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# ROMEO

## RELIABLE OM DECISIONS TOOLS AND STRATEGIES FOR HIGH LCOE REDUCTION ON OFFSHORE WIND



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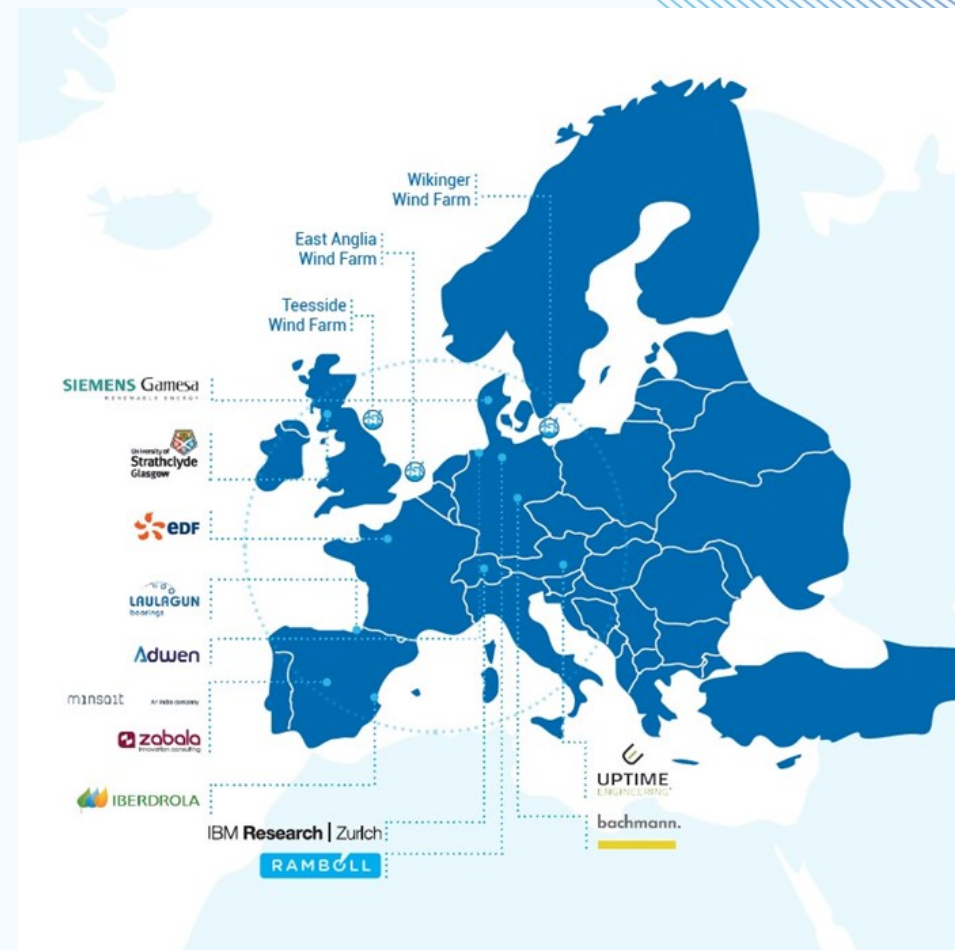
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# WHAT IS ROMEO PROJECT?

ROMEO H2020 project aims to develop advanced technological solutions enabling Offshore O&M cost reduction (up to 8%)

- H2020 Innovation Action for Societal Challenges.
- 16.4 M€ Total Budget (~10M€ EU contribution).
- 5-year project (2017-2022).
- The consortium...
  - Led by Iberdrola Renovables.
  - Formed by 12 partners across Europe.
  - Involves some of the most important players in the offshore wind industry.



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# WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES?

Greater reliability, less repairs, more safety



- Increase wind farm reliability and decrease the number of failures leading to downtime.



