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### WITSML™ and Intelligent Oilfield Operations David Archer

#### MIT Data Center M-Alliance: Applications in the Petroleum Industry 21 September 2005

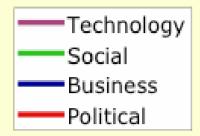


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#### Law of Disruption

Source: Downes & Mui, "Unleashing the Killer App"

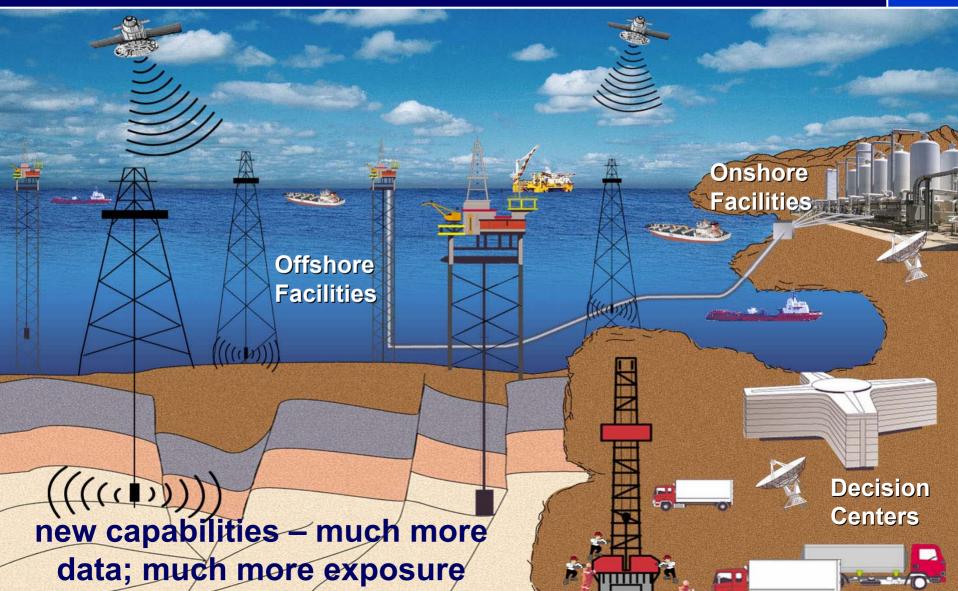


Social, political and economic systems change incrementally, but technology changes exponentially

Change



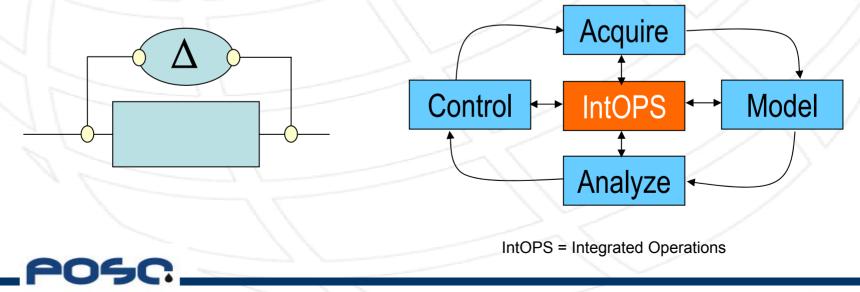
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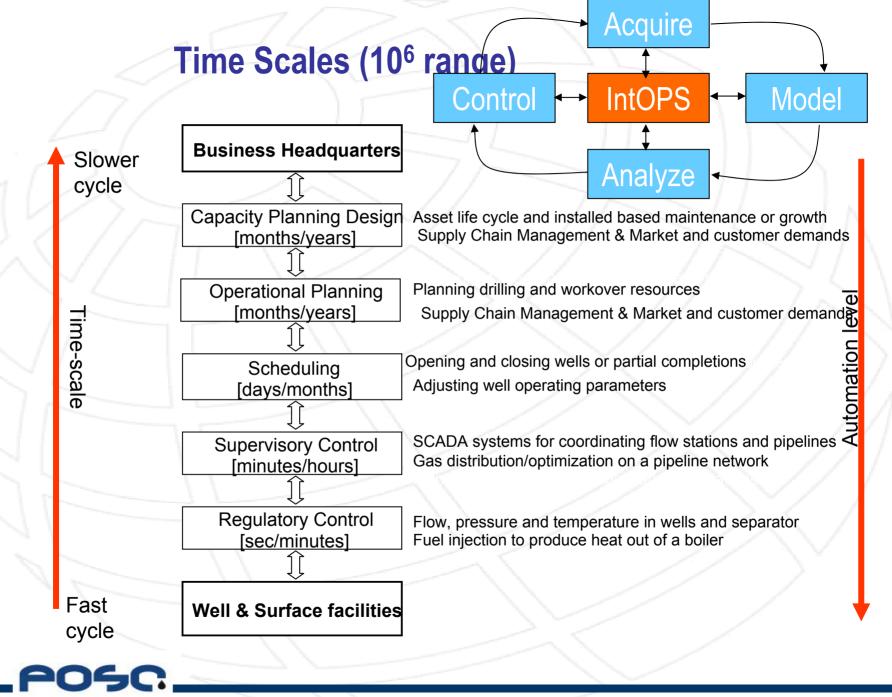


