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A380

Flagship of the 21st century



About the A380



Setting the Standards for the 21st Century



...a 1960s legacy aircraft



A380-800	555 seats	8000nm
A380-800F	150t payload	5600nm



A380 – an all new, state-of-the-art design

Industrial launch	Detail design complete	First Metal Cut	Final assembly start	First Flight	Entry Into Service	First Flight A380F	Entry Into Service A380F
19th Dec 2000	End 2001	Jan 2002	2nd Qtr 2004	April 2005	2nd Half 2006	Mid 2007	Mid 2008



560t
555 seats
8000 nm
EIS 2006



590t
150 t
5620 nm
EIS 2008

More volume, more seats, more comfort

Relative net usable* floor area

+49%

More comfort per seat

35% more seats

Datum

747-400

A380

* gross area less cut-outs for stairs/lifts and minimum regulatory aisles / assist space

A380 - more capacity, more comfort



True widebody cabin (A340+)

2-2-2 business class, common product with Airbus long range family



The widest cabin ever (257" / 6.53m)

wider seats in economy class

large innovation potential for First and Business

Welcome on board...



A quiet & comfortable atmosphere...



...a new interior concept...



...exceptional flexibility to tailor layout...

A380 Family advantages

- **A new standard of comfort**
 - First true widebody double-decker
- **Greater capacity**
 - A380: 35% more passengers
 - A380F: 29% more payload, 50% more volume
- **Massive gains in economics**
 - A380 15% less DOC/seat
 - A380F 20% less DOC/tonne
- **Longer range**
 - More payload on critical routes
 - New non-stop markets, simplified networks
- **The green giant**
 - less than 3l of fuel / pax / 100km
 - Half the noise energy of a 747

The A380...the solution to 30 years of overwhelming growth in the Air Transport Industry

Strong market confidence

159
firm orders & commitments

132 A380
27 A380F

	AIR FRANCE		10 A380
	中国南方航空公司 CHINA SOUTHERN AIRLINES (GROUP)		5 A380
	Emirates		41 A380 2 A380F
	ETIHAD		4 A380
	FedEx Middle East		10 A380F
	ILFC		5 A380 5 A380F
	KINGFISHER		5 A380
	KOREAN AIR		5 A380
	Lufthansa		15 A380
	QATAR AIRWAYS القطرية		6 A380
	QATAR AIRWAYS القطرية		2 A380
	SINGAPORE AIRLINES		12 A380
	SINGAPORE AIRLINES		10 A380
	Thai		6 A380
	ups		10 A380F
	virgin atlantic		6 A380

A380... WWOW



*First flight on 27 April 2005
3 aircraft in flight
Over 220 flights and 800 hours to Jan 06*

Over 60 airports will see the A380 by 2010



AIR FRANCE

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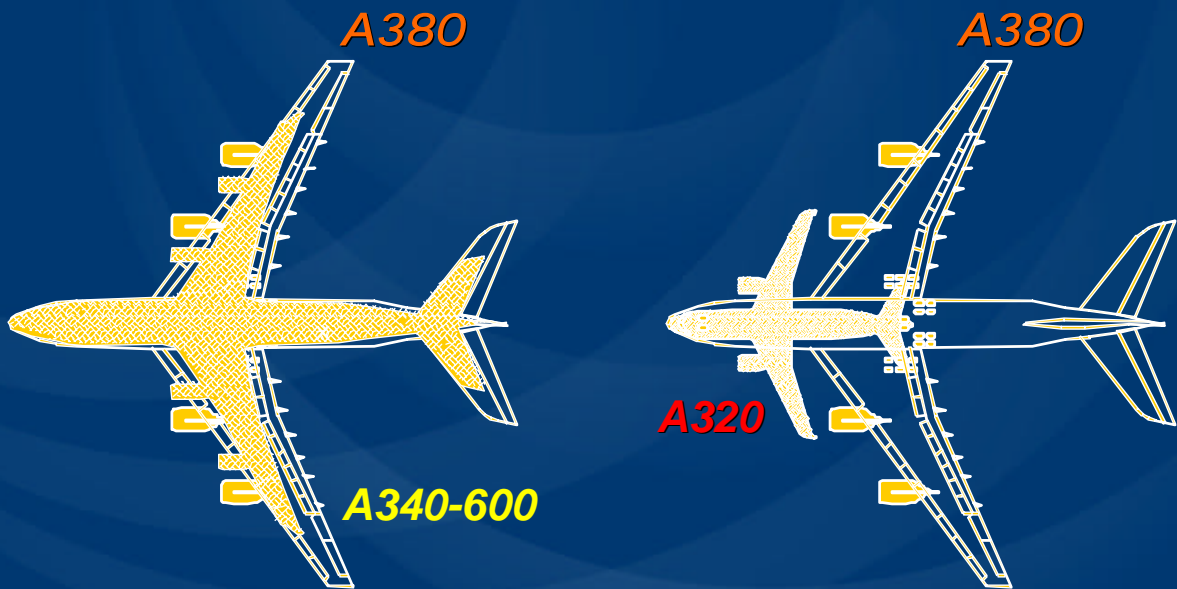
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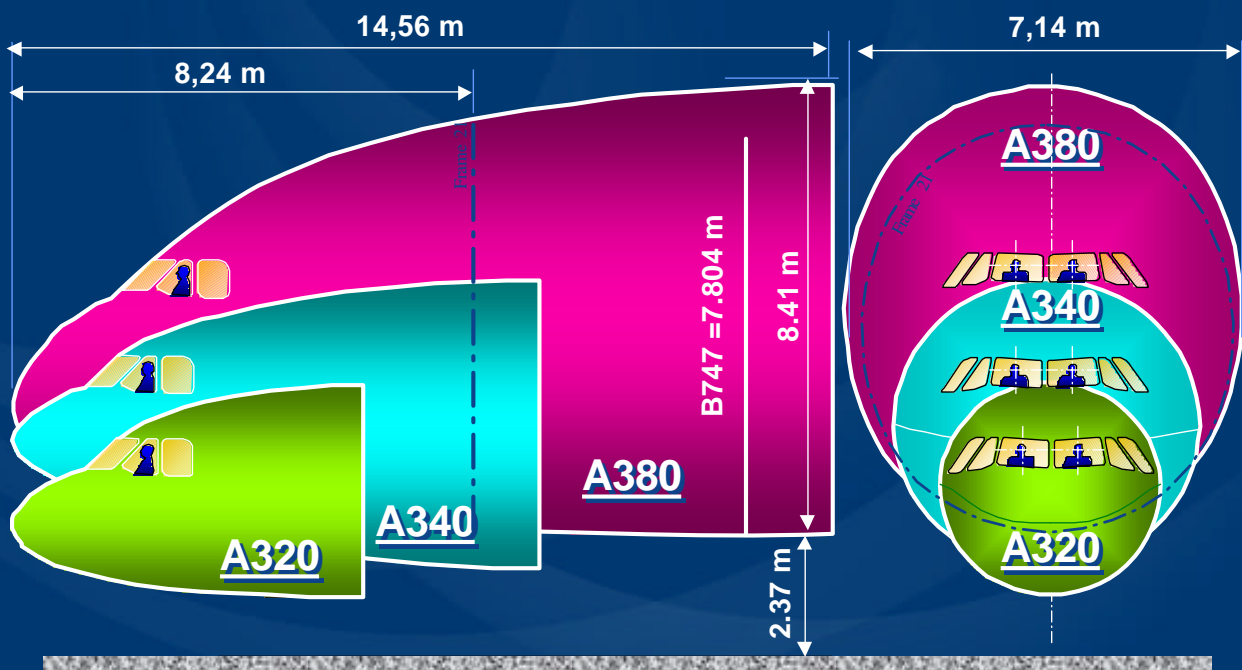
A380 Routes

The A380 - New dimensions in the sky

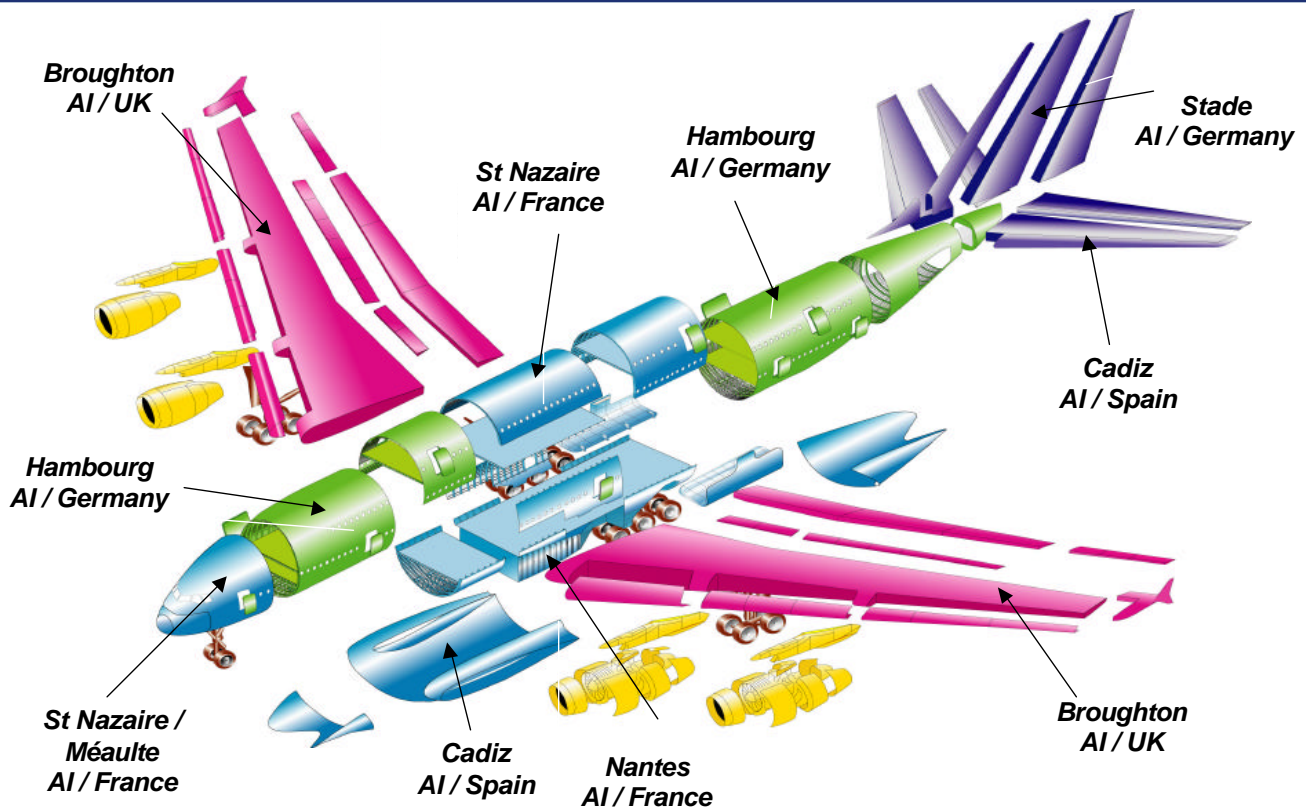


The largest fuselage section ever built...

