

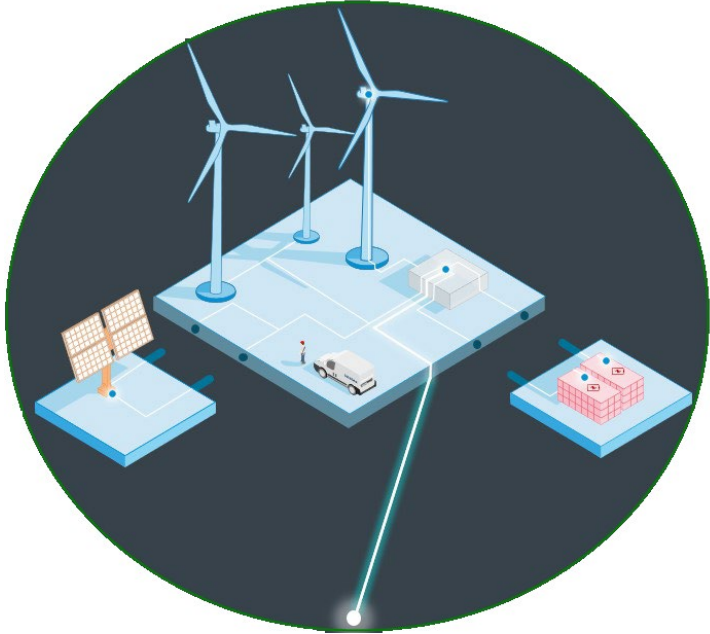


# Reliable validation and commissioning of hybrid power plants

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# Introduction



Focus on Hybrid Power Plants consisting of

- Wind Turbines (WTGs)
- Photo Voltaic Panels (PV)
- Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)

## The Four main initiatives:

- 1) Development of Vestas hybrid PPC features and best practice commissioning guidelines
- 2) Qualification of third-party dynamic components
- 3) Design of Electrical Simulation models of Vestas WTG & PPC to meet market requirements
- 4) Conduct grid integration studies to demonstrate grid code compliance and ensure hybrid power plant commissioning

An aerial photograph of a renewable energy site. In the foreground, a large array of solar panels is laid out in neat rows on a flat surface. In the background, a wind farm is visible with several white wind turbines scattered across a green landscape under a cloudy sky. A semi-transparent dark grey banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the title text.