# **Smart Systems**

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Source: Saputelli SPE 83978

# The Problem?

- **Theorem 1**: 50% of the problems in the world result from people using the same words with different meanings
- **Theorem 2**: The other 50% of the problems results from people using different words with the same meaning

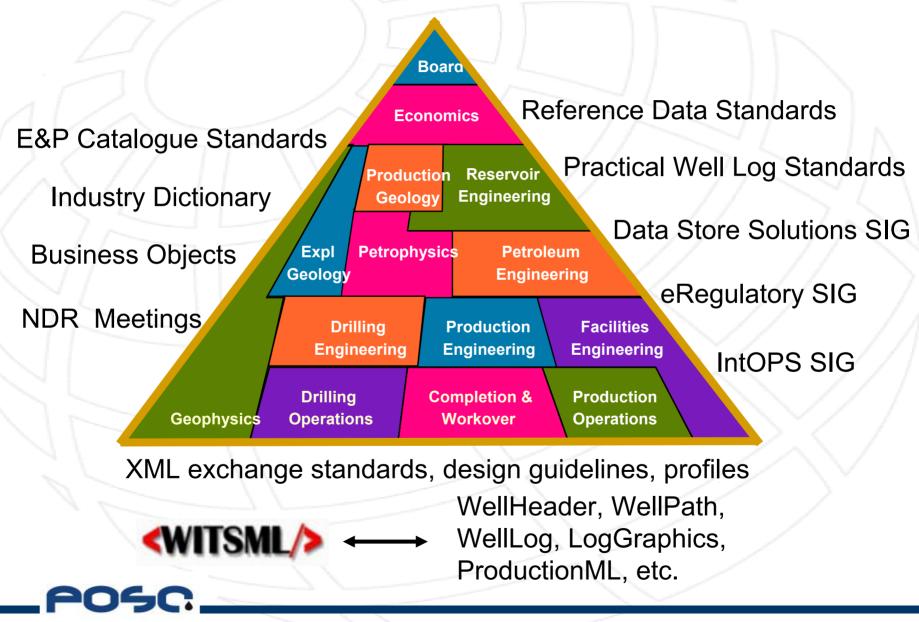
Stan Kaplan, Risk Analysis, Vol. 17, No. 4, 1997







### **POSC Standards / SIGs**



# Two parts of Information Transfer

### Mechanical

- The letter and the envelope
- The mail service
- General
  - The message content and meaning
  - The transport medium
- Electronic / Internet
  - eXtended Mark-up Language (XML) / and here

POSC is focussed her

- Internet technologies (http, Web services etc,)



# Standards – a Refresher

- A Standard is a set of agreements to do something in a common, shared way
  - Agreements of need, design, usage, evolution
- "Ascribe to standards those things that are routine and uncontroversial. Compete on those things that are new and differentiate ones products and services". After W. Edwards Deming



# **Benefits of Standards**

- Statoil: Standards based Data Management save \$10MM+ per year
- Standards enable quicker, cheaper, better business analyses and decisions
- Examples in other industries (telecoms, railways, internet, ...) and some in E&P demonstrate the benefits of standards to all players



### Standards ...

### from a major operator's point of view

- It is better to be common than to be the best
- We will get common before we get best
- Claim
  - Savings of \$100 Million / year due to internal standardization

#### But we have learned that ...

- Standardizing Data Models is not sufficient
- Shared content must also have a standardized representation
- Content must be described "neutrally" with respect to usage
- Loose integration via internet exchange is very powerful



# Industry Barriers - after Gartner

- Lack of Integration too many data sources
- Lack of timeliness of information
- Inconsistency of available sources of information
- Inaccurate / poor quality information
- Inability to access information

### Gartner Claim -Quality and Access are not significant issues for E&P?



# Gartner on Standards

- ... Industries with strong rich standards and companies that have strong rich standards just do better from an economic perspective ...
- E&P Standards needed to support
  - Regulatory reporting
  - Asset M&A
  - Portfolio Review
  - Production Optimization

Standards shift the competitive focus Standardizing IT helps companies get to 'Core' better





#### WITSML<sup>™</sup> – <u>WWW.WITSML.ORG</u>

Wellsite Information Transfer Standard Markup Language

"The 'right-time' seamless flow of well-site data between operators and service companies to speed and enhance decision-making"

