

# MEASURING SAFETY IN AVIATION - DEVELOPING METRICS FOR SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

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# AUAS IS THE BIGGEST INSTITUTE OF TERTIARY EDUCATION IN THE NETHERLANDS

- Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences
  - 43,000 students
  - 80 bachelor and master programmes
  - seven schools
- Aviation Academy is part of the School of Technology.
  - 4 year BSc program
  - 425 new students each year
  - A total of 1300 students
  - MSc in development
  - Several PhD candidates



## AVIATION ACADEMY - MISSION

- The Aviation Academy was created to serve the European aviation industry. Our mission is to provide the current and next generation of professionals with the skills they need to meet the international aviation challenges of the next 10 to 15 years.
- Goal is to become one of the top Aviation institutions in Europe at the level of Universities of Applied Sciences



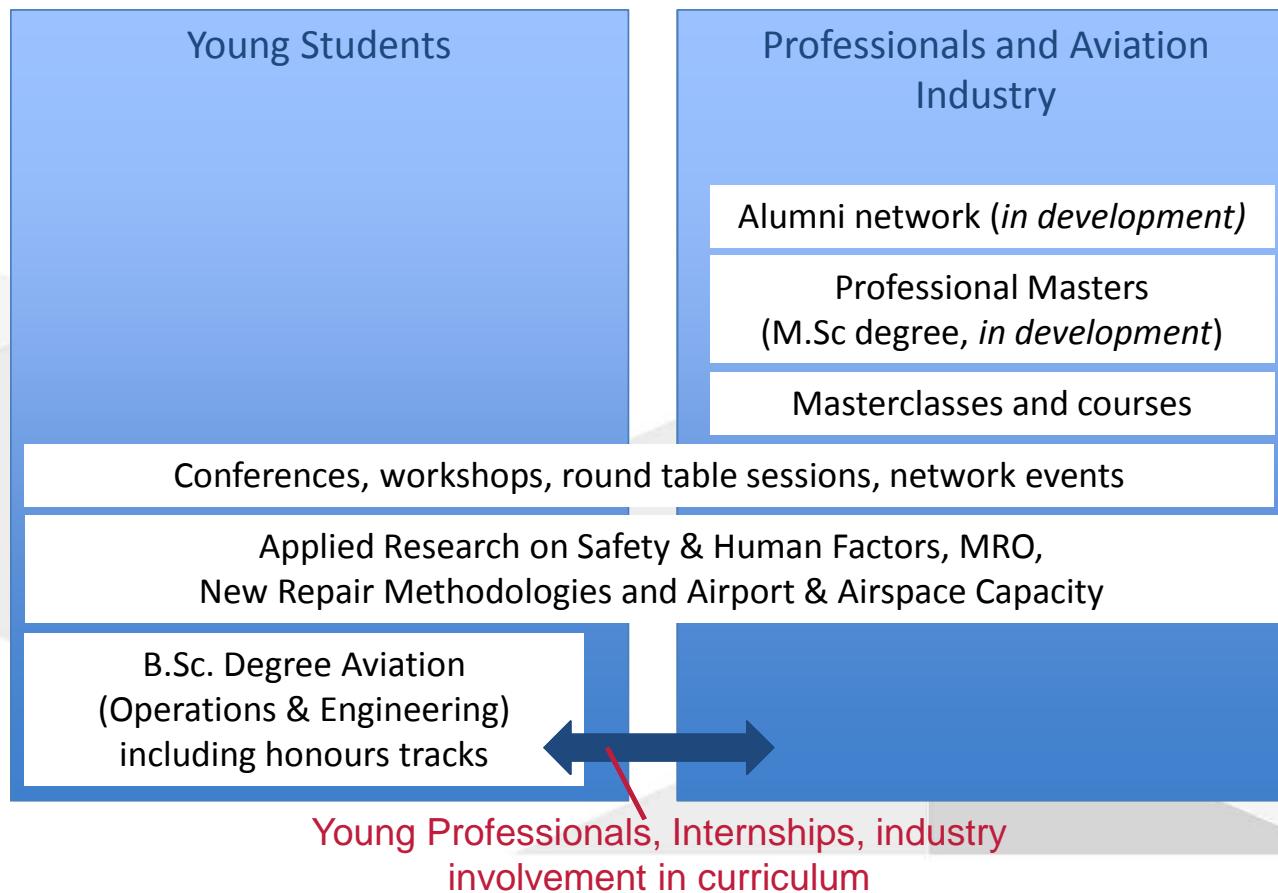
## 2014: WINNER OF THE DUTCH EXCELLENCE IN AVIATION EDUCATION AWARD



# AVIATION ACADEMY: MAIN THEMES ARE ON OPERATIONAL READINESS



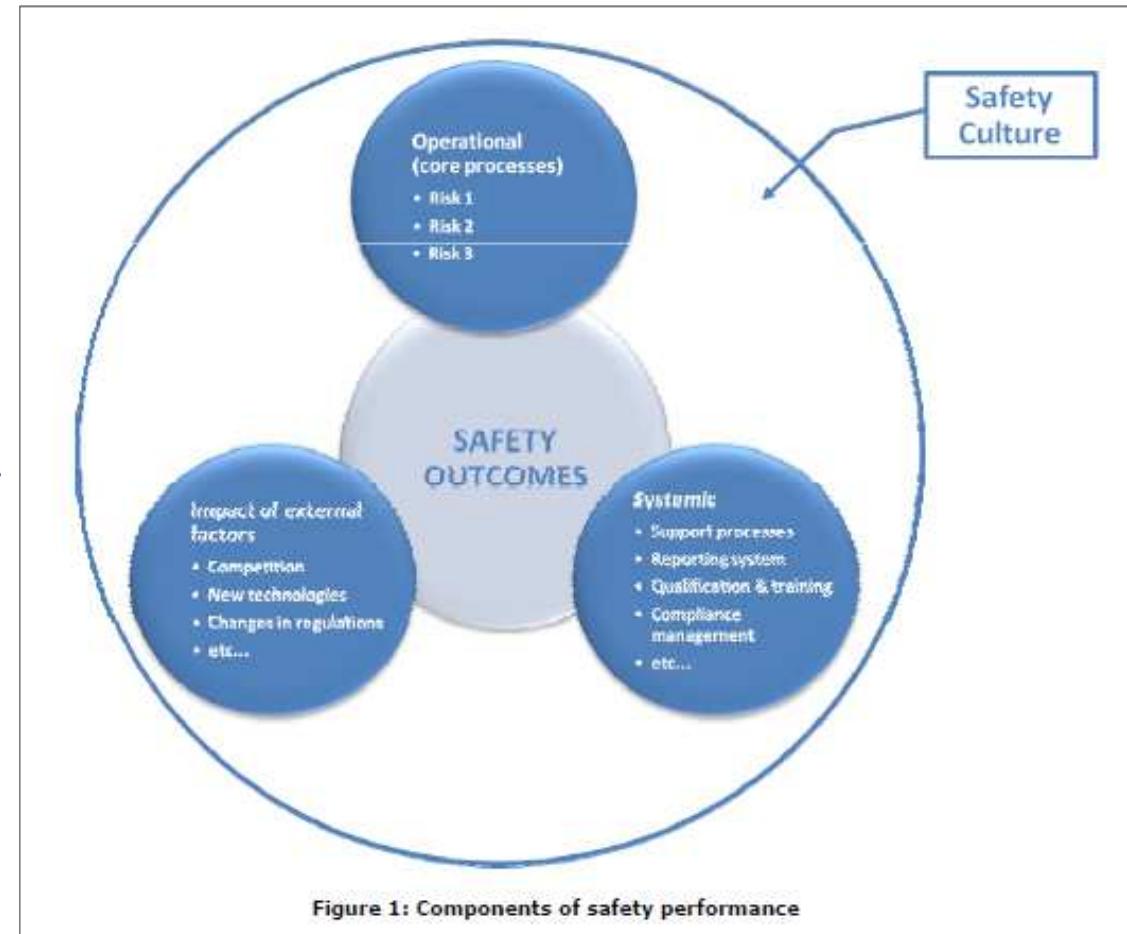
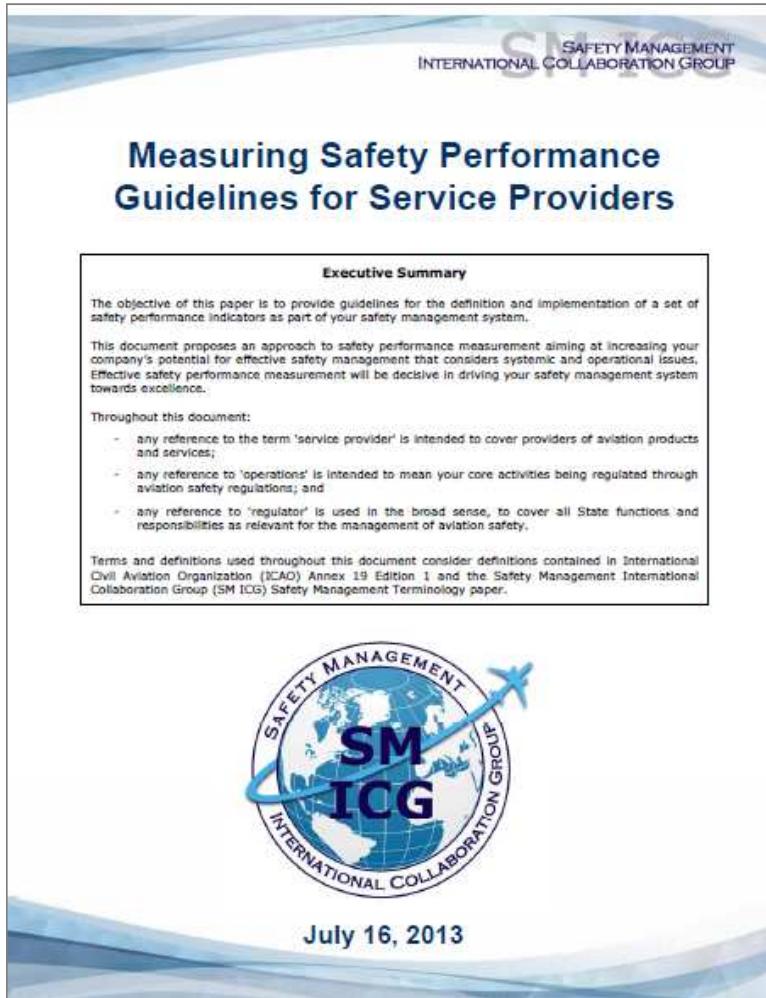
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## BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT

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# WE HAVE CLUSTERED ALL SAFETY METRICS INTO TWO CATEGORIES

Safety Process Metrics	Safety Outcome Metrics
Leading indicators	Lagging indicators
Upstream indicators	Downstream indicators
Predictive indicators	Historical indicators
Heading indicators	Trailing indicators
Positive indicators	Negative indicators
Active indicators	Reactive indicators
Predictive indicators	Retrospective indicators
Input indicators	Output indicators
Driving/monitoring indicators	Lagging indicators
Proactive indicators	Reactive indicators



## RESEARCH RATIONALE AND BACKGROUND

- What is the relation between safety process metrics and safety outcomes?
  - None
  - Necessary but not sufficient
  - Necessary & sufficient
- SMEs lack the benefit of large amount of safety-related data for monitoring safety indicators
- Large companies: Availability of safety-related data, but there is a need for more valid leading indicators



Performance based oversight assumes that process metrics are necessary but not sufficient

## RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

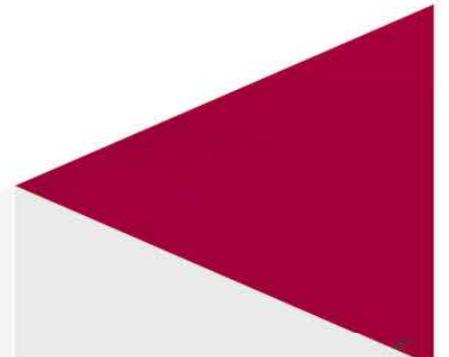
- To generate new and better ‘leading’ indicators for safety, based on
  - State-of-the-art safety theories
  - Robust empirical data

that support the further improvement of safety metrics for:

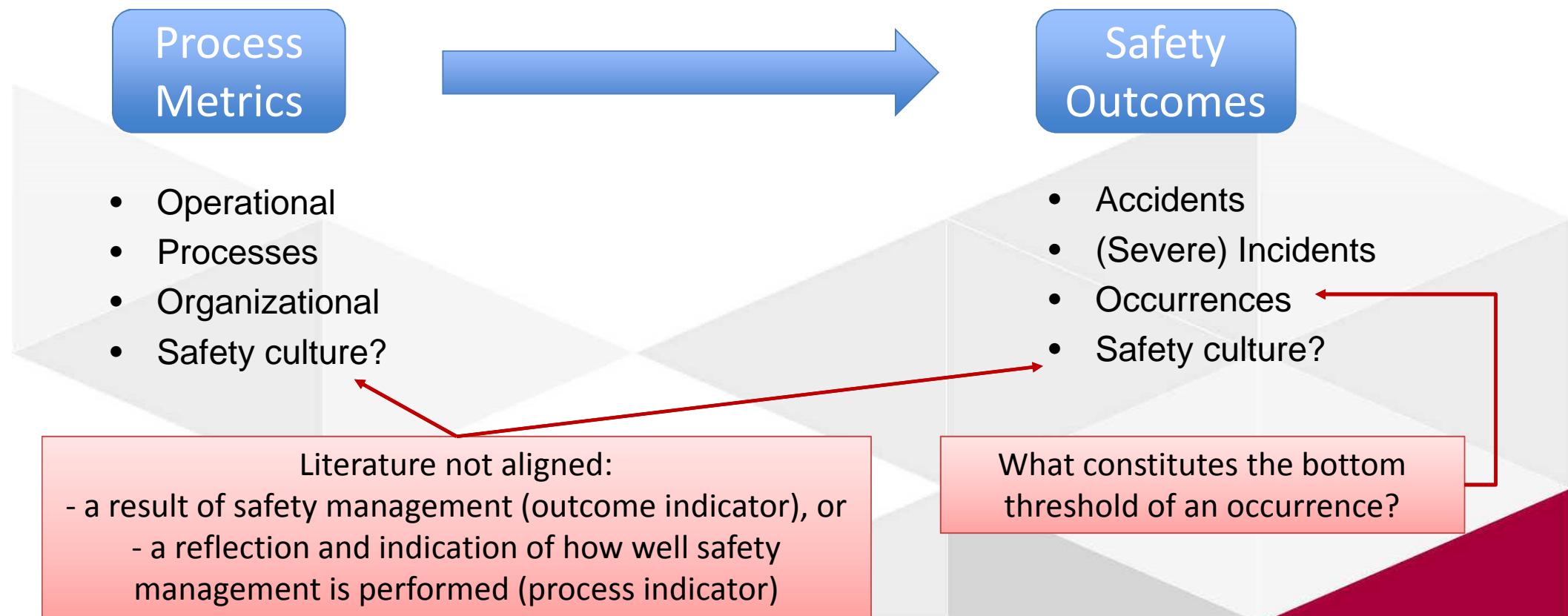
- SMEs by countering the lack of data
- Large companies by generating valid leading indicators
- Regulatory oversight by generating valid performance-based metrics

