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SOLUTIONS FOR PROTECTING THE SPACE GROUND SEGMENTS: FROM RISK ASSESSMENT TO EMERGENCY RESPONSE

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Project Overview

- **7SHIELD** - 'Safety and Security Standards of Space Systems, ground Segments and Satellite data assets, via prevention, detection, response and mitigation of physical and cyber threats'
- Funded by the EU Horizon 2020 programme in response to SU-INFRA01-2018-2019-2020 "Prevention, detection, response and mitigation of combined physical and cyber threats to critical infrastructure in Europe"
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- Coordinator: Engineering Ingegneria Informatica SpA
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- 22 Partners from 12 European countries including
  - ✓ 5 GSSS infrastructure owners and operators (FMI, NOA, SPACEAPPS, DEIMOS, SERCO)
  - ✓ first responders organizations (EETT, HP, KEMEA)
  - ✓ academic/research institutes (CERTH, CENTRIC, CeRICT)
  - ✓ industry and technical SMEs (ENG, CS, INOV, STWS, DES, DFSL, RG, ACCELI, RESIL, CLS, CSNov)

GSSS main threats and security issues

- Facilities are **open to visitors**; thus, access is possible to unauthorized individuals with potentially abnormal or malicious intent (e.g. espionage, vandalism, terrorist or activist attack)
- Several facilities are **established in isolated areas** (e.g. forest, hills, etc.), and are unattended, which fact can be exploited by potential intruders/attackers
- GSSS are open air facilities, that are **exposed to UAV attacks**
- The **data centers** and the **satellite antennas** are some of the most important assets, that the services of the GSSS rely on. These assets are prone to both **physical and cyber threats** such as:
    - Unauthorized access to virtual machine/data
    - Unavailability of user services due to DDoS.
    - Unauthorized access and Damage to the server/data room
    - Sniffing attack (e.g. sniff the user authentication traffic between a client and a serve, trying to extract password hashes or authentication information)
    - Ransomware attack
    - Natural hazards
    - Interruption/Disruption of power supply, communication etc. or theft of critical equipment

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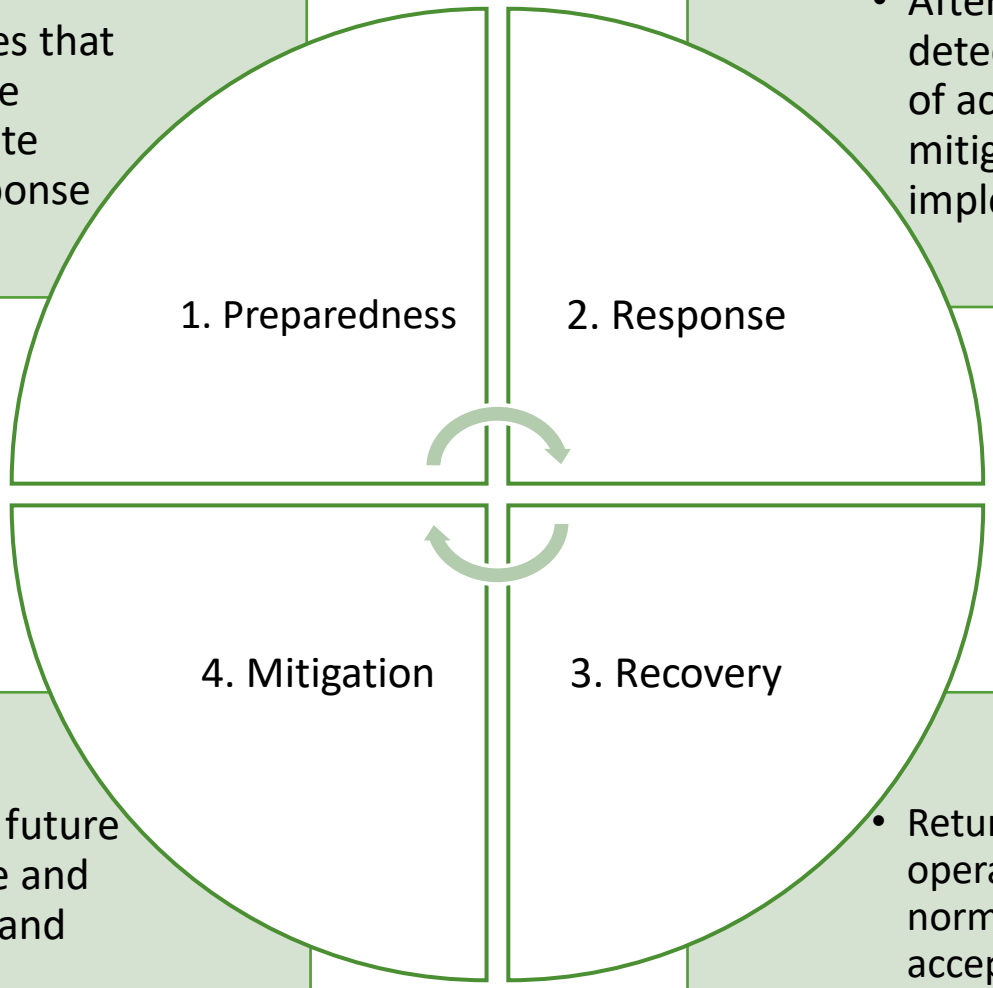
*GSSS: Ground Segments of Space Systems

Crisis management and Security solutions

- Develop capabilities that will enable appropriate crisis response

- After event is detected, a set of actions to mitigate risk is implemented



- Reducing future loss of life and property and injuries

- Return operations to normal or to accepted levels & limit damage

Physical security

- ✓ Perimeter protection,
- ✓ Guards,
- ✓ Building management,
- ✓ Intrusion detection and access control,
- ✓ Video surveillance (including video analytics),
- ✓ Audio surveillance,
- ✓ CBRNe sensors,
- ✓ Physical Security Information Management (PSIM) systems,
- ✓ Fire detection and alarm system,
- ✓ UAV and Counter-UAV systems,
- ✓ LIDAR and Radar systems with innovative detection algorithms.