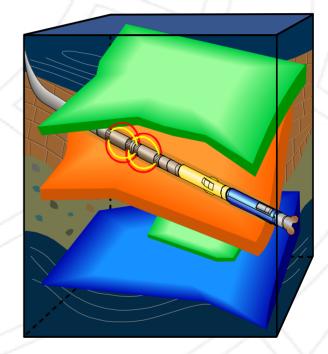


A New Open Information Transfer Standard for the Oilfield



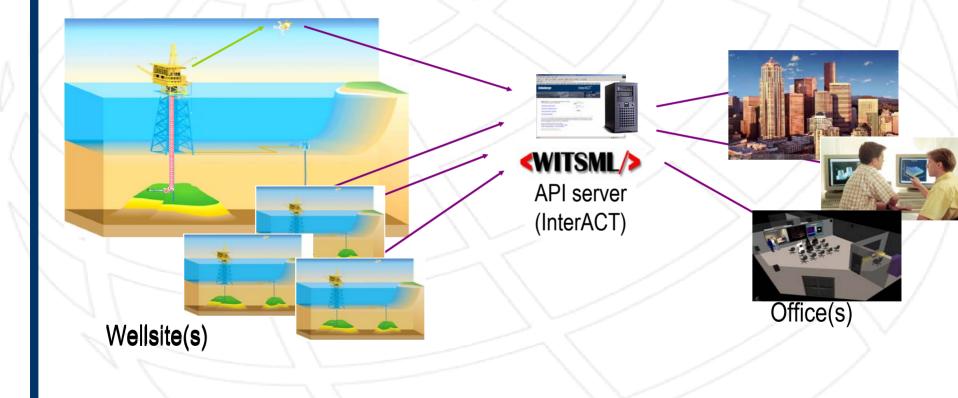
# **Drilling Issues**

- Maximize well productivity
- Minimise formation damage
- Avoid pressure problems
- Steer the drill bit
- Find and stay within hydrocarbon zone
- Requires a combination of different measurements from different companies and collaboration among disciplines (Drilling, Geology, Reservoir)





## **Sample WITSML Data Flow**







### Data Objects: Original, New, Updated, Draft

**Bottom Hole Assembly Run** Cement Job **Conventional Core Fluids Report Formation Marker**  $Log \rightarrow$  Well Log (includes Wireline) Message **Mud Log Operations Report Real Time Rig / Rig Equipment Server Capabilities Sidewall Core** 

**Subscription Survey Program** Target **Trajectory & Trajectory Station (includes** planned & calculated well path) Tubular / Bit Record / Open Hole Well Wellbore Wellbore Geometry **Risk Completion / Well Mechanical Regulatory Permitting and Reporting Production Activity and Volumes Distributed Temperature Survey (->1.3.1) Image Calibration** 



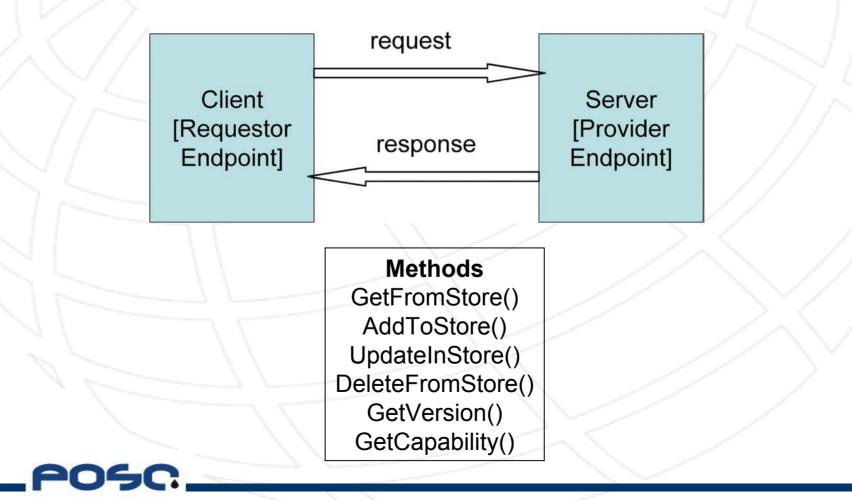
# WITSML Messaging

The WITSML standard comprises two sets of specifications – one for vocabulary, one for transport:

- Data Schema Specifications define XML vocabulary for WITSML drilling information (data objects)
- API (Application Programming Interface)
   Specifications defining an optional set of interfaces exchanging WITSML data objects. In particular, the API defines the client-server behavior (Store) and Publish/Subscribe (Publish) interfaces.

