Example Transformation for Secure Tropos (ST) to Business Model and Notation 2.0 (BPMN 2.0) Jan Rehwaldt, University of Tartu

1. Asset Model Transformation

TR1. Secure Tropos' *Actors* are transformed into BPMN's *Lanes* defining all participants of the visualized system.

TR2. Secure Tropos' *Plans* are transformed into BPMN's *Tasks*.

Note: The resulting Event should be located in the Lane of the Actor

- a) in which boundaries the Goal is, or,
- b) which is the closest to the Goal.

Note: Secure Tropos' *Decomposition*-Relations are transformed into BPMN's *Sub-Tasks* with all following *Means-End*-related *Plans* and *Goals* included within this *Sub-Task*.

TR3. Secure Tropos' Goals are transformed into BPMN's (Throwing) Intermediate Events.

Note: The resulting Event should be located in the Lane of the Actor

- a) in which boundaries the Goal is, or,
- b) which is the closest to the Goal.

Note: If the *Goal* is connected by a *Decomposition*-Relation with a *Plan* then the resulting *Event* is included in the *Sub-Task* as transformed in TR2.

TR4. Secure Tropos' Resources are transformed into BPMN's Data Objects.

TR5. Add a *unidirectional Association*-Relation between Tasks and Data Objects for each *Means-End*-Relation between Plan and Resource.

TR6. Add a *Sequence Flow* in inverse order between Tasks and Events for Direct *Dependency*-Relations between Plans and Goals and vise versa.

TR7. Add a *Sequence Flow* between Tasks and Events for each *Means-End-*Relation between Goals and Plans.

Note: If multiple *Means-End-*Relations go to the same Goal or Plan combine those with an *AND-Gateway*.

TR8. For each Secure Tropos' Security Constraint add a BPMN's Annotation to the model associated with the target object as transformed in previous steps.

Result.

- Most constructs may be successfully transformed
- Security constraints are only preserved as comments
- Some Tasks may be unordered
- Only AND-Gateways and plain Sequence Flow may be generated
- Means-End from Goal / Plan to Goal / Plan may not be successfully transformed as it is unclear whether it should be a Sub-Task or rather an AND-Gateway

2. Risk Model Transformation

- **TR9.** Perform Transformation steps T1-8 for all additional artifacts.
- **TR11.** Transform *Attack*-Relation from Goal or Plan to Resource as *unidirectional Association*-Relation.
- TR12. Secure Tropos' Exploits-Relations are transformed into BPMN's Message Flow-Relations.

Result.

- Vulnerability Points are implicitly identified by target of exploits Message Flow
- Attacker activities and Actors are successfully contributed to the first step's BPMN model

3. Risk-Treatment Model Transformation

- **TR13.** Perform Transformation steps T1-12 for all additional artifacts.
- **TR14.** Secure Tropos' *Mitigates*-Relations from Goal or Plan to Threat are transformed into BPMN's *Annotations* associated with the source Task or Event.
- **TR15.** Secure Tropos' *Impact*-Relations (- / +) from Threat to Resource are transformed into BPMN's *Annotation* and associated with the Threat's Attack-Relation (from step TR11) or discarded, if such a relation does not exist.

Result.

- Security-related constructs mainly transformed as Annotations
- Impact link may become visible when splitting BPMN diagram into pre- and post-Risk Treatment versions

Finalize & Handwork

- TR16. Link unlinked Tasks with each other.
- **TR17**. Define starting and end points, possibly additional events.
- **TR18**. Revise Tasks and Events for specialized types (e.g. Message Event instead of Plain Intermediate Event).
- TR19. Combine or split Tasks.