Cyber security

- ✓Data Protection,
- ✓ Network Monitoring,
- ✓Intrusion Detection and Response Systems,
- ✓ Endpoint Monitoring,
- ✓ Digital Authentication and Access Control,
- ✓Software Development based on privacy by design techniques,
- ✓IoT Sensors,
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence techniques,
- ✓Event recording and audit systems,
- ✓Secure remote access.

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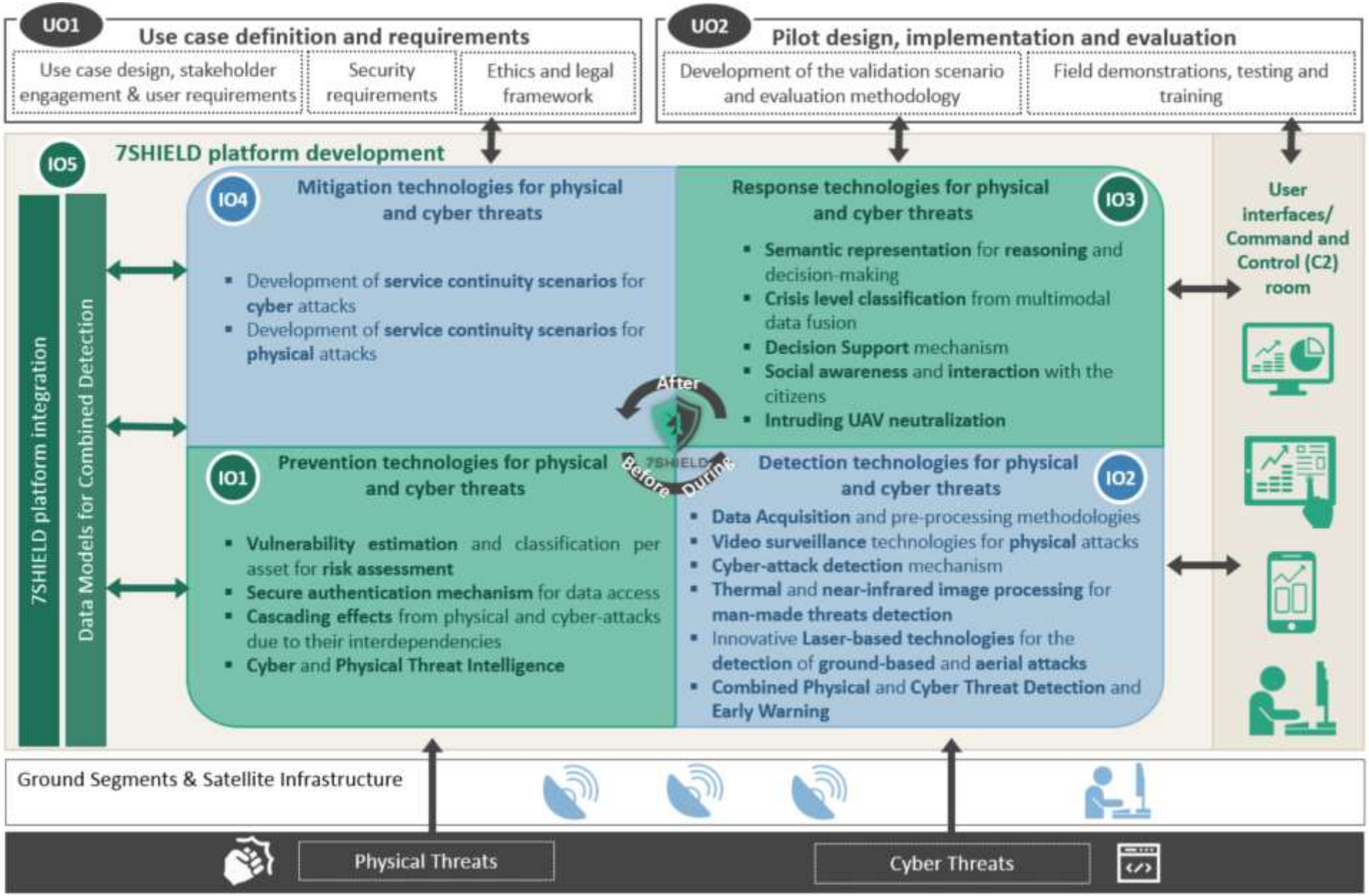