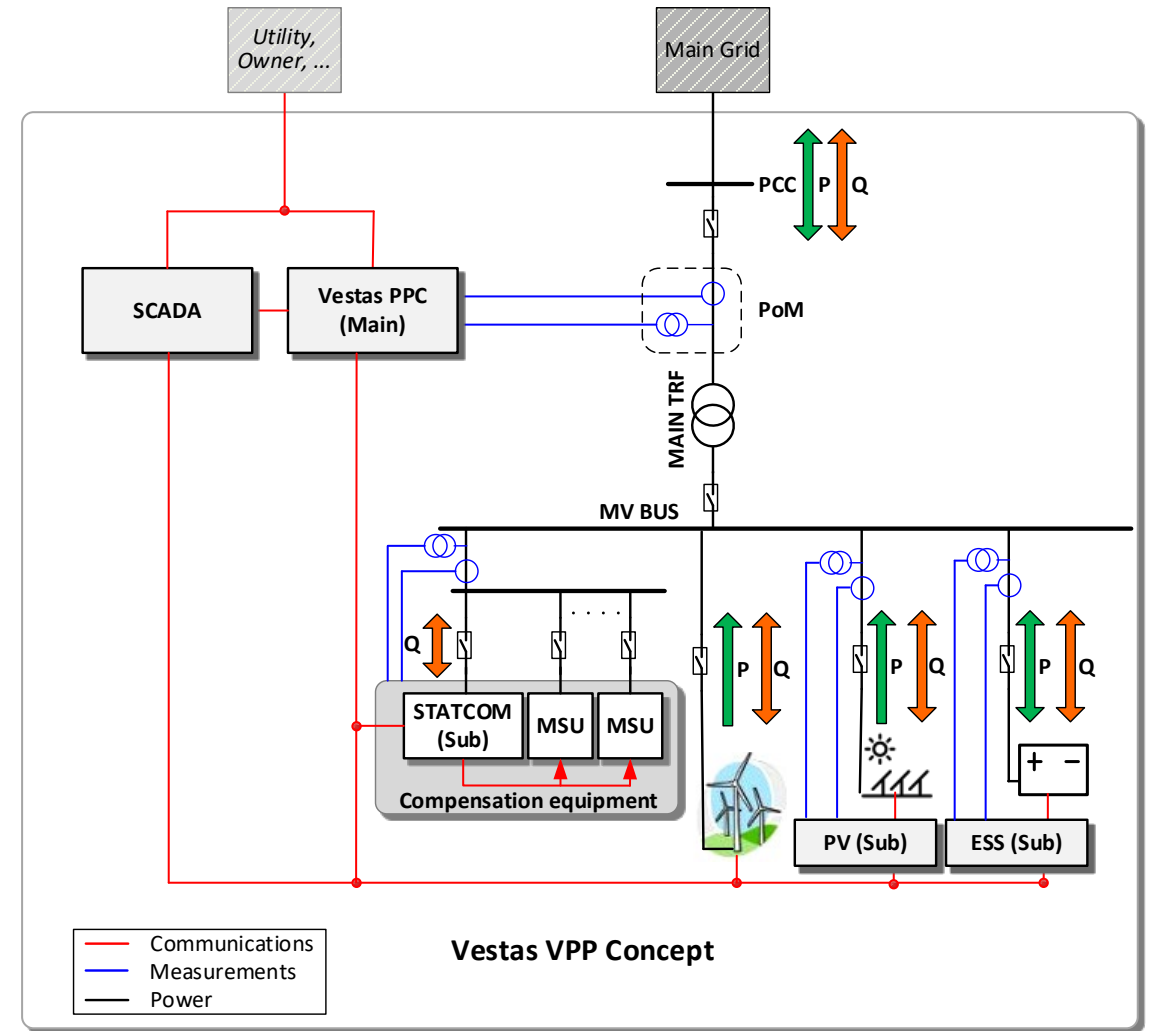
# Plant Control Functionalities & Supplier qualification

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# Vestas PPC as main controller

## Hybrid Power Plant configuration example

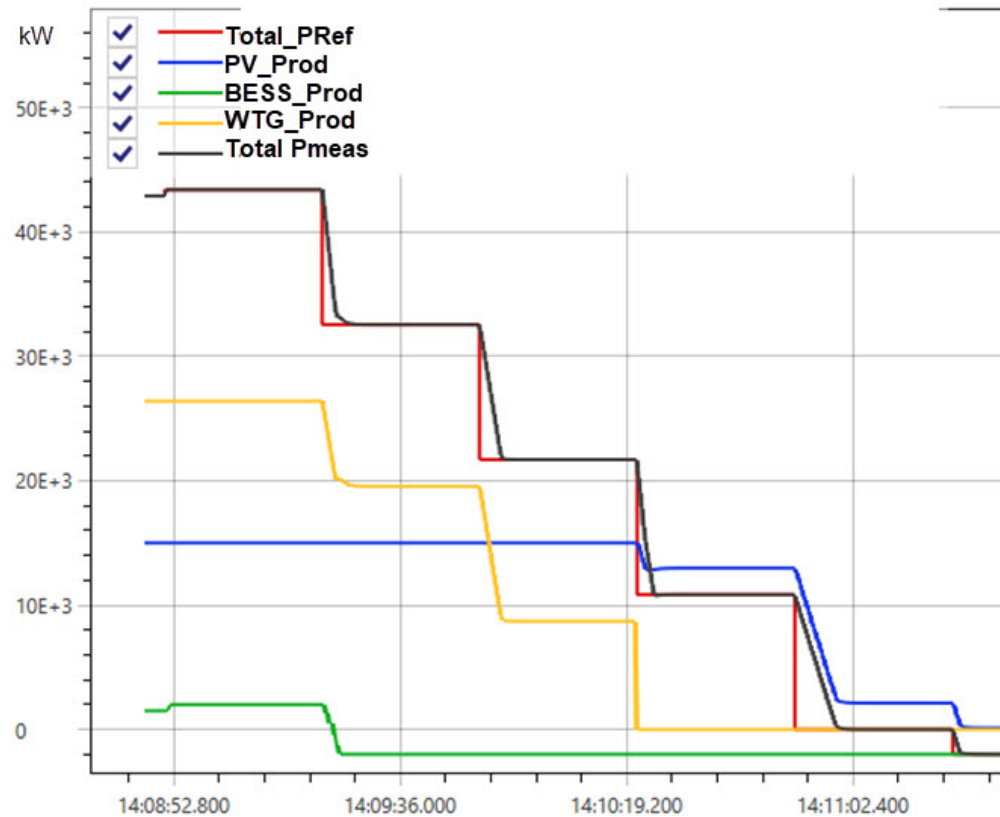
- Vestas PPC configured as Main
  - VT and CT sensing the total production
  - Can offer all the control modes
- Vestas qualified Vendor specific PV & BESS plant controllers
  - Configured as Sub controller
  - Reactive power control
  - Active power control
  - Reporting actual P and Q capability to PPC
- Vestas qualified Vendor specific STATCOM controllers
  - Configured as Sub controller
  - Reactive power control
  - Reporting actual Q capability including MSU to PPC



