

# Hazards29

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The e-SafetyCase; Electronic or Effortless?

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## What is a Safety Case?

# The demonstration that something is safe!

That adequate controls are in place to ensure that the major HSSE risks arising from a particular operation, activity, process etc. are both tolerable and reduced As Low As Reasonably Practicable [ALARP].

*A document  
issued to a regulator to  
show risks are ALARP to  
obtain a license to  
operate?*

# Safety Cases – you either love'em or hate'em!

## Myth

- ✗ Complex and theoretical.
- ✗ A thick, weighty document that no one reads!
- ✗ Something to tick a box and get a stakeholder off your back and then sits on a shelf gathering dust!
- ✗ Symptomatic of a legislative regime.
- ✗ Very expensive!

## Reality

- ✓ Proportionate to risk.
- ✓ Fit for purpose, simple, clear and effective. No baggage or precedents! Useful!
- ✓ Provides a central focal point to maintain and improve safety throughout the life-cycle of an asset. A live document!
- ✓ Independent from legislation.
- ✓ Good practice. Shows stakeholders you are managing risk effectively!
- ✓ Effective management of risk proven to reduce overall project costs.



The  
e-SafetyCase  
**OPPORTUNITY**

# What is an e-SafetyCase?

Purpose is identical to a traditional Safety Case;  
demonstrate risks are reduced ALARP.

It is how this information is presented that is key difference.



Instead of being a lengthy, complex written document, the e-SafetyCase is highly interactive and intuitive, using clickable links as a means of connecting and navigating the information quickly and easily.



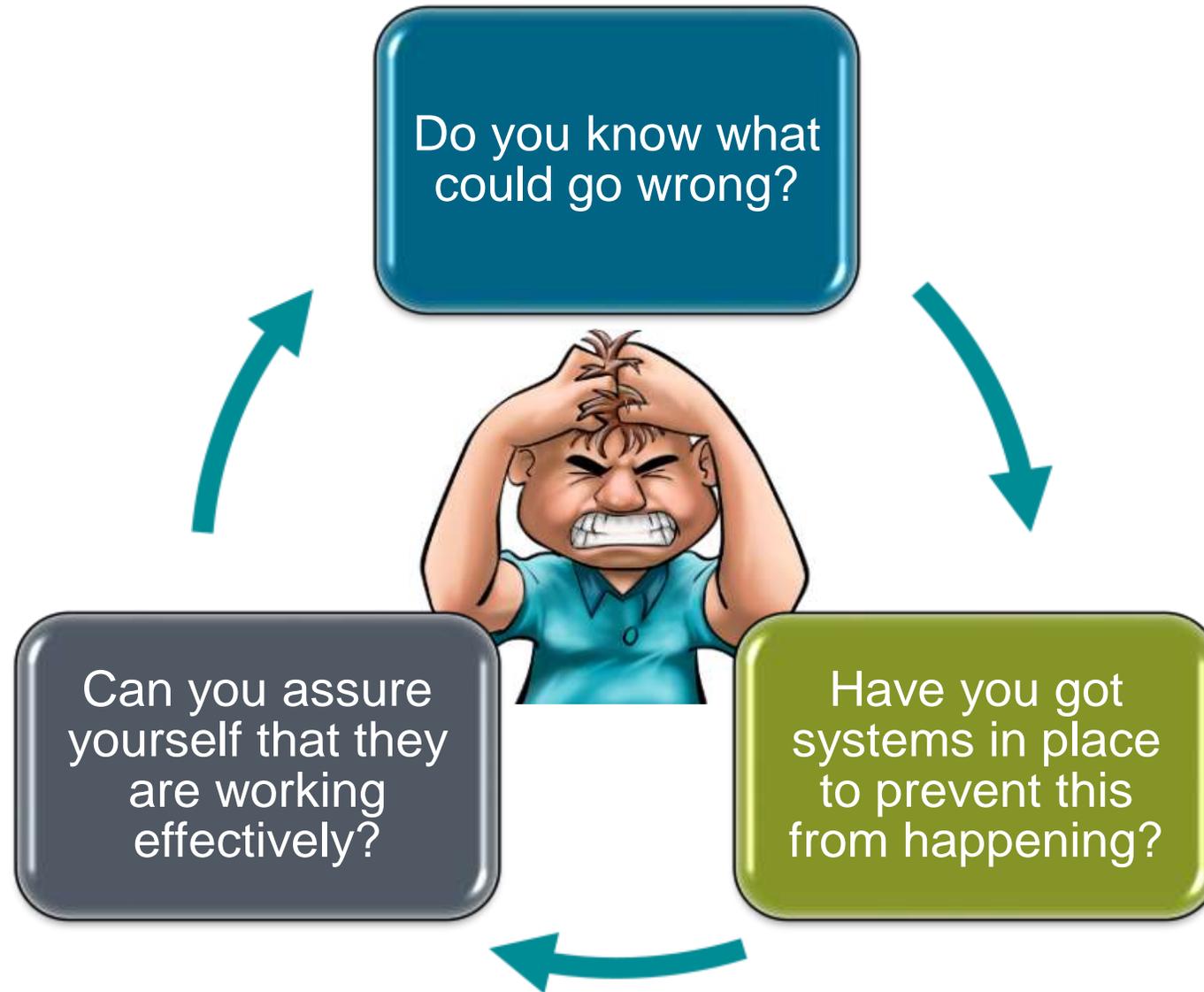
Accessible and helpful to anyone involved  
in the safe operation of the facility.



