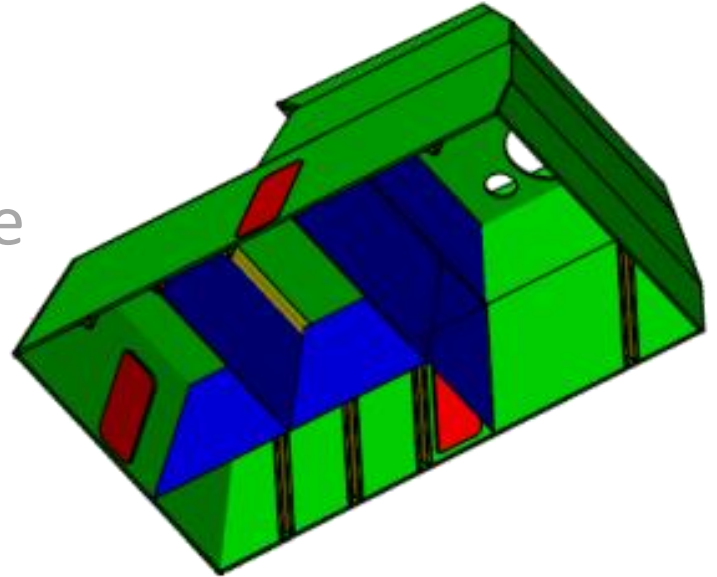


# RAMSSES - Realisation and Demonstration of Advanced Material Solutions for Sustainable and Efficient Ships

Work Package 16 - Composite superstructure module on a steel deck for multi purpose vessels



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## WPI6 Composite superstructure module on a steel deck for multi purpose vessels

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# OVERVIEW OF THE H2020 RAMSSES PROJECT

Realisation and Demonstration of Advanced  
Material Solutions for Sustainable and Efficient  
Ships





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Budget: €13.5 M  
Funding: €10.8 M



36 partners  
12 countries



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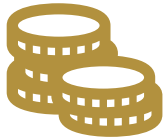
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## Innovative Materials for Ships:



less fuel and emissions



efficient and competitive

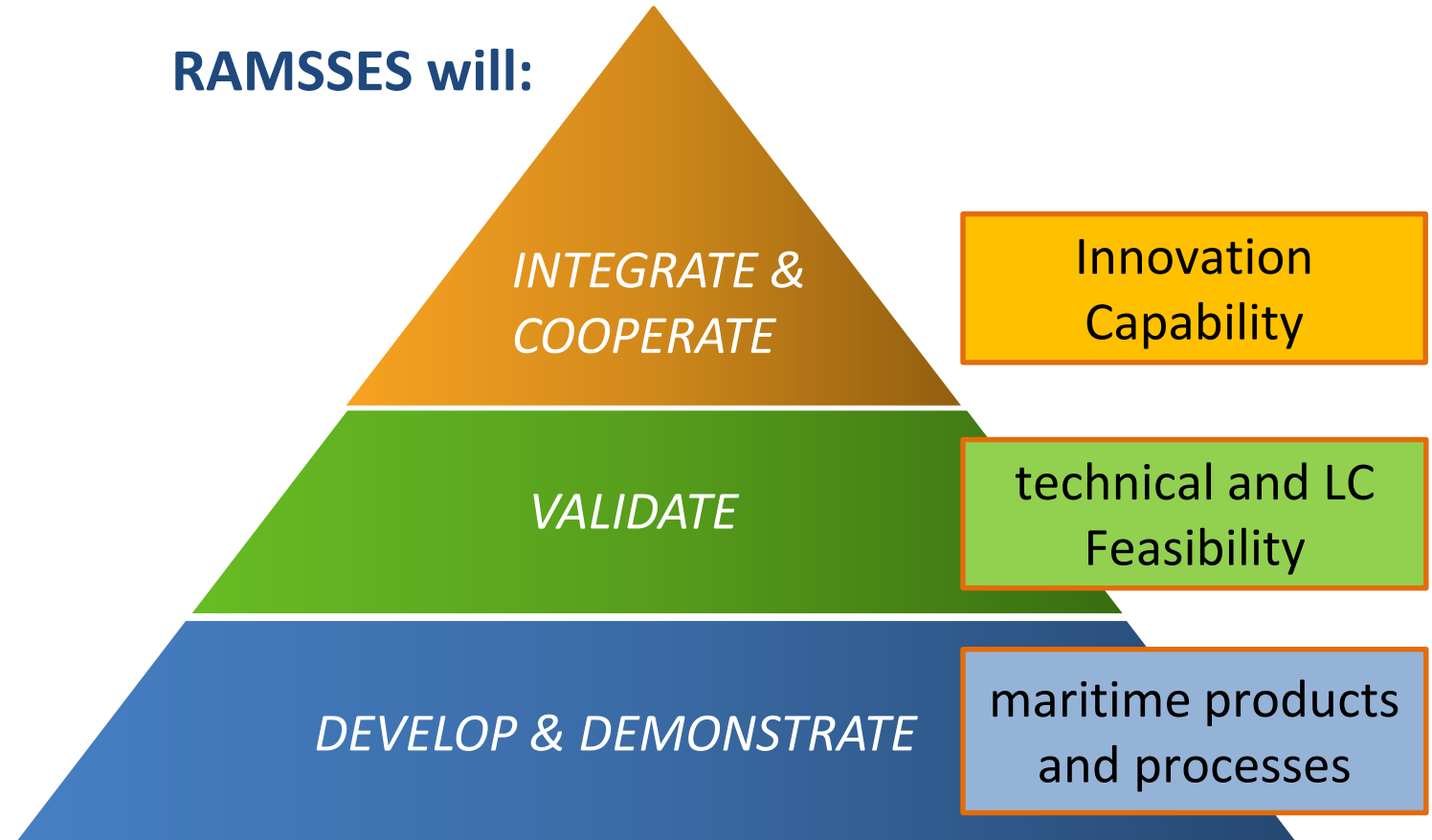


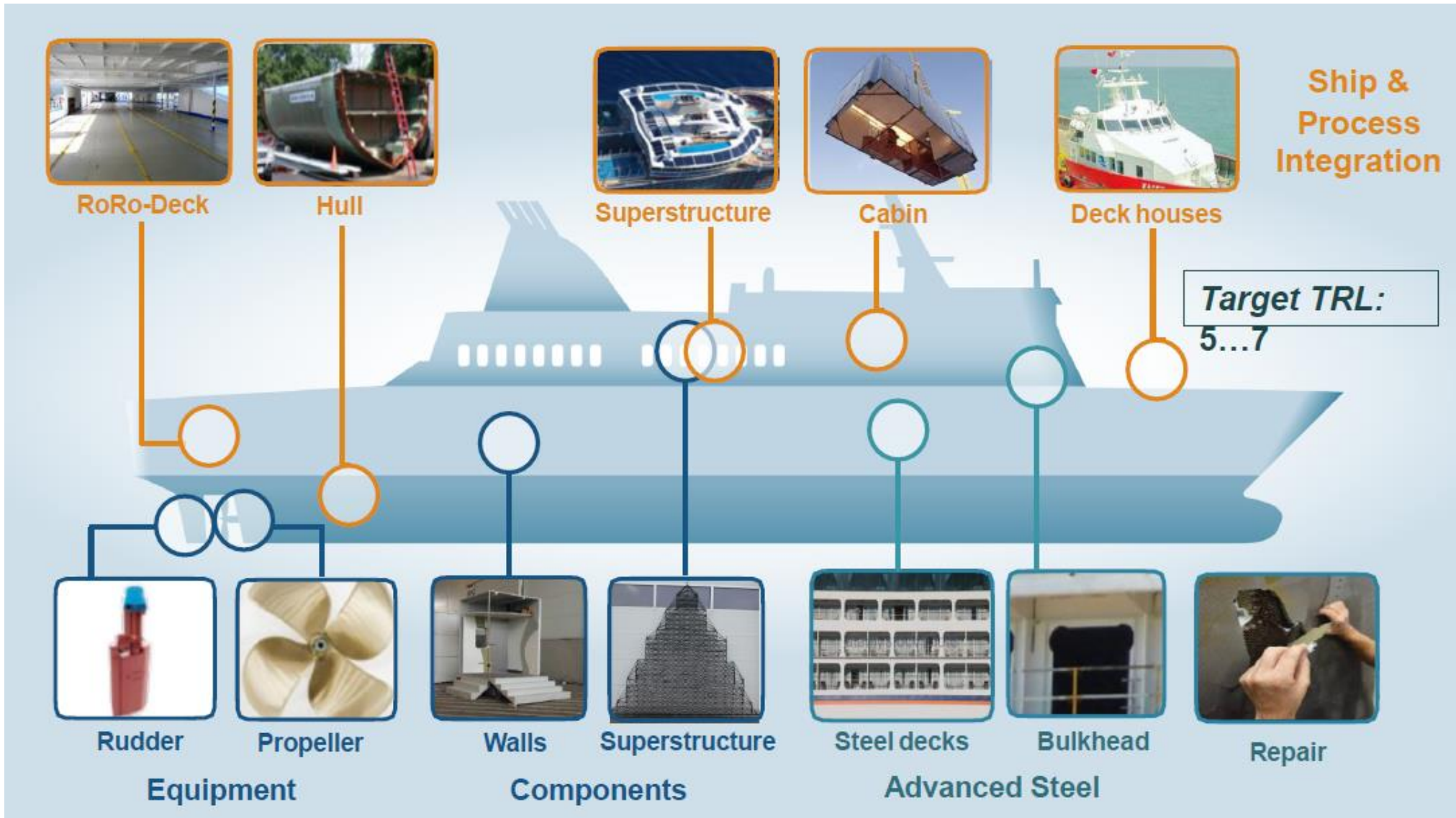
safe and comfortable



smart and functional

## RAMSSES will:





WP No	Cluster Title / WP Title	Lead	Focus Material	TRL Target	Validation
<b>Components &amp; Equipment</b>		<b>NetComp</b>			
WP09	Modular Light System for Less Critical Internal Walls and superstructure	BALTICO	various	6-7	(pre)approval*
WP10	Lightweight Components for High Loads and Fire Class	PODCOMP	composite	6-7	(pre)approval*
WP11	Propeller blades by additive manufacturing	NG	metal	4-5	shore based
WP12	Lightweight Rudder Flap	BMS	composite	6-7	onboard
<b>Ship integration: Composite</b>		<b>DSNS</b>			
WP13	Integration of System for Internal Walls and Superstructure of Cruise Ships into shipyard processes	MW	composite	7	onboard
WP14	Modular Decks for RoRo vessels	ULJ	composite	7	onboard
WP15	Lightweight aluminium and composite walls for Work Boats	MEC	various	6	onboard
WP16	Composite superstructure module on steel deck for multi purpose vessels	NG	composite	6	shore based
WP17	Custom Made Hull for Offshore vessel	DSNS	various	6	shore based
WP18	Multi material lightweight cabin for passenger ships	CdA	various	6-7	shore based
<b>Ship integration: Steel&amp;repair</b>		<b>CET</b>			
WP19	Highly Loaded structural details from high tensile steel in passenger and research vessels	FC	steel	6	shore based
WP20	Lightweight Decks using High Tensile Steel in cruise ships	MT	steel	7	onboard
WP21	Composite Overlay to repair and improve metallic and non-metallic structures	CARDA	various	7	(pre)approval* onboard

\* commercial approval to be done outside the project based on data elaborated in RAMSSES