PV: PhotoVoltaic  
(B)ESS: (Battery) Energy Storage System  
MSU: Mechanically Switched Unit

# Active and Reactive Power dispatching

Prioritized list – define the order of Assets to generate



Other Options:  
Distributed Percentage Part (DPP)

Active power dispatch treats BESS as a storage

- BESS discharging can be used to cover any active power missing from e.g. WTG and PV,
- Any excess power from e.g. WTG and PV will be used to charge the BESS.

# Qualification of third party vendor dynamic components

Same process for each dynamic component

Vestas Preparation:

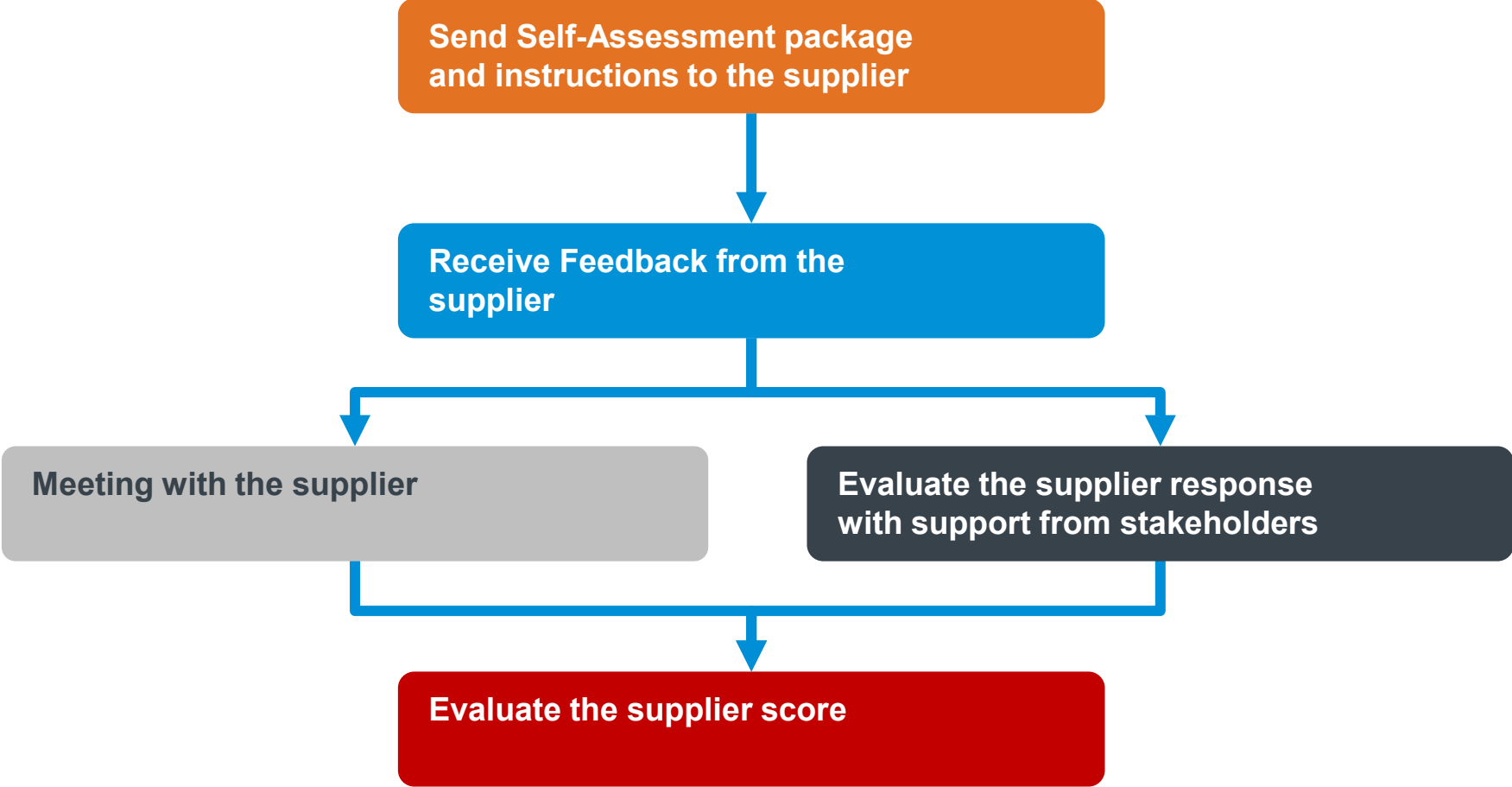
Component Technical Purchase Specification (TPS) with requirements created incl. D-FMEA and test procedures

