

2023 Rotorcraft and VTOL Highlights

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Statistics

- 2023 statistics are not encouraging for the Industry
- Mainly driven by CAT Operations!
- Total fleet of helicopter increased

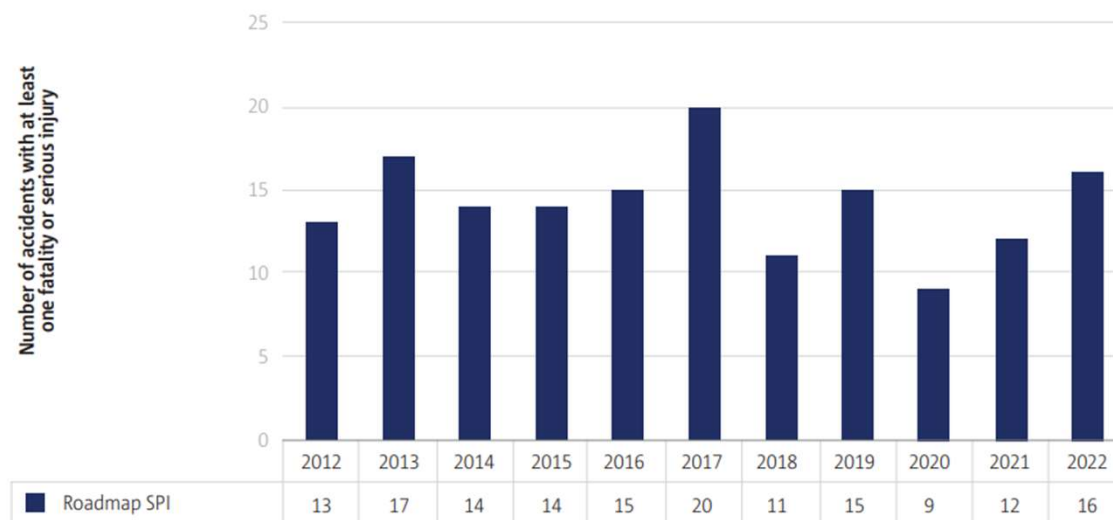


Figure 3.3 Number of accidents with a least one fatality or serious injury for all helicopter operations

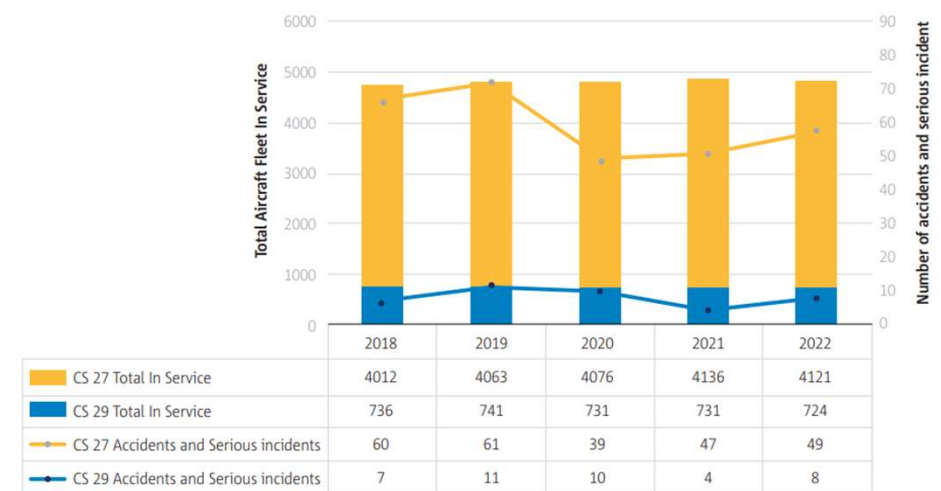
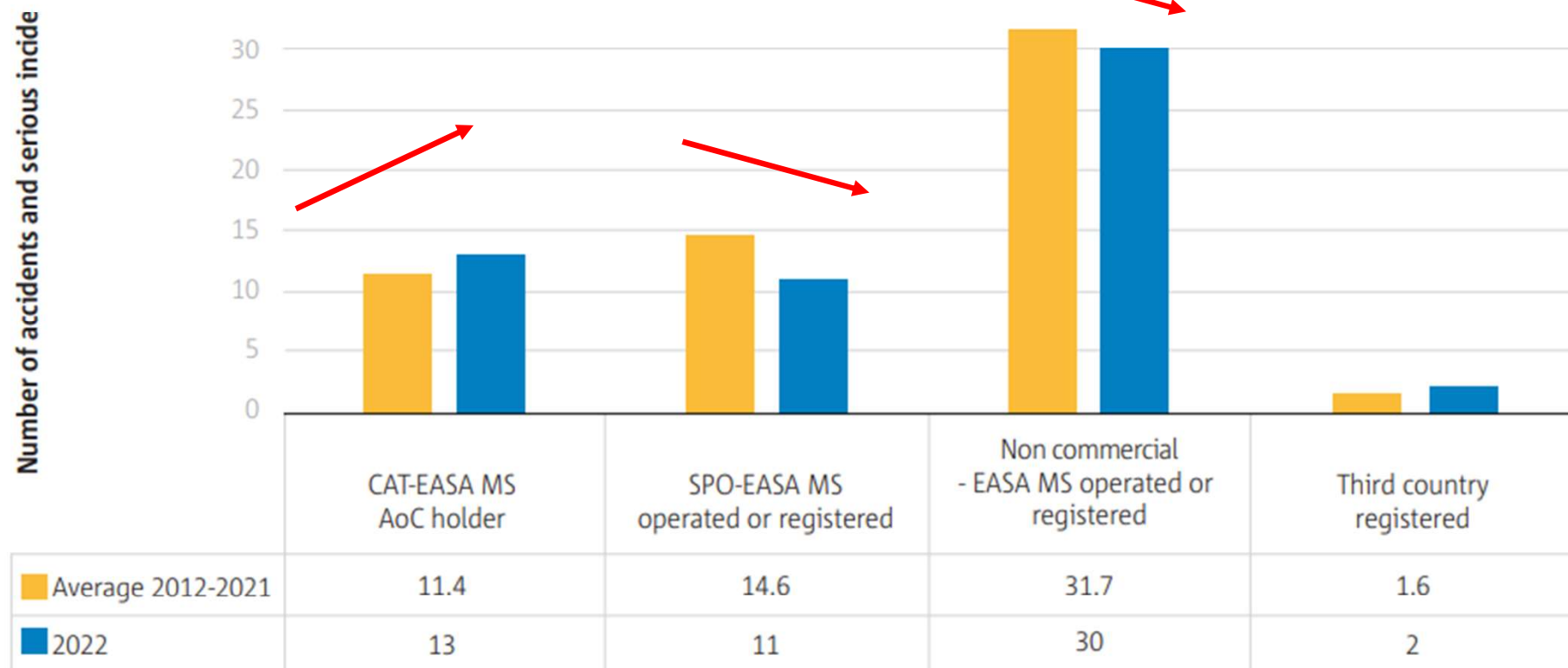