A380: A relevant scale factor



AIRBUS A380 – Industrial Work share



The A380 in the making



Section 15, St. Nazaire



Tailcone, Getafe



Section 18/19, Hambourg



Cockpit section
Méaulte



Rear pressure bulkhead, Stade



Sub-assembly of
Section 11/12, Méaulte



Section 13, Hambourg



Port Wing, Broughton

- AIRBUS FRANCE
- AIRBUS GERMANY
- AIRBUS UNITED KINGDOM
- Belairbus
- AIRBUS SPAIN
- Rolls Royce or Engine Alliance

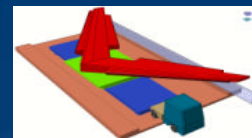
Introducing the A380 Transport



A380 Transport - A Challenge

Broughton :

- 2 components
- 45 m x 12 m
- 35 tons



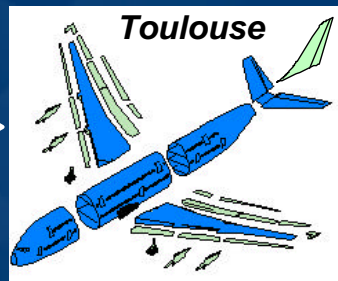
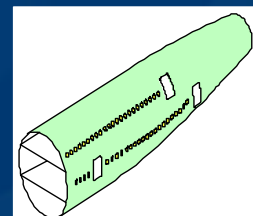
St Nazaire :

- 23 m x 8.5 m x 8 m
- 44 tons

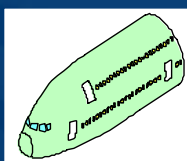


Cadiz :

- 28 m x 12 m
- 7 tons



Build concept



St Nazaire :

- 22 m x 8,5 m x 7 m
- 22 tons

(between St. Nazaire & Toulouse)



Hamburg :

- 27 m x 8,5 m x 7 m
- 23 tons

Hamburg :

- 13 m x 8,5 m x 7 m
- 13 tons

(between Hamburg & St. Nazaire)

The dimensions of the components to transport exceeded the capacity of "Beluga" and other already existing air transport means.



A380 Transport – Assessment of alternatives

Alternative	Constraints	Risk
- <i>by Air</i>		
. Antonov fleet	Size limitations	Showstopper
. Super Beluga fleet	Technical constraints, resources difficulties	High
. A/C Piggy Back (Wing)	Runway issues, resources difficulties (unfeasible for fuselage)	High
. Airship	Technology unproven, company viability	Very high
. Helicopter	Unfeasible by weight limit	Showstopper
- <i>by Hovercraft</i>		
. On the river Garonne	Environmental constraints (infrastructure, noise)	Showstopper
- <i>by Road</i>		
. Direct to Toulouse	Wholly unfeasible	Showstopper
- <i>by Sea</i>		
. Ship to Bordeaux	Followed by inland transport to Toulouse - feasible and reliable	Low



A380 Transport – The Concept

Multimode transport system
Sea, river, road



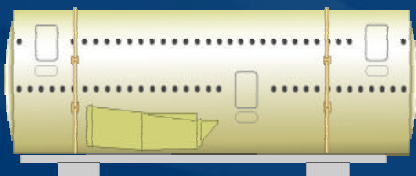
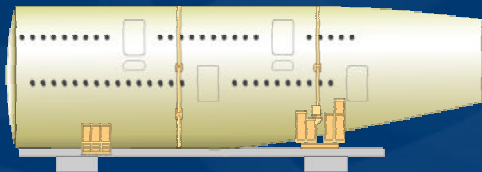
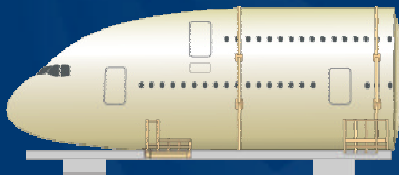
Unique logistics system tailored to A380 Industrial Network

A380 TRANSPORT : Concept Summary

- ▶ Multimodal system (Sea, River, Road)
- ▶ Roll-on / Roll-off handling principle
- ▶ Top level requirements
 - Reliability and safety as per existing Airbus Transport System
 - Transport operations as part of the A/C certification process
- ▶ Strict transport conditions
 - No direct handling of A380 components
 - Minimum effort transmitted to the A380 components
 - Cargo protection during transit (splash, accelerations, shocks....)
 - Control of accelerations
- ▶ Specific transport means (RoRo vessel, River Barges, Tractors, Trailers, Cargo-loaders)
- ▶ Tailored infrastructures (Port terminals, Road adaptations, City-bypasses, Parking areas)
- ▶ Special tools / pallets
- ▶ Specialized operators
- ▶ Back-up solutions

Cargo Requirements

• Fuselage Sections



Forward Fuselage

Dimensions in m			weight in T		
L	W	H	Comp.	Jig	Total
22.7	8	9.97	24.5	30.12	54.6

Rear Fuselage

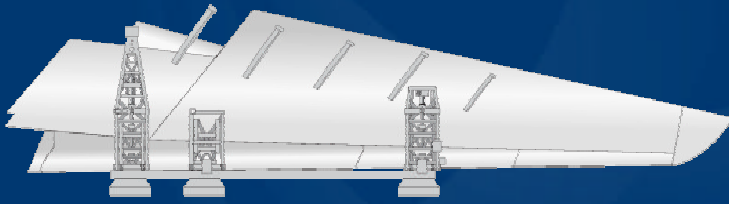
Dimensions in m			Weight in T		
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28.26	8	10.07	24	31.5	55.5

Central Fuselage

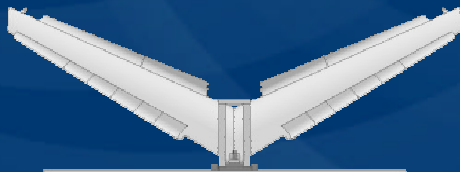
Dimensions in m			Weight in T		
L	W	H	Comp.	Jig	Total
23.17	8	10.3	44	16	60

Cargo Requirements (con't)

- 2 Wings + 1 Horizontal Tail Plane



Position for road convoy



Position for road convoy



Left & Right Wing

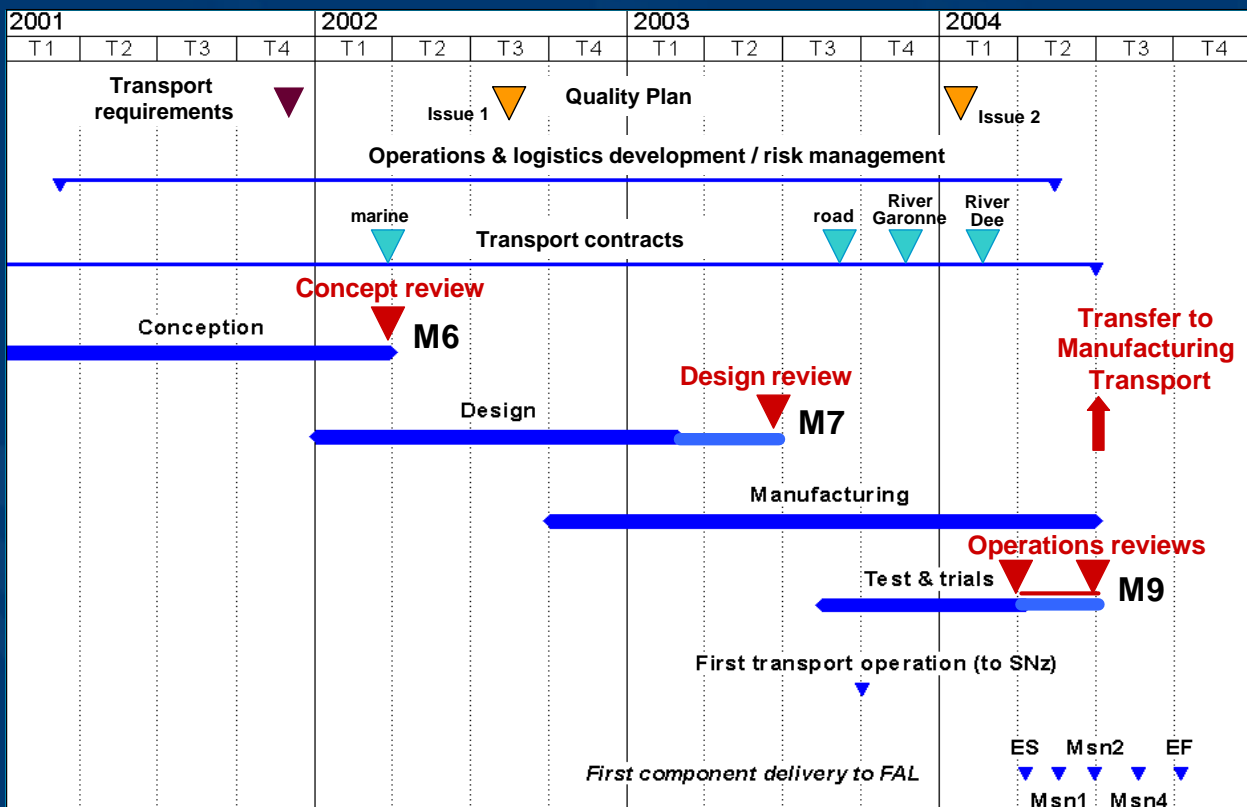
Dimensions in m			Weight in T		
L	W	H	Comp.	Jig	Total
45.38	7.2	11.9	45	90	135

Horizontal Tail Plane

Dimensions in m			Weight in T		
L	W	H	Comp.	Jig	Total
27.35	7.68	11.68	7.5	42	49.5



A380 Transport – Project Plan



A380 Marine Transport



A380 Special Purpose RoRo ship



**Operated by
FRET CETAM**



Ro-Ro Ship « Ville de Bordeaux »

