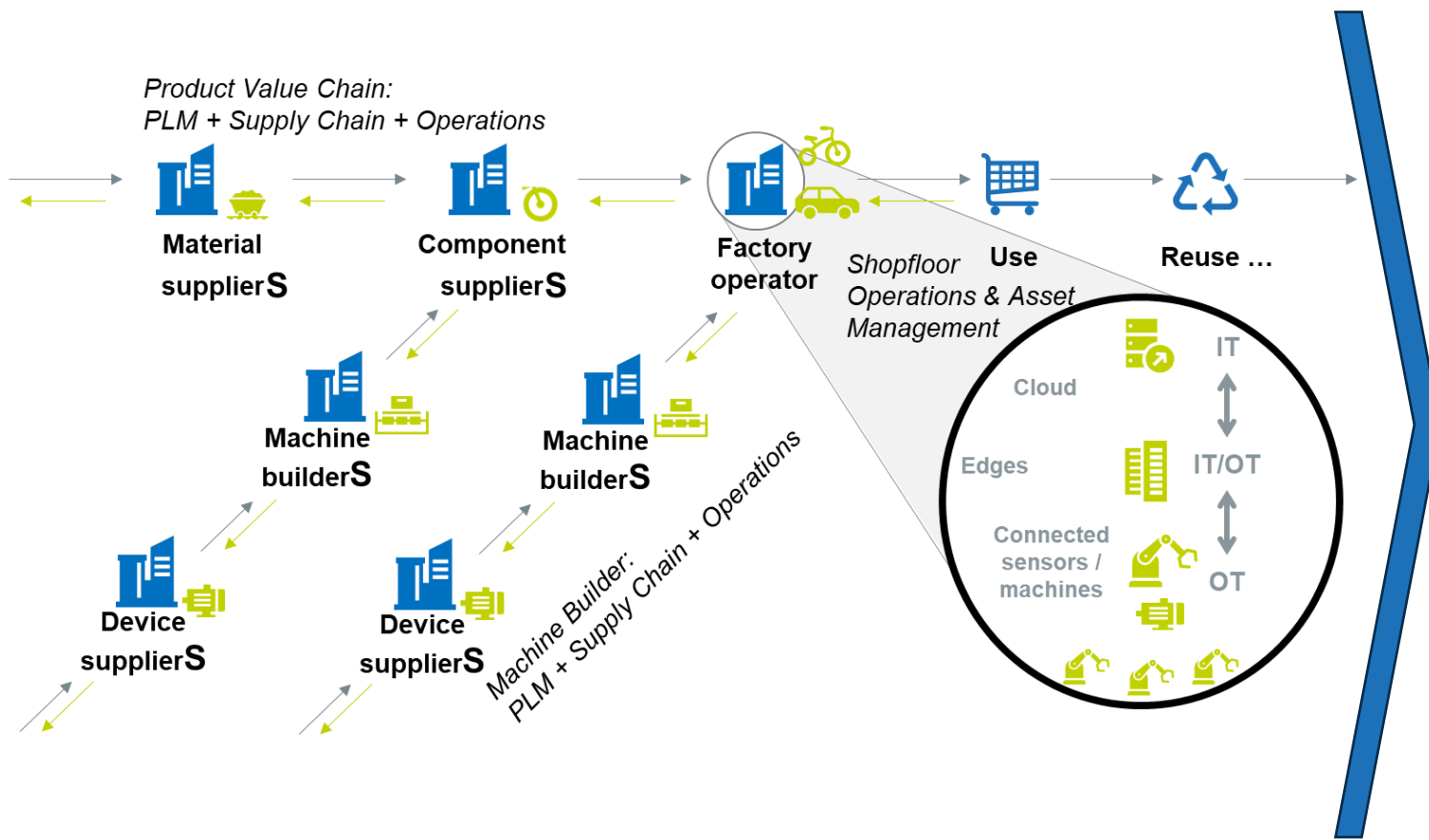
# MX-Port Overview

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## The Factory-X Continuum



## Generic structure of MX-Port

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MX Adapter	application specific		
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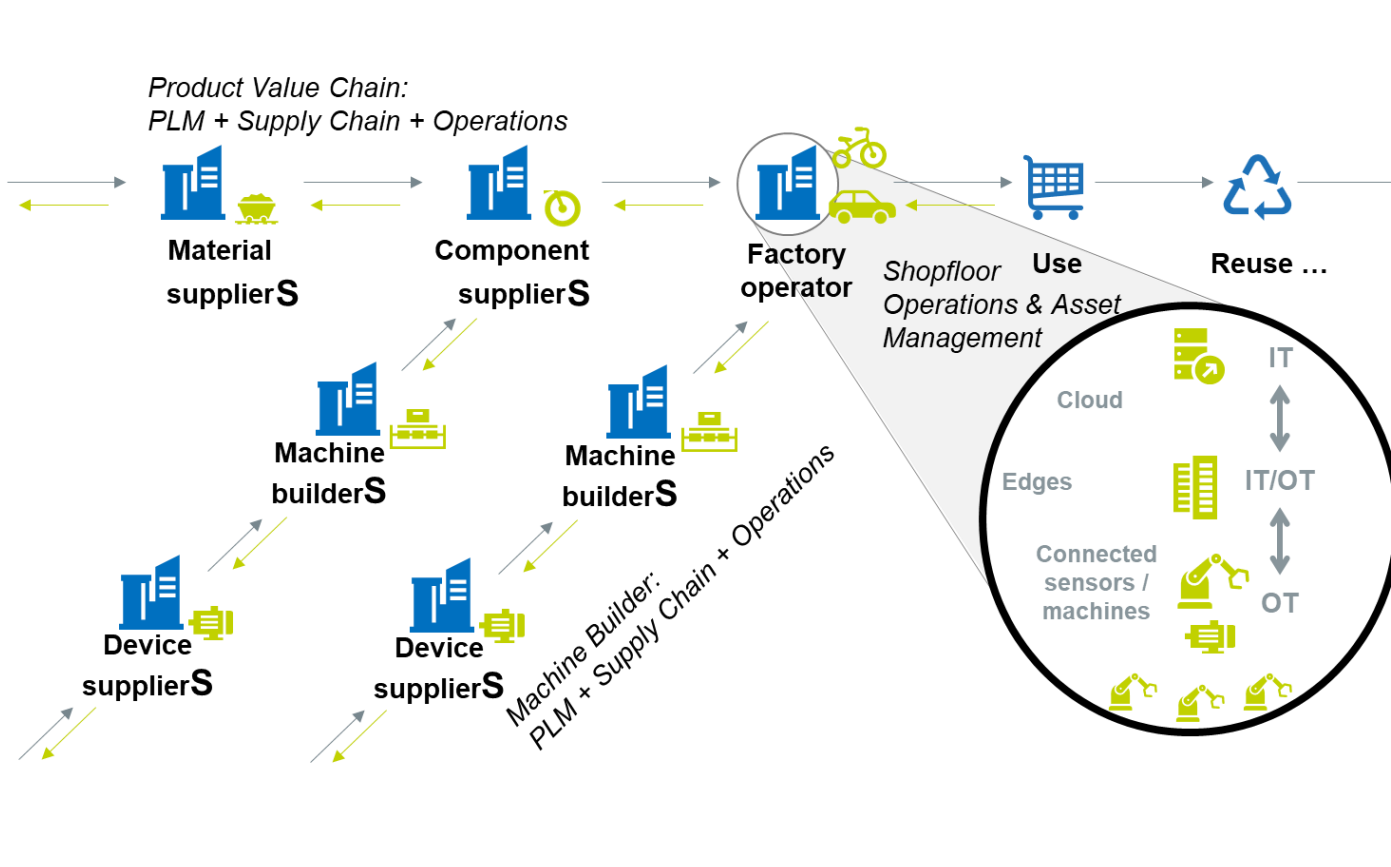
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## Foci of MX-Port Configurations

Supply Chain oriented  
**“HERCULES”**

PLM +  
Operations Mgmt. for Production Equipment  
**“LEO”**

Operations Mgmt. for Production Equipment  
**“ORION”**

# Our 11 Use Cases for horizontal and vertical data transfer use different MX-Port configurations



Usage of MX-Port configurations in our Use Cases	Integrated Toolchains and Collaborative Engineering	Information Update and Change Service	Collaborative Information Logistics
Condition Monitoring led Services	Modular Production	Manufacturing as a Service - On Demand Manufacturing	Autonomous Operation-as-a-Service
Traceability	Energy-Consumption and Load Management	Carbon Footprint Management	Circular Economy



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# Data Ecosystem

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## Creating the fundament of an open and collaborative data space!

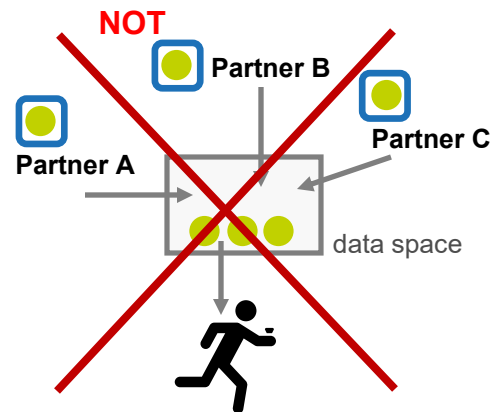
### What is a data space?

... *the scientific, academic answer*

- “Interoperable framework, based on common governance principles, standards, practices and enabling services, that enables trusted data transactions between participants.”,  
Source: glossary of Data Spaces Support Centre, <https://dssc.eu/>

... *our motivation, philosophy and pragmatic understanding*

- exchange of data between two partners in a partner network with purpose and mutual benefit, and of course in a data sovereign, trustful, secure etc. way.



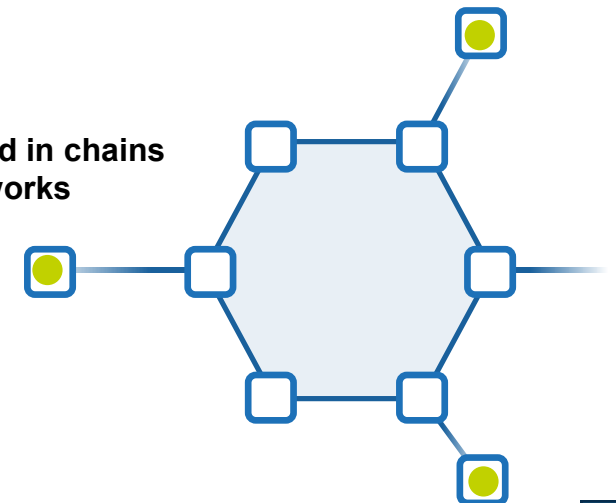
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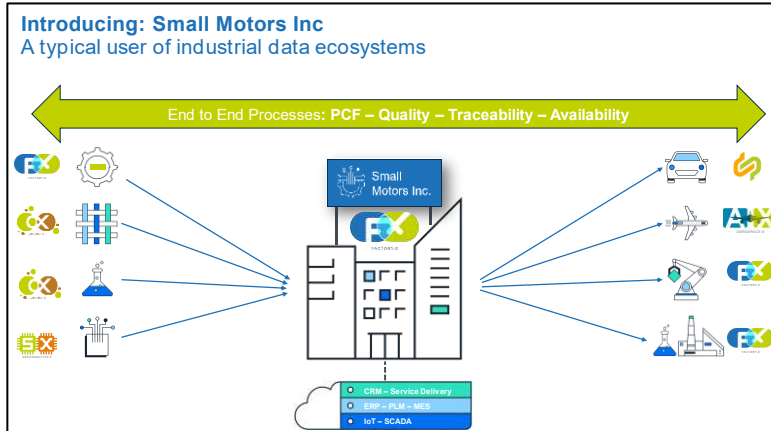
Legend:

- Partner A, B, C ...
- Data (exchange)

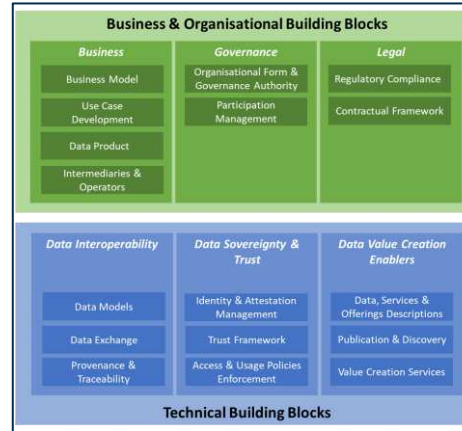
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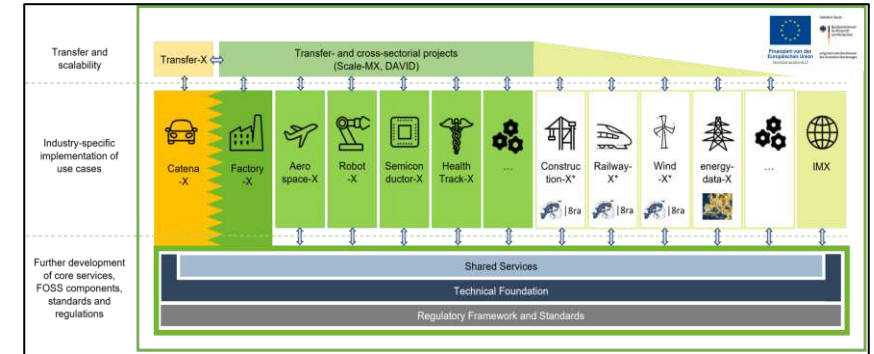
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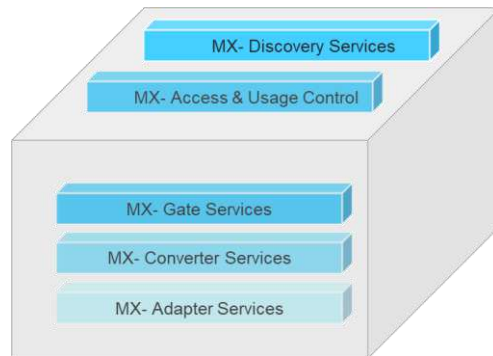


