

# Human Systems Integration: What's in it for me?

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# Today's Discussion

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- Human Systems Integration
- HSI in the System Development Life Cycle
- INCOSE HSI Working Group
- Open Forum / Q&A

# Human Systems Integration: Definitions

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- INCOSE
- HSI is a transdisciplinary sociotechnical and management approach of systems engineering (SE) used to ensure that system's technical, organizational, and human elements are appropriately addressed across the whole system lifecycle, service, or enterprise system.
- HSI considers systems in their operational context together with the necessary interactions between and among their human and technological elements to make them work in harmony and cost effectively, from the early design to disposal.
- Department of Defense (DoD)
- HSI is a comprehensive, interdisciplinary management and technical approach applied to system development and integration as part of the wider systems engineering process to ensure that human performance is optimized to increase Total System Performance and minimize total system ownership costs.
- The definition of HSI is the systems engineering process and program management effort that provides integrated and comprehensive analysis, design, and assessment of requirements, concepts, and resources for the seven HSI domains (DoDI 5000.95).

Figure 1. HSI emerges from the overlapping of three main circles: (1) technology, organization, and people within an environment at the heart; (2) examples of HSI perspectives; and (3) contributing disciplines and operational domain.

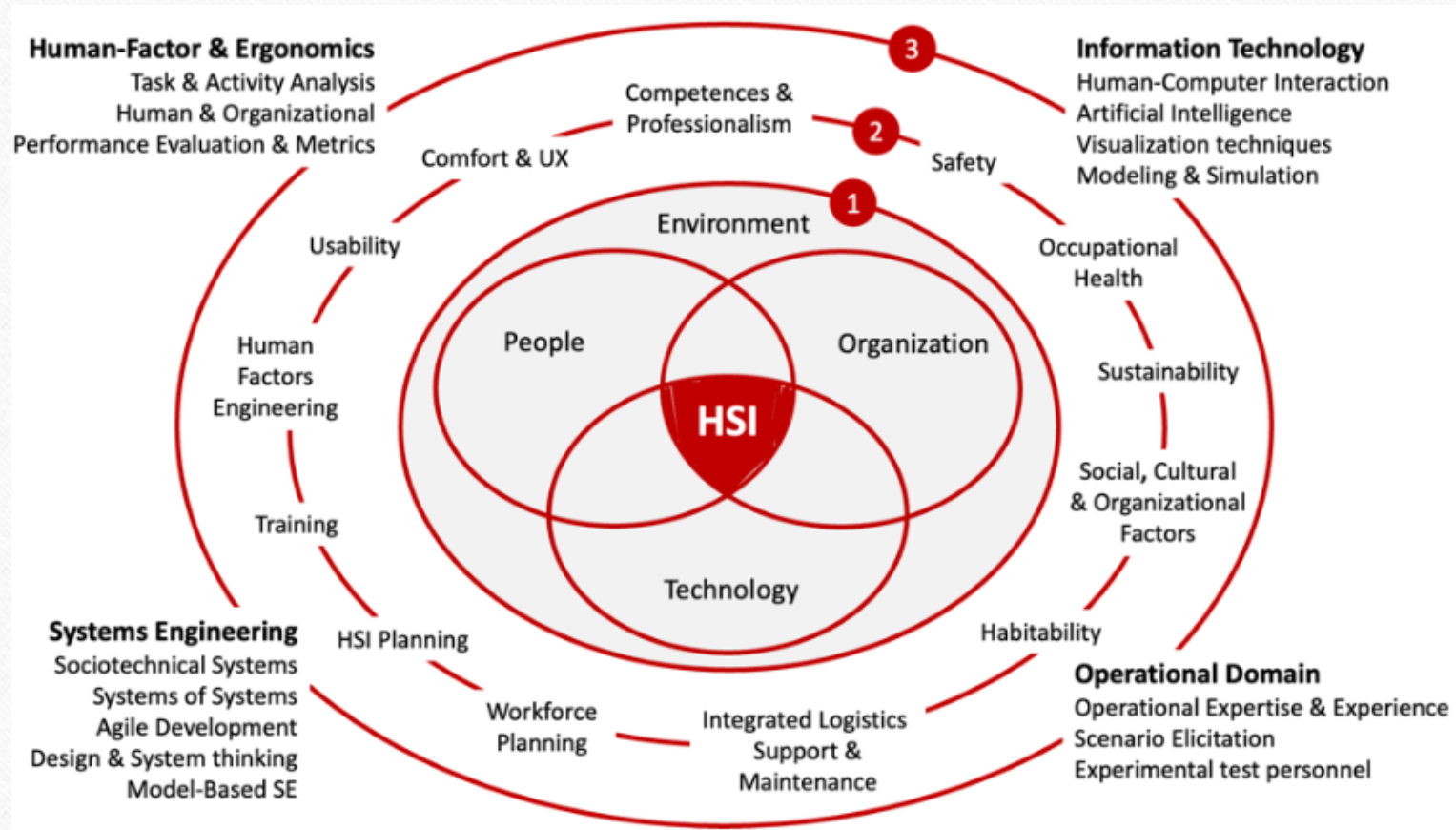


Figure 2. HSI emerges from the overlapping of three main circles: (1) technology, organization, and people within an environment at the heart; (2) examples of HSI perspectives; and (3) contributing disciplines associated with the Operational Domain at stake in the periphery.

