



**Inspection Scope Optimization for Turn Arounds**

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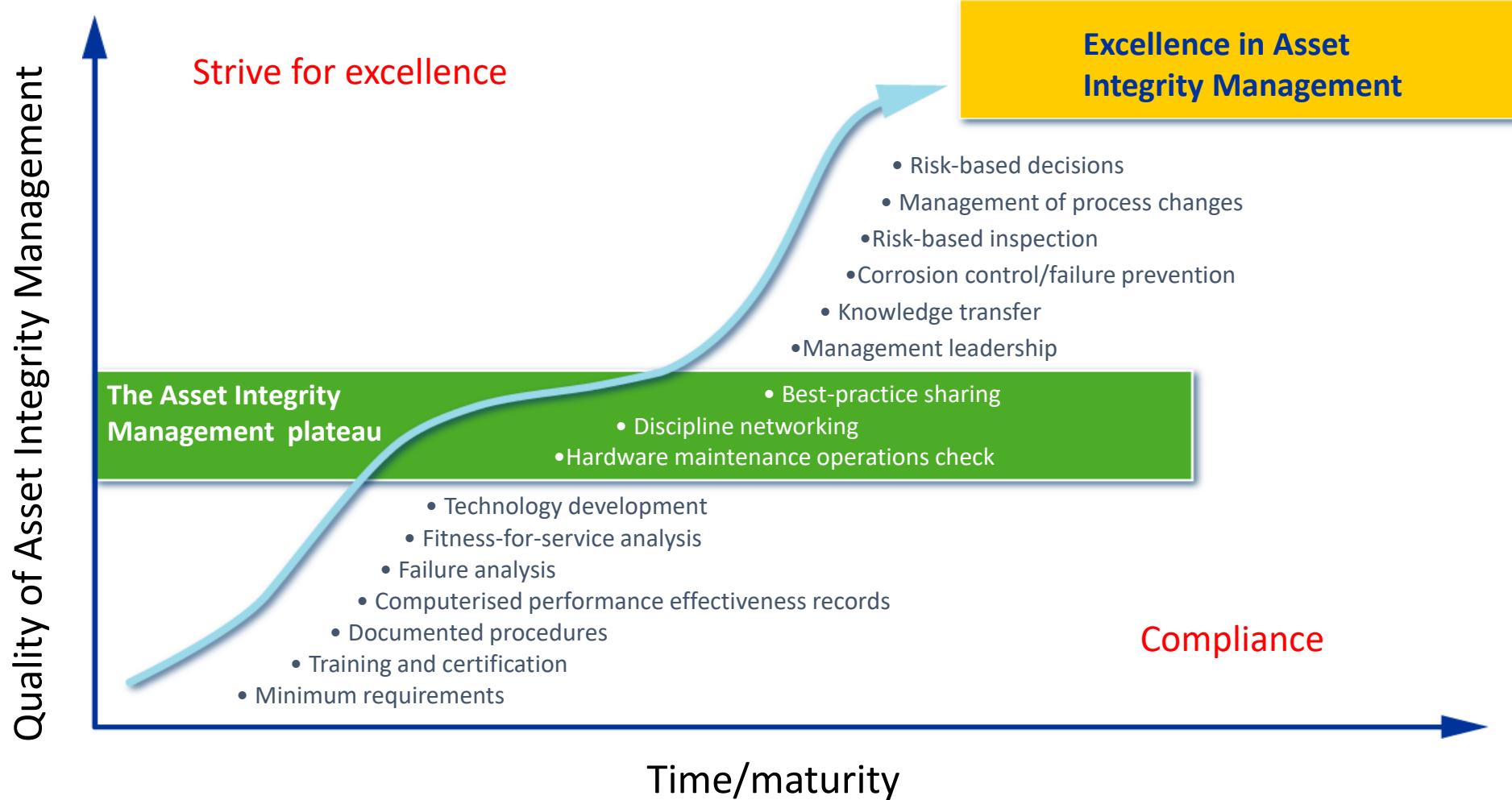
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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Minimum Intervention Strategy for Inspection
  - Value drivers: How to save cost
  - Risk Based Inspection: Minimize the intrusive scope
  - Use of robots for inspection: Optimize the execution
  - Non-Intrusive Inspection: Use alternatives
- Inspection strategy 4.0

# Achieve Excellence in Asset Integrity



# Minimum Intervention Strategy for Inspection

**Minimum Intervention Strategy for Inspection (MISI) is a methodology aimed at maturing an assets risk based inspection strategies in a structured manner**