Arctic Space Centre in Finland

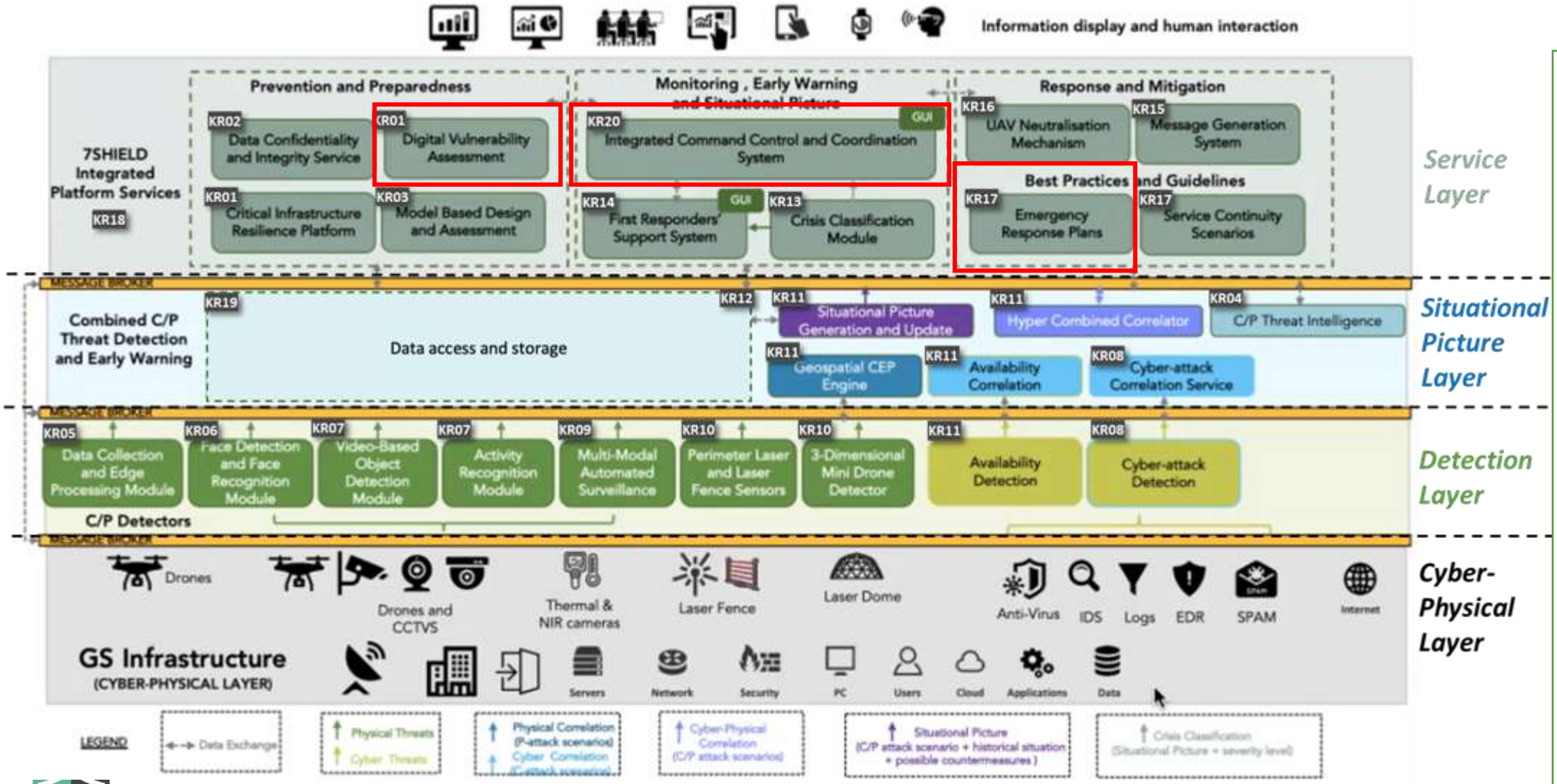
ICE Cubes Service in Brussels

Deimos Ground Segment in Spain

Ground Segment of NOA in Greece

ONDA DIAS platform in Italy

7SHIELD conceptual approach



Main solutions for Operators:

- ✓ **Risk Assessment tools**
- ✓ Data Confidentiality and Integrity
- ✓ Interdependencies and cascading effects
- ✓ **Integrated C3 System**
- ✓ Decision Support System
- ✓ Crisis Classification Tool
- ✓ Social Awareness and Warning Message
- ✓ Service Continuity Scenarios
- ✓ **Emergency Response Plans**

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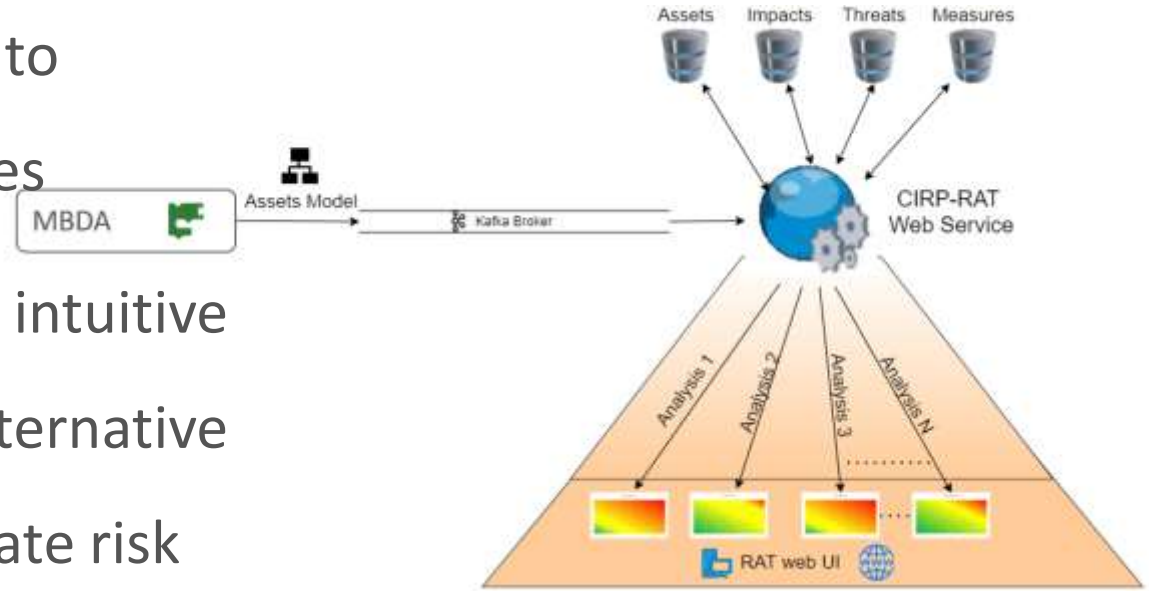
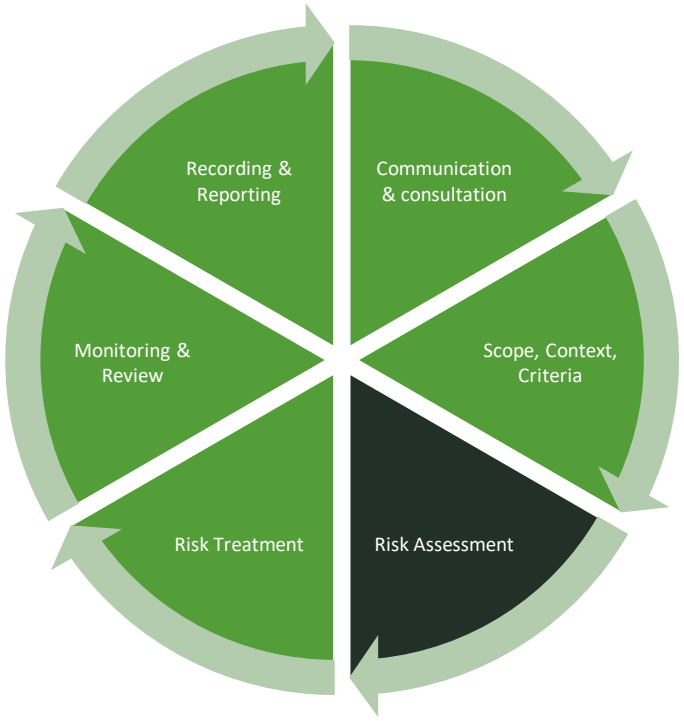
CIRP Risk Assessment Tool

