



# Clean Sky programme Green Rotorcraft ITD

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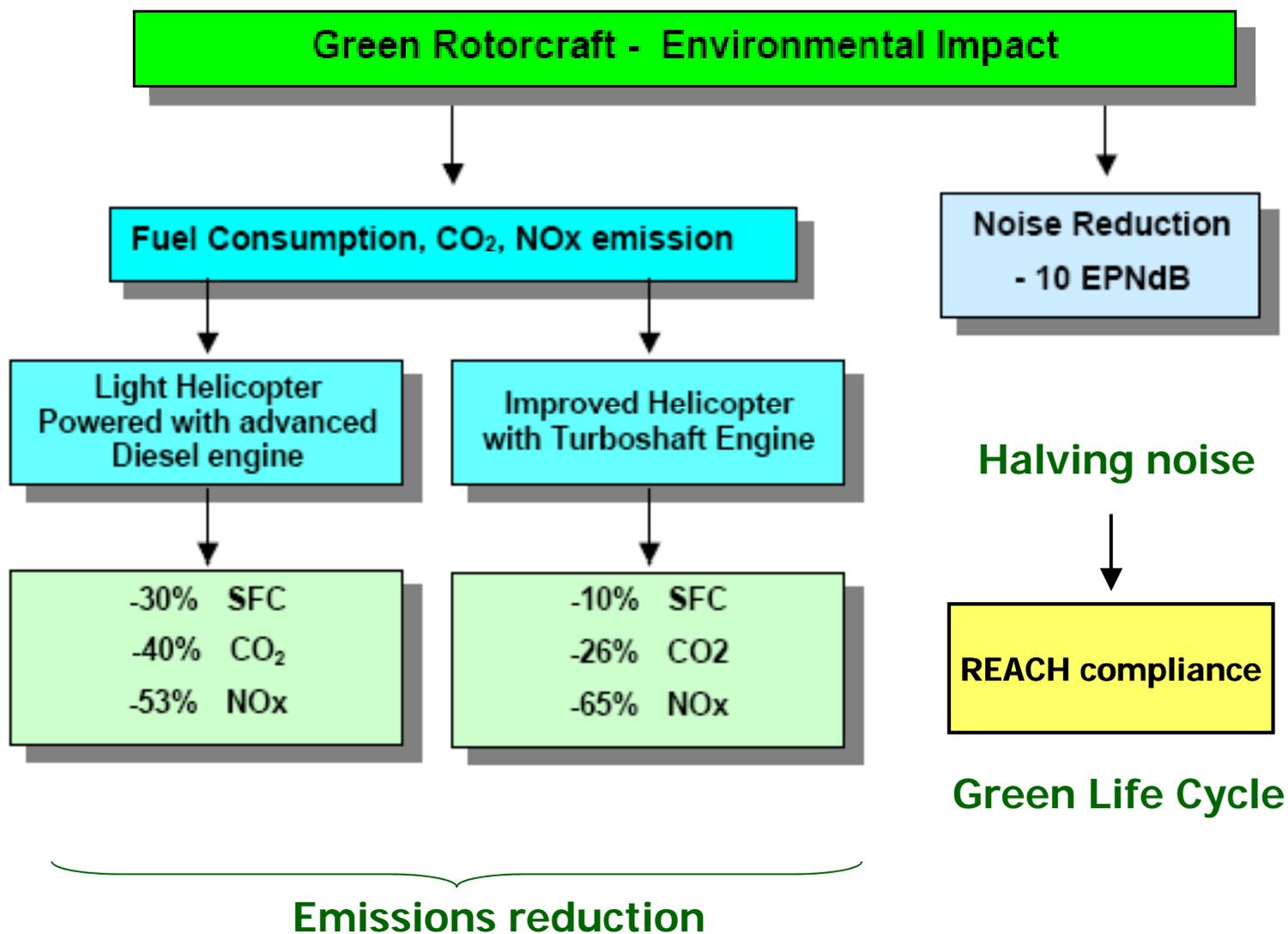
# Outline

❖ GRC at a glance

❖ Activities insight



# Clean Sky / Green Rotorcraft : heading toward ACARE goals



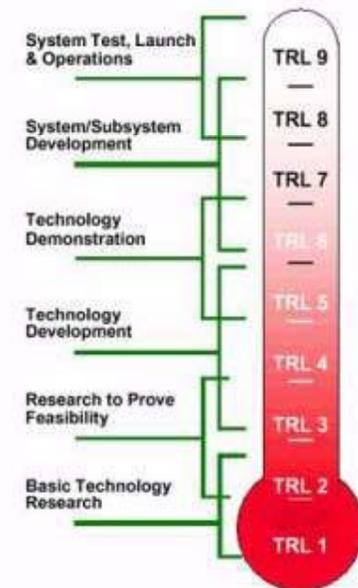
# Towards a High maturity

**A high level of « technology readiness »: the technologies are integrated into large demonstrators, in-flight or on-ground**

- ❖ Demonstrators definition close to the market needs: the demonstrator is the last R&T phase, before starting a development
- ❖ Schedule is key to keep this link (be neither too early, nor too late)
- ❖ A large part of this downstream research activity lays within big players, « integrators » - a typical feature of aeronautics
- ❖ These activities must be thoroughly coordinated

A large programme focused on *environment*...

... and *competitiveness*



**These features create the conditions for a Public-Private Partnership**

# GRC: Participants & Global Shares

**160M€ Total Budget: 10% of Clean Sky**

## ITD-leaders (< 50%)

- ❖ **Agusta-Westland (co-leader)**
- ❖ **Eurocopter (co-leader)**
- ❖ Liebherr (D)
- ❖ Hispano-Suiza (F)
- ❖ Thales Avionics Electrical Systems (F)

## Associates (<25%)

- ❖ DLR (D)
- ❖ ONERA (F)
- ❖ PZL Swidnik (Pol)
- ❖ CIRA-SELEX ATS: *cluster (I)*
- ❖ IGOR: *cluster of 10 members (NL, B, D)*  
*Airborne Composite, Eurocarbon, Fibre Optic Sensors and Sensing Systems, LMS; Microflown Technologies, Micromega Dynamics, NLR, Technische Universiteit Delft, Universiteit Twente*