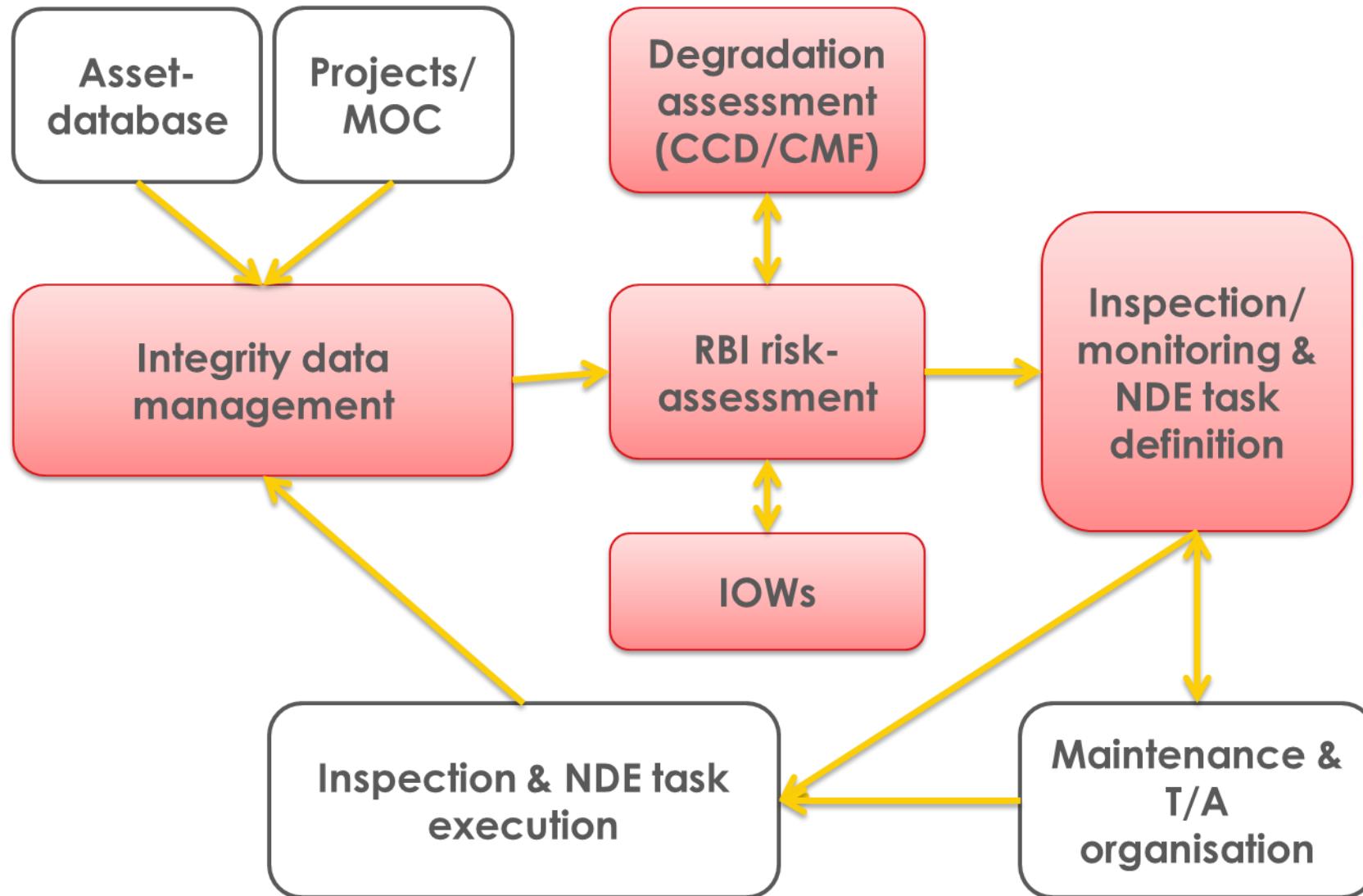
- Optimize the use of Risk Based Inspection (RBI)
- Improve your current RBI-strategy into a living program, deploy Corrosion Management and operate within Integrity Operating Windows
- Selection of alternative inspection methods such as Non Intrusive Inspection and robots for intrusive inspections

**MISI aims at reducing the impact of inspection on:**

- Turn Around scope and down-time of the installation
- Intervention costs for preparation of vessels
- HSSE impact of confined space entry



# Inspection Optimization Key Elements



# MISI Value Drivers



HSE implications



Person on Board  
limitation  
(Reduce deferment)



Direct preparatory  
costs



# MISI value drivers

Reduce Turn Around scope and down-time of the installation

- In Oil and Gas production and other facilities such as power generation
- Less people on board for execution during TA's

