





# NavyX





# Who we are, what do we do

- Small team within Develop Directorate
- Mixed Civil Servant, Military and contractor team- totalling 22 people
  - 5 PTBK Ships Company
  - 2 Battlelab
  - 15 Project, planning, safety and platform
- Both operates and supports (DE&S function) the APAC24 and PTBK
- Autonomy, innovation and lethality accelerator

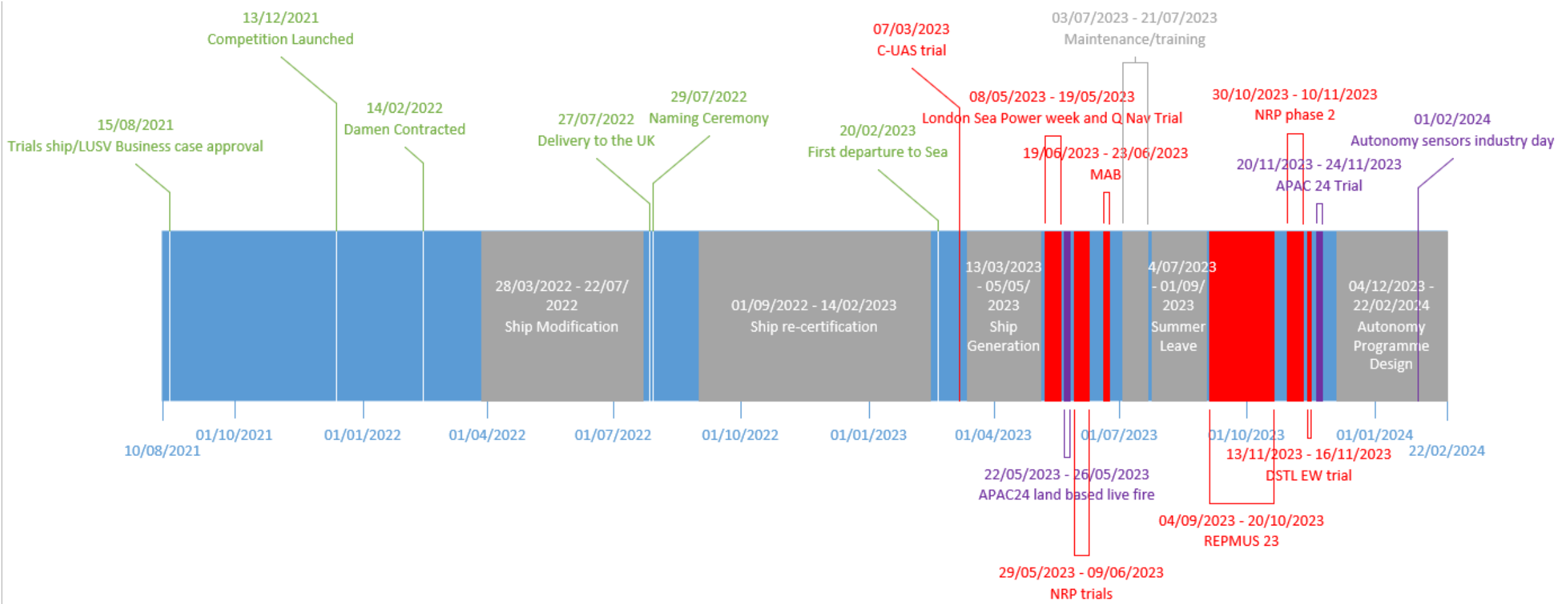
# APAC24



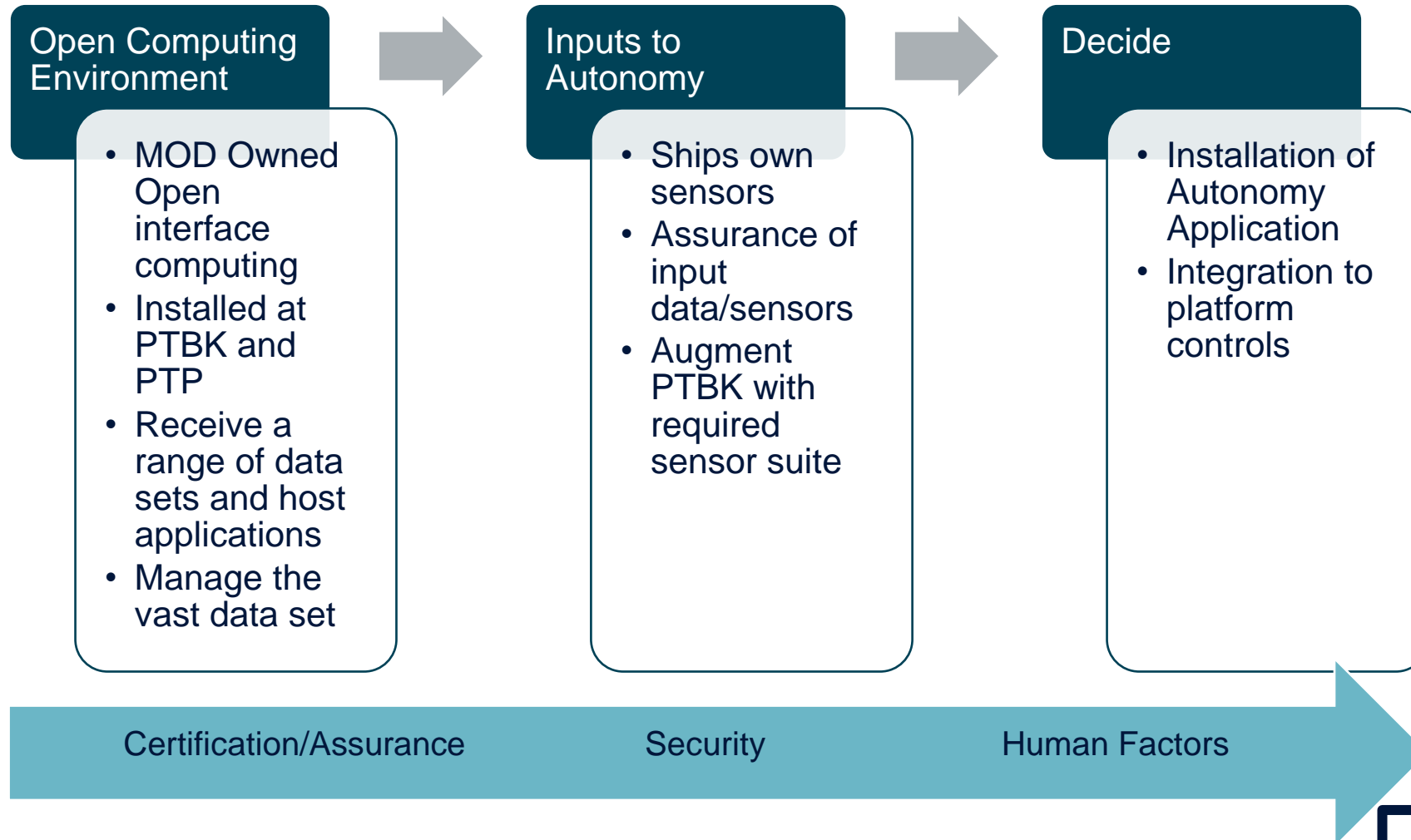
Experiment	Status
Capability demonstration	Completed
Ships Integration trial with T23	Completed
Portsmouth Technology Park (PTP) integration	Completed
Land based Live fire	Completed
Wraysbury	Completed
Launch and Recovery	TBC
REPMUS 2024	Task able node to the StrikeNet (TBC)
At sea Live Fire	Requires possible modification to platform and further experimentation planning.
At sea launch and recovery?	TBC?