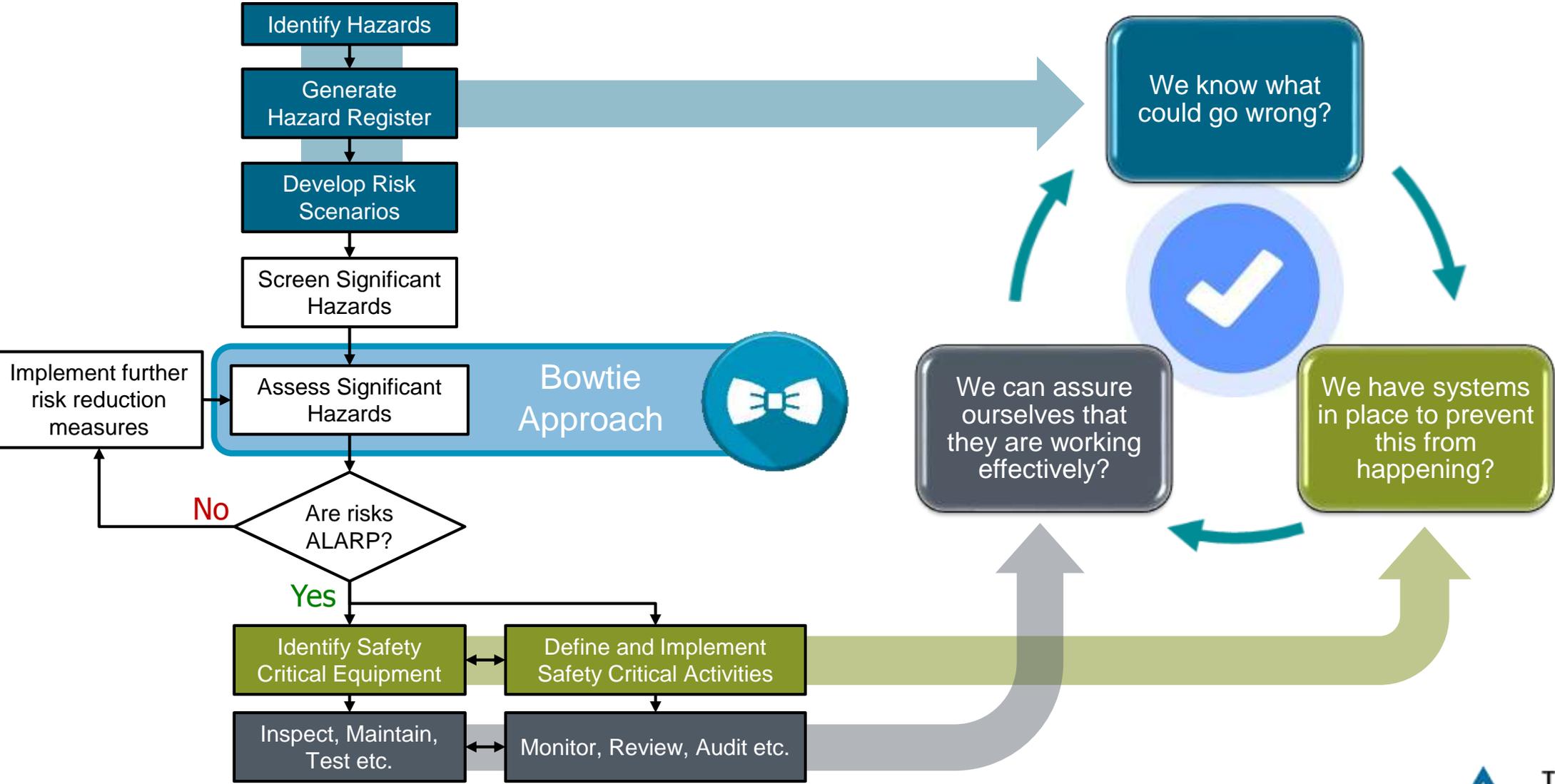
# Case Study – Offshore Wind Farm



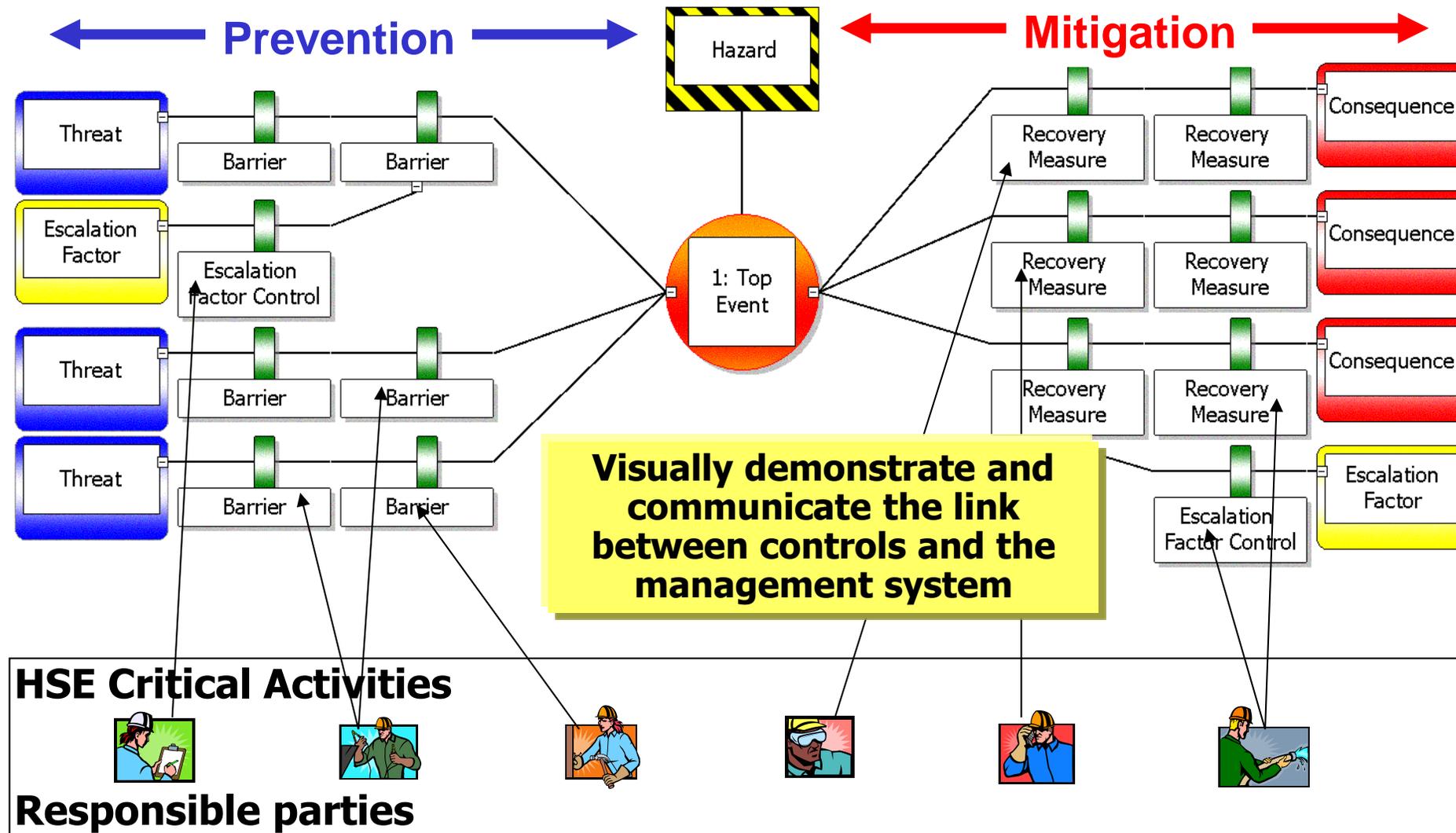
# The challenges of effective Risk Management