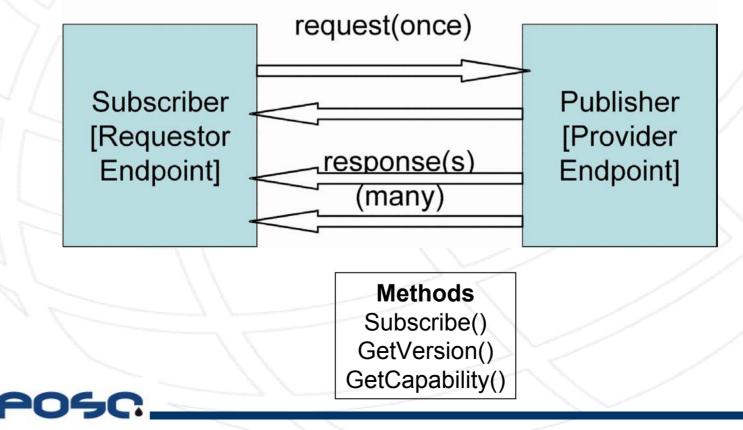






# WITSML Publish Interface

**PUBLISH** Interface





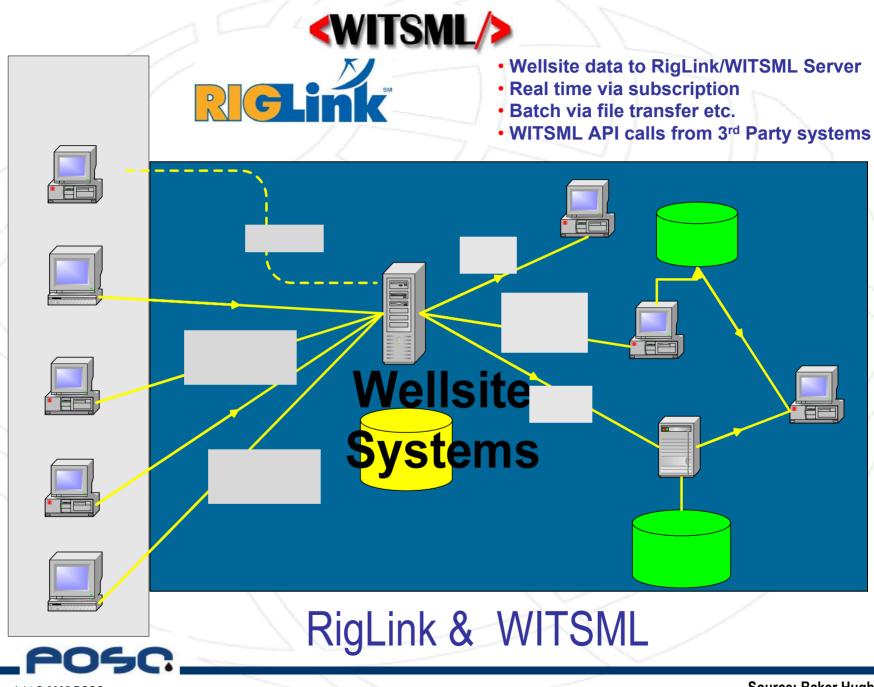
- WITSML started as a collaborative effort to update the widely used WITS standard for moving drilling data between rig and office based computer systems
- WITSML is designed for the standards of today's "always on" Internet environment while still accommodating those rigs not yet "Wired"
- WITSML is a POSC standard that is published and available to all to implement
- Real world use of WITSML is happening NOW
- The scope of usage is being extended based on practical experience and pragmatic needs via the WITSML SIG



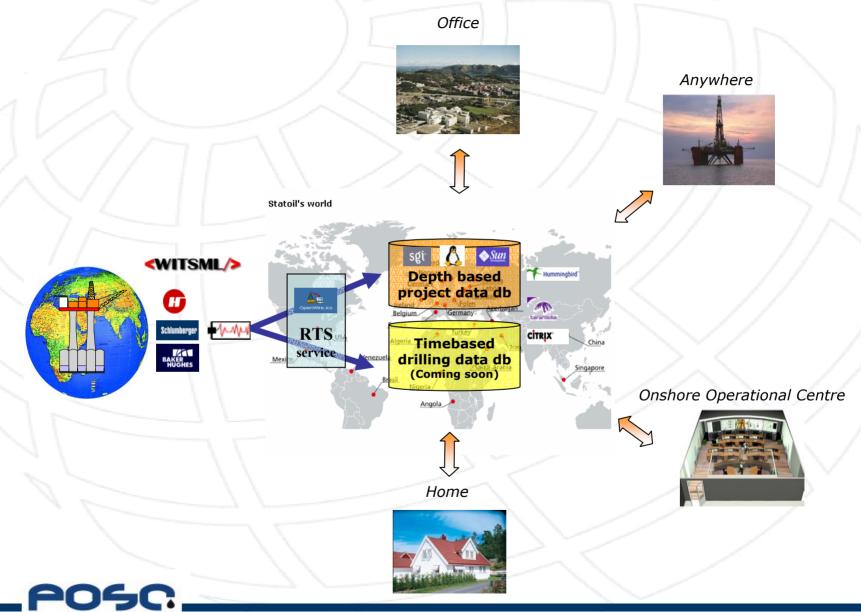
# **BP** Vision

- Automation of many manual processes in current Drilling Data workflows
  - Contractors (Service and Drilling) automatically push data into our corporate data stores
  - Partners can automatically pull data (Not images) for morning reports into their data stores
  - Operators can push statutory reporting data for statutory reports
  - Contractors can share data with one another at the rigsite
- A single standard to make the vision possible, reducing industry costs

