











WHAT IS MAKING CYBERSPACE RELEVANT FOR FORCES?

What is the commanders critical information requirement according to cyberspace?



Cyber Resilience of Air and Space operations



The Air Force is operating in cyberspace, too...



... this requires cyber resilience

Objectives

Mission assurance in contested cyberspace

Therefore:

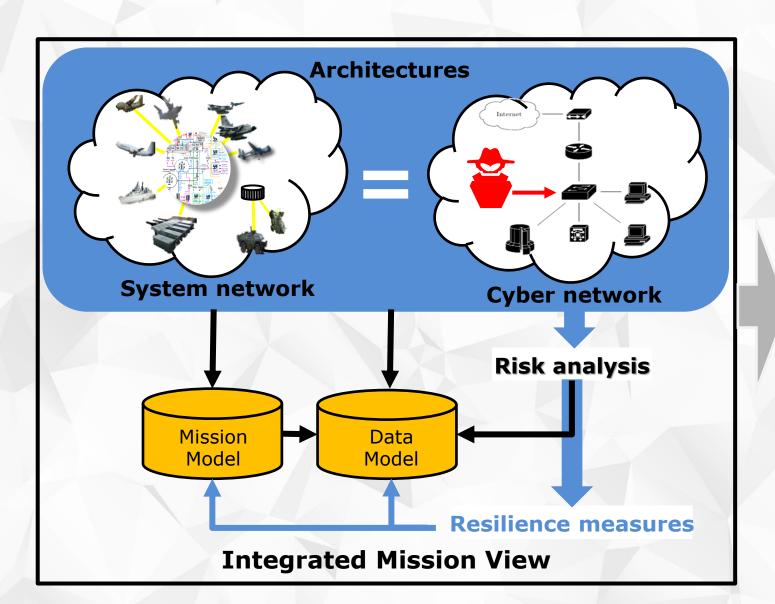
- Implementation of a dynamic assessment capability for cyber threats for all armed forces
- Increasing cyber resilience of Air Force weapon systems
- Increasing cyber resilience of the effect chains of air and space operations

Concept cyber resilience of air and space operations

- Assessment of vulnerability to (potential) cyber attacks
- Risk management for own network structures
- Measures for a robust and resilient IT infrastructure
- → Setting preconditions for a capability-based dynamic cyber risk management for the German Air Force

Cyber Resilience of Air and Space operations – the Concept





Impact and Effect

Command

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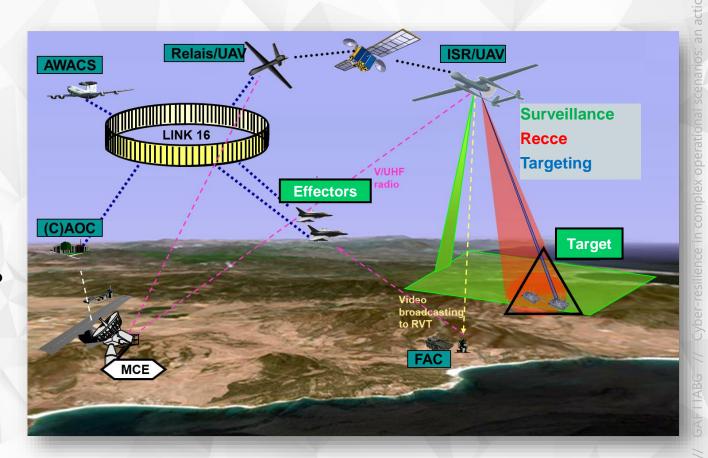
Control





Joint Fire Support Effects chain (NOV-x)

- Who is involved?
- What are the information exchange requirements?
- What phases are there in theatre?



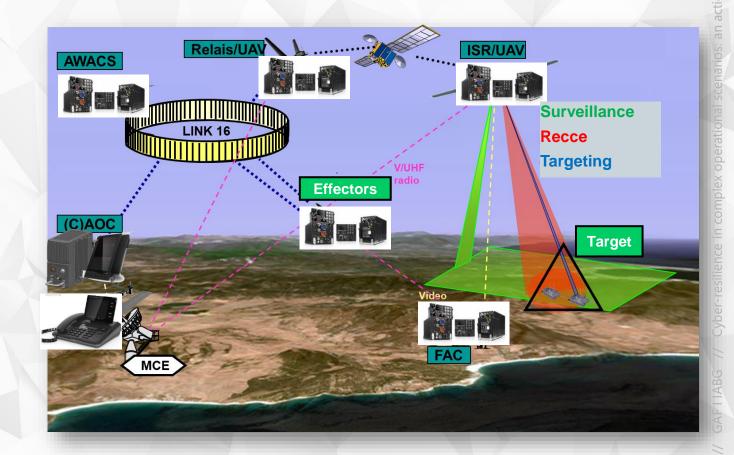




Architectures are creating benefits!