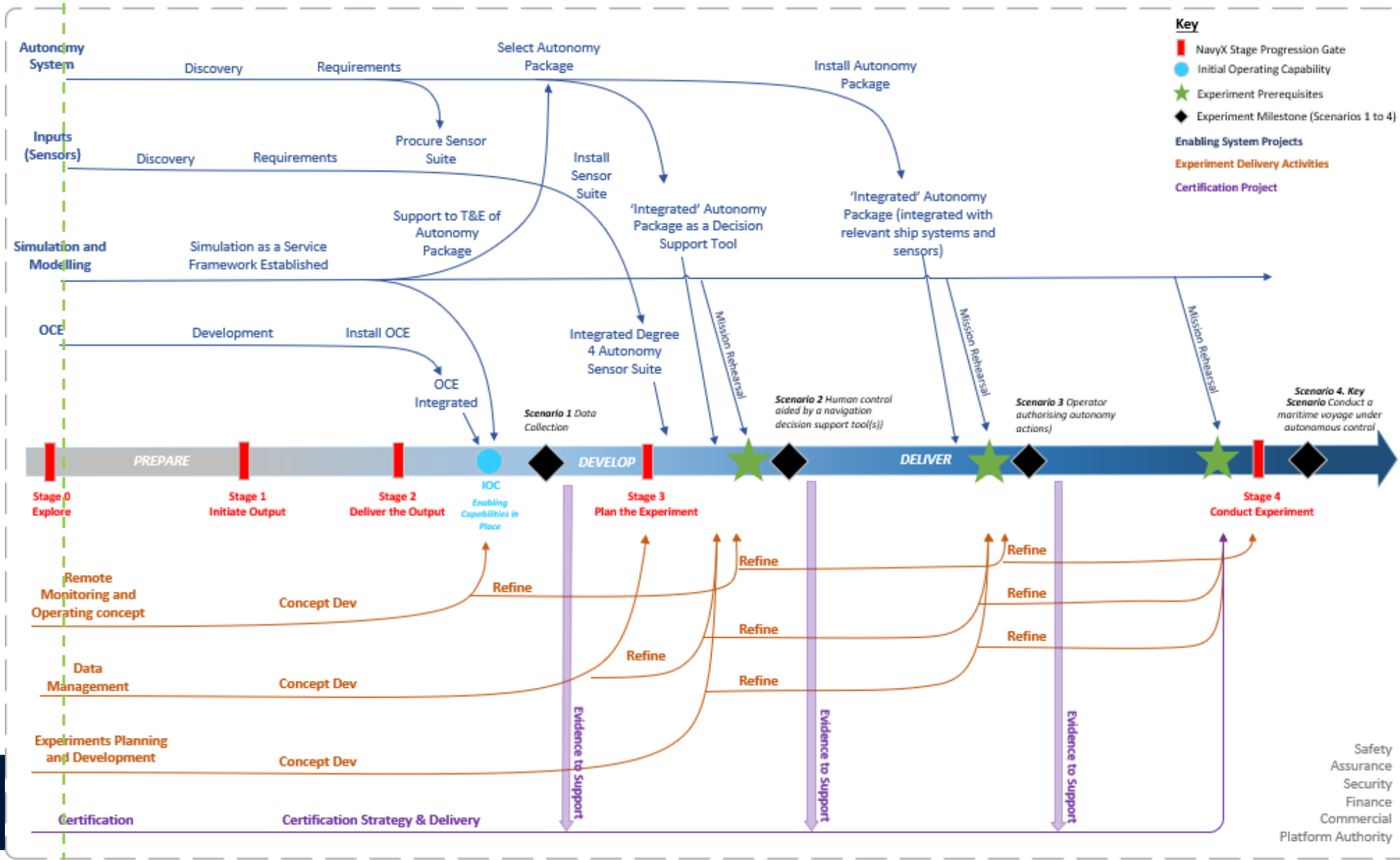
# NavyX- Ship autonomy story



# NavyX Building Blocks to Autonomy



# Autonomy Programme



## Navigation autonomy on PTBK- Crawl (Tranche 1)

Data management in open Computing environment (OCE)

Ships own sensors to OCE

Additional sensors to PTBK- understand what is needed

Sensor assurance pathway development

Test and Evaluation environment development

Certification Strategy

## Navigation autonomy on PTBK- Walk (Tranche 1)

Remote monitoring centre development

Test and evaluation environment development

Autonomy as a decision support aid

Operator vs autonomy experiment

Autonomy system assurance

Integration Plan development

## Navigation autonomy on PTBK- Run (Tranche 1)

Integrate with ships control systems to actuate engines, rudders etc.

## Navigation autonomy on PTBK- Sprint (Tranche 2)

Reduce the need for operators on the bridge

Completed longer passages under autonomous operation

Operate at night

## Autonomy Concept development (Tranche 2)

Build operator experience with ship autonomy

Consolidate the learning and look for weaknesses in the systems

Repeat tranche 1 if the system isn't at required level e.g. autonomy, remote operation or sensor performance

Exploitation pathway development

## "Wartonomy" (Tranche 3)

Develop Tranche 1 activity to enable Warfighting autonomy e.g. none COLREG operation, application of operational Navigation

Use autonomy to understand War fighting use cases

Understand limitations of autonomy in a warfighting contexts e.g. when do we need people in the loop, degraded comms etc.

Look at weaknesses e.g. GNSS

Force Protection of M/L USV's

Management of Crypto

Current Autonomy Programme Scope

NavyX Autonomy Strategic pathway





# Other work steams

- Tactical Data Links
- Multi-Faceted at sea communications
- Integration of StrikeNet into OCE to task APAC24
- SAAB Sea Giraffe radar
  - AWB data exploitation work

Enables FADs concept demonstrator



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