Qualification steps:

1. Supplier Self-Evaluation
2. PPC Interface & Performance Test
3. Model Qualification



# Process of supplier Self-Assessment



# Interface and performance qualification

## Single supplier qualification sequence – same process for each component

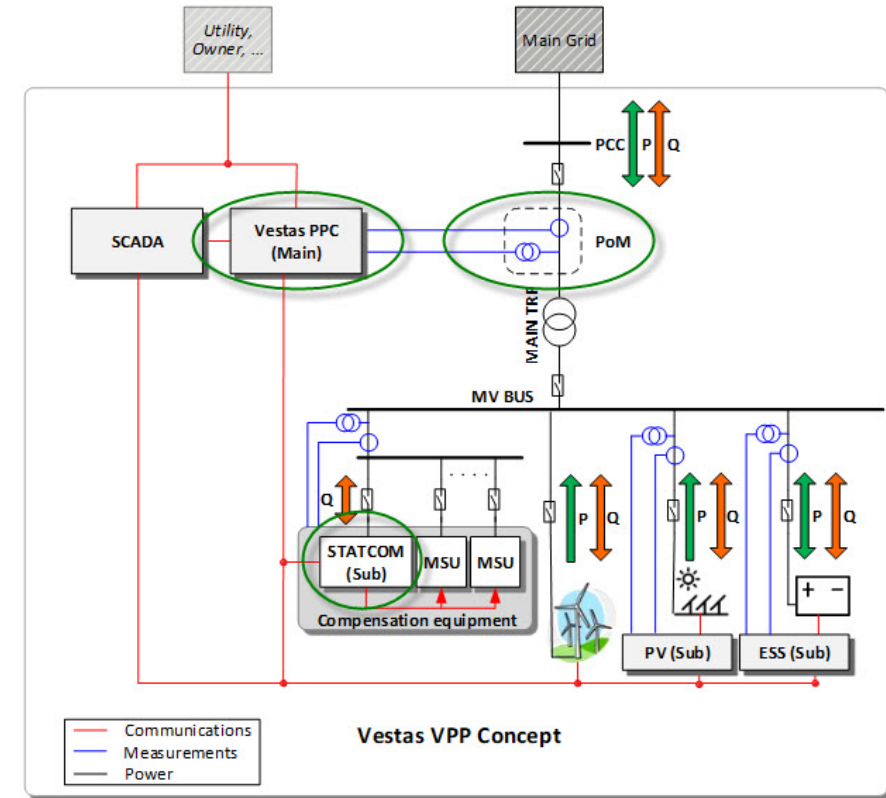
Vestas Preparation:

Test procedure and alignment

Component Qualification tests:

1. Interface test
2. Performance test\* (Site/Supplier Lab)

\*Performance test depends on the vendor having a test lab/site where a full closed loop test with a real grid connected test system can be conducted.