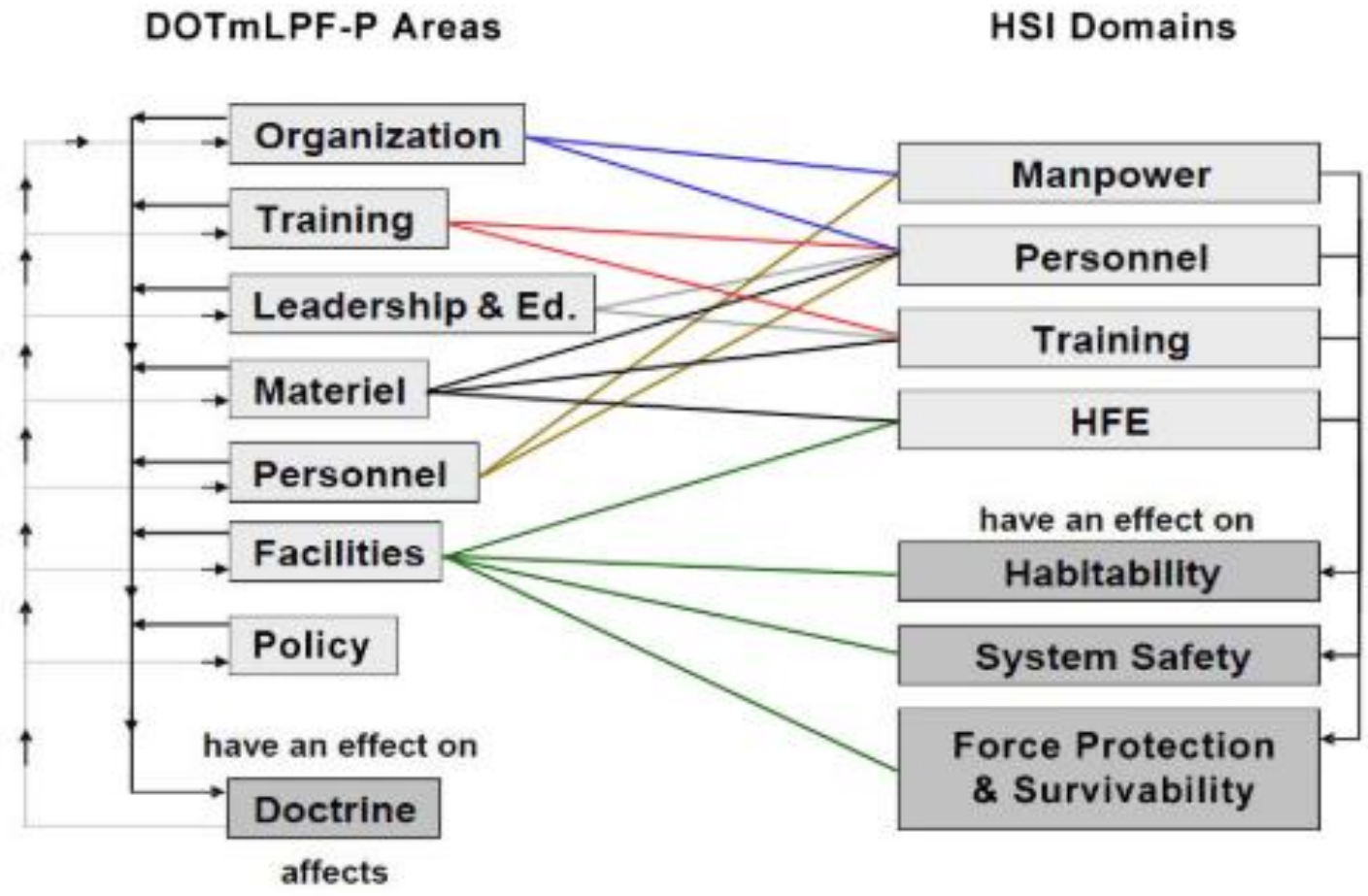


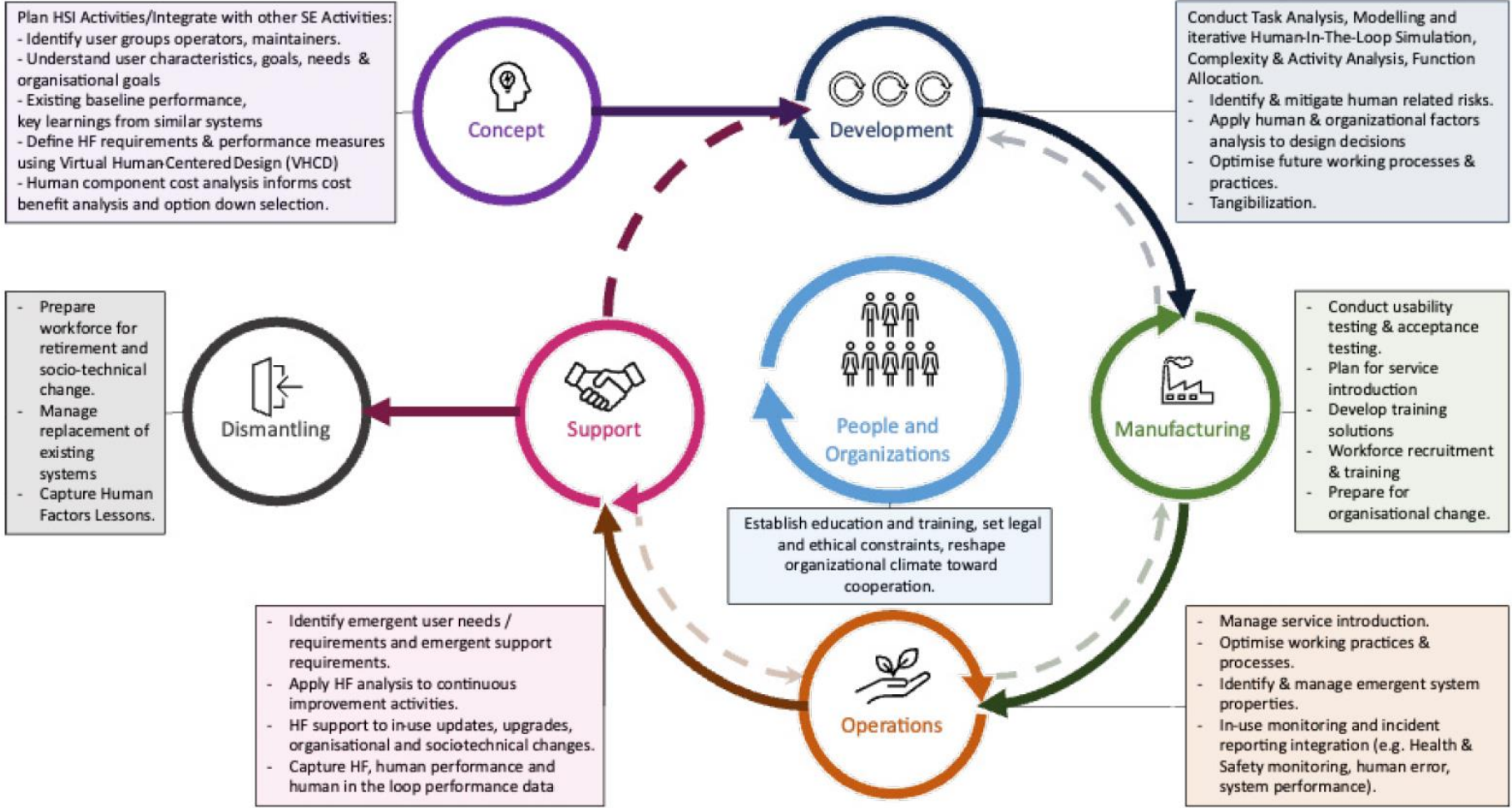
Figure 3. DOTmLPF-P and HSI Crosswalk Example