## METHODOLOGY

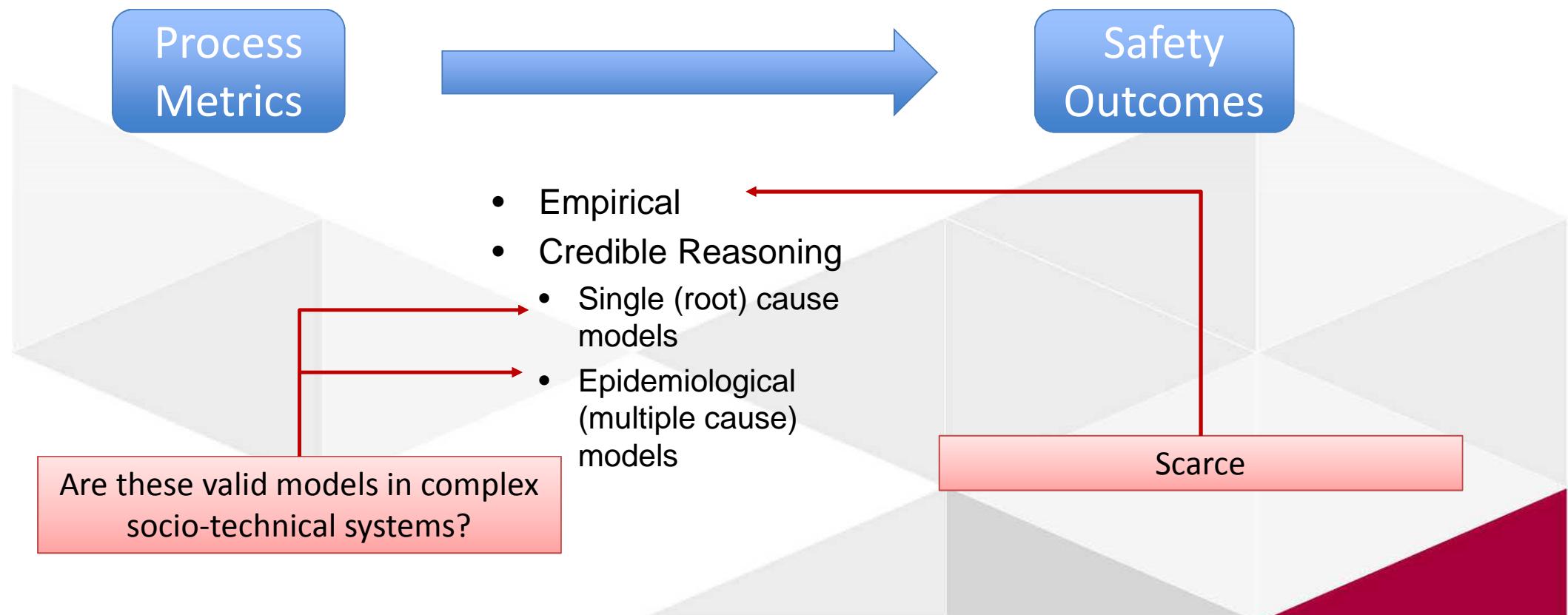
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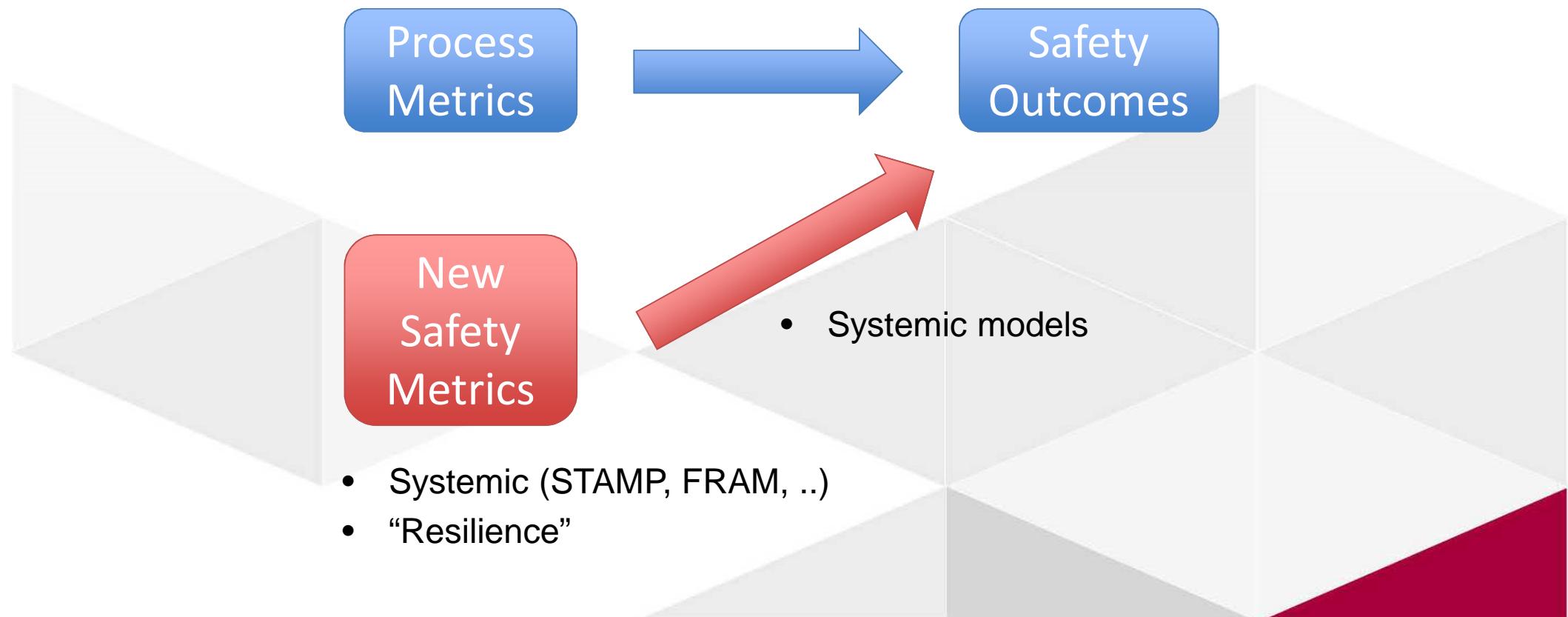