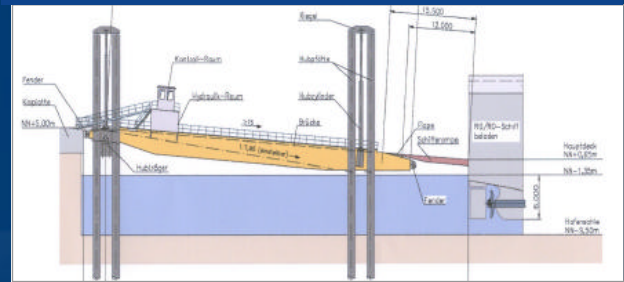
- ▶ Double hull, trailer-carrier type
- ▶ Length 154m, breadth 24 m, deadweight 2270mt
- ▶ 2 set of Diesel engines: 8400 kw each
- ▶ Max Speed 22 knots, cruise 16 knots
- ▶ Manoeuvrability: bow thrusters
- ▶ Door 21m x 11.5m, ramp 220T
- ▶ Unique cargo bay dimensions: 120m x 21m x 11m (capacity for all A380 comp.)
- ▶ Controlled atmosphère (salt, humidity)
- ▶ Stabilizing systems: flume tank, fins. Acceleration recording



Hamburg Terminal

► New quay and lifting platform in Mühlenberger lock :

- Dimensions 65m x 23m
- Cargo capacity 220 tonnes
- Automatic level adjustment from +7m to -1.25m

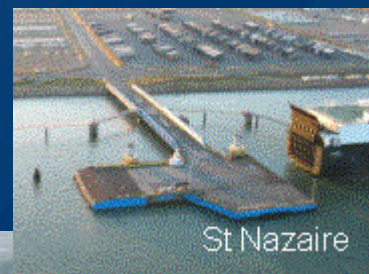


Combined Ro/Ro-Ramp and lifting platform



St Nazaire Terminal

- Adaptation of existing RoRo Terminal 2 at Montoir harbour
- Additional pontoon and bridge modification
- New Airbus buffer area



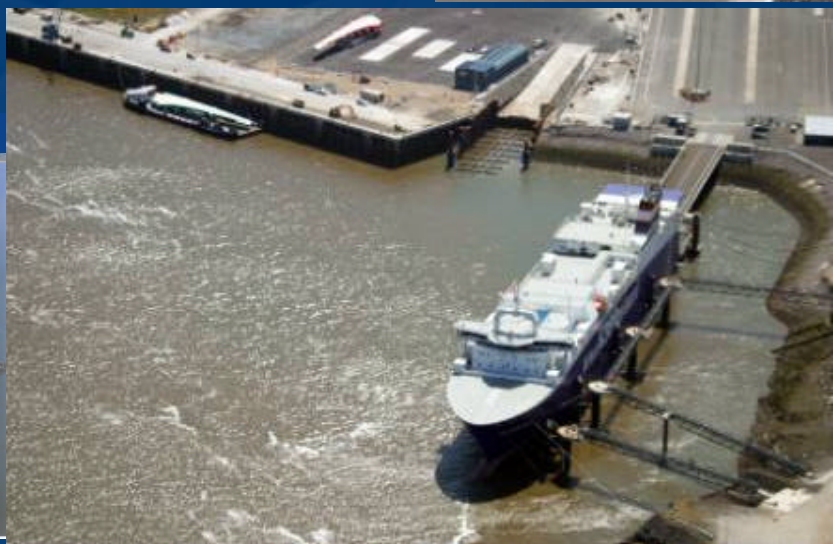
Cadiz Terminal

- ▶ New quay and articulated hydraulic ramp
- ▶ New logistics building



Mostyn Terminal (UK)

- ▶ Adaptation of existing link span
- ▶ New Airbus wing buffer area



Paulliac Terminal

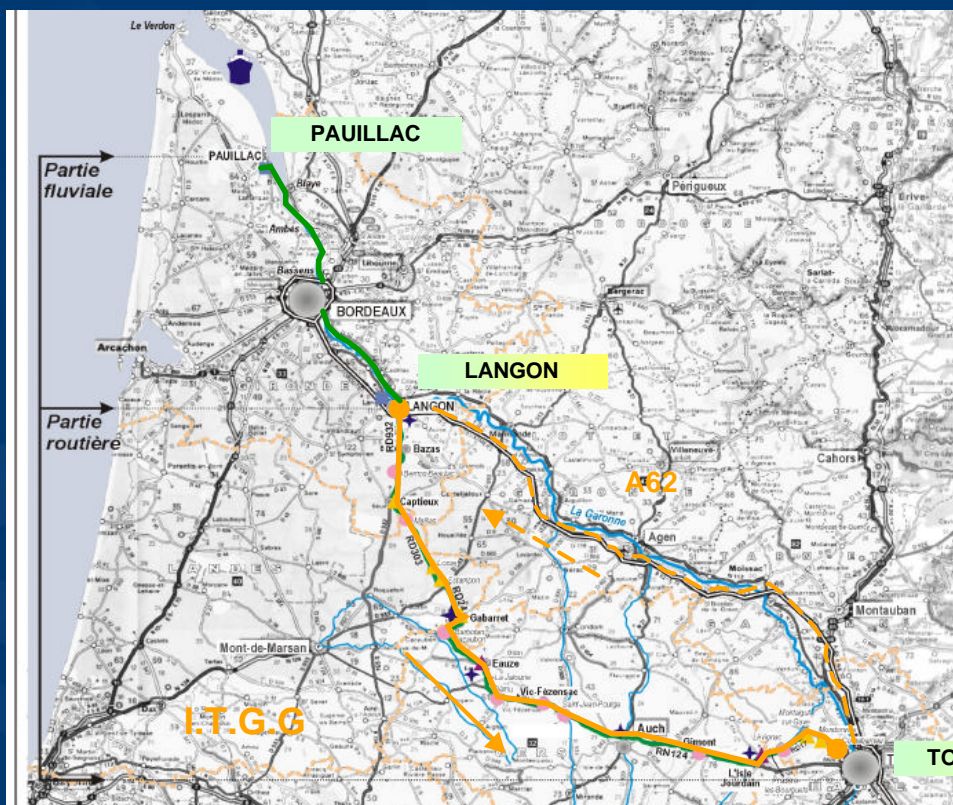


Our partner: SOCATRA

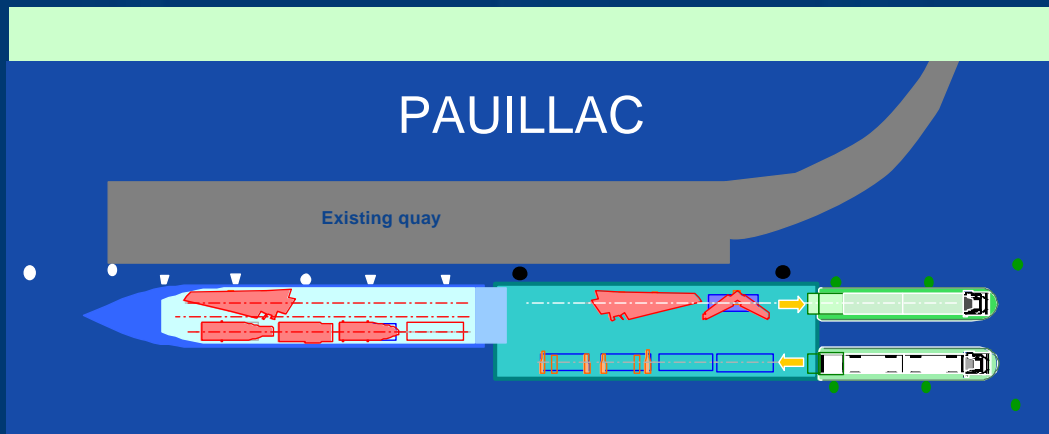
► Floating Transfer Station :

- Dimensions 150m x 35 m x 7.5m
- Transfer of 6 A380 components and empty jigs
- Ballasting capacity for adaptation to Ro-Ro ship and to barges
- Capacity to transfer the cargo to quay at constant level
- Build by REMONTOWA shipyard (Poland)

Paulliac at Bordeaux is the entry point for inland France transport



Paulliac Terminal logistics



Unloading Wing From Broughton



Central Section Unloading



***A380 Transport
Special tooling and equipment***

Multi-purpose vehicle (MPV)

- Used to transfer cargo at all operational interfaces
- Multi-steering and self levelling platform adjustment
- 8 and 12 axles, self powered, remote control, guidance system
- One MPV in each plant and/or harbour, one in Toulouse, one spare
- By TII Nicolas



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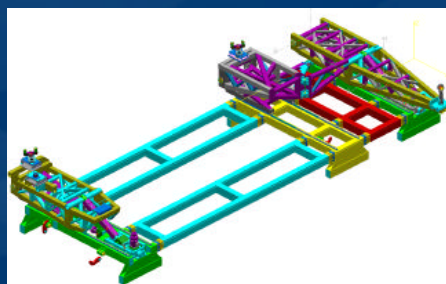
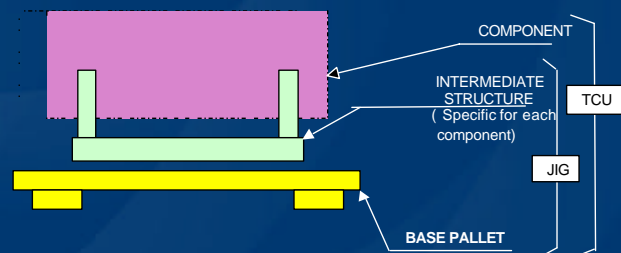
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Transport Jigs

- Conceived to protect & handle the A/C component
- Permanent & unique interface with transport means & infrastructure
- Design principles :
 - ▶ Base pallet
 - ▶ Retractable legs
 - ▶ Commonality
- Rotating devices in Wing and HTP jigs

Transport Cargo Unit



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A380 River Transport River Dee - UK



A380 Wing Transport – UK leg



A380 Wing Transport River Dee

NEW INFRASTRUCTURE:

- Road connection factory – river port
- Load out facility (LoF) in the river
- NAABSA berth in Mostyn

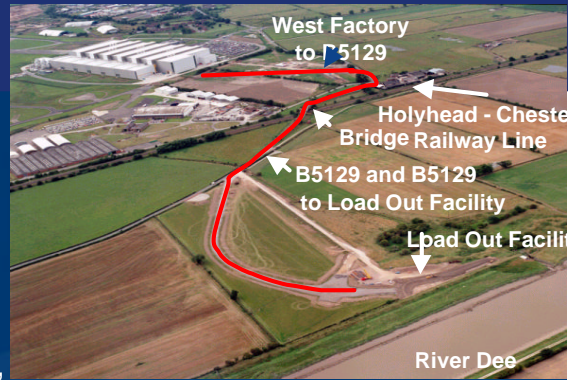
SPECIFIC BARGE designed for shallow waters, to manage 3 bridges with clearances limits

- Vessel length 57 m, breadth 14.8 m, dw 235 mt
- Mini draught 1.3 m, max 2 m
- 4 azimuth/pump jets, aft 2x480kw, front 2x200kw