# Activity: What is an HSI problem statement that you're currently working on?

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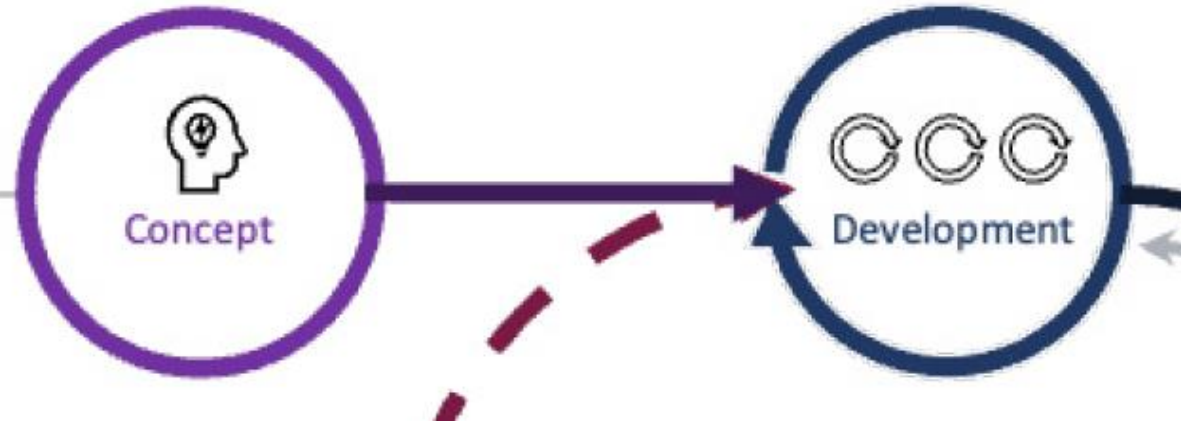
- **Human.** What are the users or stakeholders in your System of Interest (SoI)?
  - Includes system owners, operators, maintainers, trainers, customers, support personnel and the public.
  - Can be cooperative / vested interested or those with maligned intent..
- **Systems.** Define the System of Interest.
  - Consider a sociotechnical system perspective that includes natural and artificial elements, and organizations of humans and machines, where machines includes both hardware and software.
  - Include both humans and machines, operating within an environmental, organizational, and cultural context, and that to optimize the system all these elements must be considered within SE activities.
- **Integration.** What are the integration challenges?
  - Effective integration of the human and technological components in a system
  - Efficient integration of the different perspectives of the human element within the system.