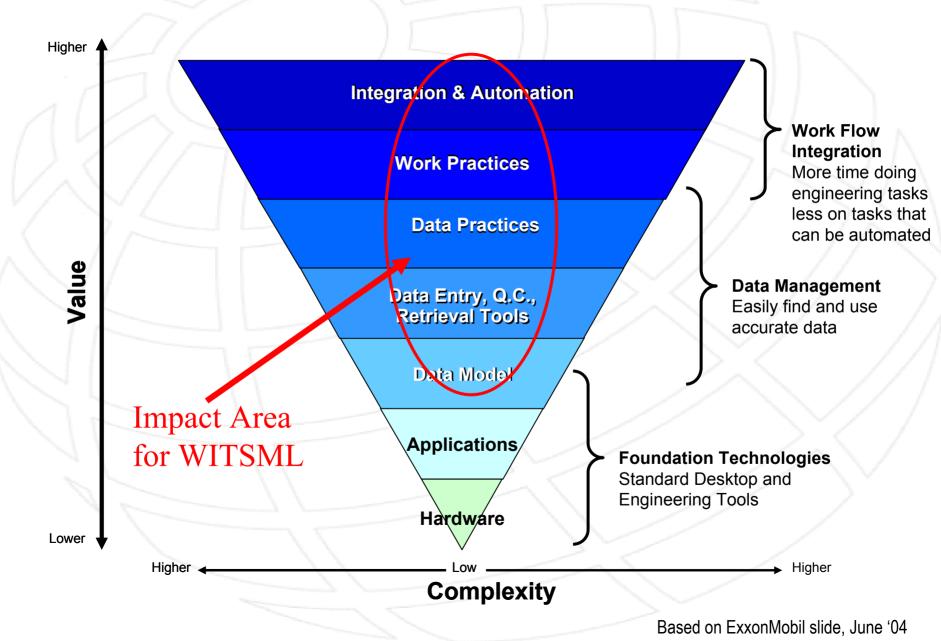




### Global acquisition & access of RT drilling data



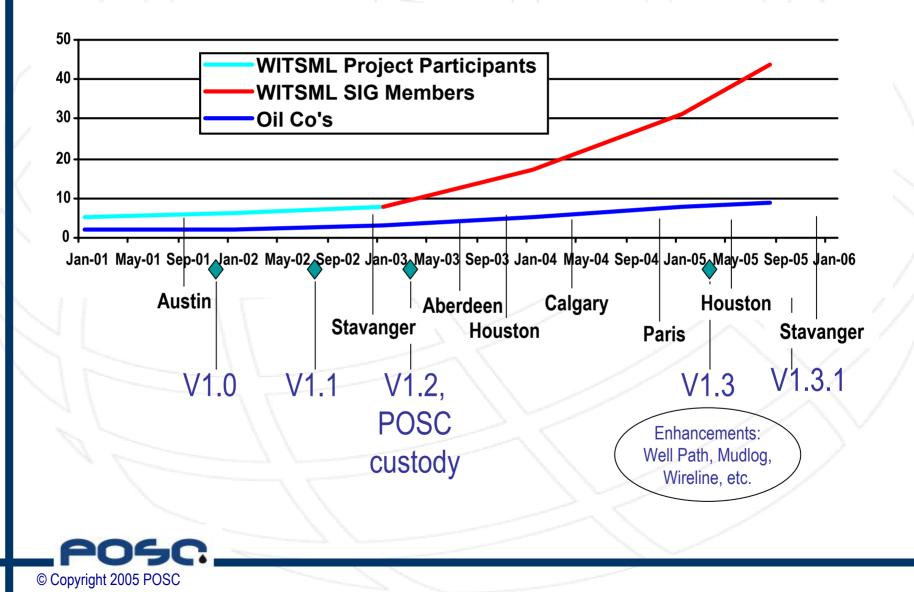
# **Integration Value Hierarchy**







### **Timeline: Participation, Seminars, Releases**



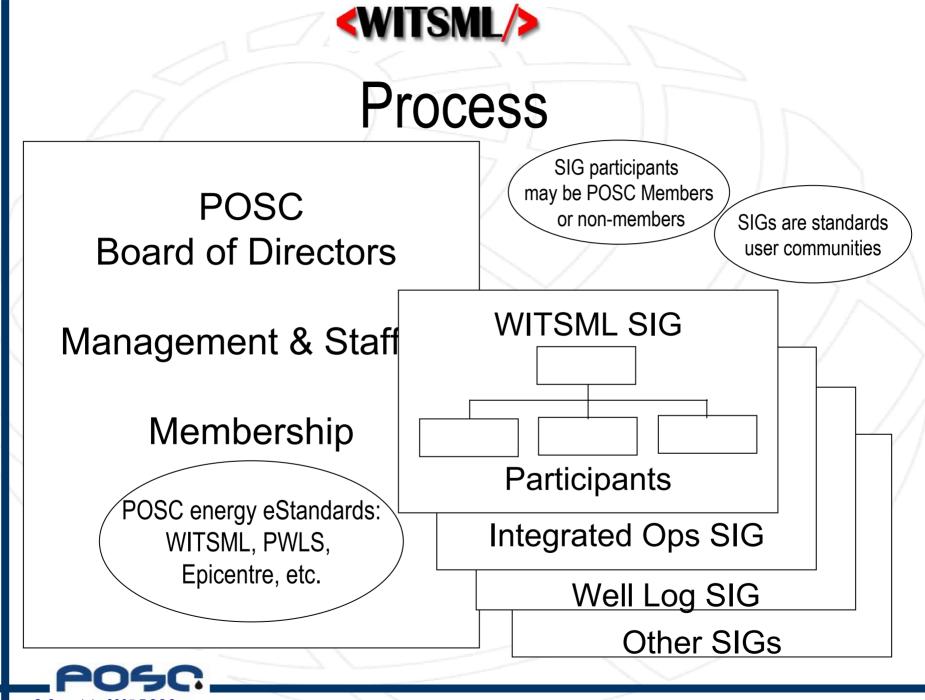


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**WITSML** 

Steering Committee Plan and review SIG activities; coordinate semi-annual meetings, seminars, exhibitions; discuss and agree on future plans