Technology Building Blocks  
Standards and Legal Requirements



Manufacturing-X Framework

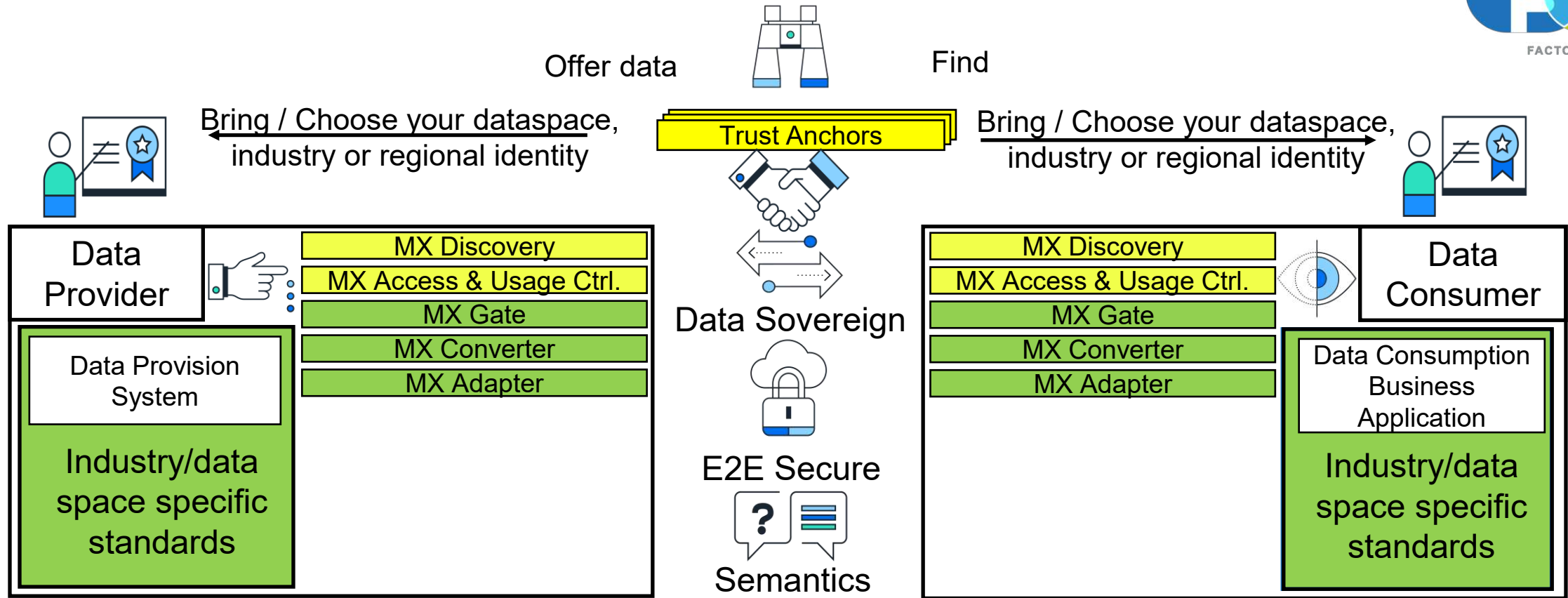
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- Work in standardization IEC
- Feedback internationally e.g. Japan [Open Data Spaces](#)
- Exchange on various events e.g. knowledge camp [Events - Factory-X](#)



# Factory-X Guardrails

## Participants and Rules



### Participants:

- A) We need one or more Operating Companies, which operates the Shared Services of all MX-Port Configurations.
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- C) Legal entities are free to choose the operating company.

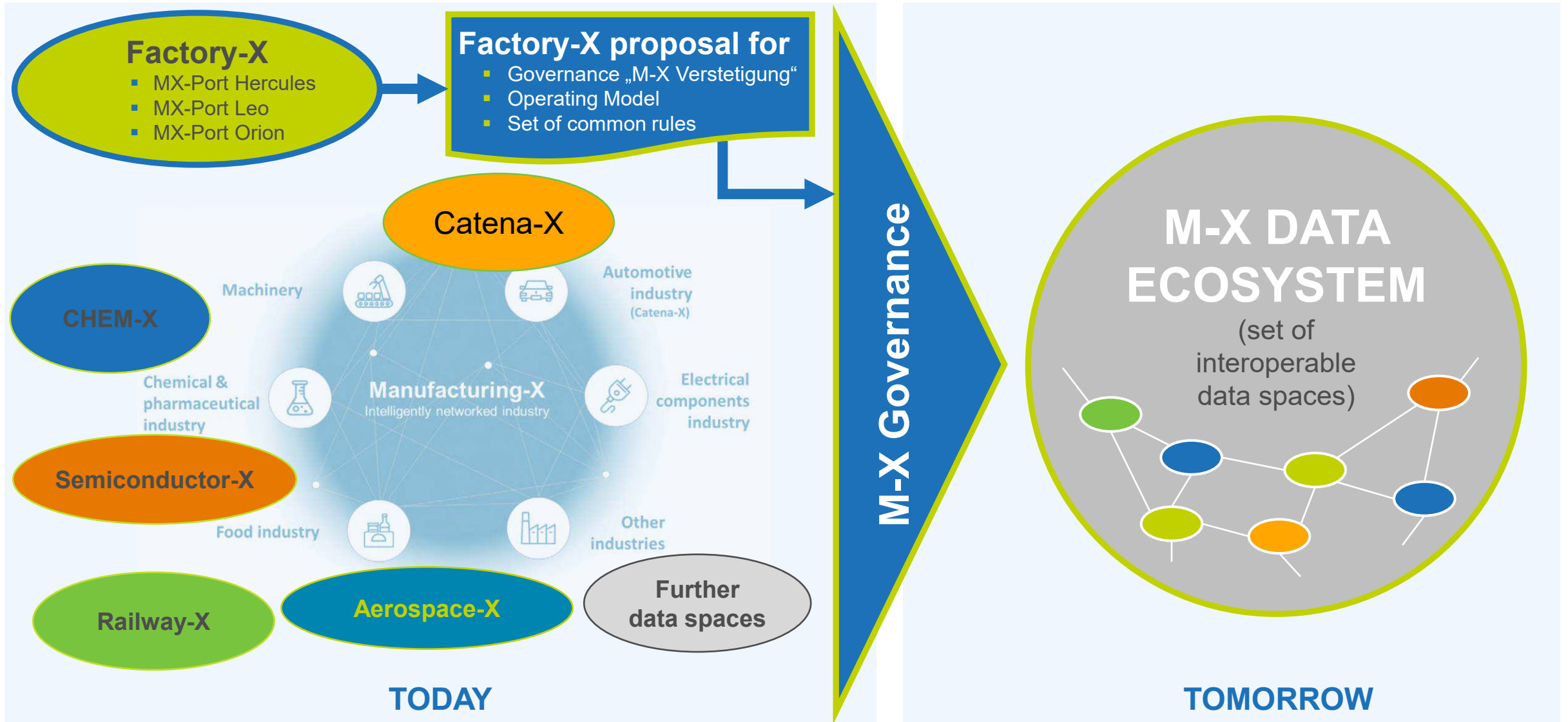
### Rules:

The same problems are solved the same regardless of the use cases and selected MX-Port configuration.

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→ One Factory-X Dataspace

# Way forward to M-X DATA ECOSYSTEM



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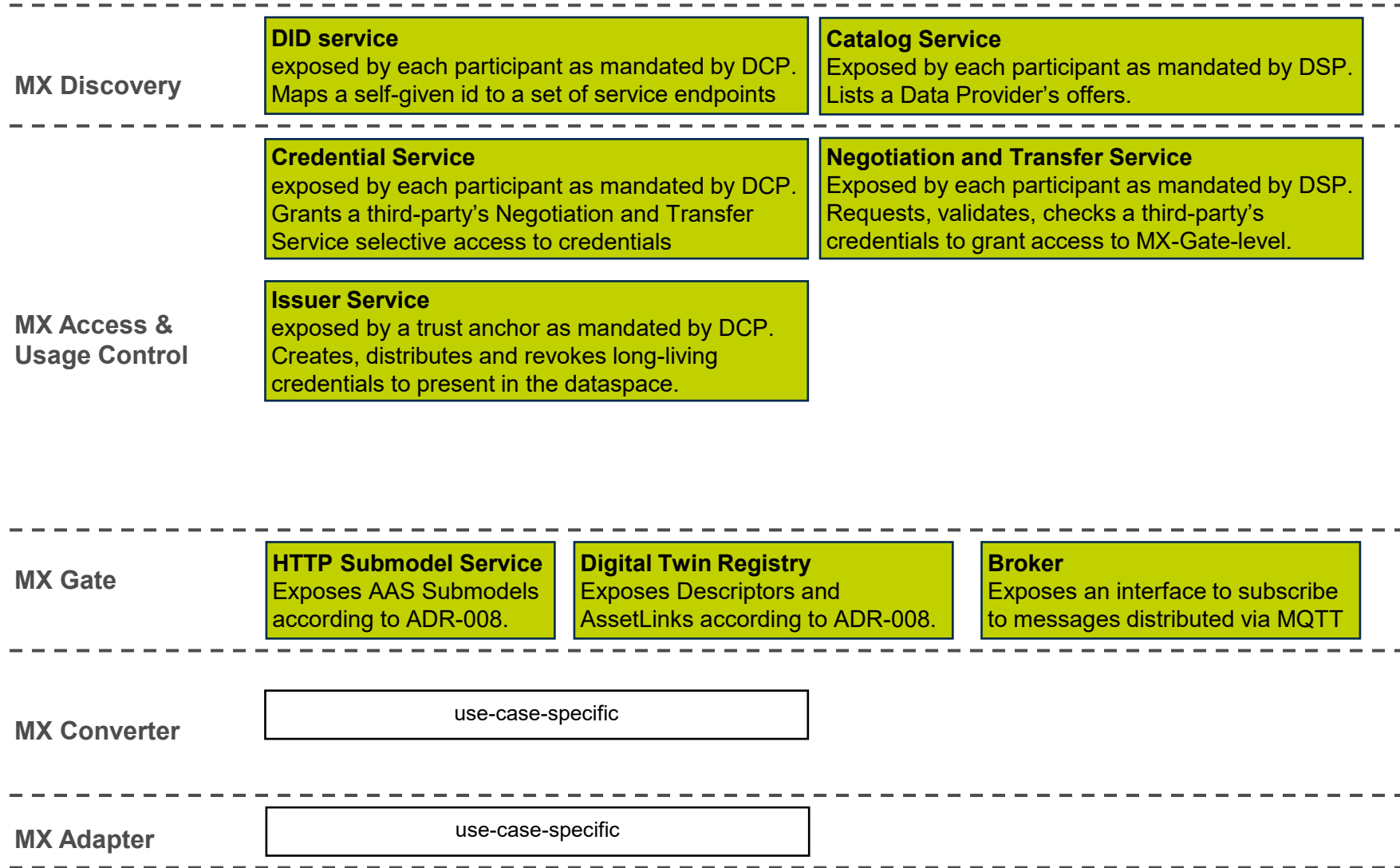
# Service Maps

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# MX-Port Configuration Hercules

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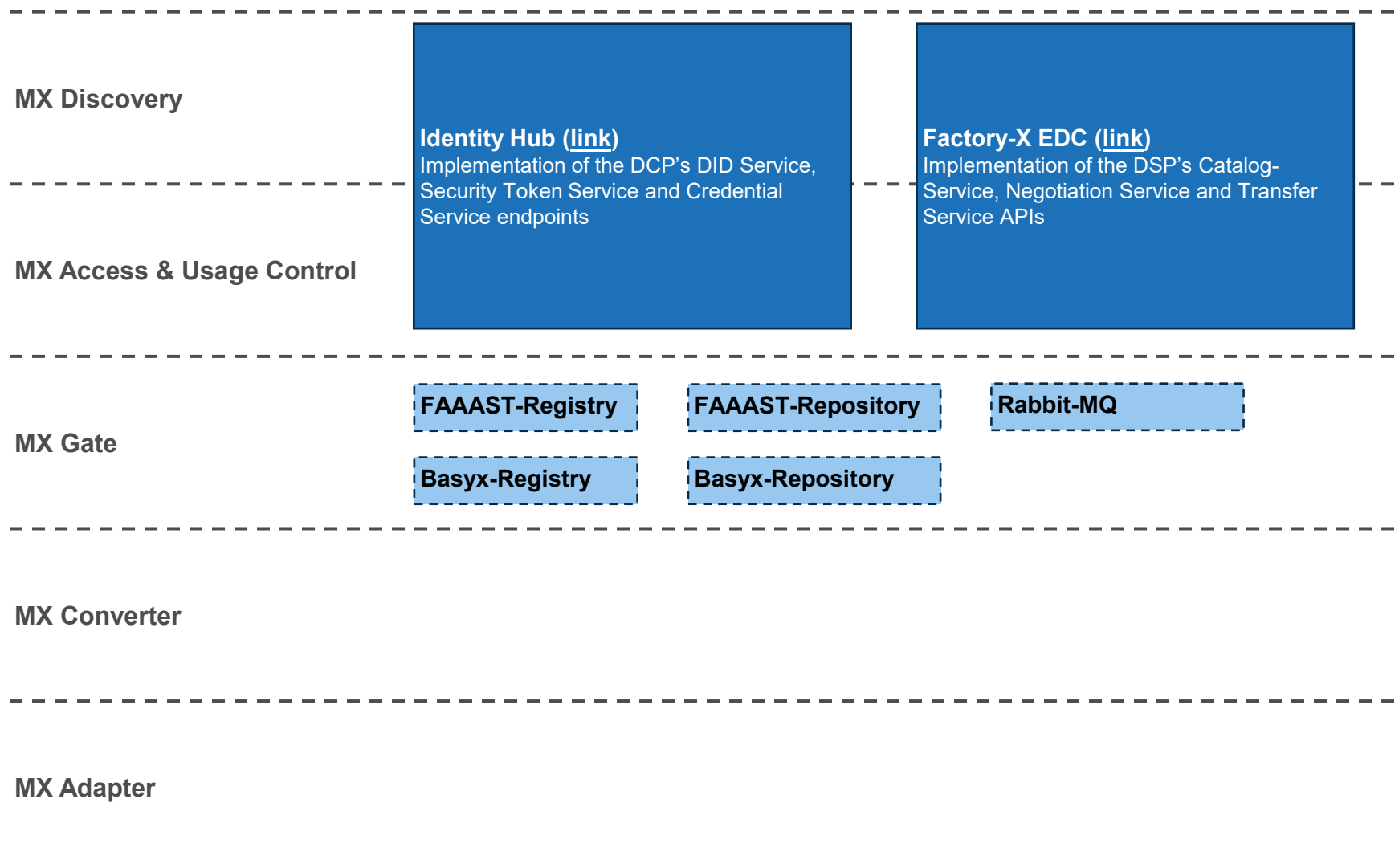