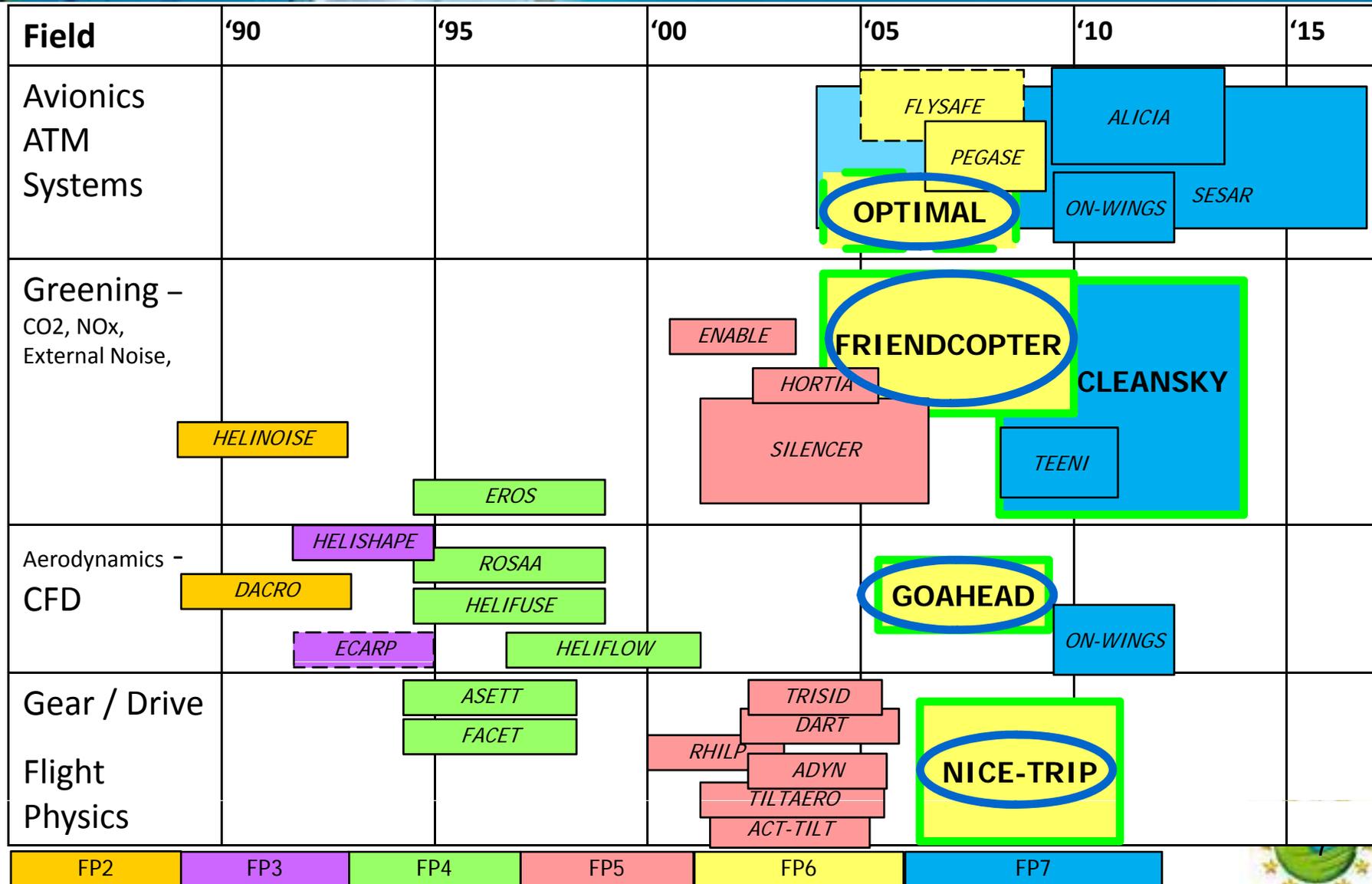
## Partners (>25%)



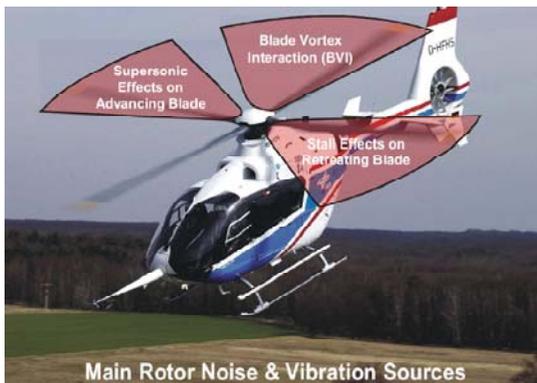
**Main Stakeholders of the domain presents in the ITD GRC:  
Helicopter Manufacturers, Research Institutes, Systems suppliers  
10 members composed of 23 legal entities**



# GRC: Background from Rotorcraft EU-projects

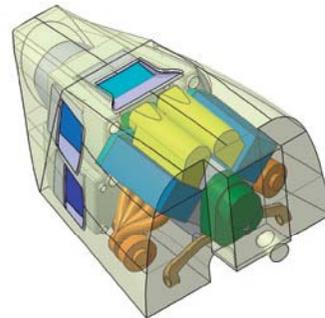


# Major Technology Demonstrator Programmes



- Innovative Rotor blades:
  - Active twist blade
  - Gurney flap rotor
  - 3D blade profile optimised for dual speed rotor
- Shape optimisation and flow separation control devices for drag reduction

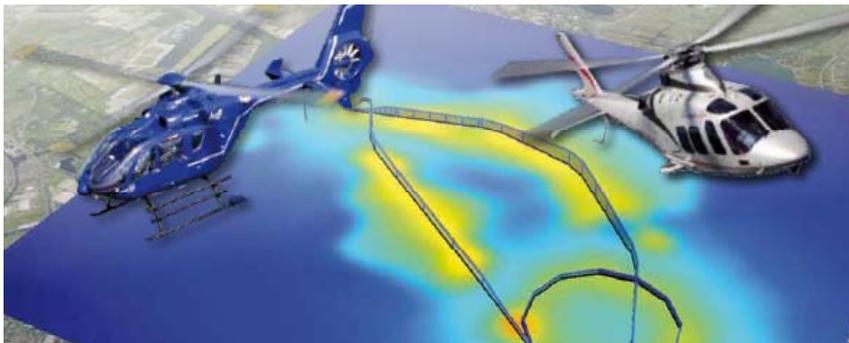
Q2/2015



## Diesel Demo

- Diesel core engine
- Power pack integration

Q2/2014



## Systems for flight path optimisation

- Rotorcraft
- Aircraft
- Underpinning and complementing SESAR

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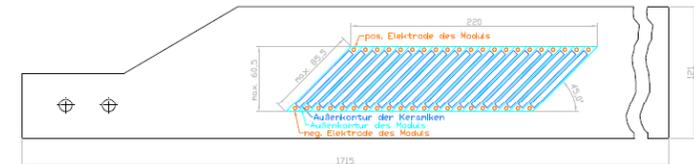




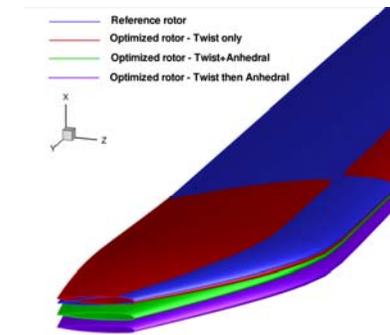
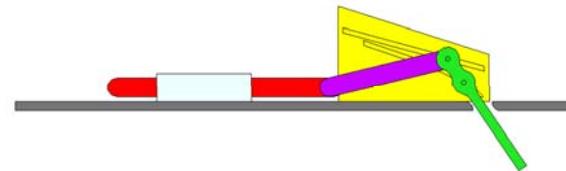
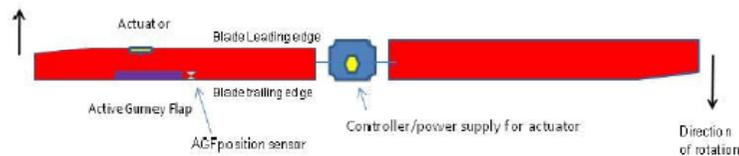
# Innovative blade devices

# GRC1 – Innovative Rotor Blades : Planned Results

❖ **ACTIVE TWIST** – full scale demonstration of active twist system, with analysis to assess future exploitation challenges, benefits in line with GRC1 objectives and airworthiness / safety evaluation



❖ **ACTIVE GURNEY FLAP** – full scale demonstration and testing of a full main rotor with a built-in, actively controlled Gurney flap system



❖ **PASSIVE ROTOR OPTIMISATION** – full scale demonstration and testing of an optimised passive rotor on a whirl tower, with further analysis of other passive technology concepts

❖ **LAMINAR FLOW AEROFOILS** – testing of laminar flow aerofoils installed on top of conventional main rotor blades

❖ **SUPPORTING TECHNOLOGIES** – development of all necessary manufacturing techniques, control and power supply systems, and data gathering capabilities necessary to support the physical demonstration activities