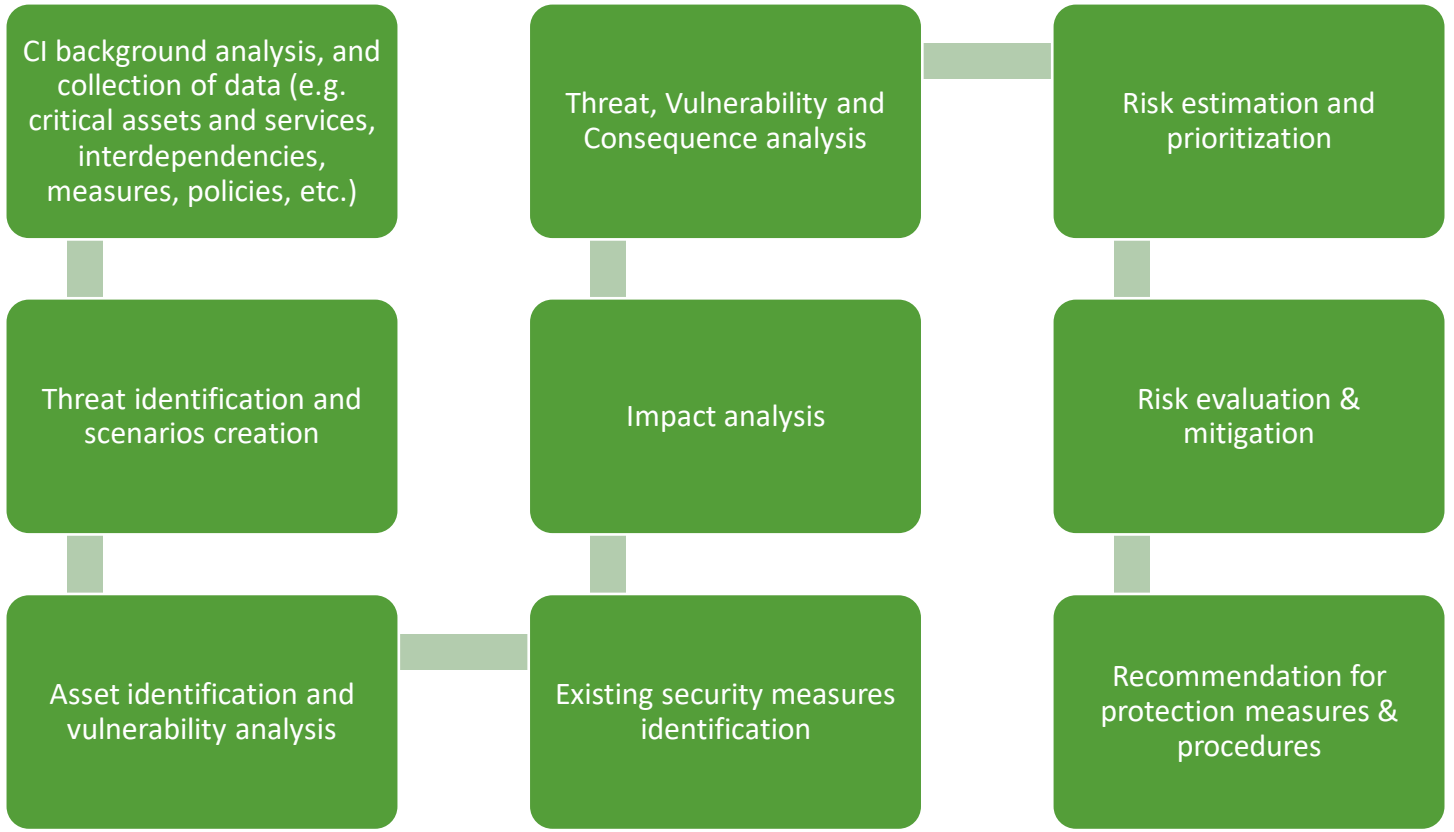
- CIRP-RAT is designed as an extension of the CIRP (Critical Infrastructure Resilience Platform) provided by Satways. CIRP is an end-to-end modelling component, able to provide online and offline simulation functionalities
- CIRP-RAT, is a web-based tool, offering through an intuitive and user-friendly interface the capability to run alternative what-if scenarios (assessments), in order to calculate risk and to identify adequate response options