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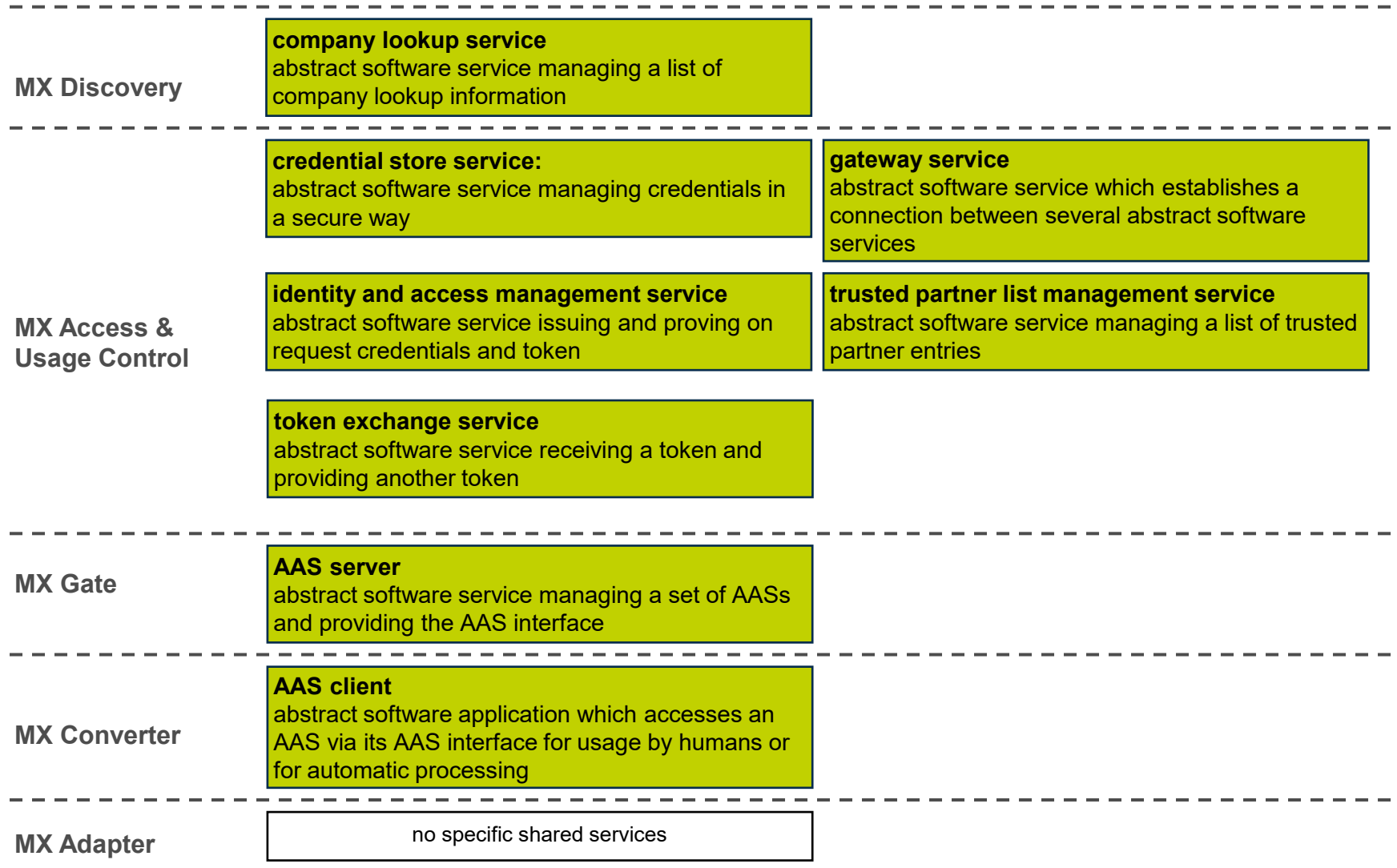
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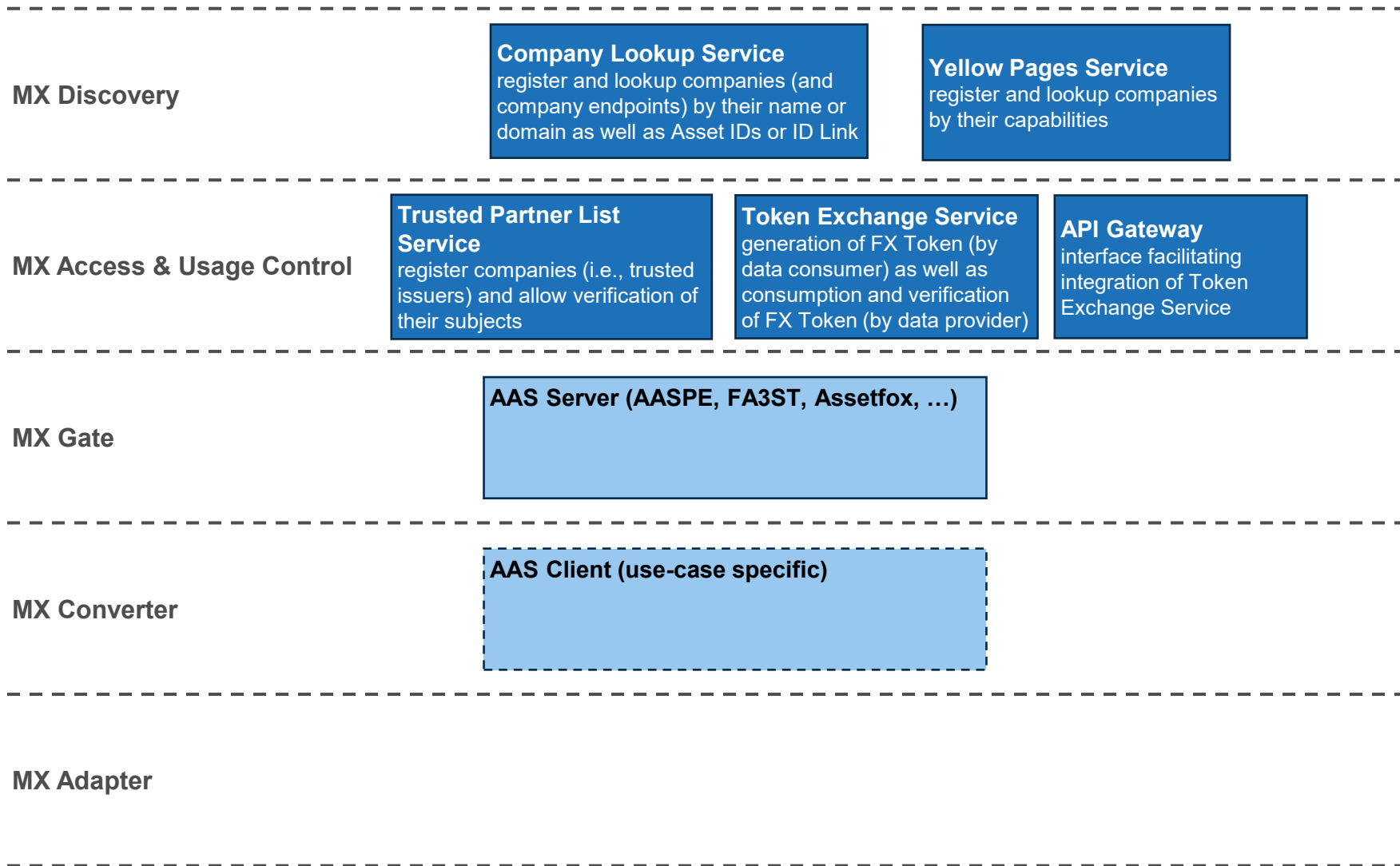


**Notes & comments**

- For details see document MX-Port Configuration “Leo”

# MX-Port Configuration Leo

## Implementation Level (concrete implemented & provided software services)



### Notes & comments

Roles in line with the definitions of the document "Governance MX-Port configuration "Leo""

Shared service operator:

- Company Lookup Service
- Yellow Pages Service
- Trusted List Service

Business application operator:

- Token Exchange Service
- API Gateway
- AAS Server
- AAS Client

Both roles can be assumed by the same operator.



# MX-Port Configuration Orion

## Conceptual Level



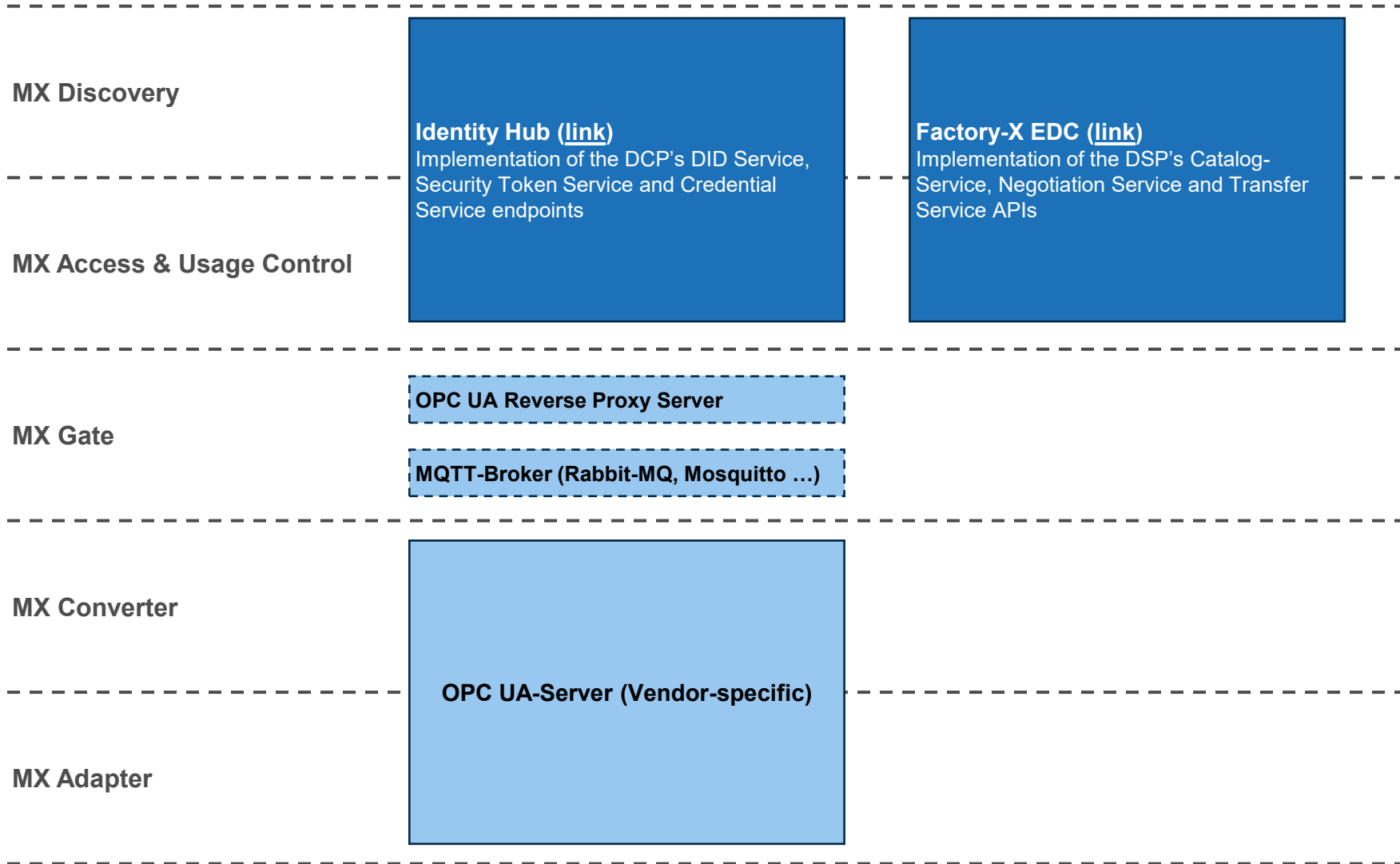
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- Factory-X EDC

### Business application

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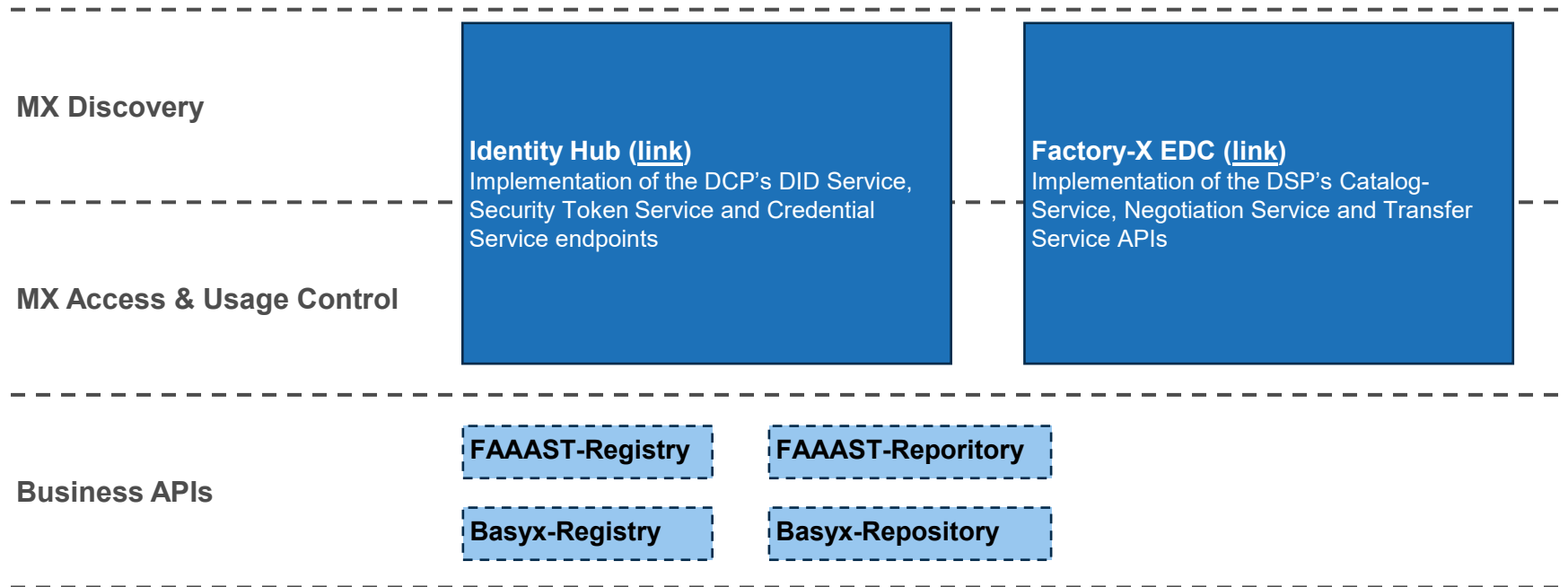
# MX-Port Hercules

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# Dataspace Connectivity

*Extending the common Foundation for Dataspaces*



## The Challenge

Build Specifications and Software for interoperable Data Exchange across industries. Especially with Catena-X.

# Dataspace Connectivity

Read our Specification Documents!



