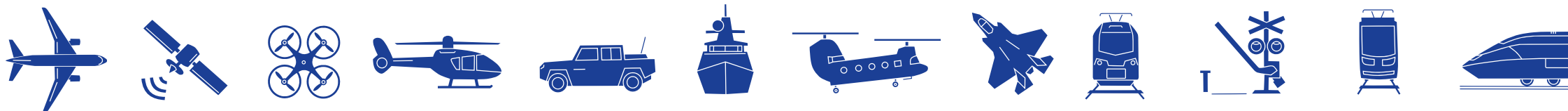


## Impact of Hybrid-Electric Propulsion Technologies on Aircraft Operators

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# Company introduction – ADSE



Fokker Aircraft  
Heritage

Established  
**1996**

**ADSE**

20+ years  
in operation

**ENGINEERING**  
Design & Certification

**CONSULTANCY**  
Process improvements

EXPERTISE

IMPROVEMENTS

SOLUTIONS

INNOVATIONS



**Transportation systems**

Aerospace

Defense

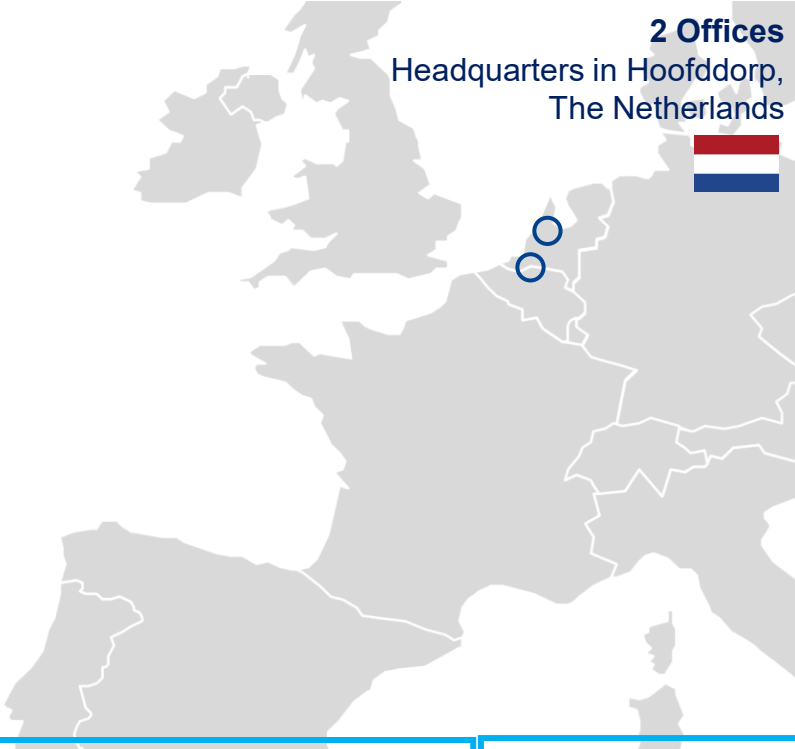
Mobility

**75+** Highly Skilled  
Engineering Professionals

**8 M** Turnover

**Worldwide** Customer Base  
(OEMs, Suppliers, Operators, MROs, Authorities)

**EASA**  
**DOA.21J.481**



- Sister company:
- Moving Dot offering ATM policy and R&D deployment services to ANSP's – using ATM experts and procedure development expertise

# ADSE

**ENGINEERING**  
Design & Certification

**CONSULTANCY**  
Process improvements

Large customer base



Lots of experience

System Engineering DNA



Holistic view

Active across the whole development cycle



From concept to validation

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Excellent integrator of knowledge with high regard to stakeholder behavior and interest

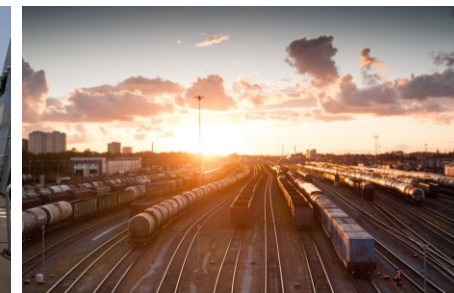
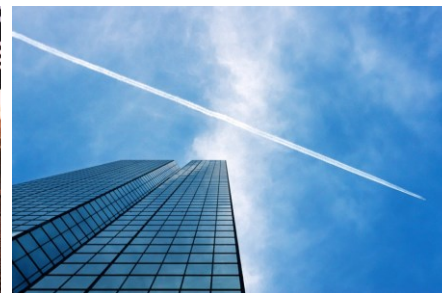
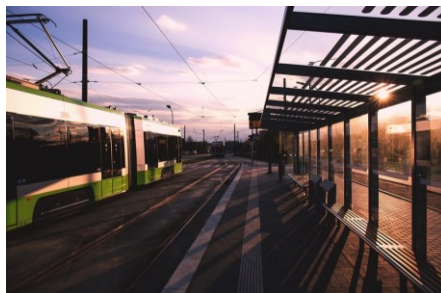
## Operator Technology Impact Simulator