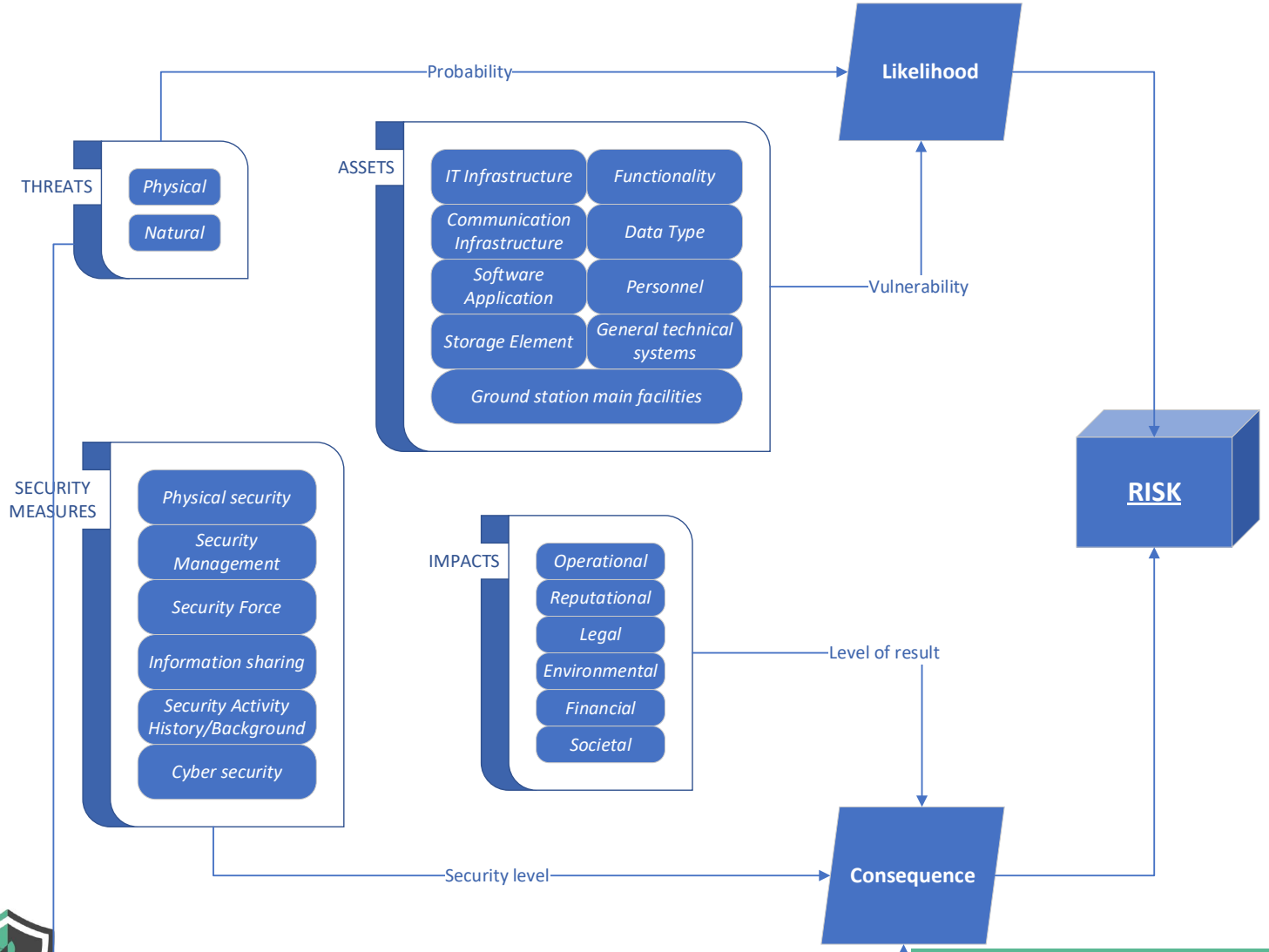
7SHIELD Risk assessment process

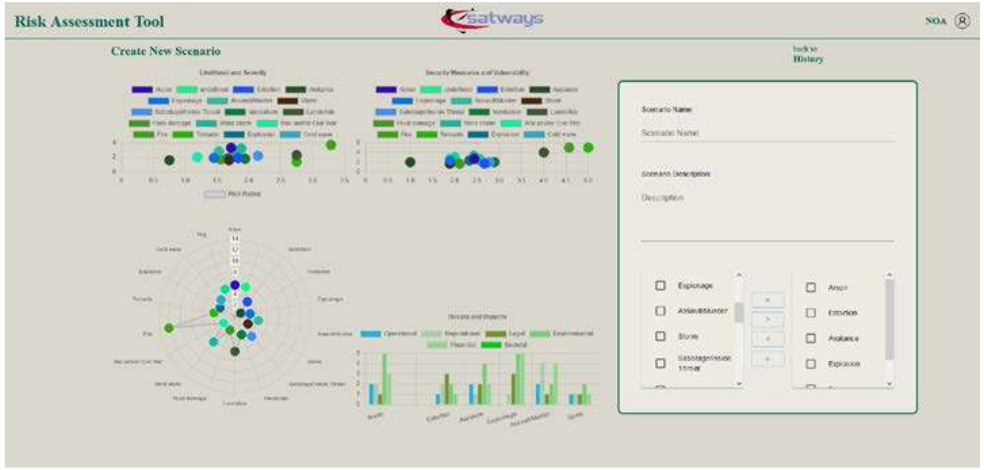
CIRP-RAT provides the CI operator with risk assessment information in a stepwise process:





CIRP-RAT main components





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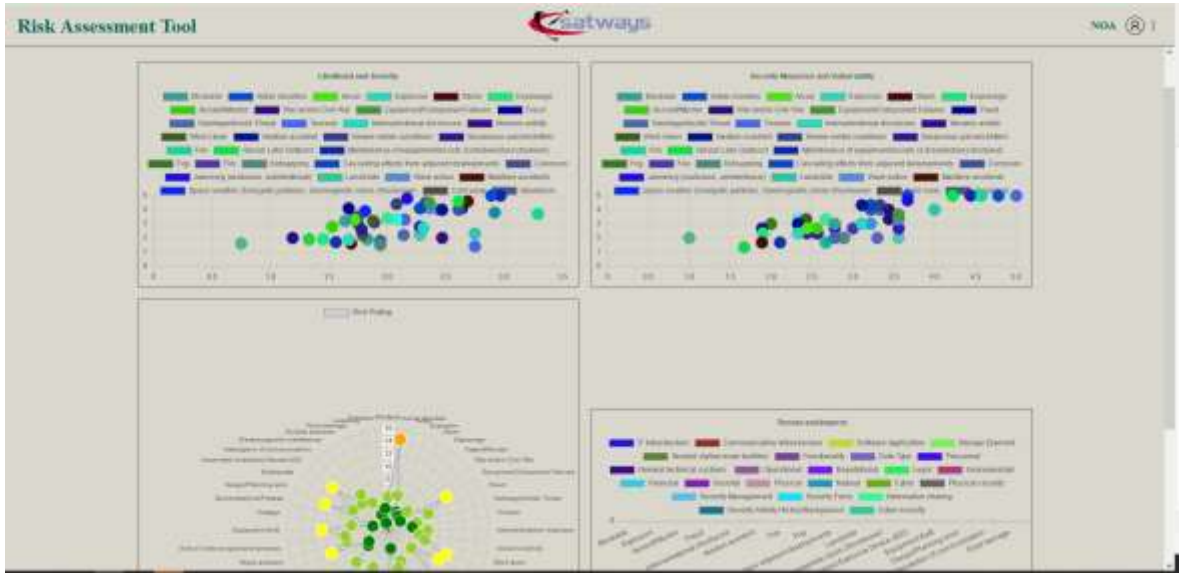
CIRP-RAT results for physical threats assessment



Risk Level	Risk Definition
Maximum	Unacceptable: Maximum disruption of provided services and maximum threat to facility operation. Implement new/additional security measures, create/update plans or processes
High	Unacceptable: Maximum disruption of provided services, large threat to facility operation. Implement new/additional security measures, create/update plans or processes
Medium	(Un)acceptable: Some disruption to the provided services, some threat to facility performance. It should be aggressively managed, and consider enhancement of or additional measures.
Low	Acceptable: little disruption, little threat to the facility. Some security actions/measures are probably necessary.
Minimum	Acceptable: No or very small disruption to the facility. The current security framework is sufficient.

Several diagrams and tables are produced, presenting the following information (non-exhaustive):

- Likelihood vs Severity
- Security Measures vs Vulnerability
- Risk Rating
- Threats vs Impacts
- Risk, Severity, Likelihood

Why risk assessment framework and CIRP-RAT?

Risk awareness and informed decision making on security measures

Organized and holistic security plan

Improved allocation of resources

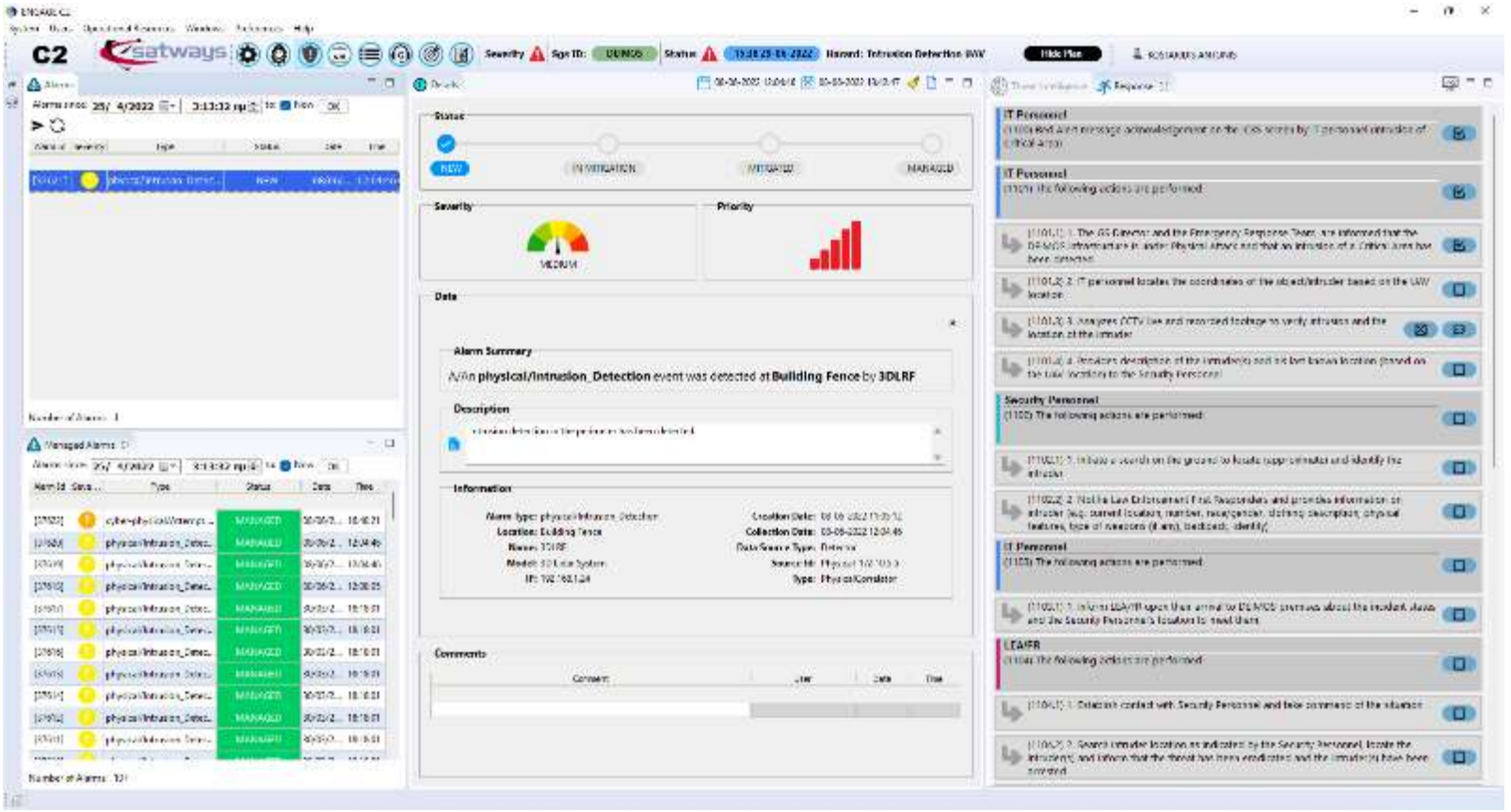
Preparedness and anticipation of threats