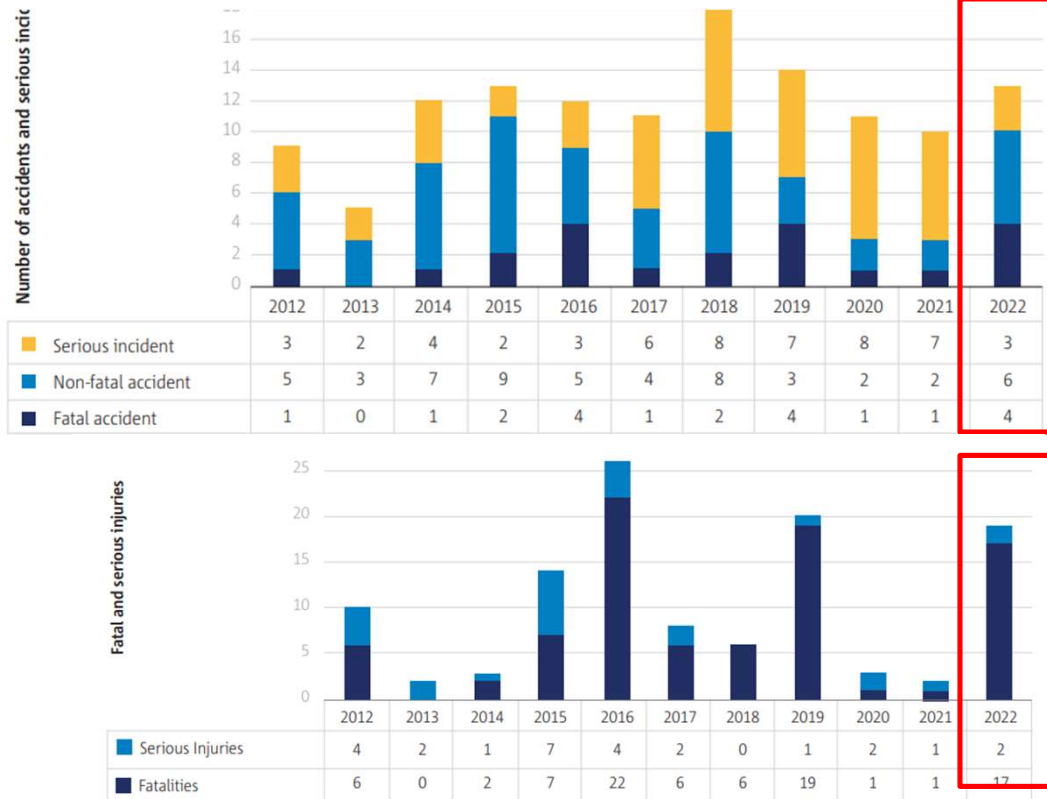
Figure 3.6 Accidents and serious incidents by certification specification for all helicopter operations with the breakdown of aircraft certification type for the reported fleet



