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Systems Engineering was all ready used by the Romans. Through the centuries Systems Engineering helped to realize increasing complex systems.

It was only in the late sixties that Systems Engineering was made explicit by the American Aerospace and Defence domains. This is one of the reasons that some people believe that Systems Engineering is a quite young method.

In the early nineties the Dutch Aerospace domain was influenced by the American Aerospace approach to Systems Engineering. Soon this influence spread to the Education and Research domain. At the same time Systems Engineering evolved in domains like the Hi-Tech domain.

Around the mid nineties the Infrastructure domain started to accept Systems Engineering. This development was boosted by the Aerospace domain, which also founded the Dutch Chapter of INCOSE.

In the twenties a Systems Engineering standard was defined in the Infrastructure domain. Also the 2008 International INCOSE Symposium took place in Utrecht, the Netherlands.

Now Systems Engineering is practised in various domains, however the maturity differs.









What Systems Engineers

Hi-Tech Domain

Integration of technologies Mechatronics Fast innovations Compensate high labor cost with excellent performance and value Systems Engineers in The Netherlands

Infrastructure Domain

Top connectivity Excellent visit value Competitive marketplace Development of the group Sustainable and safe performance Protection against Global Warming effects

erospace & Defense Domain

Critical mission performance Survivability Enabeling new technology Safety, performance and cost Product architecture rouse

Education & Research

Education move from mono-disciplinairy to multi-disciplinairy Systems engineering as a connecting and integrating factor Model Based Systems Engineering Communication

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Similar to the development rate we have seen for the number of transistors implemented in micro-processors, we should be better in predicting the rate of future developments, based on existing trends. AS an example, the number of IoT connected devices is shown.

 Systems Engineering From – To statements 	Penetration of SE in the Netherlands*
From:	То:
Systems engineering contribu faster, cheaper and better sys	tes to Systems engineering generally tems. recognized and, by default, applied to all systems in the Netherlands.
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Applying SE Across Industry Domains*

From:

Systems engineering is a recognized discipline within Aerospace (Fokker, Stork), Defense (Thales, Stork, Government) and Civil Infrastructure industry and is applied in many other domains as well. In various industries, practices are often called differently.

To:

Systems engineering is broadly recognized by Dutch economic and business leaders as a value-added discipline related to a wide variety of commercial products, systems and services, as well as government services and infrastructure. This broad community of practitioners result in the sharing and maturation of more robust systems engineering practices and foundations.

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Syste	ems Engineering – To statements	Applying Systems Engineering to Soci Systems*	al
From:		То:	
Systems applied t often wit	engineering is dominantly o technical projects, be it h a social component.	Systems engineering tools and methods are applied for the (re)design of social systems. The process from stakeholder analysis u till validation and verification adds considerable value to these systems and increases acceptability of the solution.	ıp s
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Applying Systems Engineering in small & medium enterprises*

From:

Systems engineering is dominantly applied in large enterprises and large projects. This is reflected in the scope and size of tools and methods. Small and medium enterprises are seeing the potential of systems engineering for the quality of their work. They are however reluctant to accept the existing practices and are generally missing the expertise and funding to resize tools and methods to their needs.

To:

Systems engineering tools and methods have been made scalable to the size of the enterprise or project and are made available at an affordable cost. The Systems Engineering tools are adopted widely. The tools are compatible, and partly integrated with, or by preference based on, standard business software. Active training is provided to optimize and maintain these for their intended purpose.

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From:

Today, stakeholders are demanding increasingly capable systems that are growing in complexity, yet complexity-related system misunderstanding is at the root of significant cost overruns and system failures. There is broad recognition that there is no end in sight to the system complexity curve.

Complex System Understanding*

To:

In 2025 and beyond, standard measures of complexity will be established, and methods for tracking and handling complex system behaviors and mitigating undesired behaviors will be better understood.

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From: Current systems engineering tools leverage computing and information technologies to some degree, and make heavy use of office applications for documenting system designs. The tools have limited integration with other engineering tools

To: The systems engineering tools of 2025 will facilitate systems engineering practices as part of a fully integrated engineering environment. Systems engineering tools will support high fidelity simulation, immersive technologies to support data visualization, semantic web technologies to support data integration, search, and reasoning, and communication technologies to support collaboration. Systems engineering tools will benefit from internet-based connectivity and knowledge representation to readily exchange information with related fields. Systems engineering tools will integrate with CAD/CAE/PLM environments, project management and workflow tools as part of a broader computer-aided engineering and enterprise management environment. The systems engineer of the future will be highly skilled in the use of IT-enabled engineering tools.



System Design in a System of Systems Context*

From:

Limited technical guidance is available to engineer complex systems of systems and assure qualities of service. For some domains (e.g. Defense, Aerospace) current emphasis is on architecture frameworks and interoperability standards where other domains are in the stage of its discovery

To:

Over time, the complexity of systems grows exponentially, while these systems get more and more interconnected and get extensively dependent on each other. A diverse set of stakeholders will increasingly demand SoS to provide information and services, leveraging value from the pieces. The SoS context doesn't only consist of a positive and cooperative behavior but also malicious and evil behavior that needs to be dealt with appropriately.