Technical Teams Use Case & Requirements Team

Recognize and agree on detailed requirements; correct and improve; first-line reviewers Identify and agree on areas of expansion; organize study and requirements sub-teams Implementation Support Team

Share experiences using WITSML-enabled products; facilitate user dialogue; recommend improvement





# **Document References**

- WITSML Standards
  - Specifications (data, interfaces)
  - Sample data
  - Startup toolkit
- WITSML Community
  - Records of past events: presentations, notes, agendas
  - SIG Contact information
  - Test Server availability information
  - Mailing lists and Discussion Forums
  - Issue tracking; draft specifications for review
- Web Sites
  - <u>www.witsml.org</u> and <u>www.posc.org</u>





- Active and visible WITSML community
- Shared funding of WITSML custody, support, and promotional activities
- Active outreach to align WITSML with other initiatives
  - Within POSC, the expansion of WITSML architecture across all technical E&P data transfer standards: Integrated Operations (Production), Well Log (Wireline), Regulatory, Laboratory, Reference, etc.
  - Within the industry with other industry groups: UKOOA and US MMS (well path), PPDM (use of POSC exchange and reference standards), Government agencies (regulatory), XML and SOA (OASIS, W3C, OpenGIS, OpenGroup), etc.
- Vendor neutral promotion of WITSML use and maintenance of WITSML specifications and materials





### Why has the WITSML initiative been successful?

#### The Right Initial Players - clear focus

BP & Statoil with Baker, Halliburton, Schlumberger, and NPSi

#### Strong Commitment

Initial funding by oil companies; Oil & service companies remain engaged after initial delivery

#### **Effective Processes**

Practical, incremental approach Clear focus on target outcomes - through implementation Frequent communications - steering & technical teams

#### **Choice of Technologies**

XML, SOAP

#### **Comprehensive Output and Documentation**

XML Schemas + Server API + sample implementation

**Openness / Evolution** 

Public seminars and presentations Transfer to POSC in early '03 -- commercially neutral custody, publication, promotion and evolution



# **Integrated Operations**

{Smart Field, Digital Oilfield of the Future, eField, iField...and Intelligent Oilfield Operations}



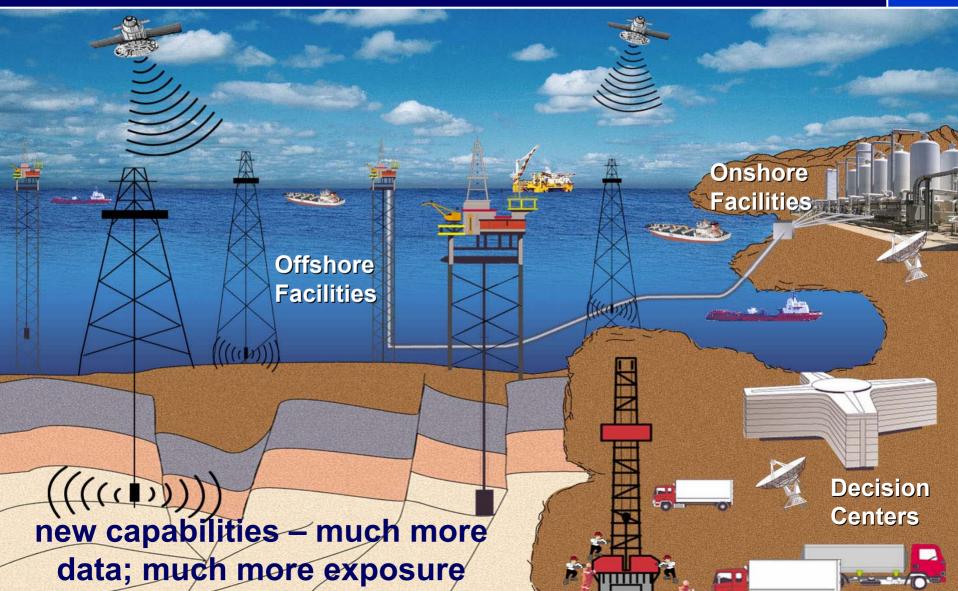
#### **Does this sound familiar?**



"Send this claim report to legal and have them print it out for accounting. Then have accounting re-enter it into the system and send it to the adjusters in the field. Have the field update the numbers. Then get it back to me so I can update the reinsurance company. And hurry."