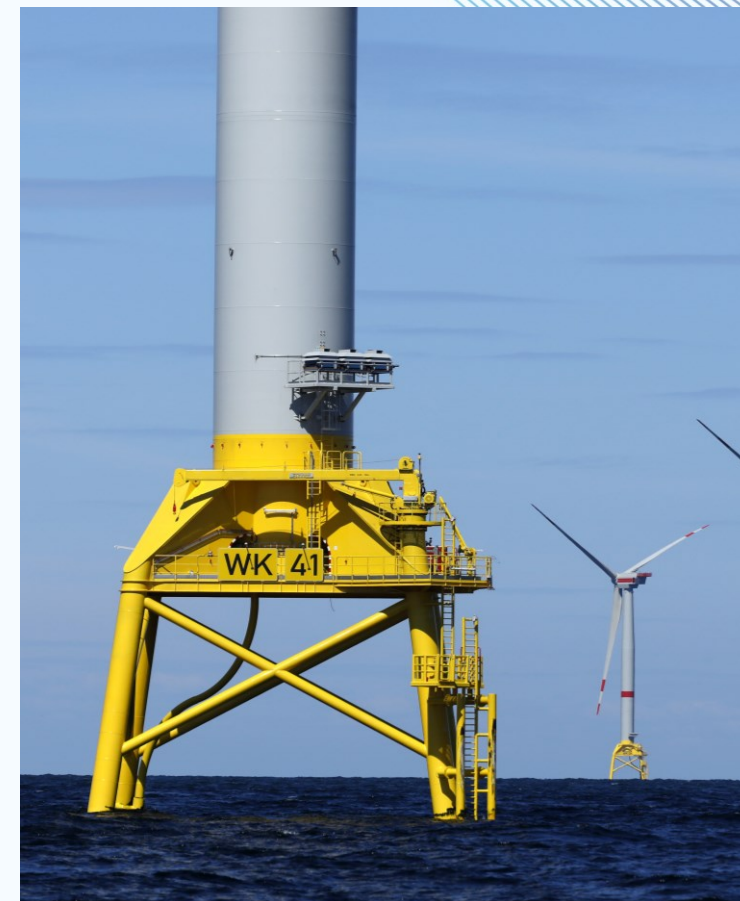
- Increase the life time of key turbine components.



- Reduce the WT O&M costs through the reduction of the resources required for annual inspections of the turbine.



- Reduce the O&M costs associated to foundation through reduction in jacket substructures inspections.



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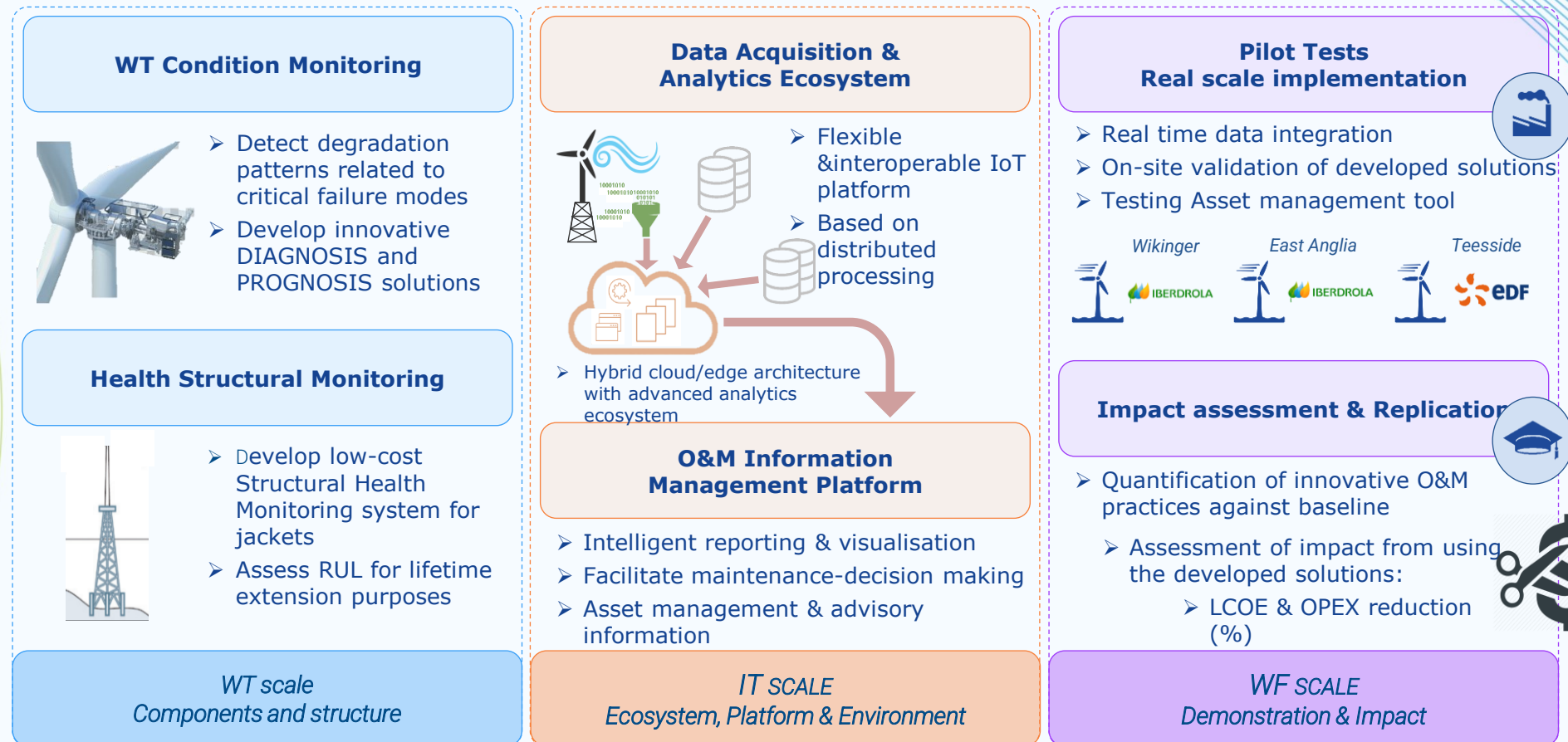
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# WORK DESCRIPTION