## HSI Activities in the SE Lifecycle

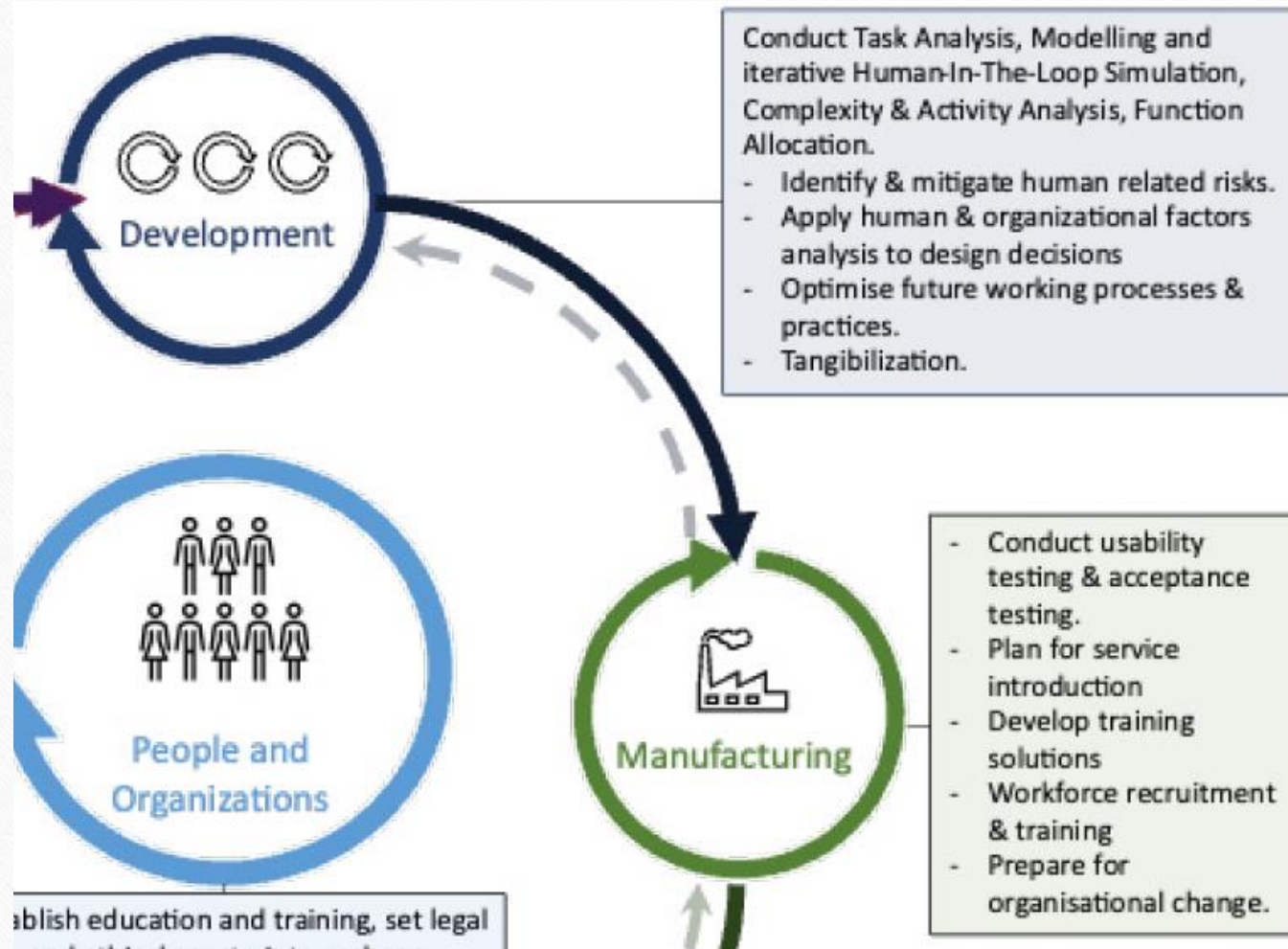


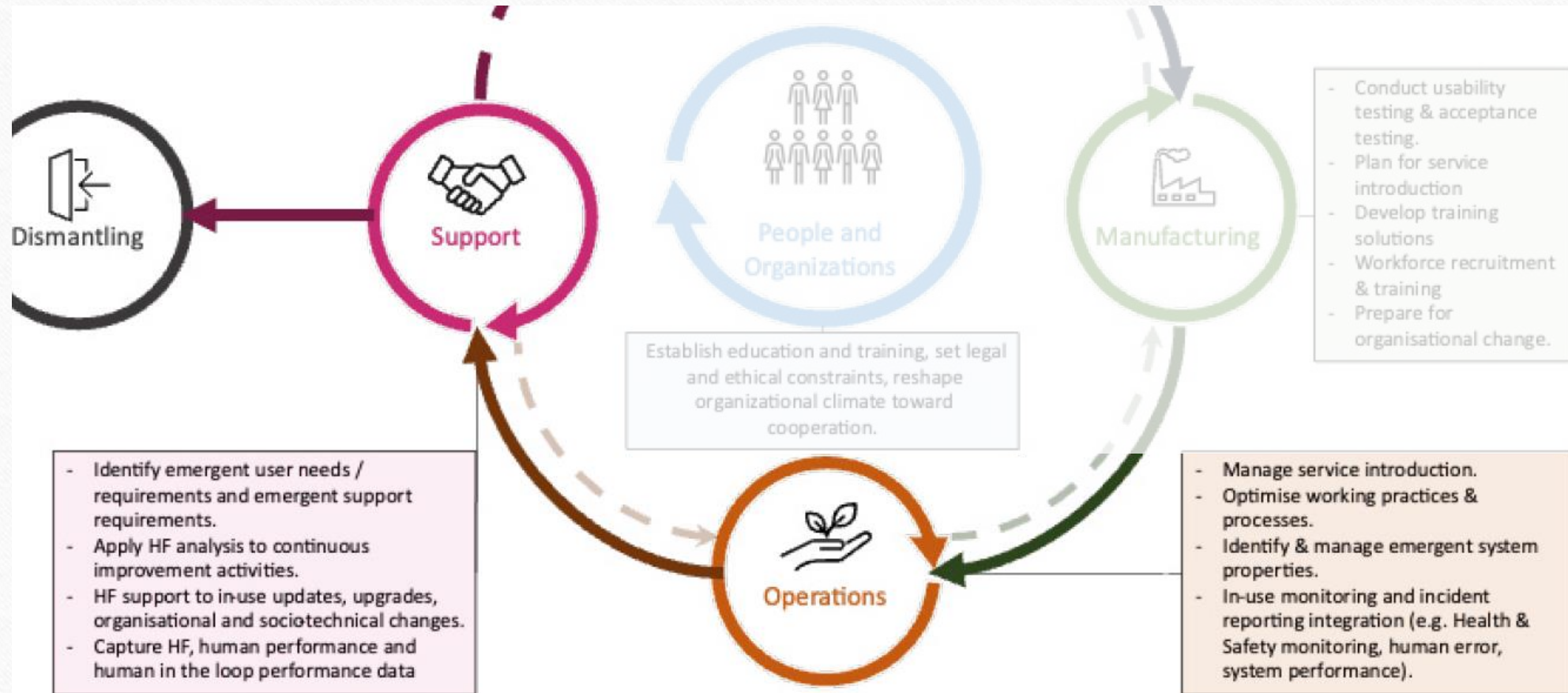
**Plan HSI Activities/Integrate with other SE Activities:**

- Identify user groups operators, maintainers.
- Understand user characteristics, goals, needs & organisational goals
- Existing baseline performance, key learnings from similar systems
- Define HF requirements & performance measures using Virtual Human-Centered Design (VHCD)
- Human component cost analysis informs cost benefit analysis and option down selection.









- Prepare workforce for retirement and socio-technical change.
- Manage replacement of existing systems
- Capture Human Factors Lessons.



Establish education and training, set legal and ethical constraints, reshape organizational climate toward cooperation.

# Activity: Identify HSI tradeoffs and ROI

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- What are the barriers to effective HSI in the part of the System Development Lifecycle in your SOI?
- Often times they are tradeoffs that System stakeholders needs to make to ensure the balance between Cost, Schedule, and Performance.
- What are some best ways of communicating ROI for Systems Engineering (and other supporting disciplines like HSI and Cybersecurity)?



# INCOSE HSI Working Group

- Chairs: Dr. Guy Boy, Grace Kennedy
- Domains) and develop a common framework.
- Quarterly meetings
- Vision
  - Facilitate embedding Human Systems Integration within Systems Engineering, promoting the benefit of placing the proper focus on the role of people in the development, efficient delivery and operations of effective systems.
- Goals