OPERATIONS

- One wing at a time
- 2 voyages for one wing set
- Navigation based on tidal cycles!
- Transport time equivalent to 3 to 4 tidal cycles

Operated by **HOLYHEAD TOWING Ltd**

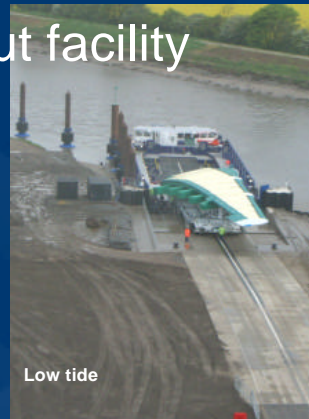


River Dee Operations (UK)

Load out facility



High tide



Low tide



06/04/2004



NAABSA Berth

A380 Wing Transport – Mostyn site logistics



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A380 River Transport River Garonne - France

A380 Transport River Garonne



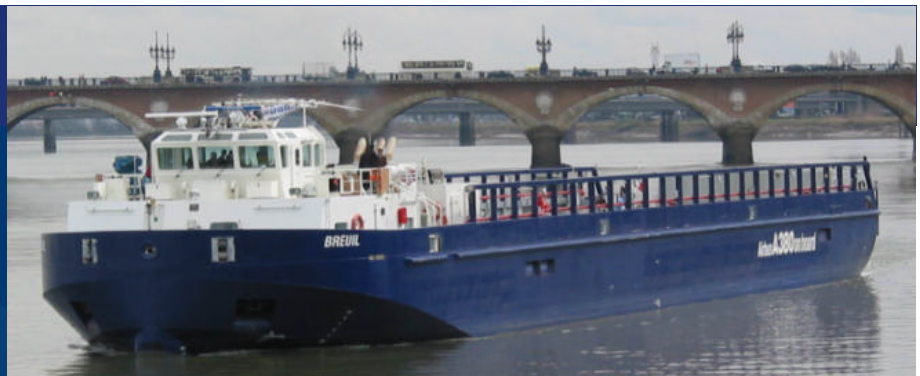
- 95 km between PAULLAC & LANGON
- New infrastructure
Fluvial harbour at Langon (wet lock)
- Operations
 - ▶ 2 Barges capable to carry 2 components or 1 wing (4 voyages to carry 1 complete airplane)
 - ▶ Voyage schedule depending upon Pont de Pierre crossing time
 - ▶ Transport time for one voyage: 1 tide cycle
 - ▶ Transport of empty jigs during barge return trip



Operated by SOCATRA



Garonne Rivercraft

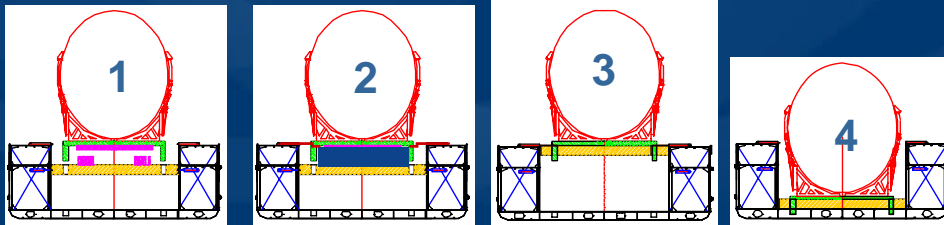
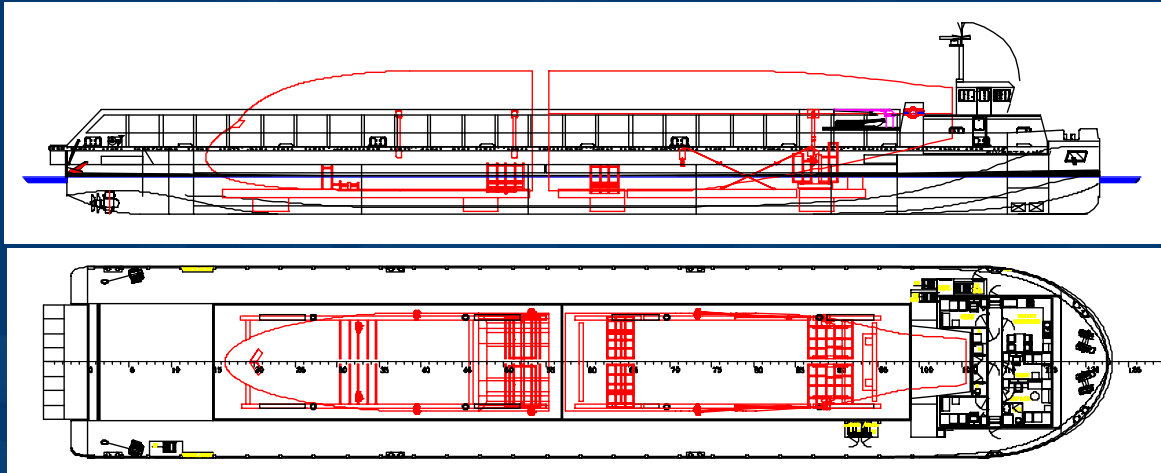


- Marine classification (Bureau Veritas)
- Length 75 m, breadth 13.8 m, deadweight 1300 mt
- Draught 1,3 à 2,6 m, ballast water (1600 m3)
- Speed: 12 knots
- 2 azimuth thrusters aft 2x800 kW
- 1 bow thruster 400kw
- 3 diesel/electric power units 1000 KVA each
- Shipyard De HOOP, Netherland
- 2 ship in opération



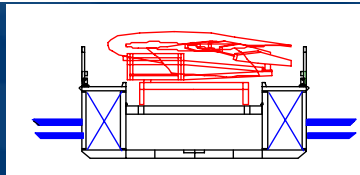
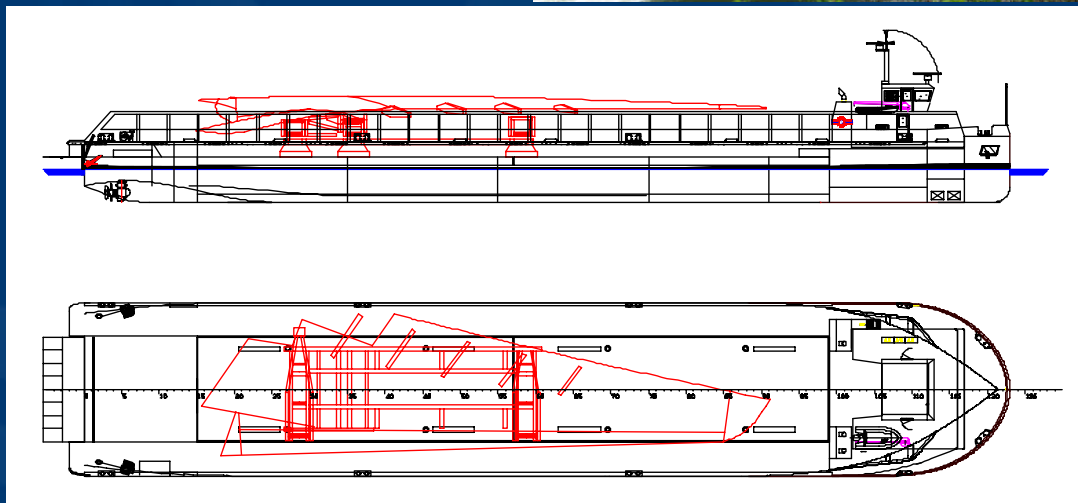
Garonne rivercraft

Loading Configuration Fuselage

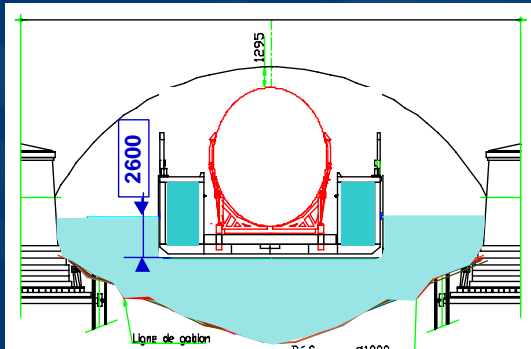
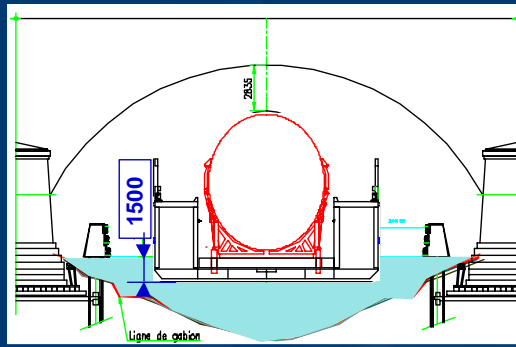


Garonne rivercraft

Loading Configuration Wing



Crossing Pont de Pierre



Conditions for crossing

- Slack water at low tide
- Procedures defined with harbour Authorities
- Operational Limits :
 - ▶ Cross wind
 - ▶ Water flow at bridge arch level
 - ▶ Barge speed

New Infrastructure in Garonne - LANGON LOCK

- ▶ Lock capacity: length 75 m, width 15 m
- ▶ Water level variation inside the lock: 7.5 m
- ▶ Max Operation Duration: 2 hours
- ▶ One waiting position