Numerical coupling of Design, Operation and Climate

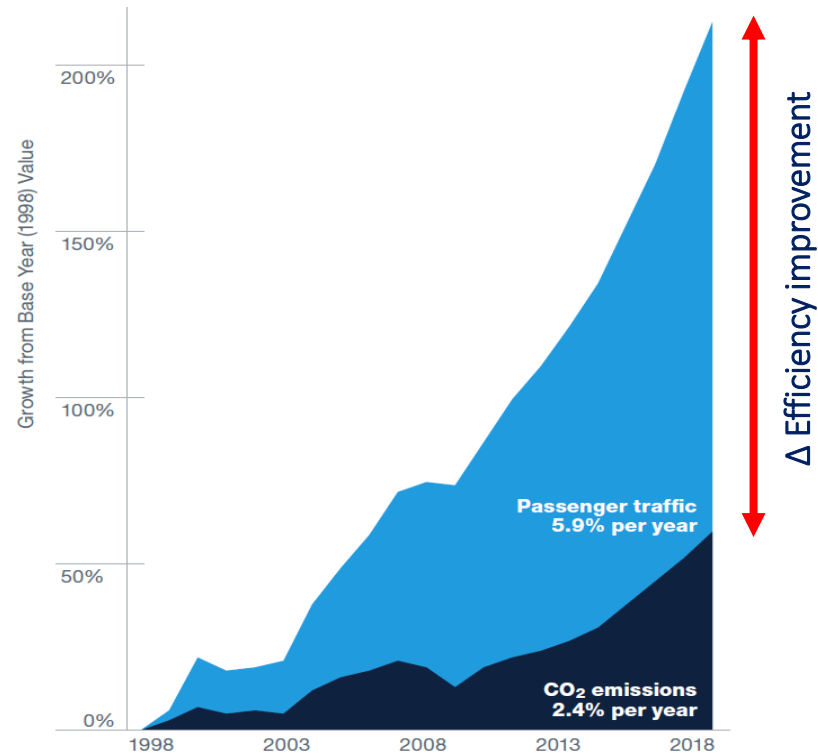
ADSE experts in the loop for critical assumptions and analysis



- Need for disruption in aviation
- Our look on realistic innovation
- Our solution for modeling the effects of innovation
  - Operator Technology Impact Simulator (OTIS)
  - Case study
- Conclusion

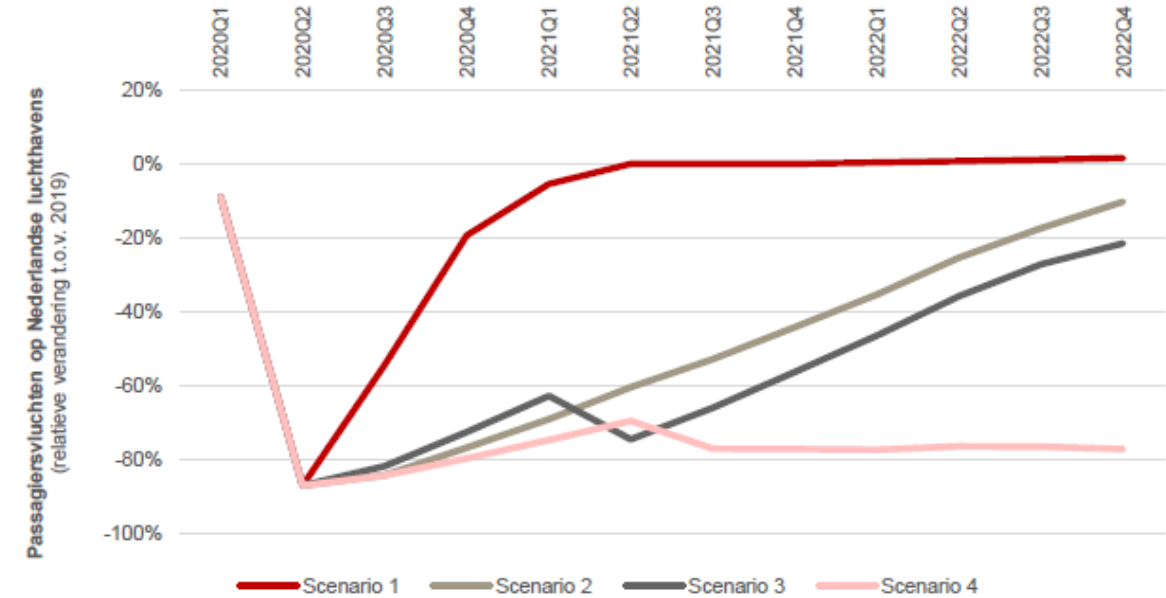


# Sustainable aviation growth



Source: Boeing

- Historically traffic growth has been larger than the improvement in efficiency -> **call for disruption**



Bron: SEO Economisch Onderzoek

- COVID-19 has dampened aviation growth, but for how long?
  - In 3 out 4 scenario's aviation has not recovered fully by 2023
  - But in 10 years....
  - COVID-19 has increased aviation's per pax km CO2 production!