# Risk Management Approach

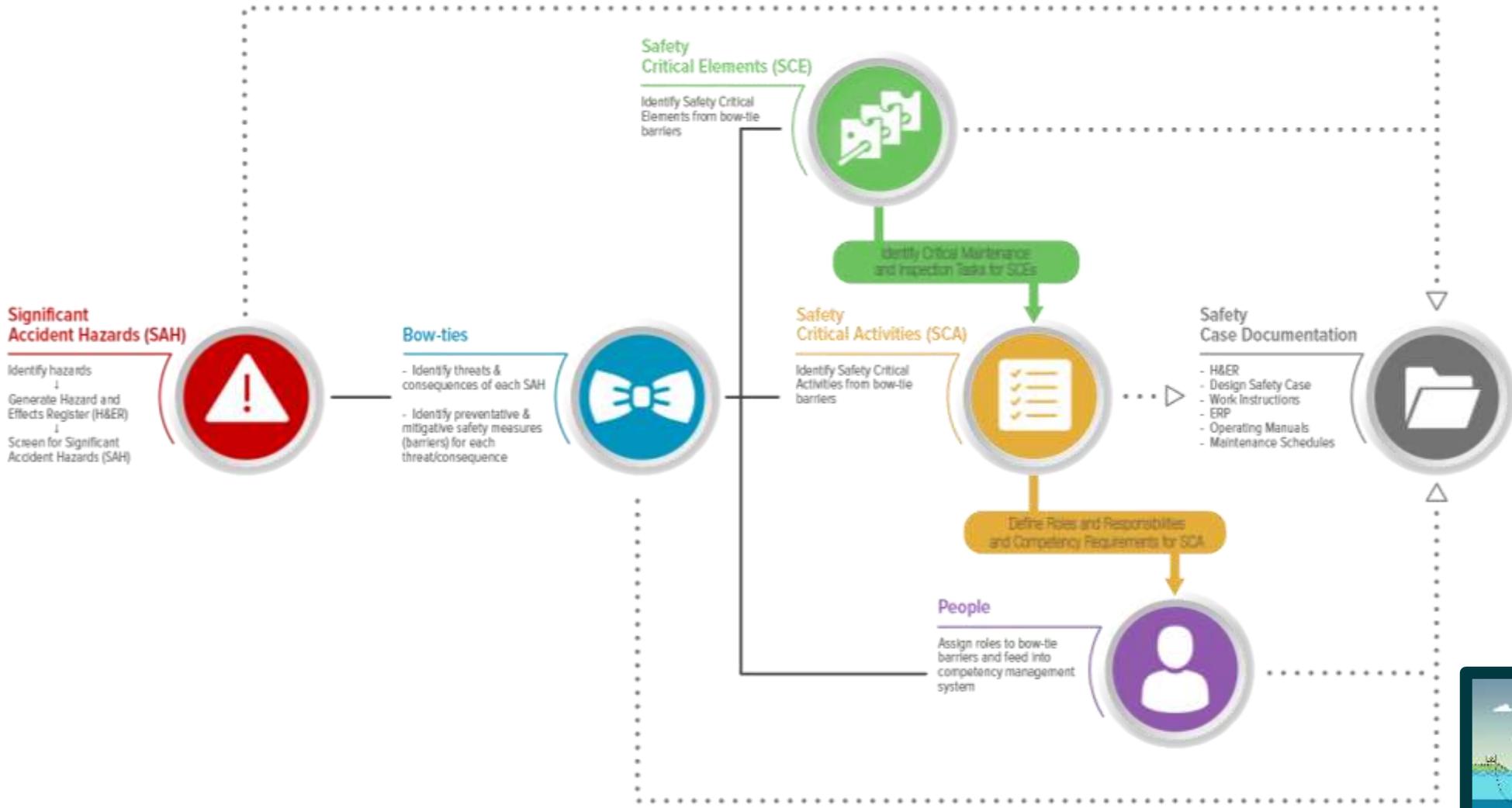


# Bowtie Approach



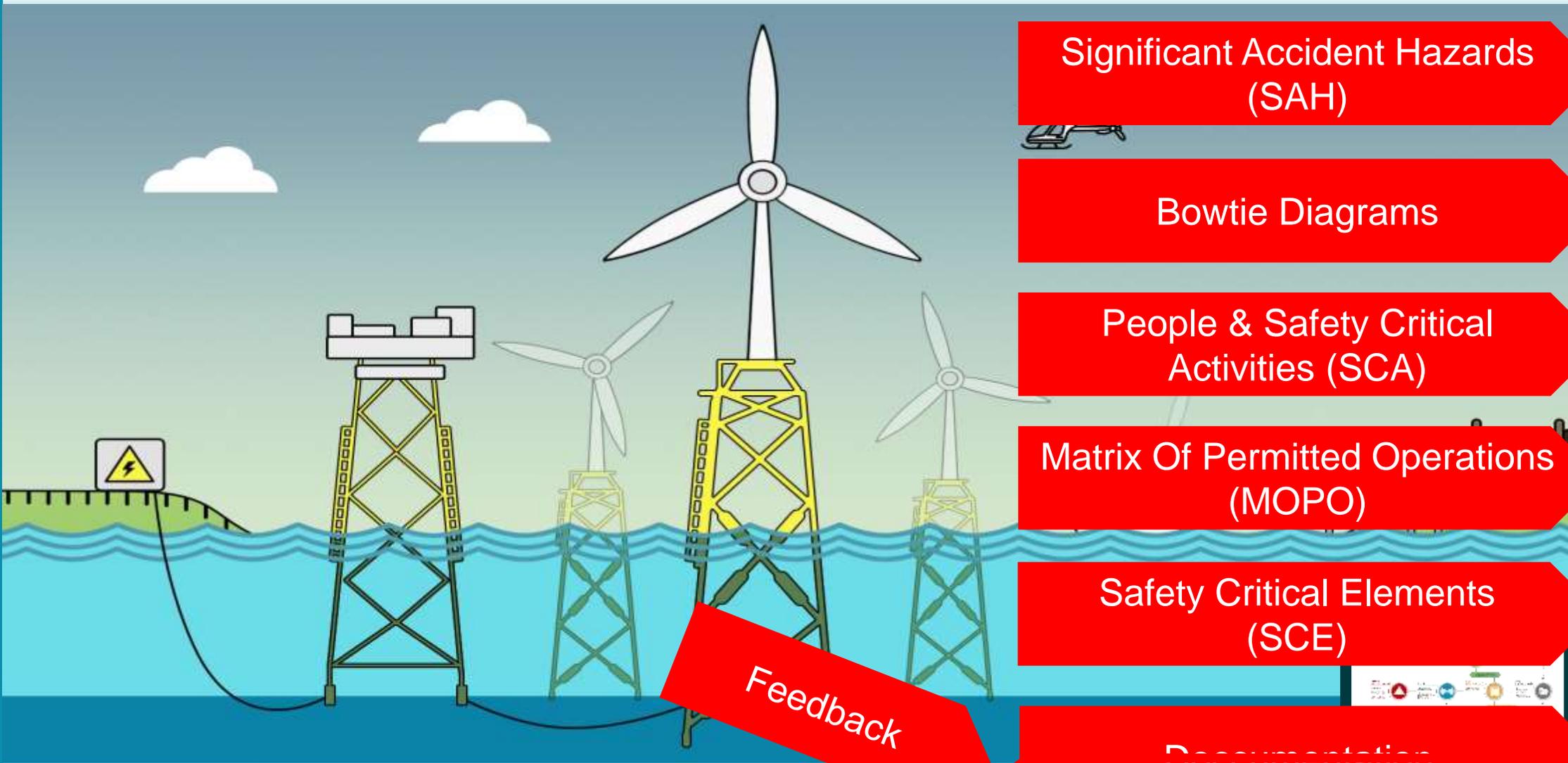


# Operations Safety Case





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Significant Accident Hazards (SAH)



Bowtie Diagrams



People & Safety Critical Activities (SCA)



Matrix Of Permitted Operations (MOPO)



Safety Critical Elements (SCE)