**ADR Graph**  
Dependencies between Architecture Decision Records

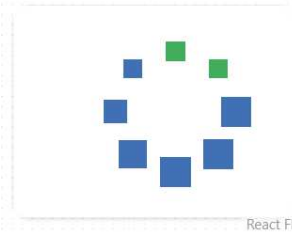
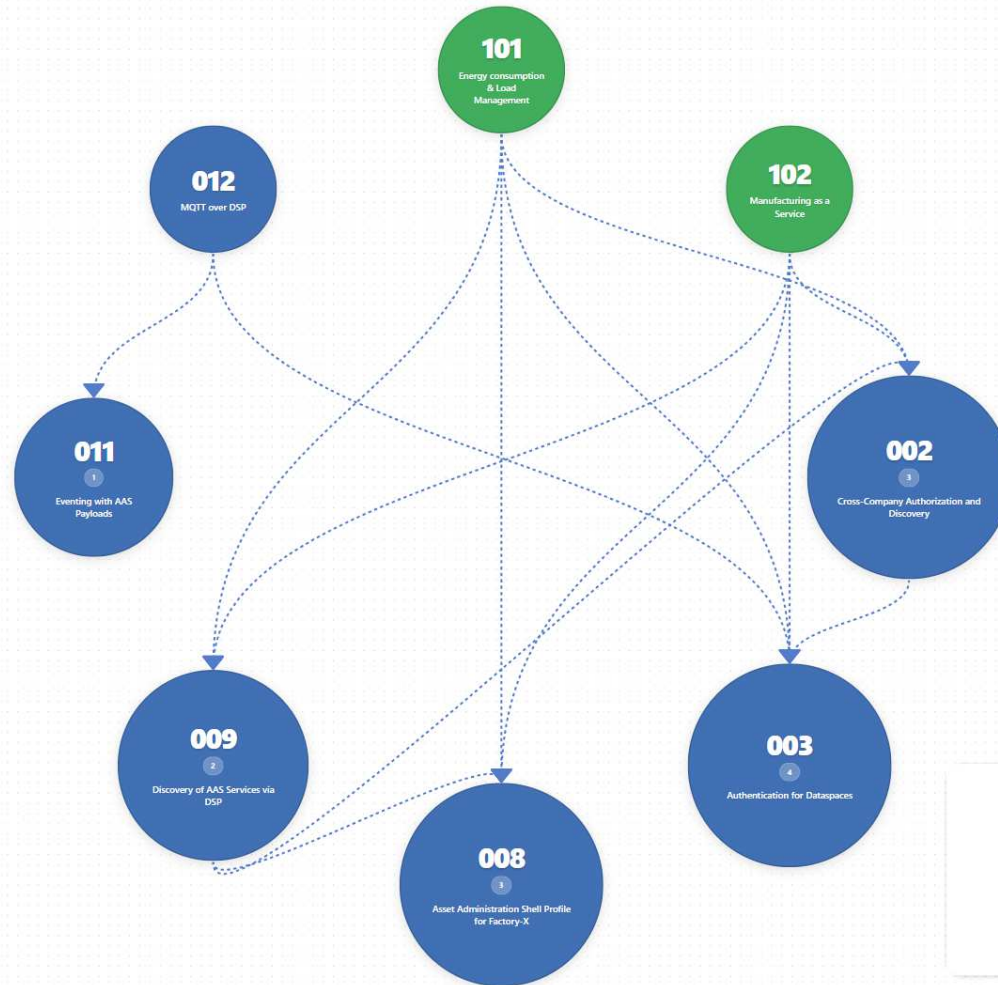
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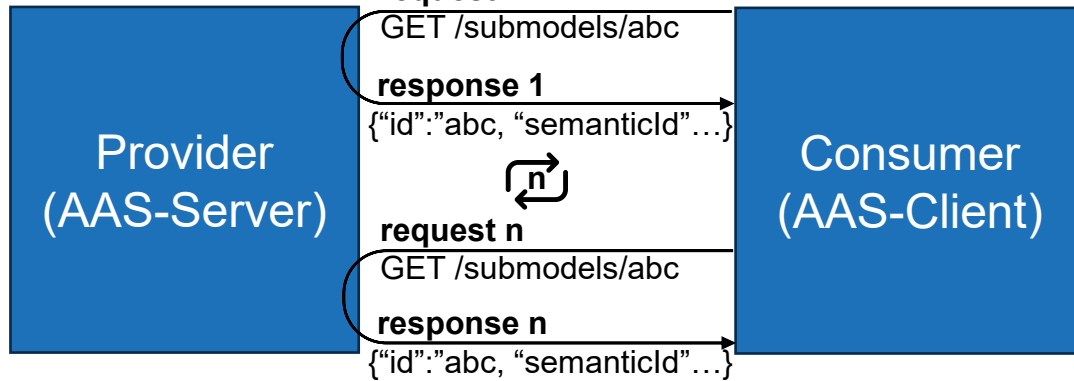


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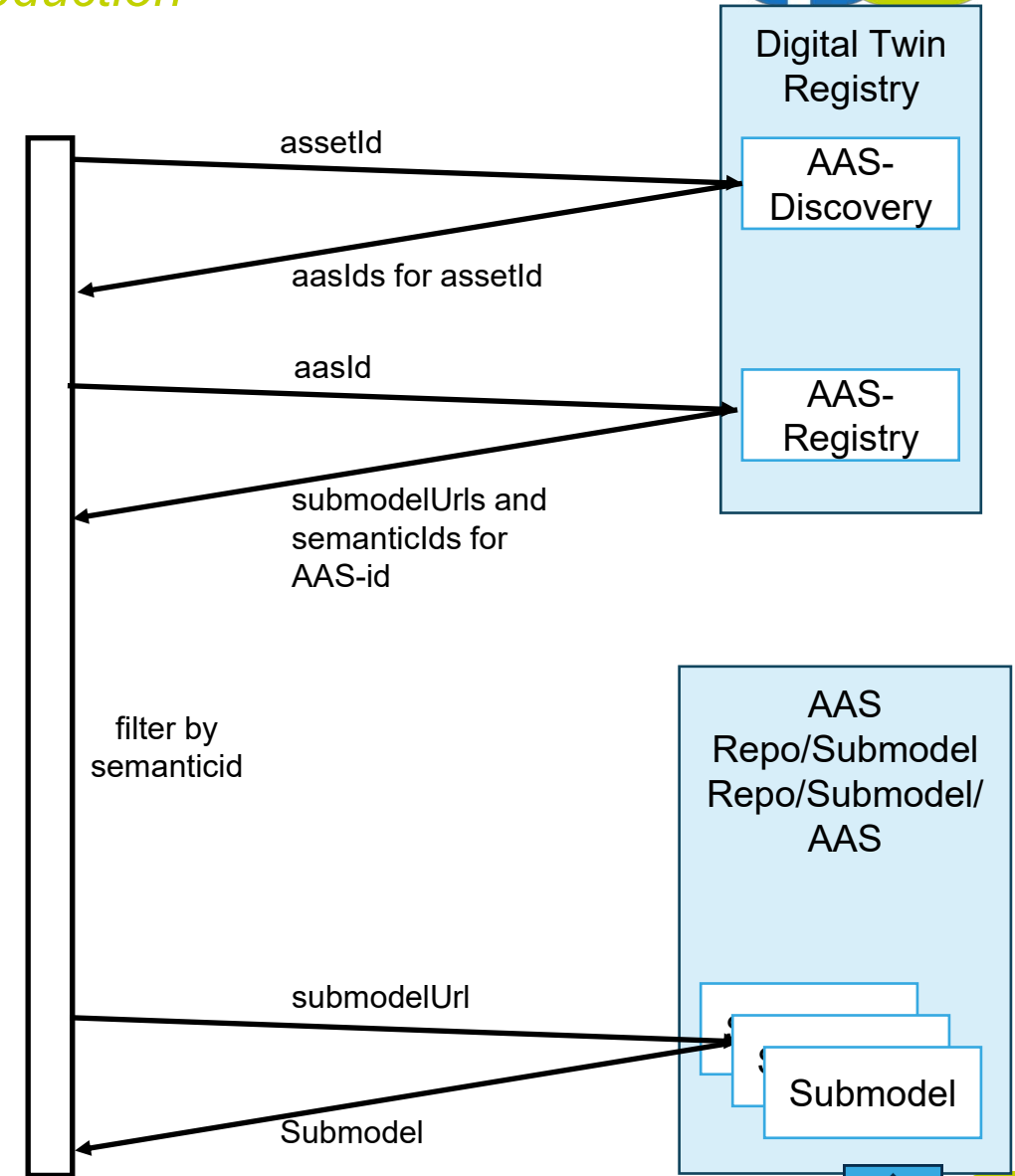
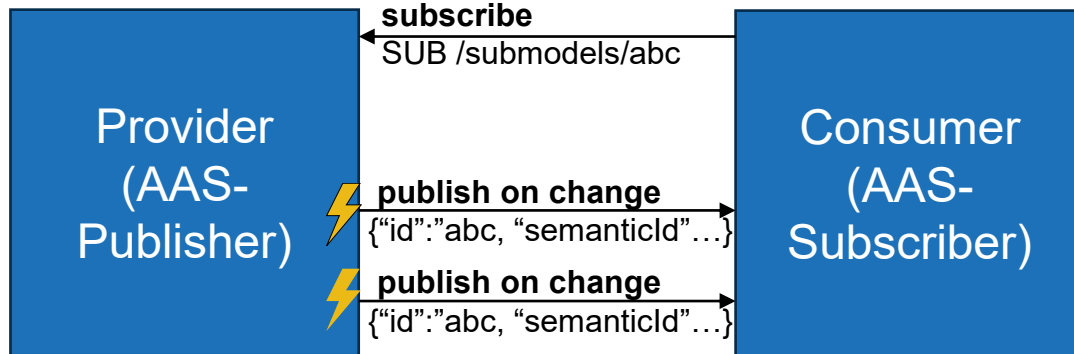
Profiling and Extending the AAS Specification to use it in production



## HTTPS (IDTA-01002-3-1)



## Events (our addition)



# Way forward

## *Global Standards and Implementations ready*



- As digital twins evolve into a central asset for industrial value creation, the ability to securely exchange and use their data across organizations becomes essential. Today's fragmented approaches often limit scale, adoption, and the impact of AI-driven applications.
- IDTA and International Data Spaces Association (IDSA) have now formalized a cooperation to connect two foundational standards:
  - ◆ the **Asset Administration Shell (AAS)** as the global standard for industrial digital twins, and
  - ◆ the **Dataspace Protocol** as the standard for trusted data exchange in decentralized data spaces.
- Together, these frameworks enable structured digital-twin data to be shared reliably across companies, industries, and entire value networks — strengthening interoperability and data sovereignty in industrial environments. The agreement was officially signed 12 March 2026, during a joint community event in Frankfurt.

[https://www.linkedin.com/posts/international-data-spaces-association\\_industrial-data-ecosystems-need-both-interoperability-activity-7437871689759223808-l8c7/](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/international-data-spaces-association_industrial-data-ecosystems-need-both-interoperability-activity-7437871689759223808-l8c7/)



# MX-Port Leo

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### **If a company uses today's IDTA standards, it is already participating in Data Space Leo Level 1**

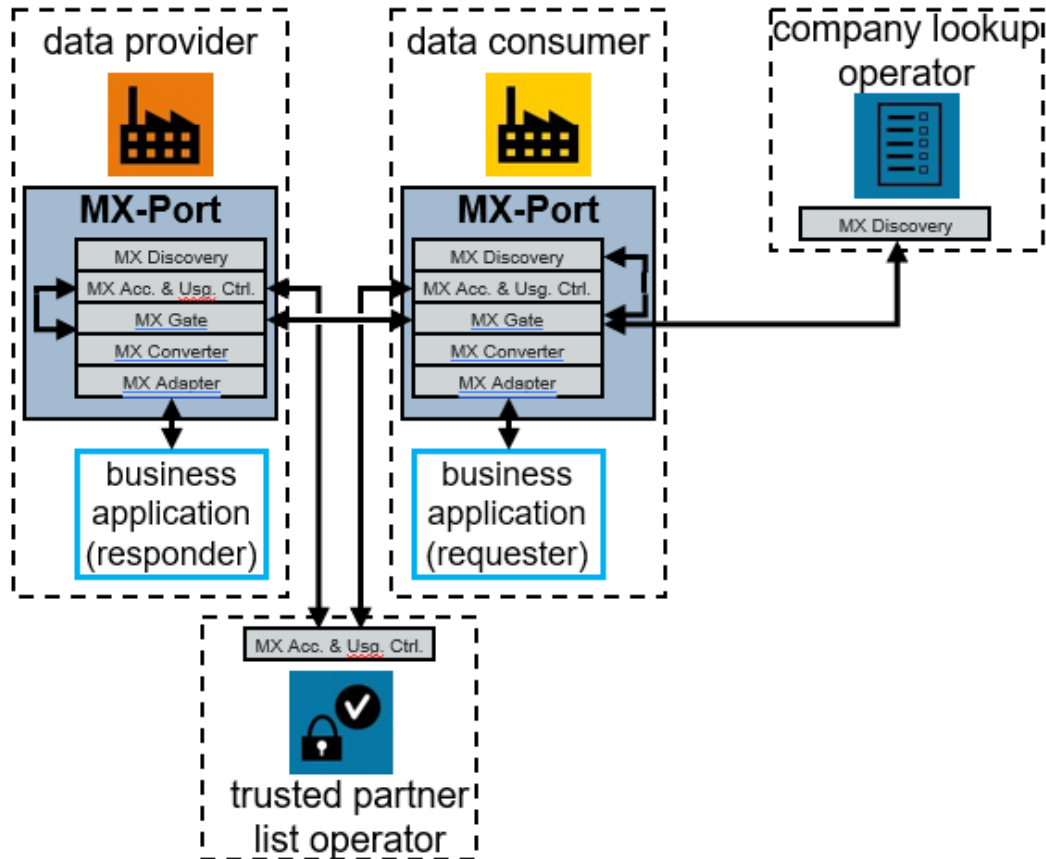
- Accordingly, all AAS activities involving automated data exchange contribute to Data Space Leo Level 1.
- Discovery and Access & Usage Control remain responsibilities that companies must solve individually at Leo Level 1.
- At Leo Level 1, no Shared Service Operator (Operating Company) is required.

### **Factory-X has developed extensions to IDTA standards with respect to Discovery and Access & Usage Control (i.e., for Leo Levels 2 and 3).**

- IDTA e.V. plans to integrate these extensions into IDTA standards after completion of the Factory-X project (thus, IDTA e.V. will assume governance for the MX-Port Leo).
- For Leo Levels 2 and 3, a Shared Service Operator (Operating Company) is required.
- The role of the Shared Service Operator (Operating Company) can be taken over by an independent entity (e.g., IDTA GmbH) or by one or more companies participating in the data exchange.