Less intervention costs for preparation of vessels

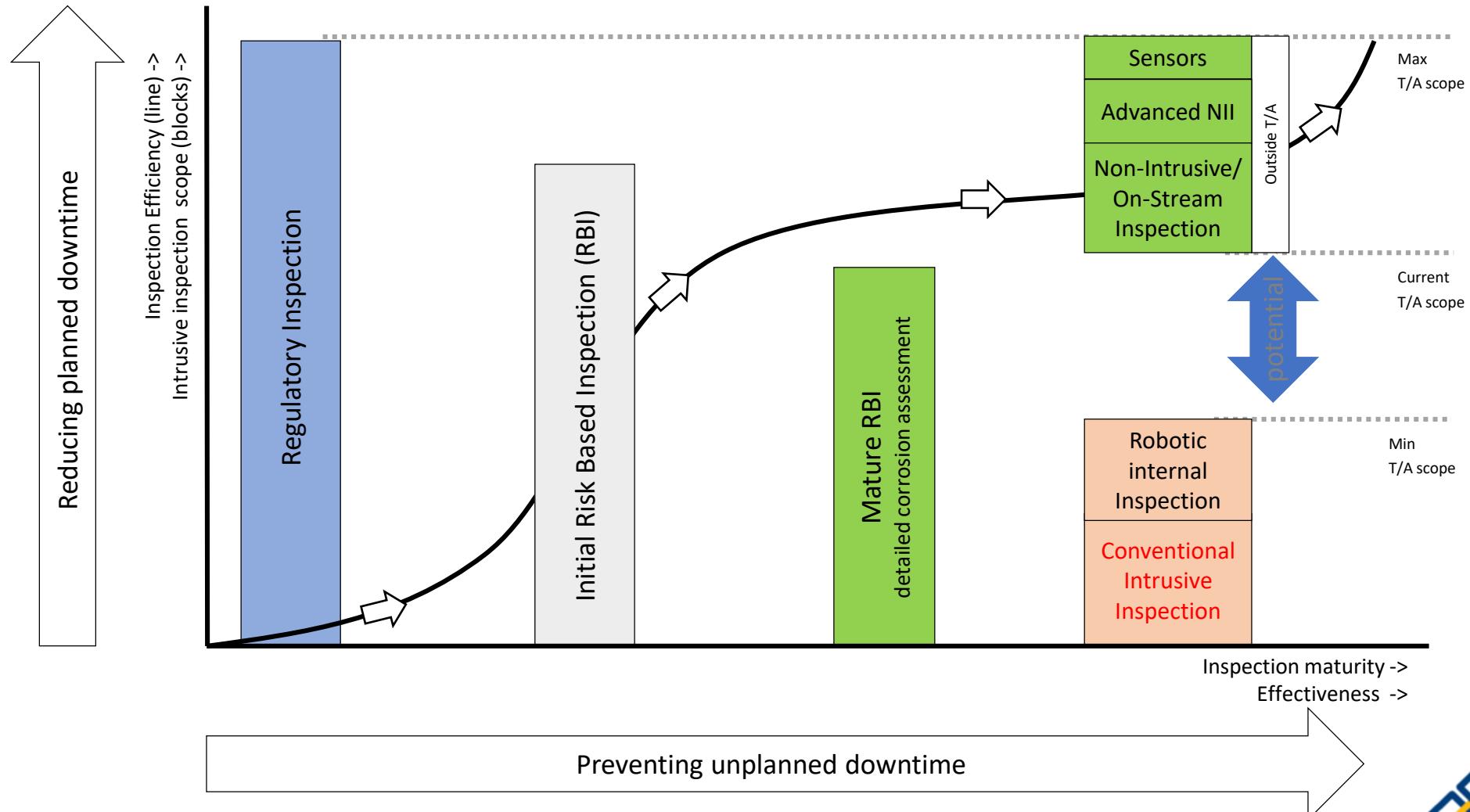
- Direct 'mechanical' cost
- 'Robots' require less isolation than human entries

HSSE impact of less confined space entries

- RBI analysis reduces risk and the need for internal inspection
- Reduced offshore travel for mechanical work/scaffolding/cleaning