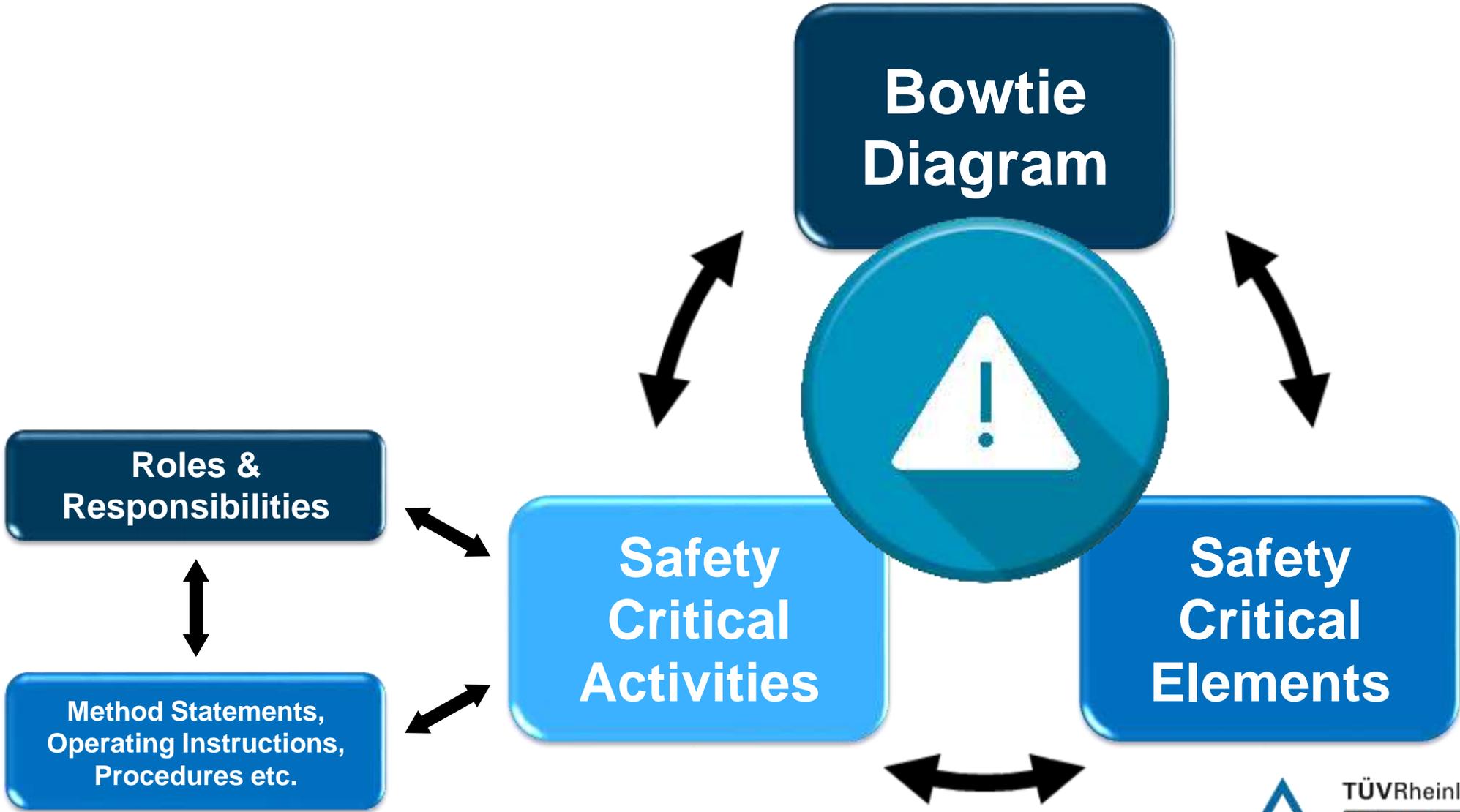


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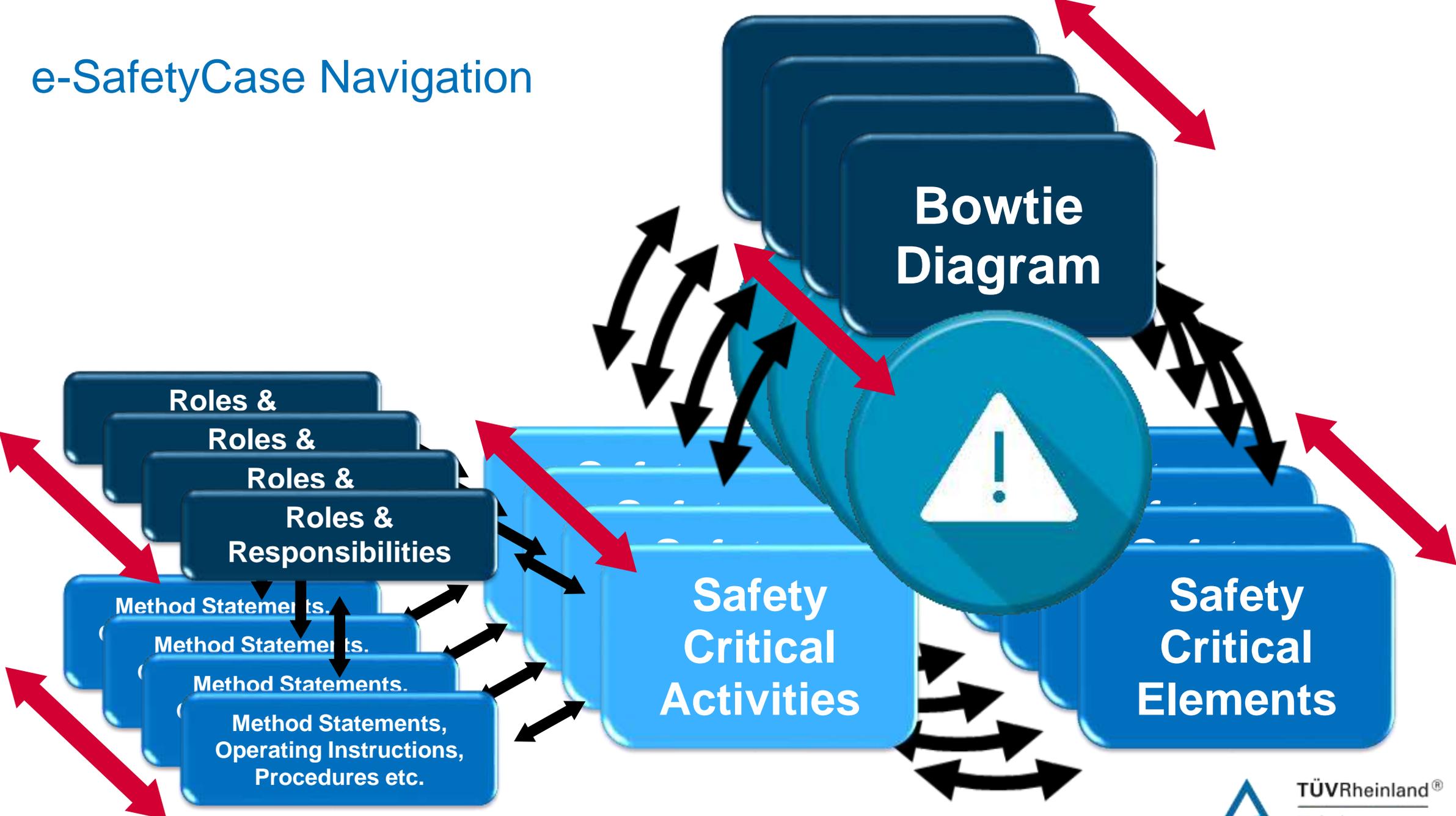


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# e-SafetyCase Navigation



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# Significant Accident Hazards (SAH)



Control of Hazardous Energy	SAH-01 Electrical Hazards	SAH-02 Fire Hazards	
		Non-electrical	Electrical
	SAH-06 Hydraulic and Mechanical Systems - Uncontrolled Movement		SAH-07 Hydraulic Systems – Pressure Hazards
Structural Integrity	SAH-12 Explosion Hazards	SAH-10 Suspended Loads	
	SAH-11 Loss of Structural Integrity		
Occupational Risks	SAH-04 Personnel Transfer	SAH-05 Personnel at Height	
	SAH-08 Vessel Transport	SAH-09 Helicopter Transport	
Emergency Response			

## Significant Accident Hazards (SAH)

A Significant Accident Hazard (SAH) is defined as a hazard having the potential to lead to major injuries and/or fatalities. The SAHs for this windfarm were defined during a hazard screening process in the design phase of the project.