# MX-Port Leo

## Secure AAS-based Data Exchange



## The Challenge

- Low entry barriers to secure inter-company data exchange
- Scalability with regards to many participants in a data space
- Design (primarily) based on reuse of available technology

## The FX-Solution and Offering

- Immediate entry possible for data providers and data consumers based on the Asset Administration Shell
- Gradual extensibility (with regards to many partners for data exchange) following the business needs and opportunities of a company
- Secure data exchange based on identities currently already managed by a company (no need for duplication of identities in another system)

Components of MX-Port Leo



# MX-Port Leo

## PCF Showcase realized with MX-Port Leo components



### Description

- Client application calculating the product carbon footprint (PCF) of a control cabinet
- Information retrieved from several component suppliers using MX-Port Leo's mechanisms for discovery and security
- Information in Submodel Templates (SMTs)

### Benefit

- Unified data model provided by the Asset Administration Shell
- Unified discovery based on Company Lookup service
- Unified authentication and authorization based on FX Token and Trusted Partner List

zvei IDTA Product Carbon Footprint Showcase

Loaded 286 submodels in 22s Role:   Disclaimer: displayed PCF values are for demo purposes only

Authenticate

2500 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e as-built  
**880.6 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e as-is**

880.64 zvei Combination - Control Cabinet PCF Demo

117.2 zvei Control Cabinet PCF Demo

4.38 Hybrid motor starter

0.06 Ground terminal

0.38 Relay Module

8.92 S7-1500, DQ 32x24VD C/0.5A HF

26.7 2 ET 200SP, AI 4xU/I 2-Wire ST, PU 1

0.96 ET 200SP, DQ 8x 24V DC/0,5A ST, PU 1

Submodels: Host: plugfest5.aas-voyager.com Show All Collapse All JSON: AAS Submodel

Nameplate BillOfMaterial ProductCarbonFootprint TechnicalData

General Information

ManufacturerLogo /aas/zvei\_2021\_RZ\_CMYK.png

ProductImage /IMG\_0700.jpg

Further Information

www.DPP40.eu

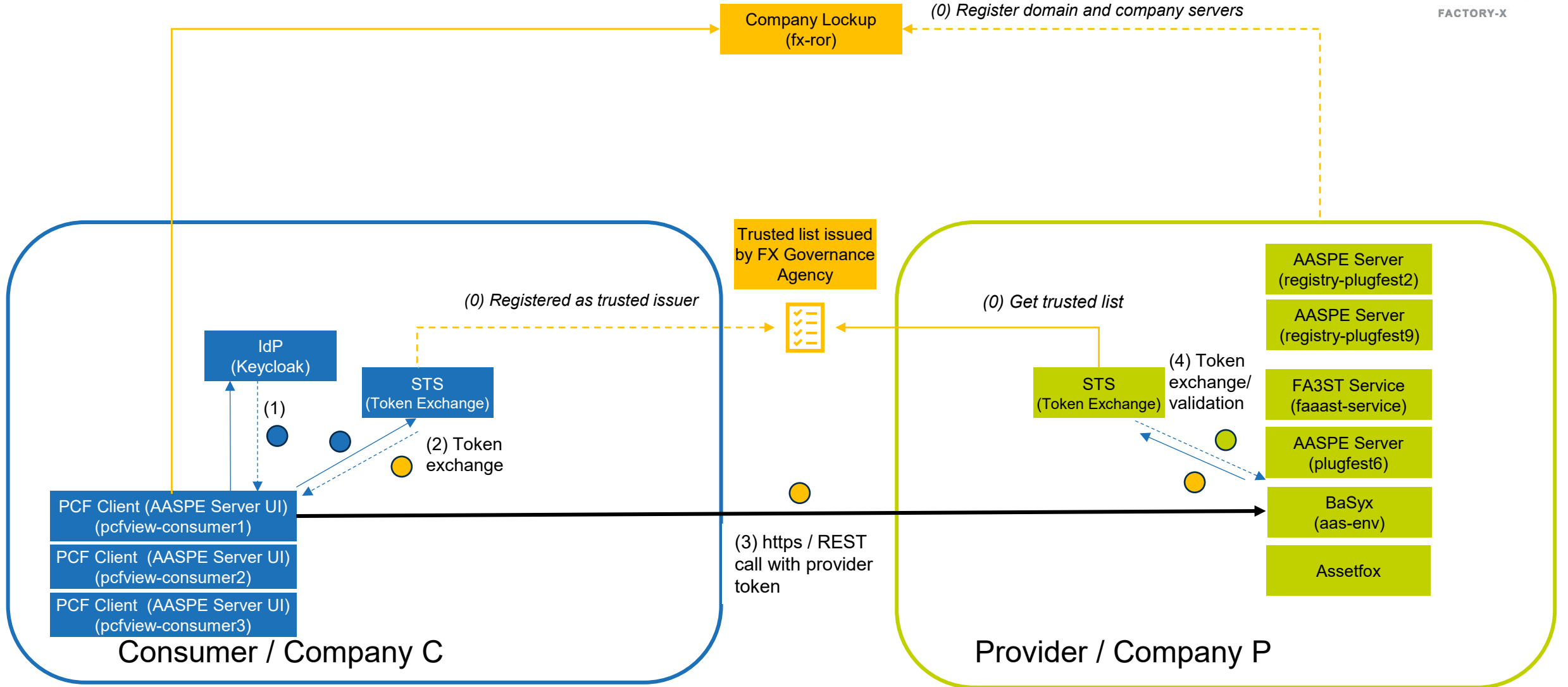
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Impressum

Disclaimer: The PCF calculations of the control cabinet are intended as examples for the technical proof of concept with no claim for accuracy / correctness since there is no comparability of the product-specific product carbon footprints now. As for now, the total PCF value is calculated by simply adding up PCF values calculated with different PCF calculation methods.



# MX-Port Leo: ZVEI PCF Showcase (Control Cabinet)



● Token issued by Consumer IdP

● Factory-X Identity Token (issued by Consumer)

● Token issued by Provider



# MX-Port Leo: Think Big, Start Small, Scale Up!\*

## Immediate entry possible for data providers and data consumers

- A data provider only needs to provide an AAS server in accordance with IDTA / IEC 63278
- No further requirements need to be met to provide data
- Data consumer can access data in accordance with IDTA / IEC 63278

## Operation possible without 3<sup>rd</sup> party operating company

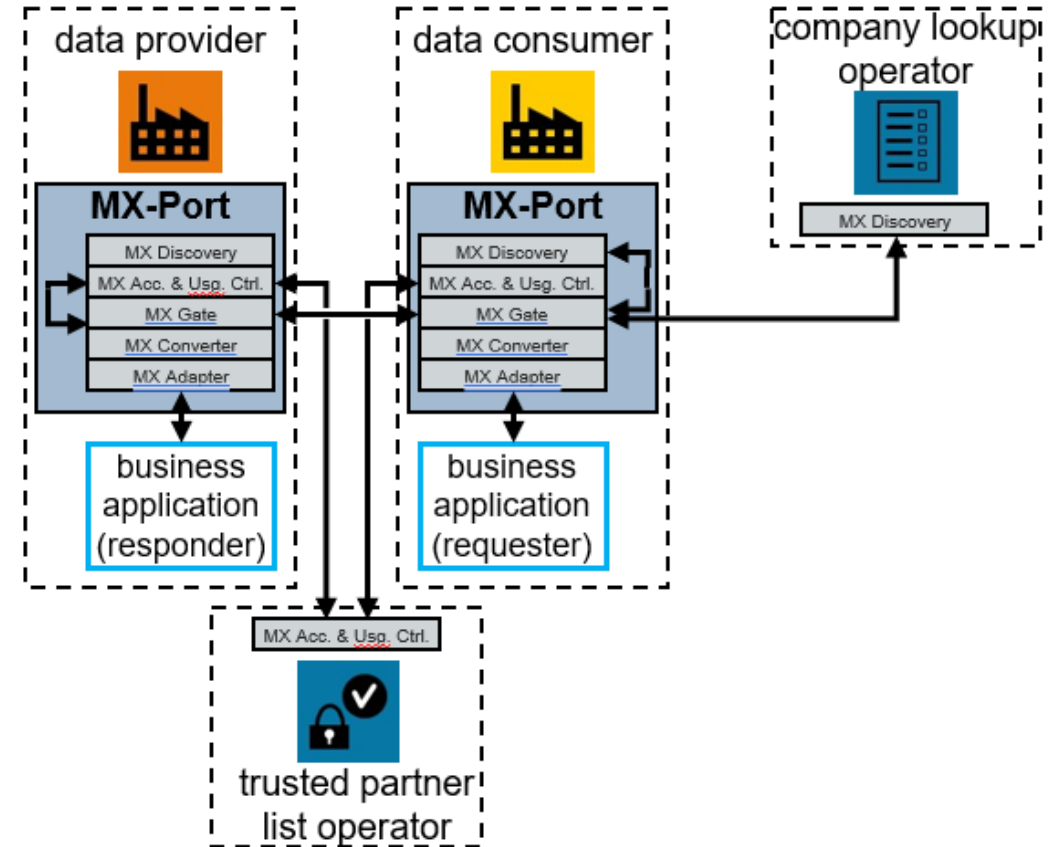
- Neither a data provider nor a data consumer needs to register at any 3<sup>rd</sup> party

## Each company operates its own system to manage its identities

- Identities currently managed by a company do not need to be duplicated
- Identities extend down to the device/service and user level, not just the company level

## Scalable regarding many partners for data exchange

- Gradually expandable following to business needs and opportunities of a company



\*) Asset Administration Shell – Quick Start Guide

# MX-Port Leo: Steps for Gradual Extension of Inter-Company Data Exchange



## Leo is based on successive levels “Step<sub>n</sub>”

- Companies submitting to the rules underlying “Step<sub>n+1</sub>” can also share data with companies submitting to the rules of “Step<sub>n</sub>” only
- For a company to progress to a higher Step, an investment is required
  - Regarding governance additional rules must be met
  - Regarding technology additional software services must be implemented

## Main levels of MX-Port configuration “Leo”

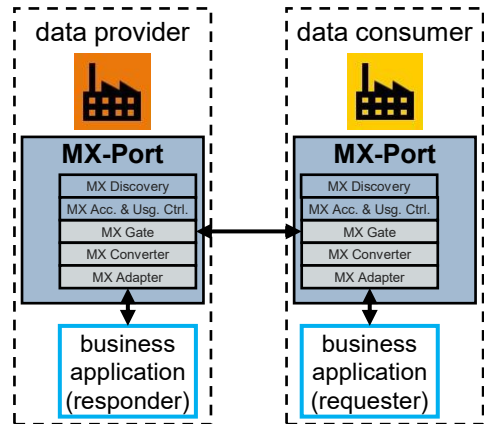
- **Step 1: standardized internal data exchange** based on MX Gate, MX Converter, and MX Adapter
  - Making the own data understandable and accessible is an essential prerequisite for any cross-company data exchange
  - Regarding MX Discovery and MX Access and Usage Control, the two partners agree individually at this stage
- **Step 2: standardized MX Discovery**
  - The basis is a list of standardized company lookup information through which a data consumer can find a data provider's AAS server
  - The data consumer can maintain the list entries itself or use a 3<sup>rd</sup> party operating company
- **Step 3: standardized MX Access and Usage Control**
  - The basis is a list of trusted partner entries
  - The data provider can maintain the list itself or use a 3<sup>rd</sup> party operating company
  - The use of a 3<sup>rd</sup> party simplifies the onboarding of new partners

# MX-Port configuration “Leo” paves the way for companies to be able to share data with many partners in the future



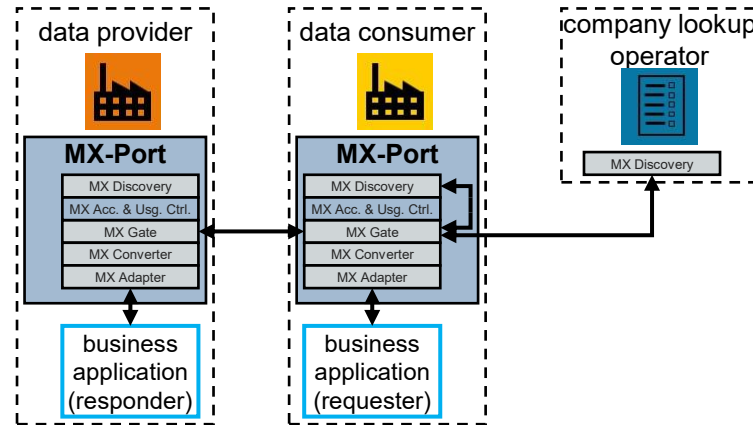
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**Step 1:** standardized common data models and data access

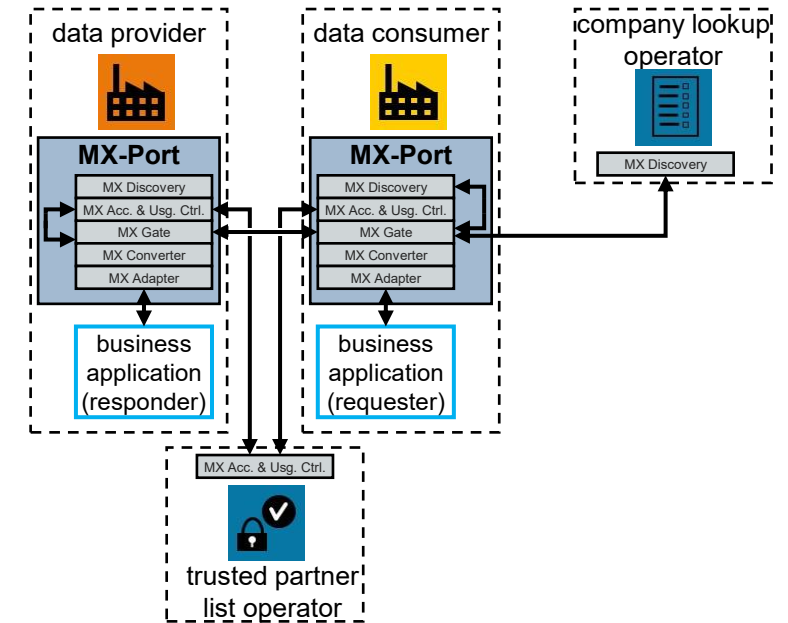


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**Step 2:** standardized discovery of the data provider



