



IHE & SysML/MBSE – *Moving from Doc to Model Centric*

considering

Unity Consulting's MBSE 2021.03.25 Webinar Perspectives

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IHE TF Development Process – 20+ Years On!

Consider:

- ✓ IHE's TF Development process is rooted in life 20+ years ago (Document Centric)
- ✓ To support more complex heterogeneous SES MDI environments ...
 - The IHE processes must align with state-of-the-art
MedTech product development tools & processes
supporting the **Total Product Lifecycle**
- ✓ Recognizing there is a tension between ...
 - SysML / MBSE (OMG's Systems Modeling Language &
Model Based System Engineering)**
 - TDD / ATDD / BDD (Test / Acceptance Test / Behavior Driven
Development – agile methods)
- ✓ Safety Critical / **“regulatory submission ready”** IHE solutions must include MBSE

MBSE @ Unity: *Serendipitously Timely Webinar!*

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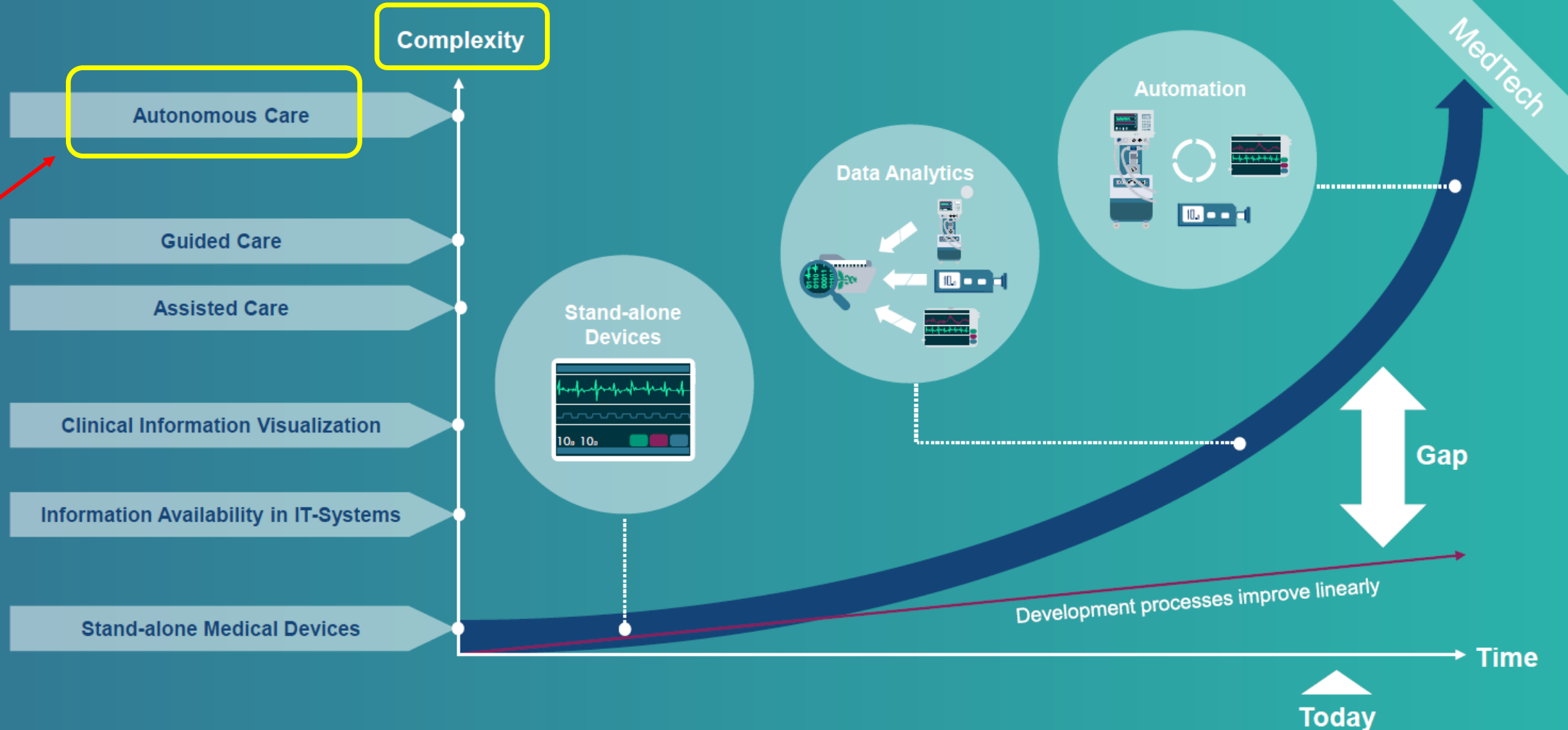
MBSE – Master Complex Development More Easily