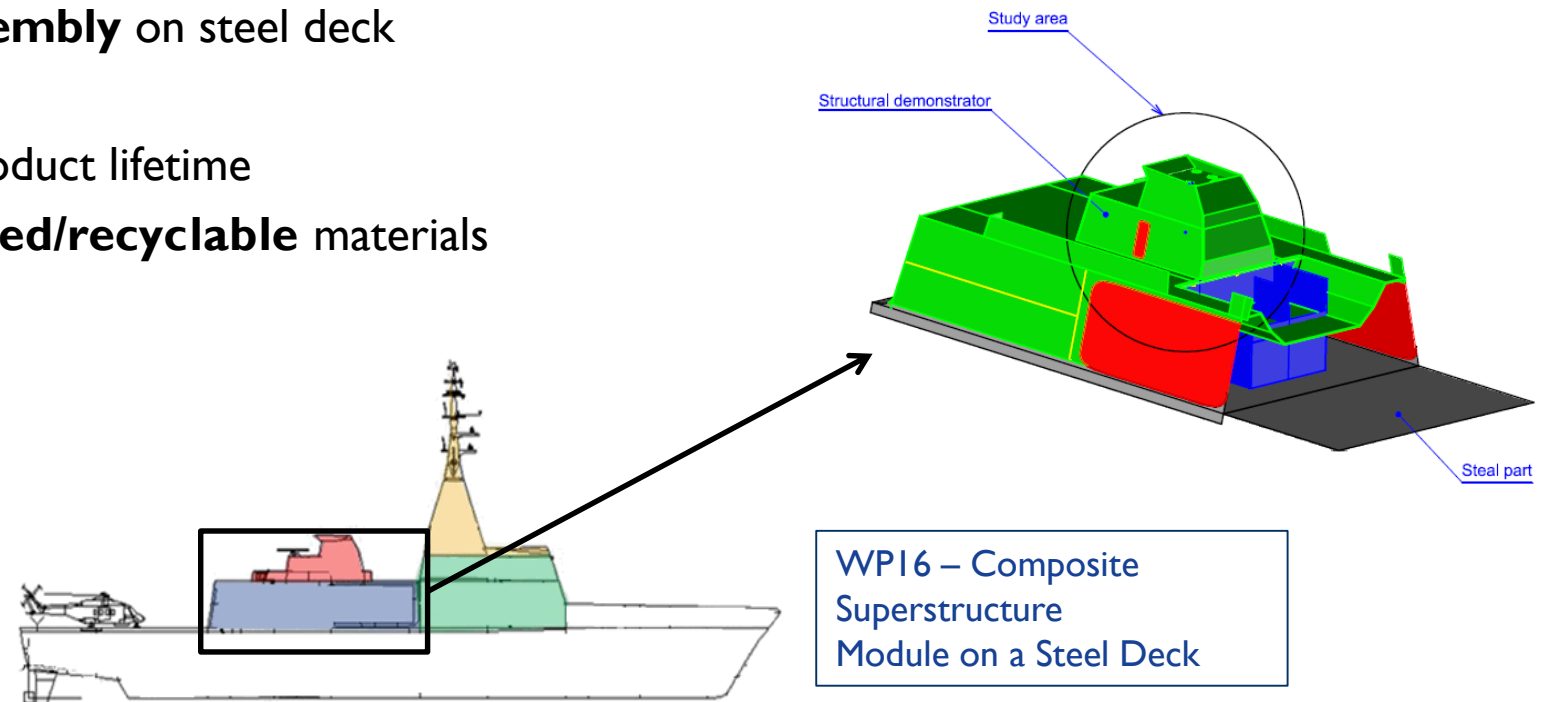


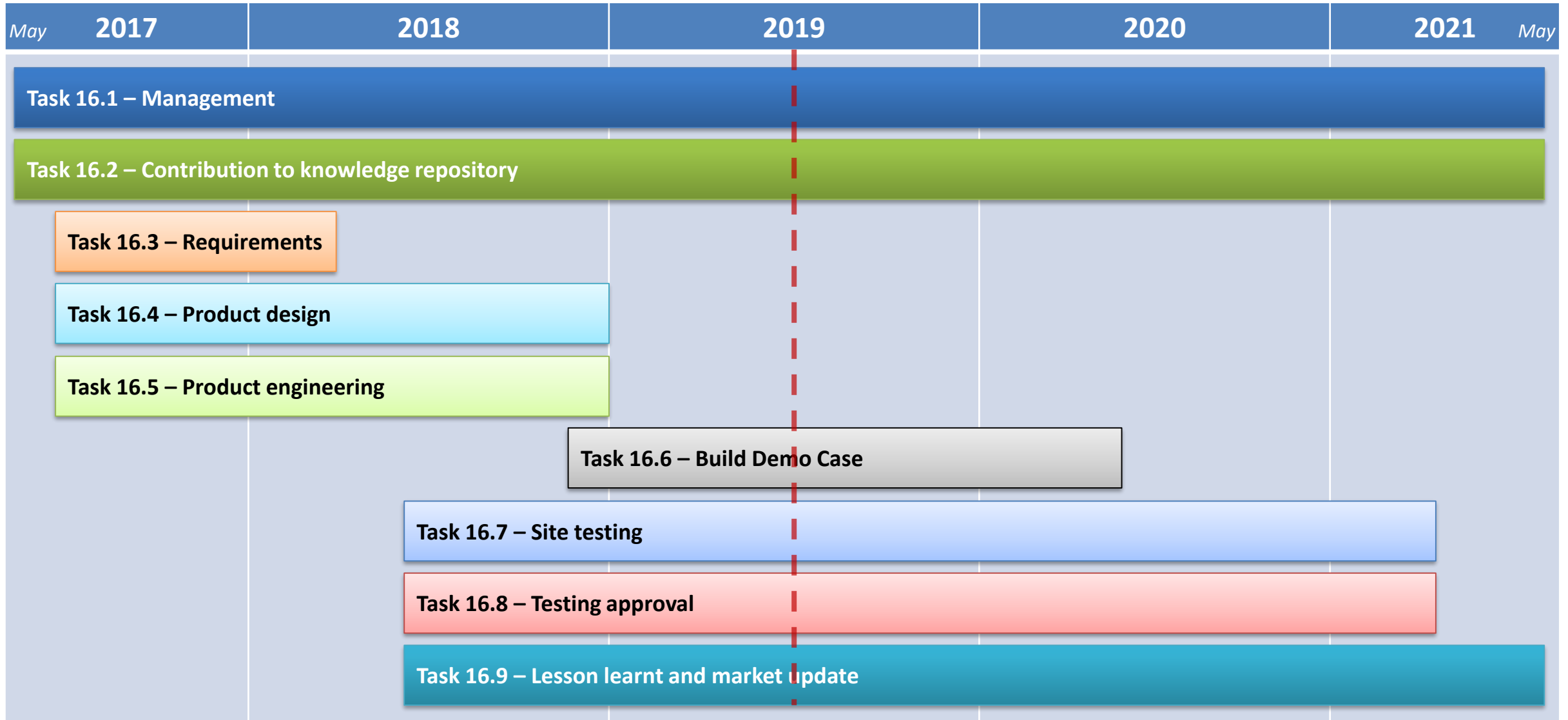
# WPI 6 OF THE RAMSSES PROJECT



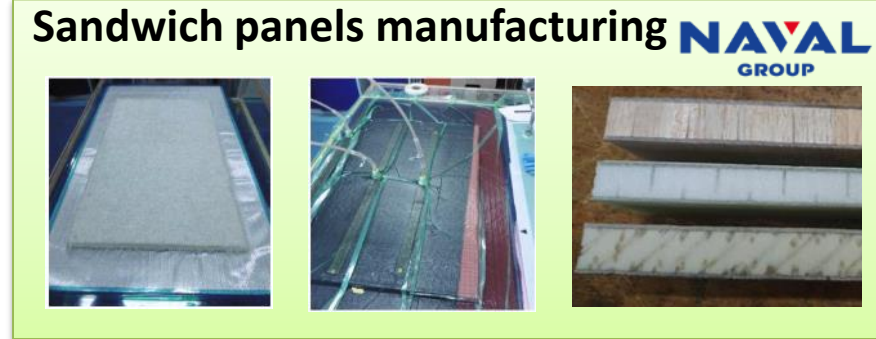
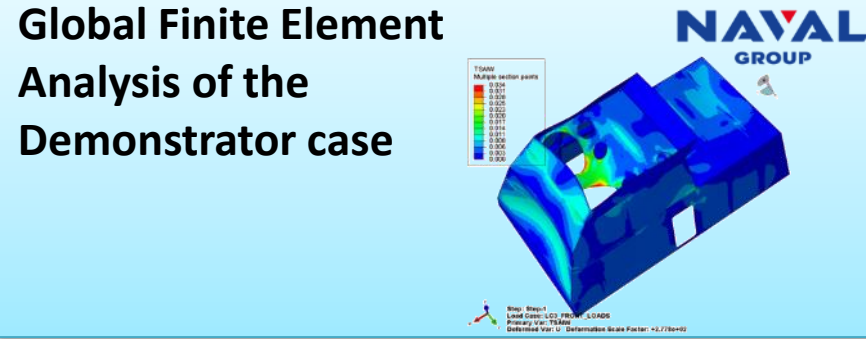


- **Objectives:** Conception, production, testing and validation of a demonstrator for composite superstructure meeting multi-criteria made up of a module on metallic deck:
  - Reduce **production costs**
  - **Reduce the weight** of multifunction composite structures
  - **Fire resistance**
  - **Health monitoring** systems
  - **Quick & easy (dis)assembly** on steel deck
  - **Noise insulation**
  - Mechanical resistance / product lifetime
  - Use of **recycled/bio-based/recyclable** materials

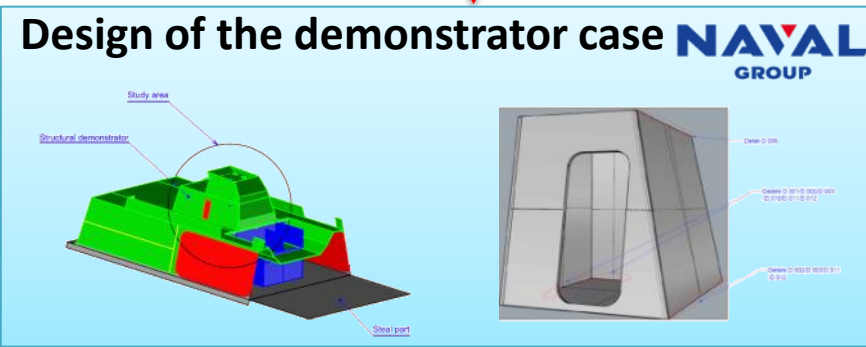




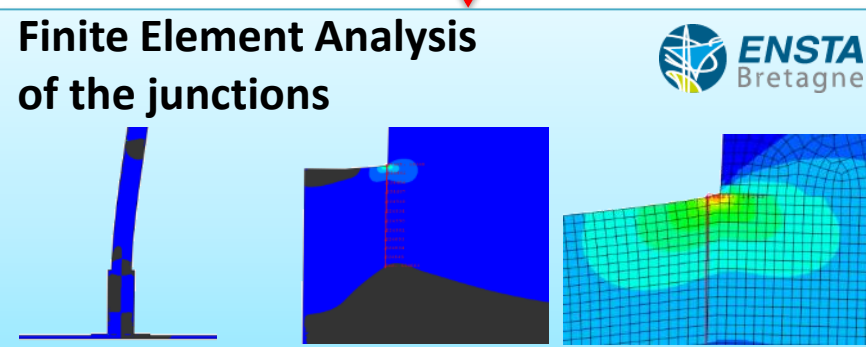
**Assumptions**  
note related to the application case



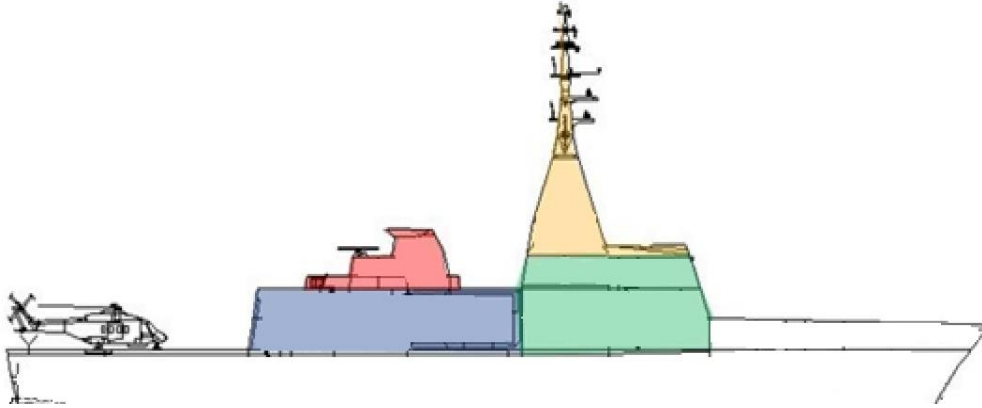
**Design assessment of the WP16 demonstrator case**  
Analysis based on BV rules:  
- NR 467  
- NR 546