# NEW MONITORING TECHNOLOGIES

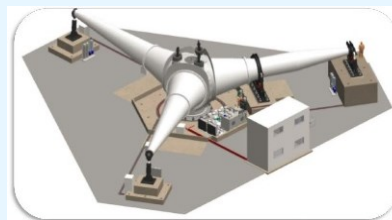
- Development of new tailored monitoring solutions for specific failure modes.
- Study of degradation and failure symptoms and how to capture/measure them at test bench scale, for testing & improvement purposes:
  - ✓ Proper sensors and configuration, suitable subsequent data analysis.

## Main Bearing & Gearbox

- New detector to account for Displacement Sensors.
  - ✓ Early detection techniques diversification.
- Damage Classification Technique.
  - ✓ Better understanding of failure mode and effects.
- Unbalance Detection using Vibration Sensors.
- RMS Vibration calculation for Gears & Bearing

## Blade Bearing

- New Diagnosis & Prognosis algorithms for:
  - ✓ *Rolling Contact Fatigue;*
  - ✓ *Structural Health Monitoring of the rings.*
- Tests ran @ WINDBOX



## Electrical Drive Train

- Tests running @ EDF Electrical Lab (generator, transformer, capacitor)





# PHYSICAL & MACHINE LEARNING MODELS



**Platform A: Wikinger Wind Farm – Adwen AD5-135 (operated by Iberdrola)**

**WP1  
Failure Mode Effects &  
Criticality Analysis (FMECA)**



• **PROGRESS:**

- In-Depth investigation of component real behaviour & Failure symptoms
- 13/13 diagnosis models running
- Risk-based Diagnosis & Prognosis, implying important advances towards the State-of-the-Art

**NEW Physical approach based  
Health Indicator, covering...**

- Damage Classification Technique.
- Unbalance Detection.



**Selection of the  
13 most critical failure modes**

**Development of advanced  
Diagnosis & Prognosis Physical  
Models  
for these 13 Failure Modes**

**Statistical/machine learning  
models bootstrapped with  
Physical models**



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# PHYSICAL & MACHINE LEARNING MODELS

Module	Description
1	<b>Gearbox:</b> Sliding Bearings Wear/Blockage
2	<b>Converter:</b> DC link capacitor degradation
3	<b>Converter:</b> IGCT failure
4	<b>Generator:</b> Rotor Demagnetization
5	<b>Generator:</b> Loss of insulation in the stator winding
6	<b>Blade Bearing:</b> Fatigue and wear of raceways detection module
7	<b>Blade Bearing:</b> Loss of structural integrity detection module
8	<b>Gearbox:</b> Cracks in gears detection module
9	<b>Gearbox bearings:</b> Wear of raceways/rollers detection module
10	<b>Main Shaft Bearing:</b> Fatigue/wear of raceways detection module
11	<b>Main Shaft Bearing:</b> Wear/fatigue of rollers detection module
12	<b>Main transformer:</b> Loss of insulation in the winding detection module
13	<b>Main transformer:</b> Compromised structural integrity detection module



