A Pragmatic Approach to System Modeling for Hazard Identification and Risk Management

Document-Intensive Systems Engineering (DISE) is being replacement by Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE). Modeling principles, usually using a modeling language such as the System Model Language (SysML), are being applied to ensure that critical information about a system’s behavior, structure, requirements, and parametrics are woven into a coherent, readily accessible repository of technical truth.

However, these new practices are often limited to large, complex system development efforts. They are equally applicable to non-traditional applications. For example, a set of business processes can be modeled and gaps/inconsistencies may be easily detected. Improved consistency and rigor is an automatic outcome of good modeling practice.

This presentation will focus on ways to harness the power of system modeling to address challenges faced by ESOH professionals, including identification of hazards, risk management, and mitigation planning.

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