- Task 16.3 – Requirements
- Task 16.4 – Product design
- Task 16.5 – Product engineering
- Task 16.7 – Site testing



- Ofshore Patrol Vessel



Ship particulars:

Full Load Displacement at delivery:  $\approx 3000$  tons

Draught:  $\approx 3.9$  m

Length between Perpendiculars: 105 m

Length Overall: 110 m

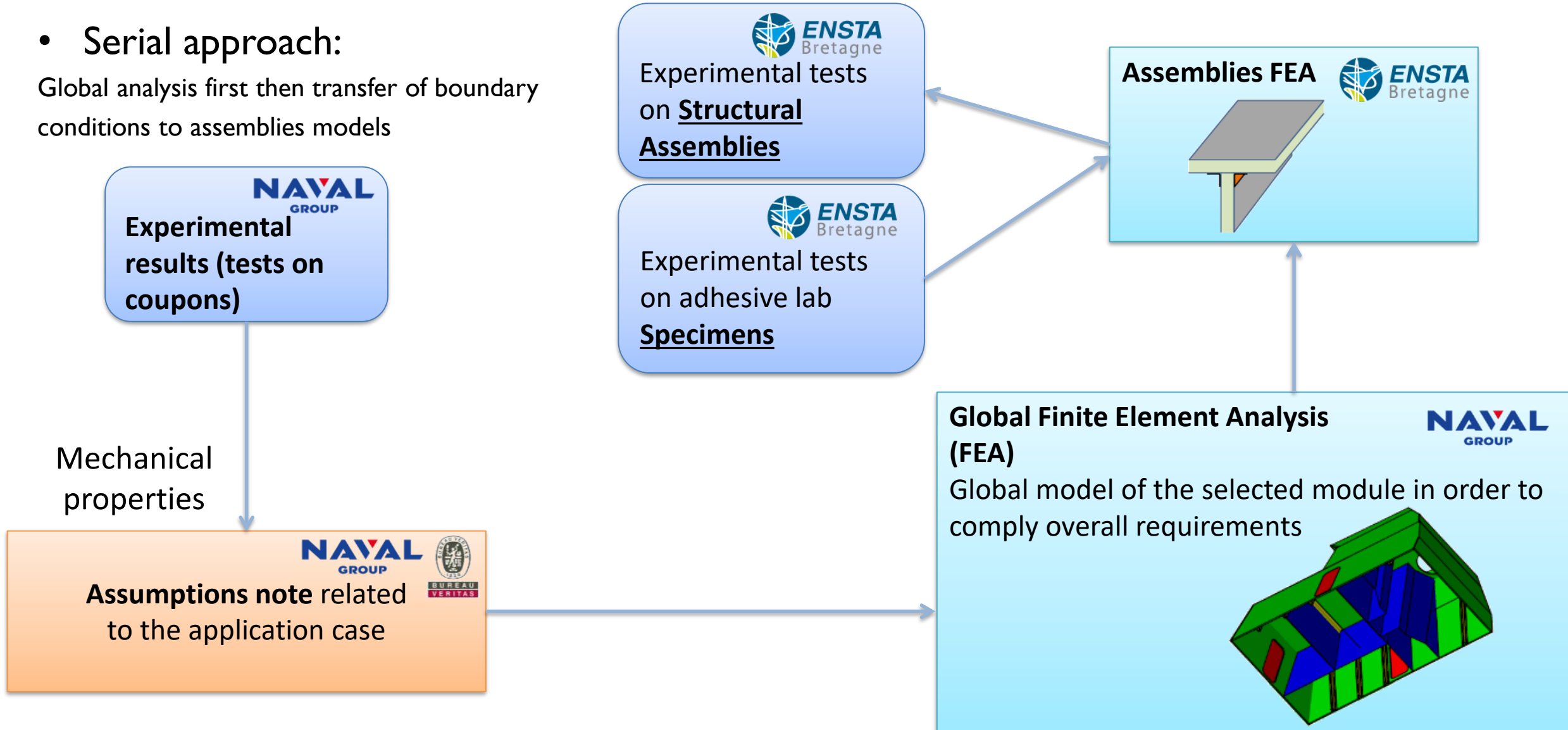
Breadth at the waterline: 14 m

- Classification requirements

- NR467 Part D chapter 16 of BV rules gives applicable requirements for ship classed with OPV service notation.
- Loadings from NR467
- Calculation methodology, testing, surveys from NR546
- Safety coefficients from NR600

- Serial approach:

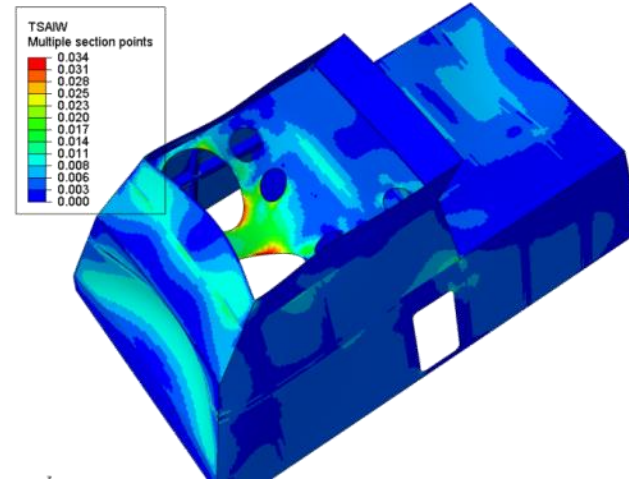
Global analysis first then transfer of boundary conditions to assemblies models



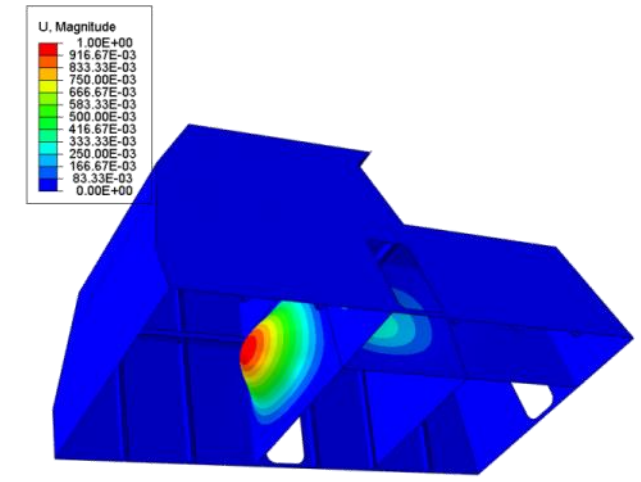
### FEA of the superstructure block

Global model of the selected module in order to comply overall requirements:

- Eigen values
- Deflection
- Buckling stability
- Tsai-Wu failure criterion (GFRP)
- Core analysis