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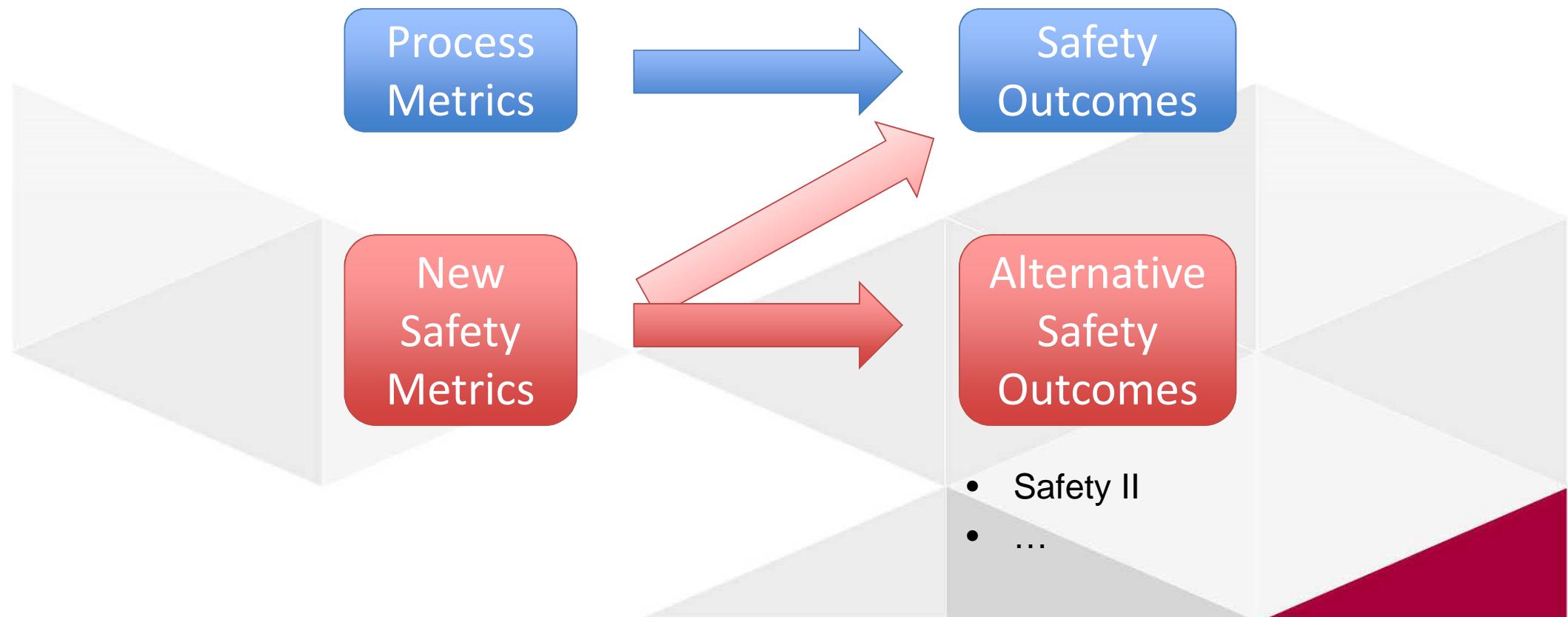
## RESEARCH FRAMEWORK (2)