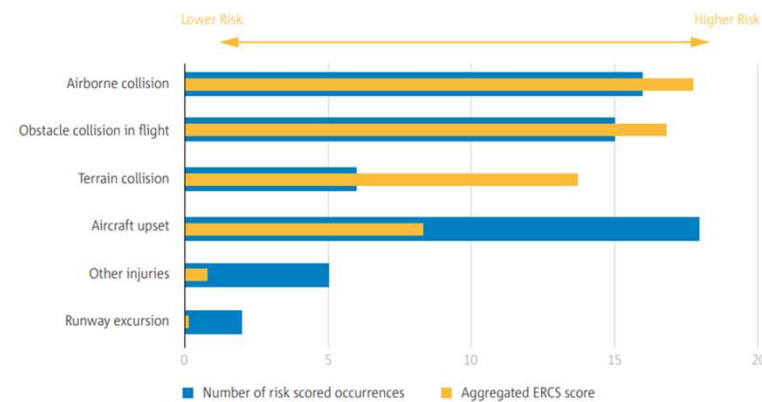
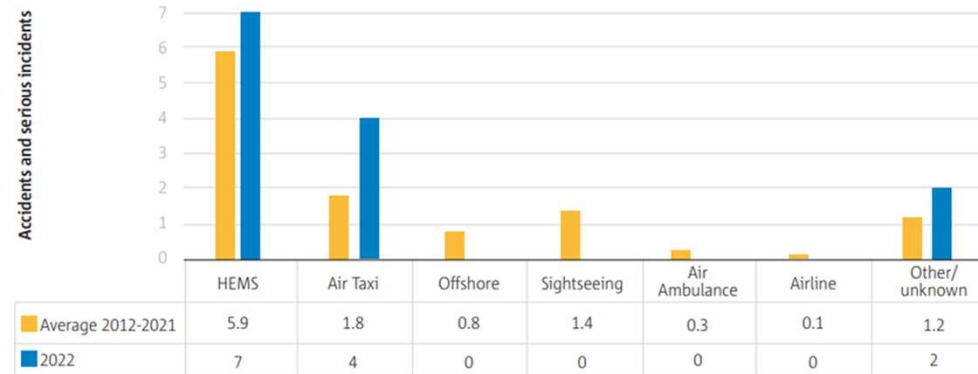
Per Operations



Focus on CAT Operations



► **Figure 3.10** Fatal and serious injuries per year involving CAT helicopters



► **Figure 3.16** KRAs by aggregated ERCS score and number of risk-scored occurrences, involving CAT helicopters