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Systems, personal and national security are increasingly being compromised due to the digitally interconnected nature of our infrastructure. Engineers are hard pressed to keep up with the evolving nature and increasing sophistication of the threats to our cyber-physical systems. Cybersecurity is often dealt with only as an afterthought or not addressed at all.

Cyber Security -Securing the System

To:

Systems engineering routinely incorporates requirements to enhance systems and information security and resiliency to cyber threats early and is able to verify the cyber defense capabilities over the full system life cycle, based on an increasing body of strategies, tools and methods.

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 Systems Engineering From – To statements 	Part of the Digital Revolution*
From:	То:
Model-based systems engine has grown in popularity as a deal with the limitations of document-based approaches still in an early stage of matu similar to the early days of CA CAE.	A shift towards an integrated, digital engineering environment enables rapid transformation of concepts and designs to physical prototypes through the application of additive manufacturing technologies, such as 3D printers. This capability enables engineers to rapidly and continually assess and update their designs prior to committing costs to production hardware. In addition it provides a powerful tool to verify integrateability and serviceability of the design. Systems engineering practices will leverage this capability to rapidly assess alternative designs in terms of their form,
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To: Transforming Virtual Model to Reality . A shift towards an integrated, digital engineering environment enables rapid transformation of concepts and designs to physical prototypes through the application of additive manufacturing technologies, such as 3D printers. This capability enables engineers to rapidly and continually assess and update their designs prior to committing costs to production hardware. In addition it provides a powerful tool to verify integrateability and serviceability of the design. Systems engineering practices will leverage this capability to rapidly assess alternative designs in terms of their form, fit and function.



Shoring up the Theoretical Foundation*

The theoretical foundation of systems engineering encompasses not only mathematics, physical sciences, and systems science, but also human and social sciences. This foundational theory is taught as a normal part of systems engineering curricula, and it directly supports systems engineering methods and standards. Understanding the foundation enables the systems engineer to understand the problem space more broadly and evaluate and select from an expanded and robust toolkit. The right tools for the job.

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 Systems Engineering From – To statements 	The Broadening role of the Systems Engineer
From: A typical systems engineering role varies from managing requirement to being the technical leader on a project.	For The roles and competencies of the systems engineer will broaden to address the increasing complexity and diversity of future systems. The technical leadership role of the systems engineer on a project will be well established as critical to the success of a project. The systems engineering role also supports and integrates a broader range of sociotechnical disciplines, technologies, and stakeholder concerns in an increasingly diverse work environment. Systems engineers will integrate programmatic and sociotechnical concerns that span global and cultural boundaries as well as system.

 Systems Engineering From – To statements 	Essential SE Competencies
From: The competency of today's systems engineer vary significantly in the depth and breadth of their systems engineering knowledge. Their	To: The systems engineering function is executed by close-knit systems engineering team. The expected competencies of this team is consistently defined and broadened to support the
competencies are often based on their domain specific engineering background, an understanding of the specific practices that are employed at their organization, and the lessons learned from applying this approach on projects.	expanded systems engineering roles. The competencies will include leadership skills to enable team effectiveness across diverse organizational, physical and cultural boundaries; mastery of systems engineering foundations and methods related to knowledge representation, decision analysis, stakeholder analysis, and complex system understanding; deep knowledge in the relevant application and
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To: The systems engineering function is executed by close-knit systems engineering team. The expected competencies of this team is consistently defined and broadened to support the expanded systems engineering roles. The competencies will include leadership skills to enable team effectiveness across diverse organizational, physical and cultural boundaries; mastery of systems engineering foundations and methods related to knowledge representation, decision analysis, stakeholder analysis, and complex system understanding; deep knowledge in the relevant application and technical domains; experience across the full system life cycle including development, operations, and sustainment; and skills in the use of software-based tools needed to support the application of systems engineering to the domain



From: The worldwide demand for systems engineering in all application domains is increasing the need for high quality and wide spread systems engineering education and training. A number of academic institutions are offering graduate-level programs in systems engineering.

There are increasing numbers of universities that teach systems engineering at the graduate level, although the total number is still small relative to other engineering disciplines. At a limited number of faculties in universities systems engineering has been introduced as an integral part of the undergraduate curriculum, accompanied by actual design projects where SE methods and tools are applied.

To: The worldwide demand for systems engineering is well understood, and an educational, training, and mentoring life-long learning pipeline is in place to support it with individuals and teams of the required quantity and multi-disciplinary capabilities.

Systems thinking is formally introduced in early education for all engineering disciplines. Systems engineering is a part of every engineers curriculum and systems engineering at the university level is grounded in the theoretical foundations that spans the hard sciences, engineering, mathematics, and human and social sciences and the needs of the engineering community.

Graduate courses related to systems engineering will be opened up for active practitioners at an affordable cost.













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