# PHYSICAL & MACHINE LEARNING MODELS



**Platform B: Teesside Wind Farm – Siemens SWT2.3 (operated by EDF)**

FMECA

P-F intervals  
for main  
failure modes

Available  
Data

Module	Description
1	<b>Main bearing: failure early detection</b>
2	<b>Pitch system: failure early detection</b>
3	<b>Gearbox: failure early detection</b>
4	<b>Transformer : interturn short-circuit or Cooling System</b>
5	<b>Generator: Interturn short-circuit of windings, rotor bars</b>
6	Generator: Interturn short-circuit of windings, rotor bars & cooling system



***Statistical/machine learning models bootstrapped with Physical models***

State: Normal / Abnormal

Phase of P-F interval

Temporal evolution of physical error

Time to failure prediction



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# SUPPORT STRUCTURE

Real time intelligence to achieve operational excellence & sustainability goals - ROMEO targets -

## REDUCE EXPENDITURE



**REDUCE OFFSHORE WORK TIME**  
FROM SCHEDULED TO RISK BASED INSPECTION



**OPTIMISE MAINTENANCE –**  
**REDUCE PLANNED OFFSHORE VISITS**  
FROM CORRECTIVE TO PREDICTIVE



**REDUCE COST OF CONSEQUENCE**  
BY EARLY REMEDIATION

## INCREASE PERFORMANCE



**IMPROVE ASSET AVAILABILITY**  
THROUGH FAST INCIDENT RESPONSE



**MINIMISE DOWNTIME**  
BY PREVENTING FAILURES

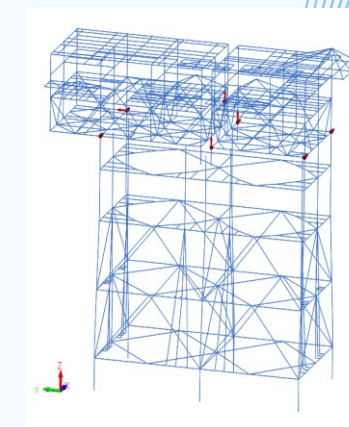


**FULLY EXPLOIT ASSET LIFETIME –**  
BY KNOWING THE CURRENT CONDITION

## IMPROVE SAFETY



**INCREASE WORKFORCE SAFETY**  
BY MINIMISING DANGEROUS OPERATIONS



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# SUPPORT STRUCTURE

Data driven decision support via low-cost monitoring methods



- Optimal sensor placement
- True Digital Twin Technology
- ✗ Relevant insights

## **FE-model update:**

Establish 'as-is' model by reducing uncertainty in the FE-model

- Reassessment & design validation by simulations
- Enabler for low-cost monitoring

## **Fatigue monitoring:**

Indirect monitoring of fatigue damage of the entire structure

- Verified using strain gauge data
- Remaining useful lifetime estimation & Predictive maintenance

## **Damage detection:**

Indirect monitoring of global and local structural integrity of the structure for damage detection and identification (optimally with localisation)