This section of the safety case allows you to navigate through the SAH pages.

Click [here](#) to open a companion document that describes the process for development of the SAH during the design stages and through to the O&M Phase. This companion document includes:

- A description of the hazard and effects register;
- A description of the process for hazard screening and identification of SAH carried out during the development of the design safety case;
- The process for management of SAH including hazard analyses and bow-tie analysis carried out during the design stages and then operationalised for the Operations Safety Case.



# SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Hazards

## SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Hazard Summary

The boatlanding [PC003] forms the primary means of access to each WTG and OTM, with heli-hoisting an alternative means of access at the heli-hoisting deck.

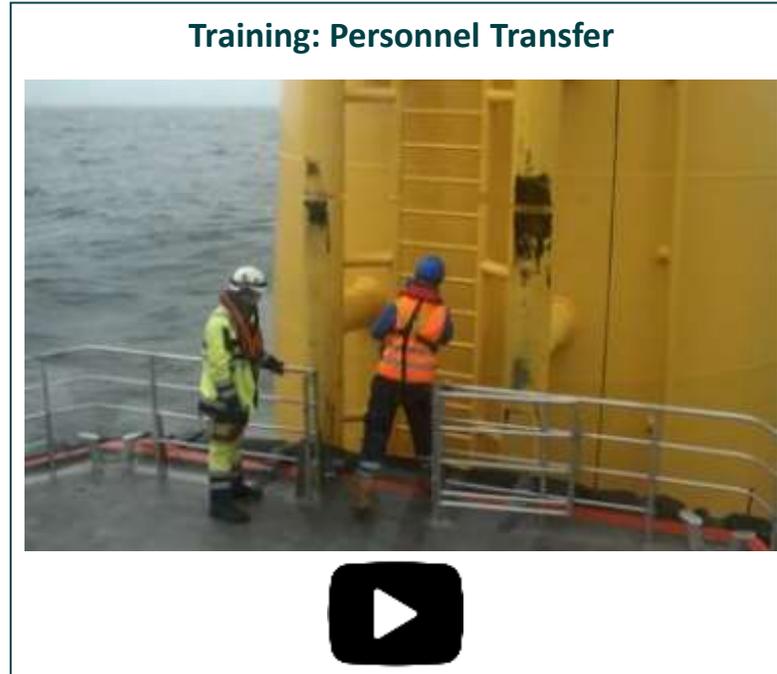
Threats which may cause a loss of control during personnel transfer could be vessel movement, human error, poor visibility or extreme weather.

Consequences of such an event could be personnel injury or fatality.

These threats and consequences are presented diagrammatically on the bow-tie diagram on the right (click on image). See [here](#) for bow-tie methodology description and [here](#) for link to full bow-tie.

## Safety Critical Elements and Safety Critical Activities

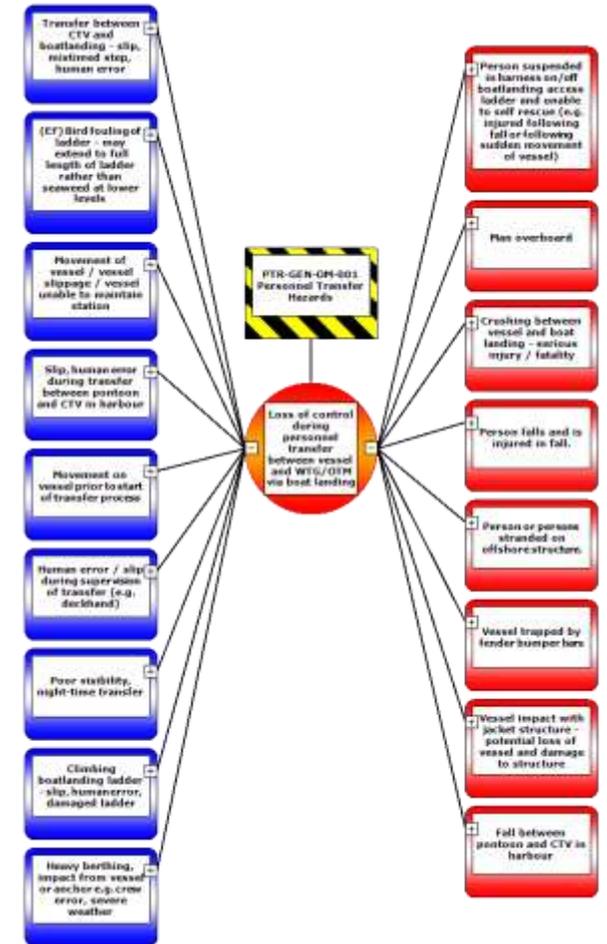
The two buttons on the right provide information on the Safety Critical Elements (SCEs) and Safety Critical Activities (SCAs) associated with SAH-04. These were identified during the bow-tie development process and appear on the relevant preventative and mitigative safety barriers in the bow-ties.



**SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Hazards SCEs**

**SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Activities**

## Bow-tie Threats and Consequences





# SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Hazards Activities



## SAH-04 Personnel Transfer Activities

Activity Reference	Activity Title
<b>SAFETY CRITICAL ACTIVITIES</b>	
<a href="#">SCA-02</a>	Marine Coordination
<a href="#">SCA-03</a>	Provision of suitable offshore PPE and enforcement of PPE regime
<a href="#">SCA-10</a>	Vessel Emergency Response
<b>SCE ASSURANCE TASKS</b>	
<a href="#">SCE-SI002</a>	WTG Sub-Structure
<a href="#">SCE-PC001</a>	CTV
<a href="#">SCE-PC003</a>	Boatlanding
<a href="#">SCE-LS001</a>	Fall Arrest Systems
<b>SAFETY IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES</b>	
<a href="#">SIA-01</a>	Competency Management
<a href="#">SIA-02</a>	Safety culture and leadership
<a href="#">SIA-03</a>	Vessel housekeeping
<a href="#">SIA-06</a>	Management of change procedures

The high level activities presented in the table on the left were identified from the bow-ties and support the safety barriers in place against loss of control during personnel transfer.

Click on an activity reference to see details of that activity and to view the sub-tasks for those activities.

See [here](#) for Safety Critical Activities (SCA) description and links to all SCAs.

See [here](#) for Safety Important Activities (SIA) description and links to all SCAs.

For details of specific Safety Assurance Tasks, see corresponding Safety Critical Element.