Tsai-Wu failure criterion

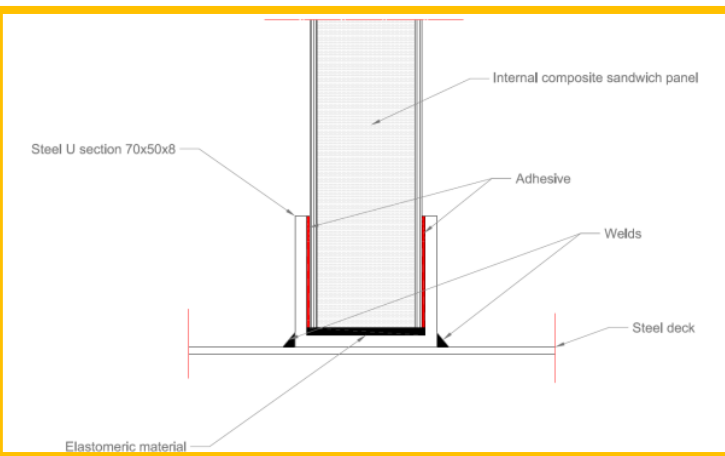
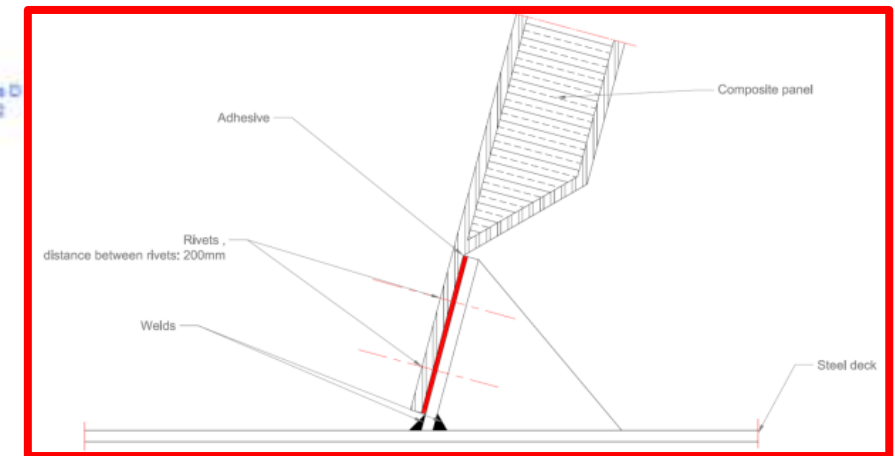
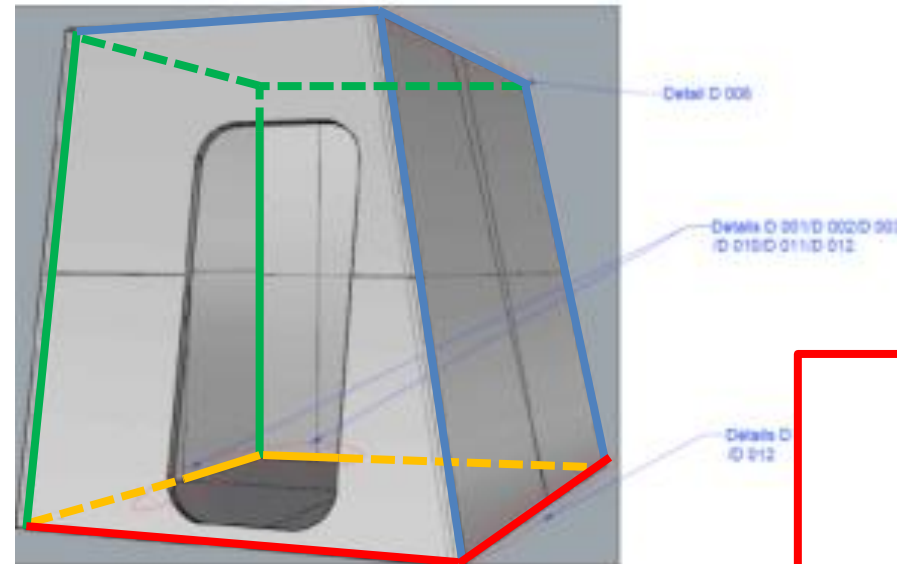
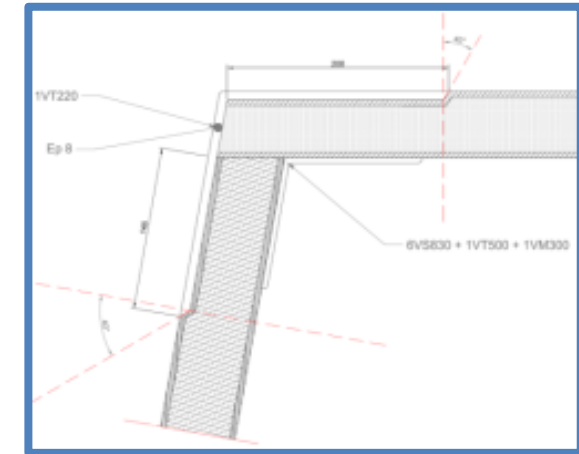
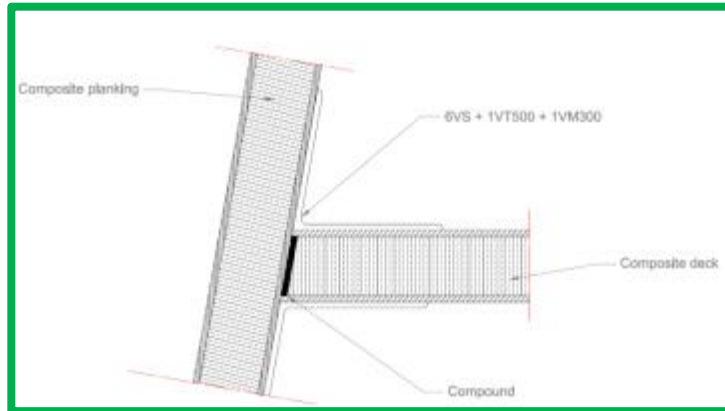


Buckling stability

	Composite superstructure block (WP16 design)	Metallic superstructure block (Original design)
Structural calculation made by Naval Group Internal referential	<p>4 t</p>	<p>11 t</p>

Up to 60% of weight reduction

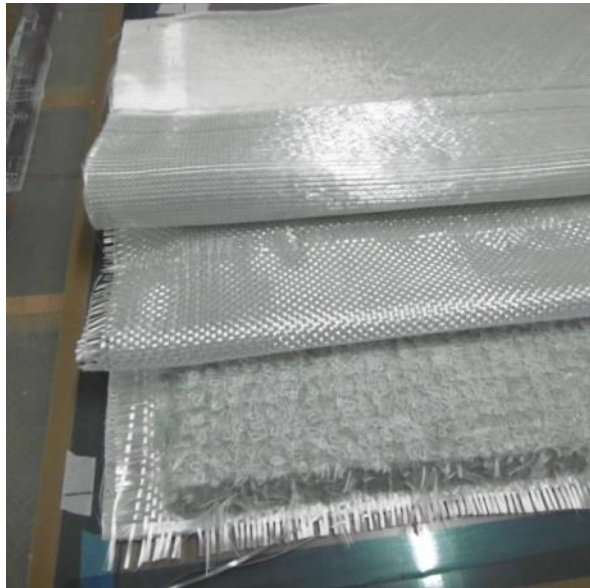
- Overall design of the demonstrator case and its junctions



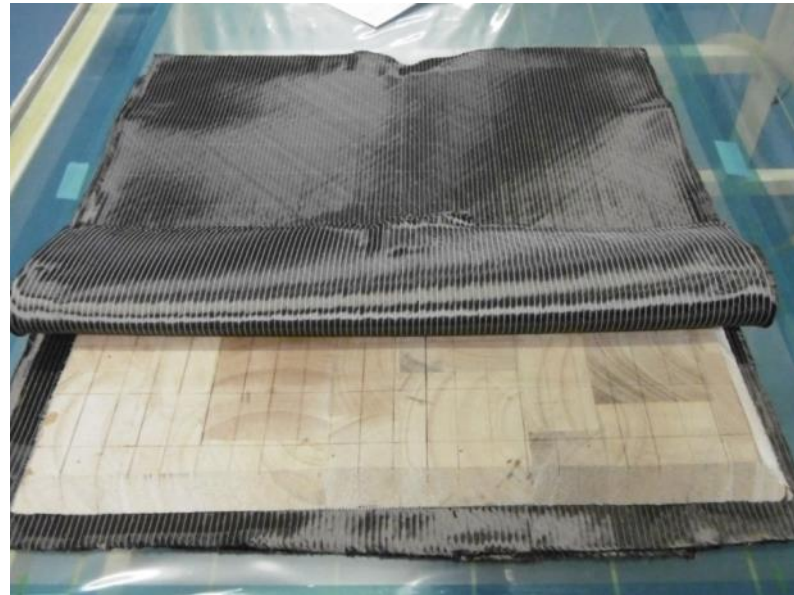
- Material selection for the sandwich panels
  - Skins : Glass/Vinylester for external bulkheads (evaluation of Carbon/Epoxy)  
Glass/Polyester or Glass/Vinylester for internal bulkheads
  - Core : 3D reinforced foams or balsa wood
  - Protection against fire : LEO Coated and/or intumescent paint