**Step 3:** standardized concepts for data sovereignty and trust

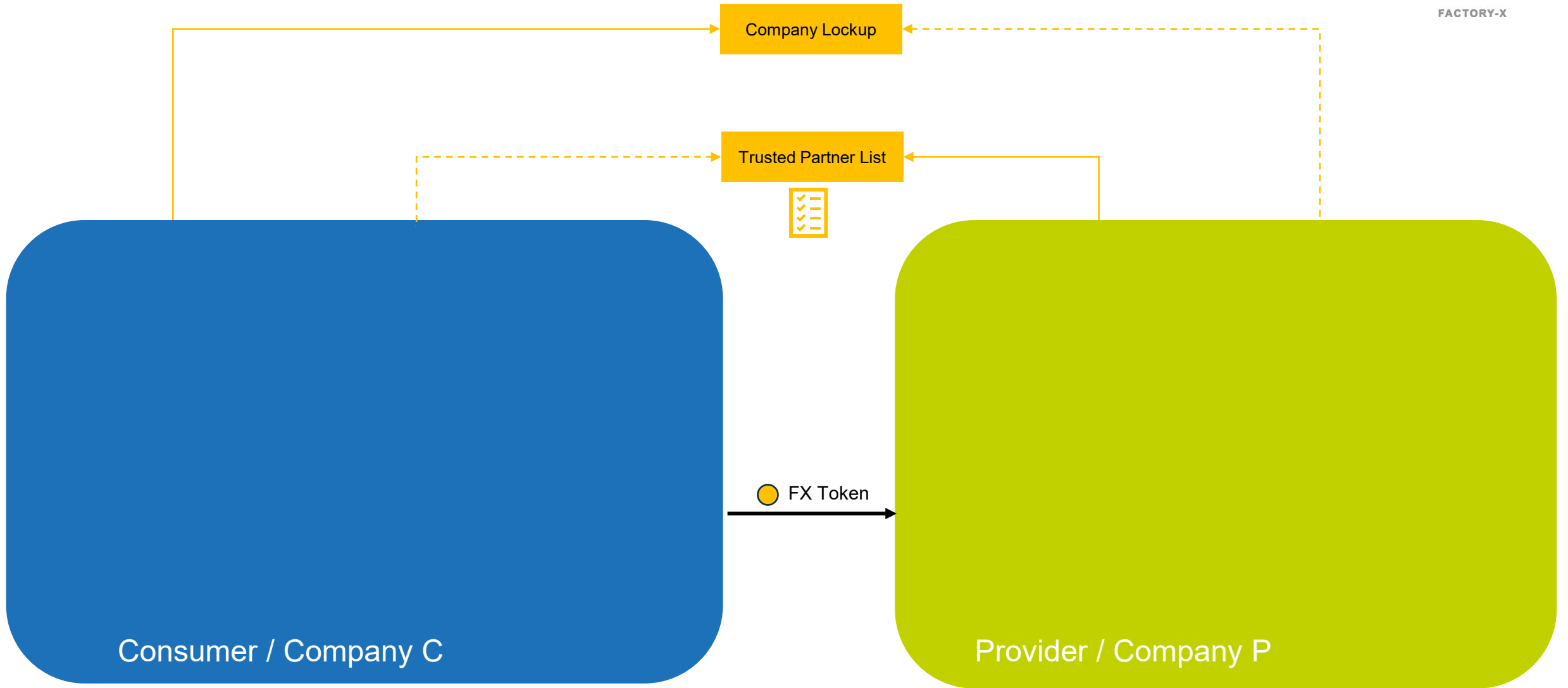


## MX-Port configuration “Leo”

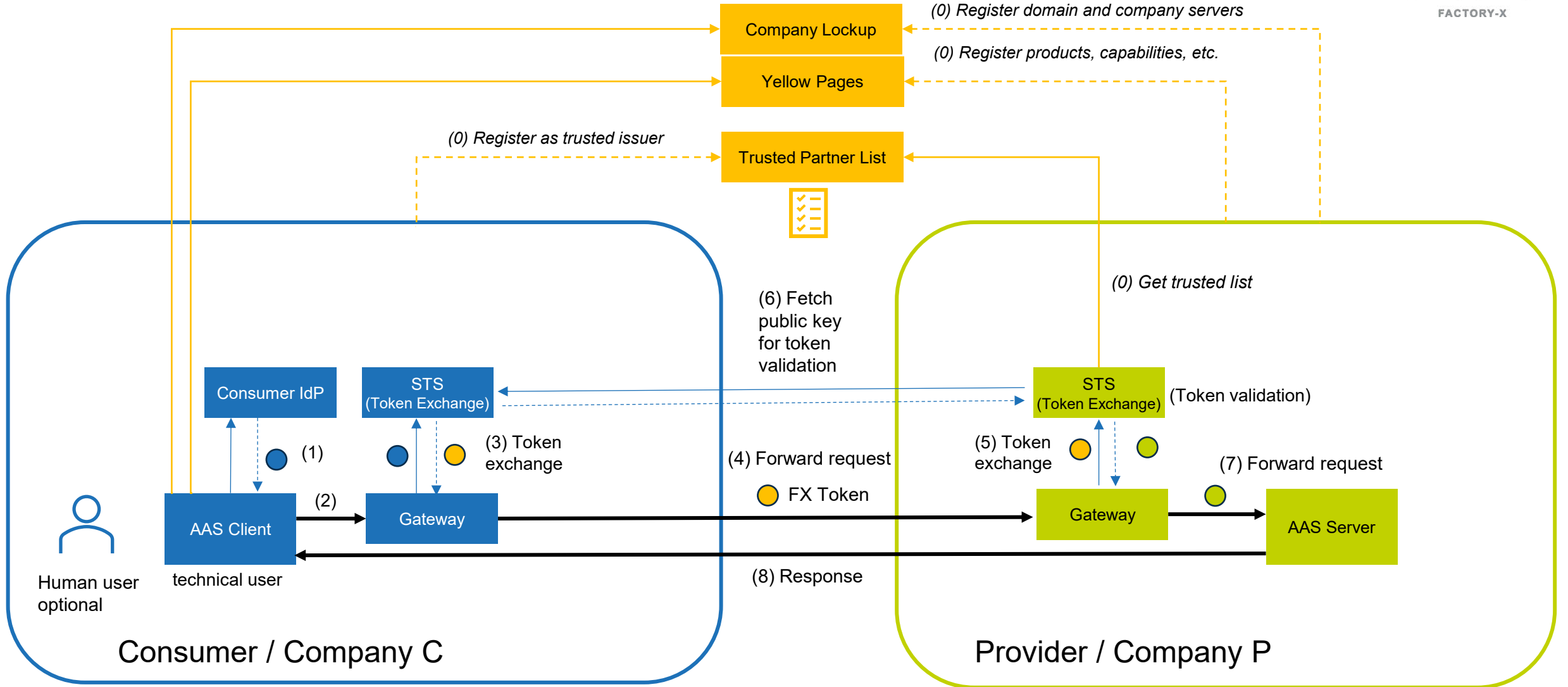
Note: Step 2 (additional discovery options) and Step 3 (additional security options) can be swapped



# MX-Port Leo in a Nutshell



# MX-Port Leo: Reference Architecture



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# MX-Port Leo: MX Discovery



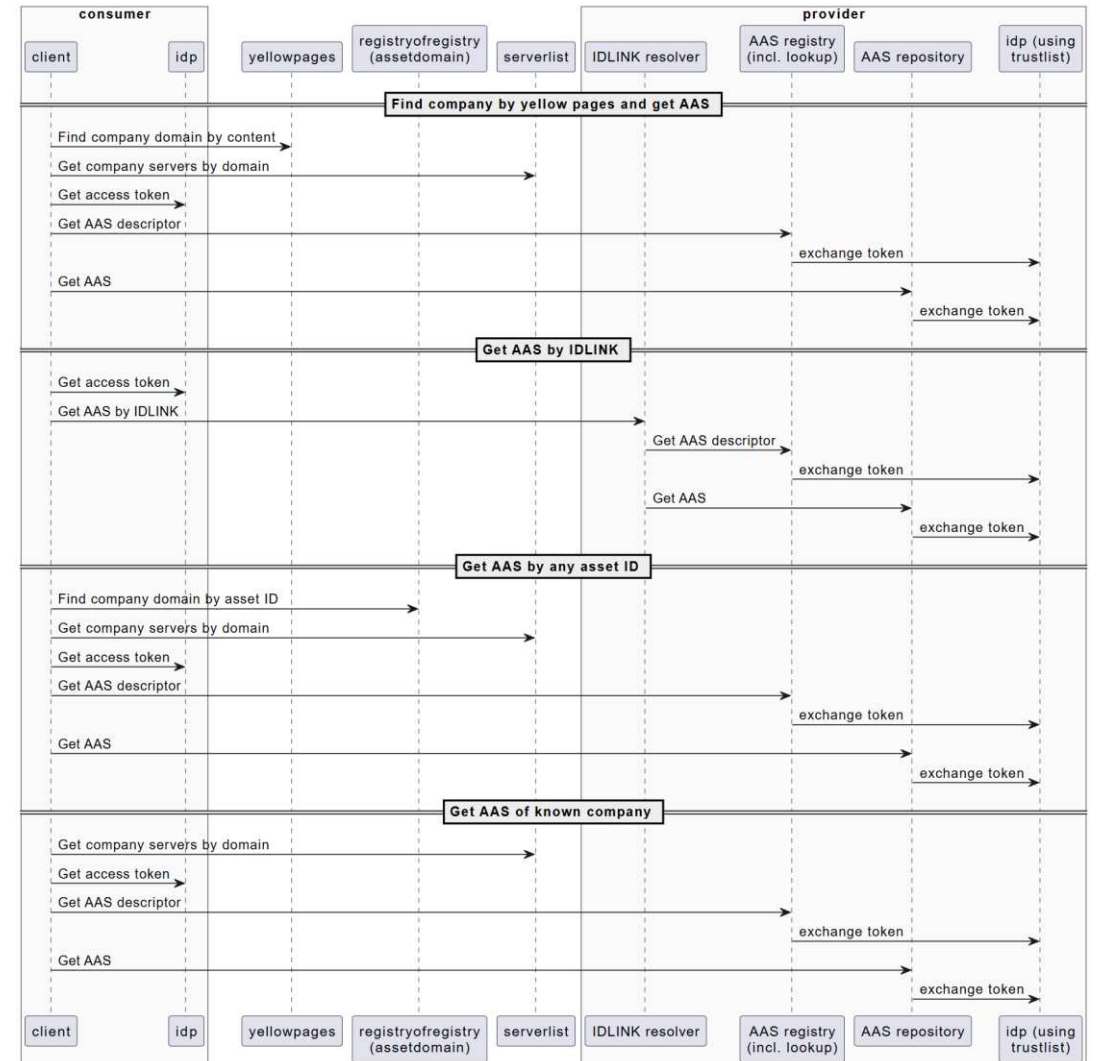
Two services facilitate the discovery of business partners

## Main use cases

- Find company information (domain, endpoints, etc.) by company name, asset ID, and ID Link (REQ005)  
→ **Company Lookup**
- Find company by content (query for products, capabilities, etc.) (REQ014)  
→ **Yellow Pages**

## General design: 2-step approach

- First step: **MX Discovery** (MX-Port Leo shared service)
- Second step: **AAS Discovery / AAS Registry** (provider-side service at MX Gate level)



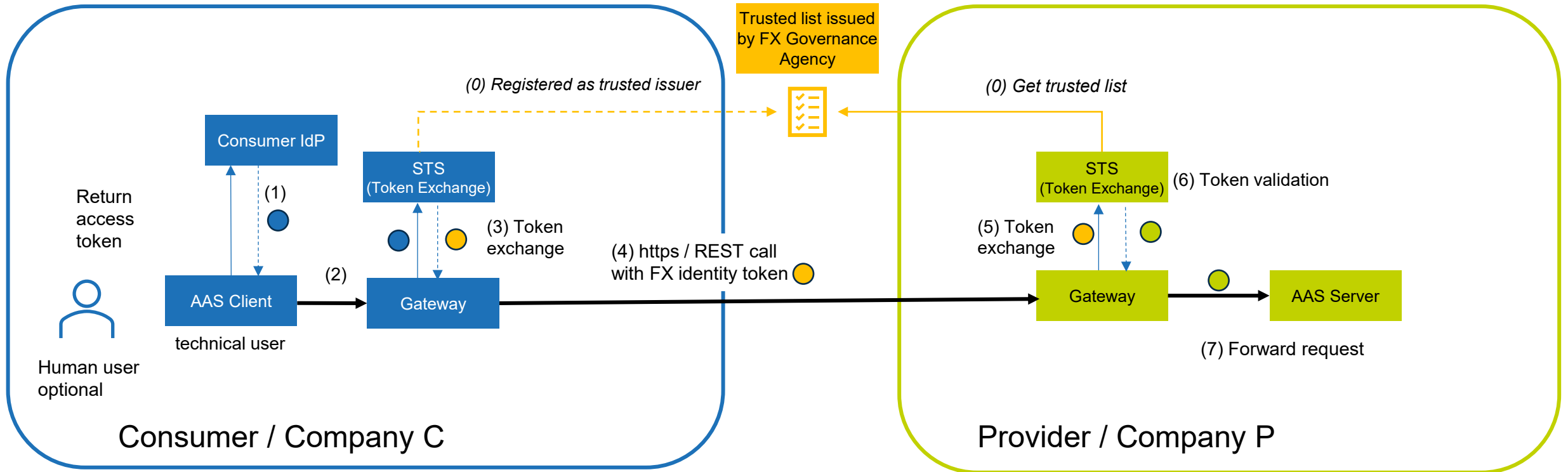
# MX-Port Leo: MX Access and Usage Control



FACTORY-X

Consumer and Provider all trust a Factory-X Governance Body which onboards partners to Factory-X. This body issues/maintains a trusted list which includes public keys (and identities/names) of partner organizations. Token validation based on trusted lists is done on Provider side.