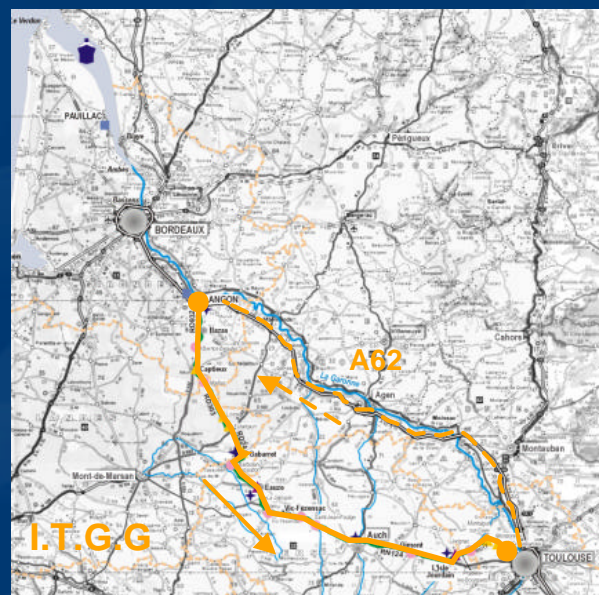
A380 Road Transport



Road Transport LANGON - TOULOUSE

Dedicated itinerary of 240 km

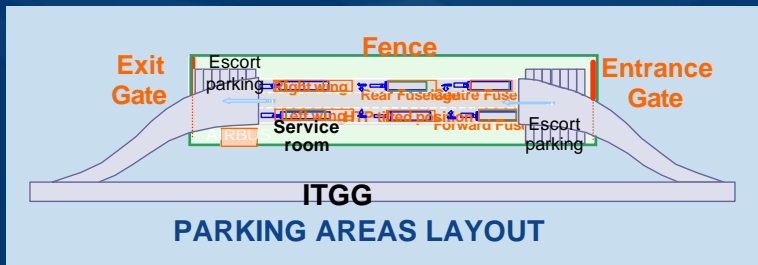
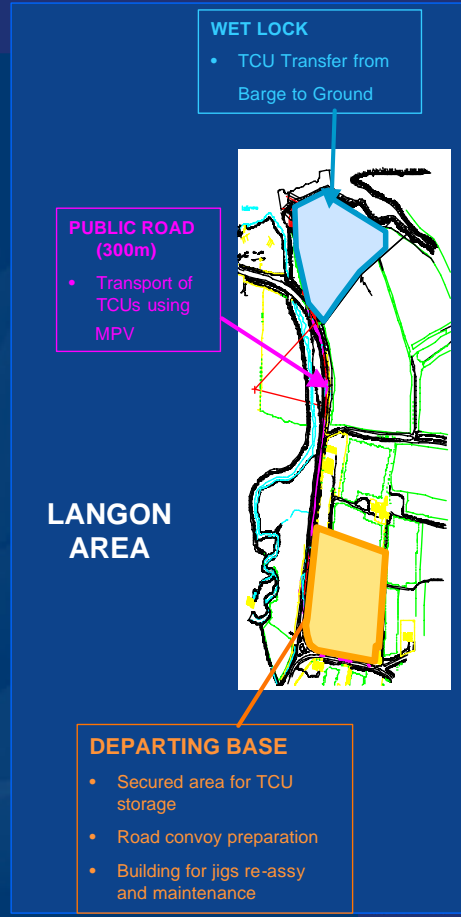
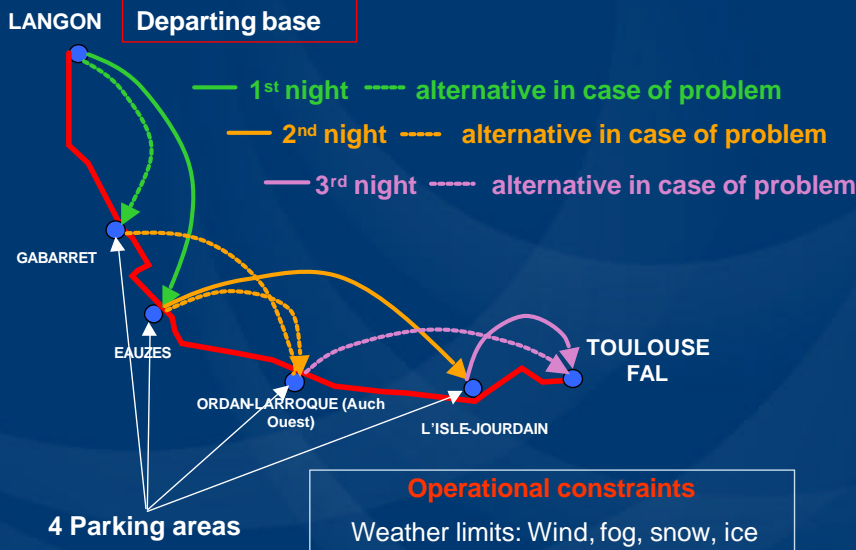
- Responsible: French State
- 1 departure area at Langon, 4 parking areas alongside the itinerary
- Night time only, week-end and bank holidays excluded
- Voyage over 3 nights, max 1 per week
- Max allowable dimensions:
 - weight 250 T
 - Height 13 m / Length 50m
 - Width 5m at ground level, 8 m at 1m height
- Trailers, tractors, jigs return via A62 motorway



Our Partner: Transports CAPELLE



Road Transport Operations



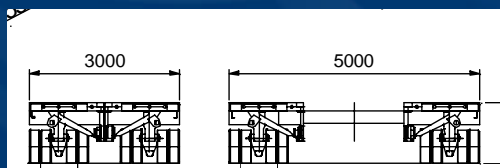
ROAD TRAILERS

Trailers TII NICOLAS , 2 Types



«goose-neck trailer » quantity: 4

«tow-bar trailer » quantity: 2 + 1



Convertible width 5m – 3m



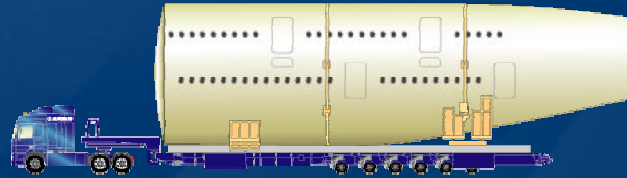
directional axles
 self levelling platform

ROAD TRACTORS

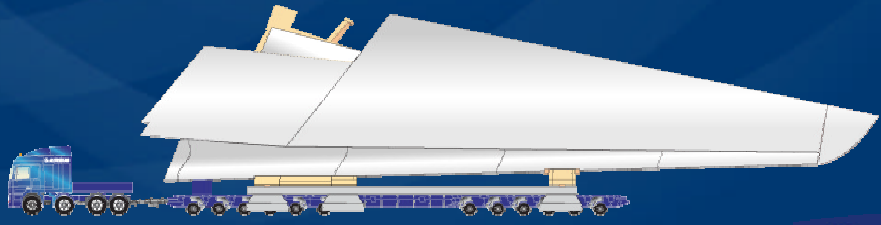
2 types of Tractors MERCEDES Power = 600 HP

- Guidance system by DGPS
- Noise attenuation devices

▸ Type 1 : 6 x 4 (for articulated trailers) - Quantity: 4



▸ Type 2 : 8 x 6 (for trailers) - Quantity: 2 + 1



ROAD CONVOY ORGANISATION

Road signs dismantling



Workshop van



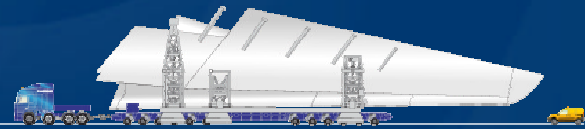
Convoy master



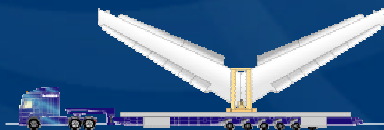
Convoy Element No1



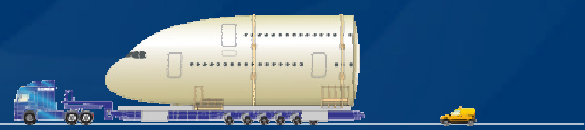
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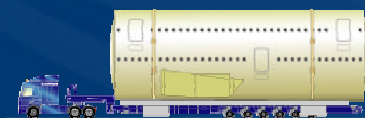
Convoy Element No3



Convoy Element No4



Convoy Element No5



Convoy Element No6



Road signs reinstalling

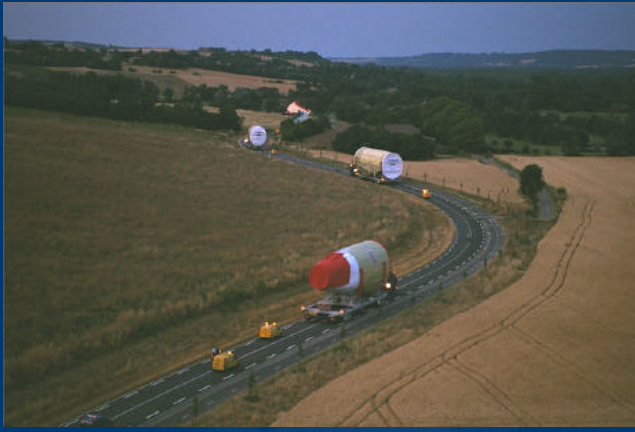


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Véhicules Police Officers

ROAD CONVOY



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Horizontal Tail Plane (HTP) from Cadiz