3D reinforced foam



Sandwich lay-up (GFRP + reinforced foam) before vacuum infusion



Sandwich lay-up (CFRP + Balsa) before vacuum infusion



Sandwich panel with intumescent paint



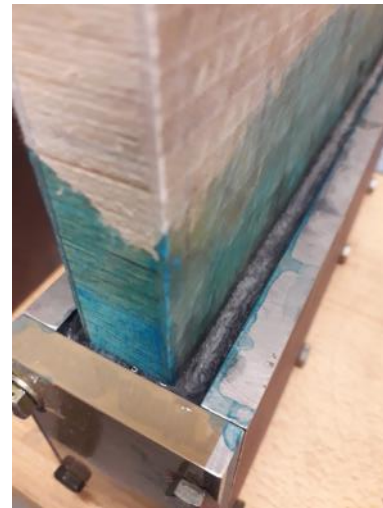
- Adhesive bonding with the disassembly function
  - Multi-material assembly
  - flexible resin (damping, tolerance, thermal expansion)
  - Disassembly function by heating the metallic part

Evaluation:

Heating by a hot air device

Industrial potential:

Joule effect heater with addings in the adhesive or induction heating



Bonded junction



Bonded junction after heating



- Experimental approach  
General Campaign

### Demonstrator scale tests

- Fire behaviour tests (WP07)
- Mechanical tests on assemblies

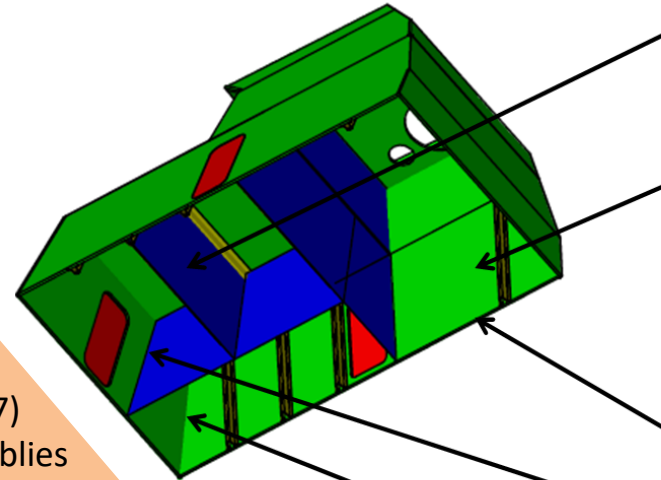
### Intermediate level tests

*Joints and composite panels*

- Mechanical tests on joints (static and cyclic)
- Fire behaviour (WP07 - RISE)
- Resistance to marine environment evaluation

### Material coupons tests

- Mechanical tests (WP16 and WP07 - Fraunhofer)
- Physico-chemical tests (WP16 and WP07 - Fraunhofer)
- Fire reaction tests (WP07 - RISE)



Non-load bearing Bulkhead - Fire Resisting Division Test (FRD) according to FTP code part II

Load bearing Bulkhead – FRD Test according to FTP code part II

Assembly on the steel deck

T Assembly between nonload bearing and load bearing bulkhead

L Assembly of load-bearing bulkhead

- Experimental approach – Tests on coupons

WP07 -  
Fraunhofer

WP07 - RISE

WP16 - Naval  
Group

## Mechanical

*Monolithic  
And skins*

**3-point  
bending**  
ISO 14125

**Interlaminar  
Shear test**  
ISO 14130

**Tensile test**  
ISO 527

*Sandwich*

**3-point  
bending**  
NF T54-606

**4-point  
bending**  
NF T54-606

**Interlaminar  
Shear test**  
NF T54-606

## Physico-chemical

*Monolithic, skins and core  
materials*

**Density**  
ISO 1183

**Fiber content**  
ISO 1172

**DSC**  
Differential Scanning Calorimetry  
ISO 11357

**TGA**  
ThermoGravimetric Analysis  
ISO 11358

## Fire

*Sandwich samples*

**Cone calorimeter**  
ISO 5660

- NI546 based approach:
  - A first campaign has been performed by Naval Group to select the materials
  - Then 2 materials will be tested at Fraunhofer within WP07 framework

- **Experimental approach – Tests on coupons**

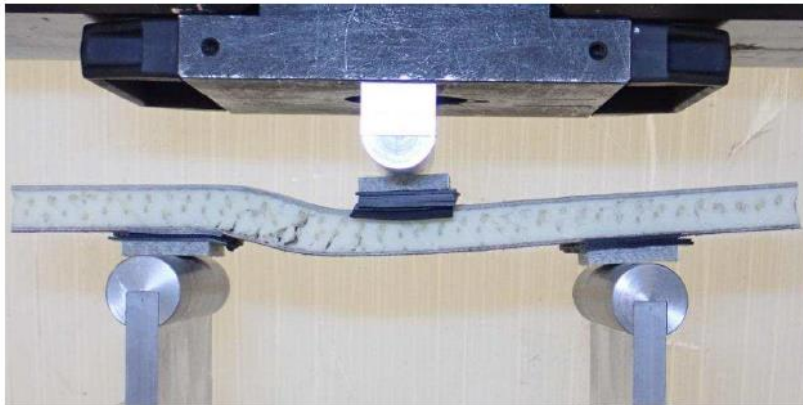
- Experimental campaign on monolithic coupons to feed a decision matrix based on mechanical and physicochemical tests

- Reinforcements: Glass, Carbon, Basalt, flax
- Resins: Vinylester, polyester, epoxy
- Fire retardant: FR infusion resin, coated fabric, intumescent gelcoat

- 3-point bending on sandwich samples



**Tensile test on woven flax/basalt monolithic coupons**



**Sandwich lay-up (vinylester GFRP + reinforced foam)**

**Shear strength : 1.9 MPa**



**Sandwich lay-up (polyester GFRP + balsa wood)**

**Shear strength : 4.0 MPa**



**Sandwich lay-up (epoxy GFRP + PET foam)**

**Shear strength : 0.9 MPa**

- Experimental approach – Intermediate level tests – Tests on adhesives



## Modified Arcan test

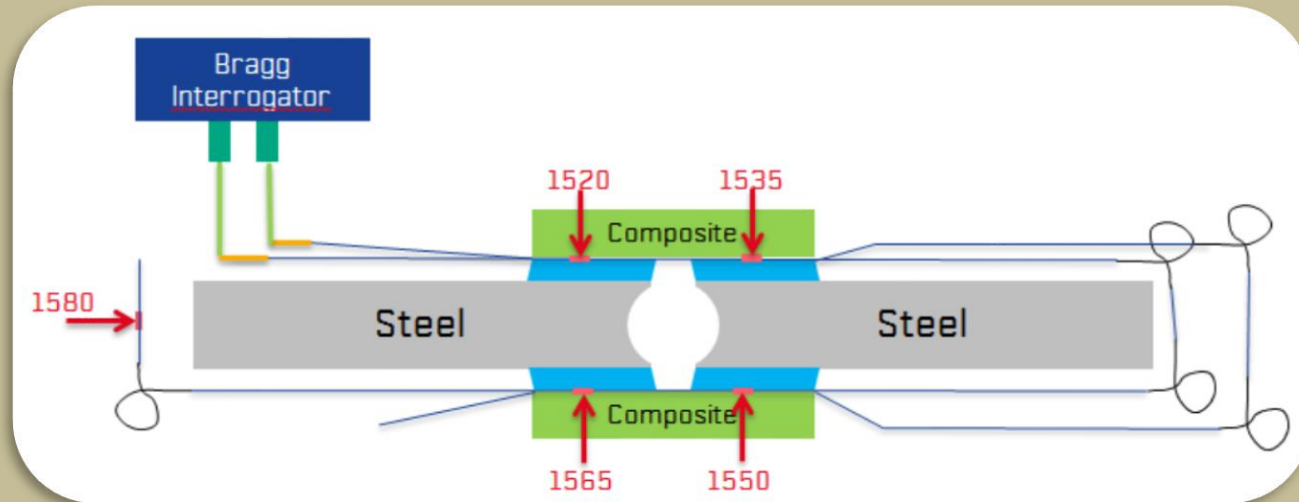


### Objectives of this campaign:

- Adhesive multiaxial characterization (static and fatigue)
- Definition of the linear elastic material constants
- Definition of a failure stress based criterion