# On-going projects selected through Calls for proposals

WP	ACRONYM	Title	CS Funding (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
GRC1	MulticompAct	Multilayer Piezocomposites for Active Twist Rotor Blade	206,250	Jan 10	24
GRC1	LamBlade	Development and provision of a numerical model to solve laminar turbulent boundary layer transition and boundary layer velocity profiles for unsteady flow conditions	92,400	Oct 10	12
GRC1	MORALI	Performance/benefit assessment of advanced rotor configurations including active and passive blades	275,880	Nov 10	48
GRC1	PT656	Gurney flap actuator and mechanism for a full scale helicopter rotor blade	371,063	May 11	58

## *Competencies sought as from 2012*

- ✓ Design, test and manufacturing: moulds for active model rotor blades, passive model rotor, down-scale models, data transfer system, active control system for full scale active blades
- ✓ Wind Tunnel test campaigns of new devices



# Drag Reduction of Airframe and Non Lifting Rotating Systems

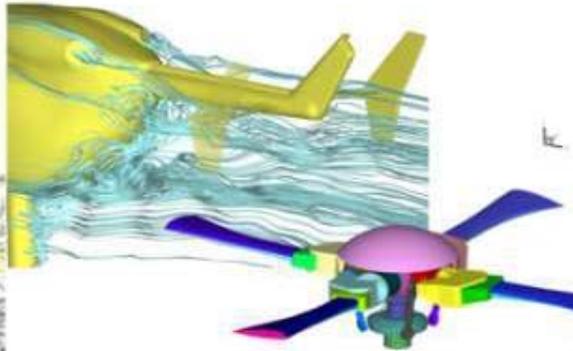
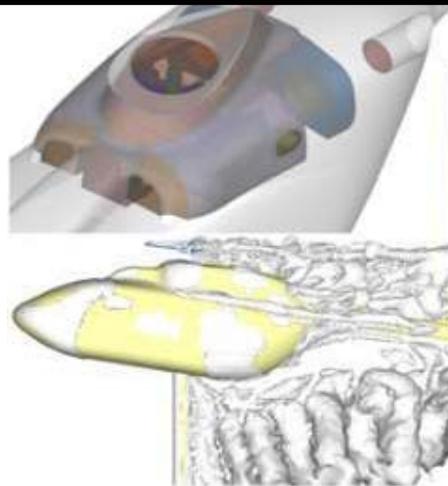
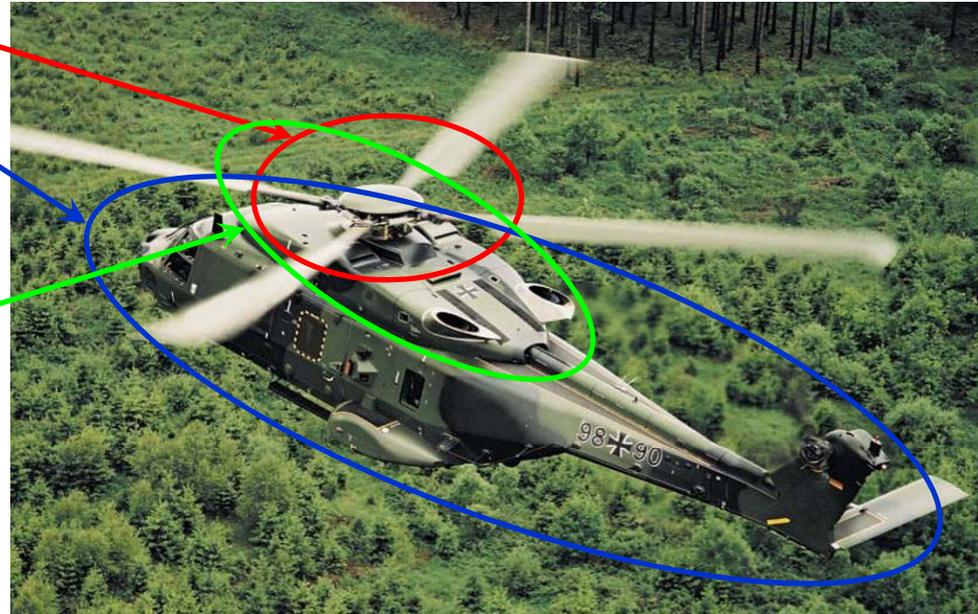
# GRC2- Drag reduction - Technologies

**GRC 2.1 – Rotor hub drag**  
=> Gas emission reduction

**GRC 2.2 – Fuselage drag**  
=> Gas emission reduction

**GRC 2.3 – Engine installation**  
=> emission & noise reduction

**GRC2.4 – Optimised design**  
(H/C & T/R - full airframe)





# On-going projects selected through Calls for proposals

WP	ACRONYM	Title	CS Funding (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
GRC2	TILT <sup>Op</sup>	Contribution to the study of the air intake and exhaust integration into a tiltrotor nacelle	286,200	July 10	18
GRC2	CODE-Tilt	Contribution to design optimisation of tiltrotor for drag (fuselage/wing junction, nose, landing gear, empennage)	637,200	Oct 10	36
GRC2	CARD	Contribution to analysis of rotor hub drag reduction	375,000	Nov 10	36
GRC2	ADHeRo	Contribution to the aerodynamic design optimisation of a helicopter fuselage including its rotating rotor head.	618,250	Jan 11	42
GRC2	HEAVYcOPTer	Contribution to optimisation of heavy helicopter engine installation design	439,200	Under nego	24
GRC2	HELIDES	Helicopter hub and fuselage drag investigation by means of hybrid URANS/LES methods	147,285	Under nego	24

## *Competencies sought as from 2012*

- ✓ WT tests campain and characterisation
- ✓ Design and manufacturing of new engine installation



# More electrical rotorcraft

# GRC3 – Innovative Electrical Systems: Progress Status



For each H/C class, reference hydraulic and electric power off-take (MGB, engine) are defined (GRC7 & GRC3.1)

- More electrical A/C Objectives:**
- ❖ Reduce fuel consumption
  - ❖ Remove hydraulic fluids
  - ❖ Lower weight systems
  - ❖ Improve efficiency at system level

Hydraulic power

Electric power

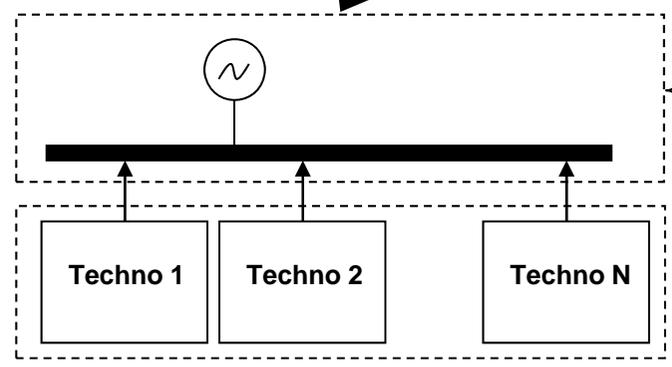
Feedback to GRC7 through GRC3.2 / 3.3: Choice of best techno combination for each H/C type and mission profile (Power, weight, performance at H/C level)

Need for new Electrical Technologies, Distribution & Power Management

Evaluation of new technologies integrated at the system level

In Copper bird (Demonstrators), GRC3.8

In Simulation activities - Copper Bird limited in functionalities representativeness



- GRC3.3: New Electrical Networks Structure (270Vdc for Medium / Heavy H/C)
- GRC3.2: How to manage new loads & sources within the electrical networks: logic part of the electrical networks
- GRC3.5-3.6-3.7: New Technologies for replacement of hydraulic power
- GRC3.4: New Technologies for improved Electrical systems efficiency

# GRC3 – Integration of Innovative Electrical Systems - Master Plan & demonstration

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<b>Innovative Electrical Systems Integration (GRC3)</b>	H/C requirements				Equipments & Systems development (from SGO & ED)												Ground Test																
<i>TRL progresses</i>	3																															6	
HEMAS for FCS & utilities																																	
Helicopter Electrical System																																	
Electrical Tail Rotor																																	