## OK a disruption in the aviation sector?





# Electrification of aircraft – across the spectrum

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- ADSE takes a realistic view at what is possible and what is needed to make this happen: factual w.r.t physics, credible w.r.t scenarios and assumptions

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## Technology

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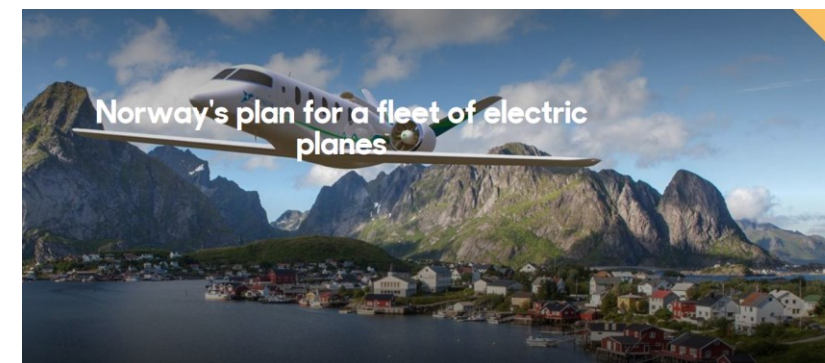
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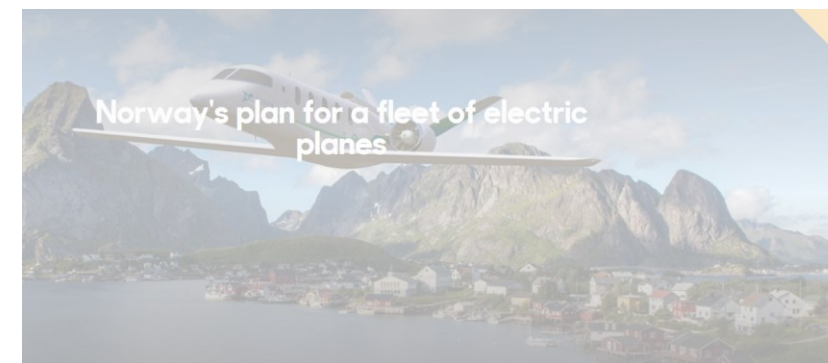
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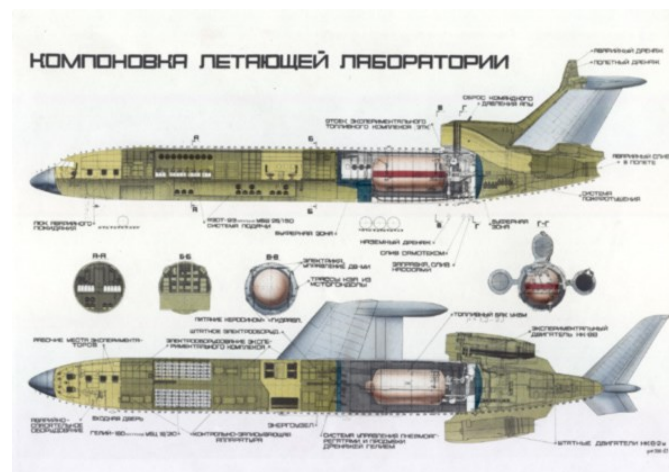
There is no silver bullet!



# Need for demonstrators

Modification/retrofit of existing aircraft as a realistic first step to certifiable innovation.

Basis to de-risk program decisions for future programs/new versions



## Modest innovations on the short term – Demonstratable

- ADSE believes candidates to offset aviation emissions in the present to near term to be:
  - Sustainable aviation fuels (Plant based, green H<sub>2</sub>)
  - Operational improvements -> routing to minimize climate impact
  - Increased use of electrification -> More Electric Aircraft
- Likely mid term candidates, that require modest adjustment of the aviation arena are:
  - H<sub>2</sub> combustion in gas turbine
  - Improved propulsion architecture, propellers & Boundary Layer Ingestion (BLI)
  - Initial electrification of the aircraft drive train



## Modest innovations on the short term – Demonstratable

- These low impact, realistic innovations are interesting to examine, from an Operators point of view:
  - What does adjusting the routing for minimal climate impact mean for the operations?
  - How does an innovation in propulsion architecture translate to operational cost and revenue potential?
  - How does the utilization of an aircraft impact the Operator?