Incident response capacity and mitigation of incident damage

ENGAGE PSIM

- Unified User Interface
- 2D / 3D Map
- Advanced User & Role management (access rights per user and roles)
- Collaboration with the FRs on the field (tracking, monitoring, mission assignment)
- Depiction of situation on the field
- Integrated Emergency Response Plans

Advanced Graphical User Interface (Thick Client or Web)



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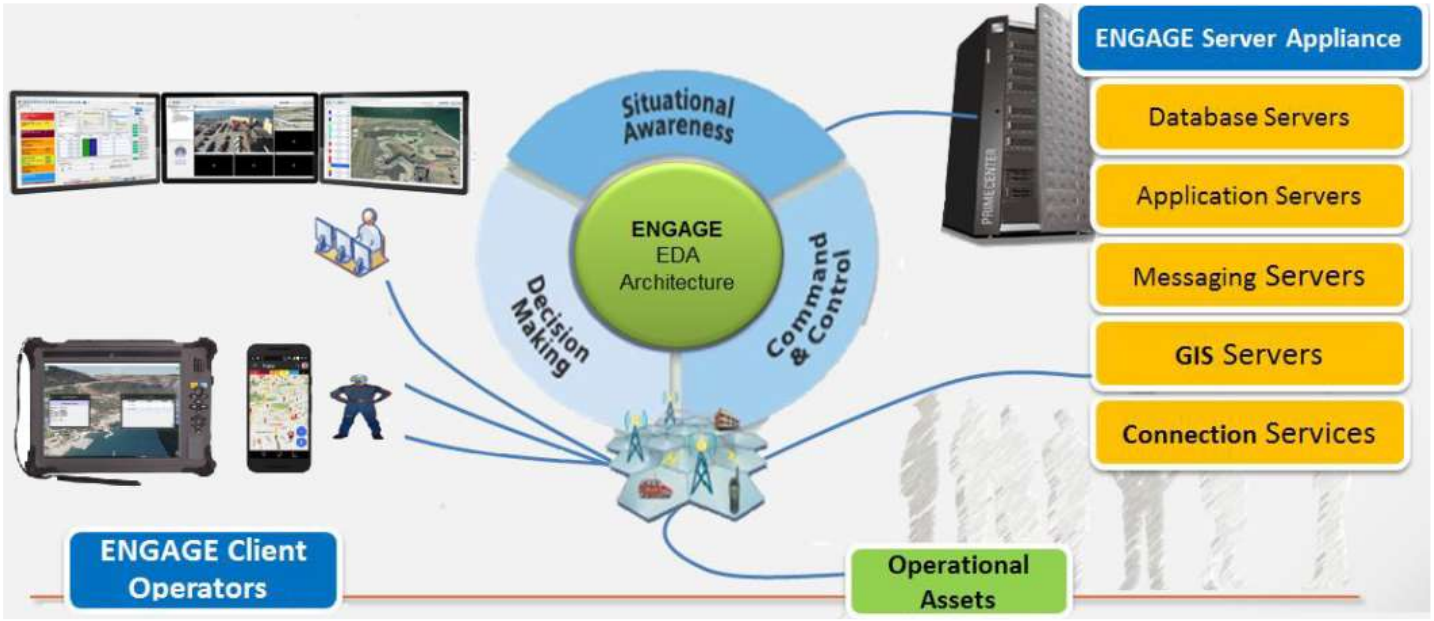

- Information from physical and detection tools, event correlators, crisis assessment tools and social media analysis tools are collected and combined. Then they are depicted in the **user-friendly UI, improving the situational awareness** of the users and enabling **effective management of the response activities**.
- Taking into consideration the list of attacks that have been detected and the status of the response activities, an **overall estimation of the CI status is depicted to the users**, informing them about the status of the CI, the overall **severity of the attacks**, the **hazard types** etc.
- During a crisis, the ENGAGE PSIM enables the **communication between the commanders and the FRs**, by providing to the users the **status of the FRs** (e.g. their position and vital signs), and by **collaborating with them and assigning to them commands/missions.**
- During the response phase, the ENGAGE PSIM supports the decision-making process by incorporating the **Emergency Response Plan** of the CIs. These plans **guide the actions of the commanders**, by mentioning which action should be executed in each phase of the crisis (mission assignments, communication of the situation to external agencies, internal actions etc.).
- The person in charge can **manage all resources** (human and non-human) through **multiple communication methods and a holistic visualization.**

Emergency Response Plan (ERP) module

A key part of preparing for an emergency is developing an Emergency Response Plan (ERP). ERPs are set to associate the specific threat events detected or correlated with specific reaction protocols.