# SCA-03 Provision of suitable offshore PPE and enforcement of PPE regime



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Activity Ref.	Description of Activity	Responsibility	Bow-tie	Document	Verification
SCA-03.01	Put on immersion suit in suitable areas and ensure that it is worn while transferring	<u>/ SS Technician</u>			
SCA-03.02	Ensure that policy and practice is implemented such that personnel do not climb if FAS is out of service	<u>CTV Skipper</u>			
SCA-03.03	Ensure personnel using rope access equipment which has been certified and is inspected regularly	<u>OPS MGR</u>			
SCA-03.04	Carry out buddy check of PPE when changing over from access/climbing PPE to working PPE in the WTG. Check must be carried out prior to resuming working at height	<u>/ SS Technician</u>			
SCA-03.05	Ensure that personnel wear safety harness attached to SRL FAS, and appropriate PPE including survival suit, life jacket and hard hat at all times when transferring	<u>/ SS Technician</u>		<u>PTR-GEN-OM-001</u>	
SCA-03.06	Ensure that personnel work in restraint if covers are removed and fall hazards exist	<u>OPS MGR and SS OPS MGR</u>			
SCA-03.07	Maintenance and inspection of PPE to ensure it is in good condition	<u>OPS MGR and SS OPS MGR</u>			
SCA-03.08	Personnel to carry life jacket and immersion suit up to nacelle from T-piece on arrival at site	<u>/ SS Technician</u>		<u>EER-GEN-GN-001</u>	
SCA-03.09	Ensure footwear in good condition and free from oil / grease contamination	<u>/ SS Technician</u>		<u>HGT-WTG-OM-001</u>	
SCA-03.10	Ensure all personnel with access to WTG tower are equipped with PPE including full body harness, and work positioning belts and lanyards, which can be used to enable the climber to rest at any point on the ladder.	<u>SS OPS MGR</u>		<u>HGT-WTG-OM-001</u>	
SCA-03.11	Ensure provision of lifejacket providing at least 275 N of buoyancy	<u>OPS MGR and SS OPS MGR</u>			
SCA-03.12	Ensure provision of immersion suit and policy for wearing immersion suit is developed and enforced	<u>OPS MGR and SS OPS MGR</u>			
SCA-03.13	Ensure that personnel wear lifevests with reflective tape, whistles, and personal locator beacon (when working outside or during an emergency)	<u>OPS MGR and SS OPS MGR</u>		<u>EER-GEN-GN-001</u>	





# Service Technician (Tech)



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SAFETY CRITICAL ACTIVITIES	
Activity Ref.	Activity Title
<a href="#">SCA-01</a>	Personnel Transfer Procedure
<a href="#">SCA-03</a>	Provision of suitable offshore PPE and enforcement of PPE regime
<a href="#">SCA-04</a>	Work on WTG SSOW
<a href="#">SCA-05</a>	Rope Access Work SSoW
<a href="#">SCA-06</a>	Work inside Blade SSOW
<a href="#">SCA-07</a>	Permit to Work system
<a href="#">SCA-08</a>	Management of WTG / OTM Inventory
<a href="#">SCA-13</a>	Work on OTM SSoW
<a href="#">SCA-14</a>	Safe System of Work for Lifting Operations
<a href="#">SCA-15</a>	Safe System of Work for Electrical Work
<a href="#">SCA-16</a>	Helicopter Operations SSOW
<a href="#">SCA-17</a>	Safe System of Work for Use of Hydraulic Tools (Owned)

SCE ASSURANCE TASKS	
Activity Ref.	Activity Title
<a href="#">SCE-SI003</a>	WTG Structure
<a href="#">SCE-PC004</a>	Nacelle Heli-hoist Deck
<a href="#">SCE-PC007</a>	WTG Tower Lift
<a href="#">SCE-PC011</a>	Blade (Internal)
<a href="#">SCE-HC001</a>	Hydraulic System
<a href="#">SCE-HC002</a>	WTG Transformers
<a href="#">SCE-HC004</a>	Service Lifting Equipment
<a href="#">SCE-HC012</a>	LV Supply System
<a href="#">SCE-HC014</a>	Electrical Cabinets / Containers
<a href="#">SCE-DS004</a>	Fire/smoke Detection Systems
<a href="#">SCE-PS003</a>	Lightning Protection System
<a href="#">SCE-SD001</a>	WTG Shutdown
<a href="#">SCE-ER001</a>	Escape & Evacuation Routes
<a href="#">SCE-LS001</a>	Fall Arrest Systems

SAFETY IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES	
Activity Ref.	Activity Title
<a href="#">SIA-04</a>	WTG housekeeping

*\*Insert high level role description\**



This section allows you to navigate through the different responsibilities identified from the bow-ties associated with the role of Service Technician.

The tables on the left provides a summary list of high level activities, these include;

- Safety Critical Activities – *activities which are critical to ensuring safety and continued integrity of design*
- SCE Assurance Tasks – *these tasks assure the Safety Critical Elements continue to function as intended*
- Safety Important Activities - *are not safety critical but are responsible for supporting safety critical activities*

For each high level activity there are sub-tasks. Open [this document](#) to see all sub-tasks for which the Service Technician is responsible.

The 'activity reference' links in the tables to the left navigate to detailed activity pages which also provide links to bow-ties where they appear and documentation which support the activities and tasks.



# People (Roles & Responsibilities)



- + Site Operations Manager (OPS MGR)
- + Service Operations Manager (Serv OPS MGR)
- + Marine Controller (MCO)
- + Electrical Switching Supervisor (ESS)
- + Control Room Shift Supervisor/Emergency Controller (CRSS/EC)
- + Maintenance Technician (MT)
- + Service Technician (S Tech)
- + Control Room Operator (CRO)
- + Service Manager (SERV MGR) / Technical Support (STS)
- +
  - Service Asset Engineers (SAE)
  - Emergency Command Team (ECT) / Duty Officer (DO)
  - Boat Leaders (BL)

## People (Roles and Responsibilities)

This section of the safety case allows you to navigate through the different roles and responsibilities identified from the bow-ties produced for the O&M Phase of the Offshore Windfarm.

The People pages of this safety case contain information regarding the following:

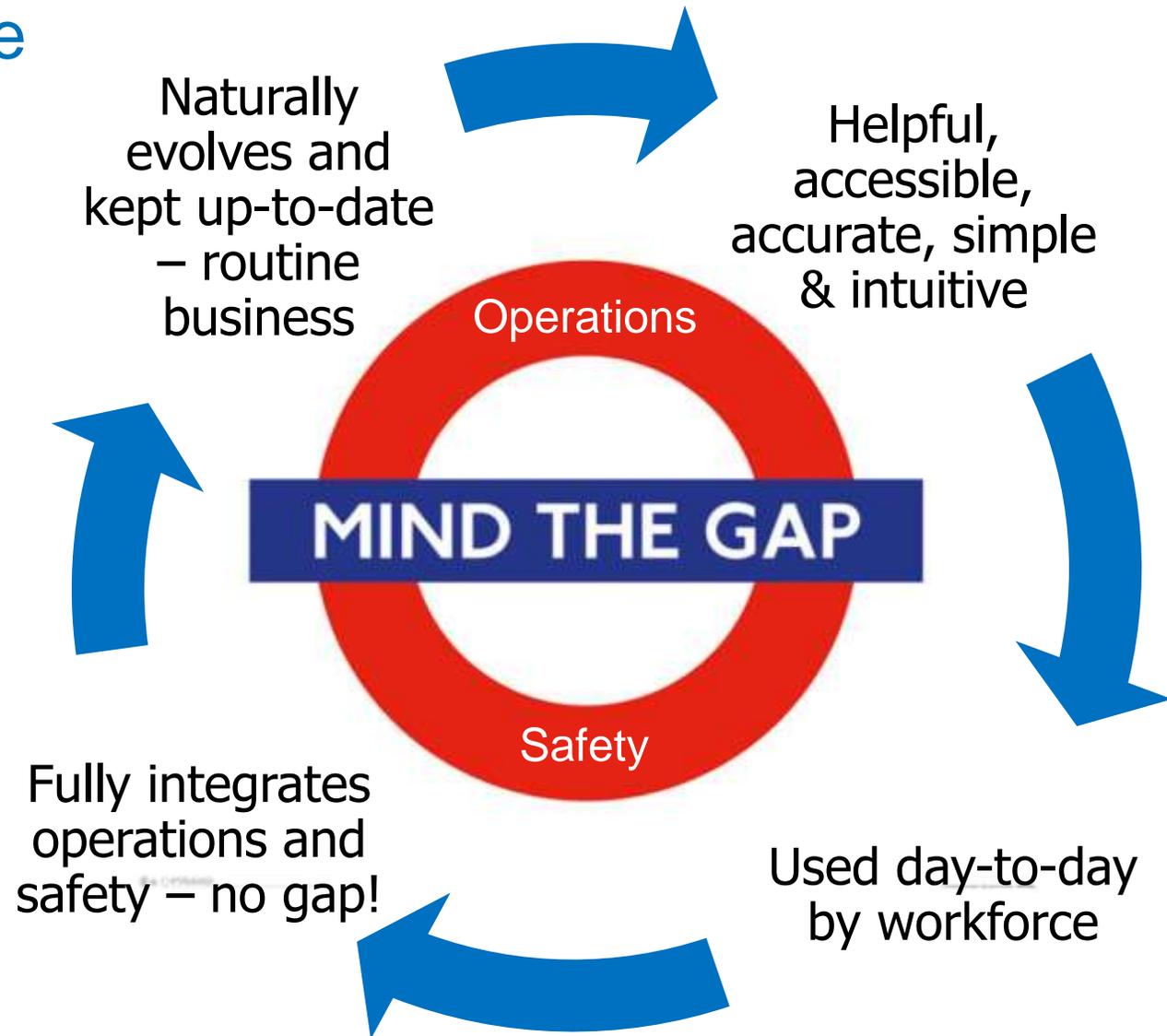
- Activities that each role is responsible for implementing;
  - Safety Critical Activities (SCA) – *activities which are critical to ensuring safety and continued integrity of design*
  - SCE Assurance Tasks (SCE) – *these tasks assure the Safety Critical Elements continue to function as intended*
  - Safety Important Activities (SIA) - *are not safety critical but are responsible for supporting safety critical activities*
- Links to the bow-ties from where the roles and responsibilities were identified;
- Competency requirements for each role.

The roles and responsibilities for third party personnel can be found using the button below.

[Third Party Roles and Responsibilities](#)

# Benefits of an e-SafetyCase

- Accessible
- Engaging
- Intuitive
- Useful
- Relevant
- Used
- Up-to-date



## Summary of benefits of an e-SafetyCase

1. Provides an accessible, engaging and intuitive basis of safety which proactively drives and encourages safe operations.
2. Naturally evolves hand-in-hand with the facility as routine business.
3. Provides a seamless link between hazards and the actions people need to take to ensure risk is reduced ALARP.

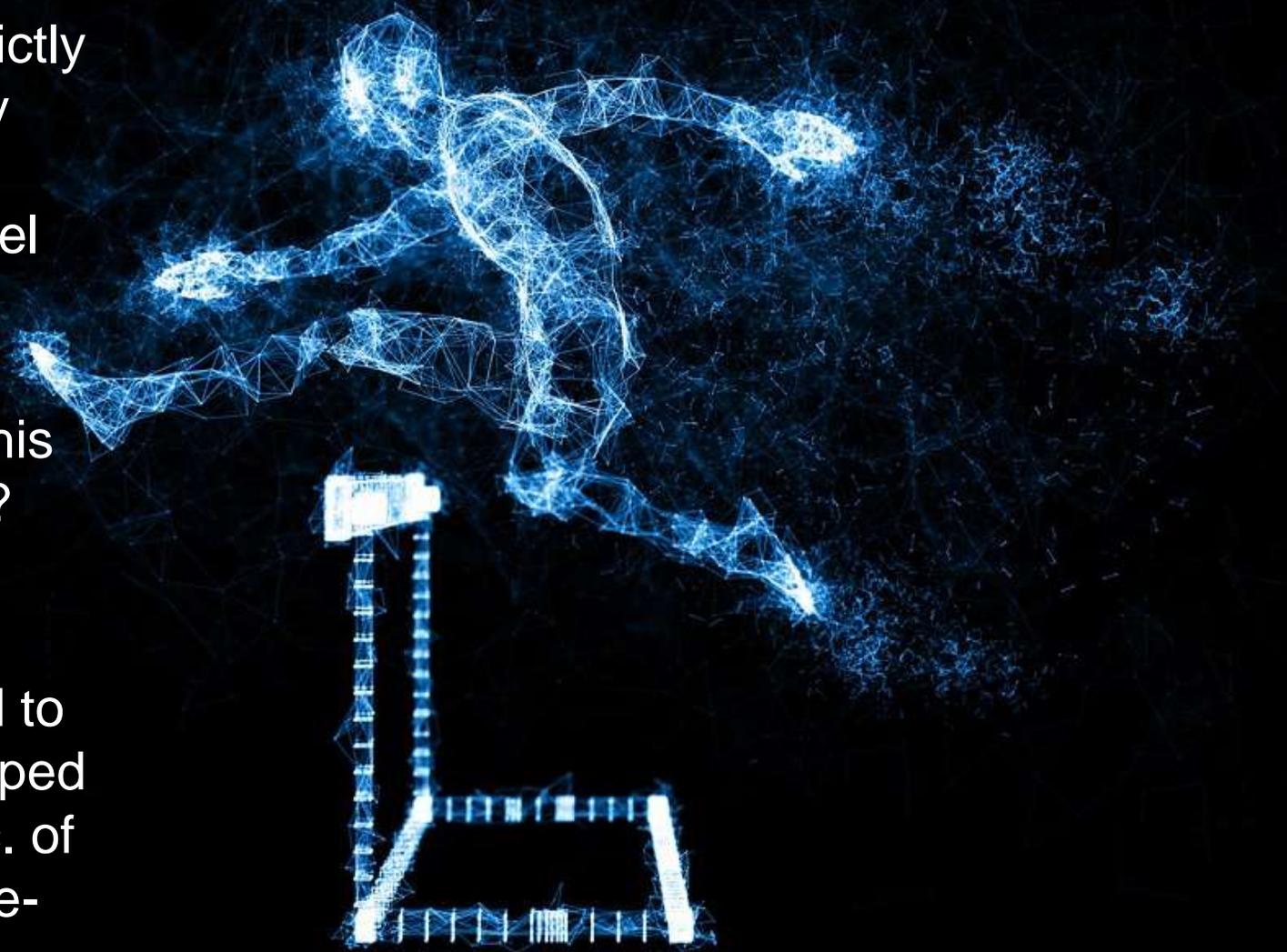


So why aren't all Safety Cases electronic?