  - The HSI WG aims to demonstrate the value of HSI as an integral part of the Systems Engineering effort and to develop associated practices, resources, organizations, and training to support the Systems Engineering community's adoption of HSI.
  - Stay forefront of evolving SE practices to ensure that the presence of humans is integrated into the engineering in order to deliver successful sociotechnical systems across their life cycle.
  - Foster a community of practitioners from the contributing disciplines (System Engineering, Human Factors and Ergonomics, Information Technology, and Operational



# HSI 2024: Keynote Speakers

## Taking measure of Human Systems Integration: A view from NASA



Building on work from recent NASA studies, Dr. Null will discuss challenges and successes of implementing Human System Integration approaches across mission life cycle. Topics will include the implications of focusing on human resilient performance for mission and system design; the use of quantitative analyses of human performance in development of a mission architecture; and the need to expand HSI metrics.

**Dr. Cynthia H. Null** is the Technical Fellow for Human Factors for the NASA Engineering and Safety Center (NESC). The NESC was created in 2003, after the Columbia space shuttle accident, to perform value-added independent engineering assessments of NASA's high-risk programs to ensure safety and mission success. In this role, Dr. Null and her team of HSI and human performance experts identify technical risks in NASA programs; develop and execute studies to fill knowledge gaps; provide recommendations focused on HSI issues; and propose strategies to improve discipline capabilities.