- **Improve Operations** by making the right decision in a critical situation [*Elimination of operators panic or subjectivity during response*]
- **Efficient** *[time, cost, quality etc.]* **management** of emergency situations
- **Systematize specific responses** [*Simple, immediate and clear instructions for response actions*]

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Emergency Response Plan (ERP) module

Part of ERPs	Components of the ERPs
Strategic: The strategic part of the plans describes the general emergency management policy objectives and offer general guidance by establishing the long-term policy priorities and responsibilities.	1. **Introduction**, **scope** and **purpose** of the ERP 2. The **concept of operations** of the SGS 3. The **operational organization** of the SGS & **assignment of responsibilities** related to emergency management activities 4. **Direction control** and **coordination** identifying the members of the Emergency Response Team and the persons/roles that have operational control over response assets 5. Emergency **information collection**, **analysis,** and **dissemination** 6. **Communications** & **coordination** procedures during the ER 7. **Administration**, **logistics** and **general support policies and services** for all types of emergencies 8. ERP **revision**, **maintenance,** and **training** process
Operational: This part is a detailed organizational process which defines and describes the roles and responsibilities, the tasks, and actions to be performed by the various emergency management stakeholders during response.	9. **Threat/Emergency specific** functional **playbooks** which focus on critical operational functions and who is responsible for carrying them out, or they contain unique and regulatory response details that apply to a specific threat, in the form of standard operating procedures. These playbooks describe policies, processes, roles, and responsibilities that SGS's persons/roles and departments carry out during any pre-identified emergency and until it is resolved.

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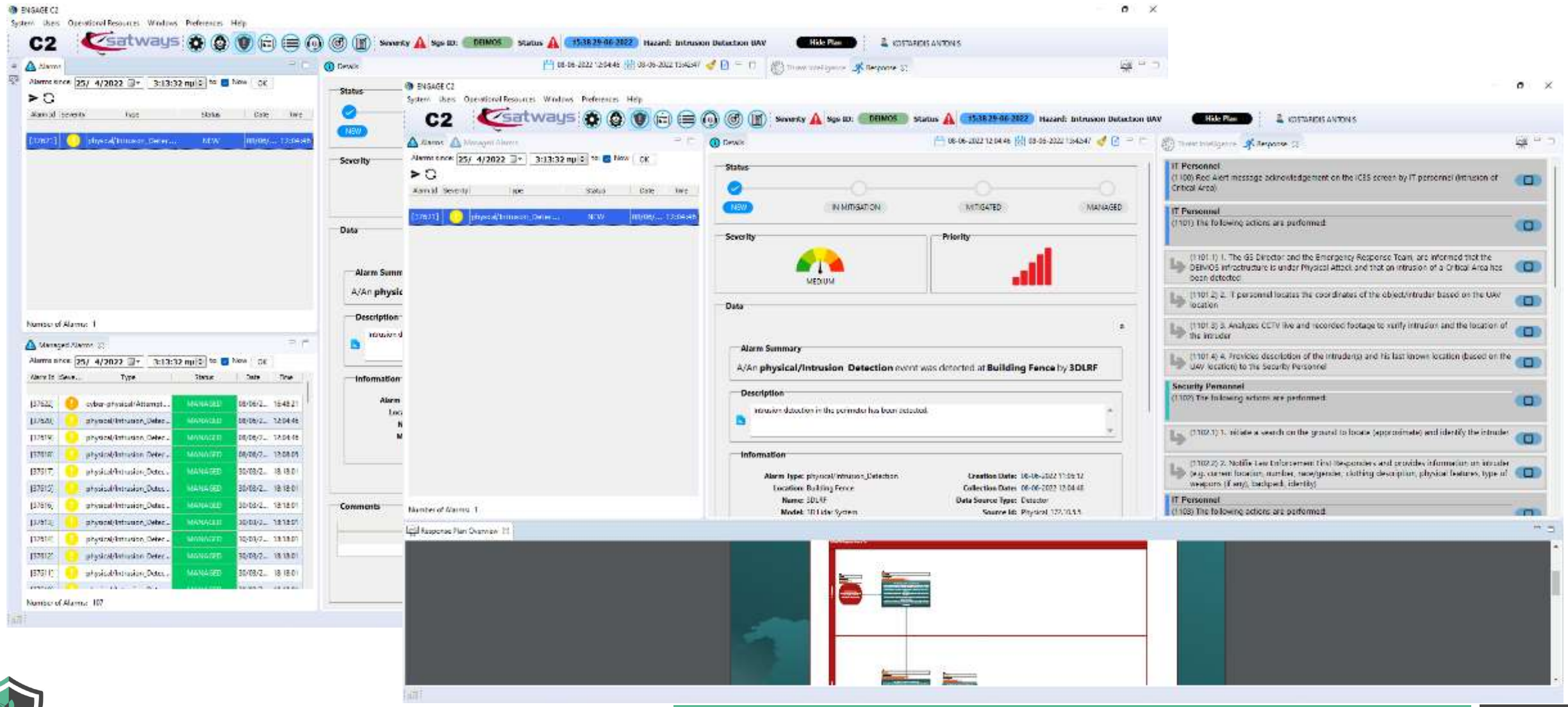

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