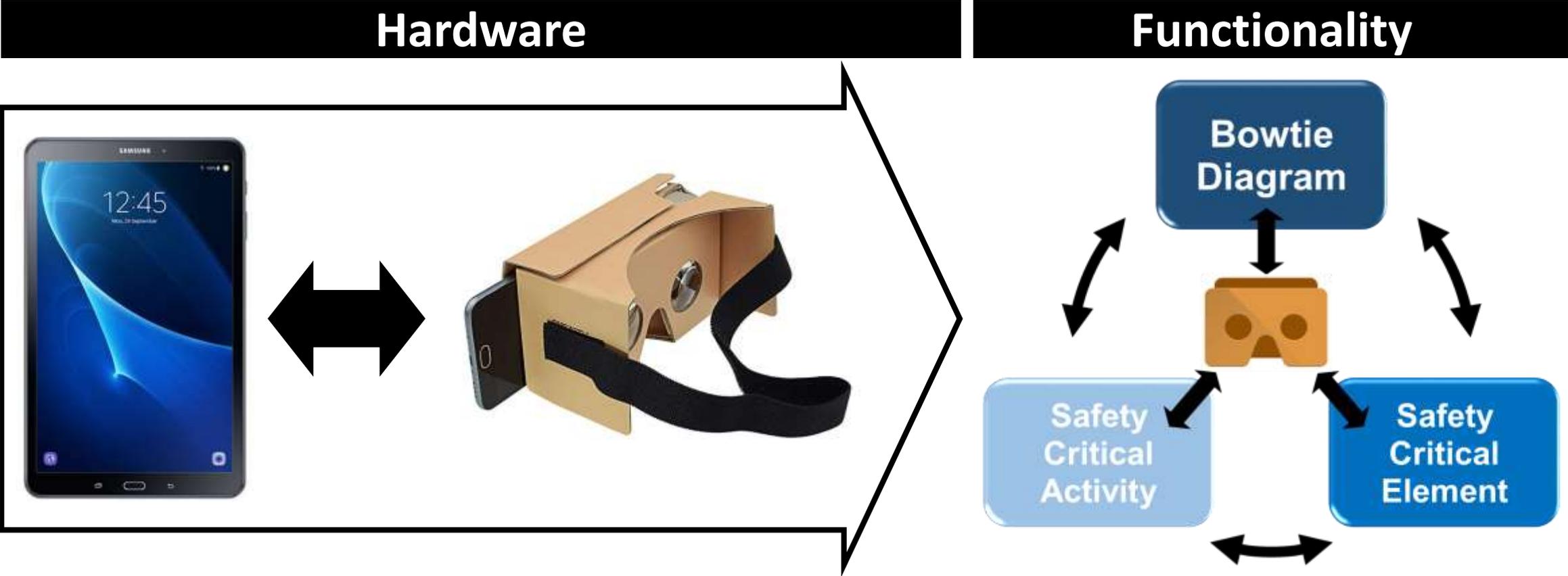


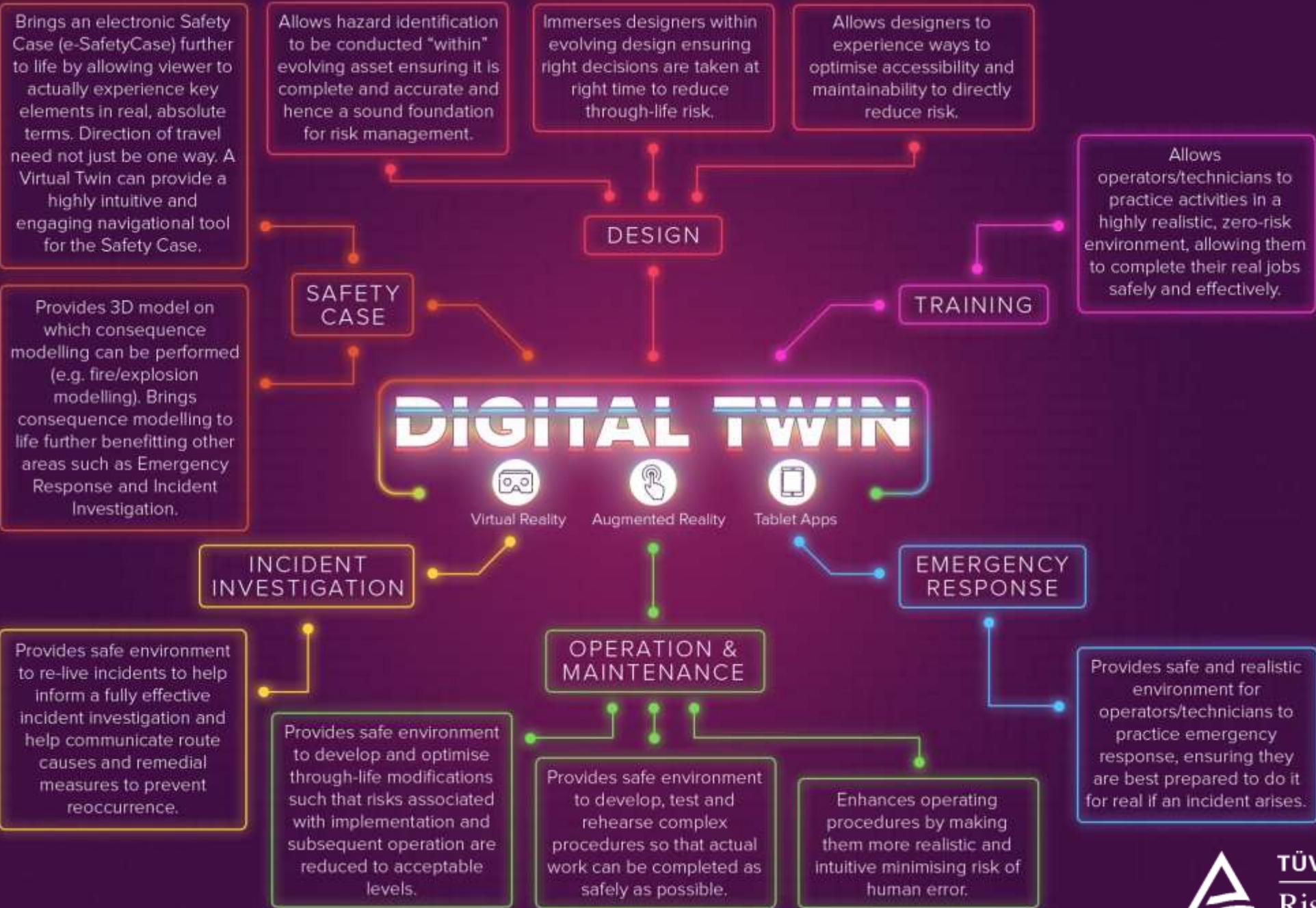
# Challenges

1. A regulatory Safety Case is a strictly controlled document and for very good reason. How can an e-SafetyCase deliver the same level of control?
2. A Safety Case includes highly sensitive information. How can this be kept secure in a virtual world?
3. Regulated industries expect a traditional paper-based Safety Case. This is what they are used to and they will invariably have shaped the format, structure, content etc. of these. Will regulators accept an e-SafetyCase?



# Future Developments – blending VR with e-SafetyCase





# Conclusions

- An e-SafetyCase is no more onerous to produce and maintain than a conventional Safety Case - it's just different!
- Could be so useful and effective it will naturally evolve hand-in-hand with the facility as routine business.
- Provides an accessible, engaging and intuitive basis of safety which proactively drives and encourages safe operations.
- Can be blended with technological innovations such as Virtual Reality to further bring it to life.



Thank you

Have a safe and secure day!

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