# Production optimization from an inspection point of view



# Definition RBI

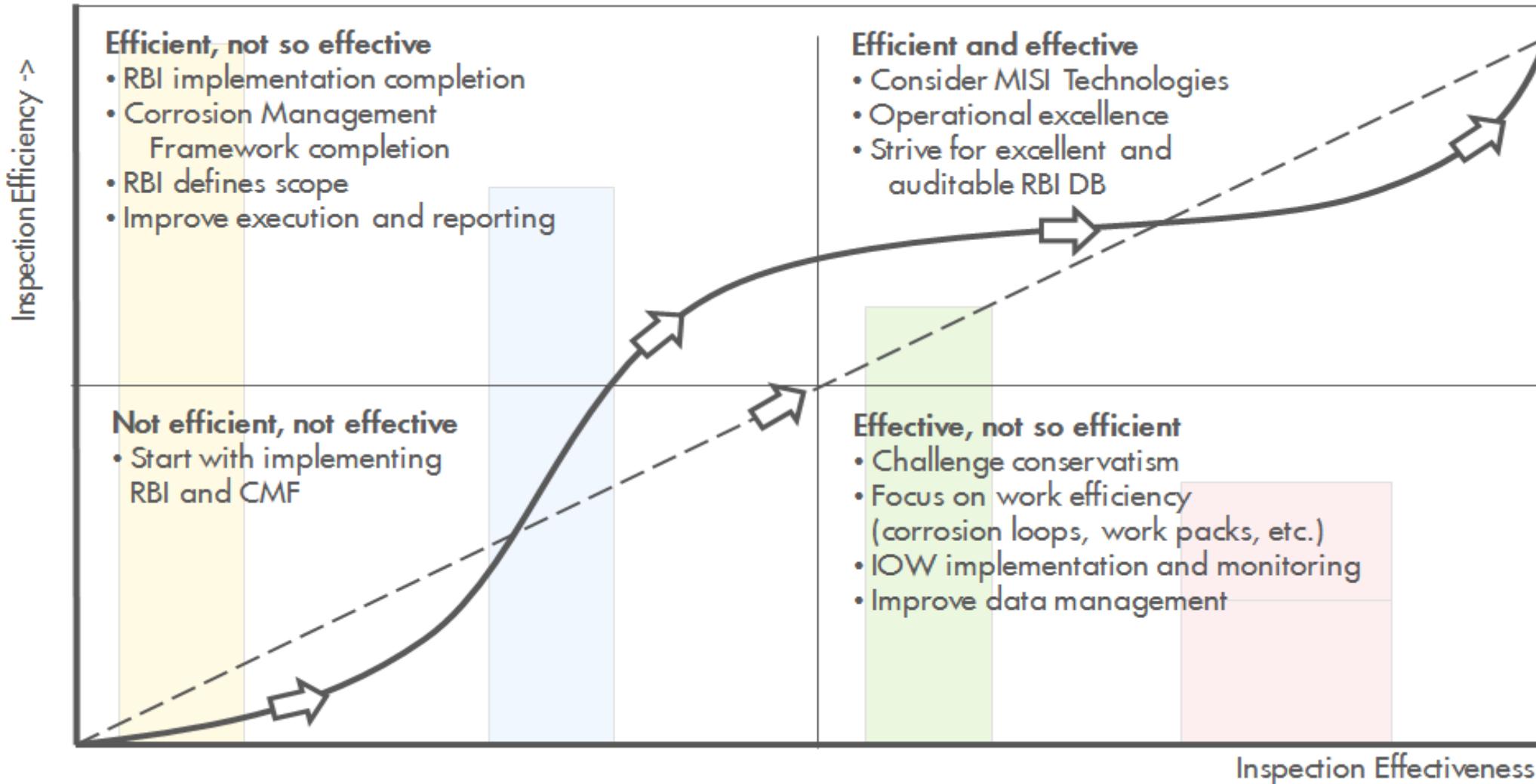
**Risk Based Inspection** (API recommended practice 580, Third edition, February 2016)

A risk assessment and Management process that is focused on loss of containment of pressurized equipment in processing facilities, due to material deterioration. These risks are managed primarily through equipment inspection.

# Business impact of RBI

- A mature RBI assessment may result in a 2,5% increased availability over the life cycle of an installation
- An RBI quality review may reveal both inefficiencies and ineffective area's
- The impact can be assessed
  - Amount of TA days reduced
  - Direct cost reductions because of reduced inspection scope
  - Impact on HSE, less exposure hours and less confined space entries

# Optimize RBI



# Example presentation of the impact of MISI

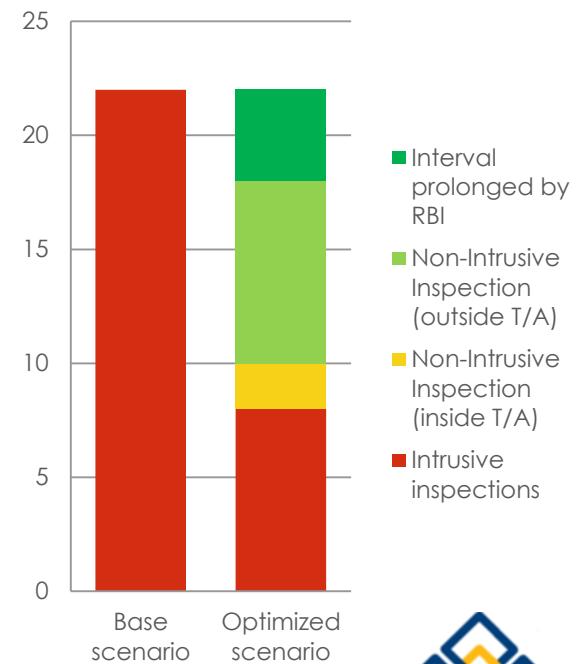
## Minimum Intervention Strategies for Inspection Review targets:

- Review TA scope for **next** turnaround of a facility
- Risk Based Inspection (RBI) review of intrusive scope and screening for Non-Intrusive Inspection (NII) revealed opportunities for optimizing TA scope

## Business Impact

- Original scope includes intrusive vessels inspections, extending the critical path
- All vessels analyzed
  - **X %** intrusive vessel inspections left in next TA
  - **X %** vessels removed from TA scope with NII / Robotics
  - **X %** vessels removed from next TA scope by extending intervals with RBI
- Savings estimated: **X man hours** removed from next TA scope
  - Potential saving ~X days TA duration
  - Cost for executing NII estimated at \$ X over the next period
- **X confined space entries** avoided