Performance Test



An aerial photograph showing a large-scale renewable energy project. In the foreground, a solar farm with numerous rows of dark photovoltaic panels is installed on a sloping, rocky hillside. A small white utility building is visible near the solar panels. In the background, a series of rolling hills and mountains are dotted with several white wind turbines. The sky is clear and blue, and the overall scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

# Model Qualification & Grid Code Compliance

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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Model Integration

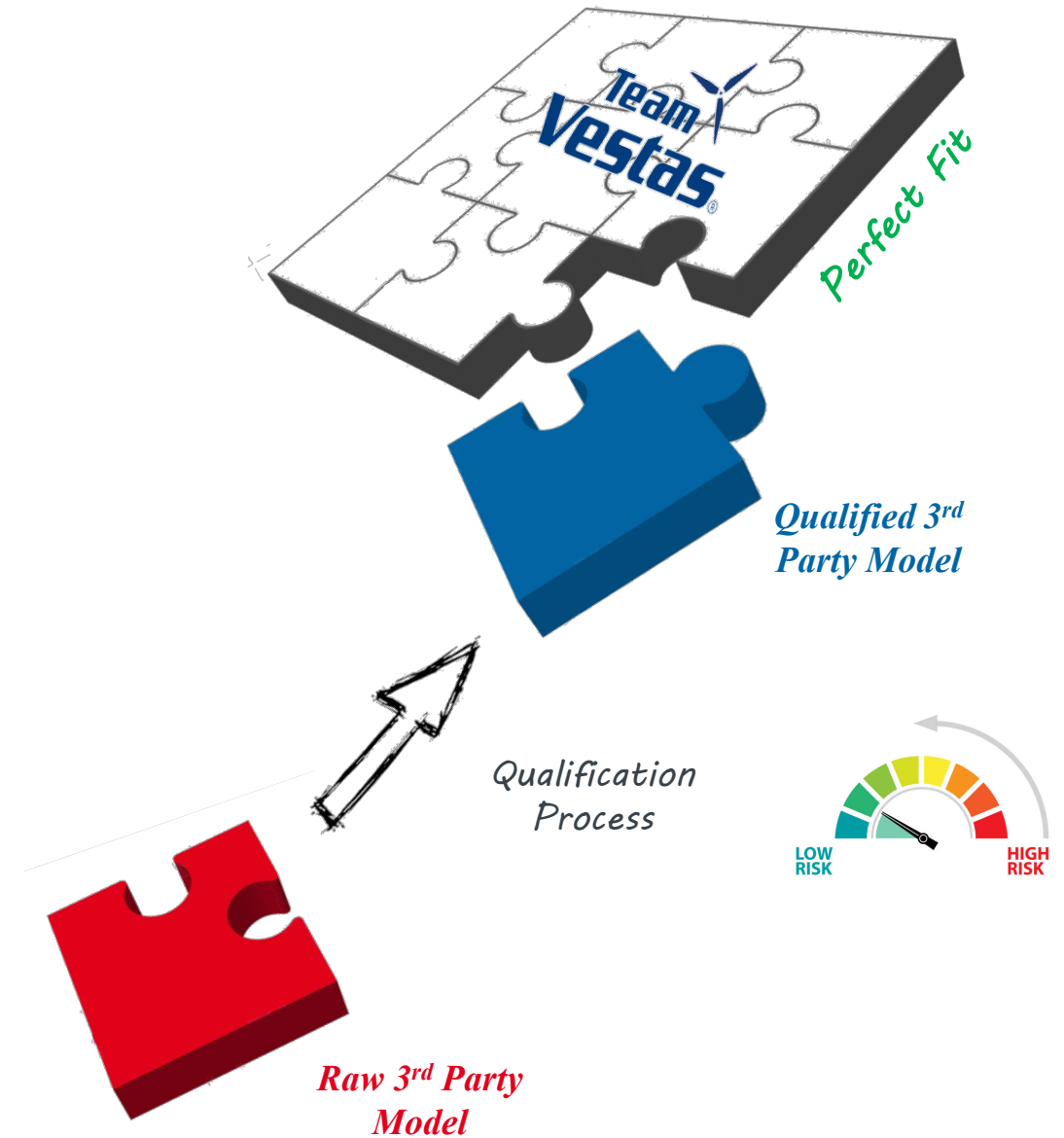
## Overview

**Objective:** Ensure smooth integration of 3<sup>rd</sup> party OEM electrical simulation models into *Vestas Modelling Framework*