Fuselage Components on the road



Final Assembly Line

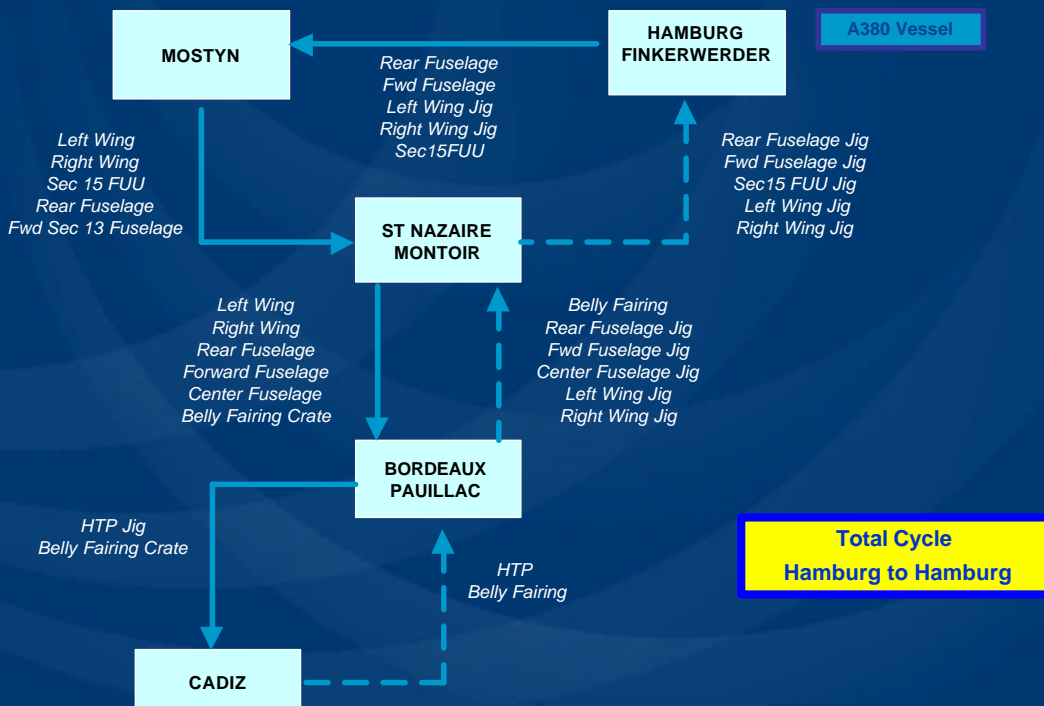


A380 Logistics analysis



A380 LOGISTICS – Sea Routing Patterns

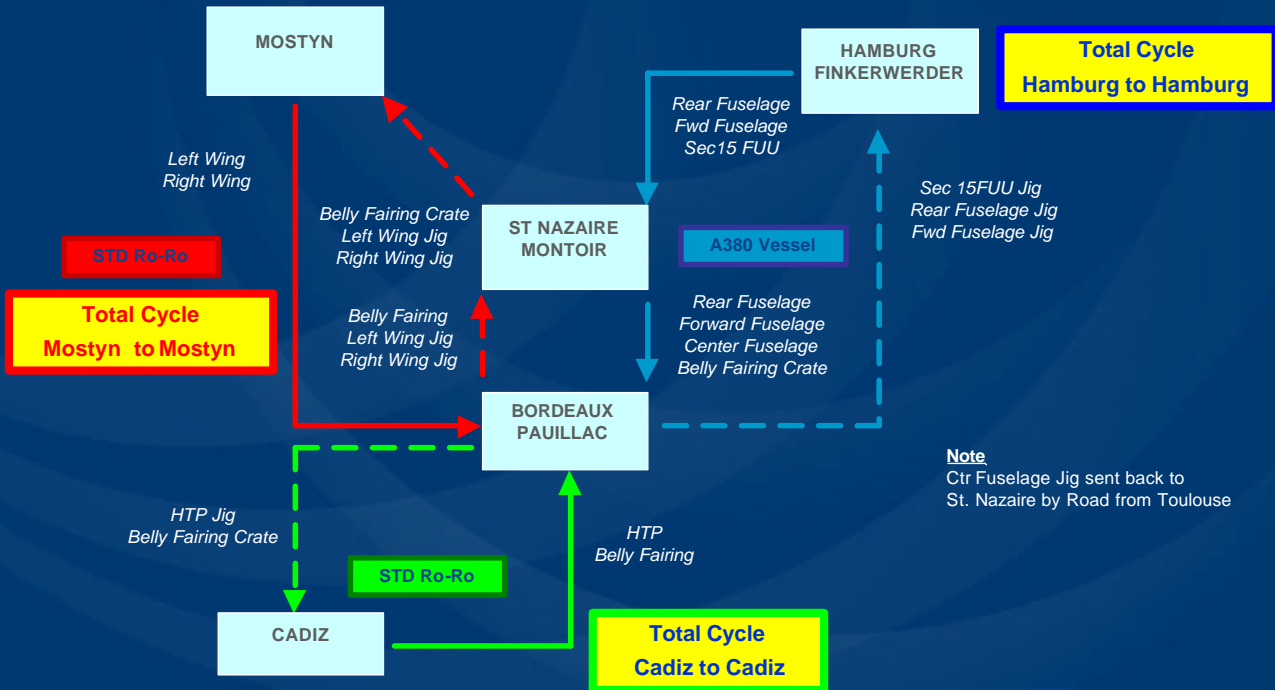
LOGISTICS - MARINE LEG (A380 VESSEL) Routing Pattern 1



A380 LOGISTICS – Sea Routing Patterns

LOGISTICS - MARINE LEG (A380 VESSEL + 2 STD Ro-Ro)

Routing Pattern 5



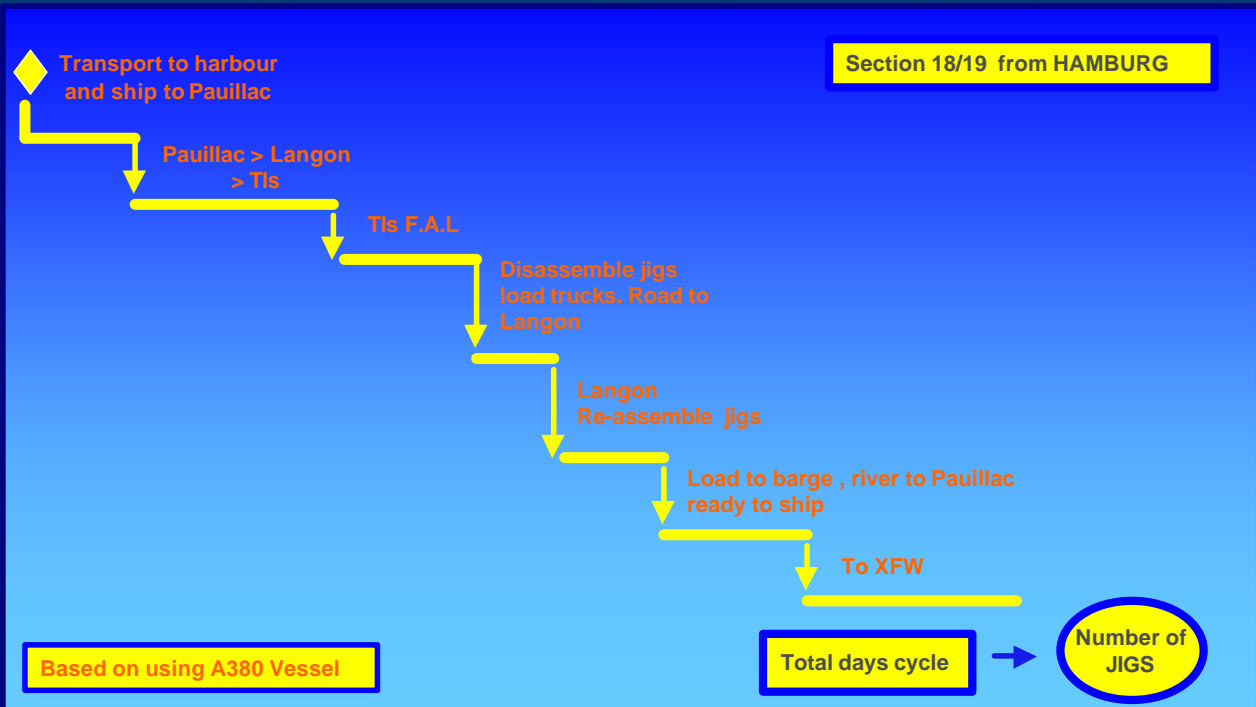
A380 LOGISTICS - Cycle Analysis

LOGISTICS – CYCLE TIMES: MARINE, RIVER, ROAD LEGS



A380 LOGISTIC – Return of Jigs Cycle

LOGISTICS – JIG RETURN CYCLE TIMES: SEA, RIVER, ROAD LEGS



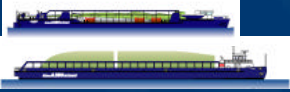
A380 Air Transport

A380 TRANSPORT - The CONCEPT

SEA



RIVER



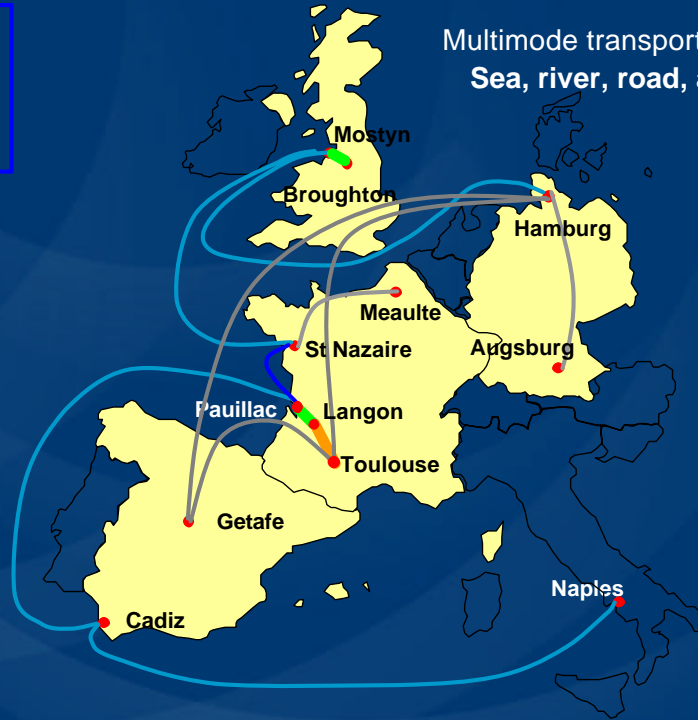
ROAD



AIR



Multimode transport system
Sea, river, road, air



Air Transport is the 4th mode completing the A380 logistics system

Air Transport : Beluga Network



● Section Manufacturing

● Final Assembly Line

Air Transport : Key information

- Beluga Operator: **Airbus Transport Intl (created 1996)**
French Airline, subsidiary of Airbus
- Fleet: **5 Beluga (A300-600ST)**
- Airbus Network: **10 Stations** across Europe
(13 by 2006)
- Flight Crew: **39 Crews Members**
- Activity since 1996 **15 000 Flights**
30 000 Flights Hours
- 2004 Activity: **2 200 Flights**
3 400 Flight Hours
2 560 Aircraft Sections delivered

Vertical Tailplane From Hamburg to Toulouse



Special Transports



A380 S.18/19 & S13 MSN001 - MV "Sabrata Star"



LoLo Transport as back-up solution

Fatigue Test Specimen To DRESDEN



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Project management Some key drivers...