So far **all** MISI reviews carried out on 20+ installations have identified and realized scope- and cost savings of 10-50%



## MISI: Business impact

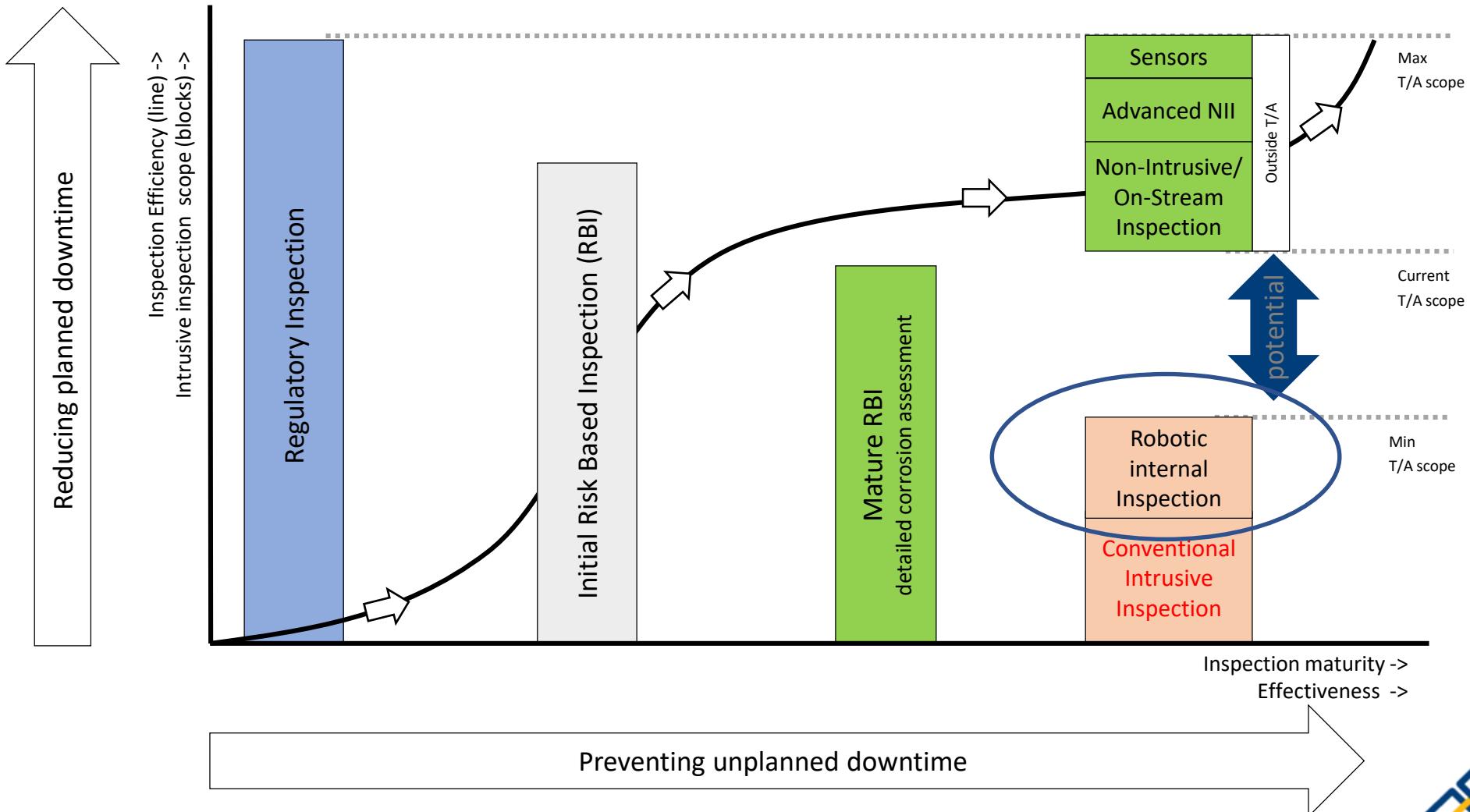
300 vessels reviewed on 7 Oil- and Gas production installations

- Intrusive inspections were reduced by 30% applying RBI
- A reduction of about 20% by applying NII
- For 10% robots could be used to avoid human entry

### Result

- 35 less Turn-Around days
- Significant cost savings, up to 50%
- 100+ reduction of confined space entries

# Inspection optimization: Use Robots



# Manually operated camera systems

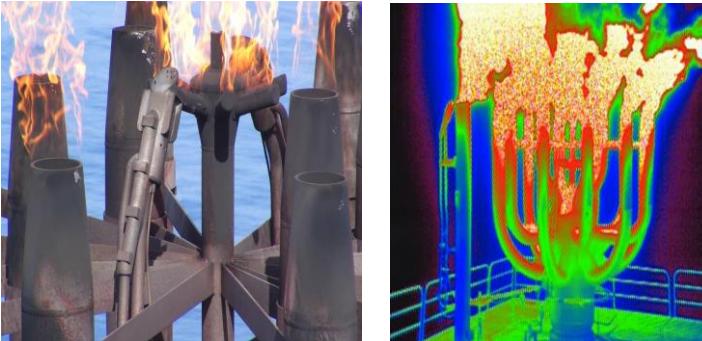
- Non-robotic arm with video scope or a camera mounted on pole for visual inspection
- Access from small nozzles
- Quick low cost visual inspection, less stability, no NDT tools possible
- Commercially available on market
- ATEX certified solutions are available