- 1) Client (technical user – human optional) authenticates and acquires access token from the Consumer's Authorization server
- 2) Send request to Gateway on Consumer side
- 3) STS (secure token service): Token exchange to create FX (identity) token
- 4) Then, the Client starts an AAS request using the Factory-X token
- 5) On Provider side, the Gateway initiates a token exchange to exchange the Factory-X token to an access token of the Provider domain
- 6) STS validates token: (a) token format, (b) trusted issuer via trusted list
- 7) Gateway forwards the request to the AAS server



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# MX-Port Leo: MX Access and Usage Control: Trusted List & FX Token



## Trusted List

- XML document listing trusted issuers in the dataspace
- Based on established (ETSI) standards

## FX Token

- Lean design (no redundancies)
- Principle of need-to-know (few claims)
- Organization and domain derived via trusted list
- Limited attack surface (claim “aud”)
- Identification of user (claim “email”) or service/device (claim “client\_id”)
- Based on established (IETF) standards

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
2 <TrustServiceStatusList>
3   ...
4   <TrustServiceProviderList>
5     <TrustServiceProvider>
6       ...
7       <TSPServices>
8         <TSPService>
9           ...
10          <ServiceName>https://sts.consumer.com</ServiceName>
11          ...
12        </TSPService>
13      </TSPServices>
14    </TrustServiceProvider>
15  </TrustServiceProviderList>
16 </TrustServiceStatusList>
```