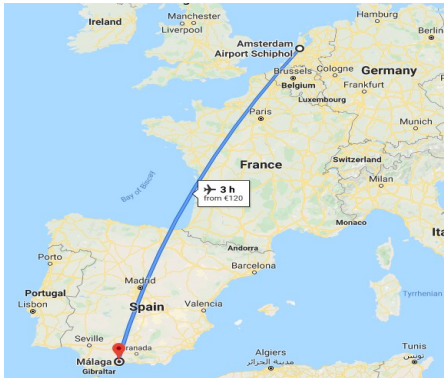


## Operator Technology Impact Simulator

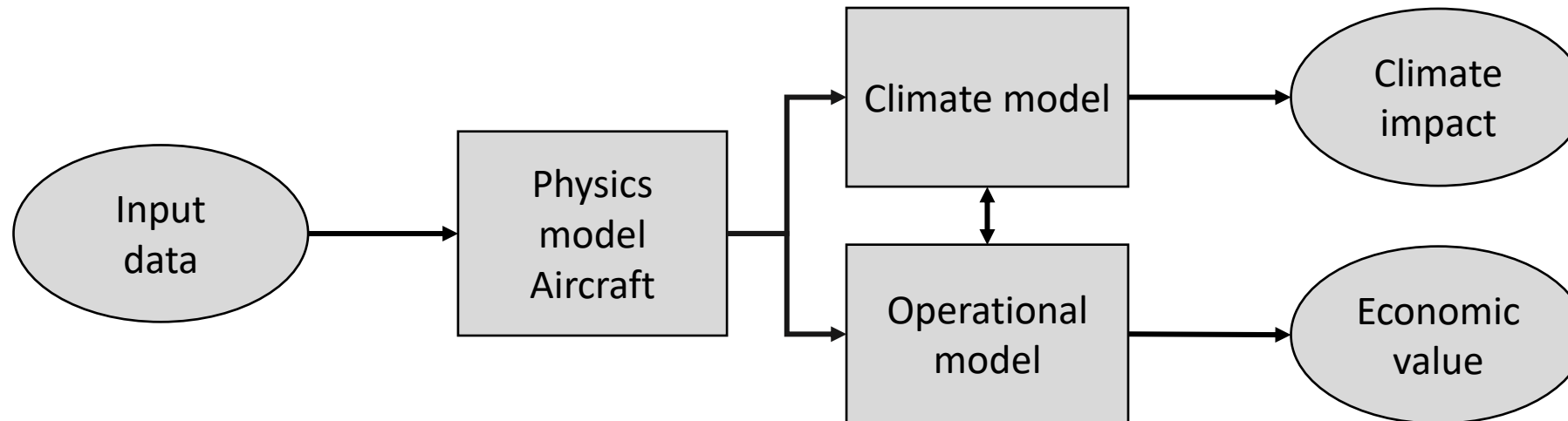
# Operator Technology Impact Simulator, OTIS



- OTIS high level modelling structure and working
  - Overall
  - Operations module
  - Climate module
- Case study – BLI
- Results
- Conclusion OTIS and Electric Aviation

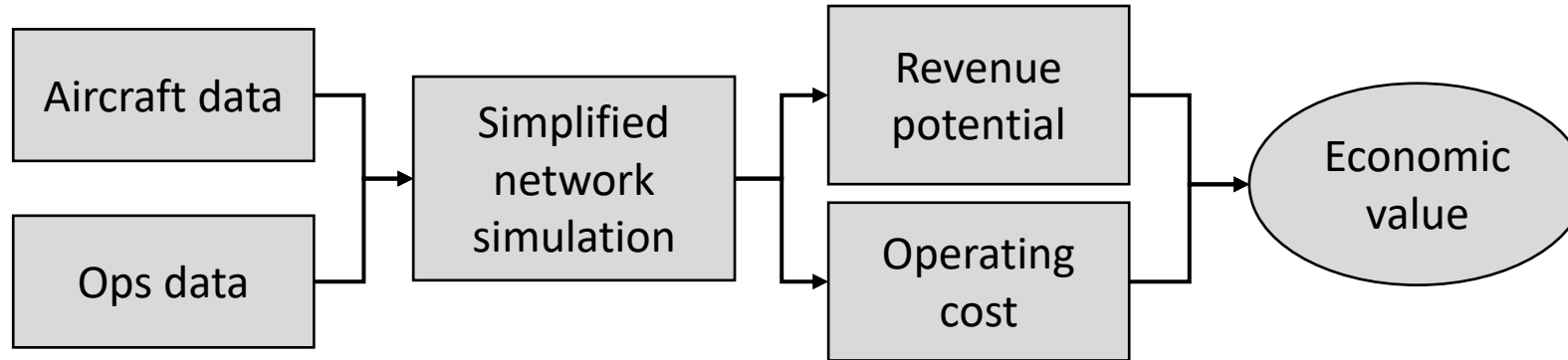


## High over architecture:





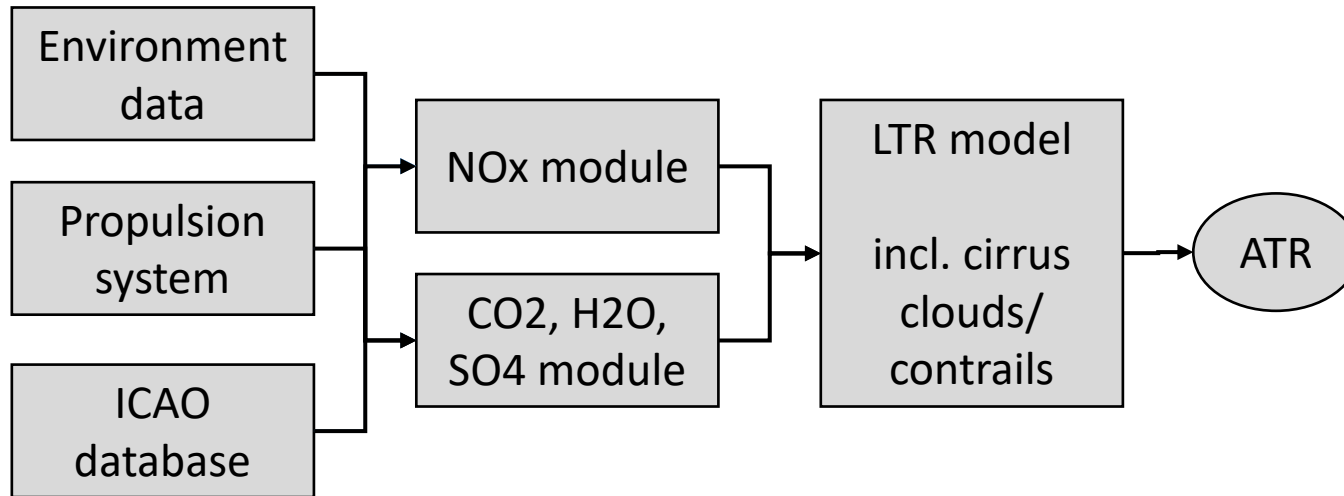
# Operator Technology Impact Simulator - Operations