- Risk based inspection



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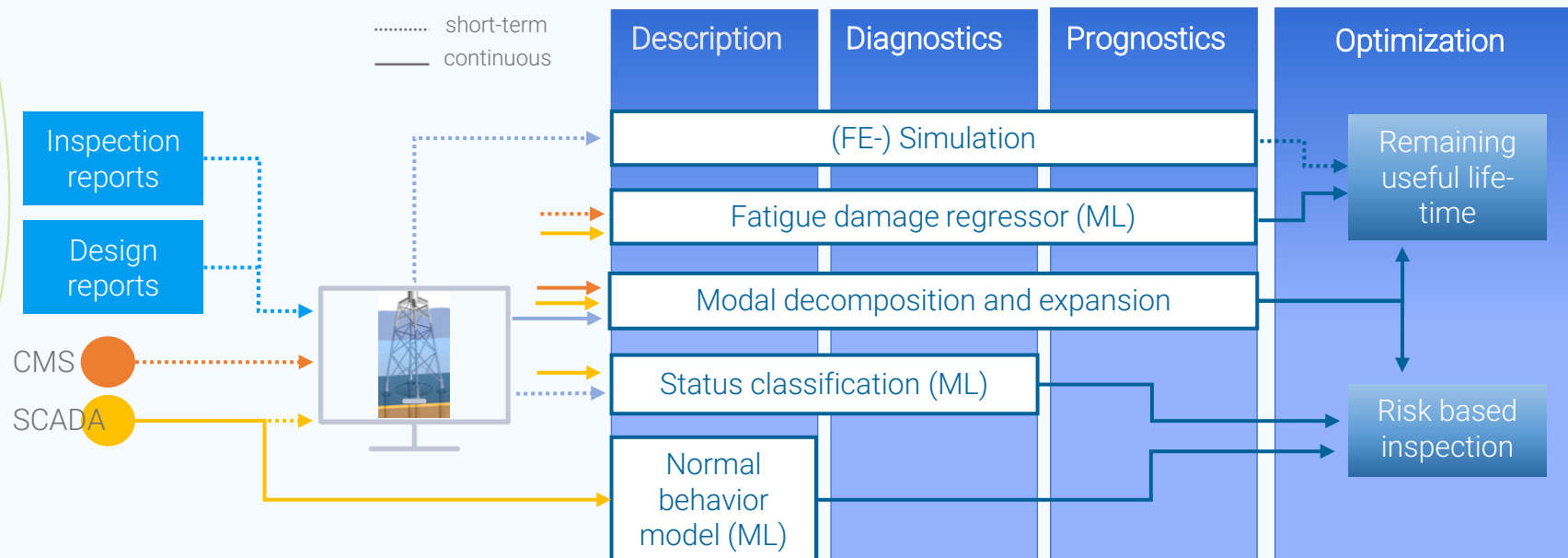
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# SUPPORT STRUCTURE

## Demonstration of ROMEO analytics for low-cost monitoring

Risk assessment of critical failure mechanisms without feasibility of direct sensing:

- ❖ Fatigue
- ❖ Selection of anomalies:
  - Structural anomalies
  - Environmental conditions beyond expectation



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# DIGITALIZATION&DATA INTEGRATION

**Integration** of the different **data acquisition and processing** elements and protocols:

- Heterogeneity of **variables** to monitor and process
- Multiple **communication infrastructures**: Interfaces and protocols have to be independent of the communication infrastructures
- **Communication protocols**: to cope with the variety of subsystems and strategies involved in the control of the elements participating in the WT subdomain.
- **Real time data processing**: allowing extreme transactions and processing characteristics based on the novel edge computing paradigm
- New flexible and interoperable **IoT cloud platform**