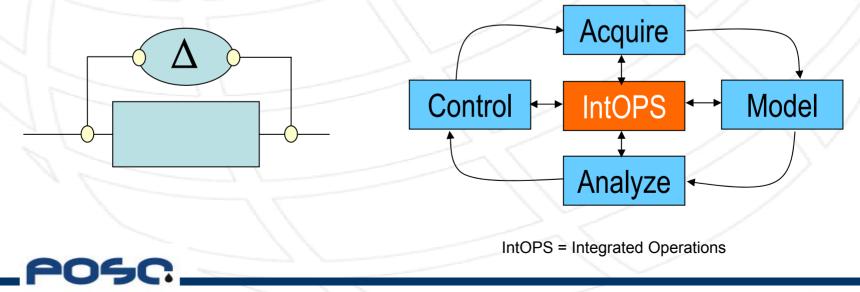
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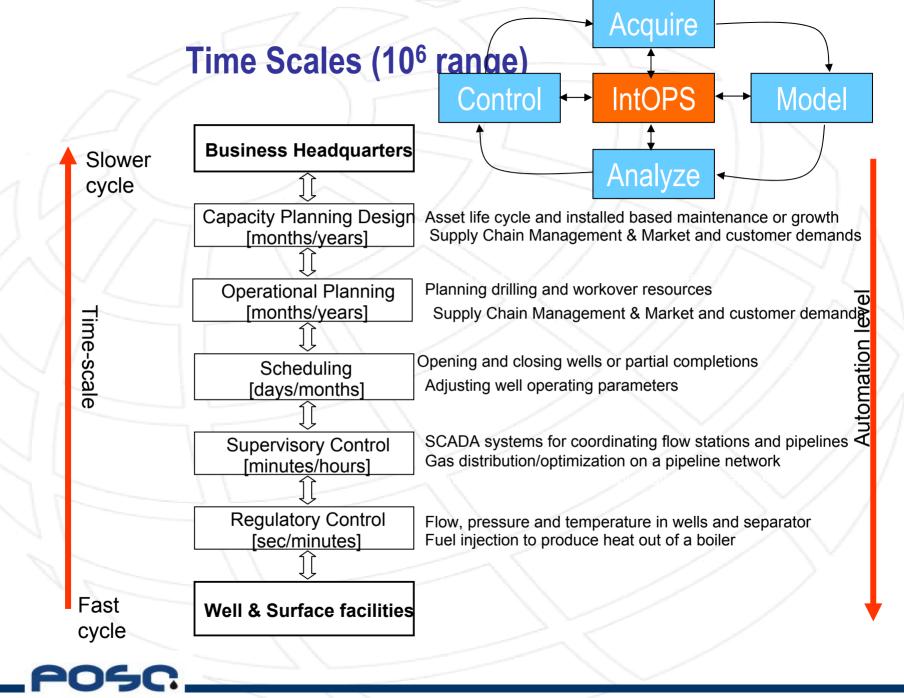


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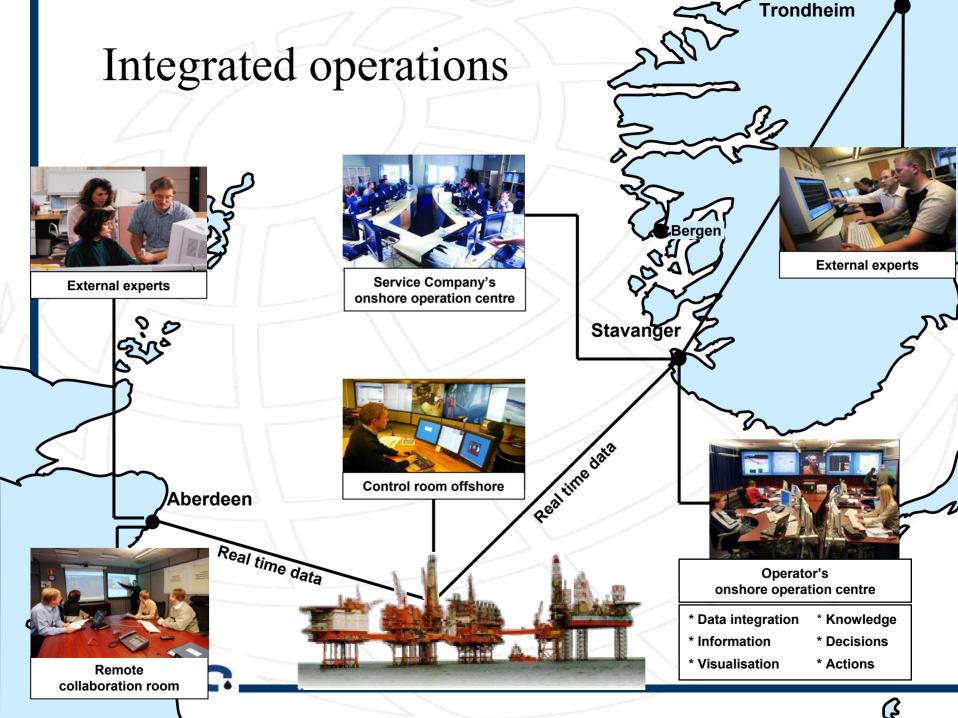