## Demonstrators

- ❖ EMA system for medium/heavy helicopter flight control
- ❖ Electric taxiing
- ❖ Heat Energy recovery system
- ❖ Rotor braking recovery
- ❖ Management of energy recovery
- ❖ Multi-source regenerative systems power conversion (incl. storage device)
- ❖ Brushless 28VDC Starter-Generator
- ❖ Electrical driven tail rotor motor
- ❖ Piezo Power Supply module (→ Active rotor blade demonstration)

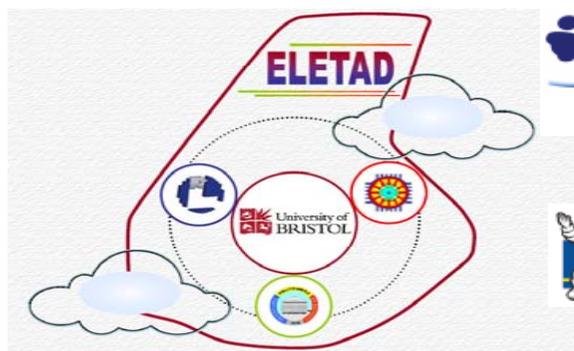


**Demonstrations performed at system level in a dynamic and representative way on the Copper Bird Test Bench**



# Running projects awarded from previous call

WP	ACRONYM	Title	CS Funding (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
GRC3	RECYCLE	Innovative energy recovery for electrical use	176,250	July 10	29
GRC3	ELETAD	Electric Tail Drive - Modelling, Simulation and Rig Prototype Development.	1,858,826	Oct 10	66
GRC3	PPSMPAB	Piezo Power Supply Module	320,513	Mars 11	49
GRC3	RENERGISE	Innovative management of energy recovery for reduction of electrical power consumption on fuel consumption	344,736	July 11	29
GRC3	RETAX	Rotorcraft Electric Taxiing	523,835	Oct 11	24
GRC3	HERRB	Helicopter Electric Regenerative Rotor Brake	698,329	Oct 11	27



RECYCLE  
Greening of power networks



# Projects launched in the next call

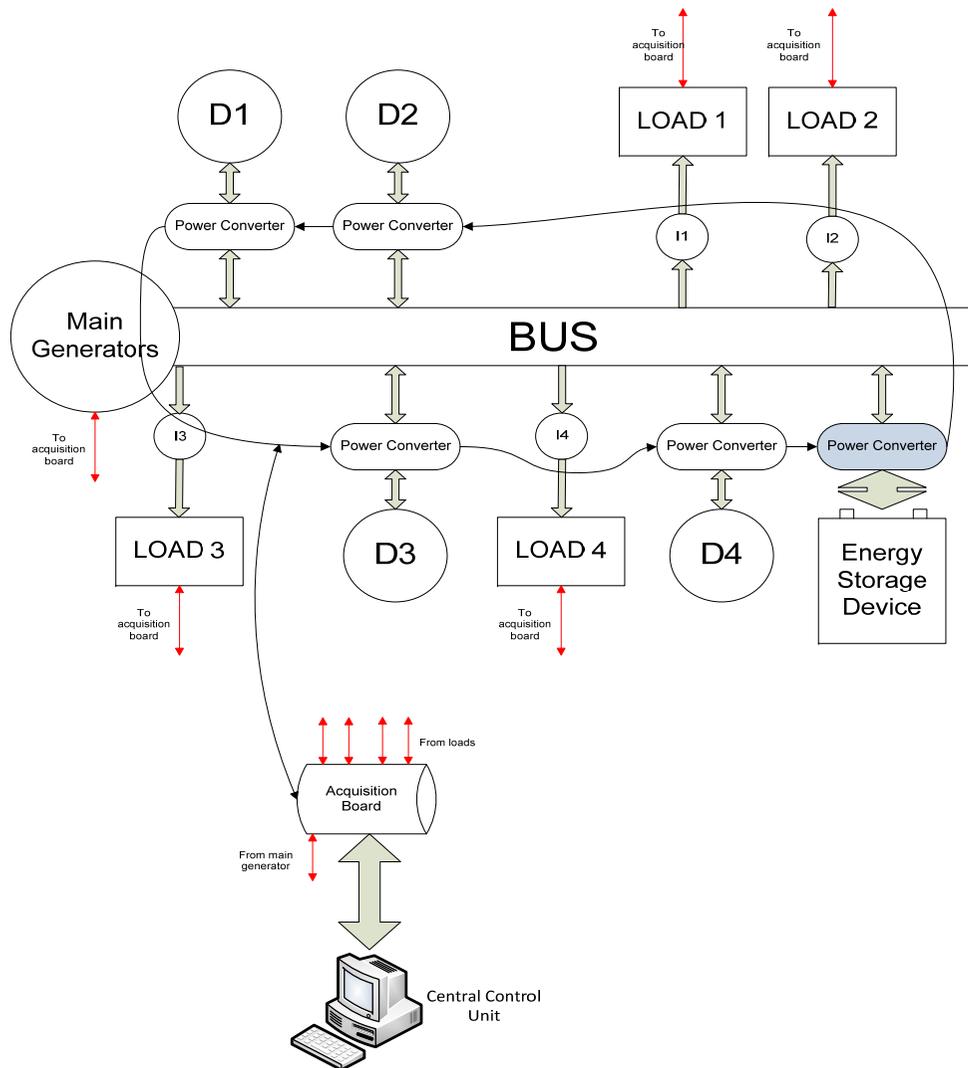
Topic	Title	Budget (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
JTI-CS-2011-03 –GRC-03-010	Advanced Programmable Loads for Electrical Test Bench	210,000	Early 12	29
JTI-CS-2011-5-GRC-03-011	Multi-source regenerative systems power conversion	912,000	Early 12	24

## *Competencies sought as from 2012*

- ✓ Design, test and manufacturing capabilities in electrical domain with sound background in helicopter domain

# Call description of topic 1 in call 10

## GRC3 CfP Multi-Source Regenerative Systems Power Conversion



**Power Converter:** Nominal power scalable in a range of 1kW to 55kW, Mass baseline target ~ 5kg

**Battery:** 270V, 40Ah, burst power: 60kW (10 seconds)

# Call description of topic 2 in call 10

## GRC3 CfP Advanced Programmable Loads for Electrical Test Bench

- ✓ Power consumption: between 100 – 150 kW/kVA for the whole system, possibility to split the load banks (preferably physically) in 4 to 6 units of 20-30kW/kVA mandatory.
- ✓ Power rejection: at least 50kW/kVA for the whole system, possibility to split the system (preferably physically) in 2 to 6 units capable to reject up to 20kW/kVA mandatory.
- ✓ Load consumption and rejection profiles: highly dynamic loads are expected, switching frequency capability of at least 1kHz mandatory (2,5kHz nice to have).
- ✓ Load measurement coded on 12-bits for full load scale (30kW for instance) mandatory.
- ✓ Capability to be used on a 270Vdc network and 540Vdc network mandatory. At least 100 kW/kVA can be used on 270Vdc and 50 kW/kVA can be used for 540Vdc network.
- ✓ Capability to be used on 3x115Vac and/or 3x230Vac (360Hz to 900Hz) nice to have.
- ✓ Load operative mode: constant current, resistance, power adjustable by phase and power factor ( $\cos \varphi$ ).
- ✓ Source operative mode: voltage regulation, power regulation and current regulation onto the aircraft network.