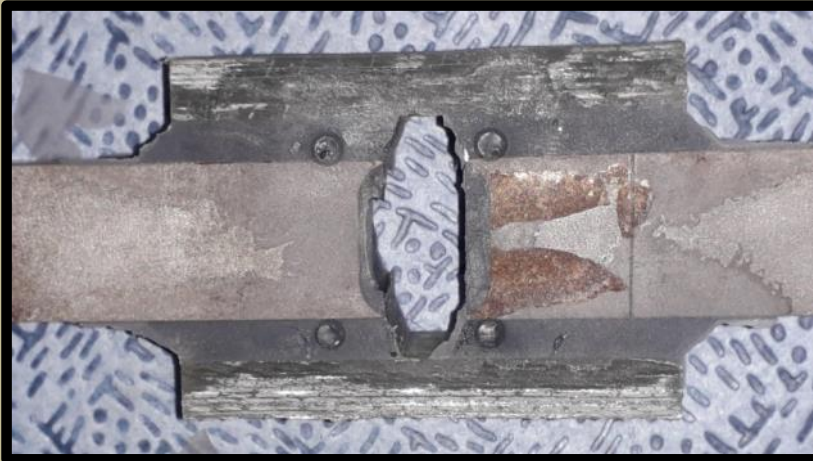
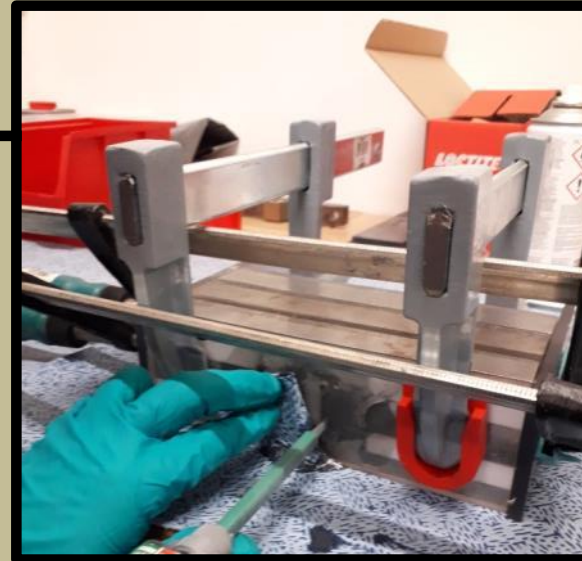
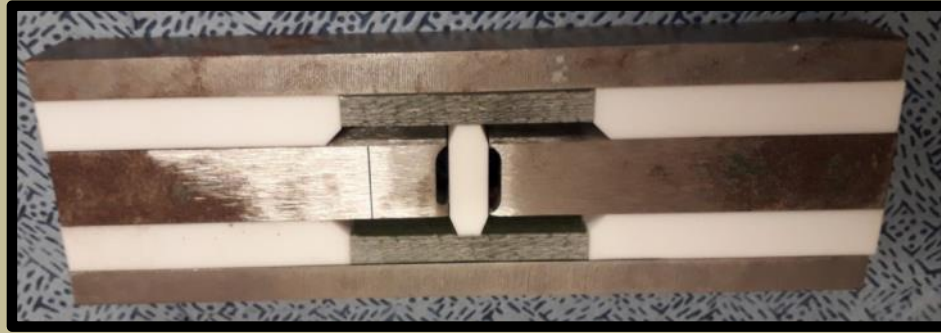
## Test on coupons



### Objectives of this campaign:

- Evaluation of the intrusivity of the fibre bragg grating sensors
- Behaviour of the assembly with and without primary
- Durability (unaged and aged samples)

- Experimental approach – Intermediate level tests – Tests on adhesives



- Experimental approach – Demonstrator scale tests – Test on junctions

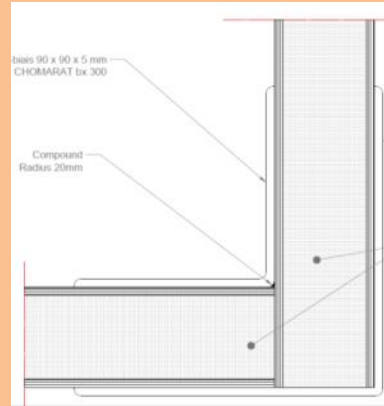
## Mechanical tests on assemblies



Monotonous and cyclic loadings with SHM (sQRS and Bragg gratings)

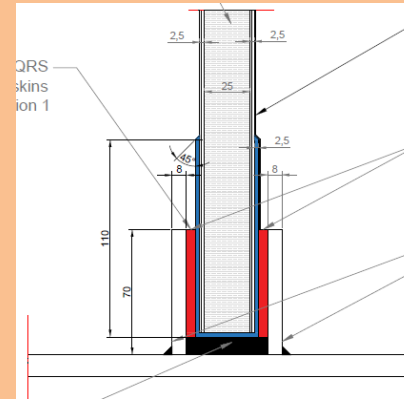
### Configuration 1

Bonding principle of 2 external bulkheads



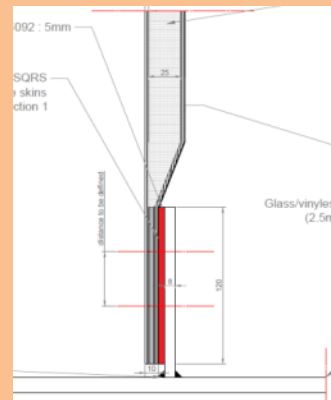
### Configuration 2

Assembly detail of steel deck and internal composite bulkhead



### Configuration 3

Assembly detail of steel deck and external composite bulkhead



### Configuration 4

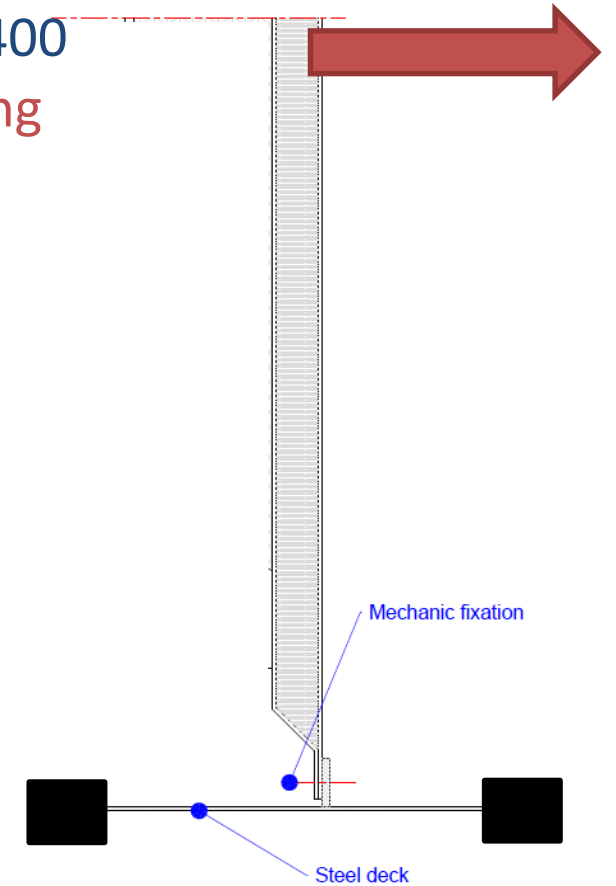
FAUSST System  
Assembly detail of steel deck and external composite bulkhead