# ROAV Applications: Drones



Deployment and operation



Flare inspection



Vent stack inspection



Structural inspection



Chimney inspection

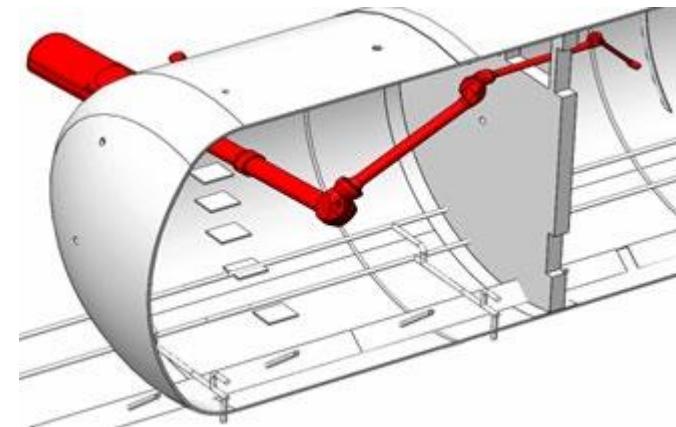
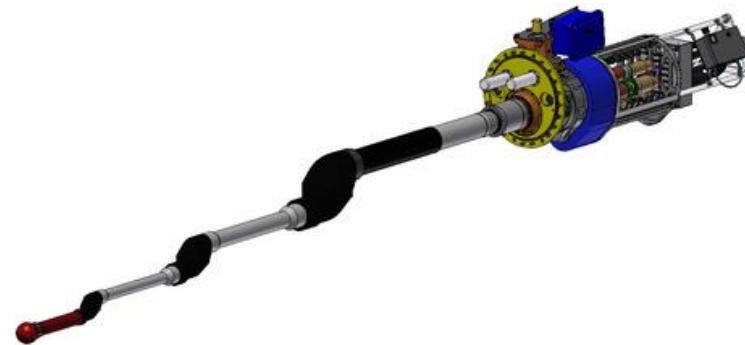
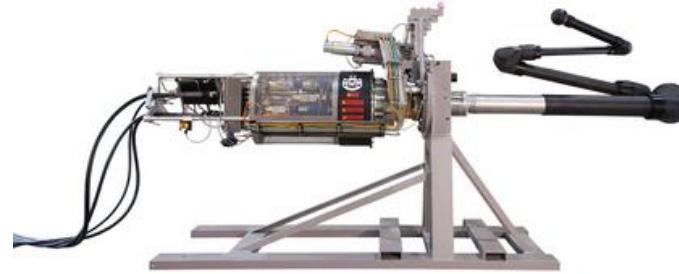
**Applications (not exhaustive!)**  
Flares including “live flare” inspection  
Chimneys, Vent stacks  
Communication masts  
Waste heat boiler ducting  
Geomatics – aerial surveys  
Emergency response to situations



Geological studies

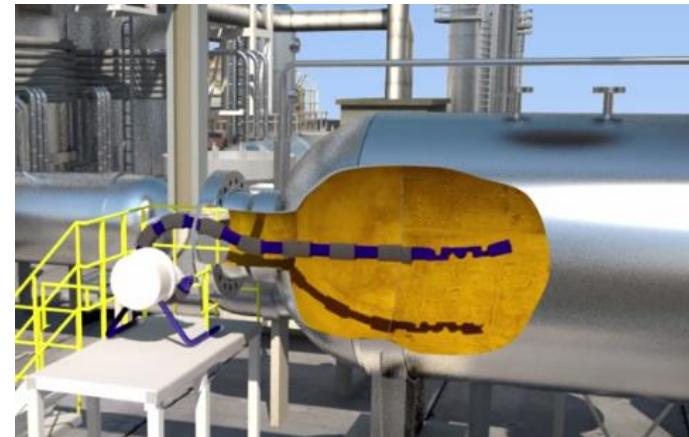
# Large stand-off type robotic arms

- Deployed first in Norway in 2012
- Adapted to O&G in Demo-2000 Joint Industry Project in Norway
- Heavy but stable deployments
  - Extensive preparations needed
- ATEX certified solutions available
- Cleaning and visual inspection tools



# Smaller flexible arm type robots

- Lightweight retractable snake arm developed by OC Robotics under the Petrobot program
- Deployments require less preparation (no manhole adaptor), still require hoisting
- ATEX zone 1 certification capable
- Quick intrusive inspection with visual, UT, EC sensors