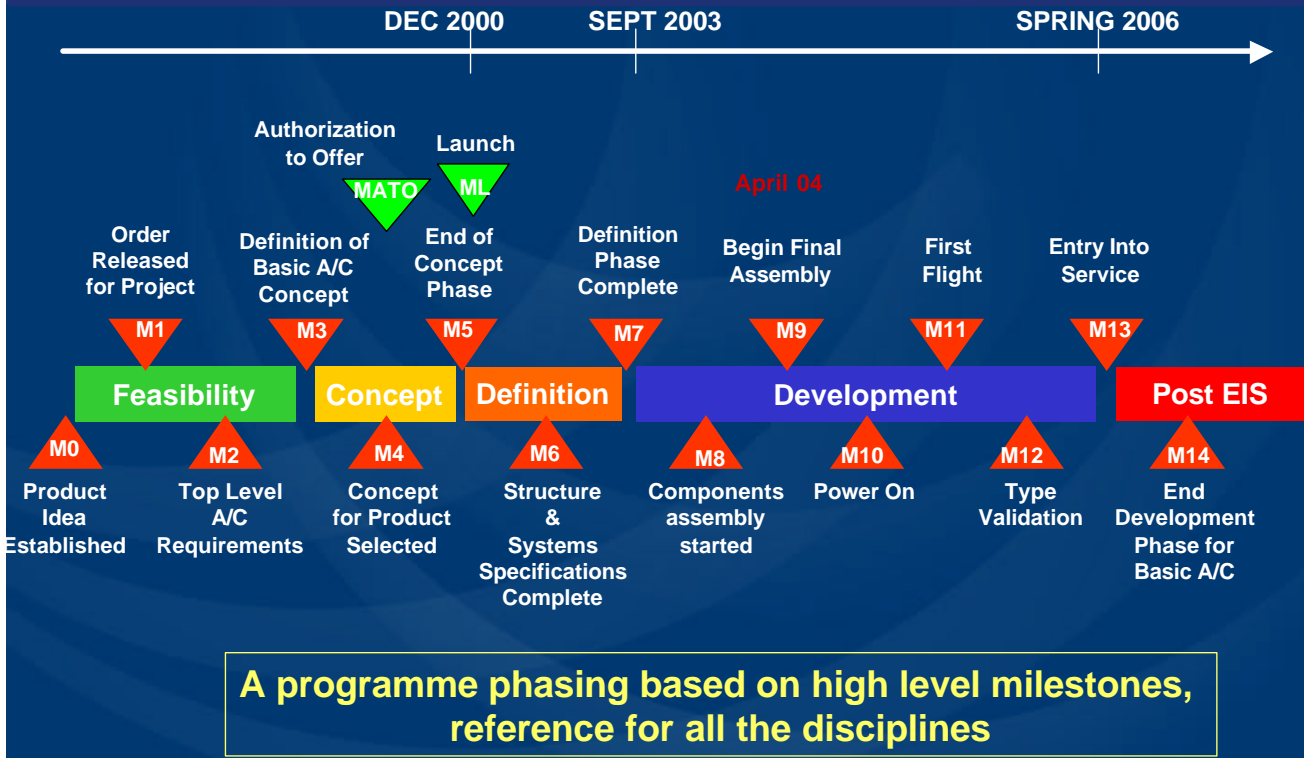
The Project Establishment - A380

- Requirements are formalised to Teams by **Statement of Requirements** documents :
 - ▶ cascaded within the organisation
 - ▶ formal contractualisation
- In return all the various Teams write their **Project Plan**. This document should contain at least :
 - ▶ context, purpose, organisation aspects
 - ▶ product, tasks & associated schedule, means and resources aspects
 - ▶ steering, monitoring, management, reporting aspects
 - ▶ risk management
 - ▶ validation and verification aspects

WE PROCEED WITH CASCADE OF REQUIREMENTS AND NOT WITH DESCRIPTION OF TASKS (Statement of work)



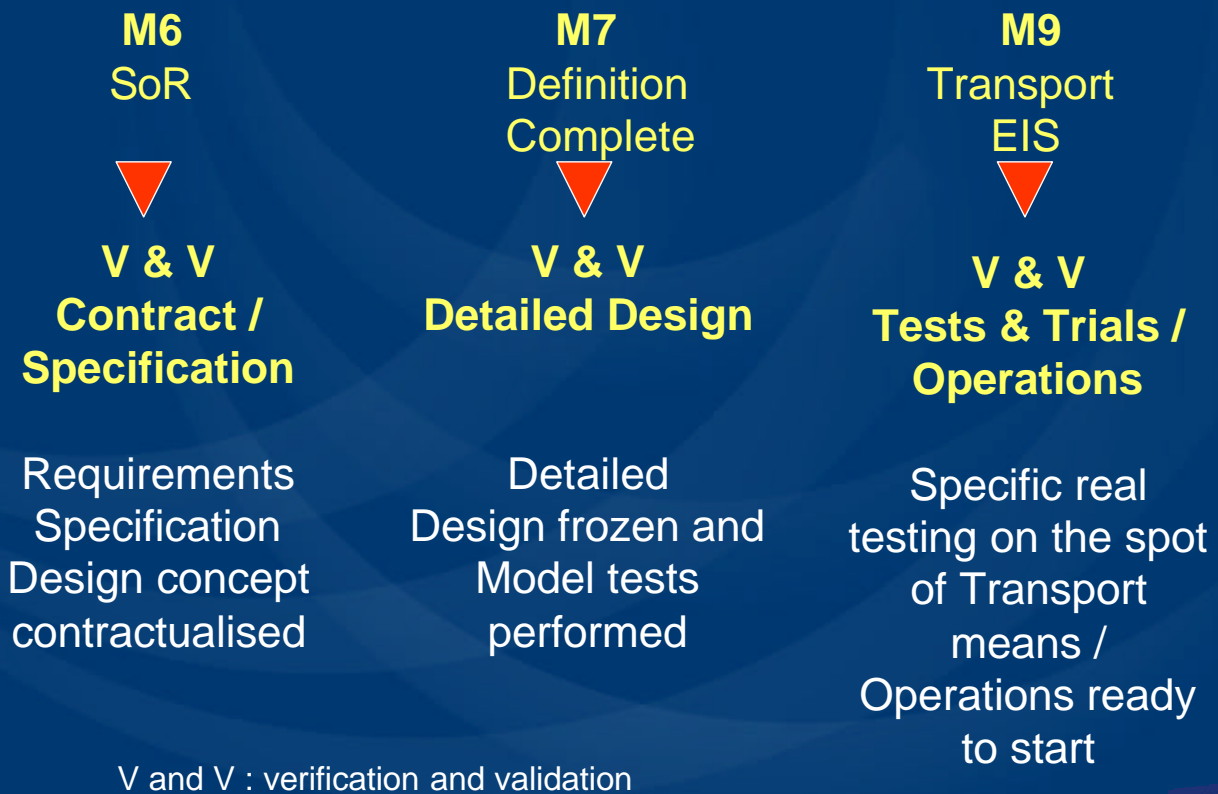
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A programme phasing based on high level milestones, reference for all the disciplines



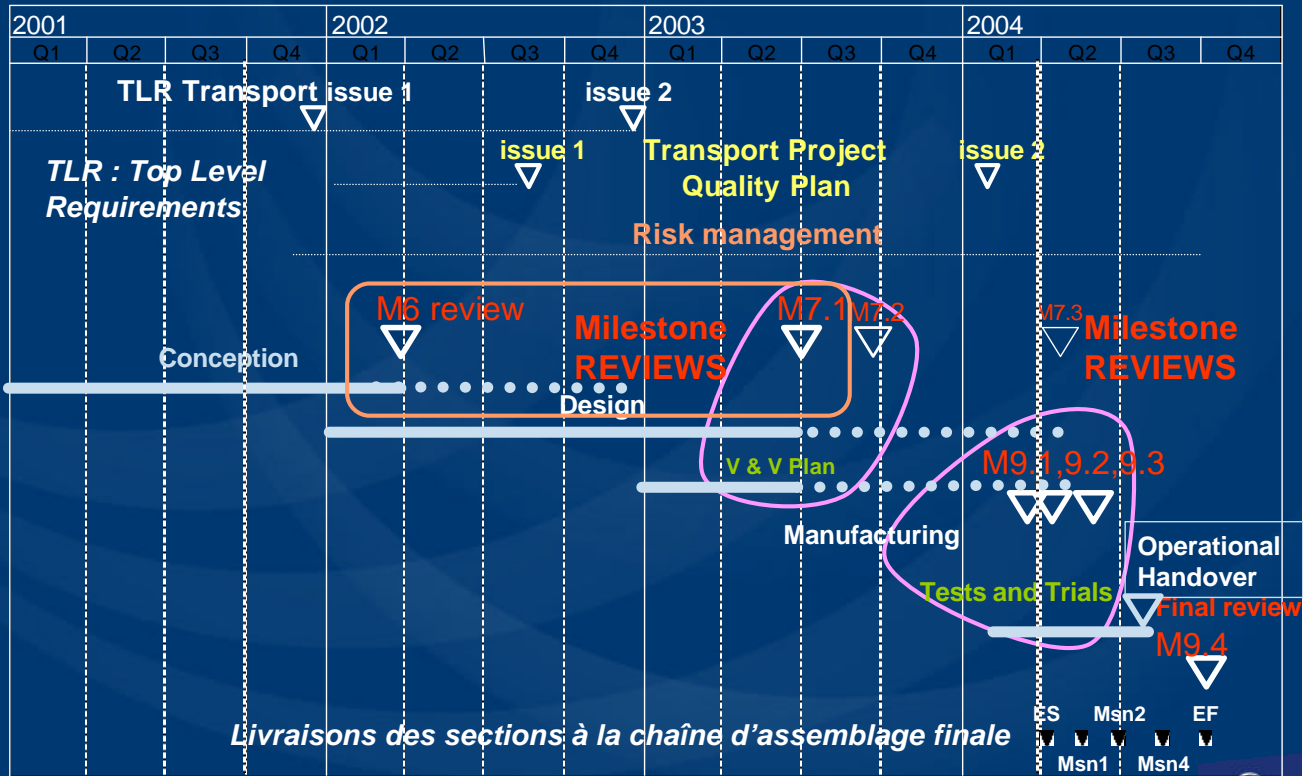
Transportation Milestones Reviews



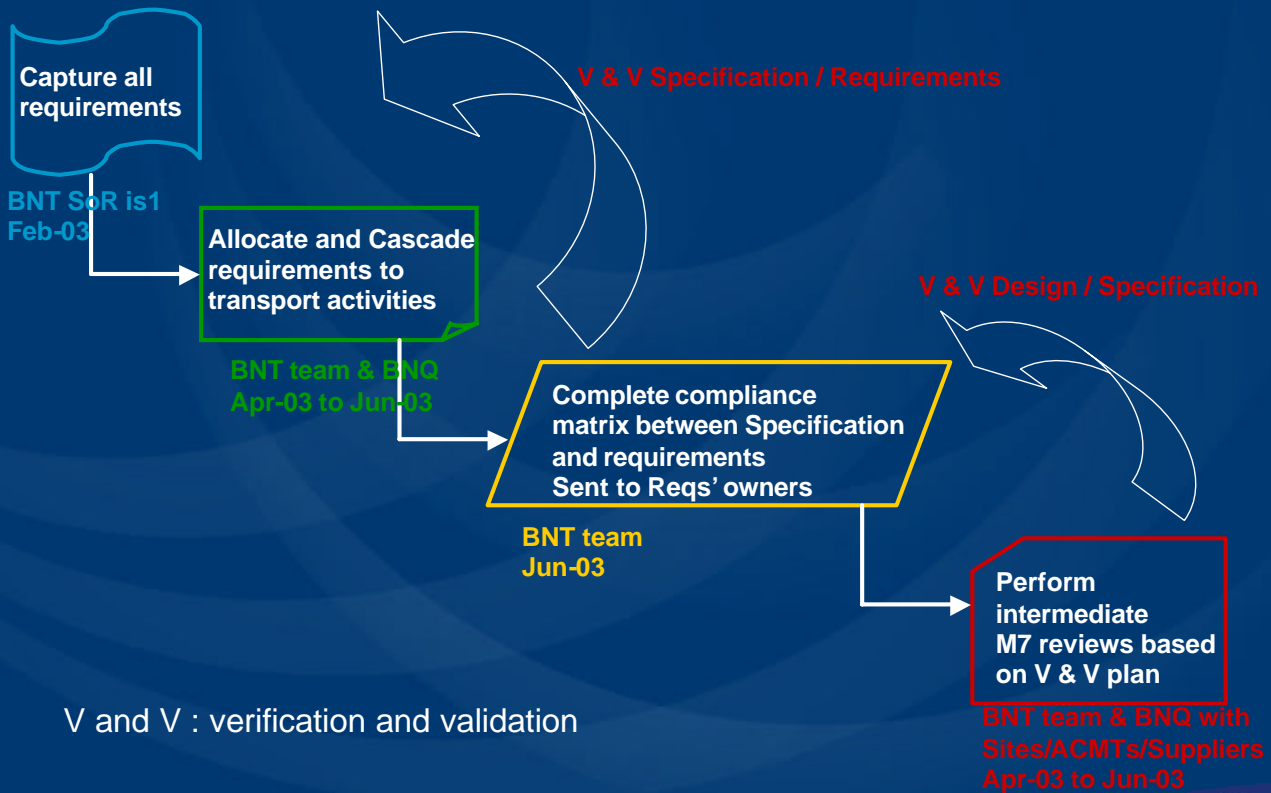
V and V : verification and validation



Transportation Milestones Reviews



Verification and Validation process at M9 Reviews



Tests & Trials process (V & V)

➔ Why to perform a test or trial?