**Process:** Iterative process with OEM to close the gap and reshape 3<sup>rd</sup> party electrical simulation models, to adapt them to *Vestas Modelling Framework*

*Models considered in the process:*

- Wind Turbines (WTGs)
- Photo Voltaic Panels (PV)
- Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)



# Current Market Challenges

## Grid Code Compliance Studies

### Wind Turbine/PV/BESS:

- Accessibility to parameters in order tune wind turbine performance
- Documentation regarding functionality and description of product functionalities
- Access to internal control variable signals of product
- Access to internal Electrical variables of product

### PPC – Plant Controller:

- Accessibility to parameters in order tune PPC performance
- Documentation regarding functionality and description of PPC functionalities
- Access to internal control variable signals of PPC

### Issues:

- Time to market
- Confidentiality
- No Process available– Accountability/sign off

### Risks:

- IPR Exposure
- Patent Infringement
- Project delays



# UMF Models

## Source Code Generated Models

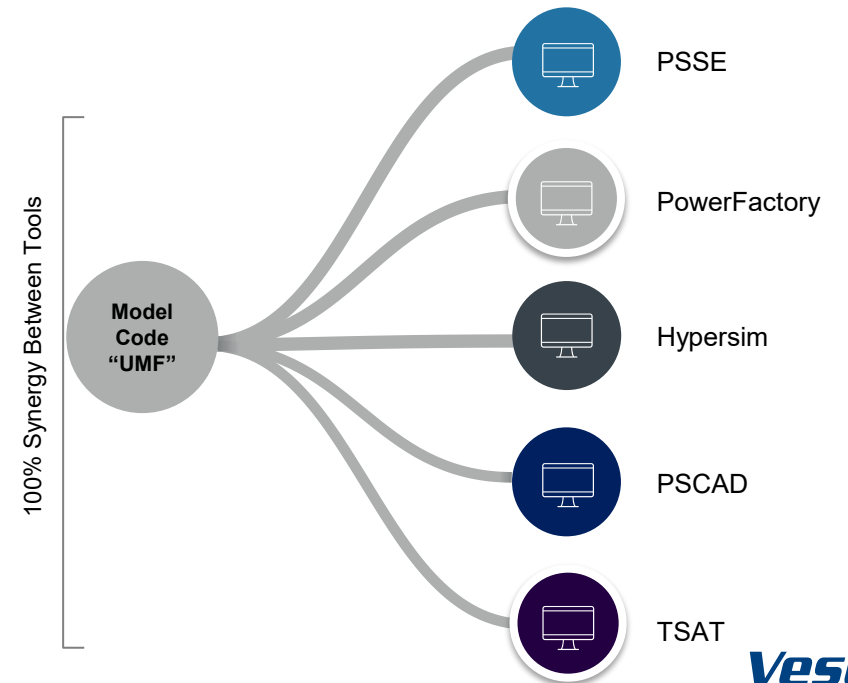
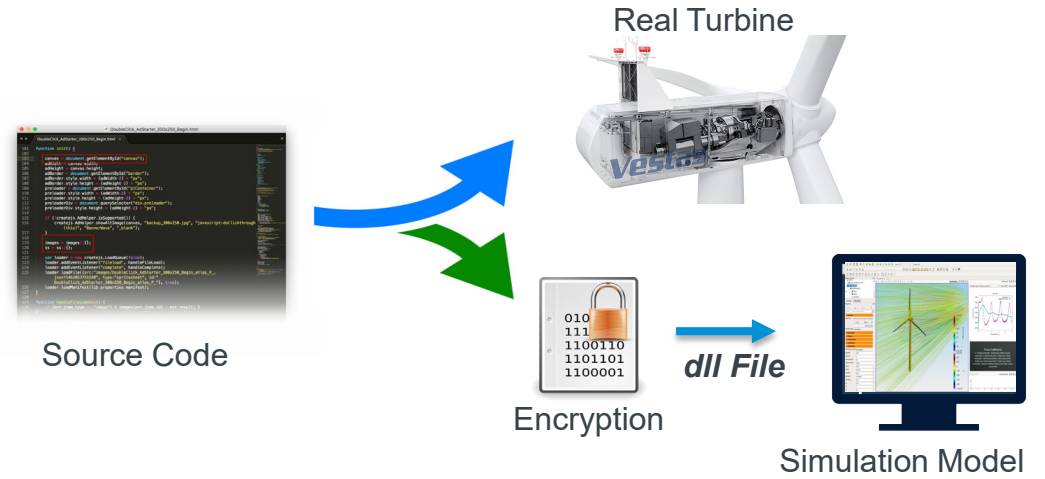
UMF models in EMT and RMS (Electromagnetic Transients) software's are built based on real *source code*.