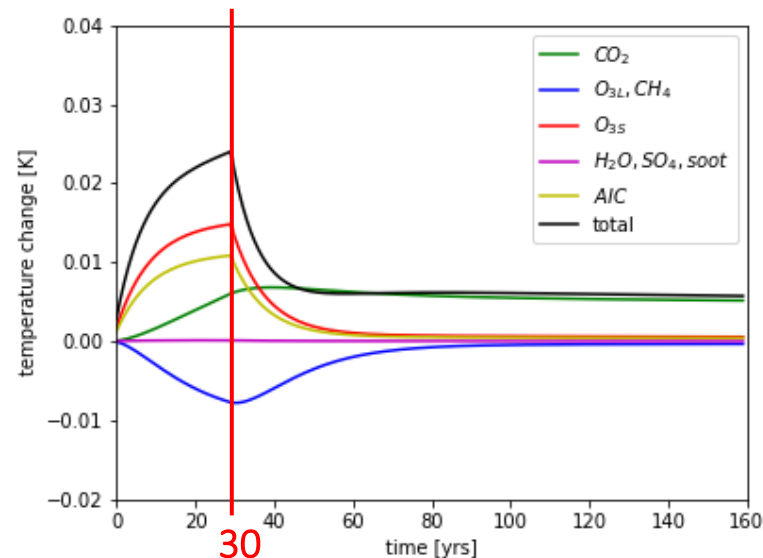
- Utilization e.g. under change in flight speed, or battery charging time.
- Aircraft performance e.g. change in max range, multi-hops, more max range missions.
- Revenue management e.g. load factor or ticket price.



# Operator Technology Impact Simulator – Climate Impact

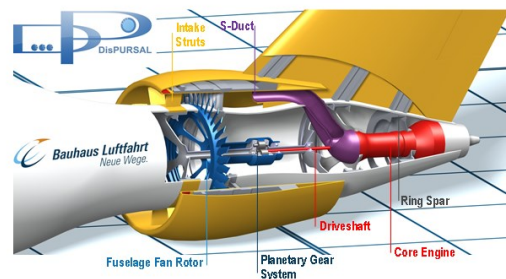
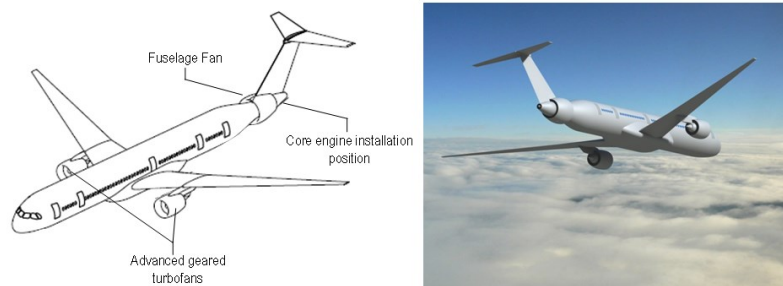


- Average Temperature Response (ATR)
- Climate integrated over lifetime and beyond (500 yrs)
- Flight height and speed
- LTR model from Stanford [1]



# Case Study - Regional aircraft with Boundary Layer Ingestion

Several BLI projects going on worldwide – various organizations working on it in US and Europe



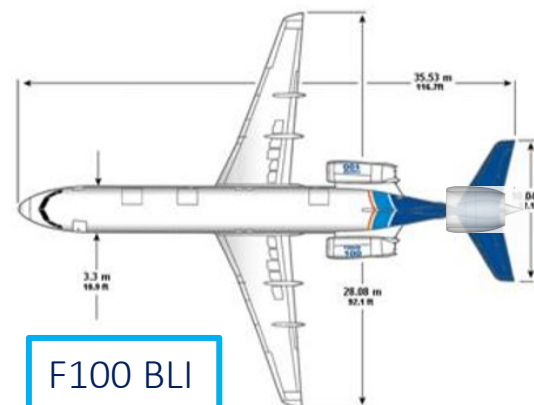
## Case Study – Regional aircraft with BLI

- Baseline aircraft chosen to be the Fokker F100 based on Fokker heritage – OTIS aircraft design and performance inputs modeled using AdAstra, other inputs current best estimates