- Verification & Validation of the DEFINITION, cannot or is not sufficient to ensure that the corresponding **requirement will be effective**

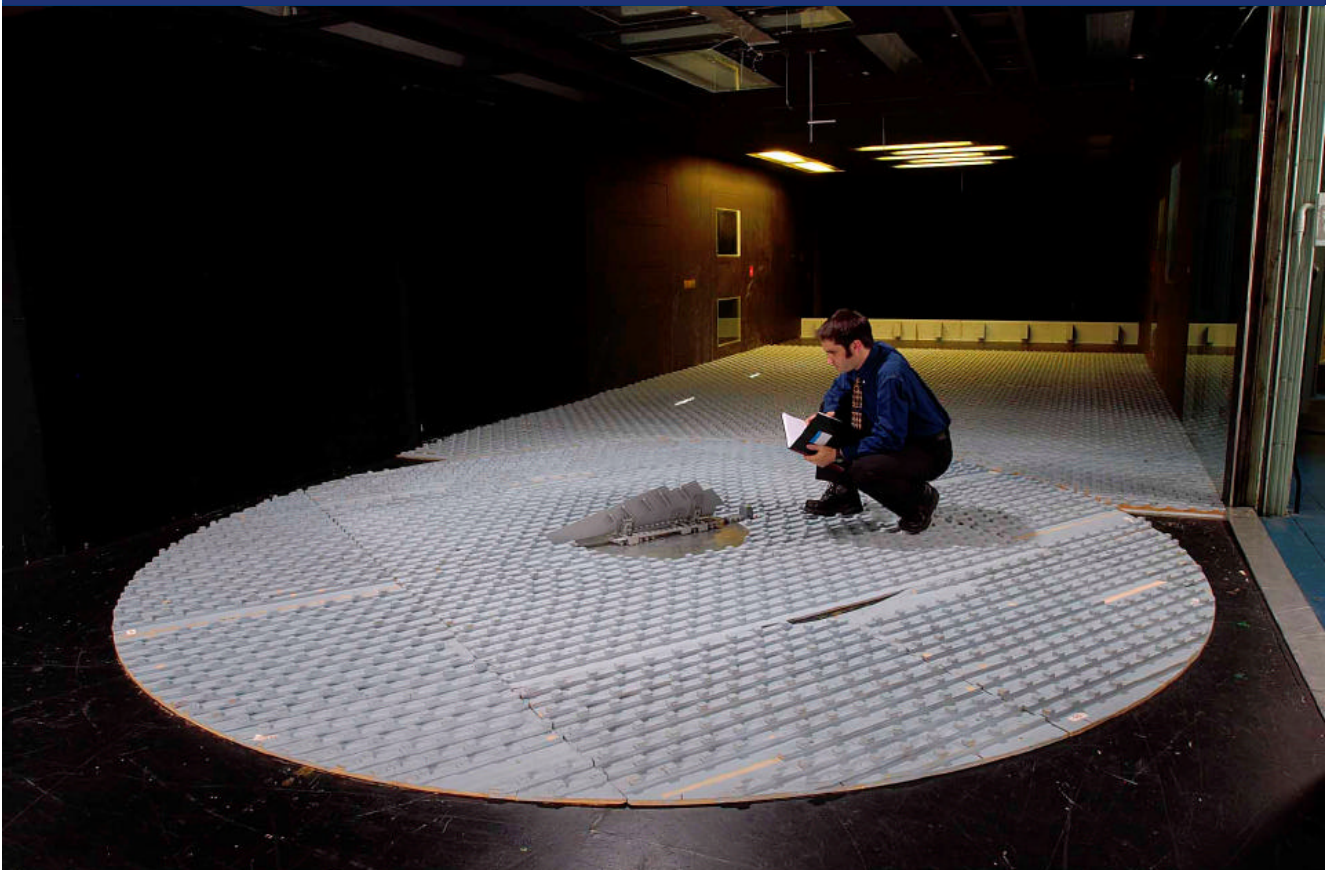
Tests : Relative to the technical aspect
(of transport mean/loading equipment/infrastructure/tooling equipment)

Trials : Relative to the operational dimension

➔ All required **tests** must be performed **as early as possible** in order to **mitigate risks** and to **increase** corresponding **safety margin**

➔ **Trials** must consider only **final operational tests**, which could not have been done before

Wind Tunnel Tests



River Trials (Pont de Pierre)



Tests & Trials completes the V & V plan

Test : relative to technical aspects

Trial : relative to operational dimensions

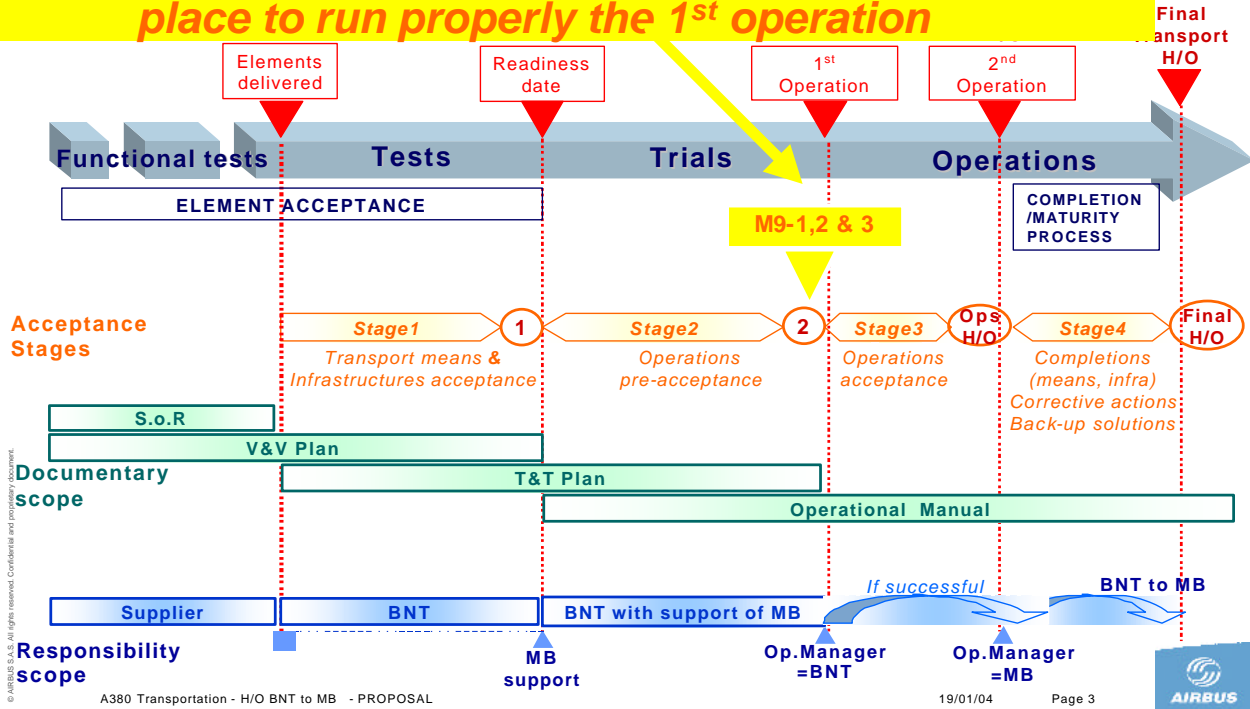


Tests & Trials process - Road trials



Transport M9 Operational Reviews

To demonstrate that the essentials are in place to run properly the 1st operation



Transport M9 Review Objectives

To demonstrate that :

- Means and infrastructures are ready and compliant with Airbus needs and requirements
- Subcontractors are ready to operate
- Airbus is ready to operate
- A380 New transport system operational reliability forecast is comparable with the Beluga



Programme goes-ahead with the EIS

A380 transport Conclusion



A380 Transport Project - Summary

1) An AIRBUS transnational and transfunctional project



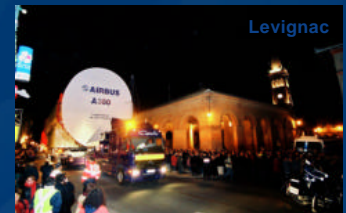
A380 Transport Project – Summary (cont'd)

2) A Project delivered mature, on time, on quality

3) An innovative transportation system groundbreaking technology to overcome obstacles

Some examples :

- **How to control accelerations during the sea voyage:** Accelerometers together with active & passive stabilizing devices on board
- **How to cross beneath the Pont de Pierre :** Sensors placed in the riverbed indicate to the pilot when the outgoing current is counterbalancing the incoming tide and when the max clearance is available
- **How to pass the narrow street of Levignac village :** Drivers are guided by a cabin computer which uses advanced Digital Global Positioning Satellite technology to pinpoint to within centimeters
- **Wind tunnel tests** performed to predict wind load during road transport
- **Using specific computer software** for synchronizing operations with tidal movements, for safe navigation and transfer of A380 components between ship / shore



Achievements to Jan 2006...

- **13 Complete Aircraft transported**
- **20 Road Convoys....**

- **All Operations within schedule**
- **Good adaptability of the Transport System to the Industrial Constraints**
- **Further developments (back up, fleet devpt....) on good track**

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