### Multiaxial fatigue platform (ENSTA Bretagne) :



hydraulic  
actuators (400  
kN ): bending



Design of specific  
clamping device



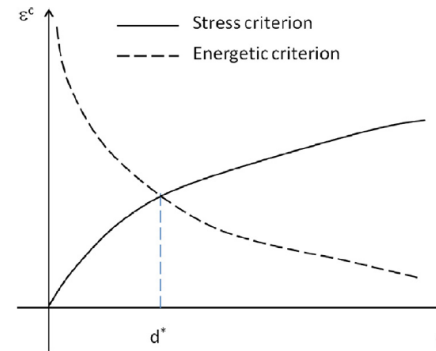
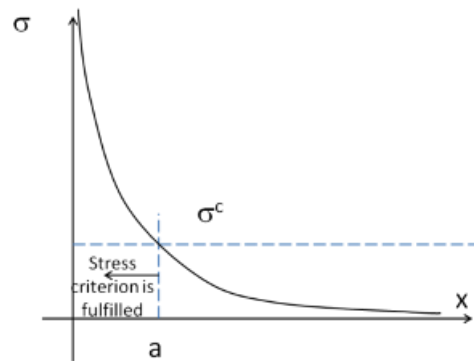
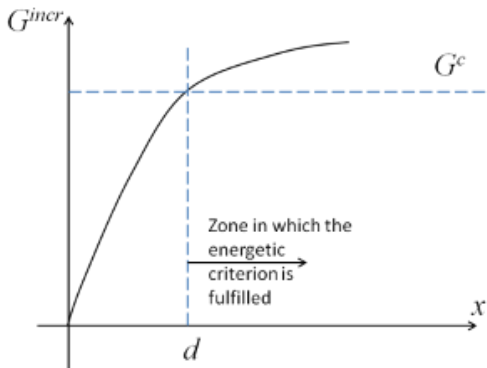
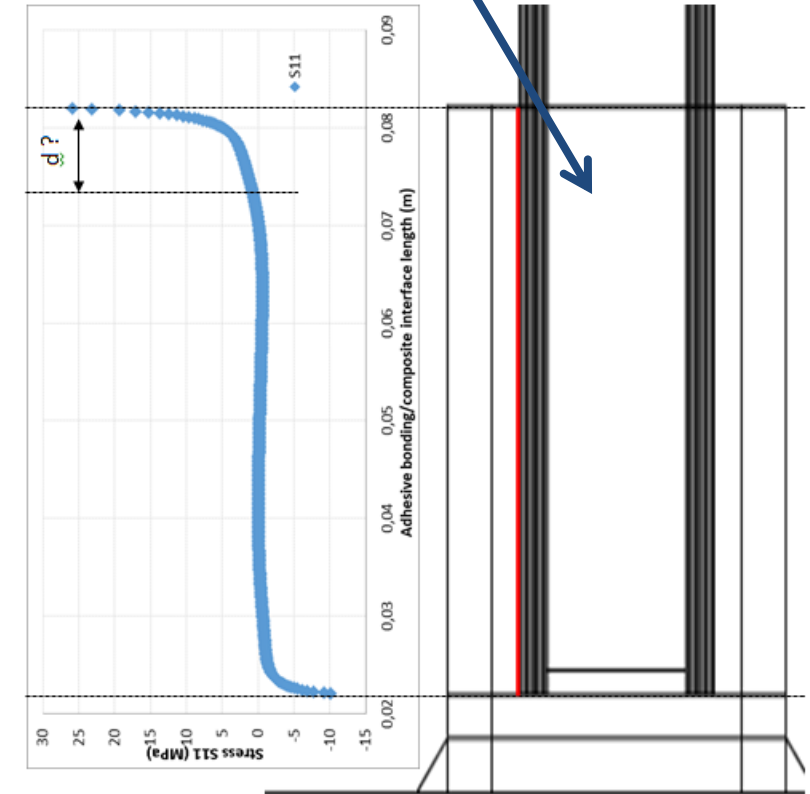
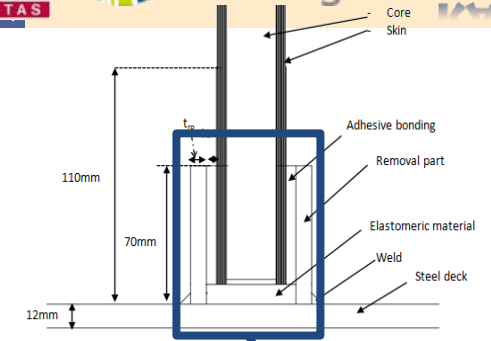
- Characterization of structural specimens of bulkhead junctions

- Structural specimen test campaign :

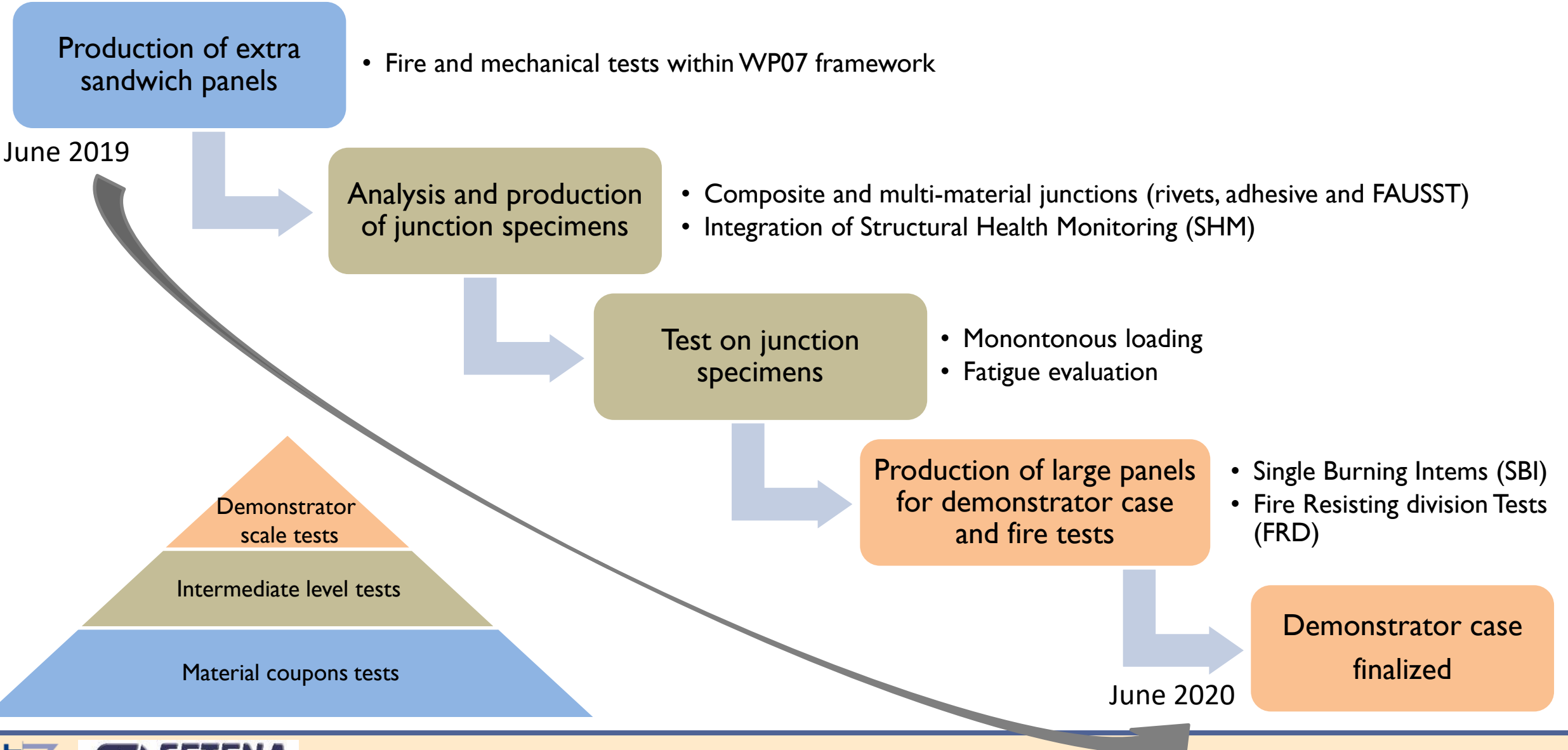
- Design of a **clamping device**
- I loading case : Bending
- Monotonic and **Fatigue** tests

- Numerical approach :

- **FEA linear elastic model** from Composite (Naval Group) and Adhesive (ENSTA B.) material parameters
- Based on a **coupled approach** : Definition of the **process zone** for each loading case to evaluate the stress criterion



# Next steps and timeline



# Thank you for your attention

## Any question ?

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