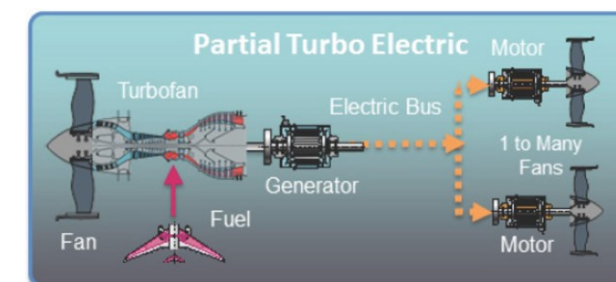
Parameter	Value
Pax capacity [-]	109
Total PL capacity [kg]	11740
Max. range @ max payload [NM]	1130 (2093 km)
Delivery price (new) [\$]	60M
OEM [kg]	25000
MTOM [kg]	44450
Annual avg. availability [-]	95%
Avg. block time [hr]	1.5
Avg. turnaround time [hr]	0.67
Engine [-]	2x Tay-650
TO thrust (Total) [kN]	67
Engine price (new) [\$]	2.5M



- Two variants of F100 considered for analysis:
  - i. **F100 BLI**: An F100 augmented with BLI via an extra centerline gas-turbine engine
  - ii. **F100 e-BLI**: A turboelectric hybrid version using generators onboard driving an electrically driven fan

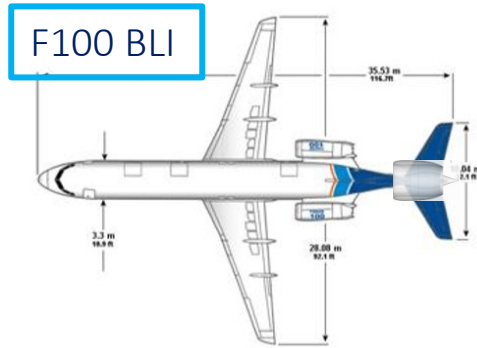


F100 BLI



F100 e-BLI

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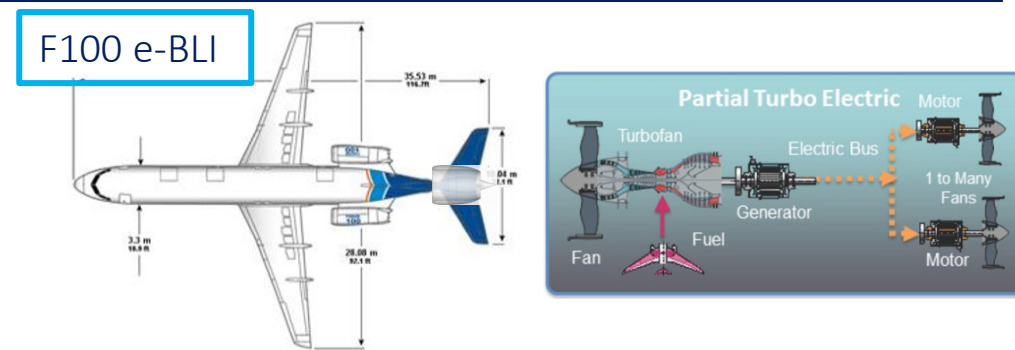
- Adding third engine allows all engines to be scaled down to produce required overall thrust
- This leads to a net OEW reduction of ~350 kg
- BLI provides ~5% improvement in trip fuel due to wake reenergization
- Presence of third engine and related additional power transfer systems leads to increase in aircraft price
- Additional periodic maintenance on new engine yields a reduction in annual availability of aircraft by 1 day

Parameter	Value
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Total PL capacity [kg]	12090
Max. range @ max payload [NM]	1047 (1940 km)
Delivery price (new) [\$]	63M
OEM [kg]	24650
MTOM [kg]	44450
Annual avg. availability [-]	94.5%
Avg. block time [hr]	1.5
Avg. turnaround time [hr]	0.67
Engine [-]	2x 2/3 scaled Tay-650+ 1x 1/3 scaled center engine
TO thrust (Total) [kN]	67
Engine price (new) [\$]	2.5M