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MBSE @ Unity: Complexity @ Autonomous Systems

Reality for
SDC/SDPi
Ecosystems

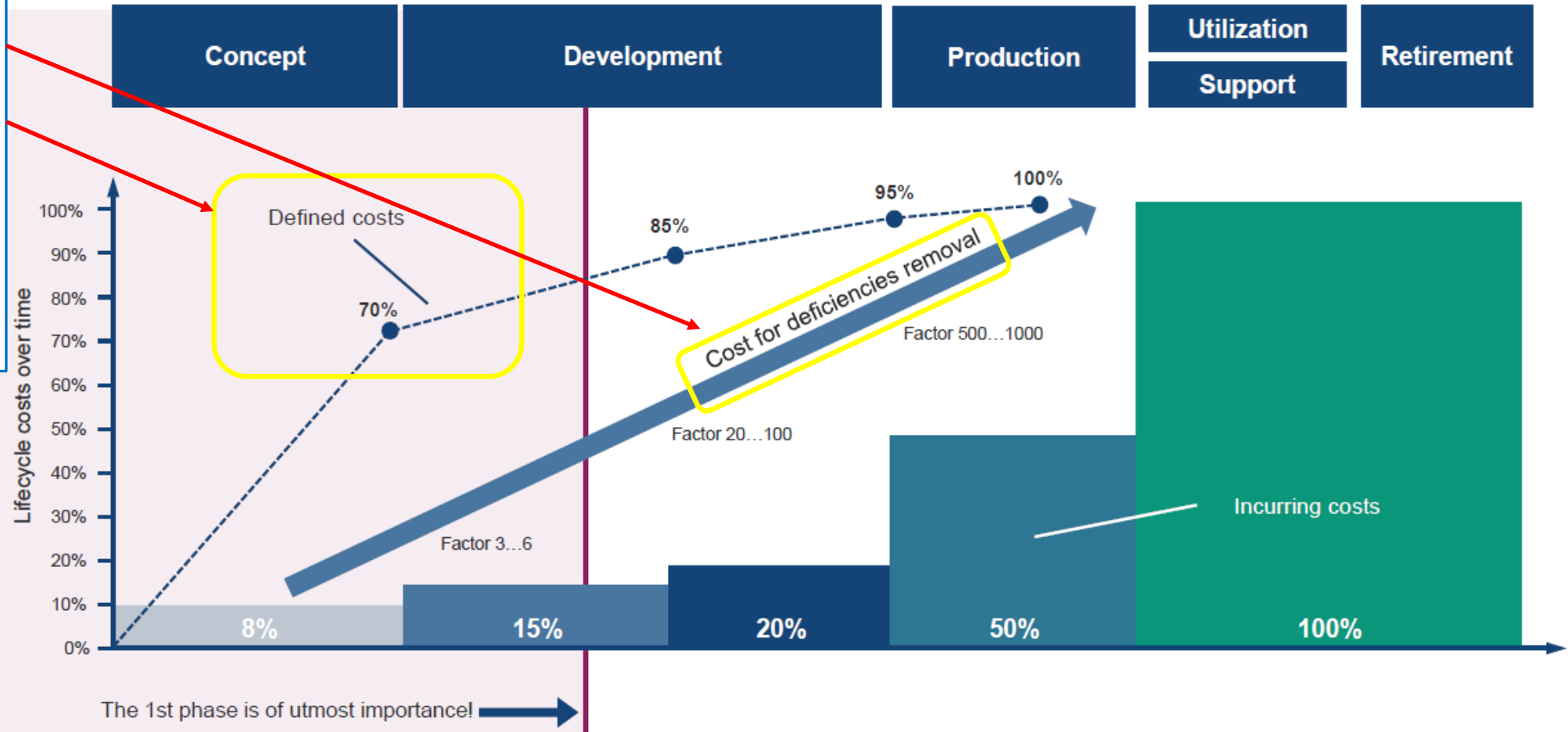
The Need for Systems Engineering
Complexity of development is increasing exponentially