UMF Electrical simulation models are sensitive and subject to strict confidentiality requirements in relation to among others:

- **Sharing of the models with third parties**
- **Confidentiality term**

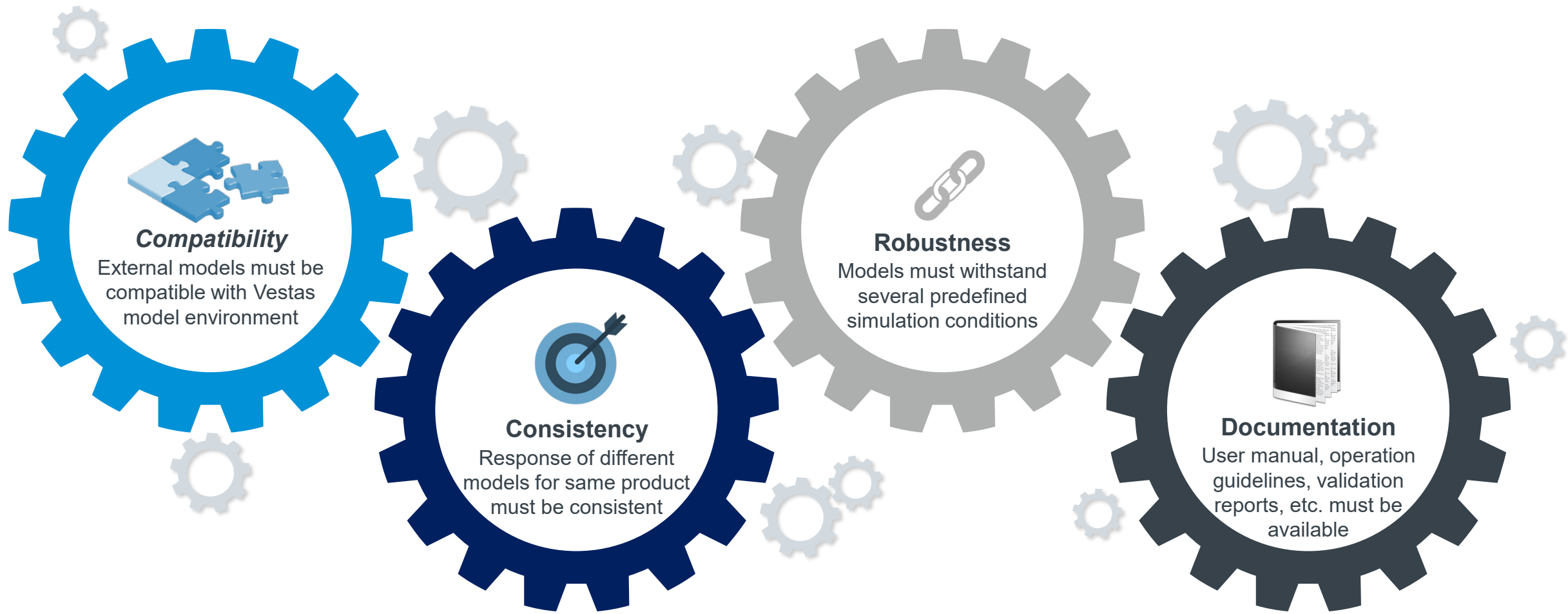
Vestas Wind Turbine Generators (WTG) and Power Plant Controller (PPC) models are able to **Reproduce Vestas real product performance under any grid condition.**