## Human Systems Integration Across the Health Care Continuum: Examples, Opportunities, and the Future



There is an increasing and urgent need for infusing Human Systems Integration (HSI) and Human Factors Engineering (HFE) principles and methods to improve safety and quality of operations in complex, adaptive sociotechnical work systems such as in health care. In this presentation, Dr. Gurses will describe how HSI and HFE can be used to improve care across the entire care continuum (i) by systematically identifying hazards to patient safety, health care worker safety, and equity; and (ii) by developing effective and sustainable human-centered interventions with the purpose of eliminating and/or mitigating these hazards and improving adaptive capacity and resilience of the frontline care work and public health. Examples from a variety of health care settings (i.e., emergency department, operating rooms, patient home), and focus areas (e.g., infection prevention and control, pandemic preparedness, care transitions/ handoffs, healthcare information technology) will be provided. Lessons learned across the different projects and implications for future HSI efforts will also be discussed.

**Ayse P. Gurses, PhD, MS, MPH** is the Director, Center for Health Care Human Factors, Armstrong Institute, Johns Hopkins Medicine, and Professor, Schools of Medicine, Bloomberg Public Health, Whiting Engineering, Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Gurses is a globally recognized researcher, educator, and thought leader in infusing human factors and systems engineering principles and methods into health care work systems to improve safety, quality and equity in health care. She is the Founding Director of the Center for Health Care Human Factors at the Johns Hopkins Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality and Professor in the Johns Hopkins University Schools of Medicine, Bloomberg Public Health and Whiting Engineering. She is the author of more than 100 peer-reviewed publications. She has been a principal/ co-principal investigator on numerous research grants and contracts- funded by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Science



# HSI 2024: Topics

## HSI principles, methods, and tools

Concepts of operations, scenario-based design  
Creativity, design thinking, and design theories  
Crisis & unexpected events management  
Design for usability, UX  
Digital human modeling  
Ethnographic studies, Human error, Fatigue  
Emerging operational issues in complex systems  
Experience feedback & reporting systems.  
HSI metrics for certification  
Human & organizational resilience  
Human-Centered Design & Integration  
Human Factors Engineering  
Mock-ups, part-task, and full-task simulators  
Neuroscience contributions  
Performance, workload & competence  
Role of HSI in accident investigations  
Situation awareness, decision-making  
Social systems, responsibility, accountability  
Tools & methods for HSI  
Training issues, personnel selection  
Transdisciplinary Research and practice in HSI

## Organizational/societal issues and solutions

Authority sharing  
Automation across systems  
Change management, lean management  
Digital Enterprise, Digital engineering  
Environment & Sustainability  
Human-centered MBSE & Model-based HSI  
Human-in-the-loop simulation  
Maintenance resource management/CRM  
Modeling & Simulation  
Multi-agent systems  
Next-generation OPS/technical documentation  
Organization design and management  
Organizational psychology  
Socio-ergonomics and Socio-technical systems  
Supervision, mediation, cooperation, competition  
Tangible interactive systems  
Teams of Teams & Systems of Systems  
STEM, STEAM, SySTEAM

## HSI, safety, and infrastructure

Agents-infrastructure integration  
Biology-inspired functions & infrastructures  
HSI planning  
Hybrid humans-robots organizations  
Influence of National and organizational culture  
Integrated Logistics Support  
Integration and global coordination  
Occupational health & safety  
Quality and continuous improvement  
Responding to Infrastructure collapse  
Risk-taking and management  
Safety Management Systems (SMS)  
Sustainability and system design  
Trust & Collaboration  
Workforce planning

## Legal and Regulatory

Criminalization of accidents. Legal issues  
HSI evaluations for design and certification  
HSI means of compliance  
Regulating autonomous vehicles  
Regulatory compliance  
Responsibility & Accountability  
Standards and specific regulations



# Thank you!

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- Resources
  - HSI Primer: Available on INCOSE Portal
  - DoD HSI Guidebook: <https://www.cto.mil/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/HSI-Guidebook-2022.pdf>
  - INCOSE Working Group: <https://www.incose.org/communities/working-groups-initiatives/human-systems-integration>
- Open Forum / Q&A