(NSV-y)

- Which communication systems are in use?
- Which interfaces are in use?
- Which protocols are in use?





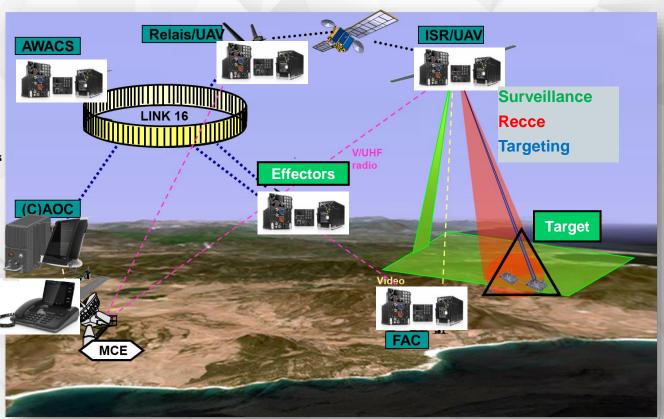
Vulnerability analysis & Risk assessment



Benefit of architectures

- Vulnerability analysis for "mission critical chain links"
- Risk Analysis
- Resilience measures

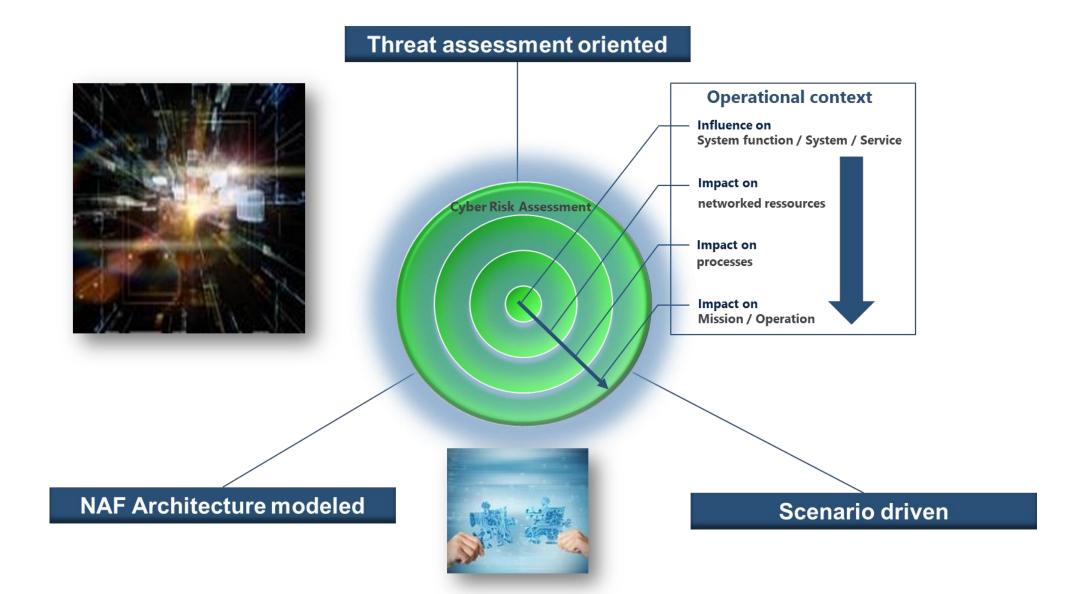
(technical, tactical, procedural, organisational)





Taking the principle – Cyber-Resilience in complex Mission Scenarios



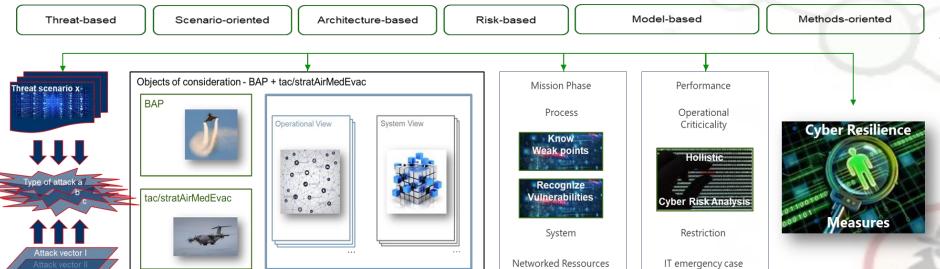


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The holistic Cyber Resilience Process [operationalizable approach]





Develop Cyber Resilience process – operationalized & transferable concept

Interim results:

- NAF Architecture models ready to use.
- Architecture based threat assessment developed.
- Basic data (threat analysis) captured.
- Approach checked for plausibility.

