Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) Panel

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MBSE and MBE Definitions

"Model-based systems engineering (MBSE) is the formalized application of modeling to support system requirements, design, analysis, verification and validation activities beginning in the conceptual design phase and continuing throughout development and later life cycle phases."

INCOSE SE Vision 2020 (INCOSE-TP-2004-004-02), Sept 2007

"Model-Based Engineering (MBE): An approach to engineering that uses models as an integral part of the technical baseline that includes the requirements, analysis, design, implementation, and verification of a capability, system, and/or product throughout the acquisition life cycle."

Model-based Systems Engineering (MBSE)

- Formalizes the practice of systems development through use of models
- Broad in scope
 - Integrates with multiple modeling domains across life cycle from system of systems to component
- Results in quality/productivity improvements & lower risk
 - Rigor and precision
 - Communications among system/project stakeholders
 - Management of complexity

Life Cycle Support









Virtual Integration to Manage Risk Throughout The Life Cycle



MBE Current State

Source: NDIA MBE Final Report dated February 2011

- Poor integration of models across the life cycle
- Limited reuse of models between programs
- Variation in modeling maturity and integration across Engineering Disciplines (e.g., systems, software, mechanical, electrical, test, maintainability, safety, security)
 - Mechanical/Electrical CAD/CAE fairly mature
 - Systems/Software/Test fairly immature

TRENGTH THROUGH INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY

- Many MBE related activities across Industry, Academia, and Standards Bodies
- Evolving modeling standards (e.g., CMSD, Modeling Languages such as SysML, UPDM, Modelica, AADL)
- Tools are evolving towards an MBE paradigm and progressing towards greater tool to tool interoperability

MITCONAL DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION STRENGTHI THROUGH INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY SOURCE: NDIA MBE Final Report dated February 2011





Primary Gaps That Must Be Closed Source: NDIA MBE Final Report dated February 2011

Policy

- Policy / contracting mechanisms
- Business model(s) that incentivize MBE adoption

Processes/Methods

- Currently, models (other than CAD) are not part of the Technical Baseline
- Model / data/ tools management (GOTS and COTS)
- Information management
- Model-based methods

Tools/Technologies/Standards

- Domain specific language and data standards
- Formal semantics
- Data rights protection in an open architecture environment
- Model interconnect and interchange

People

- Workforce gaps across stakeholder communities
- Acceptance of the use of models as a business practice
- Model validation and confidence (reputation management; evidence based credibility)

Infrastructure/Environment

- Easy access to models / content developed by others
- Lack of common, shared Operational Scenarios
- The Business Case for MBE