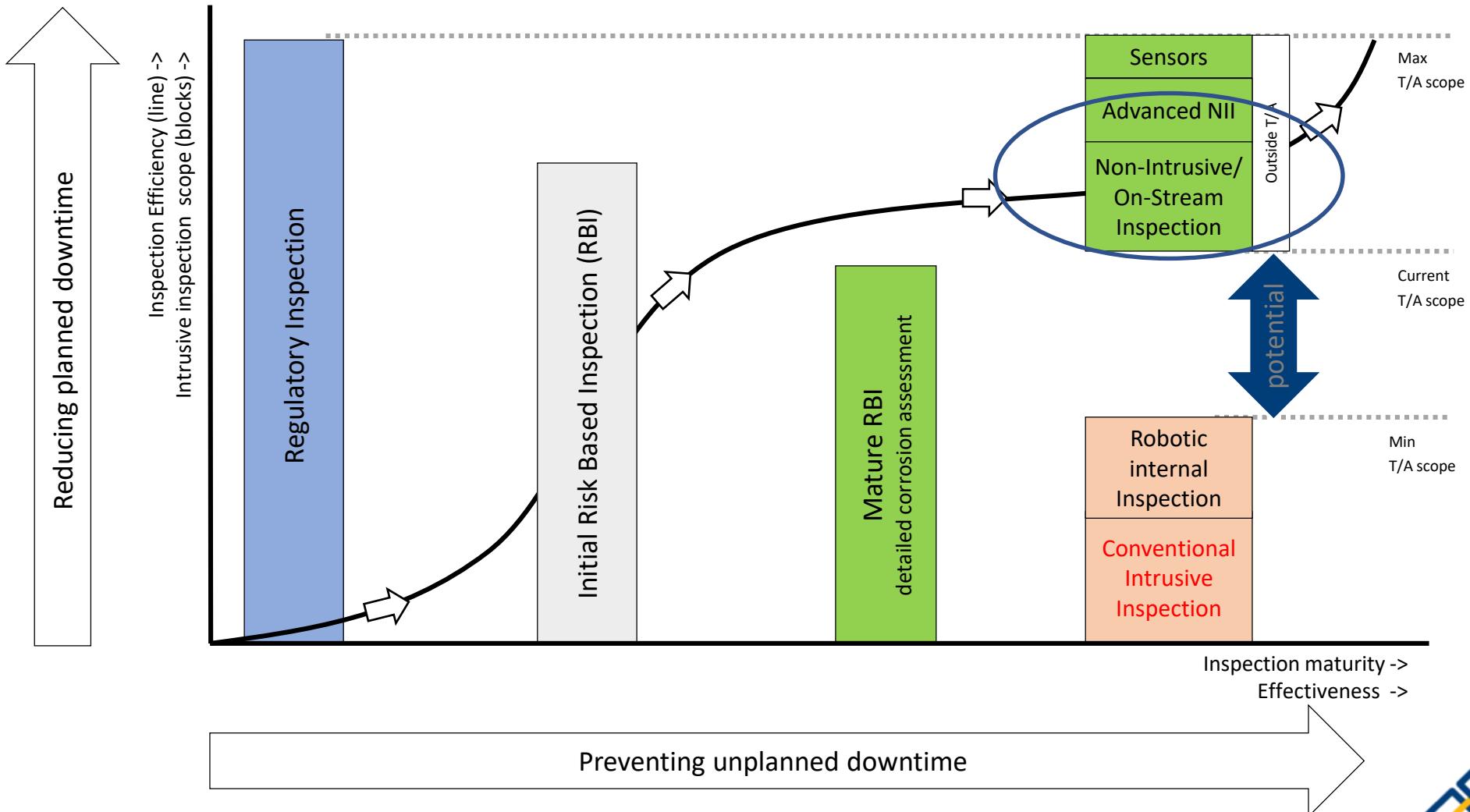


# Crawler types with magnetic wheels

- Magnetic wheel robots
- BIKE and FAST developed by AIR as a part of Petrobot JIP
- ATEX is a challenge
- Low cost intrusive inspections, hand carried
- Equipped with visual, EC, UT, visual and cleaning tools



# Inspection optimization: NII



# Pre-stop corrosion mapping with crawler

## Actual Case

- Tower 40m Height, 60°C
- Corrosion mapping strip 500mm width, full height, 4 wind directions



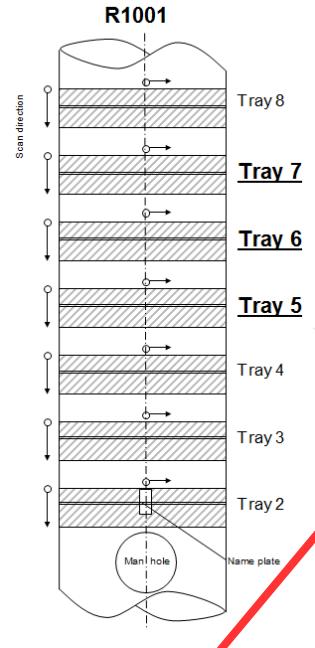
## Main advantage:

- Required inspection results before TA
- No need for huge scaffold during TA, ( scaffolding expensive + large footprint )
- Less interventions during TA



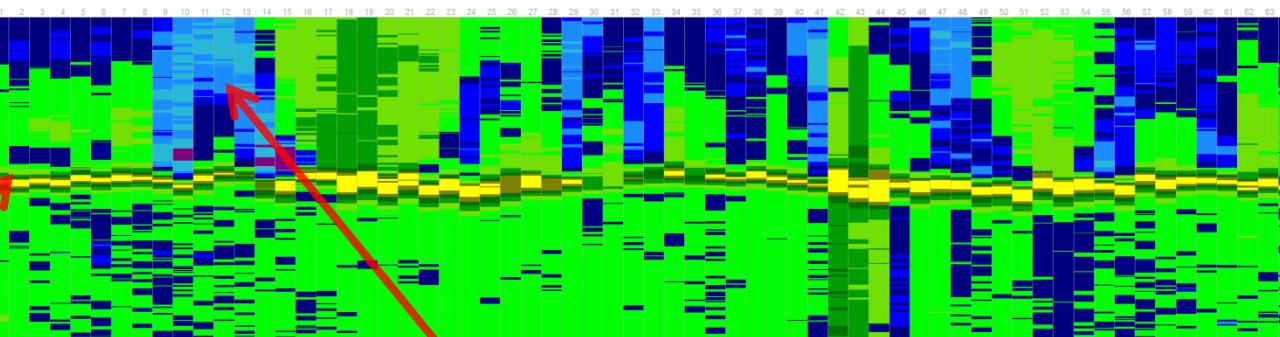
# Rapid Screening TOF on heavy wall vessel

- Wall thickness: 104mm
- Material: C-Steel

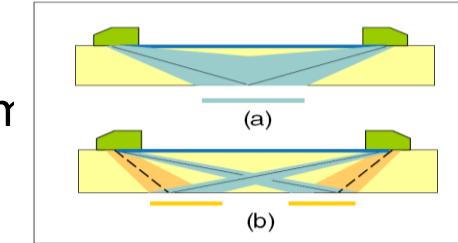


- Monitoring accuracy: <0.5mm

TRAY 6



Affected areas



# Inspection Strategy 4.0

## Strategic developments

- Focus on minimal interventions, maximize uptime
- Design for non-intrusive inspection: nozzles, access, use of robots
- Maximize operational control, process conditions, integrity operating windows
- Compliance demonstration of Integrity Performance Standards
- 3D visualization & trending of integrity status of major equipment

# Visual Pressure Vessel Inspection

## Inspector in the Vessel



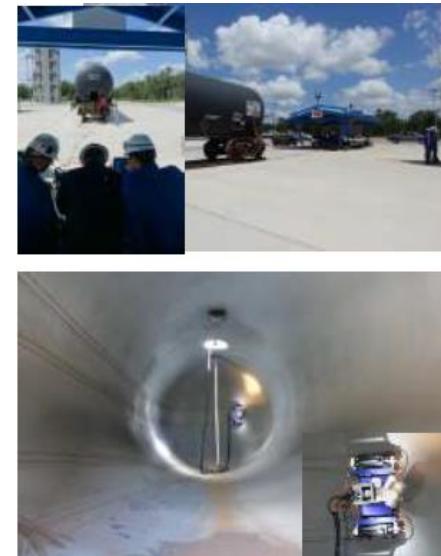
- confined space entry
- preparation for human entry
- manual reporting
- + “human intelligence”

## Camera on a Stick



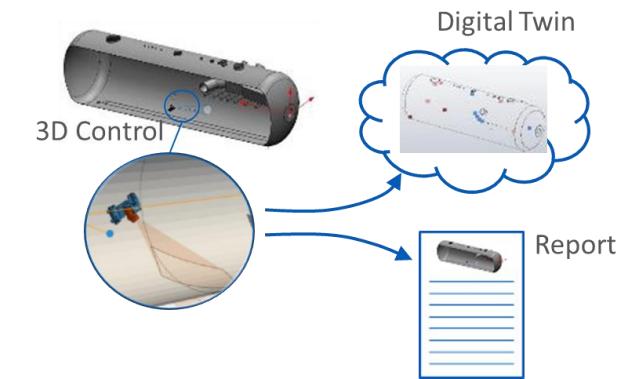
- + NO confined space entry
- limited access / reach
- manual operation
- manual reporting

## Robotic Visual Inspection



- + NO confined space entry
- + NO blinding, scaffolding . . .
- + full access / reach
- manual operation
- manual reporting

## Robotics & Digital



- + NO confined space entry
- + NO blinding, scaffolding . . .
- + full access / reach
- + automatic operation
- + automatic reporting

# From the Physical Asset ...



# ... to a Digital Twin

# Example 3D visualization



# Thank you for your attention

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