## RESEARCH FRAMEWORK (3)



## RESEARCH FRAMEWORK (4)



# METHODOLOGY

**Phase 1:**  
Literature  
review of  
Safety Metrics

**Phase 2:**  
Validation of  
existing  
Safety Metrics

**Phase 3:**  
Alternative  
Process  
Metrics

**Phase 4:**  
Alternative  
Safety  
Outcome  
Metrics

**Phase 5:** Web-  
based  
Dashboard

## CURRENT PARTNERS

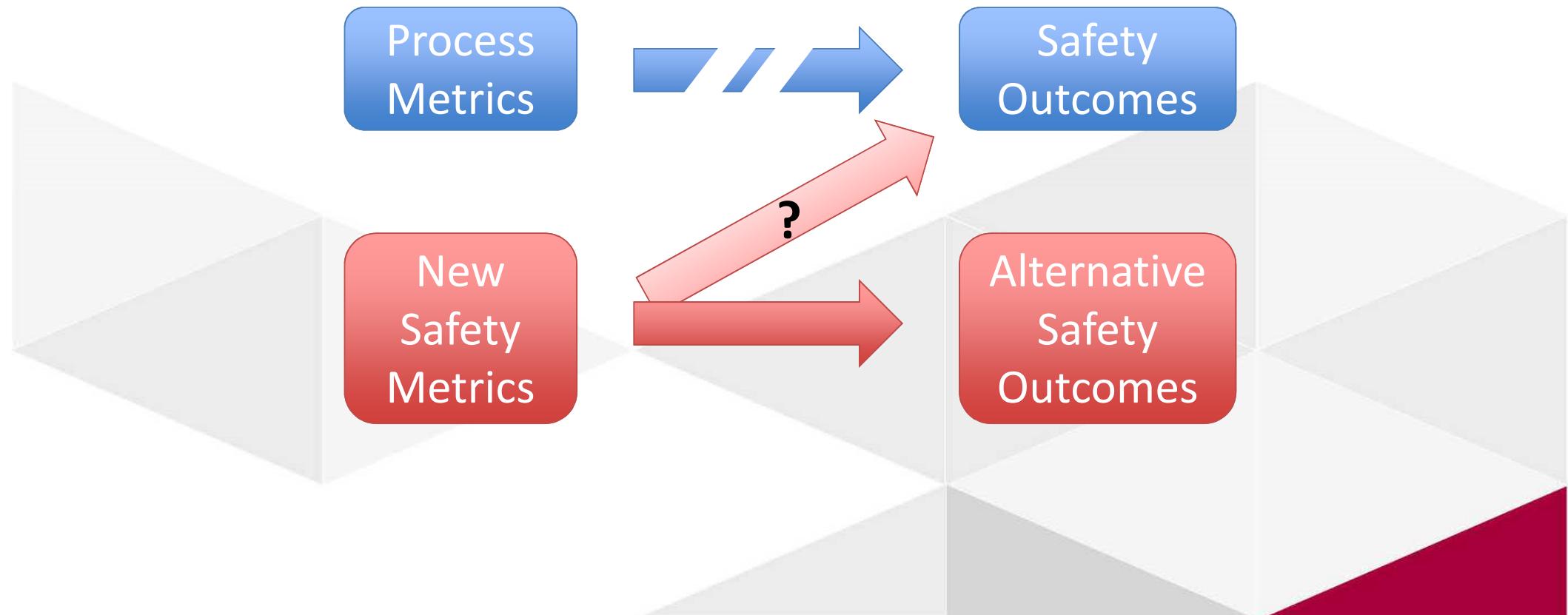


## EXPECTED RESULTS & APPLICATION

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## EXPECTED RESULTS: NEW SAFETY METRICS THAT BETTER SUPPORT THE IMPROVEMENT OF SAFETY

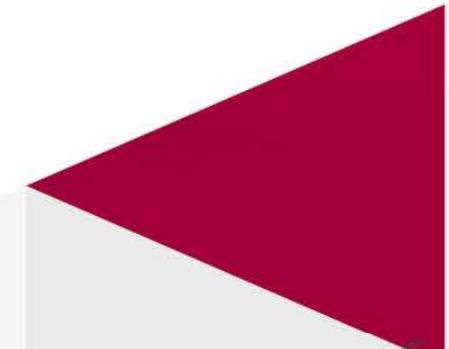


# APPLICATION

- We aim to:
  - Create a web-based dashboard to support the implementation of advanced safety metrics
  - Create guidance material for authorities, SME's and large companies

## CALL TO ACTION

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## WE WELCOME FURTHER PARTICIPANTS!

- Requirement: willingness to share safety data after signing a NDA
- Benefits:
  - direct input into project
  - first insight into deliverables
  - better understanding of results
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