SPO Operations

→ Fatal accident – Sling load and cable collision

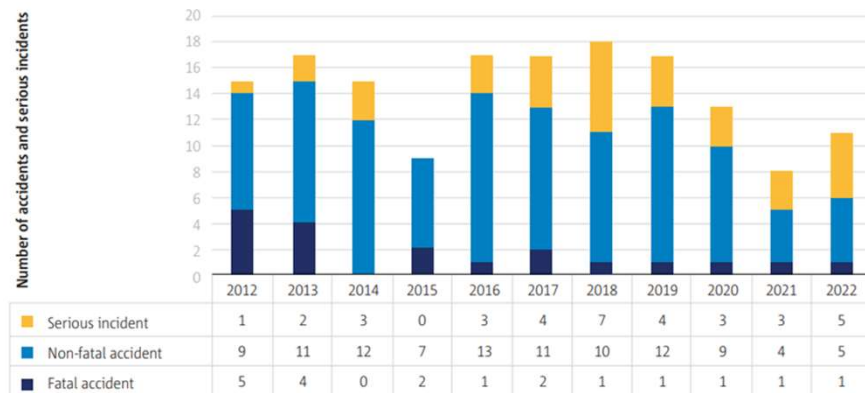


Figure 3.17 Fatal accidents, non-fatal accidents and serious incidents

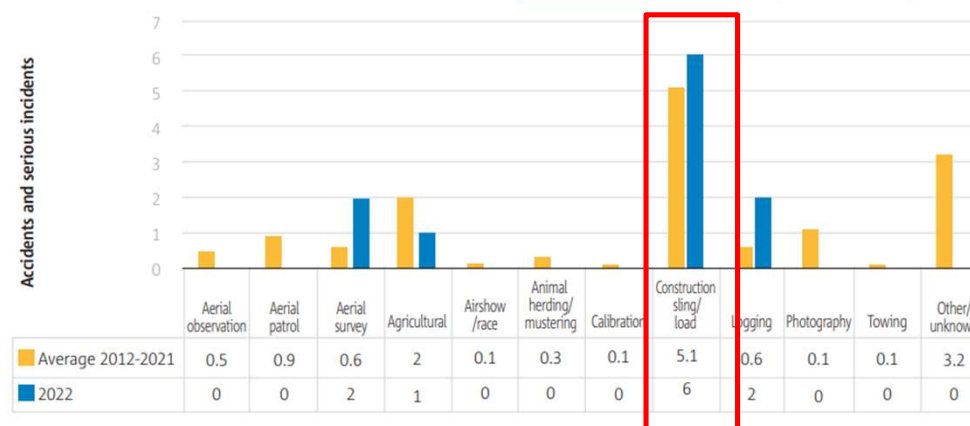
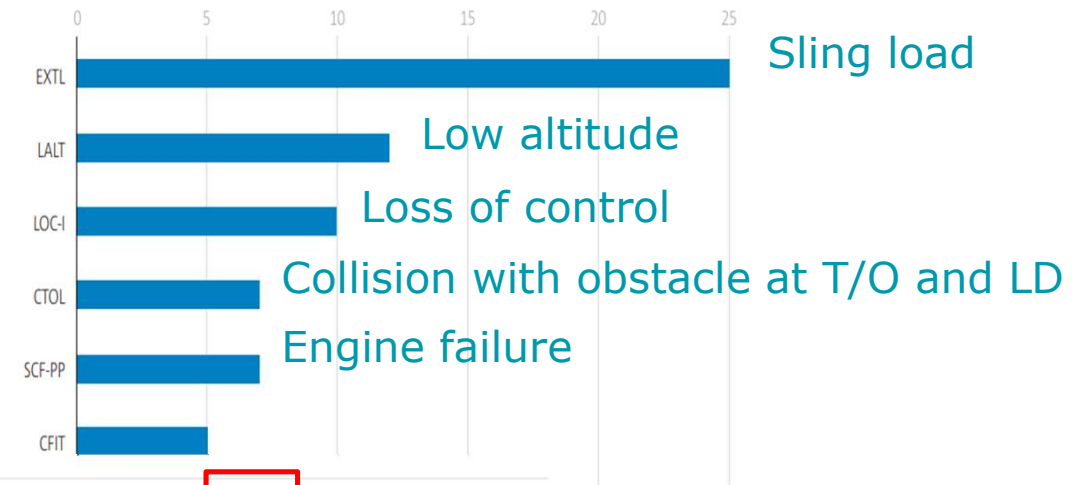


Figure 3.21 Accidents and serious incidents by operation type involving SPO helicopters



NCC Operations

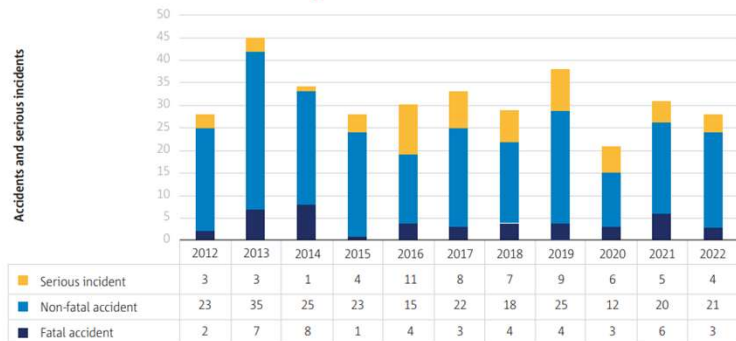


Figure 3.25 Fatal accidents, non-fatal accidents and serious incidents per year involving non-commercial operations helicopters



Figure 3.29 Accidents and serious incidents by operation type involving non-commercial operations helicopters