 **UMF Model Performance = Real Product Performance**



# Model Qualification

## 3rd Party Component Pre-Assessment

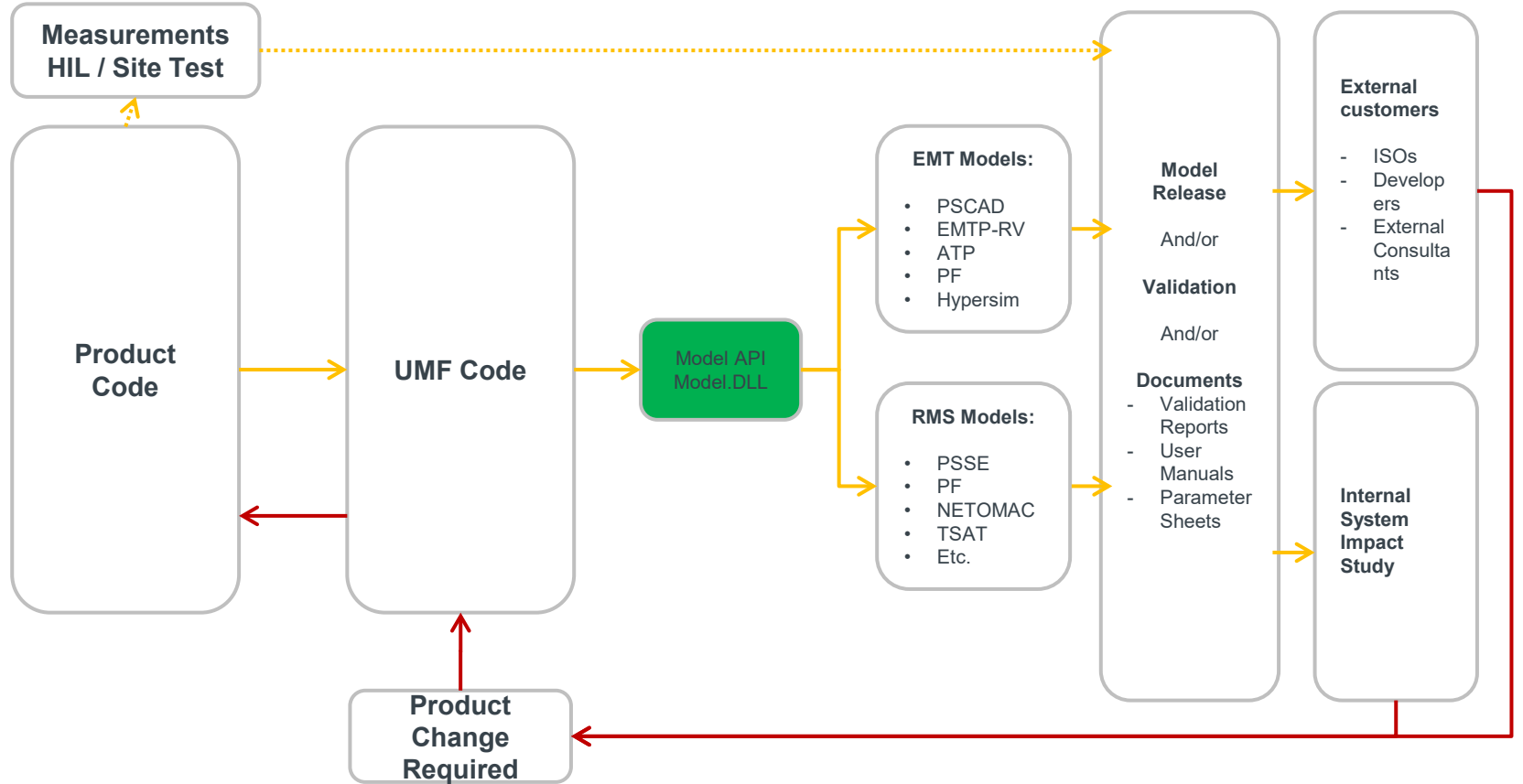


# Vestas Model Development

## Product to Model to Product - Timeline

### Use cases

- Time critical software updates
- Product performance modifications to support grid stability
- Change orders requested by ISO/Developer



# Conclusion

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- Vestas has a complete set of standardized TPS' for all main dynamic electrical plant components in a hybrid power plant.
- A limited number of OEMs have been already qualified for delivering each of the listed dynamic components.
- Non-compliance risk will be significantly reduced after qualification process is completed
- Optimal balance of plant design, grid code compliance and smooth plant commissioning is achieved through qualification process.

*Even the hardest puzzle have*  
**A SOLUTION**