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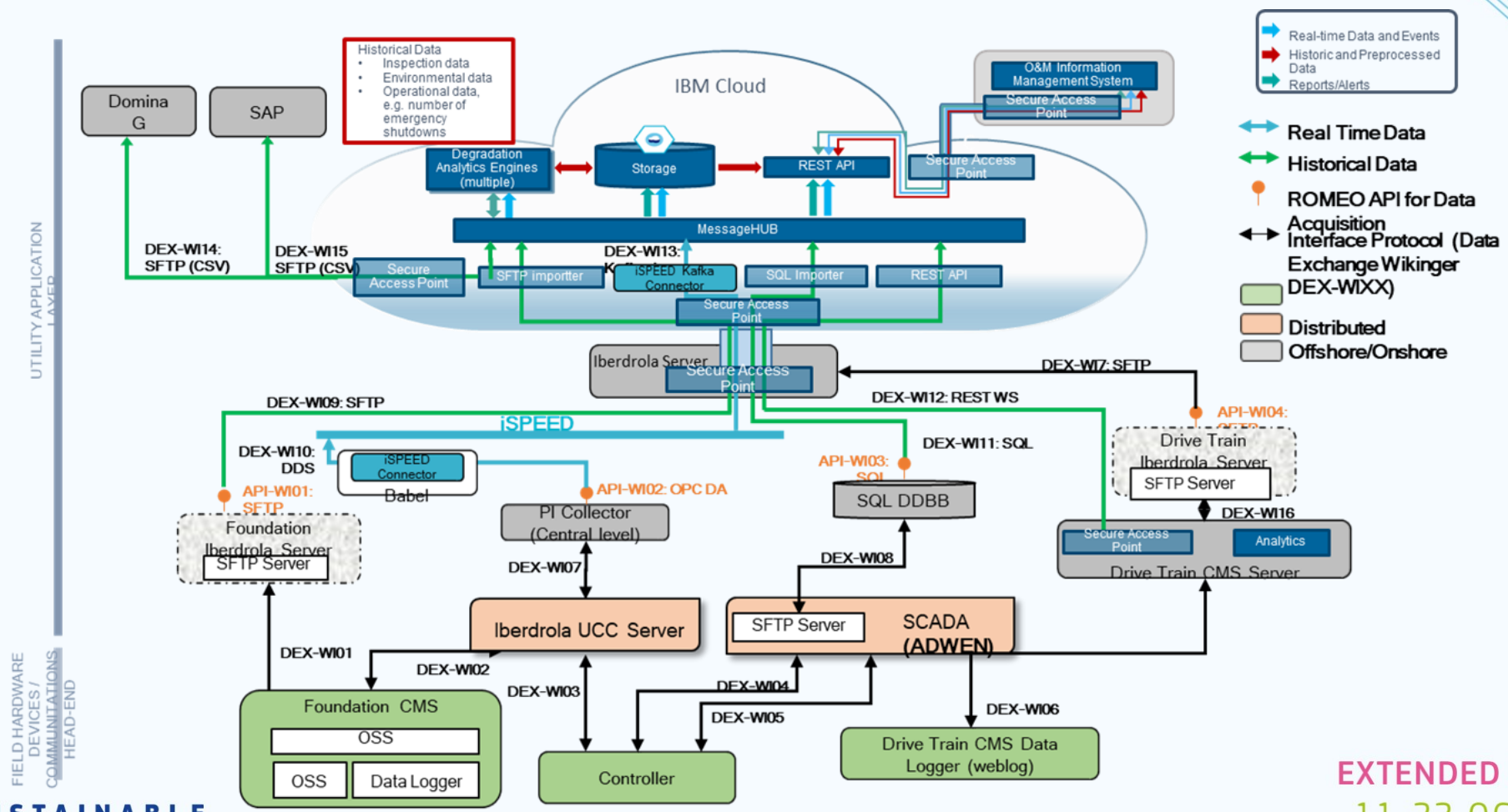
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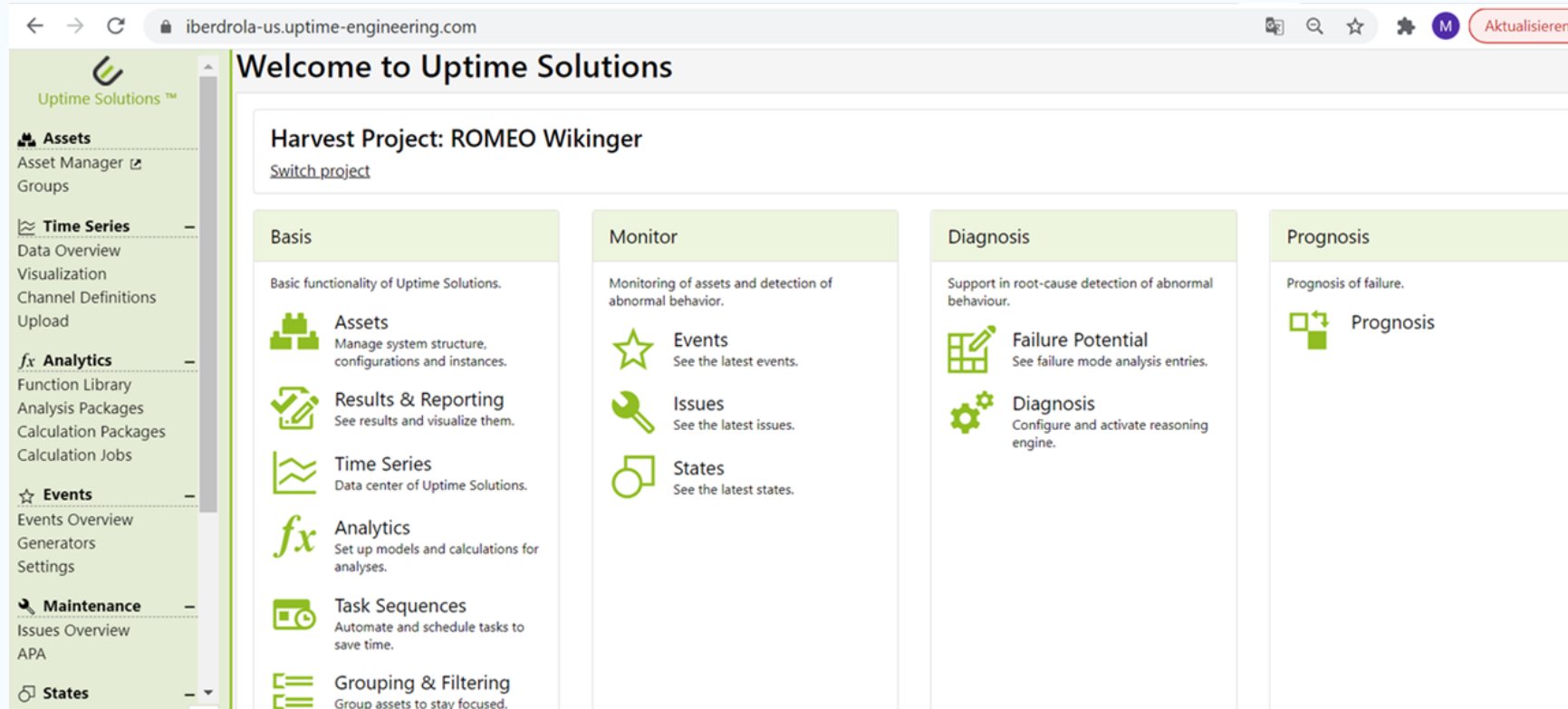




