Strategic Standardization: Model-Based First Article Inspection

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- **Problem:** Digital models do not include integration of standardized quality data throughout the product life cycle
- Vision/Charter: Industry standardization of quality data integrated within the digital model throughout the product life cycle reducing the risk burden contributed by quality and enabling optimization of customer oversight.
- Scope: The pilot program leverages Quality Information Framework (QIF) methodology and AS9102 FAI Forms 1, 2, and 3 data requirements to characterize a model to validate "as built" to the "as designed" source of truth.
- Long-Term Deliverable: DID, SysML MBQ FAI Profile, MS Excel MBQ FAI Input and Export Forms, Guidebook, and White Paper



Sources of Truth and the Digital Thread



³ Ensor, H., McMaier, F. (2024, March 13) *Model-Based Quality & Mission Assurance* [Workshop presentation]. 2024 Collaboration on Quality in the Space & Defense Industries Forum, Cape Canaveral, FL, USA.

The digital thread weaves the data of all models together into one unified picture



Model-Based Quality Assurance

- Joint Strategic Quality Council is sponsoring the Model-Based Quality (MBQ) Team
- The MBQ Team has chosen the First Article Inspection (FAI) process as a pilot to standardize and digitize quality data JSQC MBQ Working Group Representation:

Model-Based Quality (MBQ)

The application of quality parameters to the digital model(s) throughout the product and process lifecycle.



The MBQ Vision is an industry standardization of quality data (parameters) integrated within the digital model throughout the product lifecycle (focus: early quality engagement) reducing the risk burden contributed by quality and enabling optimization of customer oversight. (providing "quality view" guidance / requirements)

- Department of Defense (DoD)
- Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA)
- BAE
- Lockheed Martin
- Raytheon Technologies (RTX)
- National Aeronautics & Space Administration (NASA)
- Aerospace Industries Association (AIA)
- AIQG/SAE
- Pratt & Whitney
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- Others

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SE&A assisting with digitization of quality standards in a serial manner over time to support achieving goals of the DoD Digital Engineering Strategy



The Execution

- The Joint Strategic Quality Council Model-Based Quality & Mission Assurance working group is drafting a DID
- Goal of the DID is to require contractors to submit FAI data via a CDRL in the standardized DID-defined model format
- Plan is to get this DID on a pilot contract by FY 2025



DLA DID Repository: https://quicksearch.dla.mil/qsSearch.aspx

The DID will be structured to allow for integration into the Object Management Group (OMG) Model-Based Acquisition (MBAcq.) efforts as a Domain Overlay.

Domain Overlay: A collection of constructs needed to support analysis for a domain specific concern using a standardized framework.



Ongoing work from the Object Management Group (OMG) Model-Based Acquisition (MBAcq.) effort Hart,L., Actionable Architecture Using Aspect Modeling, 2018; Hart, L., Anderson, R., OMG UAF Model-based Acquisition Analytic

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New Data Item Description (DID) Containing First Article Inspection Data

- New DID and Guidebook currently in review allows for contractually obligated standardization and digitization of FAI data
 - SysML Profile and ontology developed with broad leading industry group to capture FAI Data Elements in a System Architecture Model
 - Standardized views in compliance with current AS9102C required outputs



SysML Profile and Ontology

Standardized SysML Profile allows for the capture of FAI data into Digital Thread Enabling Broader Knowledge of Overall System and Machine Understandable Structure



First Article Inspection Profile Input and Output Process Video Demonstration



FAI SysML Profile lays the foundational framework for quality model-based practices, accelerating industry adoption through seamless integration and superior interoperability with mainstream tools, facilitating expansive collaboration within the SysML ecosystem.

Output provides both traditional <u>individual</u> output and <u>system</u> view outputs

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MBQ FAI Process



Ensor, H., Lewis, J. (2024, June 10) Model-Based Quality & Mission Assurance Joint Strategic Quality Council Working Group [PowerPoint Slides] MBMA Leads Mtg - Special Topic - MBQA Briefing, Virtual.



Planning Ahead

- The FAI DID is an initial stream feeding the digital thread. The team is aiming to get the DID on a pilot contract by FY 2025.
- In the future, more strategic DIDs will allow reuse of defined data sets to feed the digital thread.
- Machine-readable quality reporting can help shift the focus from detection to prevention.



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