# Diesel engine on a light helicopter

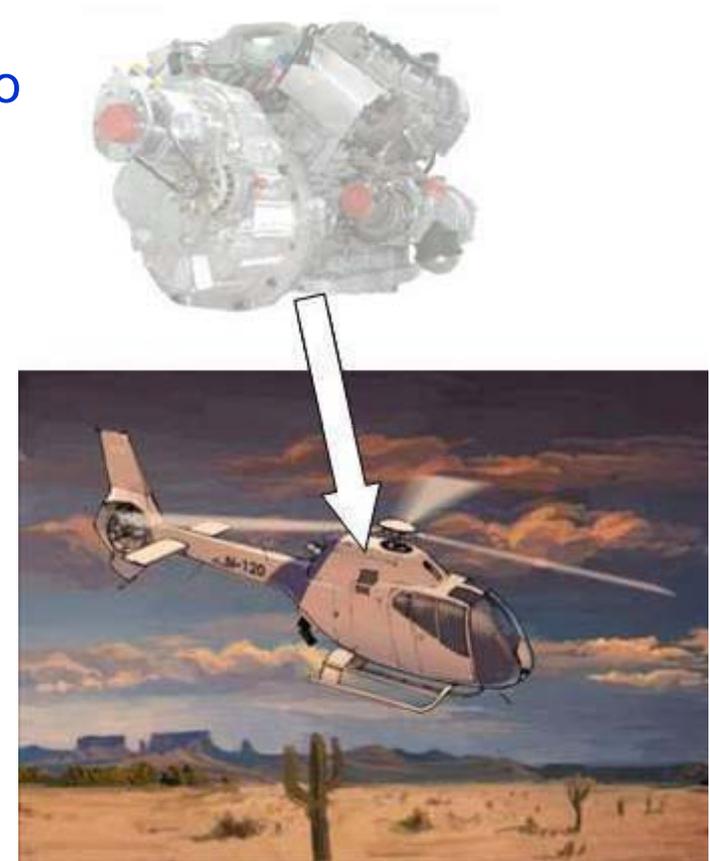
# GRC4 - Diesel Engine on a Light Helicopter

## ❖ Objectives

- ▶ To reduce drastically CO<sub>2</sub> emission thanks to the very low fuel consumption of modern Diesel engine technology

Typically -30% to -40% over full flight envelope

- ▶ Using regular kerosene fuel (or biodiesel)
- ▶ To integrate the engine minimising the potential adverse effects :
  - weight penalty ;
  - Vibration ;
  - Cooling system

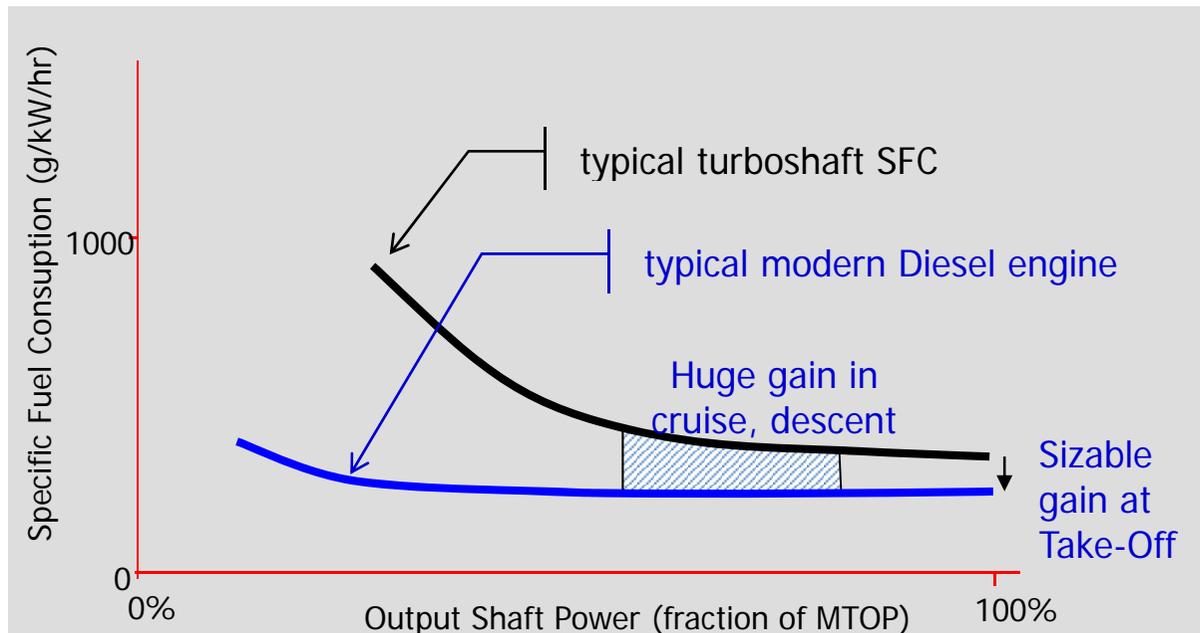


## Rationale for Diesel engines on helicopters (2)



### What about engine fuel efficiency?

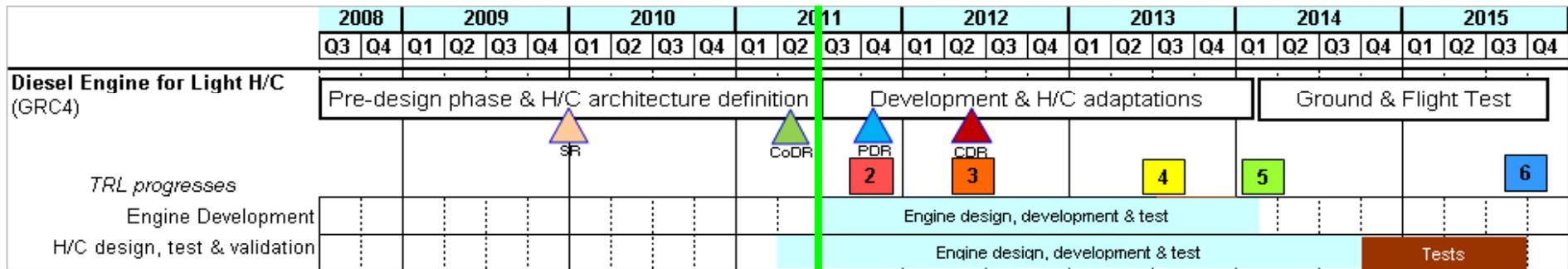
- Incremental fuel-efficiency improvements for small turbo-shaft engines
- Major improvement opportunity offered by Diesel technology:



**POTENTIAL:**  
More than 30%  
fuel/CO<sub>2</sub> economy  
on a typical H/C  
mission profile

- Even higher benefits in hot/high conditions
- Engine size effect

# GRC4 - Diesel Engine on a Light Helicopter Master Plan & demonstration



# Demonstration Objectives

- Specify, test & validate a Diesel engine prototype responding to helicopter requirements

*Existing General Aviation engines: too small and/or too heavy*

- Identify & resolve major integration difficulties

*Requires exploration of full flight envelope (maturity TRL 6)*

- Substantiate achievement of fuel & emission reduction targets

*The demonstrator H/C will be a prototype of the small single-engine EC120 which can most conveniently be modified for that purpose.*