MBSE @ Unity: Address TPL \$\$\$

Defined Costs vs. Incurring Costs during the Life Cycle

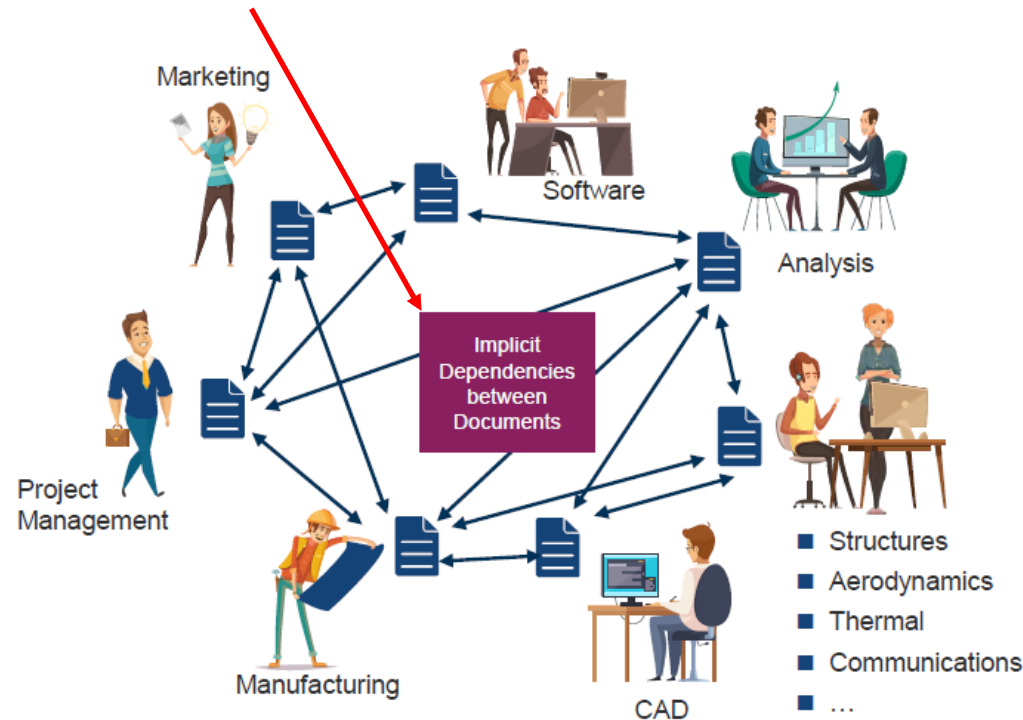
To help MedTech developers adopt / implement / support IHE-based technologies ...
TPL development costs must be directly impacted



MBSE @ Unity: *From Doc to Model-Based SE*

Document-based vs. Model-based approach

IHE 20+ Year History ...