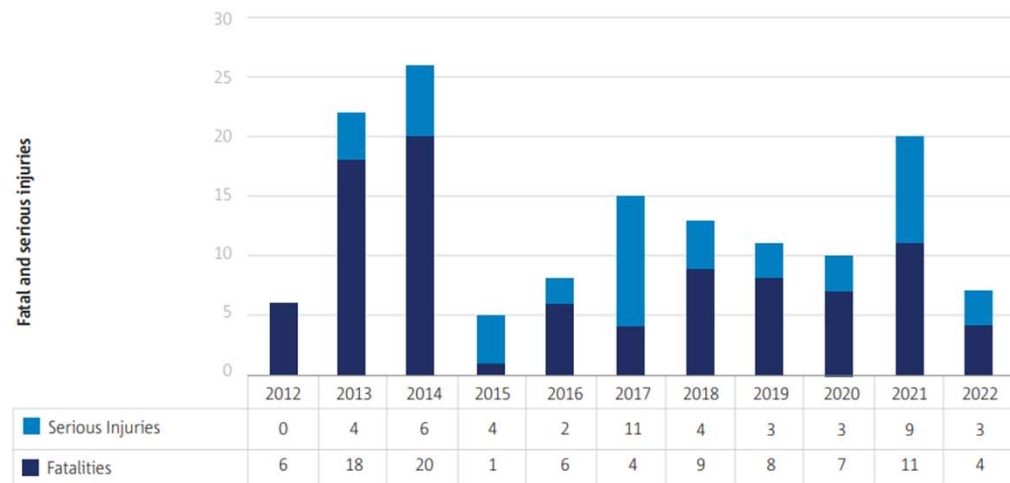
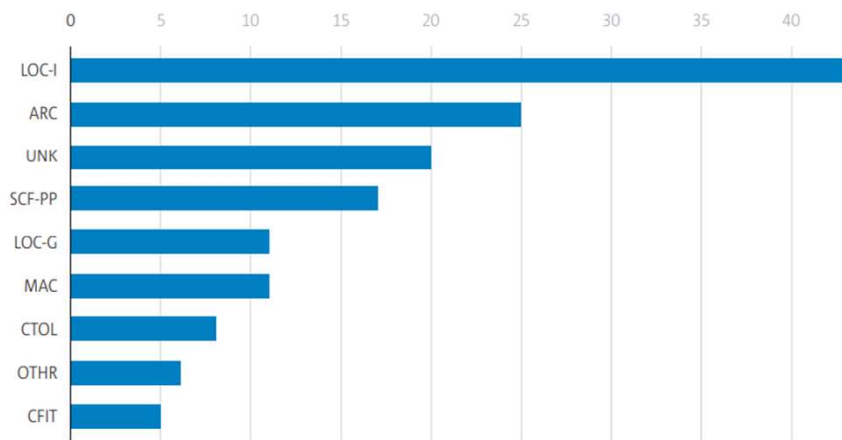


Figure 3.26 Fatal and serious injuries per year involving non-commercial operations helicopters



Rotorcraft Safety Roadmap

→ Airworthiness

- Production cut in and retrofit of CRFS in final stage
- Stream considered completed
 - CS27/29 update will be reduced
- Focus on
 - CRI reduction
 - FAA harmonization
 - SEI reduction
- VAST – Draft Rating under evaluation
- Pre-application and IPC fully operational

→ Part/CS26

- Newly produced H/C – Entry into force 2 years after publication
- More than 6 pax – 7 years
- Less than 5 pax – 15 years
- Import of non partially compliant H/C not possible anymore at date of publication
- Technical criteria
 - Bladder
 - Puncture resistant



Rotorcraft Safety Roadmap

→ More training instead of checking

- Opinion 5/2023 published in October and AMC/GM published in November
 - Promote use of training devices
 - Introduction of Safety awareness training during refresher training or prof checks (GM1 FCL.740.H)
 - Clarification of how to conduct VRS, autorotation & UAY training (AMC2 FCL.115 LAPL(H), AMC2 FCL.210 PPL(H), AMC1 ORO.FC.230, FCL appendix 9) with a link to the FI Guide
 - The possibility to revalidate (H) type rating with a training flight (with an instructor) + 6 hrs flight time (as alternative to 2hrs, incl. an check ride with an examiner) (FCL.740.H)



Conclusions

- Industry as a whole should better embrace the challenge
- IAW changes are completed – results will be in the next 30 years...
- Changes in Flight Standards
 - Initial wave just published – Will take a couple of years to see potential benefits
 - Efforts needs to be pursue to tackle current operational challenges all together
- 5 years to go to reach the objective
- Working together is key



VTOL

Update



Bringing IAM into EU framework

Innovative Aerial Services (IAS)

The set of operations and/or services that are of benefit to citizens and to the aviation market and that are enabled by new airborne technologies

Aerial Operations

Innovative Air Mobility (IAM)

The safe, secure and sustainable air mobility of passengers and cargo enabled by new generation technologies integrated into a multimodal transportation system

Urban Air Mobility (UAM)