In progress:

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Processes / Mechanics

- Structure captured Basic Data.
- Construct attack model.
- Finalize Cyber resilence process model.
- Develop automating tools for architecture based threat assessment.

Conclusions:

Processes

Procedures

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• Solution statement positive, open to be operationalyzed, develop Tools for automating.

Processes / Mechanics

• Needs for further development: generating models and interaction between them also to be stored with automation.

Processes

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Outlook – a perspective view



Threat Model

- Logical threats
- Physical threats

NAF Architecture Model

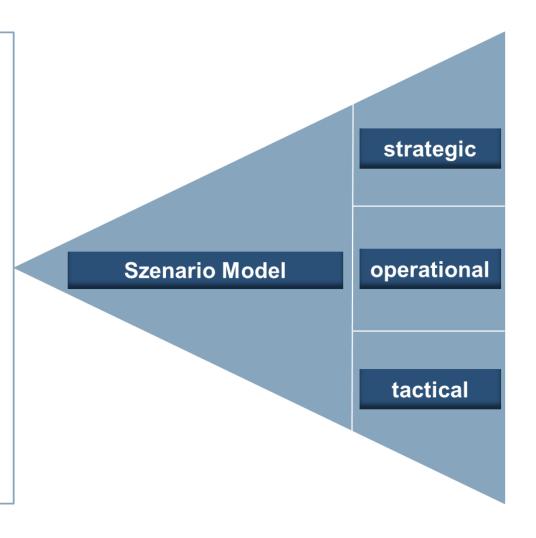
- Organizational structure
- Operational structure
- IT-Infrastructure (functionally)

Network Architecture

- Technical
- Technological

Risk Model

- Cross-models
- Effect oriented
- Integrated and scaleable

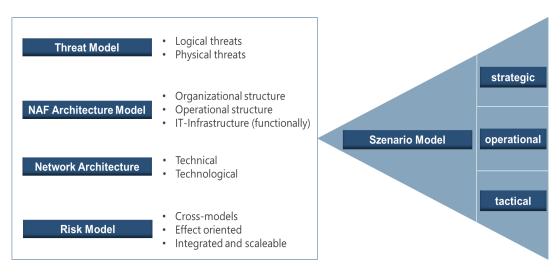


Level of ambition:



Outlook – how to get progress: a perspective view





Mature technology

Standards STIX and TAXII – attack model / data exchange

"Standard" NAF / ADMBw – Models of threatened SoS

"Ergonomics" – capable operational picture

Sensors – obeservation / indicators

"Model Learning" – generate "Al-Models"

Algorithm - Recognized Operational Picture & Assessment

Organization

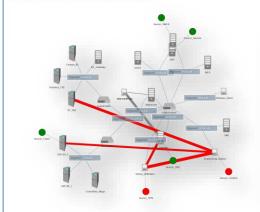
Basic principles – provide and foster
Intelligence Preparation of the Cyber Space

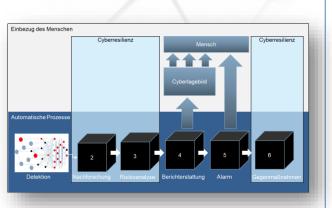
Reuse of Models

Provide Data exchange

Added value of modules:

- Attack model / Data exchange
- Operational Cyber picture
- generate "Al modules"
- develope algorithm
 - create operational picture
 - process assessment





Conclusions – at a glance



Cyber-Resilience



Level of Ambition



Increasing the effectiveness of forces under cyber threats.

Therefore:

- Establishing of a dynamic asssessment capability of cyber threats in a combined approach
- Enhancing of cyber resilience of DEU Airforce weapon systems
- Increasing the cyber resilience of Air and Space operations effects chains

Concept of Cyber resilience of Air and Space operations



- Vulnerability assessment against potential cyber threats
- Risk management for own networks and structures
- Measures for robust and resilient IT-infrastructures
- → Setting-up a capability-based dynamic Cyber- and IT-Risk Management for DEU Airforce





Cyber-resilience in complex operational scenarios: an actionable solution approach

Thank you!

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