# IntOPS SIG

- DTS
  - Produce and published initial specification in Q2 of '05
  - Follow-up with pilot testing
  - IIP (integrated Information Project) Norway
    - Participate in Steering Committee and working groups
    - Collaborate on daily production reporting XML schema
- Production Data Transfer Standards Development
  - Exploit existing work to produce draft specifications
  - ProductionML draft March 2005
  - Production Reporting draft & Pilot Fall 2005
  - PRODML Project



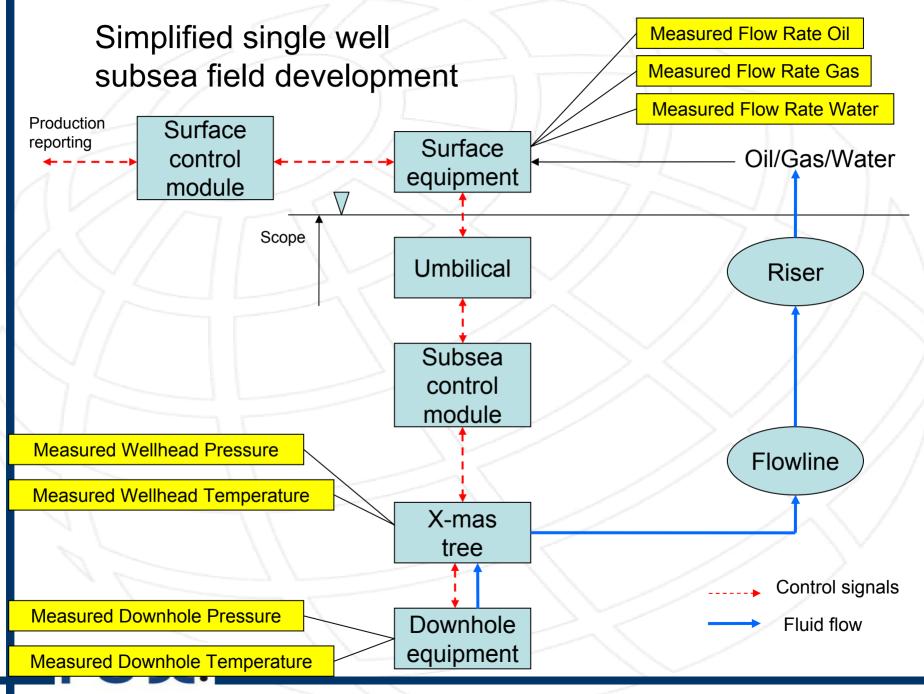


# Scope of the Project (IIP)

- To integrate the following information in one standard
  - 4C / 4D seismic
  - Drilling and logging
  - Well production
  - Safety and automation system
  - Monitoring and operation of subsea system
  - Maintenance system data
  - Reservoir reliability data
- To investigate real time decision support systems that
  - Classify and retrieve information using Web Ontology Language (OWL)
  - Use rule based notification
  - Visualize subsurface and operational data
  - Automatically link production control and reservoir simulation tools (option)

#### Surface - Well - Subsurface Integration!





# Petroleum Industry Data Dictionary (PIDD)

- What is the PIDD Dictionary?
  - The content of the PIDD Dictionary consists of intellectual contributions from several corporations, regulatory
    agencies and the United States Government. These organizations have donated staff, who compiled, edited and
    clarified the content.
  - The PIDD Dictionary content is used by industry standards organizations, corporations and government bodies.
- What is the Objective for the Dictionary?
  - Those who created the content of the Dictionary intend that the content be made available and accessible to the industry without restriction.
- Who Manages the Content? Who owns it?
  - The Dictionary Work Group of the PIDX Standards Subcommittee has responsibility for the content of the Dictionary. This Work Group is also responsible for Dictionary modifications and maintenance.
  - PIDX owns the content and is entitled to administer it.
  - The American Petroleum Institute (API) holds the copyright of the content.
- Web Sites:
  - <u>http://www.pidx.org</u>
  - <u>http://w3.posc.org/pidd</u>



#### PRODML: A Shared Solution for Upstream Oil and Gas Companies to Optimize Their Production

- PRODML is a dynamic project to help each producer independently optimize its oil and gas production. PRODuction xML, or PRODML, will develop commercial software products within 12 months to improve data exchange and work process efficiency in production optimization.
- This collection of companies, known as the PRODML Working Group include: BP, Chevron, ExxonMobil, Shell, Statoil, eProduction Solutions, Halliburton, Invensys, Kappa Engineering, Microsoft, OSIsoft, Petroleum Experts, Schlumberger, Sense Intellifield, TietoEnator, and POSC.
- PRODML will build on the earlier success of WITSML<sup>™</sup>, a similar XML-based standard for drilling information. WITSML<sup>™</sup> (Wellsite Information Transfer Standard Markup Language) is now an open industry standard maintained by POSC (Petrotechnical Open Standards Consortium). PRODML will extend the WITSML<sup>™</sup> effort to include data needed for field production optimization.
  - Production optimization involves integrating real time data from specialty, multivendor software applications and streamlining work processes to enable oil and gas field operational efficiencies. PRODML will develop the necessary XML-based data exchange solutions as an open industry standard. After a working PRODML pilot is launched, POSC will maintain the standard and make it publicly available.



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