# O&M INFORMATION PLATFORM



- Integration of heterogenous data and information
- Visualization tools for analysis
- Analytics functionalities for KPI calculations and analysis
- Automated advisory generation functionalities



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# INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT TOOL



**Life cycle cost model:** (i) time domain simulations, (ii) account for stochastic inputs, (iii) provision for advanced maintenance topics, (iv) evaluate environmental impact for different scenarios, (v) a fully modular format

## Site characteristics Module

Weather distribution, distance from port, water depth, etc.

## FinEX Module

Weighted Average Cost of Capital, Inflation rate, Equity/debt

## CAPEX Module

Input data during:

- Development and Consenting (D&C)
- Production and acquisition (P&A)
- Installation and commissioning (I&C)
- Decommissioning and disposal (D&D) stages of the offshore wind farm

- Temporal capital costs
- Total D&C, P&C, P&A, I&C, D&D cost

## OPEX Module

- Latest reliability data
- Vessel and technician cost
- Number of technicians required for O&M operations

- Availability, annual repair costs
- Annual O&M cost

## Environmental Impact assessment Module

- Processes
- Materials



- Unit emissions databases



- CO2 emissions, SDGs



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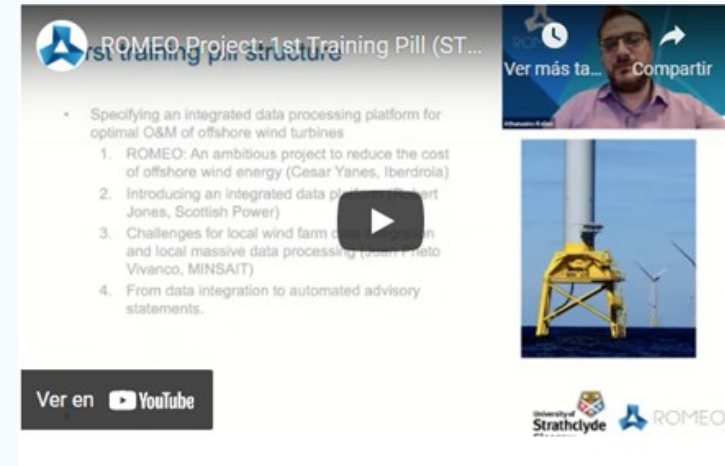
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