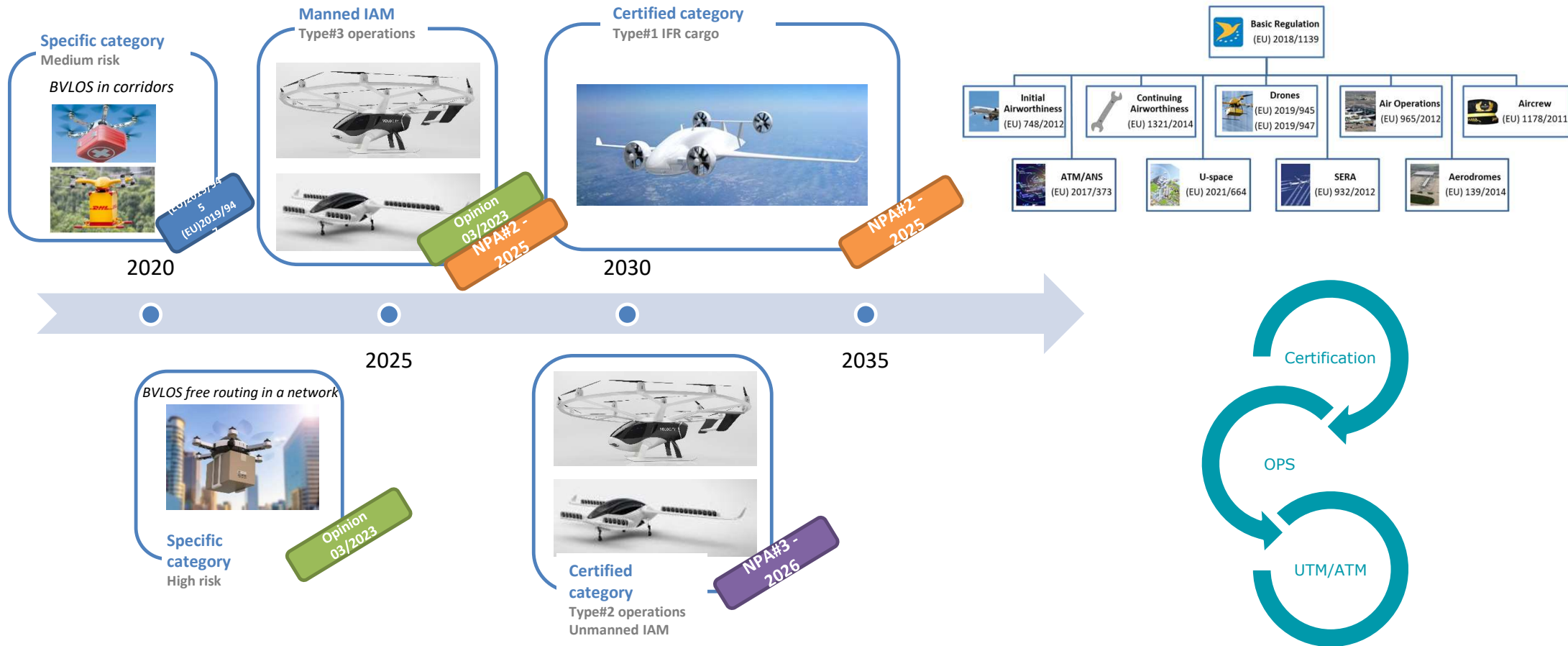
The subset of IAM operation conducted into, within or out of urban environments