# Demonstration Project Members



- ✓ Budget 9,3 M€
- ✓ T0: June 2011
- ✓ Duration: 39 months

## HIPE AE440 Consortium (Clean Sky Partners)



Participant



Project Coordinator



Third Party



Third Party



Sub-Contractor





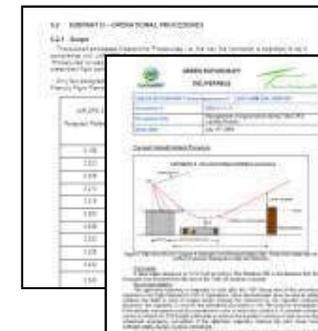
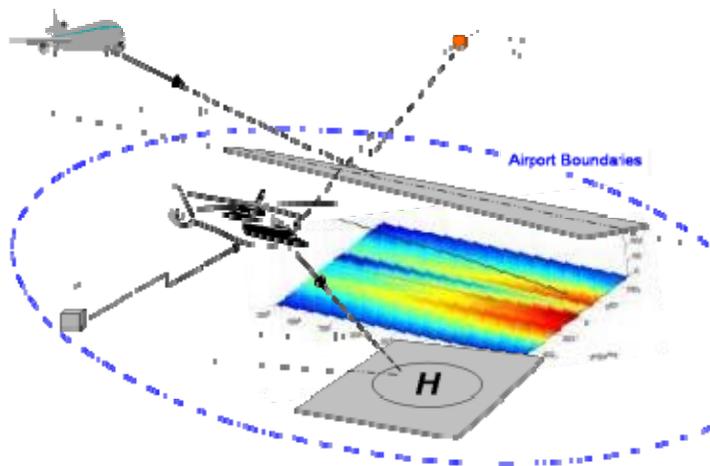
# Environmentally friendly flight path

# GRC5- Flight Path – Principles (1/2)

## ❖ For helicopter (further OPTIMAL) & Tilt Rotor A/C (further to NICE-TRIP):

- ✓ Low-noise on-board system
- ✓ En-route optimised flight paths for the reduction of polluting emissions
- ✓ IFR & VFR approach and departure procedures (noise footprint minimisation)
- ✓ Low level VFR & IFR en route navigation (noise impact minimisation)
- ✓ SNI shorter routes to minimise fuel emission and gas emission

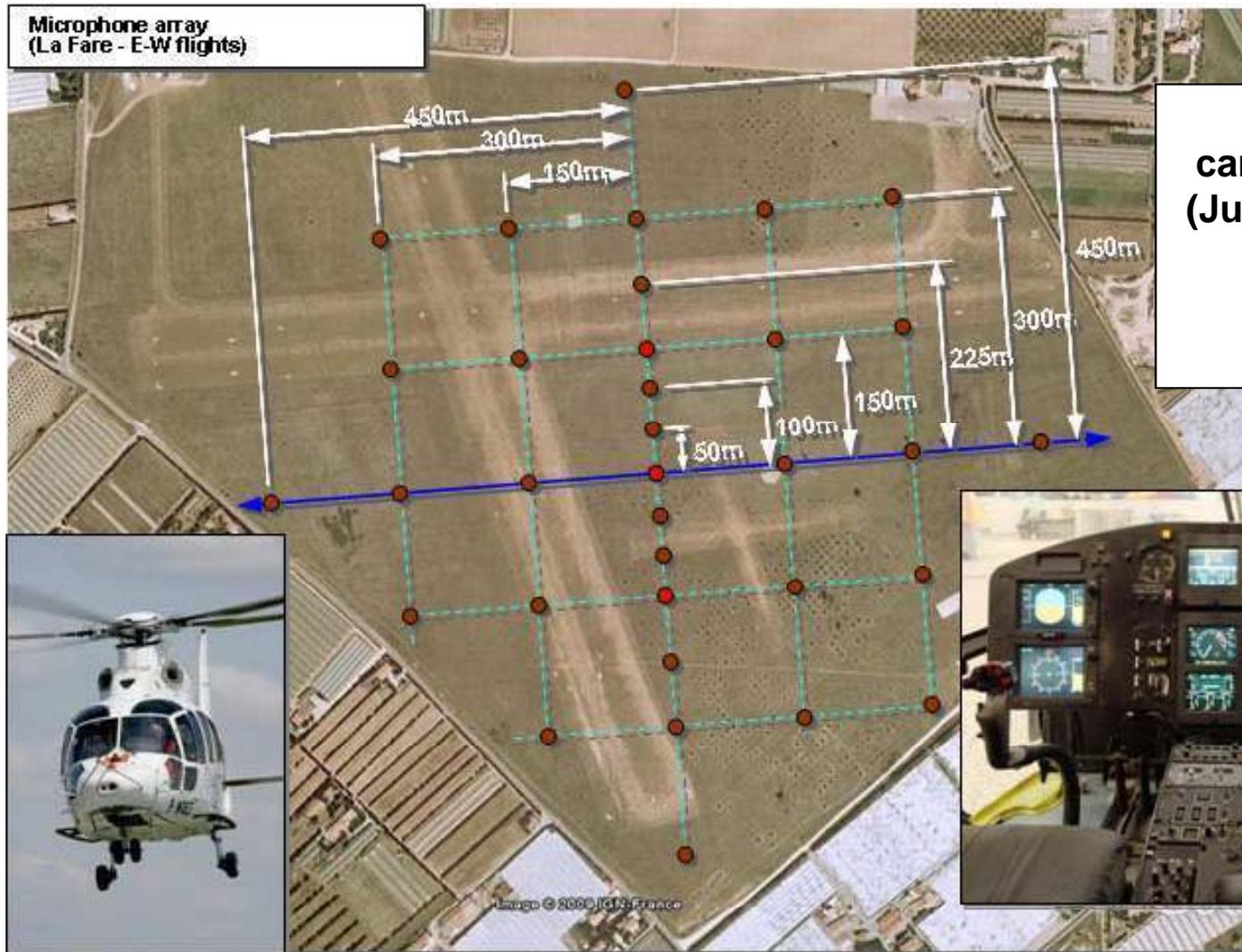
Flight guidance systems



Operational Requirements

# GRC5- Flight Path – Technologies (2/2)

Microphone array  
(La Fare - E-W flights)



First flight test campaign completed (June 2010 – Spring & autumn 2011) with experimental guidance system





# On-going projects selected through Calls for proposals

	ACRONYM	Title	CS Funding (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
<b>GRC5</b>	<b>EMICOPTER</b>	Emission analysis: Tools required to perform the emission analysis and evaluation methodology	<b>299,543</b>	<b>Jan 10</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>GRC5</b>	<b>GARDEN</b>	GNSS-based ATM for Rotorcraft to Decrease Emissions and Noise	<b>370,231</b>	<b>Jan 10</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>GRC5</b>	<b>MAEM-RO</b>	Emission analysis - Tools required to perform the emissions analysis and evaluation methodology, experimental support	<b>288,500</b>	<b>July 10</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>GRC5</b>	<b>ANCORA</b>	ANotec-COmoti Rotorcraft Acoustics initiative for preliminary acoustic flight tests for the tuning of simplified rotorcraft noise models	<b>213,150</b>	<b>July 11</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>GRC5</b>	<b>GARDEN</b>	Tilt Rotor ATM Integrated Validation of Environmental Low Noise Procedures	<b>573,640</b>	<b>Q4 11</b>	<b>39</b>

