

The main objective of the **Safer Autonomous Systems (SAS) project** is to identify ways that we can establish people's trust in autonomous systems by making these systems demonstrably safer.

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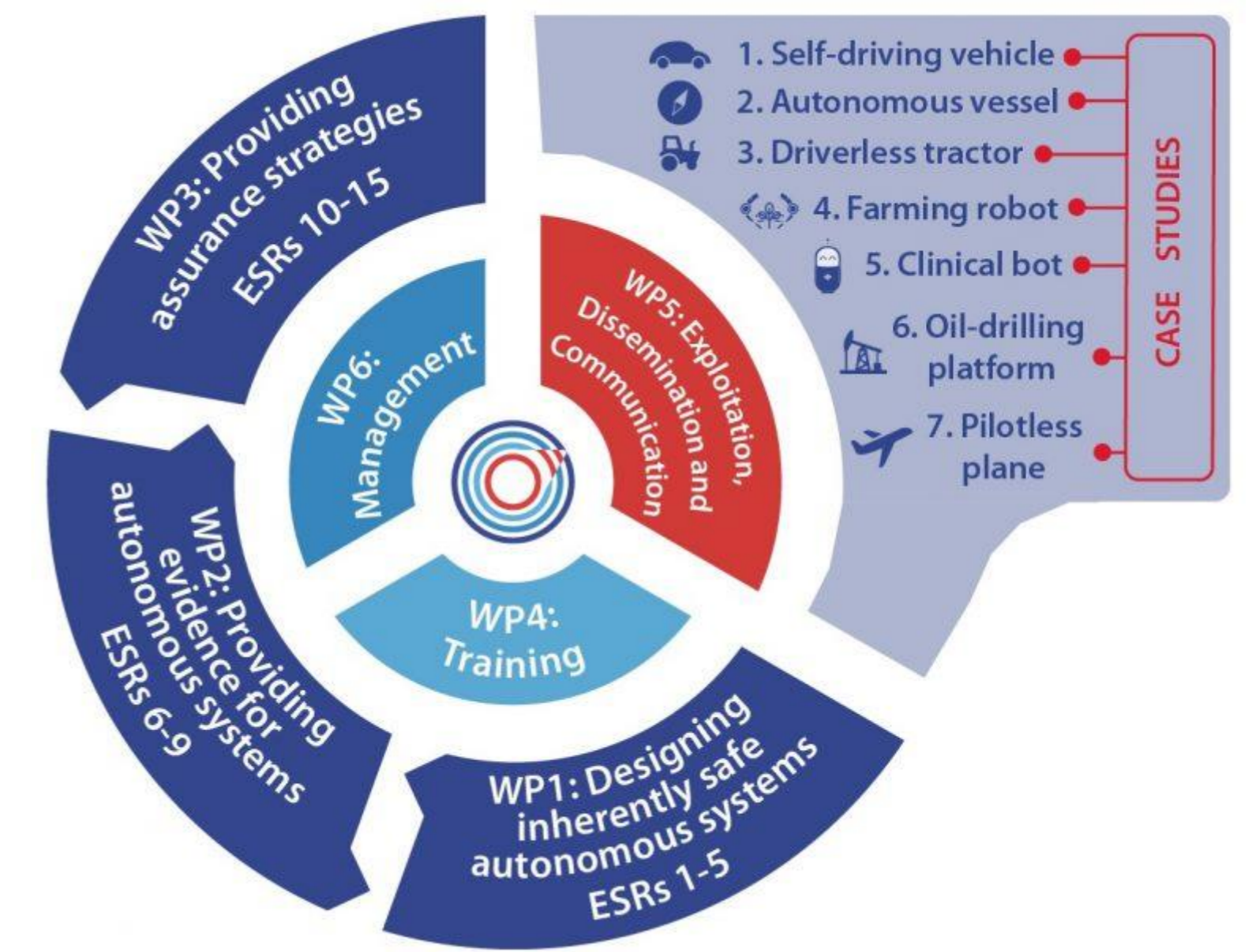
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ESR 1: Raul S. Ferreira



Development of a generic framework to monitor and handle safety of autonomous systems at run-time

Implement and validate a framework facilitating black/grey-box monitoring of autonomous functionality at run-time

ESR 2: Yuan Liao



Development of an adaptive platform for resilient autonomous systems based on a MAPE-K cycle

Integrate adaptive functionality and fault-tolerance into a safe, fail-operational run-time adaptation platform for resilient autonomous systems

ESR 3: João V. Zacchi



Dynamic safety handling of autonomous systems-of-systems with run-time safety contracts

Extend the current state-of-the-art dynamic safety contracts facilitating a more systematic, yet more modular and flexible, dynamic safety assurance of autonomous systems

ESR 4: Dejana Ugrenovic



Creating software design guidelines and testing specifications for non-functional requirements in safety-critical autonomous systems

Develop innovative software design and testing guidelines, related to non-functional requirements

ESR 5: Aleksandr Ovechkin



Making connectivity work reliably in a diverse range of environments

Compare the effectiveness of different types of diverse redundancy and the robustness of different wireless communication protocols for different environments

ESR 6: Luca V. Sartori



Virtual worlds generation for testing autonomous robots in simulation

Develop a complete and generic framework allowing simulation-based testing of an autonomous robot in virtual worlds

ESR 7: Zaid Tahir



Rigorous design and evaluation of situation coverage testing for autonomous vehicles

Create and empirically evaluate a testing method and prototype tools for simulated-situation testing of autonomous cars

ESR 8: Ahmad Adeeb



Model-based system analysis techniques to determine propagation paths of functional insufficiencies in software-intensive systems

Investigate the application of model-based system analysis techniques for functional insufficiencies, including probabilistic ways to model the uncertainties

ESR 9: Hassan Tirmizi



Model-based system analysis of the robustness of autonomous systems against electromagnetic interference

Integrate behavioral system models within a highly-efficient, statistical framework for electromagnetic simulations

ESR 10: Fang Yan



From static assurance cases at design-time to executable assurance cases at run-time

Establish an executable model of structured argumentation in which the safety case consists of an executable set of rules to be sustained and maintained at run-time

ESR 11: Vibhu Gautam



Assurance case structures for machine learning in the decision making of highly autonomous systems

Establish and evaluate assurance case structures for the assurance of machine learning in safety-critical applications

ESR 12: Tianlei Miao



Assuring autonomous sailing from A to B while minimizing operational costs

Integrate optimization algorithms, collision avoidance algorithms and current motion control systems of vessels in order to simulate a number of scenario's fulfilling the defined objectives

ESR 13: Haris Aftab



Safety assurance for clinical conversational bots

Develop a safety concept for clinical conversational bots, considering the intended clinical use, core technologies, medical conditions and patient variations

ESR 14: Luis P. C. Yelavives



Dependability assurance for vehicle autonomy

Develop a unified and holistic approach to developing a range of assurance cases that could address a range of aspects of dependability for highly automated and fully autonomous vehicles

ESR 15: Orian Dheu



Between safety and liability: towards a liability allocation framework for safe autonomous systems

Explore different models for liability allocation in various domains towards the development of a framework for allocation of liability in complex ecosystems