```
1 {
2   "alg": "RS256",
3   "typ": "JWT",
4   "kid": "NDE5QThGNDN...NQ"
5 }
6 {
7   "iat": 1760369590,
8   "exp": 1760405590,
9   "jti": "8c2f99b1-58d6-11f0-89f4-08002704c1e9h11s3rtb fk7t",
10  "iss": "https://sts.consumer.com",
11  "aud": ["https://gw.provider.com:8443/aas"],
12  "sub": "1dbfb58bb28fcec bc299898692aa47d4c88615d0bad0563b8c8f29bd7e82600d",
13  "client_id": "aas_browser",
14  "typ": "clientflow"
15 }
```



- “Start small”: AAS as starting point – MX-Port Leo integrates in today’s setups for (inter-company) data exchange
- “Scale up”: additional options (“Steps”) for discovery and security as needed – well integrating into existing AAS architectures

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- **Discovery**: two services for finding business partners: **Company Lookup**, **Yellow Pages**
- **Identity**: no new identities issued – Data Provider & Data Consumer use their available identities
- **Authentication**: based on **F-X Token** and light-weight **Trusted Partner List**
- **Authorization**: using available mechanisms in AAS Registry and AAS Repository based on AAS Security (IDTA-01004)
- **Usage Control**: description of usage policies associated with provided data supported
- **Operation**: central and decentral operation of Leo’s discovery (Company Lookup) and security (Trusted Partner List) possible

**Low entry barrier, but individually and gradually expandable**

# MX-Port Orion

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# MX-Port Orion

## Overview



### What is it?

- MX-Port concept based on OPC UA with Companion Specification and DSP / DCP

### What can it do?

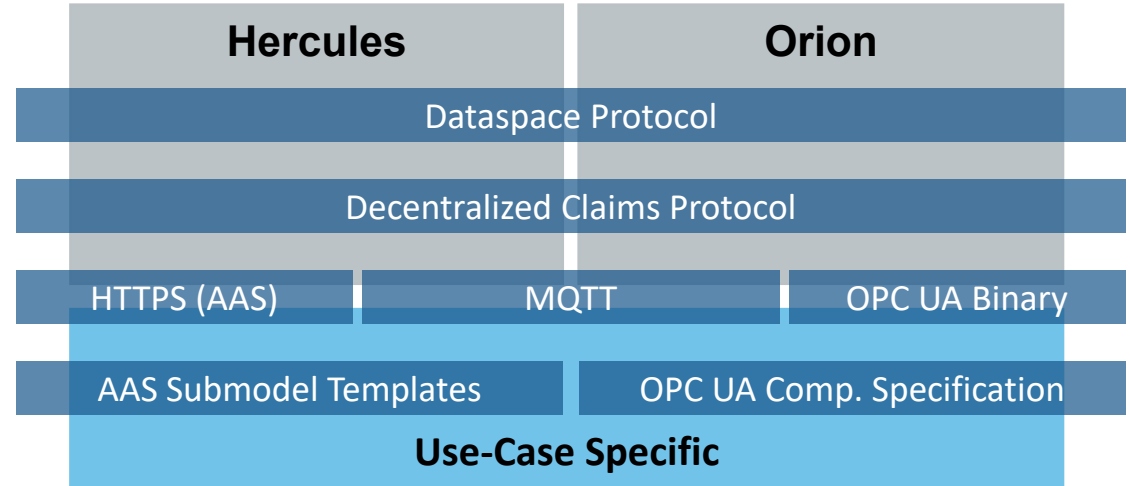
- Cross-company exchange of live shopfloor information

### What is it for?

- Cross-company exchange of existing OPC UA information
- (continuous) provision of machine-level data
- External condition monitoring / analysis
- Authorized and secure bidirectional communication with industrial equipment (e.g., remote control, remote maintenance)

### Benefits

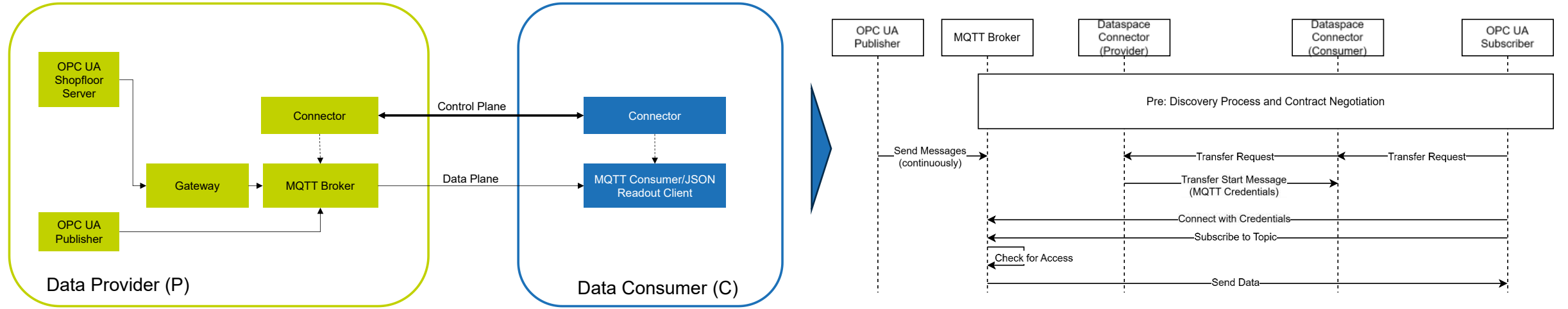
- OPC UA is an established and widely used technology
- Semantic models / OPC UA Companion Specifications are available as freely accessible resources
- Information models are developed and harmonized together with experts from machine and plant manufacturers
- No additional effort caused by technology mismatches (conversion of information models)



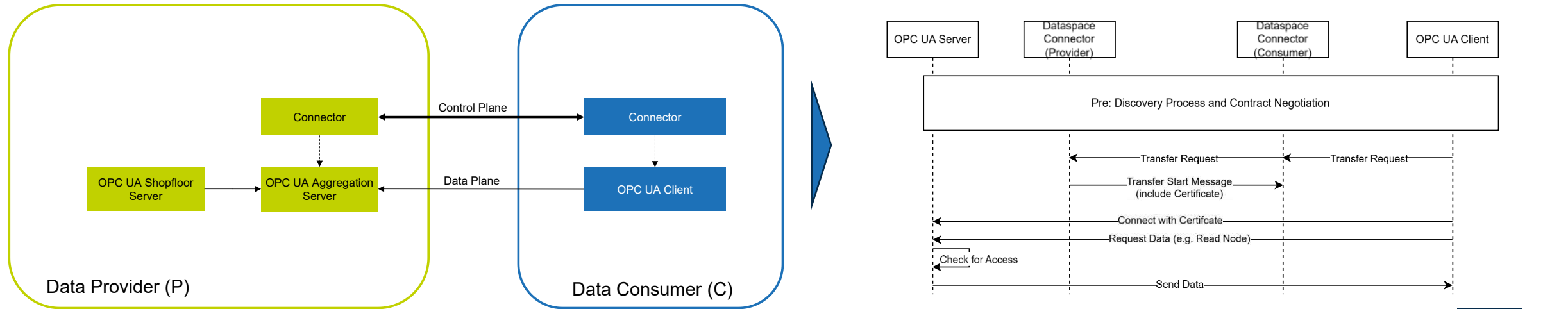
# MX-Port Orion - Variants



## OPC UA over MQTT (Publish/Subscribe)



## OPC UA Binary (Client/Server)



# MX-Port Orion

## Cross-Company Exchange of Shopfloor-Data in Action



### GLOBAL SHOP FLOOR NETWORK

**Heller PT16**  
Darmstadt, Germany

### DATASPACE CONNECTORS

- MX-Port Orion**  
Modular exchange port for trusted cross-border B2B data...
- ABINC Connector**  
Smart data platform enabling real-time context informat...
- SQS Connector**  
Secure queue service connector for sovereign industrial...

### LIVE APPLICATIONS

- PCF Demonstrator**
- Application 2
- Application 3

https://tec-ecosystemgateway.ptw.maschinenbau.tu-darmstadt.de/pcf-demonstrator

#### Machine status

#### Electricity Produc...

#### Share of Emission...

#### CO2 Product Passport Demo

CO<sub>2</sub> Equivalent: 0.049161 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e  
Calculation Method: ISO 14067  
Reference Unit: pcs  
Quantity: 1.0  
Life Cycle Phase: A3 - production  
Publication Date: 2026-04-07 08:46:03

**HELLER Heller PT16**  
3-axis CNC Machine Tool  
Darmstadt, Germany Operator: PTW TU Darmstadt  
MX-Port Orion umati.app  
COMPANION SPECIFICATIONS  
OPC 40001-1 OPC 40001-4 OPC 34100 OPC 40501-1

**Online**



## Cooperation brings together two powerful ecosystems:

**Catena-X**, the first open, globally trusted collaborative data space for the automotive industry, offering multi-tier collaboration via sovereign, standardized data-sharing, based on interoperable infrastructure and semantic templates, and

**OPC Foundation**, the largest organization for industrial interoperability and the creator of OPC UA, the internationally recognized standard for secure and semantically enriched information exchange.

By aligning OPC UA's proven industrial modelling capabilities with the governance framework and cloud-based infrastructure of Catena-X, the two organizations aim to simplify data integration, reduce reporting errors, and enhance compliance with emerging regulatory demands like the DPP.

## The parties agree to cooperate in the following four core areas:

**Semantic Integration:** Combine the OPC UA information modelling and Catena-X semantic templates to create the most comprehensive repository of interoperable, machine-readable models. This technology backbone will also support automated DPP generation from production data.

**Open-Source Reference Implementations:** Jointly develop and provide open-source reference implementations for key dataspace and interoperability components, enabling straightforward integration of OPC UA-based systems into the Catena-X data ecosystem.

**Reference Architecture Alignment:** Align the OPC Foundation's Cloud Initiative reference architecture with Catena-X's dataspace architecture to enable streamlined deployment from the shopfloor to the supply chain.

**Industrial Ecosystem Enablement:** Empower companies to leverage their existing OPC UA tools and infrastructure to meet emerging regulatory requirements, particularly the DPP, while reducing integration costs and accelerating time-to-compliance.

# Manufacturing-X

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## MX wide coordination



### Our focus

- Collaboration with international stakeholders through meetings, conferences and workgroups to ensure that Manufacturing-X is well aligned internationally.
- Tight collaboration with all projects under the Manufacturing-X umbrella to identify gaps, overlaps and discrepancies, that need to be resolved in order to achieve interoperability.
- Working with all projects under the Manufacturing-X umbrella to understand specific requirements for governance and at the same time identify aspects that need to follow a joint governance



### Goal

Ensure the interoperability of all projects under the Manufacturing-X umbrella both on a national as well as on an international level.



### Key Results

- Launch of the International Manufacturing-X Council.
- Launch of the Manufacturing-X Guidance Board
- Launch of various Factory-X and Manufacturing-X web sites
- Proposal for a cross Manufacturing-X Governance



Motivation & Big Picture

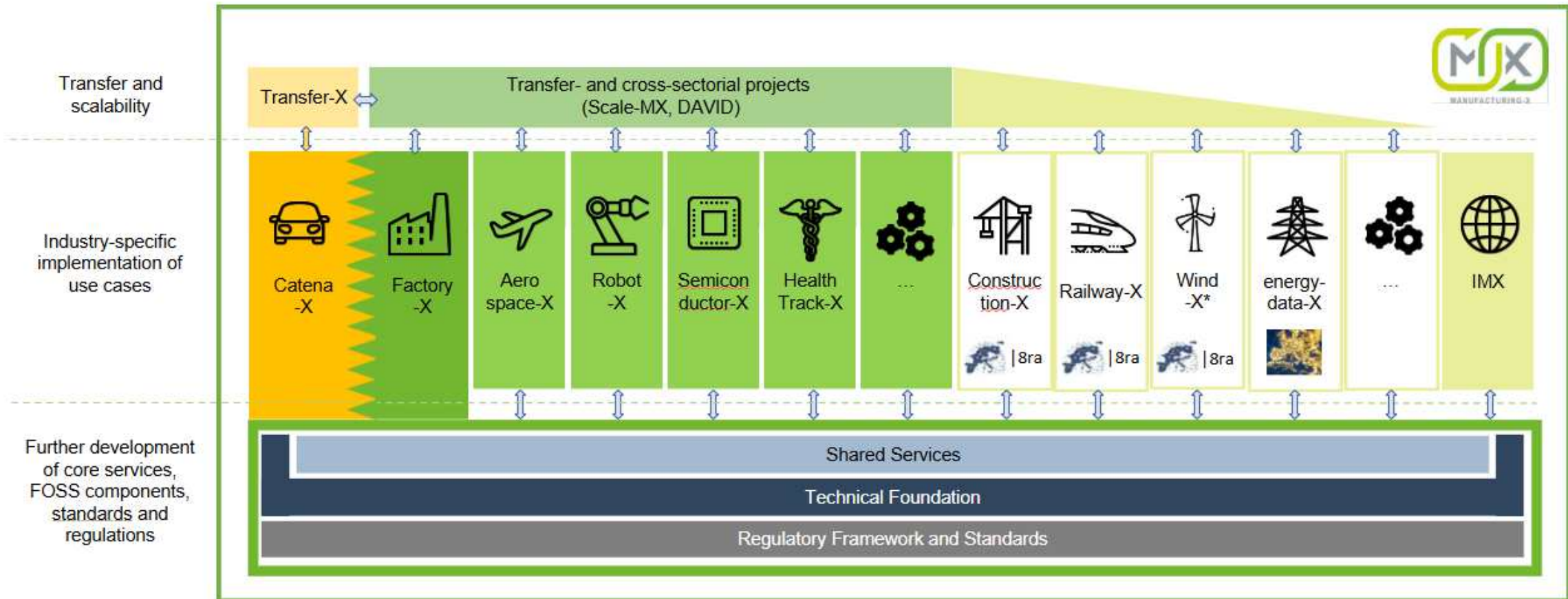
## International Manufacturing-X (IMX): Make Data Work

IMX will implement a federated, decentralized and collaborative data ecosystem for smart manufacturing. Open, global and cross-industry, following FAIR Data Principles.



Projects

## Landscape of Manufacturing-X projects in Germany



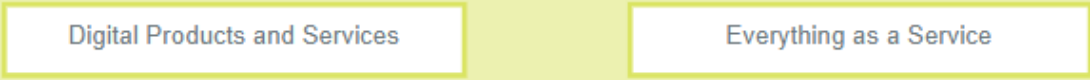
## Motivation & Big Picture

# Foundational Framework for IMX

A common guideline for IMX activities and international stakeholders.

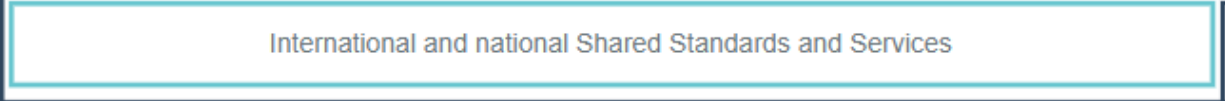
### Strategic Goals

International Manufacturing-X develops the foundations for a resilient and competitive industry in a sustainable society.



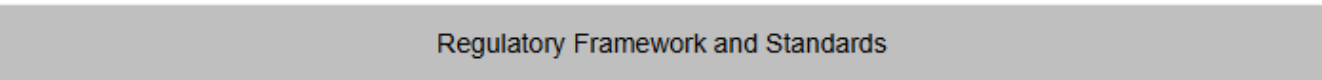
### Exemplary Cross-Industry Use Cases

International Manufacturing-X addresses cross-industry use cases based on a collaborative use of data with high economic and ecological impact.



### Foundation

International Manufacturing-X defines global standards and runs a basic technical infrastructure to guarantee interoperability and sovereignty.



### Business Models

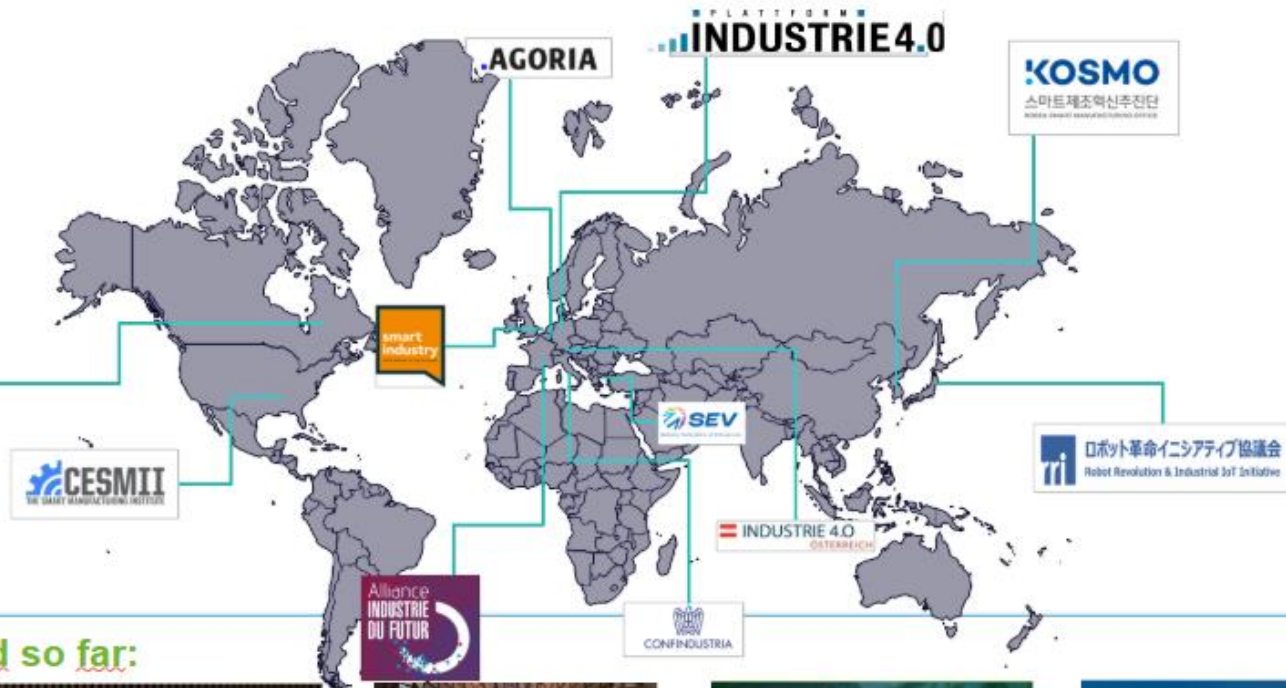
International Manufacturing-X enables innovative business models based on a interoperable data-ecosystems

### Capabilities

International Manufacturing-X enables development and deployment of fundamental services driving the federated data ecosystem.

### Requirements

International Manufacturing-X builds on a common technical, organizational and legal framework and contributes to the future development in cooperation with international law.



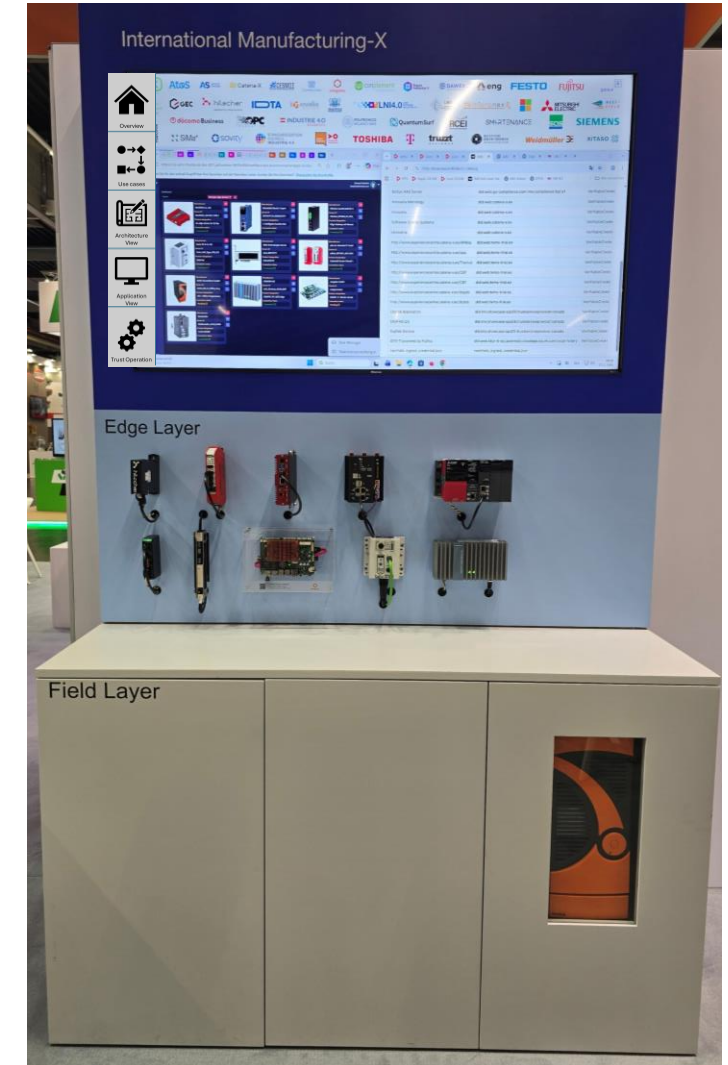
## What has happened so far:



## International Manufacturing-X Council Showcase

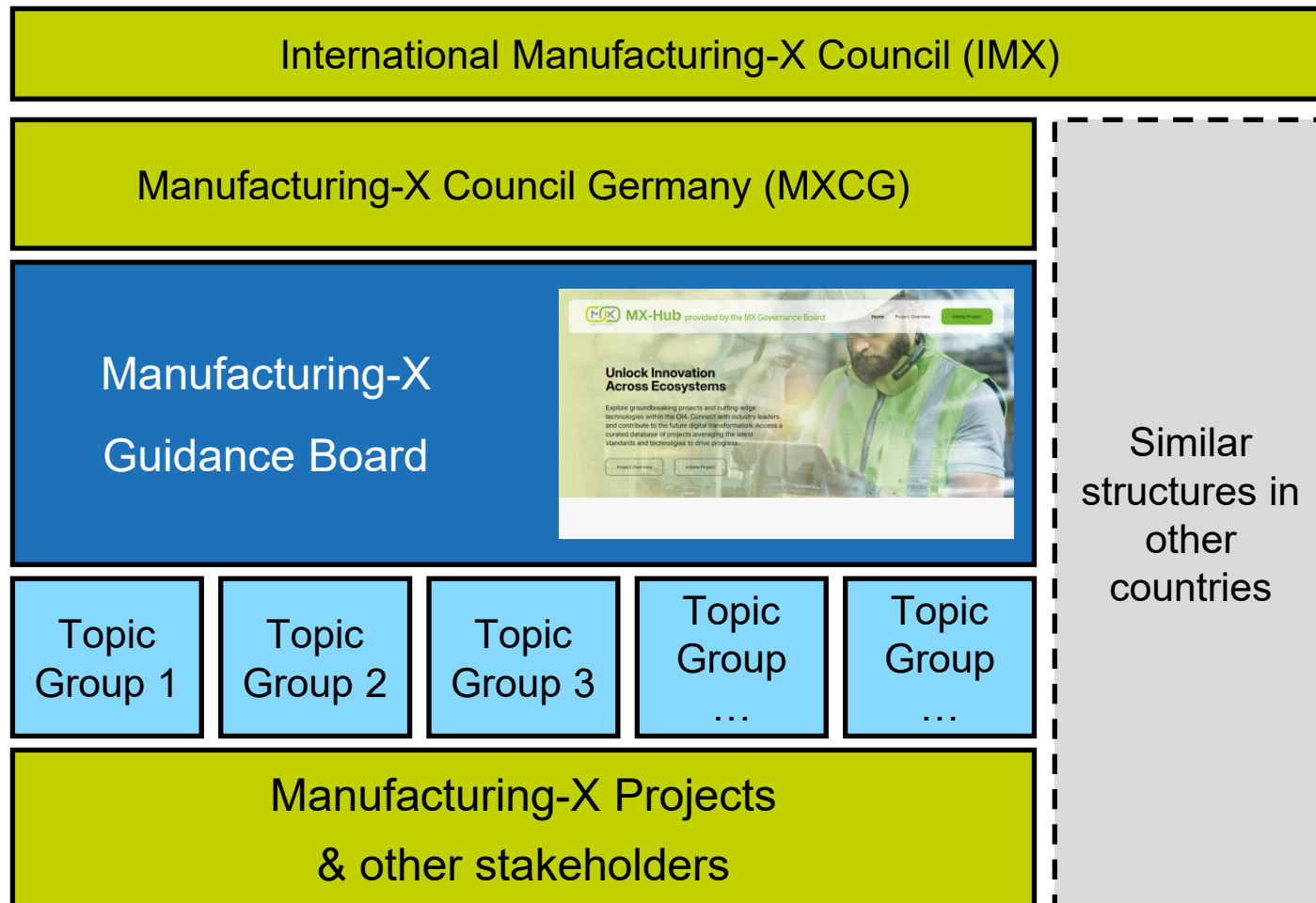


- 14 Countries participate
- Two use cases (DPP and Edge AI)
- Joint Understanding and Realization of Trustworthiness



# Making Manufacturing-X successful nationally

## Manufacturing-X Guidance Board



### What we do:

- **Identify:** analyze the participating projects for overlap including risks of incompatibility and redundancy,
- **Prioritize:** identify alignment potentials and sort them for expected impact to reach the stated goal,
- **Evaluate:** structure and compare options for each alignment potential,
- **Decide:** draw up a joint way to move forward together across all alignment potentials,
- **Communicate:** create transparency about the degree of alignment of all M-X projects and all decisions taken by the M-X Guidance Board
- **Advocate:** create transparency about the technology, administrative and organizational approaches how to become M-X compliant interoperable to a broad audience to inform potential upcoming projects.
- **Cooperate:** with other standardization initiatives like Gaia-X, Catena-X, IDTA, ISO, IEC, ... in order to reuse what is already established



# Project Overview Guidance Board



	Aerospacex logo featuring a stylized 'A' and 'X' with an airplane silhouette, and the text 'AEROSPACE-X' below.	antrieb 4.0 logo with a blue and orange circular icon.	Chem-X logo with a stylized 'C' and 'X' in green and blue, and the text 'CHEM-X' below.	
Construct-X logo with a stylized 'C' and 'X' in blue and orange, and the text 'Construct-X' below.	Catena-X logo with a stylized 'C' and 'X' in orange and green, and the text 'Automotive Network' below.	DataFlex	DAVID logo with the word 'DAVID' in green and blue.	Decide ECO logo with a green plant icon and the text 'Decide ECO'.
DIAMOND logo with a blue diamond icon and the text 'DIAMOND'.	energy data-X logo with a tree icon and the text 'energy data-X'.	Factory-X logo with a stylized 'F' and 'X' in blue and green, and the text 'FACTORY-X' below.	FLUID 4.0 logo with a blue square icon and the text 'FLUID 4.0'.	growing logo with a blue square icon and the text 'growing'.
HTX HealthTrack-X logo with 'HTX' in blue and green, and 'HealthTrack-X' below.	PROCESS X logo with the word 'PROCESS' in red and a grey 'X'.	Railway-X	ROBOT-X logo with a stylized robot head icon and the text 'ROBOT-X'.	ROX Enabling AI Robotics logo with 'ROX' in blue and a red and blue geometric icon, and 'Enabling AI Robotics' below.
SCALE-MX logo with a green circular icon and the text 'SCALE-MX'.	SEMICONDUCTOR-X logo with a stylized 'S' and 'X' in green and orange, and the text 'SEMICONDUCTOR-X' below.	WIND-X logo with a wind turbine icon and the text 'WIND-X Adding value to data'.		



# Manufacturing-X Topic Groups

## Results & Deliverables



Topic Group	Results / Deliverables (done & in progress)
M-X Data Exchange Technologies incl. Data Exchange via AAS	Whitepaper Data Exchange & Interoperability (incl. M-X Port concept)
Identification of Participants in & across Dataspaces	Whitepaper Identity Management in Dataspaces
e2e Security Architecture Industrial Dataspaces	Security-Concepts for secure implementable Architectures, Risk Management in Dataspaces, Control Catalogues etc
M-X Governance	M-X Governance Model and continuation topics
Product Carbon Footprint (PCF)	M-X PCF Rulebook Guidelines
Collaborative Engineering	Guidance Doc Collaborative Engineering
Circular Economy	R-Grading Whitepaper Circular Economy and Digital Product Passport (DPP)
Asset Data Modelling / DMP / DPP	Guidance Doc Asset Data Modelling
Modular Production	Reference-Architecture for Modular Production
Data Governance	Whitepaper Data Governance
Demo & Test Environment	M-X Demo Environment Set-Up Guideline M-X Test Environment Whitepaper




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