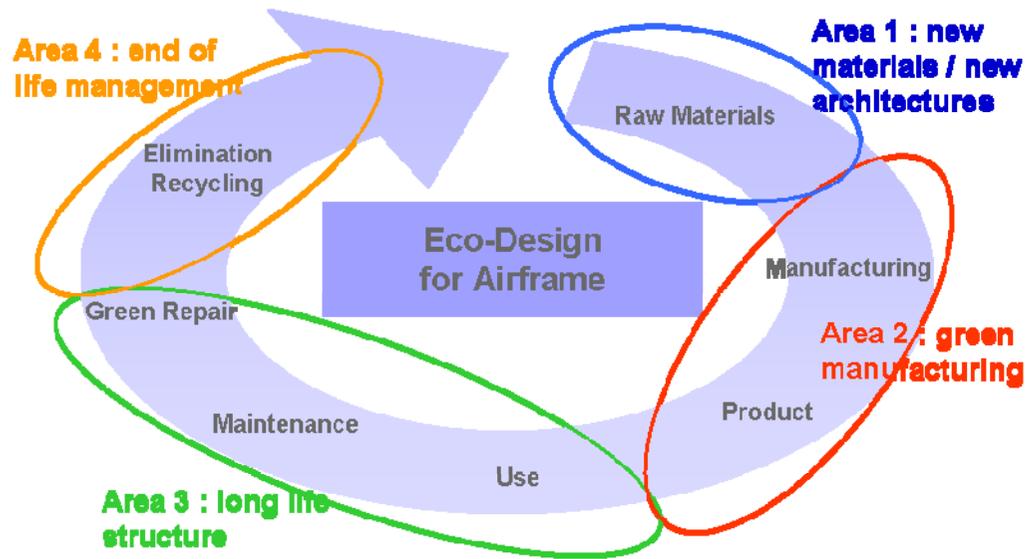
## *Competencies sought as from 2012*

- ✓ Avionics, tests & integration, algorithm, procedures & regulation



# Eco-Design Demonstrators (Rotorcraft)

# GRC6 – EcoDesign Demonstration for Rotorcraft Airframe



## • Doors & Structural

- Recyclable composite parts
- Surface preparation for composite-metallic bonding
- Bonding and painting



## ❖ Transmission components

- ✓ Cd free protection
- ✓ Repair AND painting
- ✓ testing



## ❖ Gear Box Housing

- ✓ Cr6 free Magnesium protection & touch up AND painting
- ✓ Testing



# Projects launched in the next call

Topic	Title	Budget (€)	Starting date	Duration (months)
<a href="#">JTI-CS-2011-3-GRC-06-004</a>	Dismantling and recycling of ecodesigned helicopter demonstrators	200,000	April 12	18

## *Competencies sought as from 2012*

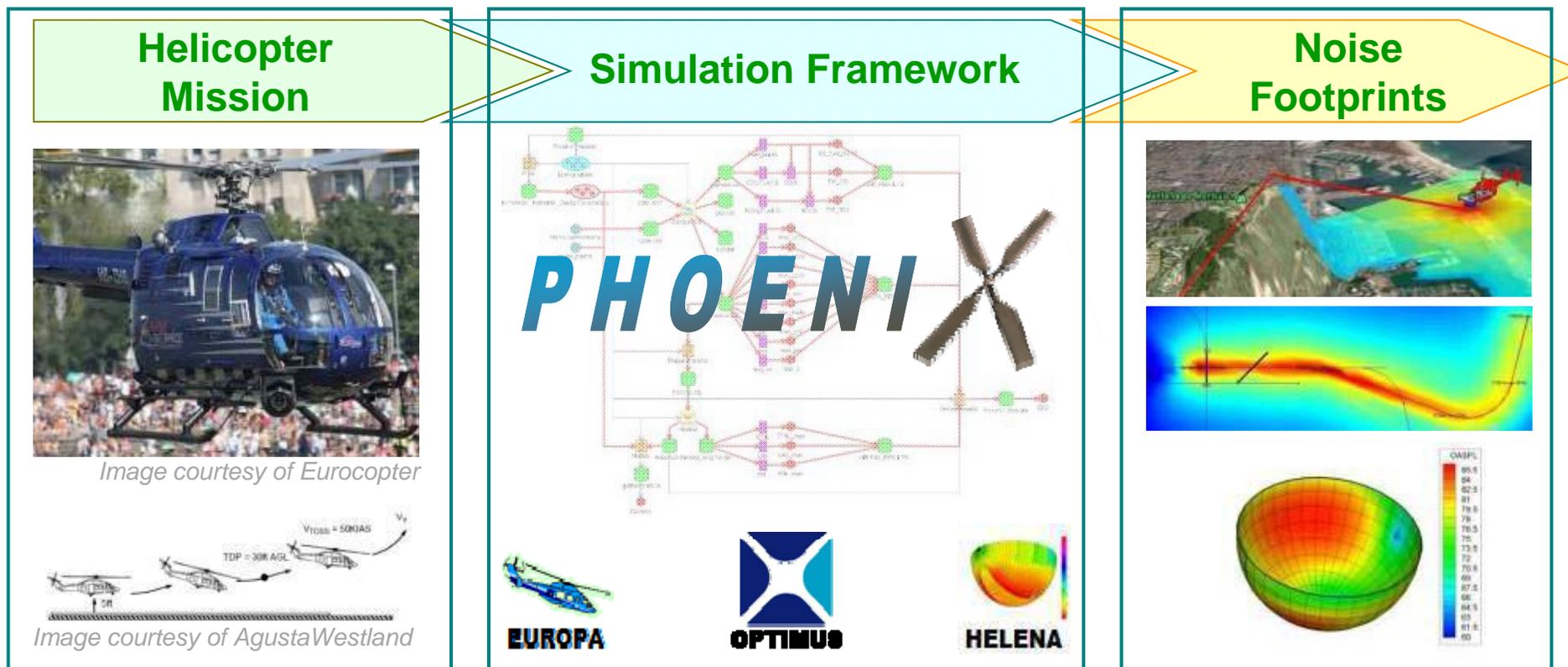
- ✓ Recycling on metal parts for transmission



# Technology Evaluator for Rotorcraft

# Impact assessment of GRC results (for TE) - Simulation Framework

PhoenIX: Platform Hosting Operational & ENvironmental Ivestigations for Rotorcraft



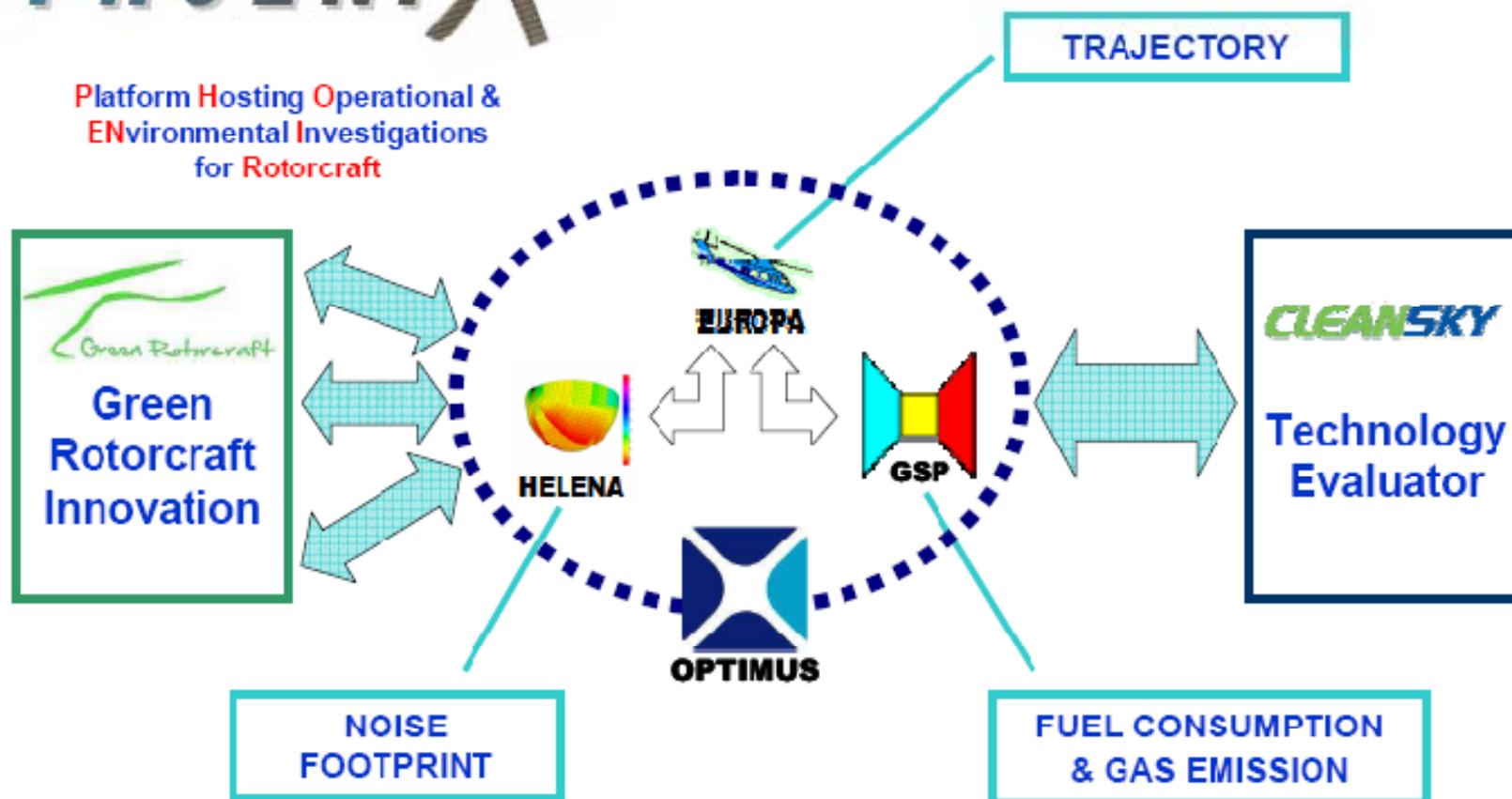
# Impact assessment of GRC results (for TE) - Noise Reduction