## Case Study – Regional aircraft with e-BLI

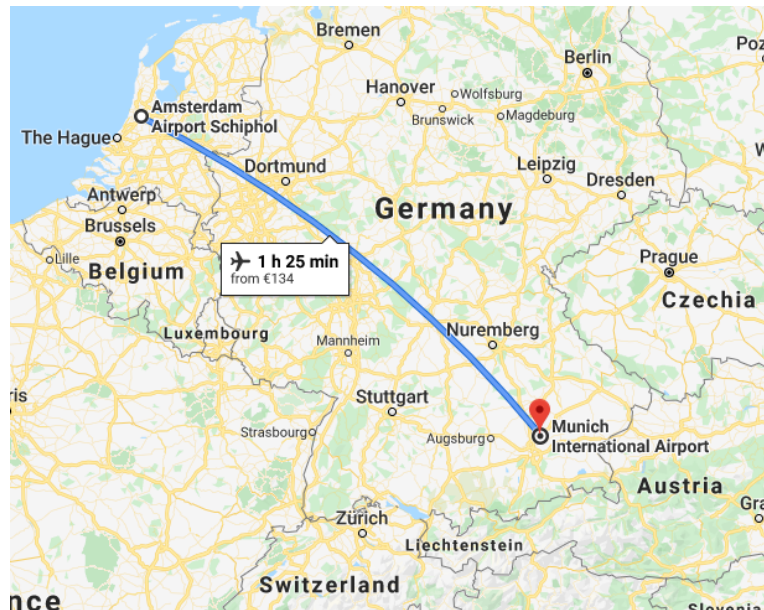
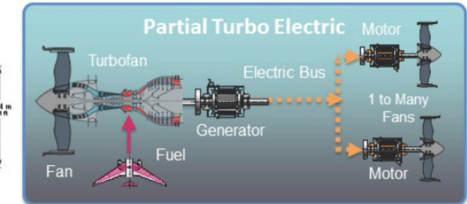
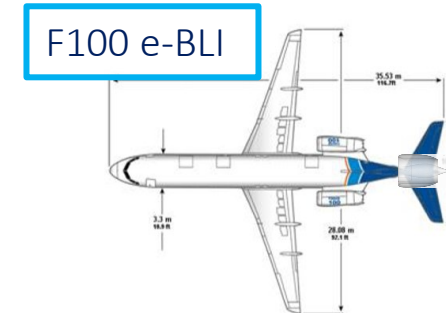
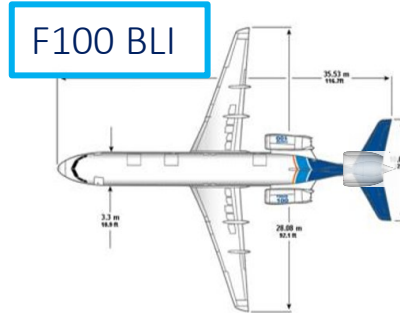
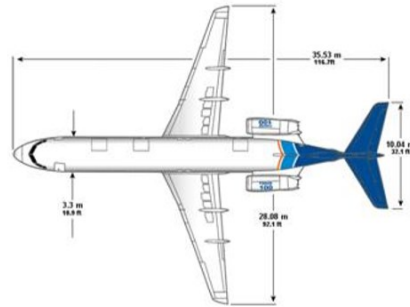
- Current electric machinery of MW capacity (e.g. generators, motors) as well as associated cabling quite heavy for aviation purposes
- This leads to a net OEW increase of ~1000 kg
- BLI improvement in fuel efficiency reduces to 4%
- New electrical fan, machinery, cabling and associated systems will lead to further increase in aircraft price ~10% as a conservative case
- Electrically driven fan may need less frequent periodic maintenance, increasing its annual availability



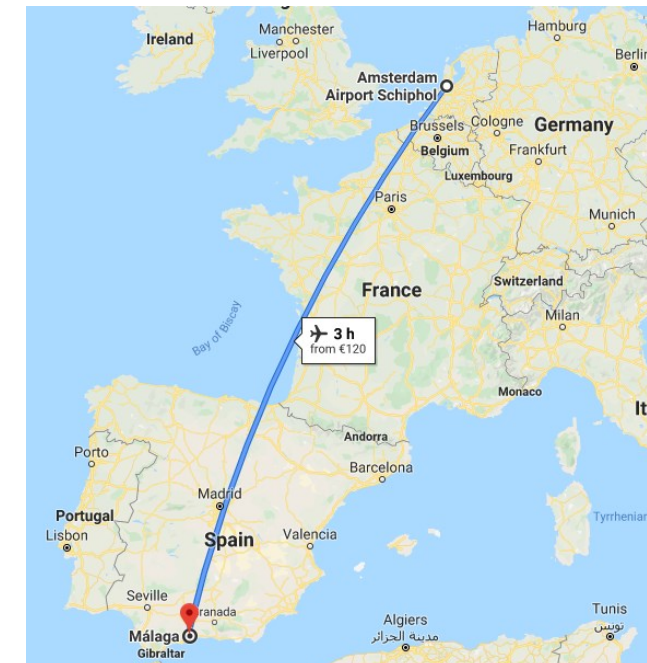
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Avg. turnaround time [hr]	0.67
Engine [-]	2x 2/3 scaled Tay-650+ 1x electric driven fan
TO thrust (Total) [kN]	67
Engine price (new) [\$]	2.5M

## Case Study – Regional aircraft with BLI

- All aircraft compared on two routes:



Amsterdam -  
Munich  
371 NM



Amsterdam -  
Malaga  
1013 NM

## Results - Regional aircraft with BLI

- Impact on operator costs, revenue and CO2 for AMS-MUC (371 NM):

Component	F100	F100 BLI	F100 e-BLI
Pax transported [-]	109	109	109
Block fuel [kg]	2521	2369	2395
Annual revenue [\$]	33.5M	32.7M	32.8M
Total cost [\$ /BH]	8914	8985	9074
Cost per flight [\$]	12034	12130	12250
Annual costs [\$]	31.85M	31.1M	31.5M
Block CO2 [kg]	7960	7486	7571
RF at year 30 [ $\mu$ W/m2]	3.27	3.19	3.20
ATR [ $\mu$ K]	1.19	1.14	1.15
Annual profit [\$]	1.65M	1.6M	1.3M