Traditional systems engineering

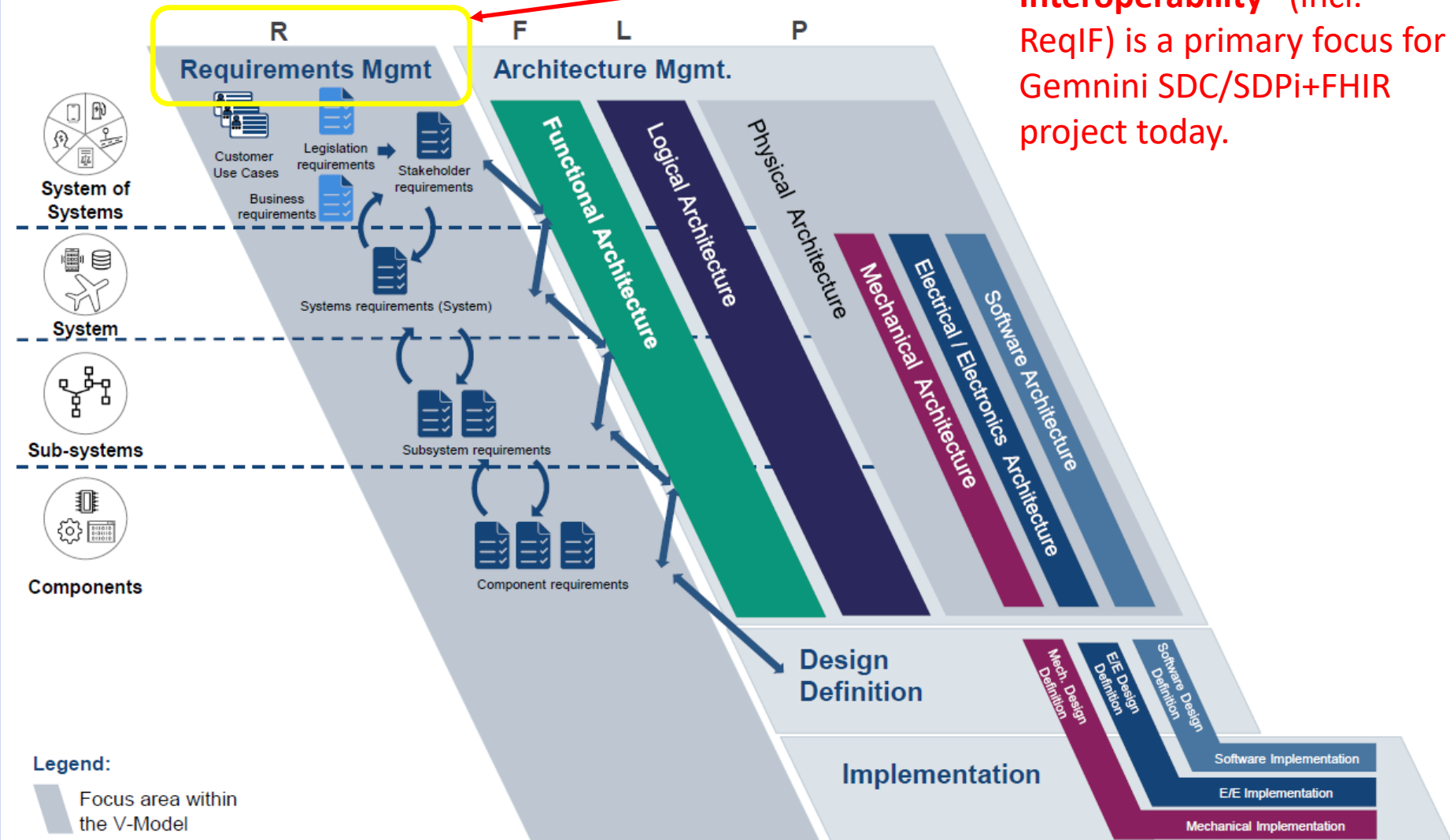
IHE Model-based Source of Truth!



Model-based systems engineering

MBSE @ Unity: SysML/MBSE ... starting @ RI Today

MBSE supports RFLP approach



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MBSE facilitates the definition, relation and documentation of system specification

MBSE model elements as basis for development and other artifacts

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Conclusions:

- ✓ MBSE / SysML hits at the core value propositions for the *IHE MedTech community*
- ✓ “Interoperable” MBSE / SysML is a “futures” proposition ... but we can start today
- ✓ ***Requirements Interoperability*** is a “safe” next step
- ✓ “Model Repositories” as IHE TF Artifacts represent a
“single COMPUTABLE source of truth”
- ✓ MBSE can lower the cost-barrier-of-entry for the adoption / implementation of IHE-based solutions ... starting with the development costs at the earliest stages of design
- ✓ Unity: “The main function of SE is to facilitate communication!”

IHE TF Solutions are 100% about ... COMMUNICATION!

Challenge:

- MedTech Developers cannot / will not do the heavy lifting – research! – to get critical mass on Interoperable MBSE / SysML artifacts ... ***Catalytic project support necessary!***