## Phoenix

Brief overview



Platform Hosting Operational & Environmental Investigations for Rotorcraft





# Cross ITD interactions

# SAGE ITD – SAGE5, Turboshaft engine



**Innovative Core Engine**

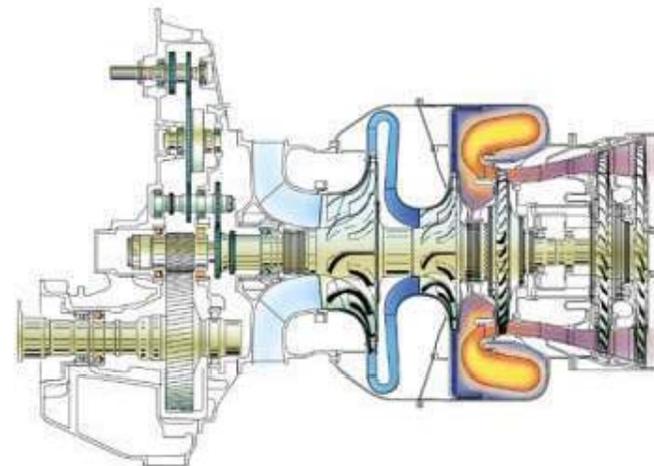
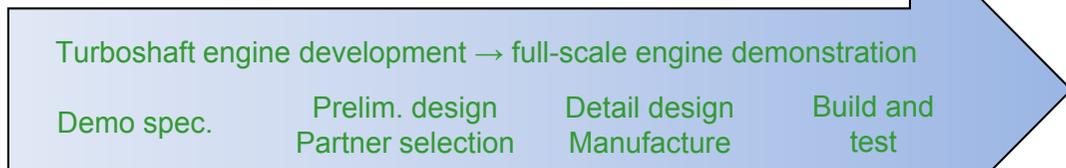


**Airframer requirements and installations**



Preliminary DR  
Jan. 2010

Engine test  
Sept 2012



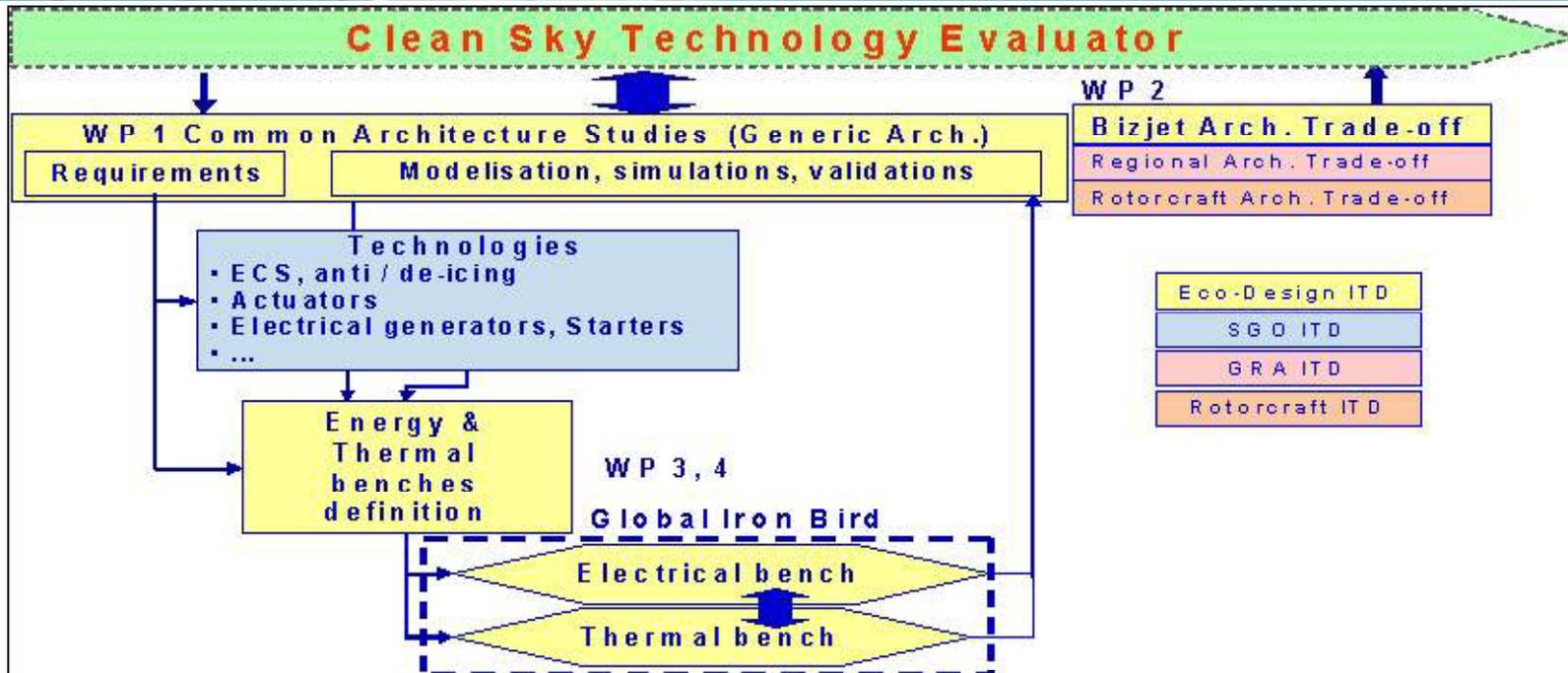
Project launch  
1 Jan. 2009

Critical DR  
July 2011

Project completion  
2013



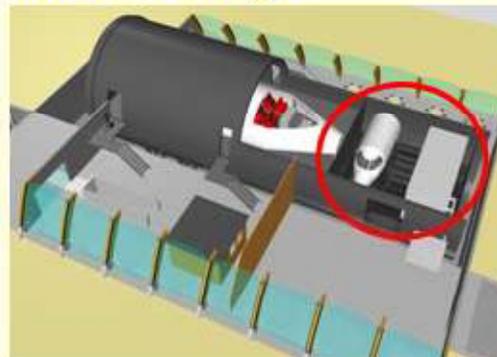
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## Integration and models demonstration through



Electrical test bench



Thermal test bench





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