Regional

International

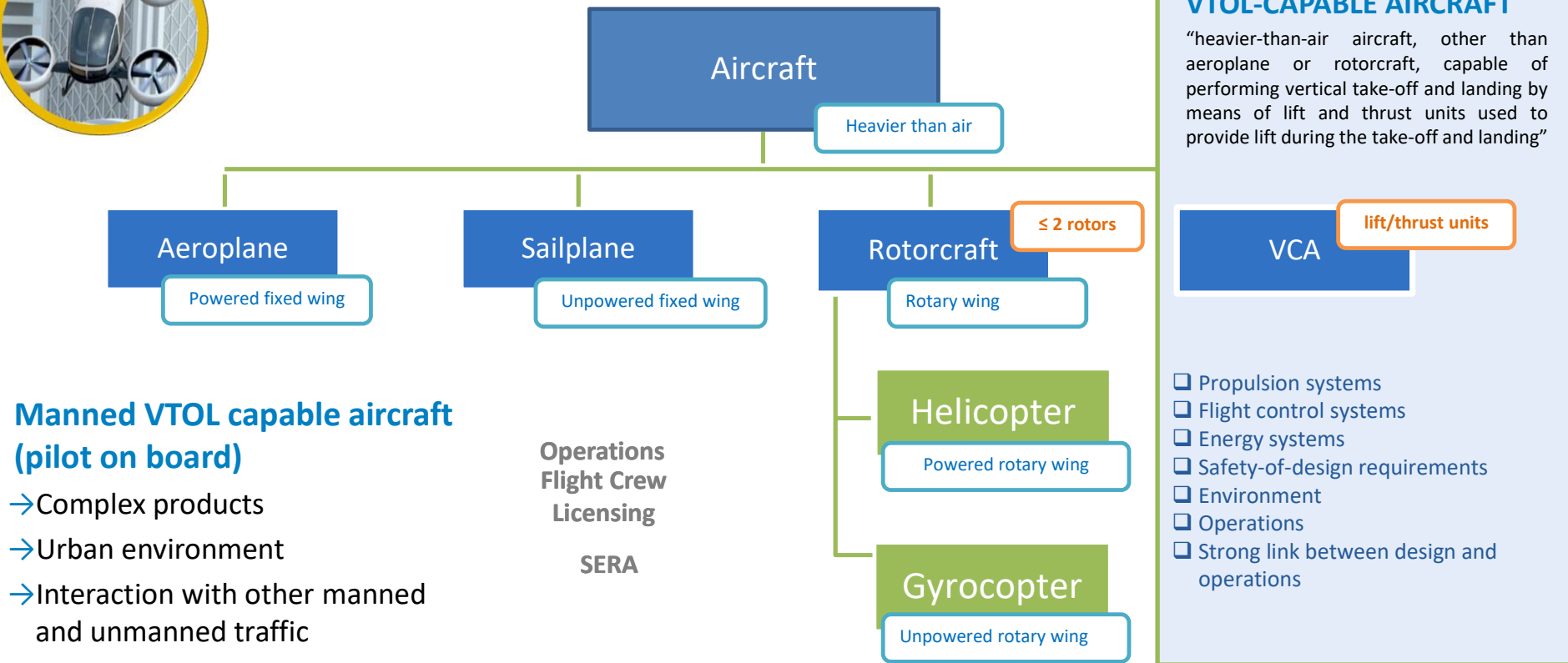


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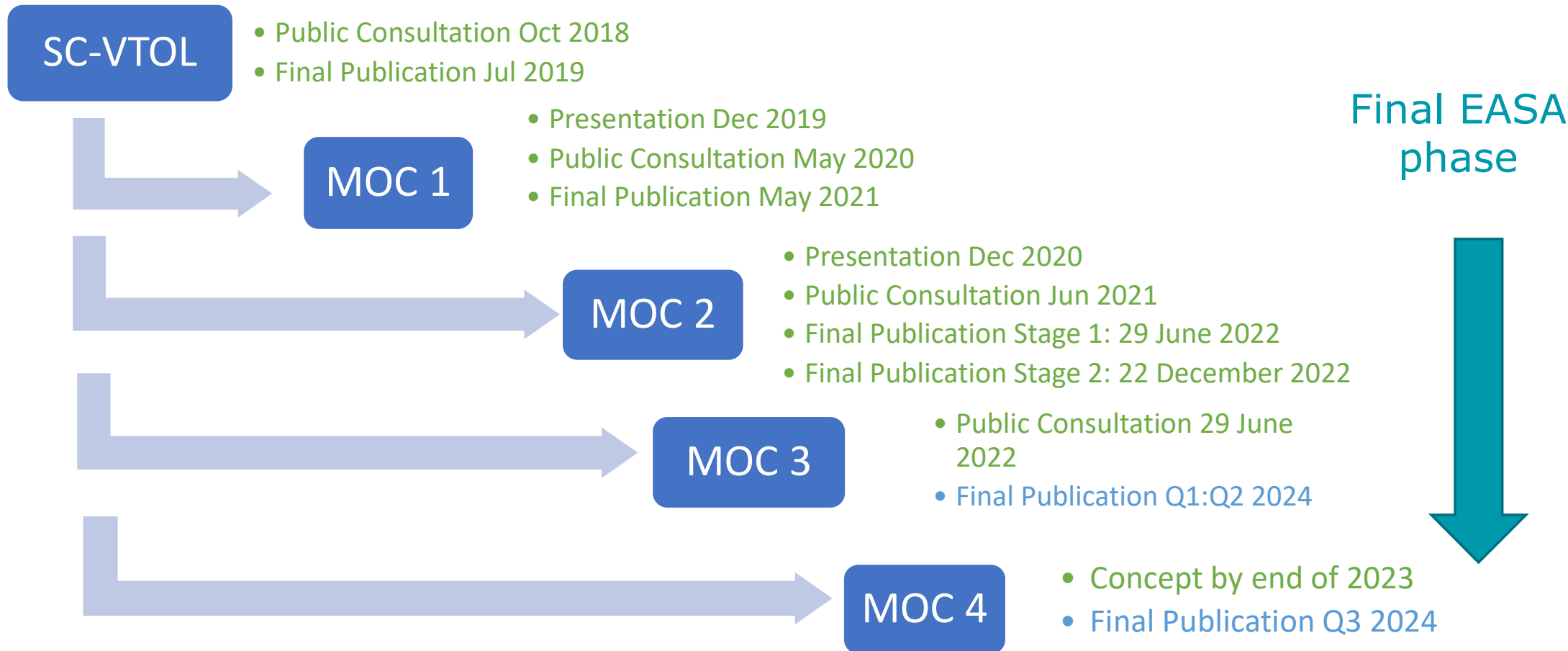