- F100 BLI and e-BLI versions both have higher depreciation and maintenance costs than F100
- Fuel costs are lower for both, although F100 e-BLI has higher fuel consumption and costs than F100 BLI
- Improvement in weight and efficiency improves fuel burn and costs, but fuel only 10-15% of total costs for short range missions
- F100 e-BLI 160 \$/BH costlier than F100, with 20% lower profit at same ticket fare

## Results - Regional aircraft with BLI

- Impact on operator costs, revenue and CO2 for Amsterdam - Malaga(1013 NM):

Component	F100	F100 BLI	F100 e-BLI
Pax transported [-]	109	109	<b>106</b>
Block fuel [kg]	5390	5101	5165
Annual revenue [\$]	45.0M	44.7M	44.8M
Total cost [\$ /BH]	6900	6864	6933
Cost per flight [\$]	19458	19356	19551
Annual costs [\$]	43.4M	42.8M	43.5M
Block CO2 [kg]	17026	16119	16321
RF at year 30 [ $\mu$ W/m2]	9.8	9.62	9.67
ATR [ $\mu$ K]	3.31	3.21	3.24
Annual profit [\$]	1.6M	1.9M	1.3M

- F100 e-BLI unable to transport same payload as F100 over 1000 NM
- Improvements in specific power of electric machinery for longer ranges essential for competitive operation
- Reduction in CO2 observed but not extreme due to hybrid architecture (aircraft still partly uses gas-turbines)

# Conclusions

- Hybrid-electric flight can reduce carbon emissions but needs to be matched to practical and realistic insights from integrator and operator perspectives
- The Operator Technology Integrator Simulator is an excellent tool for assessing innovations in aircraft design – showing the Operator direct implications
- Lot of work still needed to achieve aircraft that can out-compete conventional aircraft – light weight and more efficient integration in aircraft designs
- Challenge to get ‘clean’ aircraft with same payload-range capabilities – practical combinations only possible with right development in technologies
- Hybrid-electric aircraft will not be cheaper than current aircraft – neither to buy nor to operate (at least not in the beginning)



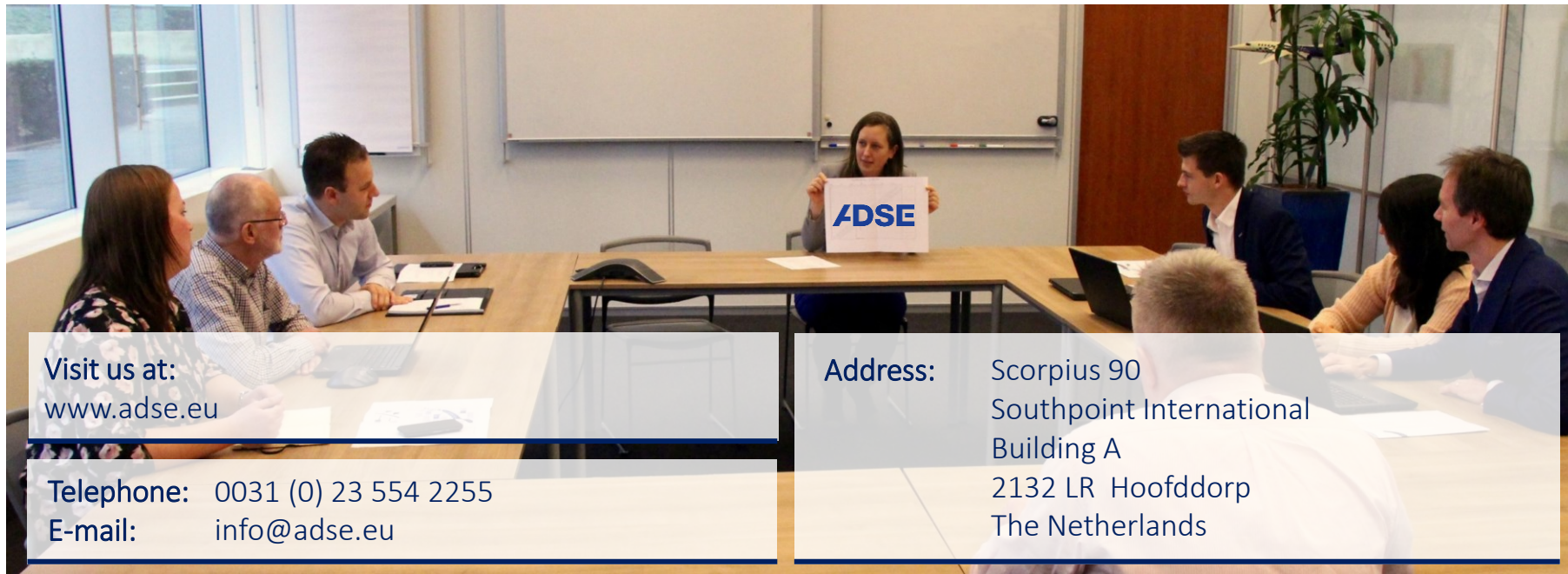
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