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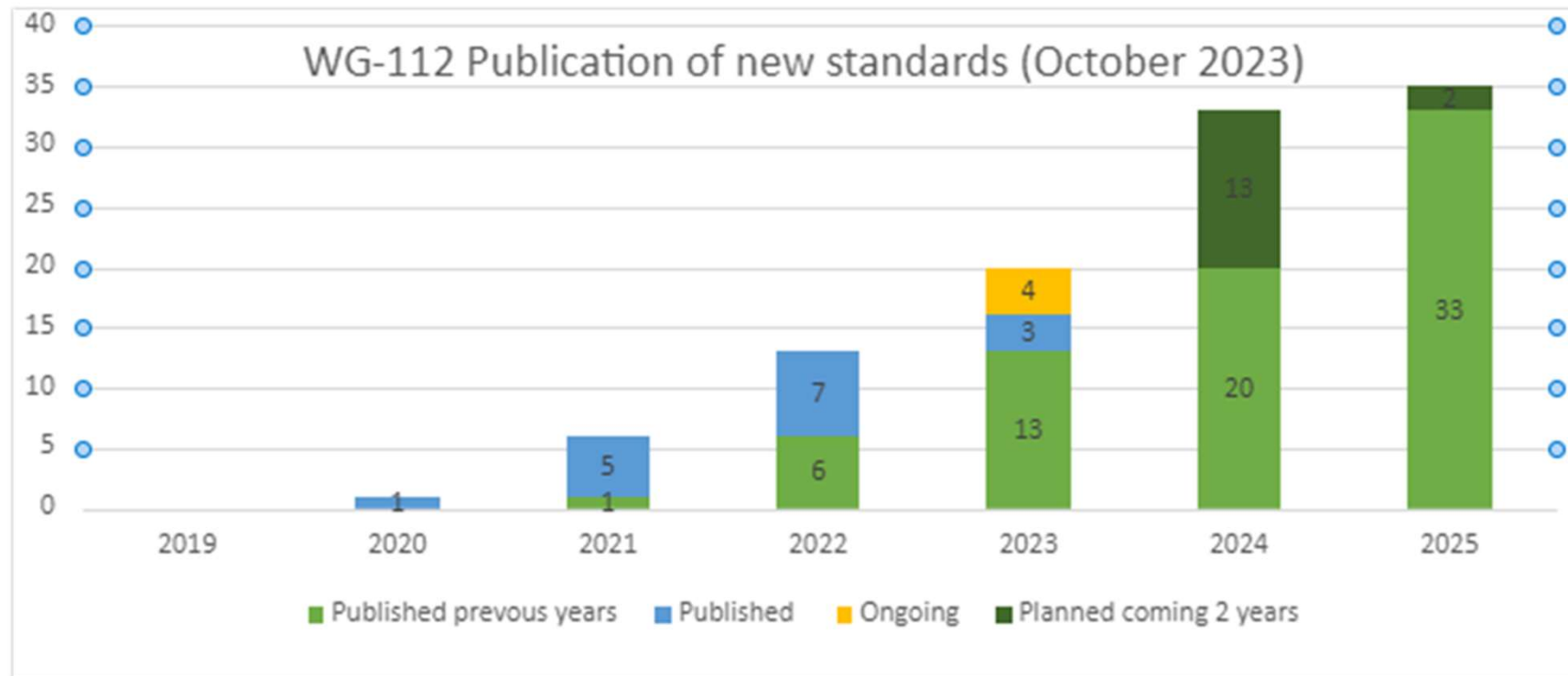
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SC-VTOL -Main outcome of the year



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Next Steps

→ Update of SC-VTOL

- MTOW update up to 5700 kg
- Better integration with OPS
- Convergence with FAA as far as practicable
- eRules consolidation

→ Carry on work with Standardisation bodies

→ Focus on project Specific MoC and Compliance Demonstration



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